

PTA Plans 1955 Session In Chicago

Chicago—The National Congress of Parents and Teachers, which is holding its 59th annual convention in Chicago May 23-25, reports that its annual membership audit this week shows an increase of more than half a million members in the past year—bringing the total nationwide PTA membership to a new all-time high of 9,409,232.

This is an increase of 586,538 over last year's membership audit figures.

California leads the country in PTA membership with a total of 1,410,955. Ohio is second with 613,865. Illinois third with 582,913. Texas comes next with 526,488, followed by Pennsylvania with 453,468 and New York with 412,121. Oregon has 109,481 members, an increase of 8,662 over last year.

The annual convention, to be attended by more than 3,000 delegates representing the 39,000 local PTA units, will have as its theme: "Better Homes, Better Schools, Better Communities for a Peaceful Society."

Harold E. Stassen, special presidential aide for world disarmament, will make a major speech at the convention. Many other well-known speakers are also on the program, including: Henry I. Willett, president of the American Association of School Administrators; Mrs. Ernest Evans, president of the Canadian Home and School and Parent-Teacher Federation; Waurine Walker, president of the National Education Association; Marcus Bach, State University of Iowa; Bonaro Overstreet, author and lecturer; James W. Clarke, Princeton Theological Seminary.

A special feature of the convention will be the dedication of the organization's new national headquarters, a modern 3-story, \$750,000 structure at 700 North Rush Street, Chicago.

One of the most popular of all canapés is made by adding 1/4 teaspoon tabasco to one 3-ounce package cream cheese and blend well; drain one 10 1/2-ounce can minced clams and add to cream cheese. Mix thoroughly. Pile into serving dish and serve with crisp crackers. Will spread approximately 30 butter wafers. Add clam broth to 2 cups hot milk for fine soup.

54th Wedding Anniversary Celebrated By Eagle Point Couple at Family Event

Eagle Point — Mr. and Mrs. James Callaway Lusk observed their 54th wedding anniversary on Mothers day at their home in Eagle Point. There for the occasion were their two daughters, Mrs. William Boehm of San Carlos, Calif., and Mrs. Earl Clough of Lakeview; and four sons, Ivan, Central Point, Arthur of Medford, Boyd of Eagle Point, and Herbert of Palo Alto, Calif. Another son, Rex, of Portland, was not able to be there for the event.

The family attended the Eagle Point Community church Mother's day services and then met at the Lusk home for dinner.

The Lusks were married at Cooks Landing, Wash., May 8, 1901. Mrs. Lusk is the former Miss Elsie Pearl Coulter. They lived in Washington for many years and moved to Eagle Point 24 years ago.

They have eight grandchildren and five great grandchildren. The guest list included Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Lusk, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lusk and their daughters, Sallie and Janine, Boyd Lusk and son, Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Clough and son Jimmy, Mrs. William Boehm, Herbert Lusk and sons, Kenny and Lyle, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Whisler and daughters, Sandra and Charlotte, Mrs. Walter Huggen and daughter, Cindy, Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Sander and sons, David and Ted, and Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Lusk and children, Signe, Kirby and Regan.

Central Point PTA Installs Officers; Pupils on Program

Central Point — The final meeting for the year of Central Point Parent-Teacher association was held recently in the library of the Junior High School.

New officers for the coming year were installed and they are: Mrs. Chester Ashton, president; Mrs. Stanley Parrish, first vice-president; Mrs. Arthur Strauss, second vice-president; Mrs. Harry Dawson, secretary, and Mrs. M. G. Cote, treasurer. Installing officer was Mrs. C. C. Thompson.

The president, Mrs. Morris L. Frick, conducted the meeting and the invocation was offered by the Rev. Norman Tully. Music was furnished by the girls' chorus of the seventh and eighth grades, directed by Mrs. Jean Carothers.

The program included a style show by girls of the eighth grade, under the direction of Mrs. Lorna Meyer. The president-elect, Mrs. Ashton, gave a report on the state convention held in April in Portland. Refreshments were furnished by the mothers of pupils in the first grade.

It was announced that the pre-school roundup for children of the district entering school in the first grade next year will be held June 14 and 16. A program will be given at the school Friday evening, May 13, by the beginners' band, junior high band and chorus. A nominal charge will be made to help cover the cost of the band letters, ribbons, and so forth.

Women's Council To Hold Election

Elections will be conducted at a meeting Wednesday, May 18, of Women's Missionary Council of Medford Assembly of God church, 1108 West Main street. The session will open at 10:30 a.m., in the church annex and devotions will be led by Mrs. F. Wildon Colbaugh, who will continue a study of missions, the subject this week to concern Japan.

A potluck luncheon will be served at noon and a sewing and work session will be held after the luncheon.

