

KIDDIE'S ROCKER



Alice-in-Wonderland characters in a new cotton print cavort over the seat and back of this child's rocker. The clever cushions were made on the new Singer automatic sewing-machine sewing machine, which does straight as well as decorative stitching.

Auxiliary Announces Dance at Camp White

The department of Oregon auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars will sponsor another dance at the Camp White dormitory Monday, December 6, at 8 p. m., in the theater. Those wanting transportation may take the bus at the Trailways depot at 7:30 p. m.

The United States has about 7,500,000 widows.

SOC Players Book Drama This Weekend

Ashland—The Southern Oregon College players will present the first production of the season, "The Member of the Wedding," by Carson McCullers, on two nights, Friday and Saturday, December 10 and 11. The play will be given in Churchill hall auditorium on the campus.

Main characters in the cast include: Mrs. Cressa Grubb playing Bernice Sadie Brown; Janet Saltus as Frankie Adams; James Holloway as Mr. Adams; Dorothy Richardson as Mrs. West; Henry West; Norman May as Richard Saltus playing John Jarvis; JoAnn Norton as Janice; "Corky" Ellis Kenneth playing T. T. Williams; Ruedi Vest as Honey Camden Brown; Linda Brown as Helen Fletcher; Carolyn Doyle as Doris; Audrey Russell as Sis Laura and Charles "Chuck" Plummer as Barney MacKean.

Director for the play is Miss Mildred Peck. Assistants to the director include stage manager, Carolyn Doyle; lights, Gary Fleming; sound, Larry Alberts; supervisor of stage setting, Ruedi Vest.

The play won the Drama Critics Circle award as the best play of the theatrical year of 1950. It had a long run on Broadway and is described by Brooks Atkinson as a sensitive study of the poignant loneliness of an adolescent and the strange bond between the Negro and the White in the South.

Tickets are now on sale at Purucker's in Medford and at the Mart in Ashland.



Three members of the cast of "Member of the Wedding" are shown here in a scene from the drama which will be presented December 10 and 11 by the Southern Oregon College Players at Churchill hall auditorium. Pictured are Miss Janet Saltus, who plays Frankie; Mrs. Cressa Grubb, cast as Bernice, and Richard Saltus as John Henry.

Flimsy Garb Fire Threat To Youngsters

If you have any children in the "let's pretend" ages, part of your Christmas shopping will be easy.

The choice of gifts will probably be made for you, in the form of firm demands for the latest in space suits, cowboy outfits or whatever other costumes their current make-believe lives call for. And you'd better follow instructions to the letter, because even a misplaced stud on a holster will be spotted!

But the most important detail, the National Board of Fire Underwriters emphasizes, is something the youngsters won't even notice. It's this: make sure those costumes are flame resistant!

Last June, a partial victory in the fight against the sale of flammable garments was achieved with the passage by Congress of Public Law 88, known as the "Flammable Fabrics Act." Nevertheless, this is a minimum law, and does not fully protect the consumer. As Edward F. Howrey, chairman of the Federal Trade Commission (police agency for the law) warns, "The act merely forbids the sale of those fabrics which are especially hazardous. Fabrics of normal flammability can still result in casualties if the wearer is careless with fire or sparks."

What can you do to protect your children?

First, when buying a costume of flimsy material, see if it is labeled as being flame-resistant. Occasionally you can find one that is. But even if you do, make sure washing or dry-cleaning don't lessen or destroy the flame-resistance.

In the case of untreated costumes, you can easily do the job yourself. Just dip the cloth (assuming it is washable) in a solution of 9 ounces of borax and 4 ounces of boric acid to a gallon of water. Wring by hand and hang to dry. The flame-resistance is not affected by ironing, but the treatment must be repeated after every laundering.

Use this treatment on filmy party dresses and doll clothes, too—and it's equally good for grown-ups' clothing and for washable draperies and other household furnishings.

A word of caution. Don't expect too much of the term, "flame-resistant." If you hold a match to a flame-resistant fabric, it will burn. But it will not continue to burn when you take the match away. Your children will be safe from a deadly or disfiguring "flash fire!"

