

# POTPOURRI...

June seems to have fewer special days and weeks than the winter months. The advertising firm which supplies Potpourri with an advance list of such dates says that June is dairy month, that June 4 is National Secretaries' day, June 8 is Children's day and of course, June 14 is Flag day.

This year June 15 is Father's day, June 21 is the first day of summer and June 23-28 is National Swim for Health week. On our own we can add that today is baccalaureate for the 1952 class of Medford Senior High school, next Thursday, June 5, will be graduation, and that on June 7 some five or six weddings and a big lodge reception

are scheduled here in Medford. Apropos of graduation and weddings, Margaret Cuklin Banning, writing in Red Book magazine for June, says "Any girl who takes less education than she can get cheats her job future, any family she may have, and herself," a statement with which many parents heartily agree, and one which will have little effect, now, on the young people contemplating marriage or jobs immediately after high school.

"Thousands of girls who are good college material are passing up higher education today to marry or take attractive jobs in business, industry, the armed services and the government," the author wrote.

Pointing out that the decline in registration by women in the nation's colleges has sharpened and spread, Mrs. Banning analyzes the situation. "It is not the hard work involved in a college education which is making so many girls forego it," she said. "It is the rival opportunities that are open to the high school graduate."

"The main reasons for worry in educational circles are three. First, progress and advancement in almost any line of work today is conditioned by education. Too few of the nearly 20,000,000 women working outside the home today will get into the higher brackets of business and industry, and of course, they have no chance in the professions with only a secondary education as a base.

"The second reason for grave concern is that education of a woman is inevitably transmitted to her family. It affects not only the management of her home and the intelligence of her contacts with her community, but it is bound to influence her relations with her husband and children.

"The third reason why a trend in this direction is so serious is that these girls are cheating themselves. There are compensations for not having a higher education, but there is no substitute . . ."

Potpourri came back from the weekly picture taking expedition last week with a spray of bougainville, a handful of verbena, eight petunia plants and a half dozen other annuals, an invitation to come sit under the oak tree and sip lemonade some hot afternoon, and a varied assortment of information about flowers which was new and interesting.

The bougainville came from the Hanley greenhouse, where the sight of the plant brought gasps from the visitors. It practically fills one end of the little greenhouse, and the magenta colored bracts (the flowers are insignificant white things) provide a solid mass of color.

When the Misses Hanley traveled in Central America a few years ago, they were intrigued by the masses of bougainville growing everywhere, and later procured one for the greenhouse.

We also were much interested in the wax plant, which has flowers looking exactly like those on milady's hat, and the dozens of fuchsias in full bloom.

Interesting in another fashion was the little stone springhouse, one of the oldest buildings in Jackson county. Growing

# News of 4-H CLUBS

**Gold Hill Club**  
A meeting of the Gold Hill 4-H club was held May 28 at the Estramoda residence.

We voted to have our annual potluck picnic and fair. This will be for all members of the Gold Hill club and their parents. Dick Biles was appointed chairman of the fair committee.

Don Parker showed us the La Pine Herdsmanship Trophy which was won by the Gold Hill Beef club last fall at the county fair. The presentation was made May 24 at the Jackson-Josephine county 4-H, FFA Dairy show by Mr. Mongold, donor of the trophy.

Entertainment was furnished by members of the sewing club, who put on a skit. After the meeting we practiced beef judging. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Estramoda. The next meeting is June 25 at the Biles residence.

Reporter, Mildred Gail.

over the little springhouse is a willow tree, which might well be the oldest one in Jackson county and the grand-daddy of many now flourishing in all parts of the county.

Miss Claire told us that a friend of her grandfather and grandmother, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hanley, brought the little willow shoot from Oregon City with him, keeping it fresh by sticking it in a potato, and carrying it in his saddle bag. The friend, Kit Carney, had procured the willow slip from the old Llewellyn home nursery near Oregon City, first nursery and orchard in the state, and presented it to Mrs. Hanley saying that when grown, the willow would remind Mrs. Hanley of her former home.

