



Dress rehearsals for "Mrs. McThing" the senior class play of Medford Senior High school, were held last week. Mimi (Sue Gray) in the foreground, speaks of her mother, Mrs. McThing, while Stinker, played by John Payne, Dirty Joe, played by Jerry Close, Poison Eddie (Greg Milnes) and Mrs. Larue, portrayed by Judy Edwardson, look on. The play will be produced Thursday and Friday nights of this week in the Senior High school auditorium. Curtain time each night is 8:15 p.m.

Senior Class Play Set For Thursday, Friday at School

Dress rehearsals were held last week for the senior play, "Mrs. McThing," which is to be presented in Medford Senior High school auditorium Thursday and Friday, February 14 and 15. Both performances will start at 8:15 p.m.

This play by Mary Coyle Chase, is about a rich little boy named Howay, played by Kenneth Arnold, who was spirited away from his home and an over-protective mother by Mrs. McThing, a witch with a dual personality. Judy Edwardson is cast in the part of Mrs. Larue, and Mildred Weaver and Pat Rector in the role of Mrs. McThing. In Howay's place at home, Mrs. McThing left a "living stick" which resembles Howay in looks only. The real Howay went to a low-rent district and joined a gang of mobsters, ruled by Poison Eddie Schellenbach. Greg Milnes plays Poison Eddie, and Jerry Close and John Payne will be seen in the roles of Dirty Joe and Stinker.

Charlotte Jensen, portraying the nurse maid, tells Mrs. Larue that Mrs. McThing has kidnapped the real Howay. Mrs. Larue then sets out to find her son. When she finally finds Howay, she also finds that Mrs. McThing has replaced her at home with a stick. Mrs. McThing spirited Mrs. Larue and her son away because she feels that Mrs. Larue is discourteous to her adopted daughter, Mimi. Mimi is portrayed by Sue Gray.

Wick Swinney is cast in the part of Ellsworth, the chef at the Shantilyland Pool hall luncheon, hangout of the mobsters. Ellsworth is an eccentric character who likes to play the piano on the counter. Virgil, the waiter, is played by David Coyle. Barbara Cox, Dee Cuthbertson, and Jacque Colton play three old maid sisters and friends of Mrs. Larue.

Engagement News Announced Here

Of interest here is news of the engagement of Miss Linda Towle of Palo Alto, Calif., to Blake Maddox, son of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Maddox, 340 South Groveland avenue, Medford. Miss Towle is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert J. Towle, Palo Alto.

Both young people are seniors in business administration at the University of Oregon. Miss Towle announced her engagement to Mr. Maddox at a surprise party given for Alpha Chi Omega sorority sisters on the campus January 20. She is a graduate of Palo Alto High school, and attended San Jose State college for her freshman and sophomore years before transferring to the University of Oregon.

Mr. Maddox attended Pacific university in Forest Grove, Ore., after graduation from Medford High school and later transferred to his present school. He is enrolled in the ordnance branch of the Army Reserve Officers' Training corps, and is a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity.

The couple plans an early fall wedding in Palo Alto and will both be graduated from the university in December, 1957.

Post Auxiliary Announce Dance

Crater Lake post and auxiliary, Veterans of Foreign Wars will hold a member and invitational dance, Friday, February 15, at 8:30 p.m. at the Veterans hall on North Front street. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Schuchard will provide the music and refreshments will be furnished.

The auxiliary sewing circle will meet at the home of Mrs. Louis Kula on Coker Butte road on North Crater Lake highway, Wednesday, February 13, at 1:30 p.m. starting with a pot-luck luncheon.

Guests at the last meeting of the post and auxiliary were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Birch of the Steelhead post, Shady Cove. Mrs. Birch is the department hospital chairman for Camp White and Mr. Birch is senior vice-president of the Oregon department of VFW. Mrs. Ivan Lusk of Central Point was also a guest.

The auxiliary welcomed back former member, Mrs. Leota Lewis who had been making her home in Portland.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. A. C. O'Tool and Mrs. J. D. Brummond.

