

Week Disorganized For Medford Groups; Travellers Return

Last week seemed a bit disorganized for Medfordites, particularly clubwomen, who had difficulty deciding whether it was better to hold scheduled meetings, and take chances on any members being able to struggle through the snow and slush, or to cancel them, the latter course involving a complicated series of telephone conferences between officers, chairmen and speakers, to say nothing of cancellation and postponement notices in the paper and on the radio.

However, republican women weren't discouraged by the weather Monday, for almost the usual number turned out for the monthly meeting. What's more, three members of the county group, Mrs. Mary Note, Mrs. Peter Vogel and Mrs. Thomas King, drove all the way from Shady Grove in the snow. They maintained it wasn't too rugged, just required a little shoveling to get the car from a side road on to the highway, and the rest was easy.

Those who were forced to travel north and east on business came home declaring that whatever the weather was like here, it wasn't as bad as other sections. And Mrs. Edward J. Bell, former Klamath resident, shuddered at the recollection of Klamath winters and said Medford shouldn't complain.

Maybe it was also the weather which was responsible for the fresh crop of rumors which swept the city the past few weeks. What ever the cause, there seemed to be more than the routine number of tips on marriages which never took place and engagements of persons who claim they don't even know one another.

Enough of the weather. Anyhow, it's warmer now and the snow is gone, the sun shone for a fine Friday and Saturday and shop windows are full of saucy valentines, red satin boxes of candy and bright calico and gingham dresses for square dancing.

The square dancers make their gay parties, and some of the dancers want to share the fun and excitement by having a square dance exhibition, rather than the order of a festival. Kenneth Denman heads a "Y" committee looking into the details and there will be doubtless some real news of this before long.

Knife and Fork club members are looking forward to the monthly meeting Monday when two distinguished citizens of India, Krishna Nehru, sister of the noted prime minister of that country, and her husband, Raja Huthesaling, will be guests here and speak for the Medford club. Every available spot in the country club dining room is expected to be filled for this event.

Philharmonic orchestra members gave themselves a party last Sunday afternoon following the concert at the high school, and never was hot tea and coffee more eagerly welcomed. Players as well as their guests who had been in the audience were chilled to the bone, the heating system of the school not having functioned too well, and the serving committee could scarcely keep up with the demand.

The orchestra members not only planned the party but did the work, with help from the chorus members, who didn't perform for this concert but will sing in one being planned for spring. Musicians who earlier had been on the stage later helped to do the dishes and clean up the school kitchen. Melba Chehak laid aside her violin and scurried around with piles of cups and saucers. Harlelee Wilson abandoned his fiddle for a tea towel and the Bjorlows, Oscar and Marie, who are both cellists, were in the midst of the kitchen activity.

The party was informal, but there were some interesting frocks on the scene. Tresa McManis, who sings soprano with the chorus, wore a red, low-necked dress, which set off her brunette hair. Mrs. Richard D. Werner, wife of the orchestra director, had on a becoming dark green suit and Mrs. Bruno Pellegrini, whose husband is accompanist for the chorus and orchestra, was also in green, her suit being of green velvet.

The tea table decorations, dreamed up by Ray Lewis,

SO COUNTRY and CLUB NEWS



A tea followed the meeting January 14 at the First Methodist church at which a new chapter of the PEO sisterhood was organized in Medford, and here for the meeting was Mrs. J. A. McCready (third from left), state organizer of the sisterhood from Forest Grove, Ore. Also shown are Mrs. O. A. Welsh, Chapter BE, who poured, Mrs. Niles B. Smith, president of the new chapter, designated Chapter CG, and Mrs. J. Arthur Cunningham, Chapter AA. —(Shangle photo).

Luncheon, Shower Given On Wednesday To Honor Bride-Elect

Complimenting Miss Pat Marx, whose wedding will be an event of early February, Mrs. R. A. Wellwood gave a luncheon and kitchen shower last Wednesday afternoon at her home on Janney lane. The engagement of Miss Marx to Gordon Deryl Alard was announced last week by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Marx, and the wedding has been set for February 4.

