

# Women's Interests and Activities

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### WEEKLY CALENDAR

- Monday**  
Members of the Greater Medford club will meet for a business session at 2 o'clock this afternoon at the city library.
- Tuesday**  
G. A. R.'s meet at the home of Lola Henderson at 2 o'clock this afternoon.
- Wednesday**  
Pythian club will entertain with a watch-party in the club rooms this evening.
- Thursday**  
Watch-party and program for members of the Christian church in the church parlors.
- Friday**  
Dinner dance at the Hotel Medford.
- Saturday**  
Annual New Year's eve dance at the Elks temple for Elks and their friends.
- Sunday**  
American Legion ball to-night at the Oriental Gardens.

## Paderewski, on Last Tour, to Retire California Ranch

Paderewski is going to retire, and Deems Taylor, noted composer and critic, calling him "matinee idol of three generations," declares that he is truly great in spite of his faults. Why Paderewski has "held his public in the hollow of his hand," is thus explained by Mr. Taylor, in McCull's for January.

"This is, so he has said, Ignace Jan Paderewski's last concert season in America. If he does retire, he will leave a gap in our musical ranks not soon to be filled. For his has been one of the most extraordinary careers in musical history; that of a virtuoso who has held his public in the hollow of his hand for 40 years; who retired from music to enter politics, and retiring from politics, returned to be the musical idol of the grandchildren of his first auditors.

When Paderewski gave his first American recital in New York in 1881, American musical taste was fast developing far past the circus stage of the Barnum and Jenny Lind days.

"The young newcomer (he was just 30) was an instant popular success. The critics, with some notable exceptions, were inclined to be lukewarm at first; but there was never any doubt as to what the general public thought of him. Overwhelmed by his good looks, his famous mane of tawny hair, his charm of manner and the electric vitality of his playing, they waited not for critical permission, but took him to their hearts with no further ado.

"Steinway hall, where he gave his first recital, proved too small for his audiences. It took the newly opened Carnegie hall, hitherto considered far too big for any but symphony and choral concerts, to house his admirers. The rest of America hailed him as unreservedly as New York had done. The receipts from his first American tour were \$95,000; from the second, \$160,000; from the third, \$248,000—considerable sums even now, and almost equal to the nineties. Probably no other musician, and certainly no other pianist, was ever so well known in this country. Thousands of people talked of 'Paderewski' or 'Paderewsky' (they never hit upon 'Paderewski') who had probably never heard a piano played in public.

"By the time the war came on, he was a rich man. Like most of his contemporaries, he promptly deserted music for world affairs. He was elected prime minister of the newly created Polish state, and was her first representative at the peace conference and at the opening sessions of the league of nations.

"He expended most of his private fortune, and lost the rest. He decided to return to the concert stage. It was a decision that took courage. For six years he had hardly thought of music; for four of them he had almost literally not opened his piano. Could he come back? He practiced for six months of intensive practice, amid much speculation and headbanging.

"No one who was there is likely to forget his first return concert in New York in the fall of 1922. It was the same Paderewski. Even the same faults—the occasional tricks of 'splashing' (bringing down the left hand before the right), the tendency to pound the piano into tonelessness in the effort to get out of it a bigger tone than it possessed—and the poetic insight, the clarity of musical vision, the bigness of interpretative conception that rendered these faults less than nothing.

"Now, at 70, he is retiring. He could go on playing indefinitely, so far as his drawing power is concerned. But he is tired, and wants to rest. He will divide his time between his estate in Switzerland and his ranch in California.

"Three things go to make up a great artist. Two, of course, are talent and technique. The third, and the most important, is character, soul, vigor of spirit—call it what you will. It is the quality that is least susceptible of definition and analysis, and the one thing that the public always and unerringly senses, sometimes long before the critic has recognized it. Paderewski has it. Whether seeing him, or hearing him speak, or listening to him play, you say to yourself: 'Here is a great person.' And great persons are such rare visitors that one cannot see them go without wishing that they would stay just a little longer."

### Engaged To Broker



Associated Press Photo  
Elizabeth Bartow Hawes, daughter of Senator and Mrs. Harry B. Hawes of Missouri, whose engagement to Lewis Thompson Preston, New York broker, was recently announced.

### Pythian Club Will Have Watch Party

Members of the Pythian club will entertain their husbands and friends with a watch party in the Pythian Sisters club rooms Wednesday evening.

### HOSTESSES SEEK HARMONY IN GOWNS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—(P)—Hostesses today seek harmony in gowns. At her debut Miss Ann Virginia Ashburn wore a gown of gold metal cloth and lace which harmonized with the black beaded chiffon worn by her mother, Mrs. Percy M. Ashburn.

### House Guest of Miss Harvey

Miss Opal Harvey, who is spending the Christmas holidays with her mother in Medford, has as house guest, Miss Guinevere Couch. Both girls are students of University of Washington.

### Scarves Of Linen

Printed linen scarves in Ascot style add a note of chic to smart sports costumes. These scarves either emphasize the dominating color note of the suit, or are in contrast.