VFW Auxiliary Plans Dance at Camp White

The auxiliary to the Department of Oregon, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will sponsor a dance at the Camp White dormitory Monday, May 16, at the theater. All auxiliary members and friends are invited. Music will be furnished by Eddie Evenson and his orchestra.

Those wanting transportation may go by bus from the Trailways depot at 7:30 p.m.

During the summer months the auxiliary will sponsor only one dance each month, to be held on the third Monday of each month.

Garden Club Announces New Officers

Mrs. Charles Stearns was named president of Medford Garden club at elections held recently at the Girls Community club. Mrs. R. L. Thomas is the new first vice-president, and Mrs. Jack Crump, second vice-president.

Mrs. C. L. Nordquist was elected recording secretary, Mrs. A. O. Floyd, corresponding secretary; Mrs. L. P. Rentschler, treasurer, and Mrs. E. L. Crain, historian.

The elections were held during an afternoon meeting of the club which was preceded by a workshop session. Mrs. Gaston Floux was in charge, assisted by Mrs. John Holmer. About 30 members and guests attended the morning session. At the afternoon meeting about 60 members were in attendance.

On the program was a panel discussion with Mrs. Floyd, who is Siskiyou district director, as the moderator. Members of the panel were Mrs. H. O. Smith, Cave Junction; Mrs. Elwood Kendall and D. W. Berry. Questions on gardening were discussed.

Mrs. W. P. Brooks and Mrs. R. W. Smith won prizes during the meeting.

Guests for the afternoon were Mrs. Smith, who is a past state president; Mrs. Homer Grable, Grants Pass Garden club president; Mrs. Warren O. Roston; Mrs. M. Lemmon, Mrs. Robert Roark, Mrs. Warren Holbrook, Crater Garden club president, and Mrs. Kendall.

Also at the meeting was Marilyn Denning, pear blossom queen and her mother, Mrs. R. H. Denning, who became a member of the club.

Tea chairman was Mrs. Brooks assisted by Mrs. Frank Carson, Mrs. F. F. Burk, Mrs. W. O. Hughes, Mrs. C. Earl Bradish and Mrs. Harry L. Smith. Mrs. Floyd and Mrs. L. R. Thomas presided at the tea table.

About 45 members of the club made a planned tour of Medford gardens last Thursday. The tour began at Hawthorne park and later the group visited the gardens at the homes of Mrs. Herb Grey and Mrs. H. C. Witham. At noon they met for a picnic lunch at the park and in the afternoon visited the gardens of Mrs. K. C. Farley, the Carltons, and the Lewis nursery at Jacksonville. Mrs. H. L. Ekerson was general chairman for the tour.

Private Makinson Earns Certificate

Fort McClellan, Ala. — Pvt. Gertrude E. Makinson, daughter of B. B. Makinson, 907 Cherry street, Medford, Ore., recently graduated from basic training as the "outstanding trainee" of her class at the new Women's Army corps center at Fort McClellan, Alabama.

Selection was based on an excellent academic average and a superior record of military discipline and conduct. She was awarded a Certificate of Achievement.

Private Makinson attended high school in Prospect, Ore., and enlisted in the WAC in January. For her new assignment, she has been transferred to Fort Myer, Va.

The new \$7,000,000 WAC center, where Private Makinson received her training, includes 22 cream-colored, modern functional buildings, situated on rolling land with a view of the Appalachian mountains. The setting of tree-shaded lawns and attractive buildings suggests an American college campus rather than a military installation.

Many Guests Attend Open House Held At Community Hospital; See Displays

About 100 people attended the open house Thursday afternoon at Community hospital, in observance of National Hospital week. It was reported today by Mrs. Shelby Tuttle, president of the hospital auxiliary which was in charge of the tea.

The penthouse was decorated with bouquets of spring flowers supplied by auxiliary members and friends, and tea and coffee were served from a table centered with white tulips and lilies.

Mrs. Tuttle expressed her appreciation to the many members who provided a variety of cookies and sandwiches for the tea.

The committee in charge of the affair included Mrs. Margery Pitts, chairman; Mrs. C. G. Van Valzah, Mrs. J. C. Collins, Mrs. Sheridan Scott, Mrs. Otto Frohnmayer and Mrs. James Morrow. Hostesses who received visitors were the identifying pink smocks ordinarily worn by auxiliary members when working in contact with hospital patients.

This group included Mrs. Scott, chairman; Mrs. John C. Mann, Mrs. C. E. Hedberg, Mrs. George R. V. Bolster, Mrs. John Moffatt, and Mrs. Morrow.

Included in the group which poured during the tea were Miss B. J. Larsen, administrator of the hospital; Mrs. Tom MacLeod, Mrs. Earl Tunny, Mrs. B. L. Lagson, Mrs. Clayton Walker, Mrs. Frohnmayer, Mrs. Tuttle and Miss Jane Snedcor.

