

Voters' League Advisor Here; Coming Activities Announced

Mrs. K. E. Montgomery, Eugene, member of the state board of Oregon League of Women Voters and advisor to the Medford league, will be here last week.

Mrs. Montgomery was the guest of honor at a dinner given by the league at Rogue Valley Country club, Tuesday. Those present were current and former board members who have long been active in the local league.

Attending the dinner were Mrs. Montgomery, Mrs. Paul Janney, treasurer, Mrs. Justin Smith, member of the state board of the league, Mrs. W. C. Knope, secretary, Mrs. H. B. Collins, voters' service chairman, Mrs. Brent Starcher, Mrs. O. A. Eden, Mrs. S. E. Phillips, Mrs. Donovan Foster, president of the Medford league, was hostess.

Mrs. Montgomery worked with the local league board at a monthly meeting held at the home of Mrs. Janney, 192 Janney Lane, Wednesday. A program for the coming year was discussed and adopted. Mrs. Janney served lunch during the break between the first and second sessions of the all-day meeting.

In the afternoon, Mrs. Montgomery worked with the several committees desiring her help.

then returned to Eugene later that day.

At the meeting, Mrs. Collins was delegated to represent the Medford league at the state board budget meeting to be held January 22, in Corvallis.

The spring program as adopted includes four general meetings to which the public is invited.

City officials will be speakers for the general meeting to be held at the Jackson Hotel, Saturday, February 12. They will explain the way in which the new form of city government will operate. The theme of the meeting will be in keeping with the "Know Your Town" survey now being done by the League. This survey is to include facts on schools, observation of court procedures and other material.

Dr. John M. Swarthout, chairman of the political science department at Oregon State college, will be guest speaker at the general meeting to be held March 5, the location to be announced later. Dr. Swarthout's topic "International Trade Policies" will be related to the League's current survey of the effects on international trade at the local level.

The next board meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Fred T. Burich, 2303 Hillcrest road, Wednesday, February 9, 1955, at 12:30.

Nation's Attics All 'Mined' Says Collector; Junk Left

By GAY PAULEY
United Press Correspondent
New York—(U.P.)—The golden days of the nation's attics are ended.

Their cob-webby corners once were a figurative gold mine for the antique experts. And a rainy afternoon spent rummaging through their recesses usually produced something worthy of gracing the downstairs hall or the local museum.

"But most attics are just filled with junk now," said Mrs. Edith Halpert, a vivacious New Yorker who collects American folk art. "There's little genuine art undiscovered. There are so many antiques shows around the country, everybody's attic conscious. They've cleaned 'em out."

Mrs. Halpert, a widow and in her words "a frustrated artist," explained that antiques and folk art aren't necessarily the same. Art, as she talks of it, refers to the sculpture, the drawings and paintings of our ancestors, not necessarily their furniture, china and glassware.

Weathered, figureheads for ships, and early carvings on tombstones come under the heading of sculpture. Mrs. Halpert said some of the most beautiful art to be found anywhere, in any age, comes from the designs our great-grandparents used to decorate family records in the Bible.

Our ancestors apparently never thought their works would live through future generations. They rarely bothered to sign them.

"Which," said Mrs. Halpert wryly, "is different from today's artist. He signs his name before he's through dabbling

paint." Some of America's best early artists were women. They painted still life scenes or portraits on velvet, silk, or glassware. Or, they painted mourning scenes.

"Our ancestors looked on death happily," Mrs. Halpert explained. "It meant a release from hardship. And it was the fashion to paint a scene of mourning, completing it only after some member of the family died so his or her name could be added."

American folk art began to deteriorate in the mid 1800's, Mrs. Halpert said. The daguerreotype came in about then, so it no longer was necessary to paint family portraits. And reproductions of European art were available, and "home made" art no longer was popular.

Mrs. Halpert, one of the first to recognize that some Americana was artistic and not just quaint, said she still looks for old works, although she believes most of the great ones already have been found.

But if you're organizing a Halpert-helping pilgrimage to your attic this minute, her advice is: "Don't. My attic is full—of junk people already have sent me!"