Mrs. G. W. Phetteplace had previously told us, over the phone, that "she was busy planting" and after wandering around over her garden for a few moments, decided that this must certainly be true. Around under one tree we counted 13 flats of small plants, and in another spot were another six or eight.

Mrs. Phetteplace said it took about 900 small plants for the three huge round flower beds and several hundred more for the long border running the full length of the garden. That day, one of the warm ones early in the week which rushed roses and flowers into full bloom, Mrs. Phetteplace was not only wrestling seven hoses around in her own garden, but was watering the garden for a neighbor away on a trip.

"My husband complains that I cover every inch of this place with flowers," she said, added that she worked hard, got very dirty and tired but had a lot of solid enjoyment out of the garden work. When we asked if the garden was new or old, she pointed to a vacant lot across the road and said "Five years ago it looked like that, except for the big trees."

In addition to admiring the garden, we also took time out to look at three darling little Persian kittens and then left, carrying a box full of annuals which Mrs. Phetteplace wouldn't take any thanks for since she is superstitious and thinks they won't grow if she is thanked.

Two new publications are going on the market. One is a magazine called "Lifetime Living," said to be the first magazine to be edited exclusively for older people. The June issue is the first.

Second one is to be a 100-page, 25-cent annual entitled "Fashion." It is due to hit the newsstands about August, and will be published by Dell service group, New York. O.S.

# Leonard Carpenter Writes from Stockholm; Describes Traffic, Hotels, Drink Customs

(Editor's note: The following is another article written by Leonard Carpenter, Veritas orchards, Medford, who with Mrs. Carpenter is now in Europe.)

By LEONARD CARPENTER

Stockholm, Sweden.—We rode in a Belgian plane the 315 miles from Copenhagen to Stockholm over the many lakes and forests and farms of southern Sweden for 90 minutes during which we were offered—and gladly took—a glass of French vermouth and gin, which might be labeled a Sabena martini cocktail after the airline, and a first rate dinner, although not quite up to the delicious United Airlines meals.

We were almost the last passengers to go through the customs and emigration bureau. "Have you any money with you?" "No." So she went through. Then came my turn. "How much money have you?" "Two dollars." "What, only two dollars? That is all you have? How long are you going to be here?" "About three weeks." "What, with only two dollars?" "Well, two dollars in kronor, Swedish money." "Oh, you have more than two dollars. You have 10 kronor and express checks?" "Yes, see." "Oh yes, that is better. I hope you enjoy Sweden." And I received my passport back, found our baggage okayed and so we came to this delightful city.

**The Grand Hotel**

There is a saying, "If you want to stay at the Grand Hotel in Stockholm your name should be placed on the waiting list at your birth and if you imagine a front room on the river your imagination has run away with you." So we found ourselves in two nice new rooms at the back with a view of much scaffolding and building materials. But at the end of the second day we were on the river front just where ships from the island tie up. Just opposite are the King's palace and the Parliament buildings, and the multi-colored old part of the city with fishermen and klitters lining the railing of the beautiful bridge. The fishermen are in rowboats with circular nets 10 feet across catching fish for our dinner.

All day long blue trolley cars in tandem, autos, taxis, trucks, bicycles, walkers, runners and a few, very few tourists, so far, pass between us and the palace beyond the river while fishing boats, water taxis, tourist excursion boats, ships for the many islands, ships for Finland, ships for Baltic ports, load and unload passengers and goods along the store-lined sides of the river.

Boston is the only American city I know that has the same narrow streets winding like cowpaths and where winter street changes to summer street while crossing Washington street.

**Curved Streets**

Here, every street is curved and twisted and forced to turn aside by a church, opera house, monument, playground, street cafe or simply somebody's whim. Here Arsenolsgraten finds St. Jacob's church in its way so it makes a 30 degree turn and becomes Kungstradgatan. While Klarabergsgatan upon reaching Regeringsgatan becomes Hamngatan torg and in crossing Nybrogatan, a delightful park takes on the alias Strandvagen.

