

Absentee Shower Held Wednesday at Walkers For Former Resident

Mrs. W. R. Walker, Fern Valley road, was hostess at an absentee shower Wednesday honoring Mrs. Frank M. Bryant, formerly of Medford and now a resident of Chula Vista, Calif. The gifts were brought to the shower unwrapped and were gift wrapped and packed to mail to Mrs. Bryant. Games were played and notes were written to the absent guest of honor.

Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Guests attending the party were Mrs. Alice Hood, Mrs. Loyal McCay, Mrs. E. L. McGraw, Miss Donna McCay, Miss Pamela McCay, Mrs. Kenneth Hood, Mrs. Frank Sparks, Miss Kathy McCay, Miss Jacqueline Walker, Tommy McGraw and Daniel Walker, all of Medford; Mrs. Harold Mercer and Miss DeLores Mercer of Crescent City, Calif.; Mrs. Harry Dubbs, Grants Pass, Mrs. Melford Hood, Miss Helen Hood and Miss Suzanne Hood, Gold Hill; Mrs. E. R. Kelly and Mrs. S. R. Kelly, Central Point.

Nile Daughters Plan Final Sewing Meeting

Medford members of Zuleima temple, Daughters of the Nile, will meet Monday, August 18, at Girls Community club for a 12 noon potluck sewing meeting.

This will be the last sewing meeting of the summer and Mrs. J. C. Deaver, chairman, cordially invites all Daughters of the Nile to participate.

In Greece, delicious canapés are made of rice and meat wrapped in spiced grape leaves.



What's New At BELL'S

In any list of all-time favorite dinnerware patterns, "Napoleon Ivy" by Wedgwood would surely rate a top spot. It was a good design when Napoleon used it at St. Helena in 1815, and it's a good design today. The crisp wreath of ivy leaves on a white background is perennially refreshing and appealing—and of course Wedgwood quality has long been a standard of excellence.

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Mrs. Frank VanDyke, (center), who has been appointed general chairman of the 1953 convention of the Oregon Congress of Parents and Teachers to be held in Medford next April 20-23, confers here with Mrs. Jennelle Moorhead, Portland, state president, and Mrs. John A. Carter, Jackson County

Council president, over a box lunch in the state Congress headquarters in Portland. They were attending the fall meeting of the state board of managers, held earlier this month. (Picture courtesy Oregon Journal)

Girl Scout Staff Honored at Party; Camp To Be Closed

A party for the staff of Girl Scout camp Low Echo was given by the established camp committee at the home of Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Stevenson, Saginaw drive, Sunday, August 10.

The camp season was brought to a close with this social function. Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Duffy arranged the program and other committee members participating were Mr. and Mrs. Rollin Jones, Mr. and Mrs. John Holtz, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Roach, Col. and Mrs. Charles Stafford, Mr. and Mrs. Michele Rossi, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Kelt, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Wuner, and Mr. and Mrs. James Pack.

Low Echo staff members attending the party were Mrs. Marjorie Hopkins, Mrs. H. B. Cook, Mrs. Ivah Murray, Mrs. Ruth Cummings, and the Misses Shirley Hutchinson, Jean Hamilton, Harriet Osborne, Virginia Jones, Augusta Krause, Janet Coyle, Mildred Hawley, Virginia McIntire, Irene Knox, Nancy Jennings, and Ann Hart. Those unable to attend were Misses Nan Clabby, Harriet Dowson, Shirley Rice, and Joan Dean.

Staff members added to the entertainment by singing camp songs. As a part of the closing camp fire ceremony, a yew wood faggot, with Low Echo carved on it by Miss Carol Pringle, was saved to be taken to the 40th Birthday camp fire ceremony. This program will be held during National Girl Scout Week at Rockwood, Mr. Miss Irene Knox, unit leader, will take the faggot to the ceremony.

The camp committee met at the John Holtz home after the social gathering, to plan work parties for Sunday, August 24 and Labor Day week-end. Every Girl Scout friend and father is invited to join in this work party and the Medford and Grants Pass Active clubs will assist them.

From Illinois

Mrs. Frances Simcox, Mail Tribune apartments, has as guests Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Simcox and Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Owens, all of Assumption, Ill. The visitors are on a 5,000 mile vacation trip through Canada and the West. They said that they are "very much impressed" with Medford.

Extension Specialist Gives Hints on Hosiery

Probably no other item in a woman's wardrobe needs such care as hosiery. Here are some tips that can save money as well as a lot of irritation. They're suggested by Miss Lucy Lane, extension clothing specialist at Oregon State college.

Keep stockings in a smooth container, with each pair separate, instead of tumbling them together in a drawer. You may want to use smooth-lined hosiery boxes, which are for sale, to avoid catching the stockings on rough wood or something else in the drawer.

Rinse new stockings before wearing, and wash them after each day's wear. This helps keep them in shape, and prevents possible damage from perspiration.

Worn shoe linings, rough edges on shoes or shoe buckles, or even rough calluses on the feet can catch and snag hose. Just now, starched petticoats and stiffened undershirts are in fashion, but they too can play havoc with hose. Watch for—and try to eliminate—such dangers. For instance, a little sandpapering or waxing of a rough chair or table leg may save money.

If you find a snag in a stocking, pull it inside where it's less likely to catch and pull. Sometimes you can halt a tiny hole by mending it with yarn raveled from a worn stocking. So, Miss Lane suggests, keep a few ravelings rolled on a spool in your mending drawer.

Fruits for drying are picked only after they are fully ripe. In fact, they must be ripe in order to dry properly. Full ripening assures a high sugar content necessary in the dried fruit.

