

FROM Peg in Washington

BY ALENE (PEG) PHILLIPS

Washington, D. C., Oct. 18 — Dear Marian: Hurricane Hazel left us with some beautiful fall days to relish. And with some 140,000 homes in the area needing attention on light, power, and telephone outages. While the District proper missed the full force of the storm, there were windows out in stores, many trees down all over the city, and gusts up to 98-miles per hour to report at the airport. Sunday morning brunching by an open window to enjoy the fresh, sunny day, the sound of hammering on an iron railing across the street where a tall tree had crashed into the porch was matched by some birds singing their hearts out as though spring were near at hand. Wonder what cellar they flew to when the tree tops were bouncing and bending. When word was sent to all offices on Friday at one o'clock to send everyone home, the rain and wind outside merely resembled a good March-day blow in Salem, and one wondered at the precautionary measure. However, the traffic problem at the height of the storm was what was anticipated. Secretary McKay and a few of us remained at the office until four and still it was not worse than a tree-tossing wind at home. But evidence was everywhere an hour later that it really had been quite a "blow." Just to cite one problem within the District, on Sunday 600 truck loads of debris were removed from the streets and that is reported to be only one-sixth of the job to be done.

Sauntering home from a restaurant the evening before the storm, I had been enjoying the gentle, balmy breeze that was rustling the dry leaves, and savoring the sights and sounds of Washington. In approaching the Russian Embassy, where there are so few signs of life ordinarily—windows darkened in the front of the building and a cold look about the place—a hatless, coat-

less young girl walked to the door, rang, and was admitted just as I was opposite the entrance. The bright red of satin damask coverings on furniture in the entrance hall was revealed momentarily, a surprisingly gay note in contrast to the exterior. Just next door is the wide front of the red brick University Club, another contrast in more than exteriors. A couple blocks further, an old mansion, converted into flats, has red brick turrets ornately crowning the tall house. From an upper floor, a soprano was hitting what she must have hoped was high "c." Then, a hotel with a distinguished name from which came a strong odor of cabbage cooking. Smelled good, too. Two East Indian women came scurrying along, their bright blue, yellow and red saris glimmering in the dusk. And finally an eccentric young girl, not more than a teenager, whose face was almost as arresting as that of the \$1,500,000 Alba Madonna in the National Gallery of Art. Struck by the appealing similarity, I almost missed my own apartment entrance.

Before Secretary McKay returned to Washington mid-week, several visitors from Oregon were in touch with the office. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Myers, of Salem, Mrs. Agnes Booth, county school superintendent, and Miss Florence Beardsley, of the State Department of Education, were among the group, the latter two here for educational meetings. All four made special tours of the White House. County Judge Rex Hartley sent greetings to the Secretary when he by chance met an Interior Department staff member at a historical society meeting here. Mrs. Marie Havill, postmaster at Beavercreek, and Mrs. Mary E. Horn, postmaster at Jennings Lodge, called on the Secretary during their Washington visit following the postmasters convention in Philadelphia. Captain Ted Demezas, of Mount

Angel, now stationed at Mobile, Alabama, conveyed by telephone a message from his wife, the former Delores Ebner, of Salem and Mount Angel, whose visits home have not coincided with mine. With their two small sons, they have been at Mobile for a couple of years.

The C. E. Hadleys, of Longview, Washington, parents of Wayne Hadley, of Salem, will be here this week and the McKays are planning some luncheons and dinners for their son-in-law's family.

The fall season is starting off with a flourish, of that more tomorrow.

Peg.

Miss Hennagin to Speak to Book Club

LEBANON — Mrs. Alice Hennagin of Dallas, author of the recent novel "Third Daughter," will speak at the Fortnightly book club on October 22 at the home of Mrs. Frank Smith. The book won the Nelson & Sons \$1,000 centennial book contest award.

Mrs. Hennagin, Mrs. Norman Baker and Mrs. Cecil Meeker will arrive from Dallas Friday for a luncheon at the home of Mrs. Frank Groves, prior to the club meeting. Mrs. Groves is president of Fortnightly.

Club Meets

MILL CITY — The Mill City Woman's club conducted their monthly meeting at the High School Recreation room Tuesday evening, when members entertained their husbands and other friends with a no-host supper at 6 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Hill showed colored slides of their recent European tour to the large crowd attending.

Mrs. O. K. DeWitt, president, announced that the fall meeting of Federation of Women's clubs is to be at the MacLaren Boys school, October 28. The Mill City club will have five delegates. Any member is welcome to attend.

Committee in charge of arrangements for Tuesday evening's meeting were Mrs. Jess Lee, Mrs.