To give fried chicken a golden brown crust, use paprika with the salt, pepper and flour in which you roll the pieces before adding them to hot fat.

Radiators should not be painted with dark or metallic paints. Use light-colored wall paint to get more heat from them.

CALENDAR

Calendar notices and news for the society section of The Mail Tribune must be submitted in writing and deadline for the Sunday edition is 1 p.m. Friday. Deadline for the weekly calendar is 9 a.m. of the day of publication, and for week day news is 5 p.m. the day before publication.

Sunday

4 p.m.—Talisman temple and Knights of Pythias officers, practice, Pythian building.

Monday
12 noon—Republican Women, Medford hotel.

6:30 p.m.—Ladies Shrine club, dinner for all women of Shrine affiliations, Medford hotel.

7:30 p.m.—VFW auxiliary, transportation from Trailways depot to Camp White.

8 p.m.—Talisman temple, Pythian Sisters and Knights of Pythias, joint installations, open to the public, Pythian building.

8 p.m.—Olive Rebekah lodge, IOOF hall.

Tuesday
10:30 a.m.—Sams Valley Home Extension unit, home of Mrs. Lester James.

1 p.m.—Rogue Valley Navy Mothers, Girls Community club.

1:30 p.m.—Woman's Society of Christian service, of the First Methodist church, Mrs. W. G. Werner, 1840 Stewart ave.

1:30 p.m.—Circle 3, WSCS, First Methodist church, Mrs. Robert A. Rae, 819 Bennett ave.

1:30 p.m.—Lady Elks, Elks temple party lounge.

1:30 p.m.—Oak Grove Neighborhood club, Mrs. Francis Flinn, Plaza apartments.

1:30 p.m.—Butte Falls Federated Garden club, home of Mrs. William B. Edmondson.

7:30 p.m.—SPEBSQSA, Room B, YMCA building.

8 p.m.—8 and 40, Mrs. Nettie Ellenberg, 119 North Central ave.

8 p.m.—Handweavers guild, Crater hotel.

8 p.m.—Chapter BE, PEO, home of Mrs. Arnel Butler.

8 p.m.—Carnation club, Mrs. Serena McMahan, 907 South Central ave.

Wednesday
10:30 a.m.—Central Point Home Extension unit, Central Point Grange hall.

12 noon—Reames Social club, Masonic temple.

1 p.m.—Past Chiefs club, Pythian Sisters, Mrs. Joe Cook, 124 King st.

1 p.m.—Chapter CP, PEO, Mrs. J. A. Graff, 31 Geneva st.

1 p.m.—Chapter CG, PEO, Mrs. R. C. Bentley, 1798 Myers lane.

1 p.m.—Nevita chapter, Past Matrons club, Mrs. W. H. Hall, 18 Summit st., Medford.

6:45 p.m.—Rogue Valley Navy Mothers, Mrs. C. R. Alexander, 110 Almond st., for transportation to Camp White.

Thursday
10 a.m.—LWV morning study unit, Mrs. H. P. Bosworth Jr., 2425 East Main st.

12:30 p.m.—Thursday Luncheon club, Mrs. Robert Taylor, 510 North Bartlett st.

2 p.m.—LWV coffee hour, Mrs. John Day, Groveland ave.

8 p.m.—Medford Jaycettes, Mrs. Bruce Cyphers, 1508 Wilson pl.

Friday
2:30 p.m.—Jackson school PTA, school auditorium.

6:30 p.m.—Canton Siskiyou and auxiliary, IOOF hall.

Saturday
2 p.m.—Crater Lake chapter, DAR, Girls Community club.

Checks Tell Girl's Progress at College
Ripley, Tenn.—(U.P.)—Mr. and Mrs. Hal Wilson hear how their daughter is doing in college—by checks.

When the daughter, June, 17, writes a check, she jots a little note on the back telling her parents how she is getting along at Memphis State College.

Mrs. Wilson is a bookkeeper in the Bank of Ripley, and gets the cancelled checks. Whenever one comes in, she calls her husband to come by and read the note.

