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Middle Grove Mothers Club

Middle Grove—A change has been made in the meeting date and hour for Middle Grove Mothers club meetings. Tuesday, October 21, at 7:30 p.m., the second meeting of the new year will be held. Teachers Wallace Turnidge and Miss Eleanor Burton will discuss the new method of grading students by using the conference system. Meeting at this hour will make it possible for all mothers working away from home and those having small children at home which can not be taken to meetings able to attend.

The Middle Grove Associated clubs observed National Oil Progress week with pictures being shown by a representative of the Standard Oil company for the program. Titles of pictures were "Enchanted Isles" and "Alaska." The president, Ernest Crum appointed the nominating committee for new year officers which will be elected in November. Serving will be Mrs. Cleo Keppinger—Mrs. John Van Laanen and Norman Fletcher. Mrs. John Anglin was asked to prepare the program for November meeting. Serving on the refreshment committee were Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Patterson and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Reynolds. Several members of the Associated clubs served the lunch for the Guernsey sale at the fair grounds Saturday.

Mount Angel Students Conduct Living Rosary

Mt. Angel—Students of Mount Angel academy participated in the living rosary ceremony, Friday, October 17, in the convent chapel.

Mary Ann Beyer and Laura Schmitz, student officers, and mission club officers, Betty De Santis, Alice Shames, Mary Platt and Katherine Iig, were in white formal and formed the cross. Junior and senior high school students formed the rosary proper by standing in circle formation in the chapel, reciting successively a "Hail Mary," "Our Father" or the Doxology. Freshmen and sophomores formed the main part of the congregation in the chapel and appeared for the first time wearing school bandanas which bore the school's letters in gold, M.A.A.

Leslie Elects Officers For Junior Red Cross

Junior Red Cross officers have been elected at Leslie for the first 18 weeks. The officers elected were Karen Thomas, president; Teddy Foxley, vice-president; Linda Kendrick, secretary, and Marty Mattson, treasurer. They meet every Tuesday at 8:15 a.m.

The teachers to head the merit system at Leslie have been chosen. The chairman is Lewis Bartlett and the assistants are Miss Helen Fletcher and Mrs. Linda Halvorsen. This committee supervises the student merit system at Leslie. Students earn awards by doing odd jobs around school. Three students will be chosen later to assist the faculty members on the committee.

St. Paul's Men Will Meet Tuesday Night

The first fall meeting of the men of St. Paul's Episcopal church will be Tuesday night in the parish hall. Dr. S. D. Wiles, president of the club, will preside.

A feature of the evening will be a panel discussion of the proposed new church planned for construction soon. James L. Payne, architect, Glenn S. Paxson, chairman of the building committee and Carl P. Armstrong, treasurer of the church, will be on the panel with Dr. W. W. Baum acting as moderator. The meeting will open at 6:30 with a dinner.

Train Derailed; 23 Die
Johannesburg, South Africa (AP)—The Durban-Johannesburg passenger train was derailed on an embankment in Natal Monday killing 23 passengers and injuring 37 others.

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Dirty Faces Cause Girls' Spree to End

London (AP)—Three little maids from school went out on a weekend spree with 100 pounds (\$280) in their pockets and an itch to see the bright lights of Southend, London's Coney Island.

The trio—Ann, 13, Christine, 11, and Kay, 10—were back home in tears Tuesday. And all because, like most little girls at one time or another, they forgot to wash their faces.

A reception clerk noticed their dirty visages and lack of luggage when they tried to check in at a Southend hotel. He told police. The police asked a lot of questions and returned them to their worried parents.

The spree began on Saturday when the youngsters met on a street corner and gaily set out with the 100 pounds Kay had taken from her parents' home.

When the fling ended abruptly, there were 67 pounds (\$187.60) left—and a bag full of dresses, nylon stockings, perfume and cigarettes—to show for it. And, of course, the memory of a wonderful time.

WAR FLARES AGAIN

French Suffer Serious Defeat In Indo-China; No Truce

By PHIL NEWSOM
(United Press Feature News Editor)
It's the dry season now in Indo-China. And like tinder awaiting the spark, the Indo-Chinese war has flared again, with the French suffering a serious defeat.

