

Chats With Your Home Agent

Speaker Informs Women About Australian Culture

By ESTHER KIRMIS

A well-known speaker in the state, lively music, good food, installation of officers, and program and convention reports filled the day for 80 Morrow County Extension women as they gathered for the annual Homemakers Festival Day, May 13, at the Willows Grange hall in Ione.

The theme, "ACWW Down Under" was in deference to Mrs. Athalie Lage, an attractive Hood River homemaker, who was Oregon's only delegate to the Associate Country Women of the World's Triennial in Melbourne, Australia, in 1962.

Mrs. Lage was one of 3,000 women from 25 countries who attended the ACWW conference. Seventy-two attended from the U. S.

"The main concern of the women at the ACWW conference," reported the former state president, "was to raise the standard of living among the world's families—and at the conference end they pledged financial support to the Freedom from Hunger campaign. They also supported scholarship programs (Lady Aberdeen scholarships) for young women in all countries of the world."

Special sessions at the conference were devoted to food, friendship, leisure, and learning. Homemakers the world around, she said, are concerned about the best way to help youth prepare for off-farm jobs.

**Australia Visited**—After the business sessions, Mrs. Lage and other delegates had opportunities to see some of Australia's landmarks and products. They visited in Australia a sheep ranch that included a building about a block long full of silver trophies won by Australian Wool Growers.

On her return to the U. S. she took time to visit Bangkok, Hong Kong, Singapore, the Philippines and Japan. In the Philippines the home extension agent took her into some of the homes and to visit some of their 4-H clubs. Improving the family living status in the Philippines

is best being achieved through the youngsters, she said, because getting to the adults is often difficult when they speak in 80 different dialects.

In Tokyo she visited a center where local homemakers are brought in by the Extension Service to learn the basic skills of good nutrition, sanitation, clothes making, and food preservation as they in turn may go out and teach others.

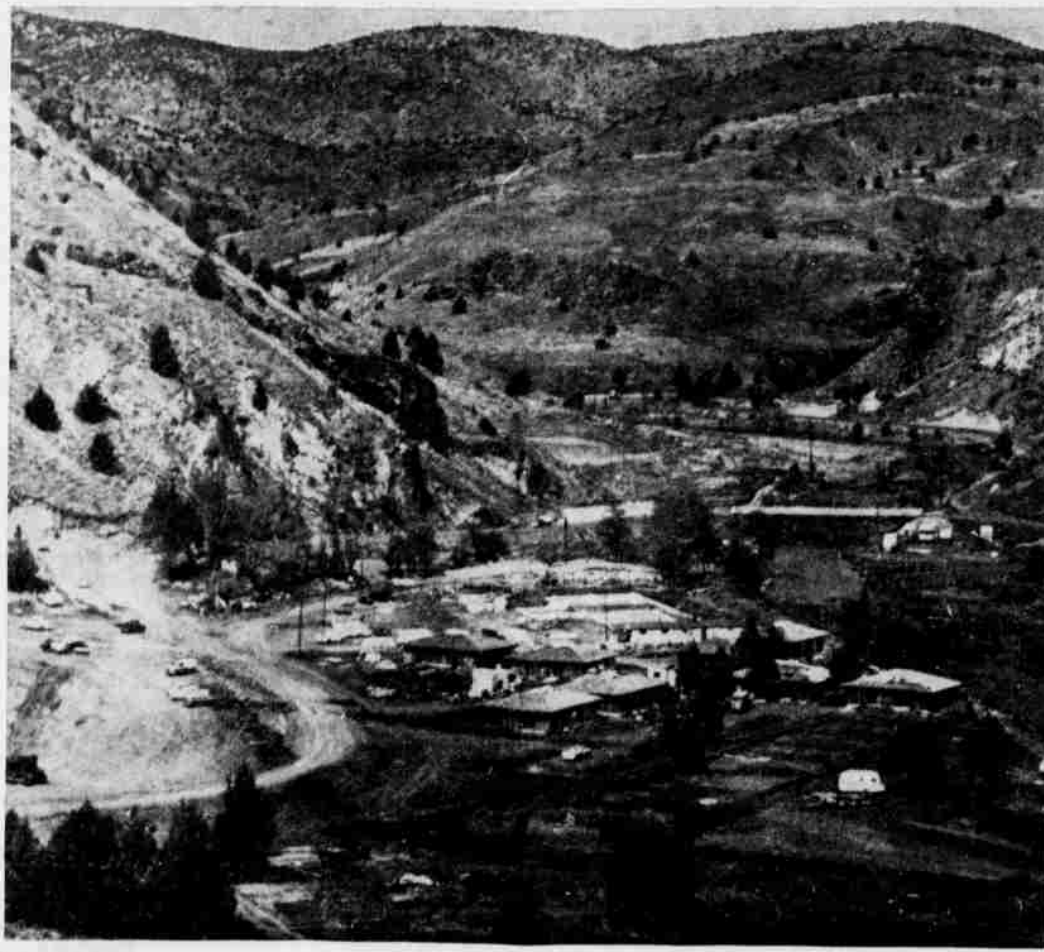
Homemakers interested in U. S. were intensely interested in anything they could learn first-hand about life in the U. S. Many found it hard to believe that homemakers in the U. S. do their own housework, work in their own gardens and take responsible jobs in their communities.

