

Medford Kiwanis Show Starts Wednesday for 4-Night Performance

A mirthful and melodious program of dance chorus productions, song chorus numbers, solo selections, gags and specialties will take place aboard the "Good Ship Happiness" during the second act when the eighth annual Kiwanis Kapers is presented this week at the senior high school auditorium here.

Medford Kiwanis club's musical and variety production, "Holiday Review," will open Wednesday for a four-night run. Opening night will be student night with curtain time at 7:30 o'clock. Shows on Thursday, Friday and Saturday will begin at 8:15 p.m.

Chorus of 60

Members of the Kiwanis chorus of more than 60 voices will be prominent in the act. They will be passengers and crew of the ship and their songs will have generally a nautical theme. John Dellenback will be captain of the ship and master-of-ceremonies for the act.

A chorus line of sailorettes will appear in a sailors' hornpipe and novelty routine. Other chorus girls will be a hula number and in a bathing beach ball presentation. Twenty-four girls help end the show.

Sixteen men will "build" an eight by 12-foot American flag which will glow in the dark and Glenna Hobbs and Jacques Hughes will perform in a specialty tap dance. Solo vocalists for the second act will be E. Ron Rice, Dr. Abner Clark, Dave Ashton, Mrs. Dorothy Veal and Mrs. Donna Hogan.

Holidays of the year will be depicted in the seven scenes of the first act. Washington's and Lincoln's birthdays will be noted as will Valentine's day and a Mexican holiday. An Easter Parade production will range from serious to hilarious. Mann's Department store will sponsor a style show with Southern Oregon college girls as models.

Parts Listed

Robert Voegtly will be George Washington, Irv Allen will have the part of Martha Washington and Stanley Jones will play Lafayette. Ed Barnett will be Abraham Lincoln.

Only general admission seats will be available Wednesday night and there will be a special student price that night. Reserved seat tickets can be purchased at Barker's Men's store.

Medford Kiwanis club's program of assistance to underprivileged youngsters and its other youth projects in the county will benefit from the Kapers. The show is the club's major fund raising activity to assure continuation of the projects.

"Holiday Review" is an all-local talent production with the professional direction of Don Hansen, Lassen Theatrical productions. Put-together dress rehearsal for the first act was held last night and second act put-together is tonight.

The Friday show will be dedicated to Miss Shirley Kenner, Medford queen for National Beauty week and she will formally start the performance.



BEATING 50 CONTESTANTS, Annette Hunt, 17, Indianapolis, displays cherry pie she baked, which brought her title National Cherry Pie Queen at Chicago contest. (International)

Library's Reference Service Increasingly In Demand by Patrons

Reference questions to the Medford Public Library increased sharply during the past year, according to Librarian Helen Webster, who reported 498 questions were answered in January.

"More and more persons are calling the library for answers to the many questions that come up in everyday living," she said.

The librarian attributed the rise to increasing awareness on the part of the public of the library's reference service.

Any Question

Operated by the reference section, the fact-finding service is aimed at answering any question, whether unusual or matter-of-fact, which can be looked up in a book. The book may be a dictionary, encyclopedia, almanac, atlas, or some other standard of reference.

The library sometimes handles as many as 500 inquiries a month, ranging into practically every field of human knowledge. Here are a few recent posers:

"How do you make wire rope?"

"When was the branch system of banking started?"

"How do you raise earthworms?"

People called the library on problems of etiquette, word usage, homemaking, and how-

to-do-it. Other questions were about spelling and pronunciation, abbreviations, history, science, sports, quotations, dates and events, anniversaries and addresses.

Never From Memory

"Library assistants never answer questions from memory," says Joyce Fuller, reference librarian. Ask them how to spell a simple word, or for the meaning of "R.S.V.P.," and they will look it up in the dictionary, even though they are sure of the answer.

Of course, some questions don't get answered. Some librarians would be happy to learn the name of Lot's wife, how many calories in a stick of gum, the melting temperature of pumice or the freezing point of propane gas.

Mrs. Fuller is assisted in reference work by the circulation staff of the library: Mrs. Cynthia McKay, Mrs. Florence Perkey, Charles Tarvin, Evelyn Graham and Wilma Eubanks, who answer quick reference questions as their other duties permit.

Local BLM Acquires Navy Surplus Jeeps

Mechanics at the bureau of land management shops near the fairgrounds are servicing 28 Navy surplus jeeps which were procured recently for the BLM from the mothball fleet in San Francisco.

They will be used to transport personnel for expanded timber sale and other BLM programs.

The jeeps were procured by the BLM at no cost because of a ruling giving excess vehicles to other government agencies, according to Muri Storm, assistant BLM forester. The only expense will be about \$200 per vehicle for servicing.

