

AAUW Announces Results of Vote In Annual Exhibit Held Last Week

A seascape by Clifford Platz, Medford artist, took first place in the popular voting of art patrons who attended the annual art exhibit sponsored by Medford Branch, American Association of University Women, at Medford hotel last week. The show, which observed American Art week, opened Thursday night and continued all day Friday.

The large oil which took first place was entitled "Coastal Fog" and was a misty work of blues, greys, blacks and whites which conveyed a deep feeling of cold. Second place went to Robert Miller, young artist who came here from Portland several months ago to paint and teach, and third went to John Ahern, operator of the Art center, for his "Winter Headlights."

Mr. Platz began painting several years ago while recuperating from an illness. Those who have followed his development as indicated by his works entered in valley shows have been deeply interested to see the steady improvement in his technique and the change in spirit and emotion expressed in the paintings. Committee members who counted the ballots stated that Mr. Platz not only headed the list of artists who were given a first place vote, but received a vote on almost every ballot which was cast.

Young Miller's winning entry was entitled "Mills and Smoke" and was also a rather large oil. Although a young artist, Mr. Miller's work is largely traditional in feeling and shows the effect of art school instruction.

While those who attended the show gave more first-place votes to the works of Mr. Platz and Mr. Miller, they seemed to talk more about Artist Ahern's winner, "Striving for a new illusion and effect, the artists produced a work with masses of dark background. Splashed with three pools of light, one showing a bare-branched tree, another a covered bridge and the third a patch of road in the distance. The work so intrigued show guests that many kept returning to it time after time for further inspection and comment among groups.

Medford Senior High school art students also entered the show, and were judged in a separate division.

Show visitors voted first place to Pat Calloway for a work entitled "Covered Bridge," second

to Ronald Wisdom for a water color depicting a large piece of machinery and third to Carol Ballard for a picture of an avenue and three poplar trees.

Almost without exception valley residents who have attended all five of the AAUW shows commented this year on the obvious development and growth. It is not only that the shows attract more artists and a steady increase in attendance, but that the quality of the work exhibited is far higher. Some newcomers viewing the show for the first time this year—one herself an artist from California—expressed amazement that Jackson county could produce so many artists of talent.

AAUW committee members and artists commented that allowing visitors to express their reaction by voting on the entries created additional interest and resulted in the guests spending more time at the show. Guests found themselves going through the show more than once, studying and discussing the various works and working hard to make their voting objective and worthwhile. Several visitors expressed the idea that it might improve the show and make it more worthwhile to artists if for purposes of voting, the entries could be divided into those done by professionals and those by amateurs.

Mrs. R. H. Denning was show chairman and was assisted by Mrs. Sam Taylor, Mrs. A. J. Johanson, Mrs. Paul McDuffee and Mrs. John Warnke. About 60

First Electronic Range For Home Is Previewed

New York—A new time table in home cooking was opened to the American homemaker recently with the public introduction of the world's first electronic range for the home, made by The Tappan Stove company of Mansfield, Ohio.

At a press preview in New York, national food editors and home economists watched the revolutionary electronic range accomplish these cooking wonders:

Broil bacon on a paper plate in two minutes.
Bake a potato in five minutes.
Cook a 5-pound beef roast in 30 minutes.

Heat a jar of baby food in 45 seconds.

Bake a 2-layer cake in six minutes in a cold oven.

Heat coffee directly in the cup and saucer, the saucer remaining cool.

The range itself is in the form of a compact, lustrous oven that can be installed as a built-in unit or stacked on cabinets as a modular unit. Browning of meats and casseroles, long the question mark of electronic cooking, is achieved by a super-speed coil element in the top of the oven. Adjustable racks and timer control the browning unit. A card file of over 400 detailed recipes is built into the bottom of the range for easy reference in cooking.

Uses Microwave

Guests at the first viewing of the range were told that the unit operates on microwaves, the same type of energy which transmits the ultra high frequency signal on a television set. Since heat is generated in the food itself, temperature controls are eliminated. The housewife turns on high or low speed, sets a timer dial, and the food automatically selects its own cooking or baking temperature.

