

# Along Azeala Row

By Faye Sunderland

A bouquet to Dorothy Lockland, chairman of the Flower Show, President Bee Miller and all the others who made the 1952 show a thrilling success. Our heads are still in the clouds, our hands in an irreparable state of hang nails, scratches and broken nails and our feet fit nicely in our husbands oldest and largest pairs of house slippers!

Such a let down when 5 o'clock Sunday evening rolled around and we had to dismantle the gym. It was like seeing Cinderella's glittering coach turn into a pumpkin—

The woody fairyland, created on the stage by our neighbors from Smith River, was the center of interest of the show. How fortunate we are that these descendants of our First Americans have saved all the gorgeous suits and trappings of a glorious past. The lecture given by one of their group was most interesting and their background music and songs, set off the whole show.

I could hardly bear to watch Mr. Lindscoug nonchalantly tear down those snowy mountain peaks in Alaska and relaxed happily when I heard one of our Smith River First Americans ask Mrs. Lindscoug if they might have the realistic totem poles she had made. Now I know that someday I'll see those clever poles again, perhaps gracing the Indian's lily parade float.

I wandered over and watched Virginia and Clive Manley dismantle their Pan-American booth, adding carefully the exquisite hand made dresses and shirts, the colorful woven blankets and rugs and took one last look at the wonderfully carved old chest. I suppressed a chuckle as I recalled Lillian Weideman standing innocently by and being asked questions regarding this exhibit from Panama until she finally gave up and became a "barker" for the Manley display. A most successful one, too.

Lillian Weideman, by the way, designed the Mexican scene and built it with the help of Alice Rausch. Mrs. Rausch did the fine mural—in chalk! An extra bouquet to these talented ladies.

Everyone hated to see "Poncho", the sleeping Mexican, dismantled. He had become quite a real person and mascot to us and even those who made him were quite surprised to take off his blanket and hat and discover only a hunk of wood, crushed paper and a coat hanger.

And so it went—the fine paintings came down, the flowers and vases were called for by the artistic people who had arranged them. Being permitted to tag along behind the judges, I know just how difficult it was to judge and decide on the many beautiful entries. As an illustration, one lovely arrangement would have won a blue ribbon had the flower

container (or frog) not been visible. They followed carefully the rules on the schedule, plus their own knowledge of arrangements and horticulture. Mrs. Eisenhauer had only recently returned from judging Seattle and Vancouver, B. C., flower shows, and Mrs. Dana, Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Tyler have judged many shows, so we know we had the very best and certainly the most charming of judges. We are grateful to them.

Mrs. Miller, our hard-working president, is appreciate, too, for the co-operation of the whole community. So many who helped make the show a success, are not members of the Azalea Garden Club. We were also happy to receive so many out-of-town entries and very thrilled when opened up the sealed tags to discover that Marjorie Henderson of Wedderburn, was taking home a blue ribbon plus a runner up on the sweepstakes.

The Gold Beach Garden club may hang up ribbons won by members, Mina DeVoe and Alma Russell.

Mrs. C. E. Dempsey of Fort Dick entered some stunning arrangements and took home a blue ribbon.

Gary Baker of Fort Dick took home several ribbons on his fine cacti and also graciously loaned us some for the Mexican scene. A list of all the winners is elsewhere in this issue.

The beautifully decorated tea room, managed entirely by the ladies of the Nayborhill Club, was a welcome haven for the throngs of foot-weary guests and club

## LOCAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Ranph Vincent, former residents of Brookings, but now of Oswego, were Festival visitors over the week-end. In 1947, Mr. Vincent headed the group which staged the festival. The Vincents reported that their children, Nancy and Jim, had just completed the school year at University of Portland.

Mrs. Claude Goldizen left last Wednesday evening for Los Angeles where she was joined by her

members. Several bouquets to them, too, and to the garden club members who streamed in with donations of luscious nut breads and cookies. In fact, it's quite impossible to name all of the folks who deserve mention.

Additional and mundane news is a reminder that June 12 is the date of our June meeting and no-host luncheon at Chetco Inn. Please register your name with Martha Grayshel if you plan to attend. The luncheon will be served at 1 o'clock. Mrs. Rapraeger is our speaker for the afternoon and is always especially interesting. Mrs. MacKenzie not only promises the Azalea Singers but also a solo by Mrs. Donnelly and one by herself.

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daughter, Betti, and the two left Charles Schaal will serve as for Albuquerque, N. Mex., to be justice of the peace for District present, Monday, at the com- No. 1, until the fall election, it mencentment at University of New was announced late last week. He Mexico, where Vernon Goldizen replaces A. E. Sandbo, resigned. was graduated with honors. He Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Peterson a and his mother are expected to retired couple from Portland, have return to Brookings early next taken over the J. R. Watkins week. route for this area.

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