Once more the northern city of Hanoi is threatened. Militarily, the French now must decide whether to risk piecemeal destruction of their forces in isolated outpost fighting or to pull back for a perimeter defense of Hanoi itself.

The wars in Indo-China and Korea continue to build up strikingly similar characteristics.

One of the most recent developments was to add further proof that even the heaviest aerial bombing of enemy supply routes cannot prevent any enemy buildup.

The French have been attacking communist supply routes persistently for a year. But despite all that, it has been esti-

up of loyal Viet Nam troops.

An increasingly great effort is being made in both Indo-China and Korea to turn as much of the fighting as possible over to native forces.

The Viet Nam army now stands at four divisions and two more are forming.

The French expect to be able to pull two of their own battalions out of the country by Christmas, as the Viet Nam army grows.

But, meanwhile, just as the truce lull in Korea enabled the Reds to build up their forces there, so has the rainy season aided them in Indo-China. They now have about 400,000 regulars and auxiliaries and are capable of massing 30,000 to 40,000 men for a single battle.

In the Tonkin Delta region, where last week the outpost fortress of N'Ghiam fell, the Reds are supposed to have about 50,000 men inside the French perimeter and another four divisions outside.

So it was bad news last week for the French in Indo-China where another expensive war drags on endlessly, pending a global settlement between the totalitarian and democratic world.

Art Show Ends

Venice, Italy (AP)—The 26th international Venice Art Biennale ended Sunday night. A total of more than \$90,000 was paid for 432 works of art sold during the four-month exhibition.

Lens on Bombsight Fitting Eyes Does Away With Spectacles

By HARMAN W. NICHOLS

Washington (AP)—Felix E. Flores, a civilian employe in the bombsight maintenance shop at Randolph air force base in Texas, went to the base hospital with a problem.

It seems that he was having trouble calibrating the bombsights. Because he wore glasses, he was unable to focus the sight to calibrate it the way it should be calibrated.

Lt. Lester Zeff, the optometry officer of the hospital's eye clinic, gave the matter some thought and finally came up with an idea.

The officer's reasoning went like this: The bombsight eye pieces contain a lens suited for a man with perfect eyesight. Wouldn't it be just as easy to substitute a lens corrected for an individual prescription and do away with the glasses while operating the mechanism?

Some thought yes, and others thought no, but after a meeting of minds the air force decided to give the lieutenant's idea a whirl.

A special order for a lens made to fit Flores' eyes was sent to the St. Louis, Mo., medical depot.

In due time the lens arrived at Randolph. Flores tried it out and found that his efficiency improved by 50 per cent. In addition, his job was less tiring.

Zeff then ordered more lenses for bombardiers at the Randolph B-29 school. He explained:

"Many of the men are recalled reservists in training. Since they last served, the eyesight of some has changed, through no fault of their own."

A grateful bombardier at Forbes AFB in Kansas wrote the lieutenant:

"I am writing to thank you for the service that you rendered me. Since receiving my ground lens for the bombsight, my proficiency has increased. I no longer have the strain and poor results I had been getting. . . . In time I am sure that many good men with poor eyesight will have no trouble qualifying."

Mrs. Maulding In Salem

Silverton—Mrs. Ruth Maulding, an apprentice technician student from a Salem hospital, has been employed at the local hospital as assistant technician. Mrs. Maulding's two small sons are being cared for at the home of her parents, the I. L. Smiths.

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Filbert Growers Sore at Truman

Portland (AP)—Filbert growers of Oregon Monday said they were disappointed in President Truman's rejection of an import quota on shelled filberts.

The quota plan, recommended by the tariff commission, would work a hardship on Turkey, the chief source of imported filberts, the president said. He said the program would reduce Turkey's annual dollar earnings by 1 1/2 millions.

John Trunk, manager of the Northwest Nut Growers' association, said "the president apparently is putting the welfare of the Turks ahead of that of Oregon and Washington growers."

Dewey Says Truman Fears 'Clean Slate'

New York (AP)—Gov. Thomas E. Dewey says President Truman fears to have a "clean" administration take over Washington, and "it must be because the treason is so great he does not dare let it be rooted out."

He made the statement last night in a speech at a rally of the New York Young Republican club.

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