

# Librarian Discusses Process of Selection

(Editor's note: Many patrons of the Medford Public Library have asked for information as to how books are selected for purchase by the library. By request, Miss Helen Webster, librarian, has prepared the following description of the process, and of what is considered in making the selections.)

By MISS HELEN WEBSTER  
Medford Librarian

More than 50 pieces of mail were placed on the librarian's desk the morning of this writing; 29 of these were book notices, either publishers' catalogs, book club bulletins, book dealers' announcements, or book review journals.

More book notices will arrive in tomorrow's mail, and in every mail, every day. Every title listed in every one of these will be carefully checked as a matter of regular library routine before publication leaves the librarian's desk (which gets stacked pretty high upon occasion) as a possible purchase for the Medford Public Library.

Different weights are given these various types of publication, as authorities for library book selection. Publishers' catalogs, book club bulletins, and booksellers' announcements, on the one hand, are intended to sell books. Their writers are advertisers, paid to accentuate the positive, to make every one of their wares sound irresistible.

Book review journals, on the other hand, especially those published specifically for public libraries, are more likely to offer a critical estimate of the book and suggest the worth it may have for the public library collection. Strange as it seems, a best-seller is not always a best book, or even a desirable book for public library purchase.

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# BUTTE FALLS New Organization Formed

By MARY JO HARRIS

Butte Falls—The Village Light Circle is the name of a new organization made up of the women of the Butte Falls Community church. The women meet twice a month. One business meeting is held in the evening at the home of the Reverend Howard Simmonds and one workday meeting is held at one of the member's home.

This past week these women bonded wedding shower gifts to Miss Hazel McCabe who does missionary work in Kentucky. Miss McCabe is a daughter of Mrs. Mina Wright and her wedding date has been set for this month.

The Diet club has started up again and meets every Thursday afternoon at 2 p.m. in the member's homes. These meetings are informal gatherings and refreshments consist of black coffee for mothers and cookies for the children.

This club's next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Doug Finch, Thursday afternoon, March 14. Anyone interested in joining this group will be welcome.

A special board and committee meeting of the Butte Falls Lions Auxiliary will meet Monday, March 11, at the home of Mrs. William L. Harris at 2 p.m. This meeting has been called to discuss the forthcoming spring board meeting and luncheon.

Regular dinner meeting of the Lions club has been changed to March 13, at 6:45 p.m. in the Union hall. Hostesses for this meeting are Mrs. Charles (Red) Capello and Mrs. William L. Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Joffine and son, Chipper, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Joffine in Redding, Calif. Lee is a son of the Joffines.

Mr. and Mrs. William (Al) Hartlerode recently visited with friends, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jackson in Wymer, Ore.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald McComb and daughters, Daphne and Cheryl, motored to Willets, Calif. to take Mrs. McComb's brother, Butch, home. The McCombs then stayed with Mrs. McComb's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Peterson, of Willets, for several days before motoring on to Boonville, Calif., for a short stay.

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Donald (Porky) Smith.

Guests attending the party were Johnnie Capello, Ronnie and Anne Sizemore, Janet Stevens, Sally Davies, Susan Cramer, Robin Lee and Eugene Simmonds, David Ellison, Bobby Hargrave, Joe Fulton, David Ferguson, Susie Ellis, Jimmie Driskell, Ellen Ruddick, Pauline Carl and Jeannie Clymer. Floyd Jess and Nancy Smith. Games were played and cake and ice cream served.

Mothers attending were Mrs. Everett Sizemore, Mrs. Elmo Elfson and Mrs. Porky Smith, hostess.

Even though the Butte Falls Loggers lost out to Malin in the district 5B championship playoffs held at Klamath Falls this past weekend, Butte Falls residents are very proud of their basketball squad.

This is the first year since 1953 that a trophy of any significance has been won by the school. The only state championship was won in 1942, and this is the first year since then that Butte Falls has emerged victorious in the county tournament. Fine showing made this year by their team which was handicapped in the later games by some team members having measles.