Frocks of printed silk continue to be worn, but they are seen in two-tone effects only. The mode of multi-colored attire is waning.

### Among Those On Fashion's Stage



By EMMA LOU FETTA

OUR title is really wrong. If we follow the example of our friends the society editors, the important people must always be named as "Those present," while the lesser lights follow as "Among those present."

Beginning all over again, then let us say that those present on the fashion stage include many smartly appealing mesh knits in a variety of characterizations such as novelty jerseys, lace meshes, and soft tweed-like knits. No materials of the season are more coveted than these. Particularly attractive to them are the smart makers of sports fashion, and clothes to be worn informally in town; at football games, races, and on ship-board.

These new materials are distinguished not alone by novel man-

### Greater Medford Club to Meet For Business Session

The Greater Medford club will not hold its regular monthly program tomorrow. The original plans of the organization have been postponed in honor of the holiday season. A business session however will be held in the small hall of the library at 2 o'clock. And all members are urged to be present as important business will be transacted.

### HOW TO PRESERVE YOUR CUT GLASS

Preserve the prism and you preserve the beauty of your cut glass. A tongue twisting promise, to be sure, but worth remembering. When washing vases and other pieces, take care not to let one slide against another, for nothing mars the edges so easily as the sharp edges of other cut glass. Sooner, if you are not careful, the once iridescent decorations will be dulled with many fine scars.

A soft brush well lathered with soap should be used. With hot water this will make cut glass that has become dim and dusty sparkle again like new.

The best way to clean the water rings and dirt from the inside of a tall, slender vase is to put in a liberal supply of soap jelly, a quantity of soft paper in small wads, and a little warm water. Swish the mixture about vigorously, then rinse the vase and place it upside down to drip dry. The same method can be used with pitchers and jugs too narrow necked to permit putting the hand down into them.

A hard substance such as shot lenses dirt, but is likely to leave tiny scratches that in time will spoil the beauty of the glass.

### Herb Alfords' Guests of Relatives Here

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Alford and young son Dick of Eugene are guests in Medford of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Alford and Mr. and Mrs. W. Y. Crawford this week.

### Miss Leathers

Miss Louise Leathers is spending the holidays in San Francisco as guest of her brother, Miles Leathers. She will return soon after New Year's.

### Predicts Flat Roofs

WASHINGTON (P)—Houses 10 years from now will have flat roofs which can be used as outdoor living rooms, says Herbert U. Nelson, executive secretary of the National Association of Real Estate Boards. Such homes will give dwellers more light and air, he says.

The average person spends 18 days a year eating instead of the 81 two decades ago, concludes Marye Dahnke, an economist.

### Mrs. Steward on Ocean Voyage



Party of Pacific coast mercantile buyers who sailed from San Francisco on December 1st for New York on the S. S. Virginia. Left: Mrs. Ariene Steward of Medford, Mrs. Dec M. Nicholson of Seattle and Mrs. Della Payne of Portland. The voyage will include stops at the Panama canal and Havana, Cuba. The S. S. Virginia is one of the Panama Pacific fleet's three magnificent liners making the inter-coastal trips, the other two being the S. S. Pennsylvania and the S. S. California.

### Club Women Plant Trees in Honor of Washington

WASHINGTON (P)—Women's clubs throughout the country are planting trees for the George Washington bicentennial in 1932. Memorial avenues of trees are being planned by club women in California and Utah. The Massachusetts Federation of Women's Clubs recently dedicated a state forest.

George Washington, his diary shows, liked to plant trees. As a result the American Tree association is taking this month of celebrating the bicentennial.

### Spend Christmas in Portland

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. H. Mills were guests over Christmas of the Beckwiths and Mills at their homes in Portland.

### Miss Severance Is Recipient of Honor

Miss Ruth Severance, who is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Severance at their home near Jacksonville is among students from southern Oregon, who have recently won honors at the University of Oregon. Miss Severance was elected to Pi Lambda Theta, education honor, a short time ago and initiated at the home of Dean Sheldon. She is a senior in business administration at the university but has done such fine work in the school of education she was taken into the national education honorary.

### Guest of Alfords for Holidays

Mrs. L. F. Willets of Klamath Falls is spending the holidays in this city as guest of her brother, M. L. Alford.

### C. A. R.'s Will Meet At Henderson Home Tuesday Afternoon

Mrs. Lola Henderson will be hostess to General Joseph Lane Society C. A. R. on Tuesday, December 30 at 2:00 p. m. at her home, 747 West Jackson street. A greeting and message of personal interest to each member from the state director, Mrs. F. S. Ganett, will be read. The rest of the program in keeping with the Christmas season, has been prepared.

One of the pleasing parts of the Christmas party is the exchange of inexpensive gifts which each child provides. This is annual dues day and each member is asked to come prepared.