School children swarmed the delegates, eager to try out their English on Americans and anxious to check their knowledge of U. S. Geography. A common question from the youngsters was "What part of the U. S. are you from?"

"Letter Friends" Sought—An eagerness to share ideas was also noted. Before she left Australia, Mrs. Lage had a notebook full of names and addresses of persons who wanted "letter friends" in the U. S. Since her return she has received many more requests from Oregon women than she has names. ACWW membership comprises more than 6 million women from around the world—joined together for the common purpose of betterment of family life. No U.S.S.R. women are members.

**Australian Display**—Complimenting the speaker's talk was an Australian display put up by the Pine City unit. They had contacted Mrs. John Ramos, Echo, (a former Aussie school teacher now married and living in this country) for authentic luncheon clothes, table mats, books, Aborigine paintings and stuffed native animals etc. for this exhibit.

**Jessalee Mallalieu Invited**—Jessalee Mallalieu, OSU recreation specialist, was especially invited to view the progress made by the mosaic project



"THE GIFT OF THE GODS"—Shown in its state of near completion is Kah-nee-ta Vacation Resort 10 miles northeast of Warm Springs just off highway 26. The resort will be officially dedicated May 29 and be ready for the public on Memorial Day, May 30.

leaders she had trained last fall. Over 50 mosaic pieces were displayed. It will be offered in Morrow county again this fall.

**Music, Welcome and Reports**

The Ione High school band, under the direction of Carol L. Miller, entertained right after lunch and Mayor Charles O'Conner welcomed the delegation in the morning. Miss Jessalee Mallalieu and Mrs. Norman Nelson took turns at leading community singing. Mrs. Paul Tewes was pianist at the entire function.

Mrs. John Graves, Heppner, told of the new program for 1964-65 and Mrs. James Pettyjohn, Ione, reported on the Oregon Home Economics Council in Corvallis on May 5-7. A summary of the work done by the Extension Service (Home Economics) last year was given by Esther Kirmis.

**Dress Workshops**

Several dresses and costumes were on display to show the work done by 20 women under the supervision of Mrs. Roland Bergstrom, Ione, and Mrs. Evelyn Hynd, Cecil, at the two Dress-making workshops given this past year.

**Coffee Hour and Luncheon**

Rhea Creek Unit, next year's hostess, served coffee to the group at 10:00 a.m. and the Willows Grange Home Economics club served a delicious luncheon at noon.

**Installation of Officers**

Mrs. L. D. Vinson, Kimberly (District VII Director) installed all the new unit officers and county committee women in a colorful ceremony.

Mrs. Weldon Witherrite, Echo (County Advisory Committee chairman) was Mistress of Ceremonies of the entire event.

**Plan for County Fair**

On May 9 the Ione Ruraletes met at the home of Ann Hoskins. We practiced the demonstrations we are to give at the county fair. We also judged to see whose hook and eye were sewn the best. Visitors were Mrs. Carlson and Mrs. McCabe. There were seven present. Mrs. Hoskins served us refreshments.

