

Gray Ladies Set Holiday Program; More Aides Needed

The Gray Ladies of the Douglas County Chapter, American Red Cross, met at the home of Mrs. Alice Suckling Tuesday evening, Mrs. H. R. Reynolds was hostess and Mrs. Dalen Jones, newly appointed chairman, conducted the meeting.

The Gray Ladies have been putting in many hours of work for the patients in the Roseburg Veterans Hospital and, according to a report issued by the Chapter, have contributed 1041 hours of service during the last five months. The need for additional volunteers was stressed, and each Gray Lady was asked to recruit as many new members as possible. Seven women have joined within the last two months. The hours of service are at the convenience of the volunteer and every effort is made to utilize their special skills and make pleasant assignments within the hospital program.

In addition to their usual services, the Gray Ladies have been asked to assist in several programs being arranged by the Veterans Administration to make the forthcoming holiday season as pleasant as possible for the patients in the Roseburg hospital. Volunteer committees were appointed by the chairman to (1) assist in giving a birthday party for those veterans born in December which will be given Dec. 14; (2) conduct a Red Cross sponsored dance Dec. 27; (3) assist in the decorating of the wards and lobby of the hospital Dec. 20 and 21; (4) help "Santa" distribute gifts Dec. 24; and (5) assist with the Christmas Eve party. Many of the patients will help with the decorating and preparations for the dance and party.

Mrs. E. R. Titcomb, volunteer chairman, announced the local Chapter needs a production and supply service chairman and an entertainment and instruction service chairman to organize, administer and supervise these activities. Interested persons are asked to see Mrs. Titcomb or call the Chapter office in the Armory.

The Gray Ladies' January meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Titcomb, 803 S. Kane Street Jan. 4 at 8 p.m.

The following Gray Ladies attended last Tuesday's meeting: Mrs. Cora Rogan, Mrs. Emily Johnson, Mrs. Paul Barcus, Mrs. Lucille Roughgorn, Mrs. Grace Raymond, Mrs. Helen Boudreau, Mrs. Nettie Christensen, Mrs. Winifred Brown, Mrs. Sylvia Matisoff, Mrs. G. C. Blake, Mrs. Alva Laws, Mrs. V. V. Harpham, Mrs. H. R. Reynolds, Mrs. L. G. Twoby, and Miss Laura Patton. Miss Lucille Hunter, field director at the Veterans Hospital, also attended and explained the requests that were made of the Gray Ladies. The hospital administration has often expressed appreciation of the Gray Ladies' services. Miss Hunter informed the group, and would be pleased with an expansion of their activities. The Gray Ladies, along with other volunteers, have been of inestimable help in furthering the return to good health of the patients, she said.

Speaking Contest Won By Willamette U. Students

NEWBERG, Ore., Dec. 10.—(P)—Willamette University students won top honors in the extemporaneous speaking contest of the Interscholastic Forensic Association at Pacific College yesterday. Betty Ferguson, Willamette student from Richland, Wash., was first in the women's division, and Robert Fayre, Willamette student from Beaverton, in the men's.

Mary Jean Wilson, Linfield College student from Bremerton, Wash., and Dale Pederson, Eugene, University of Oregon student, won honorable mention.



NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED—Douglas County Voiture 1221, 40 and 8 degree team commander, Gene Springer, is pictured welcoming 44 new members into the American Legion at the quarterly initiation ceremonies of Umpqua Post 16, Roseburg, Tuesday night.



FREEDOM INSTRUCTIONS—George Trapalis of 40 and 8 degree team, is shown here giving instructions to 44 new members of Umpqua Post 16, American Legion, Roseburg, Tuesday night, held in memory of Pearl Harbor Day and Good Neighbor Day.

Ouster of Film Writer Laid to Censor Threat

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 10.—(P)—Louis B. Mayer says a threat of federal censorship spurred the movie industry to adopt a policy of firing employees in contempt of Congress.

