

Sessions of Legislature Now Longer; Parties Given

By FRANCES LITTELL
Salem — Friday of last week we sat through our longest session to date. The discussion on the tax interim committee's House bills 40 to 47 lasted almost five hours; finally all were passed with the exception of 45.

This week we received several luncheon invitations from the other wives and secretaries. These parties are from necessity small due to the compactness of our living quarters. One of the most relaxed and enjoyable gatherings was at the home of Nancy Colbert, wife of Representative Colbert. The Colberts are friends of the Dunbar Carpenters, and Nancy is an avid Democrat as I am a Republican. Several of the wives and secretaries have gone together and given luncheons at Lipman's general store. However, it isn't the general practice because we often have to be back at our desks at 2 p.m.

Interesting guests who have had the privilege of the House this week were four exchange students. They were Lisa Georgiadis from Vienna, Austria, who is attending the University of Oregon; Andre Pasternac of France, attending high school in Hood River; Miss Reidun Evensen of Norway and Gus Plate, from the Netherlands, both attending South Salem High school. We had the pleasure of spending an evening with Andre Pasternac.

Tuesday afternoon Representative McLellen of Newport asked seven of the wives and secretaries to join him on his radio program. We were asked to give our views of the Legislature and the part women are taking in it. Mrs. Geary stated she would like to see more women serving as Representatives. I concurred with Mrs. Geary. However, I would like both parties represented by women. Also for the broadcast I got the information from the Secretary of State's office that there are 175 women on the payroll who are connected with this legislative session. They are serving as secretaries, doorkeepers and pages. This includes the 22 wives who are serving as husbands' secretaries. However, it does not include the four women Representatives on the floor of the House.

I also stated that I'd like to have more people visit the Legislature while it is in session and for more than a day or so at a time. I feel that after watching their Representatives in action and seeing the quality and character of the work performed by them, they would be better qualified to choose those that they want to represent them. They would also learn that a large proportion of the work is being done by men who seldom if ever

make the headlines. After the broadcast, one of the men who had listened in on it said to me "Mrs. Littrell, you are taking this very seriously, aren't you?" and I do.

Al and I both feel it's a serious matter. Sometimes even I think we are a bit too much so. Al said to me last night "Couldn't you include Buz Sawyer in my required reading? If he were circled in red I'd not have a guilty feeling when I took the time to read him." So now Buz Sawyer will be considered compulsory reading.

"Dime" Flynn was here yesterday and took part on Al's radio broadcast. I too was a reluctant participant due to the fact I wasn't prepared and I'd just given my all on Mr. McClellan's program.

Representative (Dr.) and Mrs. Dammisch gave a dinner party last evening for a few freshman legislators and wives. During the session the Dammisches live with Mrs. William Burghardt who is a long-time acquaintance of the Earl Days and has visited in Medford many times. Her home is one of Salem's lovely old houses and is filled with beautiful antiques.

Bob Root stopped in for a chat yesterday afternoon. During the morning session Representative Ed. Mann was given the large red tooth brush which gives him the distinction of being the second member of the M.M.F.M.

SOC Honors Mary Ford

Ashland — Miss Mary Lee Ford, Southern Oregon college senior in teacher education from North Bend, has been selected as the "outstanding girl of fall term" by the Associated Women Students.

Miss Ford was selected on the basis of "outstanding achievement in scholarship and participation in extra-curricular activities" according to Miss Shirley Chaney, AWS president.

Her current activities include, among others, being editor of the student yearbook, president of the Future Teachers of Oregon chapter at SOC, columnist on the student newspaper, member of the student-faculty relations committee, member of the band and choir, member of Sigma Tau, and women's speech honorary.

Miss Ford was graduated from North Bend high school in 1951. While in high school she was secretary-treasurer of the junior class, chairman of the junior prom, and president of the National Honor society chapter among many other activities.

Potpourri

"What time did the people start coming?" asked one of the women waiting to get into the dining room for the annual Griffin Creek smorgasbord last Saturday. "Yesterday" came the reply from the weary Griffin Creeker who had been marshaling the hordes of hungry guests all evening.

Since about 800 were served, he had good reason to believe that he'd been at it for at least 12 hours. Members of the Mothers' club were jubilant over the size of the crowd, and pleased that they had not calculated wrong on the food, but already worried about how to manage another year. It was decided during the evening that next year an additional room would be opened for serving, or some other change made in order that guests need not wait so long.