The best dressed men are the headwaiters. They wear boiled shirts with white ties and full dress, long tail coats even for 7 o'clock breakfast.

You remember the story of the two ladies who were having tea somewhere across "the pond." "Oh, that poor American," said the one from Paris. "If he's an American he isn't poor. He's a millionaire," responded the lady from London. "But look! His pantaloons and his coat do not match. He has no suit."

But today the slack and the sport coat is a common sight especially with the younger men although the staid older business

men dress in dark suits with a vest and a heavy watch chain. A surprising number of women wear slacks even on the principal shopping streets.

**Not Like Medford**

Stockholm is unlike Medford in many ways. Here the river has been beautified and many arms of the sea penetrate deeply because it is built on many islands connected together with many bridges. Parks and trees are numerous and places where children can play out-of-doors are well scattered about. Here we have a stone and brick city where one who is extremely lazy could do nothing better than join the fire department. Very different from Copenhagen where flowers were everywhere. Here one finds only a few beds of tulips just coming into bloom.

Only 20 per cent of the people live in private homes, the rest are in apartment buildings but like our own big cities this one is surrounded with easily reached suburban additions from which many commute. The preponderance of bicycle transportation noted elsewhere is lacking here. However, listen. A young friend who worked for a big engineering firm in Los Angeles for four or five years upon coming back here to live had to take a driving test for his license. When it was over the only criticism offered was "You drive over-cautiously! You have no concern with the pedestrian." "But in California," the man began but was interrupted with "We are not concerned with California. Here you drive too cautiously."

They and our British cousins come bounding along on the wrong side of the road and when you have dodged the Austin there is still that completely hooded and shrouded motorcyclist with his girl clinging to his waist and streaming behind and the athletic Swedish girl on the bike with one baby on the handle bars, and another on a seat over the rear wheel, bearing down upon you and then you suddenly remember that no one in this whole city is responsible except you yourself and as you jump to safety you wonder if your insurance covers this hazard or if after disposing of you they will sue and collect from your estate.

**Alcohol a Problem**

Among the more serious affairs is that of alcohol. I mean for drinking purposes because there seems to be plenty for those lamps which are placed under food to keep it warm. A traveler can get a permit by showing his passport to an affable gentleman at the "system" in Stockholm and waiting a few minutes, to purchase at the system retail store an amount of hard liquor depending upon the length of the visit. (Outside the capital city and for all Swedes it takes about 10 days to get the permit and I don't know how long to find the "retail.")

I was granted two something. I think litres, which turned out to be 3 fifths of Scotch or brandy. But I had to buy all or none and I cannot get another permit until June 1, which is a Sunday. At restaurants no sales before noon, a small quantity between 12 and 15 o'clock. But hold tight ladies. You can have only one-half as much as your man and he gets 15 cl. more than you do. You can buy wine after 12 o'clock but you cannot have strong wines except "in conjunction with a meal or with refreshments," to quote directly from the law. Schnapps or aquavite is the usual substitute for the martini and it is flavored with various things, anise, licorice, etc.

and is gulped in one, two or three tries and immediately washed down by a beer chaser.

Some say the beer prevents the schnapps from burning a hole right through one's throat and so not getting down to the place you want it to go, while others contend the beer is simply a nice thing to drink in itself without any excuse. I cannot judge which one is correct but I always follow the custom.

**Only Small Smorgasbords**

Although I have looked everywhere for it and eaten a score of delicious meals, I have failed to find the Swedish smorgasbord as it is thought of in the U.S.A. A small smorgasbord served at lunch or dinner usually takes the place of soup and consists of 3 open sandwiches of smoked herring, lobster or fish, a slice of meat such as beef, dried beef or ham, and one of cheese. Usually radishes are included or a vegetable salad. A large smorgasbord consists of 8 to 12 sandwiches of fish, meat, cheese, salad and when a dessert or coffee is added makes up the whole meal.