The 63-year-old millionaire head of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer said this yesterday at the Federal Jury trial of the job reinstatement suit of writer Lester Cole, one of "the Hollywood ten." Cole lost his \$1-

350-a-week job at MGM soon after he declined to tell the House Un-American Activities Committee whether he was a Communist. Earlier, Mayer testified that Cole told him he was not a Communist.

Mayer, a bridegroom who interrupted a honeymoon with his 41-year-old bride to testify, said: "There was a threat of federal

censorship at that time. The public wouldn't be appeased unless something was done. The industry belongs to the public like baseball." He did not elaborate on the censorship threat.

The job of providing Americans with their current diets requires the facilities of more than 50,000 food processors.

State Law Sought For Compulsory Auto Tests

PORTLAND, Dec. 10.—(P)—No more compulsory automobile testing for Portland—unless the whole state adopts it.

And Portland's mayor-elect, Mrs. Dorothy McCullough Lee, will attempt to see that the state does just that.

She joined others on the City Council here yesterday in voting out compulsory testing for the average motorist, but said the next state Legislature would get a proposal for setting up testing stations throughout the state.

There long had been objections by Portland motorists that they alone in Oregon were required to submit their cars twice a year to examination of such things as brakes, windows, headlights, horns and wheels.

The testing station will remain open here with a reduced staff for those voluntarily coming in for check-ups and for compulsory examination of taxis, buses and other passenger-carrying commercial vehicles.

Truman's Letter Puts Spirit in Boy Amputee

PERTH AMBOY, N. J., Dec. 10.—(P)—A letter from President Truman has resulted in a "200 per cent" improvement for a 15-year-old boy, critically burned by 50,000 volts of electricity, according to his nurses.

Frankie Wojciechowski came in contact with a live wire on a railroad siding Oct. 9. He has been in Perth Amboy General Hospital since.

The boy's badly burned legs were amputated in an attempt to

save his life. Nurses said the boy became despondent when the operation failed to improve his condition.

Frankie said he had no knowledge of how the President learned of his plight.

"But if President Truman can win when everyone said he didn't have a chance, I guess I can," Frankie said. "I was pulling for him the day of my operation—election day—and it was the biggest thrill of my life to learn he also was pulling for me."

To prepare a delicious Italian spaghetti sauce, saute one or two finely minced cloves of garlic in a third cup of salad oil; add a quarter cup of finely chopped parsley and a cup of thin cream. Heat gently and mix with a half-pound of cooked spaghetti and a cup of grated Parmesan cheese.

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Sports Shorts OUT OF THE PAST...

—1935—
REGAINS TITLE: "Scotty" Campbell defeated Harry Givan for the Pacific N. W. Amateur Golf Title on the 37th hole after they had tied on the 36-hole play-off. By defeating Givan, Campbell regained the title he had held two years ago and relinquished last year when he failed to defend it.

—1936—
RECORD MARRIED: Northwestern defeated Minnesota, 6-0, to end Minnesota's record of 4 years and 28 games with no defeat. Northwestern's win also broke Minnesota's record of 21 straight wins.

ALL THE WAY: The University of Washington defeated W.S.C. the Thanksgiving Day game, 40-0, to win the right to represent the West in the Rose Bowl game. Washington won 6 and tied 1 (O.S.C.) for a 1,000 average for the season. Washington lost the Rose Bowl game to Pittsburgh, 21-0.

STEEL TOURS: Freddie Steele, the new middleweight titleholder, scored a

2nd round k.o. over Gus Lesnich in an overnight match held in Los Angeles. He had Lesnich on the canvas for a 9-count in the first round and after Gus took a 7-count in the 2nd the towel was thrown in to stop the fight in 1 minute and 12 seconds of that round. Two weeks later Steele stopped Al Rossi of New Jersey in the 1st round.

QUICK UPSET: Allen Matthews, young negro middleweight, k.o.ed Tait Littman in 1 minute and 24 seconds of the first round. Littman was one of the outstanding contenders for a title shot at Steele. Al Hostak, young Seattle fighter, won the semi-final fight of the evening with a 1st round k.o.

—1948—
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