

Has Time Changed Ingrid Bergman's Critics? Answer To Be Provided at Saturday Banquet

Editor's note: This is the second in a series of three articles on Ingrid Bergman.

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New York—(U.P.)—Seven years ago Edwin C. Johnson of Colorado took the floor of the United States Senate to demand that Ingrid Bergman never be permitted to set foot on American soil again.

Senator Johnson said he had been enjoying movies for more than 40 years and that Miss Bergman had become his own favorite actress of all time—until she ran off with Roberto Rossellini.

Johnson excoriated Miss Bergman then as "our most popular but pregnant movie queen" and said her "unconventional free-love conduct must be regarded for what it is—an assault upon the institution of marriage."

This week the former senator was asked how he felt now. "I still think the speech was a pretty good stand," he said, "but perhaps I've softened with age. I guess I'm glad she's coming back... time changes everything."

Here for Award
Whether time has changed other bitter critics of Miss Bergman may be seen this week end when the actress comes to New York for 34 hours to accept the award of the film critics for her performance in "Anastasia."

Miss Bergman was at the top of the movie pinnacle when she left in March, 1949. She had won the Academy Award for her performance in "Gaslight." Her leading men, one after another, had been such stars as Bing Crosby, Gregory Peck, Cary Grant, Gary Cooper, Charles Boyer, Spencer Tracy and the late Humphrey Bogart.

But she became the object of a great hue and cry in America when it became known that she had left her husband, Dr. Peter Lindstrom, and 10-year-old daughter, Pia, for Italian director Rossellini. The criticism reached its peak in February, 1950, when Miss Bergman gave birth to Rossellini's son in Rome while she was still married to Lindstrom. She and Rossellini have since married and had two other children—twin girls.

She said, wrote "She's a tremendous actress, a tremendous performer. She has suffered enough." Those who went against her said: "She left her husband and had an affair with another man. Why should we support her?"

Sullivan said his sentiments were with the first group and that the success of her movie, "Anastasia," has vindicated that feeling.

"The public has shown that the tide of sympathy has turned in her favor," he said. "They're seeing the picture. There has been no sentiment against her. Nothing from the churches or anything like that."

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Also invited to the buffet supper are a host of other movie and theatrical people now in New York—among them Fredrick March, David Wayne, Shelley Winters, Charles Laughton, Carol Baker, Eli Wallach, Kim Hunter, Faye Emerson, Arlene Dahl, Edward G. Robinson, Jeff Chandler, Marlene Dietrich.

NBC's Steve Allen scored something of a coup in his weekly struggle with Ed Sullivan by lining up Miss Bergman—as well as other award winners—for a filmed television interview which he will show the next night.

Sullivan, who has been trying for some time to get Miss Bergman to appear "live" on his show, asked his audience last July whether they would like to see her. Sullivan said this week he got more than 10,000 letters and "they went slightly against her percentage-wise."

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Lewis Bright Elected Reporter of Fraternity

Salem—Lewis Bright, Medford, was elected reporter of Willamette university's Phi Delta Theta fraternity chapter at a recent meeting. Paul Edwards of Woodburn was elected president.

Other officers include Earl Pajari, Reedsport, warden; Ron Taylor, Corvallis, treasurer; Keith Driver, Hubbard, assistant treasurer; and Bill Long, Myrtle Point, secretary.

John Jacob Astor got his start in Michigan when he organized the American Fur Co. in 1808 with headquarters at Mackinac Island, Mich. The building from which Astor directed his business is preserved as a historical site.

Vernon Gleaves Joins Eugene Law Firm

Eugene—Vernon D. Gleaves, 29, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gleaves, 1170 West McAndrews rd., Medford, has joined the Eugene law firm of Harris, Butler and Husk. The firm's name was changed to include Gleaves' name as of Jan. 2.

He graduated from Medford High school in 1945 and the University of Oregon law school in 1951. Gleaves was admitted to the Oregon Bar in September, 1951, when he entered the attorney general's office as an assistant.

In 1954 he went to Eugene and has been with the firm since then. He is married and has a daughter.

Court Says No Damage From Aluminum Fumes

Portland—(U.P.)—The United States Supreme court has upheld lower court findings that no harmful effects on livestock or property values are produced by aluminum reduction operations of the Reynolds Metal company plants in Troutdale and Longview, Wash.

