

Peg in Washington

BY ALENE (PEG) PHILLIPS

Washington, D.C., May 11 Dear Marlan:

Members of patriotic organizations in Salem will be interested to know that two Salemites were on the program at the Mother's day ceremonies at Arlington National Cemetery. Mrs. Mabel A. Lockwood, national president of the American War Mothers, and Douglas McKay, Secretary of the Interior, brought the Oregon touch to the event. Mrs. Lockwood extended greetings and the Secretary gave the address. Various veterans organizations provided the guards of honor and participated in the massing of the colors. Floral tributes were placed in profusion at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Mrs. Lockwood and her national secretary, Mrs. E. E. Bergman, Salem, arranged for the Secretary's participation, although Mrs. Bergman was unable to be in Washington for the occasion.

In an 87-degree temperature the audience sought the shade wherever possible and the Secretary limited the length of his tribute to the War Mothers in deference to the hot sun that beat down on those on the platform and in portions of the large amphitheatre.

Interested visitors in Washington this week were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Otto, Mrs. Laura Eaton and Miss Nancy Otto, all of Salem. Nancy was here to represent Englewood school, which for the third year won an award on the subject "For Freedom's Foundation." Vice-President Richard M. Nixon presented the award to her at Valley Forge on Sunday. Mrs. Eaton, Englewood teacher, and Nancy's parents enjoyed a brief visit with the Secretary, whom they had also seen at the Arlington cemetery.

Supreme Court Justice and Mrs. Harold H. Burton entertained last week with a large reception at the Congressional Club in honor of Secretary and Mrs. McKay. Some 500 persons were bidden to the party and in spite of an inordinately heavy rainstorm, the guests came pouring in. Mrs. McKay wore a deep grey chiffon with iridescent beads outlining the neckline and her orchids were pale pink. Since Justice Burton was formerly a member of the Senate, the guests came from court and congressional circles, with a liberal sprinkling of townspeople and the embassy contingency. An orchestral trio provided background music. One dining room took care of the coffee and tea drinkers and another provided fruit punch.

At the latter table I visited with Congressman and Mrs. Sam Coon, who had as their guests, Dr. and Mrs. Eyer Young, former Baker residents, who are now living in Coronado, Calif. Dress at these five to seven affairs varies all the way from suits to low-cut cocktail dresses. Many persons come en route to later dinner parties or from afternoon events and a great latitude in costume results. One Washington socialite came in a pale blue decollete dinner gown with a matching waist-length cape of ostrich and as she came down the wide staircase, unescorted and with no one near enough to hamper the view, she at least drew "ohs," if not "ahs." Incidentally, the society editors here seldom fail in describing costumes worn by Mrs. Burton to mention that she wears both earrings of any set on the same ear.

Secretary McKay enjoyed his first luncheon party at the White House last week, and if that were not enough he was bidden for a second luncheon three days later. The first honored the visiting governors and Oregon's Governor Paul L. Patterson was another interested visitor to the huge state dining room. The second was in honor of the Prime Minister of Canada, Louis St. Laurent. The Secretaries of State, Commerce and Interior were included in the latter luncheon with some 17 other guests.

When the Congressional Club honored Mrs. Dwight D. Eisenhower at a brunch at the Statler last Saturday, Mrs. McKay was one of the guests at the long head table. The President's wife was, as usual, dressed in excellent taste with a black light-weight suit, a small white hat, her famous double-strand pearl choker which she wears nearly continuously, and fittingly she was presented with a corsage of baby white orchids. Esio Pina, who was one of the soloists, paid special tribute to Mrs. Eisenhower by bowing to "The loveliest of all, our First Lady." — "Bye now, Peg."

Rebekah Activities Announced for Week

It was announced at Salem Rebekah lodge this week that the F L club will meet Friday with Mrs. Troy Wood, 435 Jefferson, and that the Encampment and Ladies Encampment auxiliary will meet on Friday for a no-host dinner at 6:30 p.m. Regular meetings of the latter two groups will follow at 8 o'clock. The Rebekah at 8 o'clock. The Rebekah meeting next Monday will be good of the order, and will be preceded by a program given by young people at 8 p.m. Mrs. Aubrey L. Rober, Jr., Mrs. Orville Britton and Mrs. Lulu Wilson were honored by

Mrs. Theodore Rhoades, noble grand, during a Mother's Day program. Clyde Bancroft sang a solo, accompanied by Roy Pease, and a reading was presented by Mrs. Carl Dickson. Two new members were initiated at the meeting, Miss Betty Lou Beckman and Delbert Downey.

PROGRAM for the luncheon given by Kingwood unit, American Legion auxiliary, last week featured piano solos by Miss Karlene Quistad and dances performed by Miss Jean Baker. Honor guests at the luncheon were ladies of the Methodist old people's home.