In Denmark it seemed that the meals were much larger and few Danes were content with only S and D. They wanted soup and entree also. I have not been up late enough but I am told that long lines of thirsty customers begin gathering outside restaurants in the late evening hoping for a chance at a sandwich AND—! Beer is delicious and is used as a substitute for ice water.

**Taxes Very High**

Taxes are very high and services rendered are comprehensive. Children of working mothers or those mothers who are sick or incapacitated are carefully looked after. Babies from 4 months to 1 year are admitted under doctor's orders to community homes owned and operated by the city. They are absolutely incredible to me. Four babies to each room with a nanna or nurse, cribs, toys, separate bureaus for each with all the linen necessary; soap, powder, and even an outside balcony for sunbathing. Each room is 15x15 feet and is separated from the hallway by glass partitions through which we could see the babies. There are 10 of these shining, sunny, happy sanctuaries here in Stockholm each housing 32 babies.

If at the end of a year the mother still is unable to care properly for her child a foster home is found and there the child remains until the mother can do her job. Connected with the cooperative apartments is always a day nursery where children are kept, fed and taught every working day from 7 a. m. until 6 p. m. After a child reaches his sixth year he must go to school and there also he is cared for through very small payment by his parents added to city and state money.

The hospital we visited is a huge one with several thousand beds and very modern with departments for every sort of ailment and clinics for the study of rheumatism, a word now dropped from our language in favor of arthritis; cancer, TB, and all the other ills man is heir to.

One department where rehabilitation is carried along teaches trades as well as skills. One of the patients with whom we exchanged nods was engaged in assembling very intricate switchboards for automatic telephones. He had been in the hospital for four years with lung cancer and was earning quite an income and best of all he had received his final OK and soon would leave the hospital.

**Bomb Shelters, Too**

Intricate wood carving, rug and fabric weaving, basketry

# Appeal's Response 'Just Wonderful'

## Red Cross Reports

The response to a recent appeal to aid the family of World War II Veteran Clarence Kaparoff, which lost their Evans Creek home by fire recently has been "just wonderful," the local Red Cross chapter reported Saturday.

County residents have donated a washing machine, beds, cribs and mattresses, a stove, a rug, clothing, canned goods, "and even a fire alarm system," the Red Cross reported.

The home is just about fully furnished, it was said, and the only thing that is still lacking is a refrigerator or ice-box, in which to keep the Kaparoff children's milk during the summer months.

A letter of thanks for all the help given them was received by The Mail Tribune from the Kaparoffs Saturday, asking that the "many, many individuals who gave so freely in our time of need" be thanked. "We also would like to express our thanks to the Rogue River Community Chest, Red Cross, Wimer Home Economics Unit, Wimer Grange, American Legion auxiliary, and Cub Scout Pack 23 of Grants Pass," the letter added. "The things that our family cannot use will be given to others in need. Once again, thank you all," it concluded.

The Kaparoffs are now residing at route 1, box 163, Rogue River.

taking picnic lunches, and will swim in Twin Plunges. Accompanying the group will be the class advisors, Mrs. Ruth Broomfield and William Halls, and the parents of some of the students.

Eighth grade promotion exercises will be held Wednesday night at a dinner at the Gold Hill Grange hall. Those receiving diplomas will include Richard Bickel, Samuel Collins, William Devor, Royal Gray, Robert Lance, Samuel Massey, Gayle Robbins, Ronald Trueblood, Leroy Waterhouse, Mark Rogers, Richard Shoemaker, Eugene Wilson, Frankie Birdsong, Berta Clark, Donna Eskew, Jean Estremado, Sylvia Malone, Nadra Moore, Jane Rosecrans, Bonnie Sears and Zoe Turner.

Present at the dinner will also be Robert Sage, school principal, the class advisors, Mrs. Broomfield and Halls, parents of the students, and others of the school staff.

# Gold Hill Grade School Ends June 6

Gold Hill — Gold Hill grade school will end its term Friday, June 6, although no classes will be held after Tuesday. Students will return to school Friday morning to receive their report cards.

The eighth grade will picnic at Lithia park in Ashland Tuesday. They will travel by bus,

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