

Women's Page

Palm-Sized Adding Machines Trick Ash Tray New Gadgets

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New York—(AP)—There you are, down on your hands and knees scrubbing the floor and wishing somebody had invented a spongy kneeling pad on wheels to slide you along easily.

They have. They've also invented a palm-sized adding machine to take with you to the grocery store and a folding dish drainer for small kitchens and a squirting ash tray that automatically douses dangerous cigarettes.

"Is there anything left to invent?" We asked a gadget tycoon who was busy lining up the latest gadgets on a long table.

"There is always some way to make some job easier around the house," David Margulies said reassuringly. "You would be amazed at the number of new ideas we get every week—not all good, mind you. But we get a dozen every week."

Old Gadgets Resurrected

When he runs out of new ideas, Margulies just resurrects an old one. He held up a small gadget which he said would peel, pare and core an apple in five seconds.

"Must be 60 years old," he said. "We get it out again about every three years and it looks new to people."

Margulies got into the gadget business five years ago with the garlic press. He was just 27 years old at the time and recently out of the Navy.

"A friend of my father's told me about seeing this garlic press at a European fair," he recalled. "I wrote some letters and found out where it could be bought and ordered 2,000 of them. Then I took out an ad in a magazine."

He sold that 2,000, ordered another 5,000 and now is working

on a third million in garlic press orders. He calls his mail order company Mrs. Dorothy Damar because he believes women would rather buy things from a woman.

Most of the people who invent household gadgets, he says, are not professional inventors but just average folks like you and me who fret over a necessary chore until they find a better way to do it.

Never Invented Anything

"I have never invented anything," Margulies admitted honestly. "If I did think I had a good gadget, I would first get a working model made of it, then I would consult a patent attorney to see if I had a basic idea worth patenting. And then I would investigate how much it would cost to manufacture the gadget. If you have a simple gadget but it would cost \$20 to make it, you're wasting your time."

If your invention passes all these tests, then Margulies suggests talking to a department store which might suggest a company that makes similar gadgets or directly contacting a manufacturer. Margulies does not manufacture the gadgets he sells, but because people see his gadget catalogues they often contact him directly. If he thinks the idea has merit, he recommends a manufacturer.

"Fellow sent me a bathtub scrubber from Texas," Margulies said. "I thought it was a pretty good idea, but it turned out to be impractical. The fellow put foam rubber on the end of a long stick so you didn't have to lean over to scrub the tub. But the stick kept breaking in the mail. It was too expensive to package."

FQE Auxiliary To Hold Session

The auxiliary to Crater Lake aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles, will meet Thursday, August 9, at 8 p.m. in the lodge hall. The group will name an inside guard and a trustee during the meeting. Officers of the auxiliary will meet tonight at 8 o'clock at the hall. Chairmen of committees are also asked to attend.

Past presidents of the auxiliary will be entertained at the home of Mrs. Al Ford, 200 West Jackson street, Friday, August 10. Dessert at 1:30 p.m. will be followed by a business meeting.

Visitor Leaves

Mrs. R. W. Swartsley returned to her home in Salem today after spending the past several days here with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Joye Swartsley, 1150 Jane's road, and her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Brainerd, Valley View drive.

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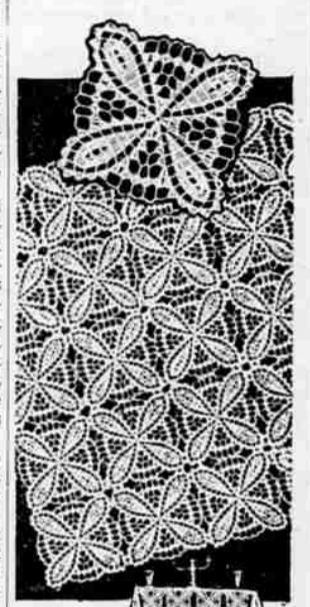
Picnic Announced By Organ Society

The Hammond Organ Society of Southern Oregon has planned a picnic for Sunday, August 12. It will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bell near Gold Hill beginning at 5 p.m. Those attending are asked to take a basket picnic lunch and table service; the club will furnish coffee and ice cream.

Two Leave

Mrs. Otis Felton and son, Beeny, left for their home in Palestine, Tex., yesterday after having been guests here of Mrs. Robert Hale, 59 North Orange street. The two women are sisters.

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Farewell Party Honors Couple; To Live in Davis

Eagle Point—Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Ousterhout, route 1, Eagle Point, were honored Thursday night at a dinner party at the home of his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Ousterhout, Dutton road. Twenty-seven guests were present.

