

Church Activities

The 30 members of the Walla Walla College Choral which is scheduled in the county Saturday for two concerts, are drawn from each of the Pacific Northwest states.

In addition, members come from Canada, California, Michigan, Minnesota and Colorado. Five are from Southern Oregon, including Merlin Anderson and Danny Matthews, who formerly attended Roseburg Seventh-day Adventist Junior Academy.

The program they will bring to the Roseburg church Saturday morning at 11 a.m. is varied. It includes sacred instrumental and vocal music. Selections will be included from Mozart's "Requiem Mass," "The Lord's Prayer" and "Deep River." Besides full choral numbers, selections will be featured by vocal soloists, a male quartet and a string quintet.

The choral will feature a secular program of entertainment at the Milo Academy Saturday night at 8 p.m.

Melvin W. Davis, professor of voice at Walla Walla College, directs the choral. He has studied under John Findley Williamson, Arthur and Fred Waring.

The college is sponsoring the choral's tour in an effort to acquaint the public with the aims and motives of the school.

THIRD TORNADO DEATH

DURANT, Okla. — During Thursday recorded its third death from the tornado which struck the city April 2.

Donald Wayne Faulkner, 42-year-old truck driver, died of injuries received when the twister damaged a service station in which he had taken refuge after abandoning his truck.

Six persons, including the three here, died in tornadoes which struck Oklahoma April 2.

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'Oklahoma!' Proves Highly Entertaining As Motion Picture

By LEROY INMAN

"Oklahoma!" the motion picture central Douglas County residents have been waiting to see ever since Douglas High School students endeavored the stage production to the hearts of viewers a year ago, will soon be shown in Roseburg.

And to prove that the motion picture lives up to advance notices, Insidan Theatre owner Eino Hemmilla held a special preview showing for newspaper and radio personnel Thursday afternoon. The verdict was that the film contained all that the stage show had to offer, plus the advantages of unlimited staging and musical and sound effects.

The film version stays very close to the original stage play. Hollywood didn't try to improve on this most appealing love story of common folks as is so often the case, but kept most of the original dialogue and musical score that Rogers and Hammerstein wrote. Only occasionally is the usual Hollywood extravaganza tinge used to add color to an already colorful production. The motion picture is in color and CinemaScope, and the sound recording is noticeably improved.

The simple, and more often than not, humorous love story of Curley, played by Gordon MacRae, and Laurey, played by Shirley Jones is convincingly told. Both have excellent singing voices, made to order for the popular tunes from "Oklahoma!"

It was interesting to note the striking resemblance of Miss Jones to Douglas High's Mickey Eason, who played the title role of Laurey on alternate nights of the school's production last year. The comedy roles of Ado Annie, played by Gloria Grahame; Will Parker, played by Gene Nelson; Ali Hakim, played by Edw. Albert; and Aunt Eller, played by Charlotte Greenwood, are charming, and Rod Steiger makes an excellent villain in the role of Jud.

"Oklahoma!" is an adaptation of the drama "Green Grow the Lilacs" by Lynn Riggs, and is set in the period immediately preceding that state's admittance to the Union. The story is a simple one; that of Curley and Jud and their mutual love for Laurey. However, it is the lilting music and the colorful costumes which made "Oklahoma!" a byword in stage, and now screen classics.