MISSIONARY CIRCLE TO HOLD MEETING

Missionary circle, Eastwood Baptist church, will meet at the home of Mrs. Don Mathews, 1020 South Holly street, Monday, December 6. Dessert will be served at 1 o'clock.

Altrusans Plan Party Thursday; Discuss Project

The annual Christmas party of Medford Altrusa club will be held Thursday, December 9, at 7:30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Adrienne Dippel, Eastwood drive. Hostesses for the event, which is a social meeting, are Mrs. Bertha Haskins, president of the club, Miss Lotus Eaton and Mrs. Betty Flannery who are planning an evening of fun, music and an exchange of gifts.

All members are to take gifts and food for the family adopted by the club for Christmas, according to the plan of the projects committee which met last Friday evening at the home of the chairman, Mrs. Enid Rankin.

Plans for a vocational project for older women, in the form of an "opportunity clinic" were discussed and submitted to the executive board which met at the home of Mrs. Haskins Monday evening. These plans will be carried out early in the New Year in accordance with the national policy of Altrusa which has published a booklet "Women go to work at any age." This booklet is included in a recently published bibliography on "Employment Problems of Older Women" by Alice K. Leopold, director of the Women's Bureau, U. S. Department of Labor.

Former Homes Of Presidents To Receive Rugs

Birmingham, Mich.—(U.P.)—The former homes of two U. S. presidents—Dwight Eisenhower and Abraham Lincoln—will have hand-hooked rugs made by a resident of this city.

Mrs. Rudolph C. Ranke, a native of President Eisenhower's home town, Denison, Texas has been commissioned by a union local to make a rug for the President's birthplace, to be opened as a national shrine.

About three-fourths finished, the large oval floor covering has a background in deep wine color surrounded by a wreath of roses, morning glories, fleur de lis, tulips, pansies and bluebells.

Mrs. Ranke began work on the rug in December, 1952, two years after she moved here from Texas.

"As soon as the Eisenhower rug is completed, I'll start on one for the Lincoln home in Springfield, Ill.," she said.

"The Lincoln rug will be made according to a design supplied by the curator of the Lincoln Memorial and will be used in one of the two parlors as a 'stove rug.'"

Mrs. Ranke said she will get a sample of a rug now used in one of the Lincoln parlors to get an idea of the colors and design she will use.

INITIATION PLANNED FOR REBEKAH LODGE

Initiation is on the agenda for a meeting of Olive Rebekah lodge planned for Monday, December 6, at Medford IOOF hall.

Don't Raise 'Perfect Child' Say California Psychiatrists

By GEORGE COFFEY
United Press Correspondent
Berkeley, Calif.—(U.P.)—Mothers who worry about "what the perfect child" often end up with schizophrenic offspring.

So say two staff members of the Langley Porter psychiatric clinic at University of California after a study of parents whose "split personality" children are hospitalized.

Dr. A. Rodney Prestwood and Mrs. Shirley Kahn said psychiatric studies of the mothers showed these personality characteristics:

"They appeared controlling, demanding in a subtle way which seemed to forestall open rebellion of the child."

"They were more dependent than the average on the opinion and approval of others."

"They were desirous of the 'perfect child.'"

"They were dominant in the home as compared with a passive husband."

"And they expressed attitudes toward sex which ranged from 'rejection to tolerance.'"

Parental Anxiety

Prestwood and Mrs. Kahn said other common characteristics were apparent in the group they studied. They said irrespective of the number of children in the family the parents "often singled out the schizophrenic child as 'different.'"

"The parents often anticipated inadequacy in the child, and the irrational fears were frequently confirmed as the child responded to the parental anxiety," the report said.

"Each parent had an intense feeling about the 'rightness' of his own values. These values were consistently distortions of what was generally acceptable, yet none of the parents was aware that the limits he set for his child were so much more exacting than those of the community at large."

