

Women's Page

Bard's Heyday Sunday in Ashland Festival Theatre

Ashland—Merrie olde England comes to Ashland Sunday evening for the seventh annual Bard's Heyday, to be held at the Shakespearean Festival theatre from 5 till 9 p.m.

One of the special events of the Heyday will be Will Kempe and his troupe of morris dancers. Will (alias Art Silva) imported the morris dancers from the near and far corners of the country.

According to custom, the half-dozen dancers were carefully chosen and subjected to rigorous training for this event. Morris dance tradition also calls for brilliantly-colored costumes with pads of little bells strapped to the dancers' legs. The dance step is designed to make the most of the rhythmic jingling of the bells. Mr. Kempe stated that the ringing of the bells, combined with the patter of the feet, may have been intended to wake up the earth spirit during spring festival rites. In any case, it is agreed that the dance is imbued with magic, and brings good luck to the entertainers and the entertained.

Morris dancers in merrie olde England appeared at all of the village pageants and revels, and would also travel to compete with the dancers of other villages. The dancers, then and now, are accompanied by the hobby horse, maid marian, the fool, and the life player. At Sunday's Heyday, Will Kempe's morris dancers will perform several times during the course of the evening. The troupe includes Michael F. Kasdan, David O'Brien, Ted van Griethuysen, Phil Jacobus, Hugh Wilson and Mr. Kempe.

The Heyday will feature other events in addition to the morris dancers. Family fun is the keynote, with contests for the youngsters and such family

games as skittles, darts and horse-racing. Entertainment features a fortune teller, a Punch and Judy show, and the annual pantomime contest for members of the festival company. The performing bear remains shrouded in mystery, and promises to be one of the more startling events of the Heyday.

Dr. Margery Bailey will again offer the popular Ashland Broadsheets, the hand-lettered ballads of this season's plays.

Elizabethan pie-men will offer their wares of pastries, saffron bread, and tarts. Members of Beta Sigma Phi sorority will offer coffee and soft drinks.

Heyday tickets are available from Tudor Guild members, from festival box offices at the theatre in Ashland, and in the First National bank and Lawrence's Jewelers in Medford. Admission to the fair is 50 cents. Children under 10 are admitted free, when accompanied by their parents.

Gold Petticoats On Sale For \$50; Will Wash Iron

New York—(U.P.)—There's gold in them thar frills!

The newest lingerie puts women back on the gold standard, with gold embroidery, gold sari prints, gold piping, gold metallic threads, and even 24-carat gold cloth used for everything from petticoats to peignoirs.

Nylon tricot and sheers provide the background for most of the season's opulence in lingerie. But one manufacturer, Schiller Brothers, New York, uses an acetate tricot with 24-carat coating sprayed on. The firm uses the cloth of gold for petticoats—sleek fitting, non-tarnishable and washable. Some are trimmed with rhinestones, others with lace of gold.

The price range for the gleaming fashions is wide, depending on whether the gold is real or simulated. A petticoat with simulated gold applique sells for as low as \$6; that real gold petticoat for \$50; some of the dressier gown and peignoir combinations for as high as \$175.

But all that glitters is not gold. Some of it is silver, with petticoats of acetate, coated with the metal.

Why all this opulence? "Well," said Ralph Schiller, "we're just answering the woman's demand for luxury. Cloth of gold is just one way. We're also trimming petticoats with silver-blu and ranch mink."

Advice on care of the metallics comes from the Cleanliness bureau, the home service department of the soap and glycerine producers.

Wash them by hand in lukewarm soap or detergent suds and rinses, taking care not to twist, rub or wring the garment. After the last rinse, hang to drip dry. Use shaped hangers for robes, and hang petticoats from clamp hangers. Generally, the bureau said, these fabrics need no ironing. But if a touch-up is desired, use a cool iron on the wrong side of the fabric.

Use of Nylon Jersey Is Topic for Study

Champaign, Ill.—(U.P.)—The use of nylon jersey for home sewing isn't as difficult as it was long considered, a University of Illinois study has shown. The study, made by graduate student Virgene Griffin, indicates that with time and patience and the necessary skills and techniques in handling the fabric and machine, nylon jersey can be worked in the home.

Simple patterns are a requisite, however—patterns with few seams, no pockets or buttonholes and few details. Darts and tucks also should be avoided.