Officials of the Reynolds company said today that telegrams notifying the firm of the high court's decision were received from the clerk of the Supreme court.

Washington—(U.P.)—Rep. H. R. Gross (Iowa) has introduced a resolution calling for a congressional investigation of the recent cent a gallon price increase in gasoline.

Exams Announced for Civil Service Jobs

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SHADY COVE-TRAIL Free Polio Shots Monday

By EVALYN P. WATSON

Shady Cove-Trail—Starting at 9:30 a.m. on Monday, Jan. 21, at the Shady Cove school, free polio shots will be given to all those between the ages of six months and 20 years. The shots will be administered free of charge through the Jackson county Medical society, and all members of the community and surrounding area in this age group who have not had these shots are urged to get them at this time.

Mrs. Dolf Larson and Mrs. Max Hawks will assist the doctors with registration of the children.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Christenson, daughter and son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Jack of Shady Cove, have returned to their home in Idaho after living in this area for about two years.

John Peterson of Shady Cove has returned home from a trip to California where he spent several weeks.

Mrs. Edwin Strother of Shady Cove has been released from the Emanuel hospital in Portland and has gone to the home of her daughter in Longview for her convalescence.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Baker of San Diego, Calif., are spending their vacation visiting with Mrs. Baker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George McDermott of Rifles-on-the-Rogue, Trail.

The meeting of Our Lady of Fatima club scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 17, at the church hall has been postponed due to illness of club officers and members. The meeting will be held instead on Thursday, Jan. 24 at the church hall, starting with a luncheon at noon.

Father John Ilg of Sacred Heart church of Medford was present at the church hall on Monday evening, Jan. 14 for the inquiry class held on Monday nights every two weeks at the hall. Father Ilg gave a talk on the ceremony of the Mass illustrated with colored slides. The next meeting will be held Monday, Jan. 28 at the hall.

Mrs. Clara Thurman of Shady Cove was hostess at her home on Saturday evening, Jan. 12 for a farewell party honoring Mrs. Jerry Hicks of Shady Cove. Co-hostesses were Mrs. Larson and Mrs. Max Hawks. Bridge was played during the evening with prize for high score being won by Mrs. Jerry Hicks and consolation prize by Mrs. Max Hawks. Guests present were Mrs. Robert Vincent, Mrs. Carroll Watson, Mrs. Max Hawks and daughters, Mrs. Mel Haskinson and Maxine Hawks, Mrs. Dolf Larson, the honored guests, Mrs. Jerry Hicks and hostess, Mrs. Clara Thurman. The Hicks family are leaving for California for an indefinite stay.

The Cub Scout planning committee will meet on Monday evening, Jan. 21, at the home of Mrs. Bob Hammons on Old Ferry road, Shady Cove, starting at 7:30 p.m. The pack meeting will be held at the Shady Cove school on Monday, Jan. 28, at 7:45 p.m.

Members of the Rogue Rock-hounds club of Shady Cove went on a rock hunting trip up into the Lake creek area on Sunday and collected specimens of brightly colored jaspers and petrified wood. Members attending were Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Sackett and son, Kerry; Mrs. Clara Thurman, Mrs. Dolf Larson and Mr. and Mrs. Carrol Watson and son, Lane, all of Shady Cove.

A March of Dimes benefit basketball game, between members of the Lions club and Steelhead Post No. 6881, V.F.W., is scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 26 at the Shady Cove school gym. Members of the Shady Cove PTA will serve pie and coffee.

Mr. and Mrs. Miles Williams of Shady Cove have returned from a trip to southern California where they spent the holiday season.

College Mugs Collect More Than 300 Toys

Ashtland—More than 300 toys were collected by the Mugs, an off-campus service-social club at Southern Oregon college, during the annual Christmas toy drive. Club officials have announced that many of the toys were new, they said. They were turned over to Ashtland authorities for distribution. Among projects for collection of toys was an assembly of the admission fee for which was a toy.

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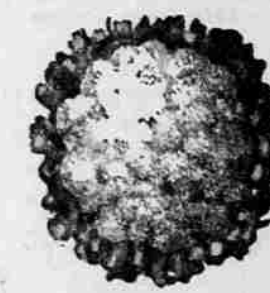
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