June seldom writes regular letters, but her parents hear from her quite regularly. It seems that it takes quite a few checks for a girl to go to college.

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Potpourri

If you hate to get out of your cozy bed on these dark, cold winter mornings, try the advice of Dr. G. K. Selborne, London physician. Dr. Selborne has three or four little rules—set the alarm for the time you want to get up (not 20 minutes early so you can lay there and laugh at the clock—the clock doesn't care) then when the bell rings don't panic, but stretch your legs, wiggle your toes (this is very important, says the doctor) and then just get up. Oh, yes, order your life so you're hungry in the morning, adds the doctor. That will help hurry you to the kitchen.

Wondering how they could create the impression of spring inside the country clubhouse last Sunday for the annual open house, members of the Women's Golf association decided on butterflies. With bits of crepe paper and some paint, the women made dozens of big colorful butterflies and fastened them to branches. So with the warmth, good food and color inside, it didn't matter so much that the clammy fog hung like a pall over most of the valley.

WGA members who helped with the serving for this party wore pretty little white organdy aprons over their cocktail dresses. Mrs. Ray Larson not only made all the aprons, but stenciled them with green letters.

Royal Bebb, one of the husbands who helped tend bar, was all dressed up for the occasion. With his grey suit he wore a gay plaid vest which was one of his Christmas gifts.

The talk was on food, fashion and friends when the women congregated in little clumps. Mrs. Homer Marx, wearing a clever little black feathered hat which she said she created herself, described a chicken creole dish which sounded wonderful, and learned the latest news about the Don Zeises and their daughter, Priscilla, from Mrs. Fred Carr. Colonel Zeis, currently in Texas, has been ordered to Germany. Daughter Prissy is a student at the University of Denver.

League of Women Voters had an extra stir of activity last week because of Mrs. K. E. Montgomery, who came down from Eugene as a visiting state board member. Hashing over league accomplishments and problems at a dinner Tuesday night, Mrs. Justin Smith recalled that the league studied the city manager system, in effect here since the beginning of the year, several years ago, with members concluding it would be an efficient system for Medford and talking it up ever since.

The discussion and business continued next day around Mrs. Paul Janney's big dining room table. (Mrs. J. didn't have to depend upon make-believe butterflies for a touch of spring—she had pots of tiny yellow daffodils and of African violets in bloom.)

Mrs. Harlan Bosworth was one of the leaguers present and while they discussed such matters as coming league events, surveys of such institutions as schools and courts, Mrs. B. was quiet as a mouse about her visit to a certain court the next day. She wasn't going just to observe either, for Mrs. Bosworth had run afoul of the law while driving to the meeting and was cited for failure to come to a complete stop at a stop sign. The dutiful officer wasn't interested in the fact that Mrs. B. was having car trouble and had rolled by the sign, on a street empty of traffic, while struggling with the half-frozen machinery.

When Mr. Bosworth and son David learned that Mrs. B. had to appear in traffic court, they comforted her by singing a doleful breakfast-table song about spending the next hundred years in jail.

Marie Bosworth may have a little blot on her driving record now, but on the other side of the ledger are years of intelligent, conscientious civic-minded service to her community, political party and church. While living in Klamath Falls several years ago, she was named Zonta club Woman of the Year for outstanding civic achievement.

Potpourri knows scores of women in Jackson county who work with the Girl Scouts and sitting across the desk from two of them, Mrs. Michele Rossi and Mrs. Scott Davis one day last week, we wondered how anyone, even the American Legion in Illinois, could question the motives and patriotism of these women who lead the Girl Scout movement. But they did, and are now boasting of the fact that they forced national leaders to change the Girl Scout Handbook in several places and take out all mention or references to international cooperation.

After suffering under the criticism of the Illinois Legion for several months, Girl Scout leaders are gradually coming to the conclusion, we hear, that what seemed like a calamity has actually been in their favor. For throughout the nation leading newspaper and magazine editors have come to the defense of the Girl Scouts.

