

News About Books From the Library

With flowers in plentiful supply, the Medford Public library's books on flower arrangement circulate rapidly at this time of year, according to Librarian Helen Webster.

Numerous manuals are available at the library which give step-by-step procedures for creating interesting and attractive arrangements. A book planned to meet the needs of every person interested in making successful flower arrangements, whether expert or beginner, is "The Complete Book of Flower Arrangement," by F. F. Rockwell and Esther Grayson.

There are several chapters by a number of nationally known experts which give a behind-the-scenes glimpse of flower shows and tell the secrets that help

Dish Towel Brings Success to Designer

New York — (U.P.)—Some designers win fame and fortune with new looks in fashion. Pat Prichard has wrung success from the dish towel.

Miss Prichard, a pretty New Yorker still in her 20's, is one of the first designers to change dish towels from the sterile white drying cloth to a gaily decorated bit of whimsy. Now, just about everyone is in the act, and the dish towel, 1956 version, isn't even a distant cousin of those of a few years ago.

The towels come decorated with spice jars, pots and pans, poetry, knives, forks and spoons, with early American motifs, Paris street scenes, and even with a scenic history of transportation to brighten hubby's evening of doing the dishes.

Miss Prichard said the cheery designs of today's dish towels are mostly the result of an overall trend to more color and attractiveness in the kitchen.

USE NEW POTATOES

New York — (U.P.)—Try this easy recipe using new potatoes. Fill a casserole with cooked, whole new potatoes and sprinkle them with grated sharp cheese. Place under a broiler until the cheese has melted. Add a dash of lemon juice and a dusting of paprika.

The Alabama Extension Service says that the bases of coffee pots and frying pans easily can be wiped clean, if they are soaped before using on outdoor grills.

A solution of mustard and water will remove odor from jars and bottles.

win awards.

One of the newer titles is Loree Swift's "Flower Arranging Book." Mostly photographs, with handy step-by-step directions, this book is an invaluable aid to the beginner. Another recent title, "Contemporary Flower Arrangement," by Rae Goldson, has a new approach to flower arrangement, considering the relation of the art to modern living, modern design and modern decorating.

A color wheel of flowers, fruits, and vegetables, with instructions on using it as a guide is the distinctive feature of Margaret Dodson's "Easy Guide to Color for Flower Arrangements." This is a recently published book, now on order for the Medford Public Library.

There are many books that consider the specialized aspects of flower craft. Of interest to miniature enthusiasts is "Miniature Flowers and Vases," arranged by Anne Ashberry. This charming book with beautiful photographs, will probably inspire those readers who already possess tiny vases to use them for flower arrangements in miniature and others to start collecting immediately.

Dried arrangements are covered by Tatsuo Ishimoto in his book, "Plant and Driftwood Arrangement." In the arrangements are used just four basic materials: living plants, cut greens, weathered wood and stone. A practical manual for women is "Cottage Craft," by Glad Reusch and Mary Noble. Every aspect of cottage making fundamental to the art is covered.

All the above books and others on the subject are available through the Medford Public Library and the Jackson County Library system.

Camp, Auxiliary To Hold Dinner

Colonel Sargent camp, United Spanish War Veterans, and the auxiliary will hold their last meeting before vacation Sunday, June 17, at 1 p.m. at Redman hall on Apple street. The usual potluck dinner will be served and members are asked to call Mrs. Josephine Widner, telephone 2-2225, about arrangements for the dinner.

Final plans will be made for a skit for the stunt night at the department convention in Eugene July 8 to 11. Also there will be practice at 11 a.m. for members who will attend the convention, officers and the drill team from Grants Pass will attend the practice.

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