4-H Club News

Central Point Poultry

Central Point Poultry club opened its meeting at Charles Taylor's home with the 4-H pledge. For roll call each member asked questions on the nomenclature and handling of fowls in preparation for the Jackson County 4-H club fair.

A demonstration on brooding chicks was given by Rose Marie Legler and Gwenn Moore. Refreshments were served by the Leglers.

Gwenn Moore, Reporter.

Griffin Creek Club

Griffin Creek 4-H club has completed its year of work. The girls gave a tea Thursday for the mothers and received help in styling before the fair at Griffin Creek school. Miss Brooks, county agent, was present to help. Nine mothers were present. Thanks was given Mrs. Dan Neill, our leader, and Miss Sandra Neill, president, for a happy year.

Georgia Merton, Secretary.

Eisenhower Schedules Speech in Minnesota

Rochester, Minn. —(U.P.)—Republican Presidential Nominee Dwight D. Eisenhower will attend the National Conservation day and plow matches in Dodge County Sept. 6, it was reported Saturday.

Bob Hurtle, platform program chairman for the two-day affair Sept. 5-6, said he received official word today that Eisenhower would attend.

President Truman earlier turned down an invitation.

Grocery Manufacturers Employ Many Scientists In Research on Foods

In one year, 1951, grocery manufacturers employed 6400 research scientists and auxiliary personnel to find ways to improve food products and methods of processing according to Grocery Manufacturers of America, Inc. Approximately \$38,000,000 was spent for the development of new and improved food and grocery products.

Research in food product development has shown rapid strides during the past 20 years, the association stated. In 1930 only about 500 people were engaged in this type of research work.

"The keen competition engendered by the depression touched off a campaign to find new products, better methods of production, and economy of operation," declared Paul S. Willis, president of the association. "Now research laboratories are considered a vital department of every grocery manufacturing company. The result is new products, greater variety of products and a continuing stepping up of standards."

Mr. Willis said that there is usually a lag of several years between the time a new product is developed and the time it is offered to the homemaker. The reason is the long series of steps necessary in the planning stages; the testing and re-testing under a variety of conditions; the recipe development in company kitchens; testing in home kitchens and, finally, consumer tests in selected towns or areas.

Paper napkins are excellent for cleaning windows.

Research Workers Gather Material For Monthly Index

New York —(U.P.)—Around her office on the west side of Manhattan, they call her "cost of living" Woodworth. Her pretty head is fuller of statistics than a calculating machine.

Mrs. John K. Woodworth is one of the 400 full-time workers of the U. S. Labor Department, bureau of labor statistics, who help compile the national cost-of-living monthly index.

The index, as defined by the bureau, is the measuring stick for the rise and fall of retail prices. To the housewife, it's the latest news about where her food, clothing and shelter dollars are going. To Lynn Woodworth, it also represents at least 10 miles of walking a day, involving calls on as many as 10 stores — department stores, butcher shops, chain stores, the small grocery, the local appliance store and the beauty shop.

"We check everything which affects the family's budget," Mrs. Woodworth explained.

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The bureau depends also on a staff of part-time workers who concentrate on gathering food prices. Most of them are housewives, scattered across the nation, who are earning extra money by working about one week out of each month.

The workers sample prices in 56 cities, ranging from the nation's largest to towns of 2,500 population, such as Sand Point, Idaho.

Standard equipment for each researcher is a list of commodities, usually around 200, to be checked. In the food department alone, they include cereals, meat, dairy products, eggs, fruit and vegetables, fats and oils.

If the researcher's job also is to check other prices, she will look into the cost of Dad's overcoat, Mom's hat, the price of shoe repair, rent, dry cleaning, towels, brooms, cosmetics, and even the admission to the local movie house.

Housewives Know

"Housewives are the ideal price researchers," said Miss Helen F. Callahan, regional price economist for New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Delaware.

"Long years of buying for her own family make the homemaker more price conscious than anybody I know," she explained. "Price researchers can't afford to make mistakes."

"An error here and there," the price economist explained, "might add up to a mistake in the overall index. Millions of dollars ride on a tenth of a point change. There are millions of workers, whose contracts call for salary changes as the cost-of-living changes."

Mrs. Woodworth, who is 24,

Church to Sponsor Bible Study Course

Dr. Gertrude Boyd Crane, professor of Religion at Pacific University, Forest Grove, will conduct a class for interdenominational Bible study at First Methodist church August 25 through August 28.

The study will be based on the book by Georgia Harkness entitled "Towards Understanding the Bible." Duplicate classes from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and from eight p.m. to 10 p.m. will be held so that employed people may attend. Registration cards may be obtained at First Methodist church office, from Sunday school teachers and circle chairman.

Dr. Crane is an ordained minister, and is recognized nationally for her ability as a Bible teacher. She is now teaching this subject for two schools of missions of the Methodist conference of California.

Meeting Announced

For Gold Star Mothers

Medford chapter, Gold Star Mothers, will hold a business meeting Wednesday, August 20 at 7:30 p.m. at Girls Community club. The president states that the session will be important.

If you want to give your pot roast an exciting, different flavor, cook it this way. Add 3 tablespoons mixed pickling spices along with the water when you start cooking the roast. Then half an hour before it's done, add ½ cup each dried apricots and prunes and 1 teaspoon sugar.

holds a master of arts degree in economics from Duke University. She and her husband of less than a year live in a roomy apartment in West Orange, N.J. She is the first to admit that the cost-of-living gets her down.

"I do all right with my grocery bill," she said. "But my clothing bill! I wear out plenty of shoe leather . . . checking prices for everybody."

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