

Salvation Army Promotes Idea Of Proxy Gifts

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Oklahoma City—(U.P.)—One of the world's oldest welfare organizations is giving its fundraising efforts a new twist here this Christmas season.

For the first time, the Salvation Army is conducting a program of gifts by proxy. The proxy idea has been used by some other agencies, but usually it has taken the form of accepting donations to charities in lieu of funeral flowers.

Lt. Col. Wesley W. Bouterse, officer in charge of the local Salvation Army office, said an unexpected donor brought the idea to him last year.

Letters Sent

"I've got to buy Christmas gifts for several relatives and business friends who don't really need the gifts," said the donor. "I feel like I'm buying something just to keep up with the neighbors."

"How about my writing you a check so you can give it to some kids who need it?"

The Salvation Army official praised the idea. In return for a sizeable check, he wrote each person on the caller's gift list a letter. It explained this was their Christmas gift from Mr. Bouterse, that via the Salvation Army a family would receive food, clothing and toys furnished by his contribution.

Bouterse planned a full-scale campaign this year. Similar letters will be sent, and he hopes the idea will grow in future years.

He believes the new gift media will not only boost the Salvation Army's Christmas fund, but will help solve a shopping problem for many givers, and perhaps give them a warm feeling inside at Christmas.

Birthday Tea To Be Monday

The 80th birthday anniversary of Mrs. Jennie Hutchinson will be observed at a tea set for Monday, December 19. The event will be at Mrs. Hutchinson's home, 522 West Tenth street, Medford, and friends are invited to call between two and four o'clock.

First announcement of the tea stated erroneously that the hours would be two to five o'clock.

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Camp Fire Girls Aid Seal Sale

Community service being one of the projects for Camp Fire Girls, Ayuzunta troop of that organization staffed the Christmas Seal booth last Saturday at Mann's Department store from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. The girls assisting in the booth were Stephanie Mertager, Linda Medcalf, Joanne Holmstrom, Ann Younger, Sara L. Hinkle, Donna Unger, and Treva Toenniges.

Mrs. R. N. Younger, leader of Ayuzunta, and Mrs. Milton Medcalf, member of the committee of awards supervised the girls' work. Receipts for the day's activity were good and will add to the funds being contributed to Christmas Seal sales which provide for research, discovery of new cases of tuberculosis and eventual eradication of that disease. In the past year, Jackson county residents have seen tangible proof of the results of their contributions in the permanent chest x-ray facilities which have been installed in the local hospitals making available this vital medical phase at a nominal cost to the public.

The Christmas Seal booths will be placed in Mann's Department store and Penney's again on Saturday, December 17 during the hours of 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and will be manned by girls from other Camp Fire Girl units.

Visitors Attend Bridge Club Here

Mrs. Jack Barr and Mrs. N. B. Wright, Grants Pass, were guest players for the last meeting of Riverside Bridge club. The two players placed fourth in the east-west position.

North-south winners were Mrs. T. J. Fuson and Marion Milne, first, 79; Mrs. Jack Mitchell and Mrs. Berg Martin, second, 75½ points; Miss Isobel Stuart and Dr. George Dean, third, 75; John Solheim and Roy Pruitt, fourth, 73½ points.

Winners in the east-west section were Mrs. Fred Purdin and Mrs. Fred Rehling, first, 73½ points; Mrs. H. J. Boyd and William Isaacs, second, 72½; Mrs. E. K. Ricker and Mrs. Yvonne Dalen, third, 68; Mrs. Barr and Mrs. Wright, fourth, 64 points.

The U. S. Air Force School of Aviation Medicine is financing studies by Peruvian scientists seeking to learn how Indians of Peru adapt to oxygen deficiency in living and working at altitude above 16,000 feet.

Mink Buckets and Trees, \$400 Brushes on Gift List

(Editor's Note: Anyone can compile a Christmas list filled with the ordinary—necktie and socks for the men, blouse and bedroom shoes for the women. But dreaming up the gift which is unusual, and destined for a "conversation piece" role Christmas day, is another matter. In the interests of helping those who want to give the unusual—without regard for cost or course—the United Press polled leading stores in several cities for their suggestions. Read 'em, and sigh.)

New York—(U.P.)—One sure way to make a hit with any male on your Christmas list is to give him something he'd never dream of buying for himself.

Like a camel seat.

Camel seats, called "siwas," date back to the era of the Sphinx and solar boats. Their original purpose was to provide comfortable sitting for camel riders. But today's versions, imported from Egypt, have been given a wooden, bench-like base and are suggested as an addition to the den, study or living room. They come in red and green leather and cost \$69.50 at one New York store. The store does not stock camels.

Or, a gift certificate for a toupee, if he's balding and you're brave.

Moving Diamonds

One New York firm specializing in hair pieces suggested that the woman planning to give such a certificate first write for a cost estimate. Price depends on the size of the bald or balding area. It can range from \$85 for a back bald spot to \$175 for a complete top piece. If hubby later balks at wearing the toupee, the money will be refunded.

Now, for a run-down of other gifts United Press found featured in stores around the nation:

White ermine bottle guards, for bottles of spirits, at \$250 in one Dallas store. A gold trimmed imported typewriter, available in an Atlanta shop for \$225.

A Paris designed necktie, priced at \$100 in a Cleveland store. The tie sports a diamond in the center.

A man's wrist watch, minus hands, but with two moving diamonds in the face, which is surrounded by diamonds, at \$350 in an Indianapolis store. An Indianapolis shop also features an imported cashmere coat with star sapphire buttons. The coat, \$750—but buttons extra.

