

Civic Company To Give Opera; Stars to Sing

Portland—Rossini's comic opera "The Barber of Seville" will be presented for one night only November 26 at the Portland Civic Auditorium. It is the second of three operas to be produced this season by the Portland Civic Opera association, Oregon's only opera group.

The association is importing four great stars to sing the leading roles. They include Salvatore Baccaloni, leading basso-buffo of the Metropolitan Opera company; Barbara Gibson, beautiful star of opera and television; Cesare Bardelli of the famous La Scala opera in Milan, Italy; and Desire Ligeti, leading bass-baritone of the San Francisco Opera company.

The "Barber of Seville" is perhaps the best loved of all the comic operas in the modern repertory.

The story of the "Barber" is based upon a French play which recounted the efforts of the town factotum, Figaro, to help his client, the Count Almaviva, to win the hand of Rosina. In their effort to outsmart Rosina's jealous guardian, a variety of fantastic plots are hatched, with hilarious consequences.

The quality of "The Barber of Seville" is demonstrated by the attention it has received from some of the greatest operatic voices of this and past generations. Such stars as Adelina Patti, Melba, Tetrazzini and Galli-Curci were famous Rosinas of the golden age of opera, while in our time, Lily Pons performed the role with great success. Tenors like Bonci and Tito Schipa interpreted the part of the Count while such great baritone and basses as Ruffo, de Luca, Chaliapin and Pinza sang the "Barber" repeatedly. All of the stars to be heard in Portland have received widespread acclaim for their work with Rossini's masterpiece.

Tickets are available at J. K. Gill Co., or by mail from the Portland Civic Opera association, P.O. Box 976, Portland.

MEETING ANNOUNCED BY SOCIAL CLUB

Electa Social club will meet at Girls Community club, Friday, November 26, at 12:30 p.m. Members are asked to take a sack lunch.

Mrs. Wheeler Hughes and Mrs. Obert Hanson will be hostesses for the day. Cards will be played following a short business meeting.

Assistant Superintendent Talks On 'What Makes a Good School'

"What Makes a Good School" was the topic chosen by Leonard Mayfield, assistant superintendent of Medford city schools when he spoke to the "Dad's Night" meeting of the Jackson School Parent Teacher association last Wednesday evening in the school auditorium.

Mr. Mayfield discussed ten factors that he believes make a good school. First, to have a good school, it is necessary to have an alert and active school board. Second, there must be interested parents; parents that believe that it takes teamwork to make a good school. Under this point, Mr. Mayfield discussed the fact that many criticize the methods of teaching today, and feel children should be taught only the 3 R's as they were years ago. He read and discussed statistics proving by tests that the children of this generation are better students than those of the "good old days."

The third factor that goes to make a good school is that there must be a capable staff; a staff made up of teachers who understand children and enjoy teaching as well as having had the educational background and training for it. Fourth, it is necessary to have students who are willing to take advantage of the opportunities offered

them. Fifth, a good school needs a good plant and surroundings. Sixth, it is necessary to have a good academic program stressing fundamentals. Seventh, a good school should offer a wide range of activities giving the children a chance to learn the importance of privilege and responsibility.

Eighth, it should have a well-thought-out program of individual guidance and council. Ninth, it needs a union of all the factors that make a good school, and tenth, a good school needs an administrative staff that is able to weld all of the above-mentioned factors into a team.

Mr. Mayfield paid high tribute to the Medford city schools and to E. H. Hedrick, superintendent, who he said is recognized as an outstanding leader in the field of education.

In closing, Mr. Mayfield said he felt that if the parents and school people would think in terms of attacking the problems, and not individuals, they would be better able to resolve and solve their problems. He said the most trouble in the schools arises from teachers and parents fighting among themselves. Mr. Mayfield further declared that one of the most important factors for teamwork and getting along is knowing one another, and that the PTA was a most helpful medium in this connection.