Electronic cooking offers a new flexibility in home meals according to Alan P. Tappan, president of The Tappan Stove company. The company has been testing ranges in home kitchens for over a year and homemakers have noted the change in meal habits of their families.

The electronic oven is used for many foods formerly cooked on surface burners: eggs, vegetables, puddings, hot cereal, sauces, baby foods, bacon. When members of the family are late for dinner, individual portions of meat, potatoes, and vegetables are arranged on dinner plates and stored in the refrigerator until serving. The plate is then placed directly in the oven for a few minutes for "refreshing" and heating of food. The food retains flavor and moisture and the plate itself remains cool enough to be removed from the oven without pot holder.

More Roasts

Working wives serve more roasts during the week, since these meats can be cooked in a half-hour. Mothers prepare more hot lunches for school children. Many women testing the range prepare meals early in the day, reheat them at dinner in the time it takes to set the table. Home freezers are used more often—meats and other foods are defrosted, as well as heated, in the electronic oven.

Homemakers testing the range also report the microwave cooking cuts down on dishwashing—especially pot cleaning. Food does not stick to the surface of cooking utensils. Most foods are cooked directly in serving dishes. Canned soups are mixed and heated in soup bowls in the range. Hot cereals are cooked in small amounts in cereal dishes for quick breakfasts. Frozen and fresh vegetables are quickly cooked in casserole serving dishes, retaining garden freshness. There is no need for the big kettle for corn on the cob. The ears of corn are cooked, without water, in two minutes on a glass plate in the electronic oven.

Families report more meal-time entertaining in hot weather.

Home Economics Club To Meet Wednesday

Upper Applegate—A luncheon meeting is planned for members of the Upper Applegate Grange Home Economics club for Wednesday, November 9 at 12:30 p.m. The event will be held at the Scovell home. Members are asked to note a change in the time of the meeting.

HEC members met in October at the Finley home.

Blue Star Mothers Give Party at Camp

Medford Blue Star Mothers club conducted a party October 28 at Camp White for about 30 wheel chair members of the domiciliary. Cake and coffee were served.

On the committee were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Middlebush, Mrs. F. B. Gleave, Mrs. James Cech and Mrs. J. R. Seiler.

Central Point—Vern Marshall spoke regarding camellias at a meeting of Crater Garden club held recently at the home of Mrs. Jerry McDougal, 425 Lynnwood avenue, Medford. Next meeting of the club will be held Thursday, November 17 at the home of Mrs. Henry Friesen.

Puffed sleeves in a child's dress iron easily, by inserting a lighted electric light bulb into the sleeve, then rubbing out the wrinkles.

Kitchens—and cooks—remain cool during the operation of the range. Except when the browning unit has been on for a period of time, oven walls remain cool to the touch. Most cooking is done within the range itself, leaving no steaming pans or skillets to heat the kitchen.

The Tappan range operates on a 220-volt electric current, using the same type of outlet and cable as an electric range. It requires no special installation.

Events Planned By OES Chapter

Advance night and initiation are on the calendar for the meeting of Reames chapter, Order of Eastern Star, planned for this week. It will be held Thursday, November 10, at 8 p.m. in Medford Masonic temple.

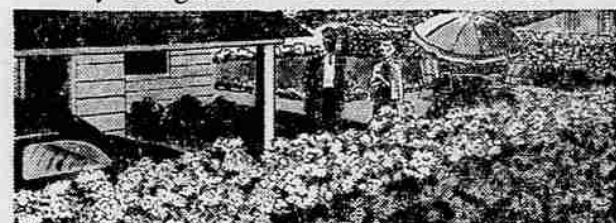
Mrs. V. A. Turpin is chairman and Mrs. Frank Little co-chairman of the refreshment hour.

To Meet Monday

The Rogue Valley chapter of the Grandmothers club will conduct an all-day meeting for quilting Monday, November 7. They will gather at the home of Mrs. Elsa Walker, 129 North Oakdale avenue at 10 a.m. Those who attend should take sack lunches.

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