Medford Students On SOC Committee

Asland — Three Medford girls arranged decorations of confetti, balloons, masks, paper lanterns, musical notes, instruments, dice and cards, for a Mardi Gras dance at Southern Oregon college February 2.

Arranging the decorations were Miss Marjo Murray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth F. Murray, 3734 Crater Lake highway; Miss Yvonne M. Fields, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene E. Fields, 418 Laurel street; and Miss Betty Jamieson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace G. Jamieson, Medford.

Insurance Women Celebrate First Anniversary Tuesday

Insurance Women of Jackson county celebrated the first anniversary of organization during a luncheon meeting Tuesday noon at the Jackson hotel. Mrs. Irene Ostrander presided and welcomed a number of guests.

Mrs. Florence Robinson of Crater Finance, Central Point, was welcomed as a new member. Speaker was James Dunlevy, manager of Radio Station KYJC, whose topic was "Suppose They'd Never Invented Radio?" Mr. Dunlevy spoke of the important part which mass communication plays in modern times, and said that because of newspapers, magazines, radio and television, citizens of the United States are the best informed in the world.

Granting that television is a powerful and dynamic medium of mass communication because it combines the human voice with visual transmission, he pointed out that it still is limited in its scope. "Mom can't cook and watch television, and men can't combine shaving and TV," he said, and added that many tasks, and recreation, can be combined with radio listening.

Many new radio stations have been licensed by the Federal Communications commission in recent years, the speaker said, and there are now about 75 stations in each of the 48 states. Surveys show that Americans have about 142 million sets, with 132 million in homes and cars, and 10 million in public places. About one out of every three kitchens has a radio, and there are some 22 million sets in bedrooms.

Mr. Dunlevy reviewed the type of program now being broadcast by radios. This includes news from all parts of the world, religious educational and political programs, comedy, drama and sports and music ranging from Presley to the New



Miss Barbara Conrad

Barbara Conrad, Kenneth Wilbur Plan June Rites

Eagle Point — Mr. and Mrs. Paul O'Conrad, Butte Falls Star Route, Box 76, Eagle Point, announce the engagement of their daughter, Barbara Jane Conrad, to Kenneth Wilbur, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wilbur, Route 1, Box 330, Medford.

Miss Conrad and Mr. Wilbur are graduates of the Seventh-Day Adventist Milo academy and are former students of Walla Walla college, College Place, Wash.

A June wedding is planned.

Program Planned By Howard PTA For Anniversary

Howard — Howard Parent-Teacher association will observe the 29th anniversary of founding at a meeting set for Tuesday, February 12, at 2:30 p.m. in the school music room.

The Girls' chorus will sing under the direction of E. Ronald Rice. A display prepared by girls in the seventh and eighth grade home economics classes will be discussed by Mrs. Ruth Kaye.

Music is also being planned for the tea hour. Everyone is welcome to attend.

The school announces that the second in the series of polo shots will be given February 21 from 9:30 a.m. until 11 a.m.

Medford Student In Cast of Play

Portland — Miss Melissa Jennings of Medford was a member of the cast of "God's Trombone" by James Weldon Johnson which was recently presented by the college chapel players. The drama, a group of selected poems which contain the rich and full essence of Negro folklore, was offered with readings, speech choirs and pantomimes.

A sophomore elementary education major, Miss Jennings is a member of Sacajawean, women's service honorary. She is a daughter of Dr. and Mrs. George Jennings, 218 Saginaw drive, Medford.

On Vacation

Mrs. H. B. Murphy, Ross lane, left Saturday to spend a week in San Francisco. She will be joined there by her husband and the two will continue south to spend a vacation in Indio.

Announce Trothal Of Miss Caldwell And John Johnson

Eagle Point — Mr. and Mrs. Jack Caldwell, Eagle Point, announce the engagement of their daughter, Sandra Jean, to John Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Icel Johnson, Delta Waters road, Medford.

Miss Caldwell is a senior at Eagle Point High school. Mr. Johnson, a graduate of Medford High school, is now serving in the United States Navy. He is assigned to duty aboard the submarine, USS Neerus.

No date has been set for the wedding.

