

POTPOURRI...

It won't do a bit of good to complain, but last week, for the millionth time, we wondered why everything comes at once. From Monday beginning with the annual Easter Monday luncheon of St. Anne's Altar society, to Friday night when Methodist Women gave a children's style show Potpourri was practically on the fly.

Vining Repertory plays, Republican luncheons, recitals and other events came along so fast we were in something of a daze. What's worse, the coming weeks will probably be no quieter.

Medford doesn't have an Easter parade, like New York City, but a great many women show off their Easter finery at the annual Altar society luncheon. Mrs. Louis LeMire, who was chairman of the party, wore a pretty grey and pink print with one of those little pink bonnet-type hats which are so popular this year. Mrs. Laurence V. Espey, who was hurrying back and forth with platters of food for the buffet table, wore a red print frock with red straw hat, and another hostess, Mrs. John P. Cooney (Eleanor McCabe), looked smart in a black silk suit which she wore with a bright green scarf and a light straw hat.

Mrs. John Boyle's navy blue ensemble was set off with a hat of red straw and Mrs. Raymond Miksche's beige suit, with unique fur trim on the sleeves, was worn with a hat of unusual green shade. Mrs. Miksche wore green orchids and explained that she and daughter Mary were a little startled to find Easter Sunday morning that the two of them had been showered with five corsages, the members of the family having failed to consult with one another beforehand.

Mrs. Miksche had arranged the table centerpieces, both of which caused a buzz of comment from the guests. One combined yellow daffodils, purple pansies and purple candles in a metal branched holder which was festooned with twigs of maple just putting out blooms and leaves. The second table decoration was more traditional in spirit, with masses of low flowers and colored Easter eggs. The small luncheon tables were laid with pastel table covers and centered with hand-made paper Easter bonnets filled with flowers.

Monday night Dr. and Mrs. Bert R. Elliott were hosts for an after-dinner party which honored John Morley, war correspondent who had spoken earlier that evening for Knife and Fork club. Included among the refreshments was a tray of cheese, several varieties, one of which was the cause of considerable conversation.

This pale brown cheese, which turned out to be Scandinavian in origin, we found provided an interesting new taste. Dr. Elliott confessed that he didn't care for it in the slightest, but said Mrs. E. was fond of it. Moore Hamilton tried a nibble and heartily agreed with the doctor, saying he thought it tasted like health candy, which one gathered he considered pretty poor stuff.

Mrs. Victor Birdseye, who was presiding at the coffee service, is always an interesting conversationalist and so we lingered with her after most of the guests had returned to the living room. In practically nothing flat the two of us covered politics, churches, international relations, current events in high school, daughters and their idiosyncrasies, colleges and universities of the west and a variety of other subjects. Mrs. Rawles Moore made it a threesome after a bit, and the talk flowed on until Dr. Kirkland West's interesting remarks on China drew us into the living room.

The party, we forgot to say before, was given in the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Eden, since the Elliotts' home is in the country. Mrs. Eden's decorations included some camellias from her garden and as usual we wondered how she manages to make plants put forth bigger and brighter blossoms than anything we grow.

Wednesday's assignments included the Vining Repertory company's performance of "The Importance of Being Earnest" which we enjoyed very much. The members of this little theatrical company show great inventiveness and ingenuity in staging, for they not only struggle with the problem of a really small stage, but have a minimum amount of money to spend on scenery, furniture, costumes, etc.

Those who enjoyed "Earnest" as a high school or college production would enjoy this excellent cast even more, and too, the dialogue is as written by Wilde, and not as "softened" for school performances.

While watching the play Wednesday we were reminded of Medford High school's production of an incident which happened during the play. George Weir, playing the role of Earnest forgot his lines at one point. The prompter gave him the cue, but George's mind was a blank. The prompter again threw him the first lines of the next speech, but the young actor still couldn't remember.

So, George strolled into the wings, quickly looked at the book and when the scene came flooding back, he just returned

As We Live...

By DR. ELIZABETH HURLOCK

POPULAR MAN KNOWS HOW TO LIVE AND LET LIVE

Do you allow other people to live their own lives or do you try to force them to do things

as you think they should be done? If you do, you are sure to win more enemies than friends.