Guests for the luncheon and shower were Mrs. Stanley E. Phillips, Mrs. Richard Payne, Mrs. Leland Clark, Mrs. George B. Dean, Mrs. Otto Wellenstein of Ashland, Mrs. Gertrude Johnson, Mrs. John S. Day, Mrs. L. Paul Walker, Mrs. Ray Larson, Mrs. O. H. Bengtson, Mrs. Rodney Witham, Mrs. Harold Reichstein, Mrs. B. C. Taylor, Mrs. Russell Semon, Mrs. Orbin Cooksey, Mrs. Robert Hart, Mrs. Fred Carr, Mrs. Dwight Findley, Mrs. E. G. Trowbridge, Mrs. Fred Slate, Mrs. Harold Hulse, Mrs. William Schei, Mrs. D. C. McCulley, the honored guest, her mother, Mrs. Marx, and her grandmother, Mrs. C. J. Semon.

brought him a lot of verbal bouquets. He merely shrugged and insisted "It's just something I found out behind the barn." He was half right, since the base was the hub of an old wheel with the spokes cut short. In this Mr. Lewis had thrust irregular branches, covered with moss, and an occasional cluster of red berries. Anyhow, the finished effect rated raves.

Some valley folk who left for "winter" vacations report that they found exactly that. The Raymond Reters, who went south for the annual east-west football game and then on to Los Angeles, returned by way of Las Vegas and Reno, Nevada, having heard of the terrible road conditions in northern California. Trapped by the blizzard, they spent a week traveling from Reno to Medford. They spent one night in Tulelake, Cal., being unable to get into Klamath Falls, and starting out for Klamath the next morning were from 10:30 a.m. until after 3 p.m. driving the 26 miles between the two towns.

The Roy Pruitts, however, write that they are having a wonderful winter vacation. The couple went south the first of the month and have been staying in the Los Angeles area, sending back tales of good bridge games, golf and warm weather.—O. S.

Miss Carlita Wagner, Ensign Killingsworth Wed In Home Service

Miss Carlita Lee Wagner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl H. Wagner, 211 Vancouver avenue, became the bride of Russell Max Killingsworth, ensign in the United States navy, at a home wedding January 10. The bridegroom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Killingsworth, route one, Medford.

The service, held at the home of the bridegroom's parents, was read at 8:30 o'clock in the evening by the Rev. Harry W. Hansen of the First Presbyterian church. The bride wore a white wool dress with accessories of navy blue and a double gardenia corsage. She was attended by Miss Leilah Cook wearing a dress of light tan with corsage of carnations.

Joe Killingsworth was best man for the bridegroom. The ceremony was performed by candlelight in a setting of pastel colored snapdragons and chrysanthemums. A reception followed for 30 members of the families and friends, with the white and silver wedding cake centering the refreshment table. The bridegroom's mother and sister, Ann and Mary, the bride's mother, Mrs. Joe Killingsworth and Miss Cook served.

Ensign and Mrs. Killingsworth made a brief wedding trip to northern Oregon and then left for San Diego, Cal., where the ensign is assigned to the naval air station and where the couple will live. Both the bride and bridegroom were graduated from Jacksonville high school and later Mr. Killingsworth attended California Institute of Technology, the University of California and Southern Oregon college. The bride has sung with dance bands of the city and since graduating from high school has been on the staff of White City Lumber company. The Wagners came to Medford in 1947 from Albany.

Sojourners
Members of Medford Sojourners' club will meet Thursday, January 26, for dessert luncheon at the YMCA. Attention is called to the change of original plans for the luncheon.



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Third Chapter of PEO Sisterhood Organized In City

Oregon's 84th chapter of the PEO sisterhood and the third for Medford, chapter CG, was organized the afternoon of January 14 during a meeting held in the parlors of the First Methodist church in Medford. Mrs. J. R. McCready, Forest Grove, state organizer of the sisterhood, was in Medford to preside over the meeting which was attended by about 60 members of the two Medford chapters, BE and AA.

