

Jacksonville, Central Point Lodges Hosts for Convention

Jacksonville — Royal Neighbors held the annual southern Oregon district convention in Jacksonville Tuesday, April 30. More than 100 members attended the convention, hosted by the Central Point and Jacksonville groups.

Mrs. Kathleen Hepburn, Klamath Falls, was elected orator for the coming year during a business session in the morning. Others elected were Mrs. Carl E. Dalenberg, Ashland, vice-orator; Mrs. Job Berriman, Jacksonville, chancellor; Mrs. Jessie Steele, Klamath Falls, recorder and receiver; Mrs. William S. Russell, Medford, marshal; and Mrs. Ruby Patton, Medford, who was appointed assistant marshal by Mrs. Russell.

Mrs. George Wendt, Jacksonville, district orator, presided at the meeting.

Following the luncheon at noon guests were introduced. They included Mrs. Mae Logan, Portland, state supervisor; and district deputies, Mrs. Clayton Walker, Medford; Mrs. Jessie Steele, Klamath Falls; and Mrs. Mable Miles, Salem.

The welcoming address was given by Albert Hackert of Jacksonville who reviewed some of the early history of the town and presented Mrs. Logan with a key to the city.

A school of instruction was conducted. Special mention was given the orator, past district orator, and members who have been in the organization 25, 50 and 55 years.

During the evening a banquet was held at the Odd Fellows hall. Twenty-two candidates were initiated by the Medford lodge. The meeting was then opened to the public and a program was presented.

Selections were given by Evon Click of Ashland, square dancing by Jacksonville young people, comic skits by Central Point and Medford groups, fancy drill by Klamath Falls groups, and Miss Ruth Thomas of Ashland.

The next district convention will be held in Klamath Falls in 1939 due to the state and supreme camp conventions in 1938.

Extension Units Plan Meetings

Four Home extension units will meet this week.

Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. the Medford unit will meet in the courthouse auditorium. Local leaders will demonstrate how to repair and upholster kitchen and dining room chairs.

Lunch will be served for a small charge and members are asked to take their own table service for themselves and their guests.

Those needing child care should call Mrs. Terfern at Spring 2-5425 prior to the evening of Monday, May 6.

All interested are invited to attend.

The Reese Creek group will meet Tuesday, May 7, at 10:30 a.m. at the home of Mrs. Joe Whipple on Delta Waters road, Medford.

A business meeting will be held during the morning with the lesson window treatments for the home being presented by Mrs. Loyd Adamson and Mrs. C. J. Kelley during the afternoon.

Mrs. Clifford Moore and Mrs. William Jakel will take items for the 4-H auction.

The final meeting of the Butte Falls unit will be held at the home of Mrs. Harry Dalton on Obenchain road Thursday, May 9, at 10:30 a.m.

A lesson on upholstering dining room chairs will be given by Mrs. John Eulen and Mrs. Don Smith. A potluck dinner will be served at noon and each member is asked to take table service.

All interested women are invited to attend. Child care will be provided at the home of Mrs. Ted Riddell in Butte Falls.

Window treatments will be the project of the Westside Extension group Thursday, May 9, at 1 p.m. at the home of Mrs. E. H. Niedermeyer on Niedermeyer lane. The project will be presented by Mrs. Arnold Motschenbacher and Mrs. Charles Taylor following the business meeting.

All women of the Westside community are invited to attend.

Potpourri

With everyone complaining about the quality of American movies sent to foreign countries, it's a wonder something wouldn't be done. Perhaps this would be a good project for some women's club.

When Dr. Brock Chisholm was here to speak for the Southern Oregon Child Guidance clinic association he told about attending an American movie showing in Prague which shocked him. He was told that such "low type" movies from this country were shown regularly, and that the average Czechoslovakian citizen believed they were a true picture of life in the United States.

Mrs. Floyd Fox of Silverton spoke in Central Point Wednesday for the Homemakers' Festival and said much the same thing. Because of American movies, citizens in the Orient and the Middle East countries think that all residents of the U. S. are "idle rich" and have little to do except keep out of the way of gangsters shooting it out on street corners, Mrs. Fox reported.

Mrs. Fox has a tart tongue which she used to good advantage from time to time. "We visited Monaco and saw Grace's shack," said Mrs. F. "She can have it." Talking about food abroad, Mrs. Fox said the coffee tasted like it was "squeezed straight from the bean."

The speaker ended her talk by admonishing her listeners to go home and prepare a good dinner for their husbands, and not to just heat something from a can, either. While eating the dinner, she said, "be good and thankful you live in a country where women are allowed to sit at the same table with their husbands and children and enjoy a meal, and where women are respected and not just considered slaves."

A bouquet of tulips landed Potpourri in municipal court. Truly, but they were worth it. It's like this. Potpourri and Photographer Bob Vroman trekked around the valley Monday afternoon taking pictures of spring flowers for today's picture page. We visited the home and garden of Mr. and Mrs. John Holmer on the Old Stage road and Mrs. H. gave us an arm load of tulips, including a dozen or so simply exquisite lily tulips. White with an edging of pink on the pointed petals, they are arrestingly beautiful.

Come Tuesday morning we simply couldn't bear to go away and leave them at home, so we took them to the office. In addition to the vase of flowers we had our lunch, our home work, purse, a hat in a sack and a few other items. Not wanting to carry this all the way from our favorite parking spot on North Grape street to the Tribune we parked in front of the office, unloaded it and carted everything upstairs, meaning to sneak a few moments later and move the car.