VISITS HERE

Home guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Adamson, 839 East Jackson Blvd., is Mrs. Ella Penny of Liberal, Kansas. During her visit here they plan trips to Crater lake, Crescent, Brookings, and to Camp Magruder for the Wesleyan Service guild weekend.

Camp Magruder Conference Starts Friday

The annual weekend session of the Oregon Conference Wesleyan Service guilds will be held at Camp Magruder, Barview, Ore., July 20 through 22. Delegates from all units in the state will be in attendance and speakers from the New York office will be featured on the program.

Mrs. Paul Kitzmiller of Dallas is conference secretary and will preside at the sessions. Mrs. C. R. Adamson of Medford will serve as moderator for a workshop on world understanding. Miss Cora Mason of Ashland will be in charge of all devotional services, while Miss Marjorie Anderson of Medford has planned the recreational hours for the weekend.

Instructors will include Miss Dorcas Hall, executive secretary of promotion for the Methodist Woman's Division; Miss Evelyn DeVries, missionary to Rhodesia, Africa; Mrs. L. D. Wrentmore, Portland, conference president of Woman's Society of Christian Service; and Dr. Gertrude Boyd Crane of Pacific university.

Delegates from this vicinity are Miss Cora Mason, Mrs. George Davis, Mrs. Clara Mall, Mrs. Lionel Guy, Mrs. C. R. Adamson, Mrs. Mary Note, Mrs. William Sweet, Mrs. Jerry Sherman, Mrs. Carl Burk, Miss Mary Vandenburg, Miss Nancy Lamb, and Miss Marjorie Anderson.

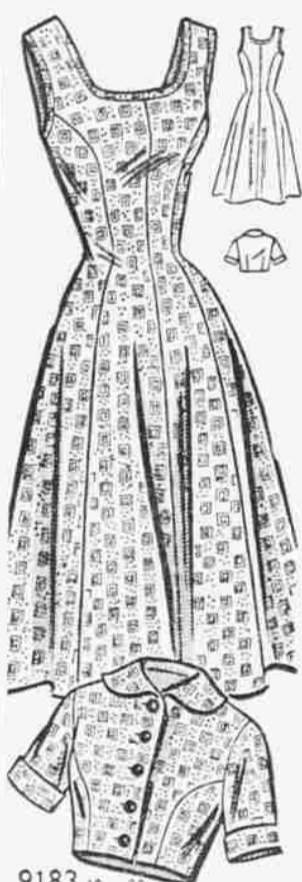
Rebekah Lodge Members to Leave For Glendale

Members of the Olive Rebekah lodge will leave by chartered bus at 8 a.m. tomorrow for Glendale, Ore., for the district convention of Rebekah lodges. Members going are asked to meet at the Greyhound bus station in time to board of the bus before departure.

Twenty-nine members are expected to make the trip, and any not contacted so far are asked to call Mrs. J. D. Brummond, noble grand, at 3-1775.

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Chicago—(U.P.)—A vast reservoir of college-trained housewives should be tapped to help ease the teacher shortage, says a U.S. Labor Department official.

Mrs. Alice K. Leopold, assistant to the Secretary of Labor, said here recently that there are at least half a million women unemployed less than 55 years old, with no children under five, who are college graduates.

She urged members of the American Association of University Women to encourage such women in their own communities to earn teachers' certificates.

"Unless we increase the number of teachers available, we are likely to find our schools manned by custodians instead of teachers," Mrs. Leopold said.

Union Dispute Cancels Opera

New York—(U.P.)—The Metropolitan Opera association announced Tuesday night that it has cancelled its 1956-57 season because of a dispute with a union over a double-duty union member.

The cancellation, which is not irrevocable and may be reversed, is the second in the history of the "Met." The Metropolitan cancelled its 1948 season after a dispute with a union but later reconsidered and the season opened three weeks later.

The dispute leading to Monday night's announcement centered over Robert Herman, a Met stage director who is the son of former Brooklyn Dodger baseball player Babe Herman.

Herman, 30, is a member of the union involved, the American Guild of Musical Artists. The union said that he served as a secretary to the management during earlier negotiations between the opera association and the union. It objected to his double duty and threatened during the negotiations to press charges against him.