Mrs. McCready was assisted by Mrs. Allan F. Perry, Mrs. Laurence Butler, Miss Annette Gray, Mrs. Victor Sether and Mrs. R. G. Fowler, officers of chapter BE, sponsors of the new group. Music for the meeting was furnished by Mrs. Otto Frohnmayer and devotions were conducted by Mrs. A. C. McDonald, both of chapter AA.

The charter list is composed of 12 members demitted from other chapters and two initiates. The demitted members are Mrs. E. L. Rotholmew, Mrs. Loyd Bransford, Mrs. James A. Grigsby, Mrs. E. O. McKeen, Mrs. J. D. McPherson, Mrs. Niles B. Smith, Mrs. D. B. Ward, all of Chapter BE; Mrs. R. C. Betty of AJ, Nebraska; Mrs. R. L. Lee, AG, Portland; Mrs. R. E. Mencke, BX, Portland; Mrs. Robert E. Pugh, BU, Portland and Mrs. Wayne R. Welty, X, Kansas.

The two initiates are Mrs. A. C. Fries and Mrs. Frank Morgan. Officers of the new chapter are Mrs. Smith, president; Mrs. McPherson, vice-president; Mrs. Bartholomew, recording secretary; Mrs. Grigsby, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Mencke, treasurer; Mrs. Beatty, chaplain; Mrs. Pugh, guard.

Mrs. Smith gave a brief history of the group and during the balloting sketches of PEO projects were presented. One of the principal projects of the group is the maintenance of an educational fund, through which thousands of dollars are loaned on scholarships, and maintenance of Cottley college, junior college for girls in Nevada, Mo. This institution is the only one of its kind in the nation, being supported entirely by the sisterhood.

PEO was founded at Iowa Wesleyan college, Mt. Pleasant, Ia., in 1869 and is said to be unprecedented in its secret action. The meaning of the letters is one of the secrets of the sisterhood. Its purpose is said to be social, educational and philanthropic.

Following the meeting a tea was held, with Mrs. J. Arthur Cunningham, AA, and Mrs. O. A. Welsh, BE, pouring. The tea table was centered with a footed silver bowl which held spring flowers, and crystal candelabra held yellow tapers.

Mrs. George B. Canode headed the tea committee, and she was assisted by Mrs. F. Wilson Wait, Mrs. L. C. Taylor and Mrs. Louis Brown.

The new chapter will meet the first and third Wednesday afternoons of each month.

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Red Cross Volunteers Honored At Luncheon Thursday Afternoon

All volunteer workers of the Jackson County Red Cross chapter were honored Thursday afternoon at the YMCA when a buffet luncheon was served. Other guests were Miss Vera Humphrey, Junior Red Cross director; Mrs. Fred Rankin, executive secretary and Mrs. Nell Minkler, office secretary of the Jackson county chapter; and Miss Charlotte Rogers, field director of Camp White domiciliary center.

The buffet tables which had been decorated by Miss Humphrey and Mrs. Alfred McDonald were arranged with baskets of fruit and ivy.

Mrs. Melvin A. Krows, canteen service volunteer, was in charge of the luncheon, and Miss Phyllis Corliss, accompanied by Mrs. Robert Corliss, sang.

Hostesses for the afternoon were Mrs. I. E. Schuler, Mrs. Shelby Tuttle, Mrs. John Day, Mrs. Krows, Mrs. Ralph Barwell, Mrs. J. P. Naumes, Mrs. Ray Clark, Mrs. McDonald, Mrs. C. Reese Braley, Mrs. Frank Fairweather, Mrs. Maurice Spatz, Mrs. Harold E. Tolle, Mrs. Lloyd Sanders and Mrs. Pierce.

Mrs. Schuler presided at the business meeting following the luncheon, and recommended recruiting more volunteer workers. Mrs. E. L. Bunnell, co-chairman for publicity was introduced. A number of volunteers gave brief reviews of their work and Mrs. Shelby Tuttle outlined a new community service which the volunteer service anticipates adding to the Red Cross program.