The Lawrence Ousterhouts and their five children plan to leave early next week to make their home in Davis, Calif. He will continue work toward his doctor's degree at the University of California at Davis, where he has received a research assistantship in poultry nutrition.

A graduate of Oregon State college, Mr. Ousterhout is the son of G. E. Ousterhout, Dutton road.

Mrs. Clara Case Honored at Party

Mrs. Clara Case, 413 Ross lane, was honored at a surprise birthday party August 5. Attending the event were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stepp, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Way and grandson, Russell, Opal Chase, Mrs. Polly Centers, Dick Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Klump Jr., and children, Bobby, Randy and Ricky; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tugate and the honored guest.

Mrs. Case's daughter, Mrs. Tugate, and her granddaughter, Mrs. Klump, were hostesses for the party. Refreshments were served from tables arranged on the lawn.

Family Leaves After Visit Here

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton O'Bryant and children have left for their home in Alabama after a visit in Medford with Mr. and Mrs. George Distell and with Mrs. Ethel Beams, Jacksonville. En route home they are visiting principal scenic attractions throughout Colorado, Arizona, New Mexico and adjacent states.

Mr. O'Bryant is a younger brother of Mrs. Distell and Mrs. Beams.

Two Sons Visit At Parents' Home

Guests at the home of the Rev. and Mrs. Thomas McCamant, 300 Oakwood dr., are their two sons and daughters-in-law, Lt. and Mrs. James McCamant and Mr. and Mrs. John McCamant.

Mrs. James McCamant was Miss Audrey Townshend of Calgary, Alberta, Canada and Washington, D. C. The couple was married recently in Washington and are en route to Camp Pendleton, Calif. where Lieutenant McCamant will receive his assignment in the Marine corps.

John McCamant and his wife are spending the summer in Medford. He will act as student minister at the Congregational church while his father is on vacation. In September the couple will go to Europe where Mr. McCamant will continue his studies in the field of international relations at Vienna.

Vaughns Return

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Vaughn and son, Gary, 929 Kenyon avenue, have returned from a vacation in San Diego and other California cities. Mrs. Vaughn and Gary made the trip south earlier this summer and were guests of Mrs. Vaughn's sister, Mrs. Edward Tazelaar and family.

En route home the Vaughns spent a few days in the Los Angeles area and visited Disneyland.

Plan Social

An ice cream social will be held at the Congregational church, 300 Oakwood drive, Thursday, August 9, at 7:30 o'clock. There will be no charge for refreshments. All members and friends of the church are cordially invited to attend.

Fasten a clothespin or small clip to the cabinet door above the kitchen mixing center to hold recipe cards. This keeps the card from getting soiled and also makes the recipe easier to see.

Medford Players Take First Place For Tournament

A pair of Medford players, Mrs. Frank R. Baker and George Rode, won first place in a duplicate bridge tournament held in Roseburg Sunday afternoon and evening. The event was sponsored by the Roseburg Duplicate Bridge club, and 14 tables of players took part.

A number of other Medford players also placed in the tournament. Mrs. William F. Kennedy and Mrs. Al Gilhouse took third place and two pairs of Medford and Ashland players tied for fourth and fifth places. They were Mrs. S. W. Alcorn, Ashland, and Roy Pruitt, Medford, Mr. Gilhouse and Mrs. Rode, both Medford.

Between the afternoon and evening sessions guests from Medford were entertained at a dinner at the Roseburg Country club.

Temperance Union To Meet at Park

Women's Christian Temperance union will meet Thursday, August 9 at 1:30 p.m. at Hawthorne Park for a short business meeting. Mrs. Guy Cox, president, will preside, and Mrs. Eva Low will give the devotionals.

Mrs. Kay Crowell, juvenile officer, will talk about her work. The group will meet on the south side of Main street in back of the Scout headquarters.

Refreshments will be served by Mrs. Ernest Santo, Mrs. Edna Pursell, and Mrs. Eva Low.

CALENDAR

Tuesday:
8 p.m.—Central Point Lady Lions, home of Mrs. Bill Abbott, 115 South Fifth st.
8 p.m.—Pythian club, Mrs. John Russell, 120 Newtown st.
8 p.m.—Women's Guild of St. on Lutheran church, church parlors.
Wednesday:
12 noon—Medford Union hall club, Carpenter's Union hall, 123 1/2 West Main st.



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