The Met said it would cancel the season unless the union signed a contract for the coming season and an agreement not to press charges against Herman. The AGMA agreed Monday night not to press the charges but refused to sign the agreement "at once" and the Met announced the cancellation.

On The Side

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Insofar as war is concerned, Switzerland is the best prepared nation in the world. Every Swiss is furnished a rifle by the government plus 24 rounds of ammunition. The Swiss citizen keeps his rifle ready and his powder dry and also has handy full battle dress and a two-day ration of food. Owing to the mountainous terrain of the country, even an atomic bomb attack would not immediately knock out the Swiss. In times of peace the Swiss have always prepared for war. And so, what? They have had peace for centuries.

Records

It is not always a good sign when an unusual number of world records are broken at a time, an indication of a so-called "paste board track." That is, one of an unusually hard surface. At Juarez, Mexico, some years ago a horse named Iron Mask broke the six furlong world record carrying a burden of 169 pounds. The Juarez course was composed of hard clay. Many horses break down on "paste board tracks." They suffer from a condition similar to that of the truck horses referred to in the immortal lines:

"It isn't the 'eavy' 'aulin' what 'urts' the 'orses' 'ooofs."

It's the 'ammer, 'ammer on the 'ard' 'ighway."

Long Run

What is the world's record for a long run of a regular radio program? The program called "The Children's Hour" on the British radio has been running regularly since 1922. That is, for 34 years. Can you top it?

Asking

Queries from clients. Q. Were you ever a drama critic? A. I was a film critic and was occasionally called upon to review a legitimate stage play. That was when there were several openings on the same night. Incidentally, one night, Dec. 26, 1927, 11 legitimate stage plays opened on Broadway and only one turned out to be a success. That was the play titled "Excess Baggage" by Jack MacGowan.

Across Board

Am asked if any race track in the U.S.A. offers a \$3 "across the board," straight, place and show ticket. None I know of. However, I seem to recall purchasing such a ticket at a track in the beautiful city of Vancouver, B.C. That is one of my favorite places. It is the birthplace of many glamorous females. As for example, Yvonne De Carlo. Incidentally it was in Vancouver in 1910 that Victor McLaglen, then a heavyweight boxer, fought a six round draw with the great Jack Johnson.

Passing By

Frances Starr, distinguished and brilliant lady of the theatre. Has been on the stage since the age of 15. First attracted favorable attention as a member of celebrated Alcazar theatre stock company in San Francisco. Scored her first hit in that highly dramatic vehicle titled "The Eastest Way."

Over There

There is no automobile speed limit in Rome, Italy, and it is against the law to blow an auto horn. What worried me last time I was there was when a taxi driver, proceeding at high speed, approached an intersection without blowing the horn. Boy, that can really be hard on the nerves until you get used to it.

Baby Mine

It was Marguerite Clark who was featured in the play titled "Baby Mine." Marguerite later became the country's most popular feminine film star. She retired at the very peak of her career to marry a New Orleans man. Marguerite, a petite type, was a brilliant actress and although very pretty was not dependent on her shape or looks for her remarkable success. When she retired from the screen she was receiving a salary higher than that of Mary Pickford, who was a contemporary star.

Asides

The girls with the most beautiful legs in the world are the British beauties. Most of them are also long limbed. That's why they make the best show girls and can-can dancers... The modern baseball fan is very poorly informed as to the game. Most of today's diamond fans can't even tell you how much a baseball weighs. How about you?

PHYSICALS SCHEDULED

All girls planning to attend the third session of Low Echo camp should have their physical examinations July 19 at 7:30 p.m. at the Doctor's Clinic, 1032 West Main st. The third session of the camp will start July 30 and continue through August 8.

Marathon Winning Streak Ends on TV

Hollywood—(U.P.)—Steve and Dorothy Rowland's marathon winning streak on a television quiz show ended Tuesday night after they had won \$100 a week for a year for 14 consecutive weeks.

The Rowland stay on the CBS-TV program, "Do You Trust Your Wife," reached an end when they ran up against Robert Vanaken, a flying Los Angeles policeman who patrols Los Angeles freeway traffic in a helicopter. The Rowland's total winnings were \$74,400.

Vanaken competed with Mrs. Rowland in a contest to identify in a list of 10 cities which were more or less than 500,000 population. Vanaken had eight cor-

rect answers while Mrs. Rowland had six.

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