Miss Mildred Samuelson from area office, San Francisco, who had planned to attend the meeting was unable to attend because of weather conditions but is expected to be in Medford for a regular meeting of all service chairmen, February 14.

Gold Star Mothers Plan Social Hour

A social hour for Gold Star mothers of the valley will be held Wednesday, January 25, at 7:30 p. m., at the home of Mrs. Nelson Shober, 2248 Spring street.

An effort is being made to organize a chapter of Gold Star mothers here, and a series of social meetings is to precede the actual organization and election. It is stated, in order that the future members may become acquainted.

All Gold Star mothers are invited to attend.

Wedding Today

Medford friends will be interested in news of the wedding today of Ralph D. Rothermel, son of Paul Rothermel, Orchard, Wash.; and Miss Julia Ann Stewart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer D. Stewart, Portland. The ceremony is taking place at the First Presbyterian church, Portland, this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The Rothermels are former residents here and the bridegroom attended Medford high school.

Miss Stephenson Becomes Bride of Butte Falls Coach

Butte Falls — Miss Geraldine Stephenson became the bride of Dennis John Gray at a ceremony held January 14 at the home of the Rev. and Mrs. Harry W. Hansen, 52 Ross court, Medford. The Rev. Hansen read the service at six o'clock in the evening.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Verni F. Stephenson, Butte Falls, and the bridegroom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Gerald L. Gray, Spokane, Wash. A reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar C. Lewis, Jacksonville, followed the wedding. Assisting Mrs. Lewis were Mrs. Donald Kingsley of Jacksonville and the bridegroom's mother, who came to Medford for the wedding.

For her wedding the bride wore a suit of shamrock green with corsage of orchids. She was attended by Mr. Bill Harris, Butte Falls, and Mr. Harris was best man for Mr. Gray.

The newlywed couple motored north for a honeymoon, and are now at home in Butte Falls where the bridegroom is a teacher and high school athletic coach. The bride is a graduate of the Butte Falls high school and the bridegroom was graduated from Eastern Washington college after attending the University of Idaho.

Announce Wedding Gwynn Lee Young To James Sullivan

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Gwynn Lee Young to James R. Sullivan. The service took place December 26 in Reno, Nev.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carlton H. Martin, 9 North Columbus avenue, and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy B. Sullivan, Jacksonville, Fla.

The newlyweds are at home at 344 North Central avenue. The bride is with Bear Creek orchards and the bridegroom is on the staff of Zellerbach Paper company here.

Golden Wedding

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Ira C. Williams are invited to attend the reception which the couple is holding in the First Methodist church parlors, Wednesday evening, January 25, between the hours of eight and ten o'clock. The occasion is in observance of their 50th wedding anniversary and friends from Medford and throughout the county are expected.

Legion Auxiliary Announces Meeting

A business and sewing meeting will be held by members of the Medford American Legion auxiliary in the armory club room at 8 o'clock, Wednesday, January 25, according to Mrs. Clark Walker, president. She asks all members to attend.

Carnival Plans Made By Business Women; Doctor Main Speaker

Plans for a carnival to raise money for a one-year college scholarship were made at the Business and Professional Women's club meeting at the Girls' Community club, Thursday evening. The scholarship will be awarded to a worthy Medford high school girl student from standpoint of grades and inability otherwise to attend a college or university.

Miss Dana Lee Platz is general chairman for the carnival which will be in the armory, February 15. Standing committee members will participate in producing the carnival by sponsoring game booths and concessions.

At the Thursday meeting Dr. L. D. Inskeep, president of the state health board, spoke to the group and Harlelee Wilson, Talent schools music director, played violin solos accompanied by Miss Verene Bailey.

Miss Hazel Swayne, chairman of the club's health and safety committee was in charge of program arrangements.

Mrs. Wallace Haskins, president, plans to attend the state BPW board meeting at Coos Bay, February 11.



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