



BEAUTY WITH TALENT — With beauty to match the quality of their voices, the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Ponsobny are hoping to get the break they need for a professional career this summer when they meet Lawrence Welk, band leader. Standing is Sharon and seated from left to right are Donna, Patty, Sheila and Maureen. (Wilson Studio)

Upper Cow Creek Sisters Planning To Meet Welk

Anyone in the sparsely populated area of Upper Cow Creek Road 20 miles east of Astoria is likely to hear the dulcet tones of five fresh, feminine voices wafting across the wooded hills.

The voices are those of the five Ponsobny sisters of the O-PAR Ranch.

Although the ranch is comparatively isolated (not even a telephone line reaches the house), the girls' singing isn't wasted on the deer and bear.

Their appeal to the human ear became evident this month when they gained considerable attention in Portland during a contest against six of the top teen-age singing groups of Oregon.

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Careers Eyed

Now the girls are eyeing the possibilities of a professional singing career. This summer they will go to Los Angeles to discuss the possibilities of such a career with Lawrence Welk, the band leader of television fame.

Television will be nothing new to them, even 6-year-old Sheila. They have appeared on television in Medford, Eugene and Portland. Their biggest claim to fame, however, came when they were nominated as finalists in the Westinghouse Youth Talent Search in Portland April 12. They were among six groups selected from Oregon to compete for the free trip to New York City.

They didn't win, but disc jockey Barney Keep called them "outstanding."

Meanwhile, just to keep in voice, the girls have at least two more engagements. They will sing at the Mt. Angel Academy May 17 and then in Roseburg during the County Home Extension May Festival.

Future At Stake

Their reception in Los Angeles will largely determine the future for the girls. If nothing comes of it, the oldest girls, Sharon and Maureen, are going on to college. This means the quintet will be broken up.

Canyonville Supt. O. J. Monger thinks the girls are splendid singers, but he points out it isn't their only talent. The two older girls are members of the National Honor Society and good students, he says. "I fully expect to see the other girls doing just as well in their education," he concluded.



HOLD LEAD ROLES — Loretta Desbiens and Paul Dillon, playing Maggie and Lester, are in the leading roles for the Roseburg High School senior class play. The play, "Inside Lester," will be staged at the high school auditorium May 2 and 3.

Yoncalla Girl's Essay Places Third In State

Bonnie Bowman, Yoncalla High School junior, won third place honors in the state for her essay on, "How Hiring the Handicapped Helps You and Me."

She will receive a \$25 saving bond. Bonnie was notified of her third place berth by Governor Robert Holmes.

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Ticket Sales Slated For 'Inside Lester'

Tickets for the two-hour play, "Inside Lester," to be presented by the Roseburg High School senior class, will go on sale next week. It was announced today by Bob Fies, business manager.

The play, first performed in 1954, will be presented May 2 and 3. It tells of the trepidations of the author of a fictional, but world famous detective named "Tough Malloy."

It is sprinkled with thieves, gamblers, a disappearing diamond and a heavy dose of humor.

Members of the cast are: Loretta Desbiens, Paul Dillon, Judy Coakrum, Dean McCargar, Bill Neuner, Oma Liles, Kathy Fretwell, Nancy Whittaker, Carolyn Sinclair and Mike Vasey.

The play has two acts, one in a New York City office and other in a cabin on an island.

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By MIKE MURPHY

Marco Riva, a 16-year-old Italian boy, will attend Roseburg High School as an exchange student next year. The Roseburg Rotary Club has furnished a \$650 scholarship to make this possible.

Marco is from Milan, Italy, where he attends a science high school. His father is manager of a chemical factory. His favorite courses are mathematics and science. He likes to play tennis, ski and swim.

Last summer he spent two months in London studying English.

\$450 Appropriated

The Roseburg Rotary Club has appropriated \$450 which will be used to pay Marco's expenses in coming to this country. Many Rotary clubs throughout the United States are similarly sponsoring exchange students and a number of exchange students have been brought to Oregon communities through the efforts of the Rotary clubs and other service organizations. The American Field Service,

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Rally Squad Tryout Scheduled April 28

The student body of Roseburg High will elect next year's rally squad after a tryout assembly to be held next Monday, April 28.

The rally squad leads the yell at all Roseburg High School football and basketball games. In addition, this year, the rally squad is present at all home baseball games, track meets, and tennis matches. The rally squad consists of six girls and three boys. All girls must be members of Pepettes.

At the tryout assembly groups of candidates will lead yell. Then the new rally squad will be elected. The boy receiving the most votes will be the rally squad king and the girl receiving the most votes will be the rally squad queen.

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GAINS HONOR ROLL

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON.—A total of 332 students are listed on the university's honor roll for winter term. To qualify students must earn grade point averages of 3.50 or higher. Of those on the roll, 37 students made perfect scores of 4.00, or all A grades.

On the honor roll from Winchester is Barbara H. Foye, daughter of Mrs. and Mrs. W. H. Pattison of Winchester. Miss Foye is a sophomore in liberal arts.

