

Mercy Flights' Renewals Mailed

Renewal notices to subscribers to Mercy Flights air ambulance pre-paid plan were mailed out last week, officers of the non-profit corporation said yesterday. The notices were sent to those whose subscriptions expire this month.

Members of the National Secretaries association volunteered to handle the paperwork in mailing out the notices, it was reported.

The pre-paid plan for emergency air ambulance service is now just one year old, and a number of patients have been carried under the low-cost ser-

New Riding Academy Opening at Talent

Talent — Lloyd Burley announced yesterday the opening of a riding academy one mile south of Talent across from Walker's Auto Wrecking.

The academy will be known as "Uncle Lloyd's Riding academy" and will teach equitation, the art of riding and handling a horse. Burley said he will rent horses for any length of time and will also handle pack trips.

Burley is well-known in southern Oregon as having the horse concession at Lake O' Woods in the summer.

The plan costs families \$2 per year, with a charge of 25 cents for children alone.

Grants Pass Group Gets Explanation Of Medford Plan

Grants Pass — Two representatives of the Medford Plan, the unique organization which was formed in Medford last year to provide a central agency for unified giving to charity, explained the plan to a group of Grants Pass men here Thursday evening.

The group included members of the Grants Pass and Josephine County Chamber of Commerce, and a number of local employers of substantial numbers of workers.

Don Lane, secretary and manager of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, and Vic Milnes, board chairman of the Medford Plan, described the activities and aims of the group, at the request of the Grants Pass people.

Paper Reports Talks

An account of their talks carried by the Daily Courier said, "The Medford Plan" is unique in that it is an organization of potential donors, not backers of drives for funds. Membership is not solicited, and operations continue the year around.

"Members of the plan make one annual contribution, equaling at least a day's pay for employees or a figure equal to the total of a business concern's past average annual contributions."

"Each member agrees to make no further contributions, other than for religious, educational or political purposes. The visitors revealed that since the plan went into operation last September, members have contributed nearly \$30,000 to Greater Medford charitable activities."

FOLLOWS OPS ORDERS

New Hampton, Ia. — (U.P.) — V. E. Messersmith, owner of Little Butch's cafe, literally followed OPS orders to display his ceiling prices. He posted them on the ceiling of the cafe.

High School News

BY ROBBE STARCHER
Several school clubs have chosen officers for 1952-53 in the past week. New Torch Honor society officers are:



Darrell Brittan, president; Jon Padlock, vice-president; Tresa Barr, secretary; and Jerry Lamb, treasurer. Future Home-makers of America chose Shirley Boit as president; Anne Gregory, vice-president; Donna Zumwalt, secretary; Geraldine Gilman, treasurer; Bonnie Graves, historian; Nancy McKinstry, reporter; and Reola Barnes, parliamentarian.

Drama club officers are Ellen West, president; Louise Burns, vice-president; De Maris Glutsch, secretary; and Leon McDougall, program chairman.

Recently elected officers of Future Teachers of America include Isabel Carr, president; Loretta Kelley, vice-president; Sailee Buffington, secretary; Darrell Eitel, treasurer; Janice Davis, historian; Marion Rice, librarian; and Leon McDougall, parliamentarian.

Seventeen new members of Torch Honor society were initiated at an assembly Wednesday morning. They include Richard Johnson, James Guntion, Charles Frost, Orlan Stansfield, Ronald Wolff, Tom Gail, Steve Nye, Russell Stockman, Vern Gleason, Jim McDonald, DeMaris Glutsch, Irene Brewington, Phyllis Rydberg, Harriett Campbell, Jeanne Wilcox, Marion Rice, Alberta Puhl and Shirley Lynch.

June Darby, Dick Barnard, Johnna Pond and Dick Crain gave short descriptions of the requirements for membership in Torch Honor which include character, scholarship, leadership and service.

Bill McAllister, president, presided at the initiation.

Russell Stockman played "Impromptu" and "Ritual Dance of Fire."

The senior class was awarded a half-holiday Friday afternoon as winner of the traffic safety contest, which ended May 9.

The following statement appeared in the daily bulletin sent out from the office after an assembly was cut short and students requested to return to home rooms:

"Because many of the people attending Medford High lack the common courtesy expected of a student of this institution, the three plays which were to have been presented by the drama classes will not be shown."

Bob Bosworth, '51 was tapped for Skull and Dagger, sophomore men's honorary, at the University of Oregon during Junior week-end.

