

Membership Night To Be Observed
 Jacksonville—Adarel chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, will hold a stated meeting Thursday, October 4, at 8 p.m. at the Masonic hall in Jacksonville, with Mrs. Orval Shores, worthy matron, presiding. Membership night will be observed and the session will feature the sideline members.

Refreshments will be served by Mrs. Fritz Offenbacher, chairman, assisted by Mrs. Offenbacher, Mrs. Fred Offenbacher and Mrs. James Morrow.



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Potpourri

If you're a housewife worried about constantly increasing prices and if the grocery bill seems astronomical, here's some interesting figures supplied by Paul S. Willis, president of the Grocery Manufacturers of America.

The cost of living index was at an all-time peak in July, says Mr. Willis, but food didn't cause the increase. Retail food prices are still about two per cent below the all-time peak of four years ago. Such items as doctor and hospital bills, haircuts, manicures and housing have caused the new peak in the cost of living, he declared. With the exception of perishables, food prices in general have been quite stable and are expected to remain so the president declared in an address Monday for the annual Newspaper Food Editors' conference in New York City.

Mr. Willis gave his listeners some government figures to ponder over. In the past four years the overall cost of living has gone up 2 1/2 per cent; overall retail food prices are down two per cent; medical care went up 12 per cent; personal care (haircuts, etc.) went up 7 per cent and housing went up 7 per cent.

Mr. Willis admits that people are spending more in the grocery store, but then points out that in 1944 a good-sized grocery store stocked around 3,500 items. The figure is now more than 6,000, and he predicts that it will reach 10,000 items before many more years.

Two-thirds of grocery store volume is now done on items which are new and different from those of 10 years ago.

If parties and meetings keep on drawing such large numbers, women's organizations of the city are going to outgrow the available facilities. About 140 Republican women crowded the Littrell home for the last meeting, and Thursday 135 Sojourners and their guests, many from Klamath Falls, overflowed Mon Desir inn. The Sojourner committees were feeling real pleased, and rightly so, for the crowd was large, the food very good, the decorations (keyed to election) clever and everyone in a gay mood.

The Sojourners president, Mrs. Gerald Von Ting, looked pretty in a bright red frock with hat to match, and the Klamath Falls president, Mrs. G. A. Nichols, wore a tweed suit of a grey-blue mixture with one of the new tambourine style hats. Mrs. Gene Chamberlain, chairman of the party, also wore a red frock and her large white hat was trimmed with a feather ornament. Her co-chairman, Mrs. Roy Stein, wore an interesting white jersey frock.

Potpourri's table companions were Mrs. John Mansfield of Medford and two Klamath Falls guests. Sojourners, of course, is an organization for newcomers, and we were highly entertained by the remarks of the two women at our table. Both accustomed to living in metropolitan centers, the two K.F. women said they missed the cultural and entertainment opportunities which a large city offers and said they felt Klamath is beset with provincialism and smugness.

On the other hand, one admitted there were many drawbacks to living in southern California, where she and her husband own a home and property, and said she felt the everlasting good weather in the San Diego area is a detriment rather than an advantage. "The weather is so good constantly that it never interferes with anything planned," she said. "There is something to do every day and every night and people are all tired out from just living."

Medford may be able to boast of having the only postman in the United States wired for sound. Don Gray, substitute carrier for part of the east side district, has equipped himself with a tiny transistor radio. As he trudges along on his rounds he listens to the latest rock and roll, the news, learns that the next day will be fair and warm and best of all, he can listen to an inning by inning account of how the Milwaukee Braves went down to defeat at the hands of the St. Louis Cardinals.

Kitty Smith, whose 83rd birthday party we enjoyed Monday afternoon, may have lived a long time but hasn't yet reached the point where she lives in the past. Mrs. Smith kept interrupting our interview by saying, "don't write a lot about what I did in the past. Nobody will be interested."

Of course, we know that the past can be as interesting as the present, but on the other hand, since Mrs. Smith's husband was a newspaper reporter and editor, she too knows a lot about the writing business. When we were leaving Mrs. S. said "You look tired—don't work so hard" and then added "There's no end to newspaper work. There's always something more which needs to be done." To which every reporter and editor will add a hearty "amen."

An observation made by Mrs. W. G. Ardry last week fits right in here. Mrs. A., who talked about the annual PTA membership drive said, "I think the two most fascinating places in the world to work would be for a circus, or a newspaper." O.S.