Professor To Conduct Parade Of Bands Here

Prof. Glenn Bainum from Northwestern University will conduct a "Parade of Bands" clinic May 17 in the Roseburg High School auditorium.

Prof. Bainum, the visiting conductor, travels all over the nation, giving similar clinics. He will be returning from Hawaii when he visits Roseburg.

In the clinic, the two junior high bands and the concert and cadet bands from the high school will give performances. Prof. Bainum will give suggestions for improvement.

The day before the "Parade of Bands," the professor will hold a clinic for band directors from all over the county.

The Parade of Bands will be at 8 p.m. in the auditorium. There will be no admission charge.

Glendale Junior Class To Give 3-Act Comedy

A three-act comedy, "Professor, How Could You," will be presented by the junior class of Glendale High May 1.

Bob Lee, language and speech instructor, will direct the play. Dora Lee Allen will be his student assistant.

Students participating in the play are Dean Ball, Sandra Palmer, Lynn Troxel, Sandra Johns, Janet Nicholson, Nancy Furlong, Jim Berry, Jamie Munyon, Lester Diltz, and Mary June Holland.

Yoncalla High To Participate In Play Contest

Nine students from Yoncalla Union High School will travel to Canyonville April 30 to participate in a one act play contest.

There will be several schools from the county participating. A trophy will be given for first place and the best actor and actress will be chosen.

Title of the play to be presented by Yoncalla is, "The City Slicker and Our Nellie."

Cast includes Anita Fullbright, Opal Crow, Bill Snider, Margaret Abbott, Howard Loyd, Phil Edin, Barbara Clark and Sharon Boan.



MARCH GIRL at Glendale High School was Sandra Eaton. The young sophomore was selected for her personality, friendliness and collection of fine, traffic court procedures and safety education. Traffic-toll reduction will be subject of an address by Atty. Gen. Robert V. Thornton at a conference dinner, 6:30 p.m., Thursday at the Eugene hotel.

On the conference staff will be District Judge Warren Woodruff of Roseburg.

Marines Issue Call For College-Bound

Applications are now being accepted for the platoon leaders class, a U. S. Marine officer candidate program, reports T. Sgt. Barnes L. Shanks at the Roseburg recruiting office.

The applications can be made by high school seniors who are planning to attend college.

The program allows the student to attend college and serve his military obligation as a marine lieutenant after graduation. He is further afforded the opportunity to serve in the ground component or as a Marine aviator.

He receives two six-week training phases during his four years of college and has no Marine drills of classes during the school year. He also accrues other benefits that assure him a commission upon graduation and extra pay when on active duty. He also receives leadership training, an opportunity to travel and a field of endeavor.

Anyone interested may contact Shanks at the Douglas County Courthouse.

Metal Working Class Fashions Wrought Iron

Metal working students of Roseburg High have chosen various projects in wrought iron on which they will work for the rest of the year.

Popular types of projects include fireplace sets and small stools and chairs. Other students will work on mallets, model cannons, ash trays, and small bowls. A student can work on as many projects as he is able to finish.

Methods of completing the projects include work on the lathe, welding, twisting, grinding, and hammering. Some of the students are also using a little known process called spinning. In this process a piece of sheet metal is attached to a spinning disc and bent into the shape of the disc.

Mr. Lindsey, the instructor, teaches four classes of metal working.

'Daddy Night' Is Slated By FHA Here Thursday

Daddy Date Night has been included among projects for the Future Homemakers of America club at Roseburg High School. It has been scheduled Thursday at 7 p.m.

The girls' service project for this year is to raise money for crippled children. Finally, an award night will recognize activities of the girls. They have been figuring degrees earned and those yet to be earned to receive awards at the event.

Sutherlin High Students Start Employment Bureau

Sutherlin High School students have started a move to find summer and part-time employment. Larry Modrell, president of the student body, said a teen-age employment bureau has been established through the school. The plan has the backing of the PTA and city officials.

Under the plan, prospective employers can phone the school for babysitters, gardeners and high schoolers interested in doing odd-end jobs. Other categories of work also are included.

Students can qualify themselves for one or more categories of work, and files will be kept for each category. The jobs will be distributed by pulling names in rotation from the files.

Modrell said the plan originally was to operate through the school year. But if it proves successful, it will be extended to include summer work.

He pointed out that the state Employment Service often won't line up teen-agers for jobs. So the students took it on themselves to find their own jobs.

The student body president commented: "Having a lot of students employed is a good way to keep them out of trouble."

On the committee organizing the bureau were Modrell, Ed Hounshell, Nita DeMoss, Shirley Bennett, Dave Shroy, Terry Petty, Doug Sanders and Phyllis McCoy.

Teen-Agers Club Is Formed By Camas Valley Grange

Many teen-agers over the county have been selected by fellow students in their schools as outstanding for particular months of the year. But at Camas Valley, the teeners will be honored now by their elders.

The Camas Valley Grange this month inaugurated a Teen Club, and each month two teen-age students will be chosen by the grange as "teens of the month."

The April "Teens" selected are Wyoma Pasco and Jim Hammett. Both are sophomores at Camas Valley High and are the elected representatives for the high school in the club.