\$400 Brushes

In Chicago, you can get gold cuff links, with a watch set in one of each pair, for \$100.

One San Francisco store has a notebook made of shark leather with solid gold hinges, pencil and ridges at \$125; an alligator train case for \$525; a portable bar done in calf, and capable of holding three bottles, glasses and mixer, for \$95; a battery driven "salesman's" cocktail mixer at \$22.95; and a chamois sports shirt at \$55.

Hair brushes, made of satinwood with Siberian boar bristle, cost a mere \$400 at one Los Angeles shop. Another Los Angeles firm features toothpaste, \$1.50 per tube, with authentic scotch, rye or bourbon flavoring.

None of these suggestions strike you?

Well, "for a man who has everything," a Kansas City department store offers—for \$1.50—a burlap bag. It's packaged in a brown box, with the lettering, "So you have everything?" Inside is written, "Here's a bag to put it in."

Reames Chapter Elects Officers

Mrs. E. G. Randolph was elected worthy matron of Reames chapter, Order of Eastern Star, at the last meeting December 8. Serving with her as worthy patron will be Ross Gilkison.

Other officers elected were Mrs. Morris Boughner, associate matron; Mr. Boughner, associate patron; Mrs. Ray Bailey, secretary; Mrs. Jack Clark, treasurer; Mrs. Earl E. McKinney, conductor; Mrs. Frank Roberts, associate conductress.

CALENDAR

Friday

7 p.m.—Ladies Mounted troop dinner, Jackson County Mounted Sheriff's posse club house.

7:30 p.m.—Chrysanthemum Thimble club, home of Mrs. George Culy, 1015 West Twelfth st.

7:30 p.m.—Crater Lions auxiliary, Mrs. Warren Brenner, 2208 East Main st.

Saturday

2 p.m.—Crater Lake chapter, DAR, Mrs. T. J. Gifford, 419 South Oakdale ave.

6:30 p.m.—Ladies auxiliary, FOE, at Eagle hall.

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Magazine Carries Story on Oregon

"The Oregon Story," a review of a meeting in Grants Pass earlier this year during which an Oregon chapter of the Natural Foods associates was organized, is carried in the November issue of Natural Food and Farming.

Written by Mrs. Alma Smith, Medford, the article is illustrated with six pictures, including one of J. Verne Shangle, Kings' highway, Medford, who was named president of the new state group. Mrs. Smith was elected state secretary.

The session was attended by Dr. Joe Nichols, Atlanta, Tex., national president of Natural Food associates, and his secretary, Thomas Lavin. The program included talks by Dr. Nichols, a demonstration of making bread from whole grain, stone-ground flour by Mrs. Louise Williams, food chairman of the Grants Pass Living Foods group and films on bread making.

About 250 attended a dinner meeting, and some 350 attended the evening session during which Mr. Lavin and Dr. Nichols spoke.

Auxiliary Awards Veterans' Prizes

Camp White—Prizes furnished by the American Legion auxiliary were awarded to highest scoring veteran players at the last meeting of Camp White Bridge club. The prizes are awarded each month on the basis of monthly scores.

John Solheim took first place, Bill Hickey, second and Mike Dillon third.

North-south winners for the last session were Roy Pruitt and M. Solheim, 138, first; Howard Boy and Walter Grow, 133½, second; Mrs. F. M. Binnion and Mrs. Fred Purdin, 111, third; Mrs. Yvonne Dalen and Mrs. George Dean, fourth, 105.

East-West winners were Joe Clark and Don Reverman, first, 148; Mrs. Fred Rehling and Dr. Dean, second, 126; Mrs. O. O. Alenderfer and Mrs. Mary Sander, third, 119½; Mrs. Al Gilhouse and Mrs. E. K. Ricker, fourth, 113½.

Or, there are jeweled mouse traps for \$6, jeweled telephone conversation timers which actually are a souped-up version of the hour glass, for \$6.75; and jeweled zipper-pullers, at \$3.50, all available in one Pittsburgh store.

Lingerie is more fabulous than ever. A Beverly Hills, Calif., shop which caters to the movie set features pajamas of turquoise blue satin for \$750. A Miami shop features a nightgown for \$750.

A Pittsburgh store offers a 24-

Christmas Party Announced for Auxiliary, Club

Plans for a Christmas tree party were made at a meeting of the Townsend Harmony Auxiliary club held at the home of Mrs. Hartley, 244 South Central avenue, Wednesday. The party will be Monday, December 19, and will be held jointly with the Townsend club. It is set for 7:30 p.m. at 123½ West Main street and a program will be given.

At Wednesday's meeting a pot-luck luncheon was served at 1 o'clock with the business session following. Mrs. Nettie Rusho, president, presided.

The auxiliary will meet again January 4.

Junior Club Holds Annual Holiday Party Saturday Afternoon

Junior Degree of Honor club held the annual Christmas party December 10 at the home of Mrs. H. G. Wilson, 7 Chestnut street, leader of the group.

Members and guests received gifts of candy, fruit and nuts, and refreshments were served.

Donny Gail, Gold Hill, played a piano selection and Mrs. Wilson read a Christmas poem.

New Officers were named and will be installed at a meeting January 14. Darlene Morrow presided.

Kathleen Smith and Carol Krause were awarded copies of The Young Crusader."

Pakistan Minister Will Visit Red China

Tokyo—(U.P.)—Prime Minister Mohammed Ali of Pakistan will visit Red China next spring. Peiping Radio said today.

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