Much credit is due coach Art Backlund and team members Bill and Jim Irwin, Pat and Mike Conley and Don Ellis, Jerry Dillon, Jerry Matten, Ronnie Remsen, Gene Henshaw, Jim Sheppard and Dean Smith.

Jerry Matten had just started the Basketball year, when injuries to both knees put him out for the season.

Mrs. Claude Curtis, fifth and sixth grade teacher at the Butte Falls grade school, recently entered the Osteopathic hospital in Medford and was put in traction for a hip ailment. Mrs. Ed Curtis is substituting until Mrs. Curtis is able to return.

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# Jupiter, Largest Planet, Visible After Sun Sets

By FAY BENTLEY

"I've been watching a beautiful star which rises in the east each evening. It is brighter than any of the stars around it and does not seem to twinkle. Could this be a planet?" inquired a voice over the phone.

The caller was entirely correct. Jupiter, largest of all the planets has returned once more to grace the evening sky with its royal beauty. The giant size of our celestial neighbor inspired the ancients to name it

after the ruler of their mythological gods.

Only one of the nine known planets is named after a goddess; each of the others has a masculine name of one of the gods.

Superseded in Magnitude  
In spite of its superior size and kindly name, Jupiter is definitely superseded in magnitude by one of the so-called minor or smaller planets.

Venus, not quite so large as the earth, is completely enveloped in clouds of high reflecting power and to earth-dwellers is more brilliant than Jupiter, whose cloud-covering reflects less sunlight. The namesake of the goddess of love and beauty is the third brightest object in the heavens with mighty Jupiter ranking a close fourth.

However, at the present time, Venus has reached the place in its orbital journey where its light is submerged in the powerful rays of the sun. So for the next few weeks, Jupiter will hold the position of third brightest object in the sky. Only the sun and moon will be more brilliant.

Interesting Subject  
This king of planets is a most interesting subject for study with even a small telescope. It was towards Jupiter that Galileo, first to use the "optick tube" directed this instrument of his own construction.

The disc of that great world was visible in his three-power telescope and also what appeared to be three tiny, very faint stars near to, and in line with, the planet. The next night he saw that the little stars had changed their positions but were apparently the same distance from Jupiter.

A few nights later he could tell that these miniature heavenly bodies were moving around the giant world, and there were four instead of three. He had discovered the four largest of Jupiter's twelve moons! These satellites are now called the Galilean Moons.

Hidden From View  
While sky-gazing through our telescope recently, my husband and I viewed these same "tiny stars" arrayed in a straight line of three by the side of this royal planet. Opposite, the short line of three satellites and on the

other side of Jupiter was another minute dot of light, a few evenings later only three moons were visible as the planet was hiding one from view.

Anyone with binocular or field glasses magnifying eight or nine times can find these Galilean Moons easily, given a clear, moonless night. Due to the changing positions of these satellites the king of planets is always an interesting telescopic study.

Jupiter appears low in the eastern sky just after sunset. Its yellow non-twinkling beams glow like a rich jewel in the draperies of night. During the hours of darkness the king of planets travels westward across the celestial dome until its lesser light is submerged in the mighty rays of the rising sun.

ONLY TWO SUITS LEFT  
Los Angeles —(U.P.)— Harold W. Hester, 27, told a divorce court Friday that he only had two suits left after his estranged wife, Renola, 26, paid him an unexpected visit last week. Hester charged that his wife slashed and ruined 11 of his suits, leaving him only the one he was wearing and his pending divorce suit.

WEATHER  
By UNITED PRESS  
Northern California: Partly cloudy Sunday, chance of rain Sunday Salinas and Stockton northward with snow in mountains.

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*Equity Fund*

DIVIDEND NOTICE

The Board of Directors has declared a distribution from net realized gain on investments of \$2 per share, and a dividend of 1¢ per share from net investment income, payable March 29 to shareholders of record March 15, 1957.