At Willamette Parents Week-end Is Big Event for Campus

Last minute sweeping, planning and excitement prevails on the Willamette campus this week, as students prepare to welcome 300 parents and friends to activities for the annual Parents Week-end. Dave Finlay of Silverton, manager of the affair, expects a large turnout of parents from as far as California, Washington and Idaho. Officially opening the program will be Varsity Varieties, slated for 8 p.m. Friday, at the Salem High school auditorium. Varied

act, including singing, dancing, and dramatic numbers, have been arranged by chairman Clarine Walery of Salem and Bob Alfrod of Portland.

After open houses at the living organizations Friday night, parents will register and meet for the Parents Association gathering at Weller hall Saturday morning. Dr. Charles Kremer of Portland, president of the Association, will preside. Sack lunches will be served during the noon hour, and a tour of the campus will take place after lunch.

Leonard Hermen and Mrs. Harry Mason. "A Sunny Morning," a one act

play with Bruce Fountain of Salem and Liz Winslip of Arlington, Calif., taking leading roles, will be presented at 3:45 p.m. in Weller hall. Visitors are invited to see the performance. Dinner will be served to parents at the living organizations, and at 8 p.m. the campus will go to McCulloch Stadium to see Willamette play Linfield college in a conference game. After the game living organizations will again stage open houses.

Next Tuesday the challenge fund convocation will be staged, and students will again support Willamette's building fund. Last Tuesday, Willamette students heard senate candidate, Richard Neuberger, speak, and Senator Knowland previously was on the campus for an address.

Firesides will be again next Wednesday night, with Sigma Chi and Alpha Chi Omega meeting together; Sigma Alpha Epsilon and

Delta Gamma; Phi Delta Theta and Chi Omega; Beta Theta Pi and Lausanne; University House and the YWCA, and Pi Beta Phi and Baxter and Bishop halls.

Social activities and organizations are going to be explained to freshmen students this year by ASWU first vice president, Chuck Carter of Portland. This week clubs are conducting open meetings for the new students, in hopes that they will attend and become interested in their activities. This meeting will replace the student activities carnival, staged for the past two years.

Homecoming, although still far away, is getting underway with a slogan contest, which began this week. This year the return of alumni will be stressed, according to manager John Bone of Salem. A larger parade for the downtown Salem area is also planned.

Twenty-four Sweetheart of Sig-

ma Chi candidates were nominated this week, and they will receive letters from the fraternity later in the week telling them of their selection. Choice of the sweetheart, to reign over the ball, will be revealed at the dance Nov. 19.

Recital Friday

Six Willamette university music students will be presented in an instrumental recital Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Willamette College of Music auditorium.

Performers featured in Friday's concert will be Marilyn Hanthorn, Portland, violinist; Myrth Loring, Roseburg, pianist; Carolyn Burr, Milwaukie, pianist; Amy Jo Blomberg, Everett, Wn., violinist; Ann Groseclose, Montesano, Wn.; and Tricia Gordon, San Mateo, Calif., pianists.

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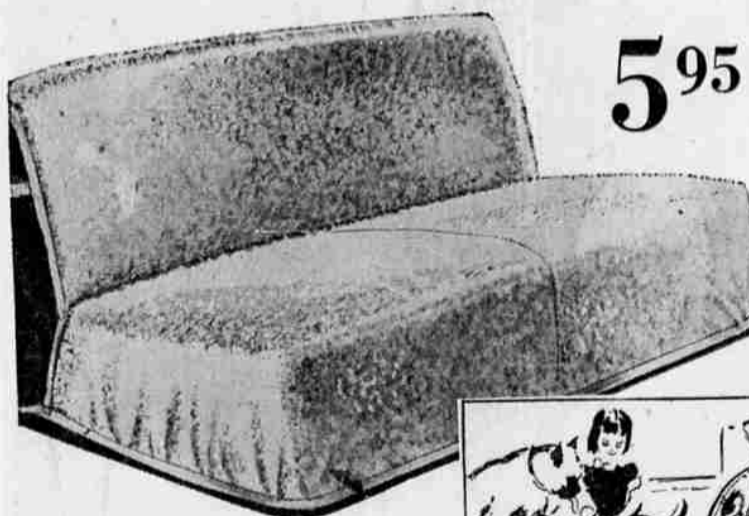
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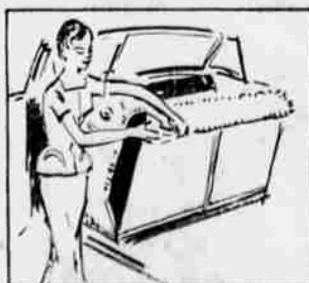
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