Annual Vacation Bible School Set

The annual vacation Bible school will be held in Medford for two weeks beginning June 9, it was announced Saturday by the Rev. Perry M. Johnson of the Temple Baptist church, president of the Medford Ministerial association.

Clarence Eklof, of St. Peter's Lutheran church, will be chairman this year, he said, and will be assisted by committeemen drawn from the 12 or 15 participating churches of the city.

On The Side

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Grave authors say, and witty poets sing
That honest wedlock is a glorious thing.
But depth of judgment in him most appears
Who wisely weds in his maturer years.

—Pope.
(It was none other than Aristotle who said: "The age of 18 is the best time for women to marry, and the age of 37 or a little less for men.")

There are quite a few people who want to put on some weight. It is more difficult for this type of person to add weight than it is for plump people to take off weight, yet they, the thin people, are almost totally neglected by the diet experts. One time Jimmy Stewart, the elongated cinema luminary, was trying desperately but unsuccessfully to add a few pounds to his frail frame. Finally he went to a world famous diet specialist. This specialist told him to drink eight ice cream sodas a day!

Horses & Women.

Just when I thought I was getting along nicely with the feminine subscribers I received a letter from four of the same who express a desire to slap my face on both sides. What a life! These subscribers were all born under Libra. They say they are "sick and tired" of my "constantly pointing out that the stargazers say Libra women don't care for housework." They say they like housework. Still, what's wrong with not liking housework? I know some very fine women who have a strong dislike for that task. It's all a matter of taste.

Asking.

Queries from clients. Q.—My sister-in-law says if a runner going from first to third does not touch second, and the umpire sees that he doesn't touch the base, that the man is not called out unless a player of the team in the field calls attention to it. How about it? A.—Your sister-in-law is right. Must be a very smart girl. What is she, a green-gray-eyed blonde? In the situation you mention the umpire has to be appealed to before a decision is made. Q.—Wasn't Katherine Dunham, the dancer, born in Chicago? A.—No sir. She was born in Joliet, Ill. By the way, how do you pronounce Joliet? At one time the name of this city was so frequently mispronounced by its residents that an attempt was made to impose a \$5 fine for every such mispronunciation. Think of the money the city could collect if there were a law like that in Los Angeles.

Challenge.

A London newspaper runs a "challenge" department. In this, space is given to anybody who wants to challenge anybody else to any kind of competition. For example, a 70-year-old man challenged any man of his age to compete in a 100-yard dash. A golfer challenged anybody to meet him in a one-club golf match. That is, to play using only one club. Then there was a challenge by a family of man, wife

NOW WHAT?

Edmonton, Alta. — (U.P.) — A job-hunter ran the following advertisement in the classified section of a local newspaper Friday: "Back East they say 'Go West, young man.' Well, I'm here. Now what?"

A parade will be held preceding the start of the school again this year, Mr. Johnson said.

Use Mail Tribune Want Ads

By E. V. Durling

and two children to meet any similar family in England in a relay swimming race. How about you, sir? Do you want to challenge anybody to a competition? Do you want to compete for fun, money or stogies?

School Reorganization Program Told to Grange

Alf B. Mekvold, Jackson county superintendent of schools, spoke last week before Wimer Grange members on the state school district reorganization law, he reported Friday.

Mekvold explained the background of the law and told how it is set up and how it is intended to work. The talk was followed by a question and answer period.

Movie Sets Destroyed In Burbank Blaze

Burbank, Calif. — (U.P.) — Movie stars and studio officials of Warner Bros. Saturday poked through the still-smouldering rubble of eight acres of movie sets where they had made some of the best pictures in the world.

Kathryn Grayson, Burt Lancaster, Gordon MacRae, Steve Cochran, Ray Bolger, Virginia

Mayo and others who helped 1,500 firemen battle the \$1,500,000 blaze Friday, gathered in groups talking about the fire and reminiscing on the films that had been made in the famous sets.

The actors and actresses, along with their boss, Jack Warner, joined shoulder to shoulder with firemen and studio employees to fight the inferno and do their utmost to salvage what they could of valuable equipment.

CAT IN MOUSE TRAP

Cleveland, Ohio — (U.P.) — A. T. Hines recently bought a cat to catch mice on his property. The feline merely lounged in the sun while the mice skipped merrily by. Friday Hines bought a mouse trap. Its first victim was the cat.

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