The "Dad's Night" meeting was opened by an explanation of the change in the salute to the flag of the United States of America by Cub Scout Tommy Stephenson after which he invited the audience to join him in the salute. The colors were presented by Cub Scout Mark White, and Boy Scout George Shreeve.

Mrs. Rex Nicodemus, vice-president of Jackson PTA, gave the invocation.

Mrs. Golden Noble, president of the unit, presided and Mrs. Eleanor Jones, program chairman, introduced L. A. Mirick, director of the Medford High School band. Mr. Mirick presented 25 members of his band in a varied group of musical selections.

At the close of the program, the parents were invited to visit their children's teachers in the rooms. On the sound of a class bell, all were invited to pie and coffee served by mothers of students in the fifth grade. The tables were decorated with fall leaves, nuts and fruit. During the refreshment hour, a prize was awarded to the youngest father and to the oldest mother in attendance.

Rebekahs Elect New Officers; Homecoming Set

Mrs. Frank Chapman was elected noble grand of Olive Rebekah lodge during a meeting of the lodge Monday at the Odd Fellows hall. Mrs. J. H. Brummond is the newly-elected vice-grand; Mrs. F. A. Daugherty, secretary; Mrs. Lynn Howard, treasurer; and Mrs. Al Hansen, financial secretary. They will be installed into their offices after the first of the year.

Homecoming will be observed jointly with the Odd Fellows lodge members Monday, November 29, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., at the IOOF hall. All Odd Fellows and Rebekahs and their husbands and wives, and any visiting members of either groups, are invited.

Plans include an annual dinner and a program. The Rebekah committees are headed by Mrs. Lewis Thompson and Mrs. P. M. Aldredge, cochairmen.

Initiation of candidates is planned for the next meeting, December 6 when officers are to wear formal dresses, and other members may do so.

Mrs. Chapman who is vice-grand until the installations, presided for the Monday evening meeting in the absence of the noble grand.

Visitor Honored At Shower Party Monday Evening

Mrs. Roger Note and Mrs. Fred Beck were cohostesses for a shower Monday evening which honored Mrs. Gerald Note. The party was held at the home of Mrs. Beck on Old Stage road.

The guest of honor was presented gifts and games were played. Prizes were won by Mrs. John Todd, Mrs. Louis E. Bittle, Mrs. Melvin McGrew and Mrs. James Farrar.

Those invited were Mesdames Rex Note, Michael Beck, Louis F. Bittle, Harold Wall, B. L. Sanderson, Louis E. Bittle, Farrar, Roland Watson, C. C. Sherred, Earl Scripster, E. W. Pease, T. V. Andrews, T. J. Hight, Edward Barry, A. B. Shirley, W. W. Bittle, McGrew, John Bittle, Harry Note, Roy Note, Todd, Cliff Proctor, Clara Cormany and Ed Davies.

Mrs. Davies is from San Francisco and is a sister-in-law of the guest of honor. She has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Rex Note on Hamilton street.

Mrs. Gerald Note is the former Miss D'Ann Beck and she is visiting her parents, the Michael Becks, Old Stage road. She will return to her home in Salem Wednesday.

CALENDAR

Sunday
1 p.m.—Colonel Sargent camp and auxiliary, Redman hall.
Monday
12 noon—Jackson County Republican Women, Jackson hotel.
1:30 p.m.—Grandmothers club, Girls Community club.
6:45 p.m.—Cruisers club, First Presbyterian church.
7:30 p.m.—Degree of Honor Protective association, Redman hall.
8 p.m.—Crater High PTA, high school cafeteria.
8 p.m.—Scottish Rites Women's club, Masonic temple.

School Legislation Topic of Speaker For Teacher Unit

Legislation important to schools of Oregon was discussed by Leonard Mayfield at a meeting of Jackson County Classroom Teachers' association held November 15 at West Side school. Dinner was served by West Side Mothers' club.

Mr. Mayfield, assistant superintendent of Medford schools, said issues likely to come up in the forthcoming state legislature are problems of school finance, school reorganization, policies governing allocation of state funds for transportation, drivers' training education, textbooks, the athletic program, and the compulsory education age law.