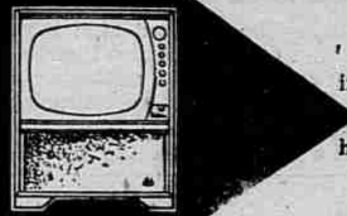
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Around Hollywood

By ALINE MOSBY, United Press Correspondent



Aline Mosby says he's folding May 26 because two talent agencies are booking the best acts into hotels instead of his place.

Hollywood—(U.P.)—The shuttering of Ciro's, movietown's fancy night club on the Sunset "Strip," will leave filmville minus a site for one-punch brawls and other social notes. Herman Hover, who's kept the upholstered saloon going since 1942, says he's folding May 26 because two talent agencies are booking the best acts into hotels instead of his place.

In case this time he means it, the Hollywood press will have to look elsewhere for the night life of the movie gods.

The biggest story I've covered there was a costume party tossed for Terry Moore when she came back from a junket to Korea in a white ermine bikini. The guests were electrified when movie mogul Darryl Zanuck stripped to the waist and chinned himself from a trapeze at 2 a.m.

Animals Attend Party

Another fabulous party was last year's \$20,000 circus costume affair. Sonja Henie gave at Ciro's. The guests included assorted live animals and Liberace, who came dressed as Liberace.

Ciro's also held forth on the saloon circuit as a boxing ring. Singer Frank Sinatra punched columnist Lee Mortimer there. Howard Duff, Oleg Cassini and Sid Luft were veterans of one-punch fights. After three fights, a customer was barred.

News has been made in the darkened room while Dick Stabile's band beat out those monotonous rumba and mambo rhythms.

Business Transacted

Howard Hughes negotiated at a Ciro's table to buy RKO. Dan Topping bought the New York Yankees in a phone booth. Lana Turner was courted in the dim light by husbands Artie Shaw

In Medford's Schools

McLOUGHLIN JUNIOR HIGH

Under the new home room program at McLoughlin Junior High school, the home room in each grade having the highest number of activity points receives a half-holiday in recognition.

Top room for the eighth grade the first semester was Mrs. Marjorie Votaw's. The students took their vacation on Feb. 13, and first visited the Mail Tribune to see how news is gathered and printed for the community. They then went to the YMCA where they spent the rest of the afternoon in recreational activities. Eldon Bennett, Ronald Martin, Eugene Bray, Fred Massey, Susan Beth Reule and Frances Stout were judged the best in swimming. Chess champions were Tom Foutch and Helen Ruth. Checker games were won by Eugene Bray and Joyce Riley, and the shuffleboard winners were Melvin Kirkpatrick and Richard McCarty. Another group of students played ping-pong.

Mary Ann Athanas is adviser for the "Stingers" pep club and Mrs. Dolores Rajohn is adviser for the majorettes.

NW Mining Council Slates Meet March 1

A meeting of the Northwestern Mining Council Inc. will be held at 8 p.m. Thursday, March 1, in the Jackson county courthouse auditorium.

Attorney Bruce Manely will report on a recent meeting of the National Western Mining Conference in Salt Lake City, Utah, where he spoke on "Mining in Oregon."

James Sherry and Stanford Merrifield, both of Eugene, will review mining in Alaska and Nevada where they spent several years. Council President Frank DeSouza said several members will discuss the outlook for mining activity in southern Oregon.

A question and answer discussion on the present status of mining in this area will be held.

Record Wheat Supply Forecast for 56-57

Washington—(U.P.)—The Agriculture Department today predicted total wheat supplies for the 1956-57 marketing year beginning July 1 will be a record 1,990,000,000 bushels.

This is based on an indicated carryover of a record 1,065,000,000 bushels, a winter crop based on seedlings reports of 735,000,000 bushels, and an anticipated spring wheat crop of 190,000,000 bushels.

This compared with 1955-56 total supplies of 1,964,000,000 bushels consisting of a July 1, 1955, carryover of 1,022,000,000 bushels, 1955 production of 938,000,000 bushels and imports of about 4,000,000 bushels.

Dead line Sunday. Classified is at noon Saturday; 10 a.m. Monday for Monday; other days 5:30 previous day.

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HEDRICK JUNIOR HIGH

Friday, Feb. 24 a large group of Hedrick students went to Grants Pass for the ninth grade varsity basketball game. About 170 students besides the varsity squad went in four Greyhound buses. The Hedrick band and "Stingers" put on the half time show. The majorettes also appeared. The ninth grade yell leaders led the cheering. Ward Smith directs the band. Mrs.

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