

Festival Director Says Applications Coming in 'Floors'

Ashland—Angus L. Bowmer, producing director of the Oregon Shakespearean festival, said today that he has been flooded with applications for places in this season's acting company.

"We have had nearly 250 applicants to date," he said, "many more than we have ever had before at this time of the year."

Mr. Bowmer said that applications had come in from 42 states and from Canada, England and Scotland. The three top states are California, New York and Pennsylvania. Although most of the applicants are college students, Director Bowmer said there are several professionals. Many of the applicants are repeats from previous seasons.

Advance ticket orders this year are also far ahead of those in previous years at this time, according to William Patton, festival general manager. Mr. Patton said that orders are coming in from all parts of the country. The largest orders so far have come from Episcopal Bishop Lane Barton of Bend, for a party of Oregon clergymen, and from Texas State College for Women, for a group of students touring the West Coast this summer.

Mothers Attend Recent School; Plan Convention

Blue Star Mothers, of Medford, attended a school of instruction in Grants Pass recently. Chapters represented at the school were Medford, Grants Pass and Cave Junction.

Mrs. Rex Note, state president, announced at this meeting that the annual state convention will be held in Medford April 25 and 26.

Between 60 and 70 delegates and visitors are expected to attend the convention, which will be held in the courthouse auditorium.

Women's Fellowship To Meet Wednesday

Christian Women's fellowship of First Christian church will hold a business meeting Wednesday, April 4 at 11 a.m. Members are asked to note the change in time. Luncheon will be served at noon, and a program will begin at 1:30 p.m.

Meeting Announced For Royal Neighbors

Royal Neighbors of America will meet Thursday, April 5, at 8 p.m. in Pythian hall. Mrs. A. R. Allen, orator, asks that officers attend in order that practice for the district convention may be held. The convention will be held here May 3.

Home Extension Units Plan Projects on Drapery Making

Several home extension units have planned meetings in order to study the making of draperies.

Members attending these sessions are asked to take one-half yard drapery material, 13 inches of lining material, a pair of sharp shears, a piece of crinoline 3 inches wide and 21 inches long, thread to match and contrasting thread for basting, a needle two and one-fourth inches long and several other needles, dressmaker pins, a measuring gauge, a firm tape line and ruler.

Those having portable sewing machines are asked to take them.

Members of Westside unit will meet Thursday, April 5, at the Junior Grange hall, Central Point. A business session is set for 10:45 a.m. A planned luncheon will be served.

Mrs. H. J. Stout and Mrs. O. K. Phelan will conduct the drapery project.

Members needing baby sitters are asked to call Mrs. Charles Taylor, NO 4-2982. Those attending the luncheon are asked to take table service.

Luncheon will be served at noon, and table service is required.

Mrs. Lloyd E. Hamlin, 602 Arnold lane, will be hostesses for a meeting of Griffin Creek Home Extension Friday, April 6, at 11:00 a.m.

A business meeting will be held in the morning and luncheon served at noon. The lesson will be given by Mrs. George Mero and Mrs. Lewis Clark on making draperies.

Central Point—Central Point unit will hold a meeting to study drapery making on Wednesday, April 11, in the Grange hall. It will begin at 10 a.m. and hostesses will be Mrs. E. O. Fredrick and Mrs. Arnold Bohnert.

Project leaders will be Mrs. Chester Ashton and Mrs. Ed Knapp. Anyone wishing further information may call Mrs. Ashton, NO 4-2520.

Lake Creek—Lake Creek Extension unit will meet Wednesday, April 4, at the home of Mrs. Carl Webb, Eagle Point, at 10:30 a.m. The report of the nominating committee will be given.

The project lesson on draperies will be given by Mrs. James Edge and Mrs. John Davidson.

Every woman in the community is extended an invitation to attend. Those attending are asked to take table service.

Medford Parents' unit will meet Tuesday, April 3, at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Lucian VanGordon, 1508 Stratford way. Subject of the program will be draperies, and project leaders will be Mrs. D. E. Kenner and Mrs. C. P. Smith.

Hostesses will be Mrs. K. W. Jensen and Mrs. Doug Fosbury. Members are to take table service.

Butte Falls—A meeting of Butte Falls unit will be held at the home of Mrs. William Edmondson Thursday, April 5, at 10:30 a.m. Mrs. Don Smith and Mrs. Ray Trefren will take charge of the project on drapery making.