Cast Announced For "Winterset"

Asland — The cast has been announced for "Winterset," Maxwell Anderson's classic tragedy, which will be the next Southern Oregon college theatrical offering. "Winterset" is being directed by Angus L. Bowmer.

The role of Mio is being portrayed by Howard Cain. Ann Cain (Mrs. Howard) is making her SOC theater debut in the role of Miriamme.

Others in the cast are: Frank Pinnock as Trock; Lyman Pruitt as Shadow; Isaac McCarley as Garth; Rudolf E. Vest Jr., as Esdras; and Pete Lundgren as Judge Gaunt.

Completing the cast are Miss Mary Elliott, Miss Nancy Jennings, Rick Pittman, Dennis Chriss, Frank Chasm, Tom McCauley, Miss Melba Snow, David Maxell, Miss Sharon Ostrander, David Whisenant and Dean Reeter.

"Winterset" will be presented at Churchill auditorium on the SOC campus March 1 and 2.

College Mothers Name Committee

A luncheon meeting of the Oregon State college Mothers club was held recently at the Rogue Valley Country club and a nominating committee was elected. Committee members are Mrs. A. Z. Dean and Mrs. Orrin Brown, Medford, Mrs. Charles W. Forrest, Asland, with Mrs. A. W. Burgoyne, Central Point, as alternate.

Plans were completed for holding a rummage sale Wednesday, February 13, at the Fehi building, 108 North Ivy street, Medford. Proceeds from the sale will go towards the club's project, which is a scholarship for a student attending Oregon State college.

The next meeting of the club will be held in April. A potluck dinner will be held and officers will be elected and installed.

Disabled American Veterans and auxiliary will hold a valentine party Tuesday, February 12, at 8 p.m. at the DAV hall, 1515 North Riverside avenue. All women planning to attend are asked to take cookies.



Miss Betty Severson — (Brainerd photo)

Betty Severson Engaged to Wed Maurice Daniken

Mrs. Jean Barde, 924 South Ivy street, Medford, announces the engagement of her daughter, Betty A. Severson, to Maurice Daniken, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Daniken, Greenville, Ill. Mr. Daniken has been making his home at 611 West Tenth street, Medford.

Miss Severson attended schools in Detroit Lakes, Minn., and is employed by Richfield Cafe. Mr. Daniken attended schools in Illinois and is employed in White City.

A June wedding is planned.

Lodge Announces Coming Events; Card Party Set

Beehive Friendship club of Olive Rebekah lodge will meet Wednesday, February 13 at the home of Mrs. Ella Russell, 2156 Table Rock road, for luncheon at 12 noon and election of officers.

Members and friends of the lodge are invited to attend a card party which will be held Saturday, February 16, at 8 p.m. at the lodge hall.

At the last meeting of the lodge Mrs. Joe Cave was hostess assisted by her sister, Mrs. A. B. Hulbert, who was visiting from Roseburg. Table decorations for the meeting were in the valentine theme.

Camp, Auxiliary To Meet Sunday

Colonel Sargent camp and auxiliary, United Spanish War Veterans, will meet at Redman hall Sunday, February 17 at 1 p.m. A potluck dinner will precede the meeting.

This will be the first meeting of the year for the new officers. The new president, Mrs. Bertha Nelson, will preside at the meeting and will name all her committee chairmen and co-workers at this time.

Troop Ladies Mounted Troop will meet Tuesday, February 12 at 8 p.m. at the clubhouse on Sage lane. Refreshments will be served following a business meeting.

If large potatoes are halved before baking it will lessen fuel consumption.



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York Philharmonic and the Metropolitan opera, he pointed out.

Mr. Dunlevy then gave the costs of radio and television programs, and how many millions of listeners are reached. He concluded by saying "If radio had never been invented, just imagine how many experiences and ideas we could have to subtract from our lives. It is easy to see what a different, less exciting, less colorful and less informed world we'd be living in today."

In addition to Mr. Dunlevy, guests were the Misses and Mesdames Lois Bradley, Goldie Hawk, Pat Haven, Jeanette McAllister, Daisy Brennan, Laura Sly and Olive Starcher.

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