Considerable interest was noted in the display of nurses' caps shown by Mrs. Tom Donahue and Mrs. Bernice Nims, directors of nurses at Community hospital. Mrs. Donahue had collected the caps from members of the local nurses' association, and they represented about 20 different training schools in this country and Canada.

The cart which the auxiliary plans to put into service soon was also on display, as well as the plot plan of the proposed new Rogue Valley Memorial hospital, which will replace the present Community hospital building. This shows the location of the building on the site, entrances, and parking areas.

Many took advantage of the tours of the hospital facilities arranged by Miss Larsen.

Shady Cove Group Presents Flags To Grade School

Shady Cove—Flags were presented to second and eighth grade students of Elk-Trail school Tuesday by members of the auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars at Shady Cove. Mrs. Jim Cassal made the presentation.

Those attending with her were Mrs. Dale Sawyer, chaplain; Mrs. Francis Miller, senior vice-president, and the Americanism chairman, Jim Cassal.

The Elk-Trail school also entered a "Buddy Poppy" poster contest which the auxiliary sponsored for the district.

Mrs. Cassal presented three awards for those who won, and spoke regarding the meaning of "Buddy Poppies." The winners are Chloe Willson, first; Madge Lillywhite, second; and Frank Peterson, third. After the posters are displayed in Shady Cove they will be sent to the department for entry in a state contest.

The auxiliary members served a breakfast on Mothers day at the VFW hall at Shady Cove. All mothers who attended were presented corsages of painted daisies made by Mrs. John Collins. Mrs. Gene House was the chairman assisted by Mrs. Harry Birch, Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Agnes Hubbard. Serving in the dining room were Mrs. Ed Leaming and Mrs. Edna Byrson. Decorations were of apple blossoms and tulips.

Corsages also were given by the auxiliary to mothers at the county farm home at Talent for Mothers day.

Council Installs Barbra Miller as Royal Princess

Miss Barbra Miller was installed royal princess of Talisman Rosebud council, Pythian Sunshine Girls, when the council met May 12. Miss Glenna Felkel, junior past royal princess, was the installing officer.

Miss Betty Kyker was installed charity; Miss Rosemary Tokar, friendship; Miss Darla Walker, prelate; Miss Donna Walker, recorder; Miss Cecelia Fichtner, exchequer; Miss Barbara Stamper, guide; Miss Betty Lou Cline, mystic; Miss Judith Tolle, warder; Miss Mary Dodge, sentinel; Miss Felkel, junior past royal princess; Miss Cynthia Blachley, musician; Miss Karen Bengtson, Miss Judy Harden and Miss Layle Bostwick, trustees, and Miss Joyce Youngberg, press correspondent.

Mrs. Leroy Cline, Mrs. Harry Bryant, Mrs. Mildred Tolle, Leroy Cline and Edwin Bostwick, counselors, and Mrs. John Fugill, advisor.

Miss Darla Walker was appointed delegate to the grand council of Pythian Sunshine Girls to be held May 14 and 15 at Eugene. Several other members and counselors plan to attend.

Refreshments were served by the Misses Darla and Donna Walker.

It has been estimated that Americans consumed 1 1/4 billion cans of frozen orange juice during 1954.

Auxiliary Plans Annual Sale of Memorial Poppies

The annual memorial poppy sale was discussed at a meeting of Medford American Legion auxiliary Tuesday evening at the Legion home. The president, Mrs. H. W. Gifford, presided.

Mrs. Leo Williams reported that 328,000 memorial poppies have been made and shipped from Camp White. These poppies, made from materials supplied by the American Legion auxiliary, were sent to various points in Oregon and Alaska.

Mrs. H. L. Goldsmith reported on plans for Poppy day here, May 27 and 28. The poppy party will be at the Legion home the evening of May 24.

Mrs. Minnie Bryant reminded members that the poppy posters recently made by local students will be on display next week in the windows of the Weeks and Orr furniture store.

Mrs. Merle Jarmin announced that the June meeting program

will be an observance of Flag day.

Mrs. Earl Bigalow gave the annual report for the child welfare committee. Her report concluded with a total value of \$1,814.65 given in goods and services in clothing, food and medical aid.

Mrs. Jarmin had arranged a display of children's clothing made by auxiliary members for distribution through the child welfare program.

It was decided to purchase neckerchiefs for the Blue Bird group sponsored by the auxiliary and a contribution was voted toward the restoration of the Francis Scott Key house in Baltimore.

A conference for junior members in Ashland May 4 was announced.

Joint installation of officers will be held in Medford June 25. Officers for posts and units in Cave Junction, Grants Pass, Central Point, Medford and Ashland will be installed in a group ceremony.

Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting by Mrs. Tom Ginn and Mrs. E. Lewis.

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