Mrs. James Combs, youth chairman for the grange, has invited all students and their parents to attend the meetings.

Teen-Age Drivers To Be Scrutinized

Oregon teen-age drivers will come under scrutiny of traffic experts in the first sessions of the state's sixth annual two-day traffic court conference which will open in Eugene, Thursday. They are presented by University of Oregon School of Law and General Extension Division, Oregon State System of Higher Education.

Coordinators for the conference are Dean Orlando J. Hollis, school of law, and Dr. Charles D. Dean, extension division consultant.

Conference registration, scheduled for 8:15 a.m. at Fenton Hall, University of Oregon, is open to all persons interested in traffic court problems. According to Dr. Dean, it is expected that approximately 75 state, county and municipal officials, officers and judges will attend.

In addition to study of the teen-age driver, the conference will consider Oregon's basic speed rule, revocation and suspension of operator licenses, assessment of penalties and collection of fines, traffic court procedures and safety education. Traffic-toll reduction will be subject of an address by Atty. Gen. Robert V. Thornton at a conference dinner, 6:30 p.m., Thursday at the Eugene hotel.

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Local Girl Picked On Linfield Project

Ruth West, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. West, 437 Riverside Drive, Roseburg, is among approximately 75 students at Linfield College at McMinnville, preparing for Senior Weekend on the campus April 25-27. Miss West is on the food committee.

This weekend is the time when high school seniors from the Northwest are invited to the campus to receive a first-hand look at campus life and what Linfield has to offer them.

Visitors will be housed in college dormitories as guests of college students and will have all their meals at the college commons. Idea of the weekend is to allow the preppers to live just as regular college students do at Linfield.

They will visit model classes, meet Linfield professors from the areas in which they are particularly interested, see departmental displays and demonstrations, attend college religious, social and athletic functions and go to a special banquet given in their honor.

Some 500 to 400 high school people and advisors from the Northwest are expected for the weekend of college living.

Home Economics Classes Active

Babysitting, flower arrangements and table setting took the spotlight among freshmen and seniors in the Roseburg High School home economics department last week.

The freshmen classes each heard panel discussions on babysitting. In each, several mothers were invited to participate as members of the panel. They were joined by four girls from each class.

The activity was part of the project selected to help the girls in their present course of babysitting. The girls have been discussing the problems which arise as babysitters and how to handle or prevent them.

The seniors had two activities during the week. On one Mrs. O. J. Feldkamp gave demonstrations on flower arranging. She discussed textures and colors and uses of unusually shaped vases and use of other floral material.

On another day, the seniors went to Roseburg Jewelers to see a demonstration of different ways to set tables.

Tri-Hi-Y Elects New Next Year's Officers

Linda Strickling has been elected new president of the Roseburg Tri-Hi-Y Club at Roseburg High.

Other new officers are: Penny Bevans, vice president; Gave Warren, secretary; Janice Stevens, treasurer; Donna Frisk, chaplain; Paul Dent, historian; and Rita Cox, parliamentarian.

The new officers will be installed in May.

Meanwhile, the club has scheduled a cake sale Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in front of the J. C. Penney store.

Roseburg Annual Staff Announced

The Roseburg High annual staff members have been announced for the 1958-59 year. Their positions will be revealed at the Quill and Scroll banquet Tuesday night.

Members of the staff are Kathy Rooney, Therese Layton, Linda Strickling, Tam Riea, Linda Neal, Judy Barnes, Deanna Payton, Janice Stevens, Janet Martin and Stanley Brown.

Roseburg High Football Turf Being Rejuvenated

Roseburg High School's football turf has been rejuvenated, raised and roller for the past five weeks to rejuvenate it.

About five weeks ago, the field was plowed and allowed to set in order to kill grass. After more work, the field was seeded last week. All work was carried on by the school district maintenance crews.

The field will not be ready for use until the first football game next fall.

'Crash' Program To Understand Man Necessary, Scientist Says

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—Maybe what this country needs is not more scientists but a crash program in understanding our fellow man. A University of Wisconsin professor suggested here.

Dr. D. A. Worcester said it is illuminating but not very inspiring to note how much the nation spends on understanding guided missiles, and how little it spends on understanding the persons who guide them.

Cry For Scientists

In an address prepared for the International Council for Exceptional Children, Dr. Worcester said: "The hue and cry right now is for more scientists. We are proposing new institutions and unlimited budgets to develop means of destroying our enemies. It is conceivable that a similar expenditure in support of talented minds devoted to the understanding of the peoples of the world might render unnecessary the instruments of annihilation.

"It might even make our present enemies our friends."

The topics of his address—history, geography, economics, etc.—are hard studies, Dr. Worcester said. Every effort should be made to spot the gifted students in those fields.

Child Complicated

"It has been observed," he said, "that the movements of the heavenly bodies since the beginning of time are not as complicated as the play of a child for a single hour. It is harder to launch a missile at the summit than to launch a satellite.

"Who will volunteer to put even Dennis the Menace into orbit and guarantee the intelligibility of the signals he will send back?"

"The struggle for survival may best be accomplished by learning how to stay out of war," he said.