### WHAT 'STERLING' MEANS WORD'S HISTORY TOLD

The word "sterling" is a corruption of "Easterlings," the name given by the English to certain traders who came from the eastern German cities and who were famous for the purity of their coinage. English coins of silver were finally brought up to the same high standard and were, therefore, called "easterlings" and later "sterlings." Thus, the word "sterling"—derived from the name of honest men, became the accepted term for pure metal of standard quality.

What does the word "sterling" mean when stamped on a piece of silver? Most everyone knows that it guarantees quality. Many persons, however, do not know the exact meaning of the word. Literally, "sterling" stamped on a piece of silver means: "This silver is 925-1000 fine."

In other words, it is silver in its purest workable form—925 parts pure silver and 75 parts alloy, used to give the silver greater hardness and durability. This proportion never varies. It is fixed by law.

The term "sterling" is most often used to describe household silver such as knives, forks and spoons, tea services, plates and other objects of solid silver.

### Judge and Mrs. TouVello Vacation San Francisco

Judge and Mrs. P. L. TouVello of Jacksonville are among the many people spending the holidays in San Francisco. They also will visit in Los Angeles before returning to their home here.

### In Show Business



Associated Press Photo  
Miss Muriel McCormick, daughter of Harold F. McCormick of Chicago and granddaughter of John D. Rockefeller, has entered the theatrical business. She is president of the Palm Beach Playhouse, Inc., formed by young society women of Palm Beach, Fla.

### STOCKING CAPS SMART FOR RAINY SEASON

PARIS (P)—Stocking caps—another version of the popular beret—are a favorite for rainy day wear.

The snug little caps, bright in hue, have the advantage of looking gay and holding stray locks in place.

One Parisienne wears a knitted cap of dull orange with a brown tweed suit collared in caracul in wet weather.

### Mrs. Hurd Entertains

Guests of Mrs. E. H. Hurd on Christmas day were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Manning and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Medaris.

After the Christmas dinner Mr. and Mrs. Manning returned to their home at Prospect and Mr. and Mrs. Medaris motored into California where they will spend a few days before returning to Medford.

### Miss Stuart Guest For Holidays

Miss Isabel Stuart of Hollywood is in this city to spend the holidays as guest of her parents, Colonel and Mrs. H. I. Stuart.

### D. A. R. News

When our forefathers were so busy establishing our great republic, important history was being made, but few records of any kind were made or preserved. Early in the life of our organization it became apparent that the preservation of all available genealogical data, was to be one of the most important things the Daughters must do. We have already collected and cataloged a great deal of material in the D. A. R. library in Constitution hall in Washington, D. C., through the co-operation of our twenty-four hundred chapters.

This data is all very important especially to those who are endeavoring to trace their descent and everyone who has any private papers, or records in old family Bibles should be glad to have authentic copies made and sent in without delay.

As the years pass so much is lost and so the preservation of all records from every available source is unquestionably important.

Mrs. G. B. Fuller of Washington, D. C., is our national chairman of the committee on genealogical research. Mrs. T. P. Wise of Portland is state chairman and Mrs. A. M. Childers, our local chairman.

Mrs. Childers will greatly appreciate any assistance that anyone, whether a member of the organization or not, can give her in her work, for there must be many private papers containing important data in many homes in Southern Oregon and in the years to come it will be a lasting satisfaction to know that copies are being preserved in our national capital.

Entertain at Breakfast Christmas Morning.  
Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Alford entertained at their home Christmas morning with a breakfast, followed by a Christmas tree. Covers were placed for nine guests.

Miss Miller Here For Vacation  
Miss Ruth Miller, instructor in the schools at Twin Bridges, Montana, is spending the holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. M. A. Miller at their home at Phoenix.

Trim With Flowers  
Palm Beach points to linen flowers applied on silk frocks as an innovation in trimming. One particularly smart frock is in white crepe de chine. Applied to the waist was a spray of tiny linen flowers in bright hues. The narrow belt and collar were in two shades of linen.

# CLEARANCE

## Sale Begins TOMORROW

Holidays over, it's time to think of back-to-college wardrobes, and our shop is brimming over with bright ideas as to what will make a "big hit" on your first day back.

**All Better Dresses**  
**1/2 Price**  
Charming models in Satin, Travel Crepe, Velvet and Light Weight Wool. Values from \$29.95 to \$59.50.

**One Group Dresses**  
Including new styles in practical silk or wool dresses for classroom wear. Values to \$25. Sale price

**\$10**

**FUR-TRIMMED COATS**  
An assortment of winter coats for dress or sportswear. Values to \$150 are now

**1/2 Price**  
**Tweed Coats**  
One group of tweed mixtures in attractive color combinations. Some are fur-trimmed and formerly sold as high as \$49.50. Clearance price

**\$15**

**HATS**  
You should get at least one of these hats to make your return to the campus more interesting. Felts, Velvets and Metallings.

Values to \$8.95	<b>\$1.00</b>
Values to \$12.95	<b>\$3.95</b>
Values to \$18.95	<b>\$5.00</b>

**Dresses**  
Silk and Wool Dresses in values to \$18.95—

**\$5**

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