Party for Miss DeSart On Friday

Honoring Miss Pebbie DeSart, who is to be married in June to Richard Arthur Hodgson, Mrs. W. G. Burris and Mrs. Clarence Webber, Sr., are entertaining at the Candalaria Heights home of Mrs. Burris on Friday evening.

A crystal and china shower will honor the bride-to-be. The hostesses will be assisted by their daughters, Miss Lois Burris of Albany and Miss Shirley Webber of Dallas. Guests will include Miss DeSart and her mother, Mrs. D. G. DeSart; Mrs. Albert C. Gragg, Mrs. G. A. Reeher, Mrs. Tom Hill, Jr., Mrs. Robert McEwan, Mrs. L. M. Flagg, Mrs. W. L. Lewis, Mrs. Wayne Henry, Mrs. Hal DeSart, Mrs. Ida Boetticher, Mrs. A. H. Fish, Mrs. Herman Johnston, Mrs. A. F. Marcus; from Astoria, the bride-elect's grandmother, Mrs. R. Sobuti, and other relatives from Astoria to include Mrs. Ralph Bryant, Mrs. Bertha Miller and Mrs. Peter Bryant; from Portland, Mrs. Jon N. Straumford, sister of the bride-to-be; and from Eugene, Mrs. O. R. Skopil.

Take Beach Trip

Members of Girl Scout troop No. 28, Bush school, who took a beach trip to Neskewin last week-end were Kathy Fiedler, Linda Fox, Sharon Johnson, Judy Mohr, Joy Pederson, Judy Sharp, Eugenia Margosian, Joyce Reynolds, Carla Carlson, Gloria Clark, Sharon Clouse, Sharon Cushing, Verda Magnus, Penny Mather, Palay Angove, Ann Case and Marcia Chase. Chaperons were Miss Barbara Sloan, leader, and Miss Rosemary Weaver, both of Willamette university, and Mrs. Alex Johnson, assistant leader. Providing transportation were Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Bannister and Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Bobbitt, representatives of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and auxiliary who sponsor the troop, and parents of the girls including Mrs. Irving Angove, Sterns Cushing, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Margosian, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Mohr, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Pederson and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Clouse. Honoring their mothers, members of the troop recently gave a tea.

Golden Age Club

The Golden Age club will meet Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the YWCA. The program is in charge of Mrs. Daisy McIntyre. Each member is asked to bring an article, wrapped for a white elephant sale. The articles to be at a value of about 10c, will be auctioned. This club, now in its second year and with a membership of more than 50, was organized for the purpose of providing entertainment, recreation and fellowship for retired men and women.

Capital Women

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At the annual spring initiation for associate members in Portland Alumnae chapter of Theta Sigma Phi, national journalism honorary society, Wednesday evening, Miss Margaret Magee of the Capital Journal staff was one of the five initiated. The other four, all from Portland, Rep. Maurine Neuberger, free lance writer and photographer; Nan Phillips (Mrs. Evan Phillips), free lance and publicity writer; Virginia Corning (Mrs. Howard W. Corning), magazine editor; Louis Aaron (Mrs. Max Buhmann), art editor of the Oregon Journal. The initiation and meeting for the chapter were at the home of Mrs. Creese Fariss in Portland. New officers for the chapter also were installed, Mrs. James Peterson going in as the new president.

A very enjoyable coffee gathering Wednesday morning was the affair for which Mrs. James T. Brand and Mrs. Harry S. Dorman entertained at the beautiful Kingwood Drive home of the former to honor Mrs. Louis Gerlinger, who is moving to Portland to reside. A large group of friends called to extend best wishes to Mrs. Gerlinger in her new location. The Gerlingers will be leaving within the month. Guests enjoyed the magnificent view the Brand home has to the east. Also the sun room looking out on the gardens on the west side of the home, and the interesting library.