Duplicate bridge club scorers, pencil in hand, have about decided that they might as well put John Solheim down as a winner before they even start their figuring. Mr. Solheim, veteran living at the Camp White domiciliary and member of the Camp White Duplicate Bridge club, won first place three different times week before last, and repeated at one club meeting last week.

Mr. Solheim's partners for the winning streak were Mrs. H. J. Boyd when he played at Medford Duplicate Bridge club, Mrs. Fred Rehling when he played at the Riverside Duplicate club meeting, and William Isaacs for the Camp White Duplicate club session. Last week Mr. Solheim and Roy Pruitt took first again at Riverside club's weekly session.

Carol Thomas answered the ringing of the door bell one day last week and was confronted by her friend, Mrs. Freda Kennedy, who struck a pose and recited "March may be early, cool and fun, but take a tip from me and stay out of the sun." Mrs. Kennedy, with cheeks and brow a gorgeous red, was displaying the first sunburn of the season. Mrs. K. had mowed the lawn and then feeling tired and liking the nice, warm sun, had taken a nap in the open.

If you're a woman looking for something entirely new in spring clothes, try an evening gown of candy pink burlap set off by a white mink jacket. No fooling — such a gown was part of a fashion show held recently in Pakistan House in New York City.

Pakistan produces 75 per cent of the world's jute supply, from which burlap is woven, and the show was given to illustrate what interesting and durable clothes can be made from burlap. Elizabeth Toomey of United Press, attended the show and interviewed Ralph F. McLeod, executive of a fabric company which made all the burlap used in the fashions. He wore, by the way, a sports jacket of natural-colored burlap and gray slacks.

Mr. McLeod pointed out that colored burlap, softened and de-odorized, is ideal for apparel. Miss Toomey warns that a girl who stitches herself up a frock from unprocessed burlap will be socially insecure in a rainstorm for wet burlaps smells — exactly like wet burlap.

Mrs. Elizabeth Cowan designed the clothes which included a white cocktail dress trimmed with gold embroidery, pearls and blue beads, a chartruse burlap sun suit, a wine-colored burlap tailored suit, a gold burlap raincoat with matching hat and the dazzling pink formal gown.

The March issue of Parents magazine has an article by Ruth and Edward Brecher which says that less than 50 per cent of the children with defects discovered in school are taken to a physician for treatment. What's more, it was discovered that the examination notices are neglected by parents with adequate incomes and good education as well as those of less means and schooling.

The authors also said that the most universally neglected health defect is tooth decay. It is believed that parents tend to neglect the defects which are not acute, but doctors say that these same defects often interfere with the growth development and education of children.

Friends and relatives of Jane Durno were amused to find out that the back of her head and one elbow appeared in the movie, "Six Bridges to Cross," which played last week at the Holly theater here. The movie, based on the still unsolved Brinks' robbery case, was filmed in Boston last August. Some of the scenes were taken at Massachusetts General hospital, where Miss Durno is a student nurse, and she was asked to play this part in the picture.

She worked for a few days, at \$20 a day, and although much film was shot at the hospital, most of it ended up on the cutting room floor.

Miss Durno, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. E. R. Durno, will graduate in June and soon after that will leave for a tour of Europe, accompanied by her younger sister, Miss Kaye Durno.

The French are really "painting the town" this year. A dispatch from Paris says that as the result of a Gallic "do-it-yourself" campaign, free paint is supplied to citizens on the condition that the town or village be entirely redecorated by the inhabitants. So far, Le Viviers in Savoie and Beaumesuil in the Alps have profited by the town-painting spree.

"Do we have to watch this," complained a wife as the usual western movie unrolled on the TV set. "It's worse than usual." Whereupon the husband replied with considerable spirit "At least the cowboys don't stop in the middle of the chase while someone sells automobiles!" O.S.



Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Gottfried, 620 Franquette street, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary March 6 with open house for friends. The Gottfrieds, married in Fonda, Iowa, in 1905, have lived in Medford since 1928.

Couple Observes Fiftieth Anniversary With Open House Sunday Afternoon

About 80 persons called on Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Gottfried at their home at 620 Franquette street, Sunday, March 6, when an open house was held to observe the couple's golden wedding anniversary.

Among the many gifts presented to the Gottfrieds was a coin tree with sufficient money for a television set.

Numerous out-of-town guests, including relatives, were at the open house. A brother-in-law and sister of Mrs. Gottfried, Mr. and Mrs. William Schmidt, arrived from Van Nuys, Calif., and are remaining for a further visit.