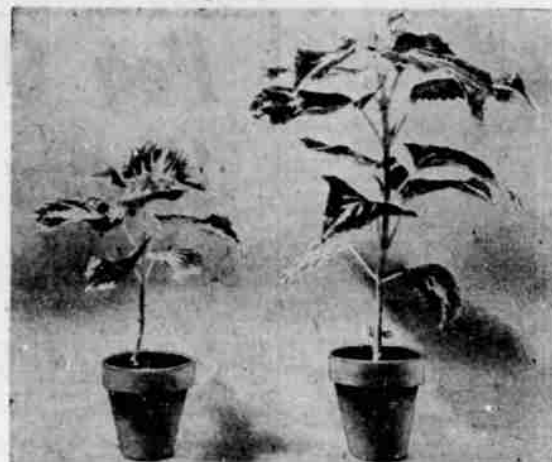
Umpqua Unit Elects Mrs. Mildred Burpee

By EDITH DUNN

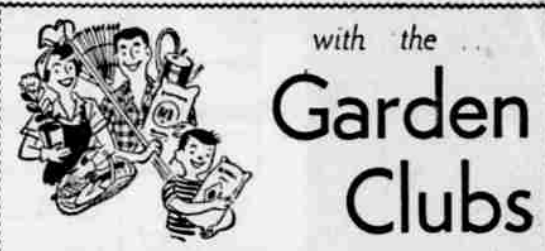
Mrs. Mildred Burpee was elected president of the Umpqua Home Extension Unit, at the last meeting. Other officers elected were: Mrs. Cordelia Slane, vice president, and Mrs. Janet Manning, secretary-treasurer.

Plans were discussed for the Homemakers Festival to be held in Roseburg May 2, and the Umpqua Unit is to make corsages. A collection was taken for the 4-H scholarship, which will be given to a deserving 4-H member. Mrs. Allen Tullihill gave a lesson on making sofa cushions.

The final lesson for the year will be given by the county agent at Calapooia clubhouse, May 14.



POPULAR COLEUS plant responds to growth stimulant, gibberellic acid. Plants above were photographed when they were 8 weeks old. Large Coleus was sprayed at 4 weeks with the acid. A growth response to the product was noted in one week.



with the Garden Clubs

Botanists and horticulturists, are right in the midst of "the most revolutionary plant advance in 50 years." A magic chemical that Jack must have used to grow his beanstalk.

The amazed scientists are going out of their assorted minds as reports are flooding in from all over the country on giant three-foot geraniums; 100 per cent growth from soybeans in a single week; dwarf corn which normally grows only a foot or two high, reaching the amazing growth of eight to nine feet; celery, which doubles leaf and stalk growth; even young trees doubling and tripling growth in three weeks.

Works Fast
And it works fast. Sometimes in ten hours, treated plants, outstrip their untreated neighbors. A marked difference is noted in, generally about two weeks. In exactly three weeks, an African violet, was three times larger than its untreated counterpart. Experiments conducted by the United States Dept. of Agriculture at the horticultural station, Beltsville, Md., produced a poinsettia treated with Gibberellin, three times larger than an untreated plant.

Research conducted by Dr. Lawrence Rappaport, University of California and Mrs. Anton Land and Bernard Phinney UCLA show equally amazing results. The fantastic story has been the same from scores of sources. A rose bush shot up to twice its normal size in exactly two weeks. In four weeks a chrysanthemum grew twice the size and set twice as many blooms as an untreated one. From exhaustive experiments conducted by Michigan State University, photographs, just released for publication, picture a 200 per cent growth in a pepper plant treated four days before photography over an untreated one. A carrot induced to phenomenal proportions.

Elongation of stems is one of the most striking responses although not all plants respond the same. Astonishing things have been done to flowers, house plants, shrubs, bushes, ornamentals, trees, annuals, perennials, bulbs, corms, tubers, lawns, turf, vegetables, berries, fruits. Of special value to nurserymen will be the stimulation of seed germination, regulation of plant growth, control of flowering time and the breaking of dormancy.

The home gardener will be able to bring flowers into bloom at an almost given time for everything from a floral table centerpiece to hitting the exact date of blooms for a flower show. . . . Plants treated with this new up-to-date chemical have been made to flower from two to five weeks sooner than regular blooming time. Two transplanting shock has been avoided, it's now possible to transplant many plants without growth setback or shock.

Controls Blooming
Gibberellin can persuade a "long day plant" to bloom when the days are short and "a short day plant" to bloom when they are long. An unbelievably small amount of the chemical, a dose as small as a millionth of a gram, can cause a plant to grow to four or five times its normal size. Less than an ounce will treat an entire acre of vegetables. Different methods of equally effective application have been developed by the major manufacturers. One progressive licensee manufacturer is providing a complete package, for spray application, which is by far the most simple and easiest for the home gardener. Gibberellin is being marketed under various names by licensed producers. What the botanists have discovered may, as a spokesman has related, "create a plant revolution." Jack's beanstalk into outer space with Gibberellin.