Howard M. Nimitz  
SECRETARY  
March 10, 1957  
501 Exchange Bldg.  
Seattle

# JACKSONVILLE Youth Meeting Place Set

By MRS. C. G. HOSKINS

Jacksonville — Mr. and Mrs. Ford Patterson announced this week that their home at 803 Huerfano lane will be open to all Jacksonville Teen-agers interested in Christian Fellowship meetings will be held every Sunday evening from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

Dozens of inquiries have been received but no trace has been found of "Toby" who disappeared on Feb. 20. If anyone knows the whereabouts of the black and white dog please call 9-8209, Jacksonville.

Mrs. John Withers accompanied by Mrs. Si Owens and her daughter Marie, of Medford, have returned this week from a combined two-weeks automobile and plane trip. They drove throughout southern California to the Mexican border, visiting friends in Long Beach and Sherman Oaks.

They found Hollywood to be practically a ghost town as far as famous movie personalities are concerned. They have all moved out of Hollywood into the surrounding hills. At the border they flew into Mexico and met Owens at Elmore, Sinaloa, Mexico. While there they went duck hunting without a license. No license is required in Mexico.

Mrs. Withers also reports that she has recently purchased the New Pastime on highway 99 in Medford. She formerly owned

ed and operated Lulu's Cafe in Jacksonville, now known as Mom's Hide-away.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Bostwick and family and Mrs. Harlan Bostwick, of Pinehurst were last weekend visitors in Jacksonville and Medford.

Mary Lewis of Saskatchewan, Canada, was a visitor in Jacksonville last week at the home of Mrs. Valentine Chomel and Miss Roseline Mesnage, she was also a guest at the home of Jules Paudois, to whom she is related.

New residents on Sterling road, renting the George Mayfield home, are Mr. and Mrs. James D. Skog of San Marcos, Calif. They have two sons, Donald and Ronald, both second graders in the Jacksonville school. Skog is an employee of the Pacific Telephone Co. in Medford. They moved to Oregon in November.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis A. Marcy returned this week from a bus trip they made to Oxnard, Calif., where they visited Marcy's son and family, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Marcy and three sons, Mike, and their eight months old twins, Danny and David whom they saw for the first time.

Mr. and Mrs. John Janzer of Arcata, Calif., were last Tuesday luncheon guests at the War-

ren Hazen residence.

Guests at the Carl Hoskins home this weekend are Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hoskins and daughter Connie Lee, and Mrs. J. H. Hoskins all of Blackfoot, Idaho.

Dead line Sunday Classified at noon Saturday; 10 a.m. Monday for Monday; other days 5:30 previous day.

Two readings, one on how to be a poor Granger and then one on how to be a good Granger were given by the education committee.

Mrs. Paul Force, HEC chairman, told of the last HEC meeting at her home, Feb. 27 and also announced the next Grange meeting to be held March 19 will be the birthday meeting and will be preceded by a pot-luck dinner.

Wilford Davies presented three resolutions, one on ragweed control, one on brand inspection of small calves, and one on compulsory car insurance, which were discussed and accepted by members present.

Master Cliff Moore presented Mr. C. C. Hoover, past lecturer, with a certificate from the State Grange, honoring him for his timely quarterly reports.

Serving committee for this meeting was Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jossy, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hoover, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hayes, and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Harnish.

# House Bill Signed Into Law by Holmes

Salem — (U.P.) — A House bill signed into law by Gov. Robert D. Holmes gives Oregon World War II veterans until June 30, 1959, to apply for state educational aid benefits. Previous deadline was Dec. 31, 1956.

Veterans were reminded, however, that they cannot take advantage of the new deadline until the law takes effect 90 days after the Legislature adjourns.

The State Department of Veterans Affairs, which administers the program, said veterans may establish their eligibility now, but that entitlement to the benefits cannot be granted until sometime late this summer.

Korean veterans are not affected as no deadline has been established for them.

To be entitled, a veteran must have been an Oregon resident for one year immediately prior to his military service in World War II or Korea, and must have served six months or more. The Korean veteran must have had service in Korea during that conflict.

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