Mary McElligott, Julie Zinter, reporters

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Riverside Holds Baccalaureate

By MARY LEE MARLOW

**BOARDMAN**—"The Parable of the Compass" was the subject of the speech given by Dr. Earle P. Cochran, Pendleton, to the graduating class of Riverside High school at Baccalaureate services in the school gymnasium Sunday evening.

The processional and recessional were played by Mrs. Albert Partlow, organist, and Mrs. LaVern Partlow, pianist. Rev. George Hash, pastor of the community Baptist church, Irri-gon, gave the invocation. Mrs. Frank Stewart sang "How Great Thou Art" and "Today I Walked Where Jesus Walked," accompanied by Mrs. Albert Partlow. Rev. Hash presented each graduate a Bible, a gift from the churches of Irri-gon and Boardman. Rev. Herman R. Burg, pastor of the Boardman Community church, gave the benediction.

Jill Rugg, fourth grade student at Boardman Grade school, was crowned Queen of the May Day Friday at the program held in the gymnasium. Rick Partlow was crowned King. Princes and princesses were Bruce Russell and Louise Schumann, third grade; Marlon McKenzie and Linda Bail, second grade; Don Russell and Mary Dixon, first grade.

The presentation of colors was led by James Moorhead.

An operetta, "A Little Bit of Holland," was presented by grades 1-4.

James Moorhead was master of ceremonies, and Bobby Allen was stage manager.

**Mrs. Coats Gets State Award**

Mrs. Claud Coats, postmaster received the Postmaster of the Year state award last week at the annual convention of the National League of Postmasters, Oregon branch. Mrs. Coats has been state secretary the past year. The award was presented by Jack Bailey, Seio postmaster, who was state president last year.

Mrs. Coats received two other surprises at the convention also. In the contest of Crazy Hats her hat received first prize, and she won one of the door prizes.

**Students Receive Awards**

Football varsity awards were presented to the following students of Riverside High school at an assembly last week: Ailyn Hobbs, Robin Schmeder, Leonard Bedord, Mike McCoy, Steve Partlow, Dick Skoubo, Dennis Gronquist, Dennis Anderson, Terry McCoy, Jim Partlow, Lyle Hobbs, John Lathrop, John Hascall, Ronnie Bacon, Glenn Schmeder, George Stitzel, Tim Wilson, Chuck Jackson, Richard Summers, and Ted Hoffman, manager. Junior varsity awards went to Mike Smith, Mike Partlow, Chester Phillips, James McRae and John Pierce. Dante Dalton is football coach.

Varsity basketball awards were presented to: Dennis Gronquist, Dennis Anderson, Leonard Bedord, Ailyn Hobbs, Jim Partlow, Dick Skoubo, Lyle Hobbs, Robin Schmeder, Terry McCoy, John Lathrop, Roy Obermeier, Mike McCoy, John Hascall, manager. Junior varsity awards went to Steve Partlow, Glenn Schmeder, Chuck Jackson, Mike Smith, Ronnie Bacon, Mike Partlow, Mike Snyder, James McRae, George Stitzel, John Pierce, Chester Phillips, Robert Thompson, manager. Ted Talbott is basketball coach.

Baseball varsity awards were presented to: Mike McCoy, Jim Russell, Leonard Bedord, Ailyn Hobbs, Dick Skoubo, Steve Gronquist, Jim Partlow, Steve Partlow, Ron Bacon, Chester Phillips, Mike Partlow. Junior varsity awards went to Chuck Jackson, Mike Snyder, Don Jorgenson, Bob McCrae, Keith Maddox, Roger Montee, manager. James Harper is baseball coach.

Roy Obermeier, Jim Russell and John Lathrop were also presented awards for track.

GAA girls who received awards included Sharon Donovan, Sheryl Witherspoon, Vivian Templeton, Elnora Eppen-

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Final total on the 1964 March of Dimes collection was \$1,191.64. Mrs. Jack (Shirley) Loyd, chairman, states.

Collection in Heppner totaled \$881.66, of which \$336.83 came from the Heppner schools and \$336.83 from a benefit basketball game. Donations from Boardman totaled \$150.00, and from other parts of the county they were as follows: Ione, \$41.17; Irri-gon, \$38.76; Cecil, \$29; and Lexington, \$31.

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