Big and little sisters in matching corduroy casuals of gay Tyrolean hearts and flowers design. A charming foursome of interchangeable parts is created by Little Alice Stuart for school or play. Against a red and green print, accents of white appear in the cotton knit shawl collar and the cotton blouse worn with the jumper.

Natalie Parker Is Partner In Seattle School

Miss Natalie Parker, formerly of Medford and now of Seattle, is a partner in a kindergarten in the latter city. Miss Parker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carol J. Parker, 610 South Central avenue, and Miss Dorothy Miller operate the Acorn academy, with Miss Miller supervising classes and Miss Parker serving as business manager.

The establishment, which has 60 pupils in both morning and afternoon sessions, recently was the subject of a feature article in the Seattle Times. The story related how Stormy, a Boxer dog, is used at the school to help children overcome their fears of animals, and how he rides the kindergarten bus with the children each day.

Miss Miller was recreational instructor for the Seattle Park department before she and Miss Parker conceived the idea of the kindergarten three years ago. Miss Parker, an airline stewardess, has retained her position. She recently returned to this country after spending four months visiting nursery schools in Germany and Denmark.

Miss Parker will be remembered as the airline hostess who was termed a heroine after the Stratocruiser on which she was purser was "ditched" off the Oregon coast in March of 1955.

She is a graduate of Medford High school, attended Reed college and was graduated from Johns Hopkins School of Nursing.

Group to Honor Nurses at Dinner

Nurses will be especially honored at the dinner meeting of Christian Business and Professional Women, Monday, October 1, at 6 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Pioneer room of the Hotel Jackson, and all women interested in the organization are invited to attend.

Mrs. Marjorie Howell, superintendent of nurses at the Grants Pass General hospital, will be the featured speaker. Mrs. Clarence Holdridge will present the devotional message. Music will complete the program.

Those desiring to attend may obtain reservations by telephoning Mrs. Mina Stong, 3-5156.



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Epilepsy Is Topic To Be Discussed On TV Program

Epilepsy will be the topic discussed on a program sponsored by Jackson County Public Health association on KBES-TV today at 4:30 o'clock.

What epilepsy means to the individual who is epileptic, and what it means to the community, will be discussed.

An electro-encephalograph, the machine which records the electric currents of the brain, will be demonstrated and the difference between the patterns of these electric currents will be explained.

A panel of doctors will define and describe epilepsy, its treatment and prognosis. The program will also stress the importance of education in order that the public can understand how the epileptic individual can become integrated into community life. Understanding of this disease will destroy the tendency of isolating these people in a medieval manner and enable them to live a full and self-supporting life, it is stated.

The doctors who will discuss the symptoms and implications of epilepsy are Dr. James C. Luce, neurosurgeon, Dr. Donald

Manufacturer Makes Doll Like Marilyn Monroe

New York—UP—A week in Manhattan: Marilyn Monroe got all "dolled up" in New York this week.

A doll proportioned like the actress, right down to her trim shanks, walked into the world of small girls to play the role of a teenage sister. The manufacturer, Ideal Toy, said the doll will emphasize the educational play value.

"This is the latest step in doll realism," said the company board chairman, Benjamin F. Michtom. "Previously dolls have cried, prayed, walked and blown their noses."

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McGeary, general practitioner, and Dr. A. Erin Merkel, head of the Jackson County Public Health department.

The program will be moderated by Mrs. Ivan Burton, TV chairman of the Jackson County Public Health association.

Black Lingerie Now in Disfavor; Capes Fashionable

By UNITED PRESS

One manufacturer of intimate apparel says black lingerie face a drab future in the gift department. Husbands now are shopping for such bold shades as shocking pink, turquoise and melon. "The women always returned those black nightgowns to the stores anyway," said Mrs. Peggy Parnis Hochman of Chevette, New York. Mrs. Hochman said though that bright red continues a best seller as a gift item. When women buy for themselves, the preference usually is white. Mrs. Hochman is a sister of designer Mollie Parnis, and like Miss Parnis, has the First Lady for a customer. Mrs. Hochman, however, won't discuss Mrs. Eisenhower's taste in lingerie other than to say it was "very feminine."

New for the estimated 50,000,000 women who sew—a couple of guides to smart grooming and dress-making, by Mildred Graves Ryan, consultant to the Greist sewing machine attachment is "Sew Smartly" a detailed guide to the technique of cutting and fitting; the other is "Dress Smartly."

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