It is a common failing of human nature to want to be independent, even if independence means making mistakes and suffering consequences for these mistakes.

Even little children show this universal human failing at a very early age.

As older and more experienced people, we constantly tell children what to do, what not to do, how to do it, and how not to do it. If they would be willing to follow our advice, they would save themselves a lot of time and trouble.

But, they resent this advice just as adults do. They would rather do things in their own way, even if it means failure, than to do them as we tell them to. Each year, as they grow older, their resentment becomes stronger and they vow to themselves that they will do as they please.

Many people resent suggestions and advice so keenly that they actually go to the opposite extreme and do something they had not even contemplated, just to show that they will be their own boss at any cost. This is not characteristic of children alone as many adults behave the same way.

To be on the safe side, learn to keep your thoughts to yourself until your opinion or advice is asked. Then give it but do not insist that it be followed. And, don't allow your feelings to be hurt if your advice is not accepted and acted upon.

The people who are most popular and most successful in life are those who have learned that others want to live their own lives without interference. Those who are most disliked, on the other hand, are the people who are constantly telling others what to do and insisting that they do things in the way they themselves prescribe.

If you are in the habit of "bossing" people around — and this is a common habit among parents and people in positions of authority — mend your ways. If necessary, learn to bite your tongue and shut your lips when you find yourself ready to give unsolicited advice.

Small Size: "Is there anything people can do about being small? I have heard that plenty of exercise will make me grow bigger."

(A) Stature is, for the most part, an hereditary trait. Smallness and largeness run in families. Peoples from northern European stock are, as a general rule, larger than those from southern European stock. The type of food the mother eats before her baby is born, the general condition of her health during pregnancy, the type and amount of food the child has after birth, the amount of fresh air and exercise he has, and his general health condition all influence his ultimate size. After growth is completed, which means between 17 and 20 years for girls, and 20 and 22 years for boys, exercise will not make the person taller. Any growth that takes place after that will be in weight.

Divorce: "When one marriage partner wants a divorce and the other refuses to consent, what can be done?"

(A) In most states, the law requires that both husband and wife must consent to a divorce. This is as it should be as otherwise, a man might divorce his wife for a pretty young face and this bring great hardship to the wife and any children they may have. When only one marriage partner wants a divorce, it usually means that conditions are not so hopeless that things could not be patched up. That, of course, is the ideal solution to the problem.

Late for Appointments: "Most of my friends are late for appointments. Is this the correct thing to do? It seems selfish to me."

(A) Some people are intentionally late for social appointments because they believe it creates the impression that they are busy and therefore important. Others are late because they have a poor time sense. They don't know how much time it will take them to meet the appointment on the dot so they don't allow themselves enough time. I agree with you that it is selfish to be late for appointments. It shows no consideration for the other person and what plans that person may have.

Director Bob Stedman often recounts this incident and gives it as a fine example of how an actor can remain calm during a minor emergency. O.S.

to the stage and went on as if nothing had happened. And most of the audience were unaware that anything was wrong.

Medford High News Notes

By Robens Starcher

Dick Padgham was elected president of the Associated Student Body for 1952-53 last Thursday in the general elections.

Other officers elected are Bob Walker, vice-president; Kathryn McAllister, secretary; Ed Deemer, treasurer; Ann Denman, business manager; Sally Harris, yell queen; and Duane Goodman, yell king.

Four amendments to the school constitution were also accepted by the students after a student body meeting was held Wednesday to discuss the proposed changes.

Members of the constitutional committee who suggested the changes were Steve Nye, Shirley Lynch, Beth Fenton, Dick Crain, Bill McAllister and Gail Gatter.

John Morley, war correspondent who spoke at a meeting of Rogue Valley Knife and Fork club April 14, addressed Medford high students earlier in the day. He described conditions in Korea as he saw them during a recent visit, and also spoke of other of his experiences in Europe and Asia.

Morley compared prices in the Soviet Union with American prices and said that hours of work required to earn a certain article — not money — are the basis of Soviet prices.