Those attending are to take table service, and child care will be provided at the home of Mrs. Ted Riddell. Any interested woman is invited to attend, and more information may be obtained from the project leaders.

Reese Creek—The April meeting of Reese Creek Unit will be held at the home of Mrs. Joe Whipple, Delta Waters road, Medford, Tuesday, April 3.

Mrs. R. C. Nelsen and Mrs. J. L. Duncan will be leaders for the project "Making Draperies." Nomination of officers for next year will be held, and plans for participation in the spring festival will be discussed.

Ballet Company Booked; History of Troupe Given

Three directors, all of whom have gone into ballet history, helped create the San Francisco ballet which is booked for two performances in Ashland and Medford, April 12 and 13. The ballet ceremony, one of the most noted in the country, is being brought to Jackson county by a group of business men and civic leaders interested in promoting cultural and entertainment attractions in the area.

The three noted ballet directors are Adolph Bolm, William Christensen and Lew Christensen.

Adolph Bolm founded the company as the San Francisco Opera Ballet in 1933. Although Mr. Bolm had been a member of Diaghileff's Russian ballet and had studied at the state schools in St. Petersburg, his influence was a modernistic one.

It was William Christensen who oriented the company towards its most important policy—that of performing full-length classic ballets. Under Mr. Christensen, America's first full-length versions of "Swan Lake," "Coppelia" and "The Nutcracker" were produced. Each of these ballets fill a whole evening in itself. Such an experiment had been tried only once before in America, when the Philadelphia Ballet did "The Sleeping Beauty."

With the San Francisco classic repertory, such stars as Janet Reed, former Medford resident who took her first training here, Harold Long and Zelta Mortimer, were developed. It was also during the tenure of William Christensen that the enlarged ac-

Beta Sigma Phi Chapter Installs

New officers for Beta Upsilon chapter, Beta Sigma Phi, were installed at a meeting held March 20 at the home of Mrs. Jack Cannon, 403 Laurel street. They are Mrs. Warren Wolf, president; Mrs. Wayne Harris, vice-president; Mrs. John Selby, recording secretary; Mrs. DeVon Wray, corresponding secretary, and Mrs. Arthur Brooks, treasurer.

Dr. Gene F. Chamberlain spoke on fluoridation of the city's water supply.

The program was given by Mrs. Gerald Von Ting, who spoke on "Let's Talk on the Radio and Over Television."

Co-hostesses for the evening were Mrs. R. L. Palmer and Mrs. Paul Morris.

Next meeting of the chapter will be held April 3 at the home of Mrs. M. H. Parsons, 809 East Ninth street.

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School Head Is Speaker For Group

Leonard Mayfield, city school superintendent, was guest speaker for a meeting of McLoughlin Junior High Parent-Teacher association Thursday evening in the boys gymnasium. His subject was the "School Tax Picture."

With charts, Mr. Mayfield stressed the element of time, which is necessary to prepare plans, submit them to voters and then construct buildings or additions. Approximately thirty additional school rooms are anticipated as being necessary by 1961 in the Medford city school system, based upon the current increase of enrollment per year.

Mrs. Harold Hubler, chairman of the ways and means committee, announced plans for a rummage sale by the PTA to be held Monday, April 9, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Fehl building, 108 North Ivy street. Anyone having articles to contribute is asked to telephone Mrs. Hubler, 2-3872 or Mrs. Connolly, 2-8369 and rummage will be picked up. Articles needed are good used clothing, quilt pieces, rugs, costume jewelry, dishes, white elephant items, plants and shrubs. Students are to bring their rummage to their home rooms by Friday, April 6.

Horace Doolen, president of the organization, conducted the business session.

Glenn Linn, acting as chairman of the nominating committee, presented the slate of nominations for officers for the coming year. Those selected were Mrs. Lloyd Parsons, president; Mrs. Golden Noble, vice-president; Mrs. W. E. Holmes, secretary; and Robert S. Hinman, treasurer. No other nominations were made from the floor, and Mr. Doolen instructed the secretary to cast a unanimous ballot for those named.

Pre-registration information was given parents by Mr. Linn and members of the teaching staff. Several counselors from Senior High school were present to confer with parents of those students entering the tenth grade next year.

The social hour was held in the cafeteria, with refreshments being furnished by mothers of seventh grade youngsters.

The next meeting of the PTA is scheduled for May 31. This will include an art exhibit, style show by the homemaking classes and a display of the shop work. The vocal music department will also participate in this session.

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