Cake was served by Mrs. L. E. Bean and Mesdames Ed Lovell and Lydia Ash poured. Mrs. Jessie Leing had charge of the guest book.

The other out-of-town guests were the Gottfrieds' daughters, Mrs. Jack Kester, Portland, and Mrs. Roy Schultz, Central Point, and their husbands; Mr. and Mrs. Louis Lieb, El Monte, Calif.; Mrs. William Moore, Ashland and Mrs. Lew Russell, Portland, cousins.

Mr. and Mrs. Gottfried were married in 1905 at Fonda, Iowa. Mr. Gottfried was engaged in the hardware and plumbing business for about 23 years before they moved to Medford in 1928.

Mrs. Russell returned to Portland Sunday evening after being here for the day. Mr. and Mrs. Lieb left Monday for their home in El Monte after being at the Gottfried home for a week. The Kesters left Tuesday. They had spent several days with the Gottfrieds.

Mr. Schultz left Monday for Willow Lakes, where he has

CALENDAR

- Sunday**
2 p.m.—Jackson county chapter, Associated Council for the Blind, St. Mark's Guild hall.
4:30 p.m.—Pythian Sisters officers and staff, practice, Pythian building.
- Monday**
1:30 p.m.—Retired Teachers association, Girls Community club.
1:30 p.m.—Eagle Point Women's Missionary circle, Mrs. Walter Young, Eagle Point.
7:45 p.m.—Gorsline Missionary circle, First Baptist church, church annex.
8 p.m.—Degree of Honor Protective association, Redman hall.
- Tuesday**
10 a.m.—Shady Cove Home Extension unit, Mrs. C. Watson, Rogue River dr.
10:30 a.m.—Sams Valley Home Extension unit, Mrs. C. L. Michael.
1:30 p.m.—Butte Falls Garden club, home of Mrs. Ernest Smith.
1:30 p.m.—Oak Grove Neighborhood club, Mrs. Fred Gardner, 38 Renault ave.
1:30 p.m.—Lady Elks, Elks club party lounge.
7 p.m.—Crater Lake Post, VFW, and auxiliary, VFW hall.
7:30 p.m.—Howard PTA, gymnasium.
7:30 p.m.—SPEBSQSA, Room B, YMCA building.
8 p.m.—St. Mark's Evening guild, Parish house.
8 p.m.—Chapter BE, PEO, Mrs. Annette Gray, 808 Dakota st.
8 p.m.—Rogue Valley Handweavers guild, Mr. and Mrs. John Graf, 31 Geneva st.
8 p.m.—Nevita Social club, Mrs. Harold Head, 1415 Euclid ave.
8 p.m.—Pythian Sisters, Pythian building.
8 p.m.—Medford Truth Center, Unity, Room 203, Holly Theater bldg.
8 p.m.—8 and 40, Walker home, 1765 Stewart ave.
- Wednesday**
10 a.m.—WCSA, Room 102, First Methodist church.
11 a.m.—Central Point Garden club, Mrs. Ralph Hixson, Old Stage rd.
11:30 p.m.—Chapter CP, PEO, Mrs. R. B. Temple, 2146 Hillcrest rd.
12 noon—Reames Social club, Medford Masonic temple.
- Thursday**
1 p.m.—Central Point Past Matrons club, Nevita chapter, OEA, Anders home, Beebe rd.
1 p.m.—Past Chiefs club, Pythian Sisters, Mrs. Don Ross, Ross lane.
1 p.m.—Chapter CG, PEO, Mrs. A. C. Broyles, 134 White Oak dr.
1:45 p.m.—Contemporary Book club, Mrs. Allyn Smith, Black Oak dr.
2 p.m.—Wednesday Study club, Girls Community club.
7 p.m.—Rogue Valley Navy Mothers club, card party, Camp White; meet 6:45 p.m., Girls Community club.
- Friday**
11 a.m.—Medford Truth Center, Unity, Room 203, Holly theater bldg.
- Saturday**
7:30 p.m.—Past Presidents of Crater Lake VFW auxiliary, auxiliary rooms.
- Program on Safety To Be Presented For Howard PTA**
A panel discussion on "Neighborhood Safety" will feature a meeting of Howard Parent-Teacher association Tuesday, March 15 at 7:30 p.m. County Engineer Paul Rynning will lead discussion and also speaking will be Sgt. Thomas Eaton of the Oregon state police; Robert Lawrence, faculty safety advisor and Dave Brown, student chairman. It is said that the combined efforts of all parents are needed to help solve the traffic problems of the district. Child care during the meeting will be furnished.

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