A group of students gathered around Morley after the speech to ask questions pertaining to present international conditions and question him on relief measures for homeless Koreans.

Girls League week, to be April 28 to May 2, will feature a program for ninth grade girls on Tuesday, slack day on Wednesday, a skit presented by sewing students and a tea for mothers on Thursday, and print and cord day on Friday.

Senior and junior class princesses for the annual Junior-Senior prom, to be held May 10, were chosen at meetings of the two classes last week.

Junior princesses named were Sally Harris, Marcia Houghton, Rosalie Mole and Bets Rinehart. Senior princesses, one of whom will be named queen of

the Prom, include Sally Neil, Marilyn Payne, Diane Findley and Mrs. Charles Chitwood.

Bob Bosworth, '51, has been nominated as a candidate for sophomore class president at the University of Oregon.

Jean Kyle and Patsy Older, former Medford students, are on production crews of the Willamette university production of Shakespeare's comedy, "Twelfth Night," to be presented the week-end of May 2. Jean is a member of the publicity committee and Patsy is working on costumes.

The Grange

Gold Hill Grange met April 17 with the lecture program presenting Joe Williamson, state champion archer, and his son, and assistant, Bob McCanny, in an archery demonstration.

Master Jensen of Enterprise Grange was escorted to the master's station. Mary Shaw welcomed him, and his wife, and various Gold Hill Grangers who had been away. Leona Jenks served as Pomona, in absence of Blanche Merriman, who is on a vacation. Herman Kamping filled Chas. Foote's place on the executive committee.

Glenn Chase told of the increase in freight rates. John Bruce gave an illustration of fattening beef and other meat.

Lily Dusenberry told of flowers that should be planted now. It was announced that Pomona will meet Saturday, April 26, at 10 a.m. at Lake Creek Grange hall. Juvenile Grange from Central Point will put on a drill.

All members of the tableaux were asked to be present on Monday, April 21, at 8 p.m. for practice in degree work. Hal Bishop called for practice for the first and second degree team Monday evening also.

Degree work will be put on at the next meeting, May 8, at the new time, 8:30 p.m., when candidates will be initiated. H.E.C. Chairman Ethel Askins asked that all members bring sandwiches for this meeting. A program from Central Point is also scheduled for that night.

Chairman Askins announced that a rummage sale will be held at Pythian hall in Medford April 28 and 29, and asked cooperation of members.

The V.F.W. has been granted

Sunday, April 20, 1952

MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—NINE

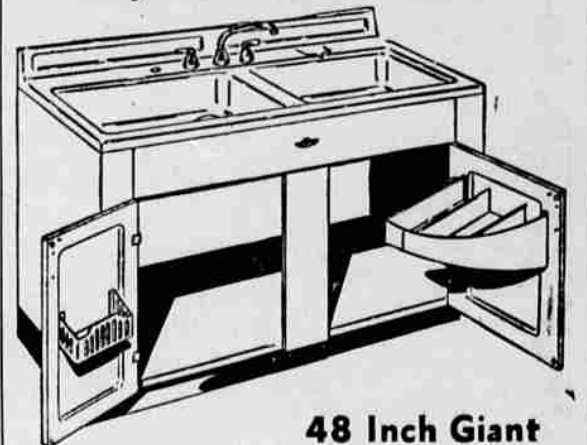


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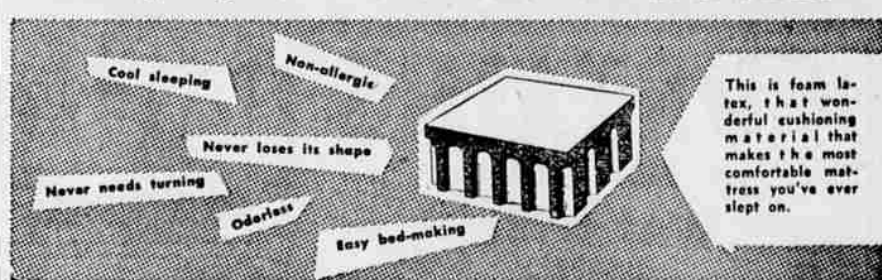
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