Garden Valley
Geraniums, originated in South Africa in 1732. Then there were only half a dozen species. Today, there are 1,000, with popularity increasing.

These facts were reported by Mrs. W. R. Wright at the last meeting of the Garden Valley Garden Club at the home of Mrs. Ray Young. Eleven members and four guests attended.

Mrs. Wright also reported that cuttings from Geraniums may be taken in the spring or fall, according to when the blooms are desired.

A resolution was approved at the meeting to serve simple refreshments after programs. Mrs. Young gave growing pansies to each of her guests.

Mrs. Hugh Ritchie will be hostess April 24 and will present a lesson on chrysanthemums.

Riversdale Grange Picks Talent Entry

By ADDIE SCHNEIDER

Sharon Wickham will be the entry from the Riversdale Grange representing Douglas County at a district youth talent contest April 20.

The contest will be held in the Hebron Grange Hall, near Cottage Grove Lake, five miles out South 6th Street from Cottage Grove. The social meeting planned for that evening at the Riversdale Grange Hall has been postponed.

Hand Crushed
Roy Hehn suffered a badly crushed hand last week while working in the woods. He was taken to the Cottage Grove hospital for treatment. His hand will be in a cast for about six weeks.

Several members of the North Douglas Grange visited the Riversdale Grange last week and presented a program for the lecturers hour.

Sutherland High Show Scheduled Tonight At 8

The Sutherland High School sophomore amateur show is scheduled tonight at 8 in the gymnasium, and at least 44 acts have been arranged.

The program is expected to be replete with singing, dancing, pantomime, instrumental numbers and a host of other entertaining features, according to Chairman Imogene Gray.

The amateur is being staged to raise funds for sophomore class projects.



BOTH PLANTS pictured above were photographed when approximately 4 months old. Large chrysanthemum was treated with a gibberellic acid product. The small one was untreated. Response was observed within seven days after application. Treated "mum" was sprayed at 2 1/2 months of age.

Attorney Sued By Client Over Timber Transaction

Claiming he was deceived about the legality of an agreement involving the sale of timber lands, Frank Guse has filed a \$57,000 lawsuit against A. C. Roll, Roseburg attorney.

In his complaint in circuit court, Guse claims he had an agreement with Roll in which Guse was to act as agent in selling timber in Walla Walla and Columbia counties in Washington. After the timber was sold, the plaintiff charges, he learned that the agreement was illegal because he was not a real estate broker or licensed salesman.

Guse alleges that under terms of the agreement he was to receive five per cent of the selling price. Later, he states, the agreement was modified to make his commission \$7,380 if the timber sold for more than \$50,000. He claims the timber was sold by Roll in October, 1955 for \$87,500.

Guse charges that he assisted in erasing the timber and in advertising and exhibiting the timber. He states that he made about 30 trips from Roseburg to the timber site and spent about 160 days cruising and showing it to prospective buyers. He claims to have paid about \$750 for guides, transportation and other expenses involved in the work.

The plaintiff's complaint, filed by an Eugene law firm, states that Roll is "a member of the Oregon State Bar, licensed to practice law in this state and engaged in the

active practice of law. That plaintiff is uneducated and ignorant of the law. That defendant's knowledge of law is markedly superior to that of plaintiff."

Guse claims that from the time the agreement was reached on Oct. 15, 1954 until the timber was sold, Roll had "falsely and with intent to deceive the plaintiff, represented to plaintiff by words and conduct that said agreement . . . was a legal, binding and enforceable contract."

Compensatory damages of \$7,000 are sought and \$50,000 exemplary damages.

Oakland Board Plans For Next School Year

By EDITH DUNN

The Oakland School District received an allowance of \$180,410 from the rural school board, it was announced at the meeting this week. A vote is upcoming on the rural school budget.

Plans discussed by the board included requirements for maintenance and bus drivers, the new school lunch program, which requires the hiring of new cooks, and drainage of water from school grounds, which is to be investigated.

A teachers contract was offered to Mrs. Sadie Davidson.

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