This week the Eugene Register-Guard joined this group and printed the following editorial:

"Don't worry, mother. When your little daughter is old enough to be a Brownie Scout, she won't be subverted. The Girl Scouts of America, at the behest of the Illinois American Legion, have rewritten the more dangerous portions of the handbook that 2,000,000 girls use in their quest for badges. There are 46 changes in the new book. Two of them serve to illustrate how the Girl Scouts are retreating from wrong thinking.

"Remember the old passage said, 'You are preparing yourself for world citizenship?' Well, the new book gets rid of that sort of talk. Instead, it says, 'You are preparing yourself to be a friend to all.'"

"And remember the passage in which the friends-to-all were asked to 'Make up a quiz game on the U. N.?' That's been fixed to require that the friends 'Make up a quiz game on the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts.' That change apparently satisfied the Legion, but doesn't satisfy us. We still question the wisdom of letting little girls know that there's a world."

People in all parts of the world paid homage January 14 to Albert Schweitzer—one of the world's leading citizens who was 80 years old that day. As a theologian, great organizer, philosopher, physician and missionary, this man has brought a wealth of understanding and knowledge to his universe.

This remarkable person lived for science and art until he was 30 and since then has given his time to relieving the suffering of African natives, serving as their physician and friend. At 30 Albert Schweitzer was one of the finest organizers in Europe and principal of the Theological college of St. Thomas at Strasbourg. He left this life, studied medicine and went to Africa.

This deeply religious man has a vast reverence for all life, believes that one must go from rational thought to mystical thought in order to understand life, and as for the physical life, says "if you keep working you will get younger every day."—O.S.

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New Materials, Same Colors Shown in Clothes for Spring

By ELIZABETH TOOMEY
United Press Correspondent
New York—(U.P.)—You may not recognize some of the materials in the new spring clothes, but the colors will be familiar.

Navy blue, for instance, never had more attention than it's getting this spring. Gray is lagging a little in popularity because designers are busy experimenting

with various shades of beige for suits and dresses.

Pastel tweeds are paler, but as popular as ever, and flower print dresses are blooming all over the place.

But the fabrics these new spring clothes are made of are full of surprises. There are all-silk coats that look like nubby tweed and sheer, shiny wool suits that look like silk.

Herbert Sondheim uses unusual blends of silk, wool and cotton for some of his new spring coats and suits. One pale beige suit is made of a cashmere, wool and silk blend. Sondheim combines the suit with an over-blouse of red and white striped wool jersey.

The designer also uses black and white striped silk and cot-

ton for a spring suit that looks like wool. Silk with a linen-like finish shows up in dress and dress-coat costumes.

French wool poplin and tweeds of silk and linen are used by Harry Frechtel in his suits and coats. Even when tweeds look bulky, they're lighter weight than ever for spring.

The aim of most of the new fabric combinations is to give American women cool, comfortable clothes that will hold their shape. Some of the new pastel tweeds are bulky-looking materials actually made of a cool combination of linen, cotton and wool.

After-five dresses are even more feather weight this year. Hannah Troy uses stiffened chiffon for unusual springtime prints with moss green flowers scattered over pale pink backgrounds. The dresses have half-sashes of moss green taffeta that tie in huge bows at the back.

4-H Club News

Reese Creek Club
The Reese Creek Renegades 4-H club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Nelson, Thursday evening, Jan. 13.

Two new members joined our club. They are Janet and Joyce Johnson.

We practiced judging and had an examination on the topics we had covered at our past meetings. Refreshments were served.

Our next meeting will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Moore, Tuesday, Jan. 25. Robert Duncan, Club Reporter.

Central Point Beef Club

The Central Point Beef club held its meeting Dec. 27 at Bill Anhorn's home.

Larry Tweedy from Monarch Feed and Seed showed us a picture on beef cattle. Then we had our regular meeting.

New members were Joan Dobrot and Carolee Brantley. The sheet to be sent to 4-H office was passed around and signed. The next meeting is to be Bill Charley's home Jan. 24.

The meeting was adjourned and refreshments were served by Mrs. Anhorn.

Bill Anhorn, Reporter.

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