Among those greeted during our call, Mrs. Harry B. Johnson, Mrs. Harold Shogren, Mrs. Walter Snyder, Mrs. Custer Ross, Mrs. Breyman Boise, Mrs. Charles H. Helzel, Mrs. B. O. Schucking, Mrs. Keith Powell, Mrs. Percy E. Kelly, Miss Dorothy Cornelius, Mrs. Hall Lusk, Mrs. Frederick S. Lamport, Mrs. Linn C. Smith, Mrs. Robert Y. Thornton, Mrs. A. Schramm, Mrs. Stewart Johnson, Mrs. Chester M. Cox, Miss Elizabeth Lord, Miss Edith Schryver, Mrs. Walter Toose, Mrs. Harold Warner, Mrs. William C. Perry, Mrs. E. J. Scellars, Mrs. Ralph H. Cooley, Mrs. Earl C. Latourrette, Mrs. Robert W. Gormsen, Mrs. Raymond Busick, Mrs. Lester F. Barr, Mrs. Philip W. Allison, Mrs. E. H. Baldoek, Miss Doratha Steasloff, Mrs. Gerald S. Backstrand, Mrs. G. F. Chambers, Mrs. Paul L. Patterson, Mrs. Charles D. Wood, Mrs. A. W. Loucks, Mrs. Carl W. Chambers, Mrs. Ercel W. Kay, Mrs. Frank H. Spears, Mrs. Homer Goulet, Mrs. Burton Myers, Mrs. Charles Fowler, Mrs. Sidney B. Lewis, Mrs. Ronald E. Jones, Mrs. Edgar T. Pierce, Mrs. Paul H. Hendricks, Mrs. Daniel J. Fry, Mrs. Prince W. Byrd, Mrs. Robert L. Elstrom, Mrs. Walter H. Smith, Mrs. Karl Becke, Mrs. Floyd W. Shepard of Portland and daughter, Mrs. George C. Alexander, Mrs. George A. Alexander, Mrs. Coburn Grabenhorst, Mrs. Bruce Williams, Mrs. Bruce F. Fickett, Mrs. Robert

Goldenweds To Be Feted

At an informal open house on Sunday afternoon, Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Weathers will observe their golden wedding anniversary. The couple's daughter, Mrs. Earl Strausbaugh, Sr., and their granddaughter, Mrs. Paul Kuper, are arranging the affair to be at the Kuper home, 2340 Pringle road. Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Weathers are invited through the press to call between 2 and 5 o'clock. Mrs. Harold Weathers will cut the cake and serving punch will be Mrs. Don Strausbaugh. Mrs. Earl Strausbaugh, Jr. will serve. Passing the guest book will be the Misses Sedonia Burton and Mary Lee Weathers, granddaughters of the honored couple. Welcoming the guests will be the Weathers' son, Harold Weathers, and three grandsons, Earl Strausbaugh, Don Strausbaugh, Roy Burton and Paul Kuper. Mr. and Mrs. Weathers were married in Cartridge, Miss., on June 10, 1903. They came to Oregon in 1919 and have lived near Salem since that time.

KENSINGTON club met Thursday at the home of Mrs. Charles Strickfaden, dessert being served. Additional guests were Mrs. Russel E. Pratt and Mrs. Charles Cole.

Brownell, Mrs. Walter L. Spaulding, Mrs. Frank Burlingham, Mrs. Arthur A. Atherton.

For Miss Garner

Honoring Miss Barbara Garner, bride-elect of John Houser, Miss Shirley King entertained last week with a miscellaneous shower and party at her home. Feting the bride-to-be were Miss Marian Ratzlaff, Miss Lavina Loewen, Miss Janice Goertzen, Miss Helen Melby, Miss Carolyn Smith, Miss Joanne Blundt, Miss Shirley McCann, Miss Phyllis King and the hostess.

Soroptimist Club Donates to Red Cross

Salem Soroptimist club donated a sum of \$25 to the Red Cross blood program at its meeting, Wednesday noon. Speaker for the meeting was Herb Smith, who discussed radio programs and also read some of his own writings. Guests were Miss Dona Mears and Miss Mary Ellen Snyder, two co-eds of the month at Willamette university. For the meeting next week there will be an evening social at the home of Mrs. E. A. Guenther.

AMONG those inviting groups in for an informal evening of television and to watch the big fight, the Walcott-Mar-

CDA Court Elects New Officers

Re-elected grand regent for court Capital city, Catholic Daughters of America, on Wednesday was Mrs. Wesley Goodrich. Installation for Mrs. Goodrich and other officers will be in June. Others serving are Mrs. Walter Link, vice grand regent; Mrs. S. Collette, prophetess; Mrs. Roy Green, historian; Mrs. L. J. Marker, financial secretary; Mrs. Arthur Steimont, treasurer; Mrs. George Madison, monitor; Mrs. Albert Kloos, sentinel; Mrs. M. Haines, lecturer; Mrs. M. J. Raschko, organist; Mrs. J. H. Brown and Mrs. G. H. Schwalen, trustees. At the meeting, the group voted contributions for the blood bank, cancer fund and Junior CDA camp fund. Committees volunteered for participation in the bond-a-month drive and the American Legion poppy sale.

Miss Ardith Miller presented vocal selections for the program. She was introduced by her teacher, Mrs. Frank Parcher. ciano battle, are Mr. and Mrs. Bjarne Erickson, about 20 friends being bidden.

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