Mr. Mayfield stated that many people believe Oregon must soon find a new source of revenue for support of the school system. Home owners are bearing an ever great part of the financial burden, he declared, and added that many educators feel that there is need to revise the present formula for dividing the basic school support fund.

The speaker was introduced by George Marsters, teacher at West Side school.

Following Mr. Mayfield's address, Mrs. Orva Taylor, president of the group, presided over a brief business meeting. Mrs. Jean Long and Boyd Gibson reported on the recent Classroom Teachers' conference held in Portland.

Masons Attend Bethel Meeting; Initiation Held

Central Point—It was "Masonic night" at the last meeting of Bethel 38, Job's Daughters of Central Point, and initiation was also held. Initiated were Ruth Day, Carol Bailey, and Madge Lillywhite.

Bill Bishop brought greetings from the local Masonic order and introduced the other Masons present. Mrs. Everett Faber, grand guide and past guardian of Bethel 38, and Bill Abbott, past associate guardian of Bethel 38, were introduced.

The Masons present were subjected to a quiz concerning facts about the Order of Jobs Daughters, and failure to answer correctly resulted in additions to the bethel treasury. Following the meeting a pie-walk was held. Committee for the evening was composed of Joanne Ritter, Marilyn Allen, Patty Barber, Roberta and Debra Dunlap, Mrs. Dunlap, and Mrs. Ritter.

The next meeting will be held on the Friday evening after Thanksgiving, and will be a short meeting followed by a line party.

Riverside Bridge Club Names Weekly Winners

Riverside Bridge club has announced results of the weekly play, held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pruitt.

North-south winners were Mrs. B. B. Hughes and Mrs. Lloyd Johnson, first, 74 points; Mrs. W. W. Stevenson and Pruitt, second, 66; Mrs. Frank Baker and William Isaacs, third, 61; Mrs. George Choate and Asa Kimball, fourth, 58 points.

Winners for the east-west playing position were Mrs. Dwight Seely and Mrs. Van Gilbert, first, 74 points; Mrs. Richard Milestone and Tommy Munds, second, 63; Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Fuson, third, 61½; Mrs. E. K. Ricker and Mrs. Fred Rehling, Mrs. R. J. Conroy and Al Gilhousen, tied for fourth and fifth, 58.

Speaker Explains ACWW At Meeting

Howard — Mrs. R. E. Carley spoke regarding Associated Country Women of the World during a meeting last week of Howard Home Extension unit at the home of Mrs. Verl Walker. She was dressed in a Swedish costume.

Mrs. Ralph Merritt and Mrs. J. S. Lydiard spoke on Azalea house and the country of Ceylon where the next convention of ACWW will be held.

Mrs. John Benson and Mrs. Gene Seibert became members. The project leaders, Mrs. Warren Holbrook and Mrs. Henry Friesen, gave the lesson on embossed metals.

A Christmas party at the Friends church Harmony hall is planned for the next unit meeting.

Zontians Receive Two New Members

Mrs. Clifford Platz and Mrs. Eva Marsh were received as new members of Medford Zonta club at the club's luncheon held on Thursday at the Jackson hotel.

Mrs. Eloise Winklebleck and Mrs. Florene Bolton of the club gave classification talks. Mrs. Winklebleck took the audience on a descriptive tour of the installations of the California Oregon Power company, and also told the minute details required to supply electric service. Mrs. Bolton outlined a typical day in a clinical laboratory briefly describing the variety of tests performed.

Next meeting of the club will be its Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Mildred Wilson Dec. 10.

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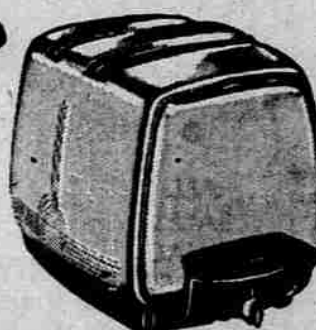
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