"These parents directed the child toward unrealistic goals, and both parent and child were frustrated at the discrepancy be-

tween the fantasied child and the real child."

Prestwood and Mrs. Kahn said "over-protectiveness" was consistently present in both fathers and mothers of schizophrenic children.

"All the mothers felt a strong need to be 'perfect' mothers, and went to such extremes as abandoning social life in order to be at home whenever the child wanted them," the psychiatrists reported.

Milady Continues Pipe Smoking Fad

New York—(U.P.)—A feminine smoking fad which began last summer has proved more than just a pipe dream for the industry.

The pipe manufacturers say that women are buying and using the dainty, jeweled briars in white and pastel shades. And now, the accessories manufacturers are getting in the act. You even can buy jeweled match covers for the lady who lights up.

Bernard Gould, an executive at Kaywoodie, the world's largest manufacturer of pipes, estimated that more than 400,000 ladies' pipes have been sold in the last few months. About 50 per cent are bought by women; the rest by men as gifts for the girls.

Most popular style, said Gould, is the straight stem.

The accessories people, quick to spot profit in that smoke, have come out with a variety of side gifts for the pipe enthusiast. Several compact companies make jeweled tobacco cases and gold mesh pouches. Milady can buy a black satin cummerbund with tab to hold her pipe. One manufacturer is featuring a satin purse with a pipe slot on the outside. Jewellers have come up with earrings to match the briars. And the fanciest accessory of all is a black satin garter, with attached tobacco pouch.

Honored

Ed Carlson was honored at a birthday party given Thursday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence McRae, 621 Cherry street. Hosts were the McRaes and Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Wilson.

The party followed the concert of the Reginald Kell players, which the group attended.

To Elect

Central Point—Election of officers will be held by Central Point Royal Neighbors of America lodge members Tuesday, December 7, at 12 noon. The meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Ray Allred, 463 DeBarr avenue.

Dinner, Election Set for Friday By Mineral Club

"Bring a rock and bring a dish" is the request issued to the members of Roxy Ann Gem and Mineral club for the December meeting. Mrs. Harry Marx, who has been in charge of refreshments during the last year, announces the December meeting will be a potluck dinner at Girls Community club at 6:30 p. m. on Friday, December 10th.

It will be the annual Christmas party with an exchange of rock gifts, gaily wrapped. A meeting will follow dinner, with the annual election of officers.

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Minister of Music To Speak for Union

Women's Christian Temperance union members will hear a talk by Ed Taylor, minister of music and education of Church of the Nazarene, when they meet Thursday, December 9, at 2 p. m. The meeting will be held at the Girls Community club.

Mrs. Olaf Severson will present the devotional and Mrs. Guy Cox will preside for the business session. Mrs. Mable Houck also will participate in the day's program. Mrs. Ward L. Lampkin and her committee will serve refreshments.

Vesper Service Planned by SOC

Ashland—Southern Oregon college choir and other vocal groups will present a Christmas vesper program at Churchill hall auditorium on the campus Sunday, December 12, at 3:30 p. m., director Oscar Bjorlie has announced.

The Christmas Vespers is an annual candlelight presentation of seasonal music by the college. Townspeople will be welcome at the event.

From Colorado

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth A. Neely arrived the first of the week from Colorado Springs, Colo., to visit Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Long, 535 Pennsylvania avenue. The two women are sisters. The two couples are spending the week end at the coast and the visitors plan to leave Monday.

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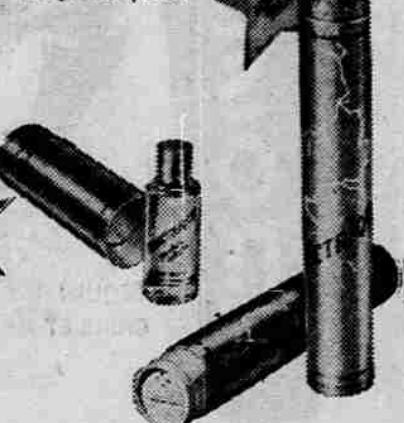
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