

Hilarious Auction Sale Adds to Student Service Fund

Oregon College of Education, Monmouth, May 17—Faculty services ranging from private rhumba lessons through dinner for three with the college president as host at Dorchester house, and even including such menial but necessary chores as car washing, were auctioned off at Oregon College of Education last week.



Mrs. Howard Jenks, owner of Van's School of Dance, who is presenting "Vanity Spices" May 20 at the Salem High auditorium. The event is being sponsored by the West Salem Boy Scouts and the Highland Mother's club.

Proceeds went to the World Student Service fund, with the faculty members donating their services.

Held in the famed OCE grove of Douglas firs, the event drew spirited student bidding a realized over \$90 for the fund.

High bid was for \$18 which purchased a trip for two to the Ice-Capades in Portland, with lunch and transportation included. The trip was donated by Miss Ruth Carter, OCE instructor in English, and Mrs. Lorna Jessup, director of dormitories Logan Forster of Salem was successful in a three-cornered battle for the prize.

"Corky" Van Loo, OCE Wolves star pitcher, bought in the rhumba lessons, to be taught by Mrs. Faye Knox, wife of Corky's baseball coach, "Bob" Knox, of the OCE PE department.

Three two-hour golf lessons by Coach Knox went to Esther Anderson. Don Plummer was successful bidder for the trip to Dorchester house, a coast resort, as guest of Dr. H. M. Gunn, president of OCE.

A "corporation" of four students, with "Red" Haglund as bidding agent, bought full rights to an evening's entertainment at "the best show in Salem," with transportation in a sporty new convertible driven by Miss Joan Seavey, OCE's dean of women.

But the bid that brought down the house was "Bob" Gash's, an unmarried student, purchased the baby-sitting services of OCE's "Mr. Belvidere," George Harding, instructor in speech, and father of four. Gash sold at a profit later.

Man O' War never ran in the Kentucky Derby.

Palmer, James Peterson, Patricia Schotthoefer, Jean Stewart and Delores Wolf.

Third honors were received by, Thomas Basal, David Bradley, Virginia Frost, Patricia McGovern, Francis Reiser, Terresia Garble, Shirley Kintz, Birkoiz, Lloyd Bye, Rita Etzel, Jackie Gries, Jeanette Kintz, Clement Lulay, Rose Pietrok, Loreta Quenter, Donald Schotthoefer.



Houses by the Thousand—One of the world's largest private housing projects is near San Juan, Puerto Rico, where 3,500 homes are occupied and 1,500 more are under way.

Push Buttons Operate Big Top

By HARMAN W. NICHOLS

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

Washington, May 17 (AP)—The greatest show on earth is here with two big improvements.

One is a push-button uplift and the other a sheep-headed lady. Science is responsible for the uplift and you can blame me for the lady. Let's take things one at a time.

The day of the roustabout—if there ever was such a thing—is history. The 30,000 square yards of canvas which shelters the Ringling Brothers and Barnum Bailey Circus blossoms before your very eyes by button pushing.

The big top goes up fast, but the seats go up a lot faster. A lot of sleek trucks come in and circle the tent area. Somebody pushes a couple of buttons and the seats jump out of the trucks. Another session of button-pushing and up they go into the stands—and into place. Magic! The seats, incidentally, are upholstered and even in the bleachers you have a footrest.

Gone are the days when pop had to watch his kids to keep 'em from falling through the wide open spaces of wooden seats.

I watched the boys put the show together for Ringling's first appearance under canvas this year. It used to take 400 men to raise the big top. Now it takes only 250.

Once it took a couple of hundred fellows four or five hours to anchor the seats. Now it takes a handful of huskies 50 minutes and there are no sore backs for guys who push buttons.

Now about Fi-Fi, the Sheep-headed Lady.

For a number of years I have been kidding the circus because it has no bearded lady. In fact, I wrote a story earlier this spring, at which time Frank Braden, the gravel-voiced, tough little former newspaperman who is the voice in advance of the big show, bowed his head and said:

Frank came to town the other day and couldn't wait to unpack his loud ties before he called.

"We've got a substitute," he said. Then he described Fi-Fi. I haven't met her yet but she must be a thing of consuming beauty. She's a blonde, with a frizzy top-knot that sort of de-

fies description—it says here.

Frank said I had embarrassed him across the years about this bearded lady stuff. The first time I did a piece on it, the circus got a couple of barrels of mail from a lot of ladies who were willing to grow beards. But not from a gal who had one ready.

You probably remember what happened to the last Ringling bearded lady. They had the poor lady sitting next to the flame swallower in the side show. Of course, she turned her plumage left when she should have been looking right and lost her stock in trade.

Frank has met Fi-Fi and claims she is a lady of fine talent.

She doesn't really look like a sheep, except for the kinky top. "We expect a little trouble, though—thanks to you and your campaign," Frank said. "This makes two Fi-Fis we have. The other one is a chimpanzee trainer. They are bound to be jealous of the double billing."

Special Matinee for Students Announced

Because of insistent demand on the part of school and university authorities, the State theatre management announced today that a special student matinee of "The Red Shoes" will be held tomorrow at 4 p.m. The entire theatre will be available to students at a special reduced rate.

Winner of three Academy awards and numerous national and international prizes, "The Red Shoes" has been acclaimed by critics everywhere as one of the greatest pictures of all time, combining as it does, the finest in music and ballet, welded together in technicolor.

Den Mother Hostess

Grand Island—The Cub scouts of Unionvale were guests of Mrs. Raymond Palmer, Den Mother of the group at a dinner at the Palmer home after a boating contest won by Norman Finnicum, 11. Six members were present: Norman Finnicum, Gary Rockhill, Cecil Smith, Keith Taylor, Leon Palmer and Merlyn Gubser. This Cub scout group was organized about one month ago. Roy Aebi of Dayton Prairie is leader. Jimmy Ellison, of Unionvale, is Den Chief and the meetings are held once a week.

And where is Fi-Fi the sheep-headed lady from?

Frank, one of the most honest circus press agents I ever met, said:

"She's from Sheephead Bay. We're billing her as from Zanzibar."

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Sublimity—The pupils of St. Boniface high school received their report cards this past week and those receiving honors were:

First honors, Catherine Steinkamp, Roy Christiansen.

Second honors went to Rosemary Breienstein, Marjorie Gries, Pat Ditter, Geo. Leverman, Jeanne Ruef, Betty Schumaker, Leona Weissenfels, Lavone Benedict, Arthur Christiansen, Marguerite Frost, Edward Hieberger, Marlene Hartman, Joanne Lulay, Delores Menden, Margaret Stuckart, Donna Susbauer, Patricia Tompfer, Virginia Welter, Duane Bradley, Elaine DeJardin, Laveta Dozler, Marlene Frank, Deveta Nightingale, Marlene Odenthal, Agnes Steinkamp, Elizabeth Wolf, Donna Frank, Francis Etzel, Rose Marie Kirsch, Carole O'Connor, Marilyn

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