At 6:45 p.m. we trudged over on North Grape street fully expecting to find the Chevrolet. But we couldn't. Not even with the help of the Tribune's Jim Murray, going home at the same time. After almost deciding to call the police and report the car stolen, we got in Jim's car and he drove around by the Tribune. And there was the Chevrolet. With two of Officer Elroy Erickson's neat little notices on the windshield. One ordering us to appear in municipal court for continuous parking from 10 a.m. to 1:10 p.m. If he only knew. It was from 8:30 a.m. until almost 7 p.m.

Honest, Officer Erickson, it was all the fault of the tulips. But they were worth it.

It's too bad that people who live in the Rogue river valley have to earn a living in the spring. Everyone should be able to just enjoy the flowers and the trees and the blue sky. To come up over a little rise in the road and suddenly have all the glory of spring spread out from the roadside clear to the Siskiyou in the distance makes the breath quicken.

Mrs. E. H. Hanley told us Monday that her late husband often said that a spot as beautiful as the Rogue valley should be enjoyed by as many as possible, at their fullest leisure.

Potpourri feasted on the sight of lovely spring gardens all this week, but each one was as exciting as the last. We started in Sunday at Hanleylands where the Japanese cherries were so beautiful, even though past their peak, that they create an unreal fairland. And the perfume of the hundreds of lilacs was enough to make the visitors light-headed. Monday afternoon's storm brought the pink cherry blossom petals down so thick they carpeted lawn and driveway like heavenly snow. But the lilacs were undaunted by the wind and rain and their regal wine, purple and lavender plumes merely bowed their heads temporarily.

When Potpourri and Anna Pellegrini mourned over the falling petals, Mrs. Hanley said she never dwells on the fading flower, but seeks out the blossom which is just beginning to open or is at full beauty. "A garden is like a symphony written by a great composer," said this stately woman who has spent a lifetime in gardening. "The first flowers in spring are the overture and the succeeding blossoms are like the various movements until the symphony ends with the fall color."

"Zeke" Eden reminded us Thursday night that gardens don't just grow, that they have to be planted, pruned, sprayed, watered, dusted, weeded, etc., in addition to being enjoyed. But to the gardener this back-breaking and never-ending routine isn't work. It's a pleasure that brings wonderful rewards.

When Potpourri exclaimed over Mrs. E's spring beauty and said "You're a wonderful gardener," Mr. Eden added "and a slave to this yard." This year Mrs. Eden just couldn't resist the pansies and she has dozens of every imaginable color in every nook and cranny.

According to one of Mrs. Eden's neighbors and friends, she not only works like a slave, but goes everyone else into working, too. "Here I came all the way from Heppner to Medford to retire and just have fun and what do I do? I find myself planting pansies and a lot of other things and digging like mad in the garden all because of Edith Eden." The neighbor, however, sounded real happy over knowing Mrs. Eden.

Lillian Gentner called in one day to say that the Rose society would like Potpourri to know that the first roses were in bloom on the last day of April, and later in the day we had a couple of blossoms to prove it. They were brought in, however, by Sylvia Smith, who stopped by to tell us about a recent visitor.

The guest was Clyde Pangborn, well known aviator. Although "Pang," as his local friends know him, was one of the country's early-day flyers, he has not retired and is still piloting planes of all sizes and descriptions all over the world. When in Medford he always visits Jerry Smith, who was his mechanic back in the days when Mr. Pangborn was barnstorming around the country, and T. E. Knackstedt, who performed the spectacular "wing walking" which thrilled the spectators.

Flyer Pangborn made himself famous when, with two companions, he flew non-stop from Tokyo to Wenatchee, Wash., in 1931, that trio being the first to accomplish this feat.

Aviator "Pang" pleased his Medford friends by saying that even though he has flown in all parts of the world and been privileged to see the most famous scenic spots, he still believes the Rogue valley is unsurpassed. One of these days he would like to retire and live in the Rogue valley with nothing to do except go fishing and maybe watch the planes fly high overhead.—O.S.

Grange Notes

Shady Cove Grange
The Shady Cove Grange 931 will hold their regular monthly meeting Wednesday, May 8, at 8 p.m. in the music room of the Shady Cove school.

Della Littlefield,
Publicity Chairman

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Insurance Women to Observe National Day; Plan Dinner

Insurance Women of Jackson county will join other member clubs of the National Association of Business Women in celebrating National Insurance Women's day, Friday, May 10.

The local organization will hold a no-host dinner at the Pioneer room of the Jackson hotel at 7 p.m. that day. Key speaker at the dinner will be Carl Lennma, Portland, chief of the Oregon Insurance Rating Bureau. Also speaking will be Eva Brower, Portland, state organizer for the National Insurance Women's association.

Invitations are being sent out to insurance women in Grants Pass and Roseburg as well as local members. All insurance women, insurance agents, employed wives and guests are invited to the program. Reservations are being taken by Mrs. Bettye Fidler, secretary of the Insurance Women of Jackson county, Spring 3-5359.

Governors in 38 states, including Oregon's Gov. Robert D.

Protect the tufts on candlewick bedspreads by placing them in a large sack or pillow case when laundering in the washing machine.

FIRST PARADE?

New York — (U.P.) — The first "Easter Parade" is believed to have been held in ancient China. The custom of donning spring-time finery is thought to have sprung from the richly gowned mandarins who haughtily displayed their new robes each spring.

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