

Annual 'Operation Matrimony' Begins at West Point Tuesday

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West Point, N.Y. — The Army's annual "operation matrimony" begins here Tuesday.

It will be a four-day maneuver, with young love creating all sorts of logistics problems and calling for some of the same split-second timing required on the battlefield.

Fifty-one members of the graduating class of 546 cadets at the U. S. Military Academy will be married immediately after receiving their second lieutenant commission . . . or as soon after as they can get in the church. A cadet is not permitted to wed until he wins his gold bars.

The actual planning for operation matrimony began last December before the cadets went home on Christmas leave.

Draw Lots
The engaged men drew lots for the order in which their fiancées could select a wedding time. Then, returning to the academy after the holidays, the cadets announced their brides' preferences. And the scheduling began . . . with weddings spaced half an hour apart in the cadet chapel and three other chapels on this historic post overlooking the Hudson River.

"If a cadet gets engaged after lots are drawn, we work him in somewhere," said Mrs. John F. Holland, assistant cadet hostess. "The Army isn't that regimented."

"I don't know how the first bridegroom will make it tomorrow," said Mrs. Holland. "Graduation won't be over until 12:30 . . . his wedding is scheduled for one."

To make sure the weddings go off without a hitch actually is a cooperative effort — with the chaplains, the custodians, wives of the officers stationed on the post and Mrs. Holland's office all pitching in.

Mrs. Earl Blaik, wife of the football coach, for the last seven years has been behind the scenes with the bride's weds in the cadet chapel. She sees that veils are straight, flowers and prayer books in hand, and times the entrances for the long procession of down the aisle.

"We dealt into the girls that because of the close scheduling a bride has to be on time," said Mrs. Blaik. "One year a bride who was spending the night in a private home off the post overdid her preparations. She arrived early . . . and stood under an apple tree for an hour waiting."

Rogue River Show Planned Two Days

Rogue River — Rogue River Garden club's tenth annual flower show will be held Wednesday and Thursday, June 5 and 6. Rogue River, Hours Wednesday will be 1 to 5 p.m. and Thursday the show will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Refreshments will be served during the show both days. The public is invited to attend, and entries will be welcomed.

Apple Float

For a long, cool, refreshing drink just place a scoop of orange sherbet into a glass of chilled apple juice. The flavor combination is a natural.

Society

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Camp Fire Girls Annual Ceremony Held at School

The combined Medford and Eagle Point Camp Fire Girls and Bluebirds held the annual grand council fire recently in McLoughlin Junior High school gymnasium. Attending were 19 Bluebird groups and six Camp Fire groups from Medford and Eagle Point.

The Ceremonial opened with Mrs. Curt Nesheim playing the processional. Mistress of ceremonies were Mrs. David C. Hendrix. A solo "The Camp Fire Girl" was sung by Mary Margaret Barr, followed by the roll call and fire lighting ceremony. Fire lighters were Rebecca Rowan, Elaine Daveport and Paulette Chinn.

Mrs. Frank Christian, Talent, the Rogue council president, presented national honors including candy sale awards, three and five year membership awards, swimming and birthday honors. All Bluebirds sang "There is a Little Girl" and seven Bluebirds lighted seven blue candles saving their wish, followed by a Bluebird prayer. Thirty-four graduating Bluebirds were called forward for the fly-up ceremony and were taken into the Camp Fire circle.

The trail seekers' rank, earned by 24 Medford girls and four Eagle Point girls, was presented by Mrs. Milton Medcalf, committee of awards, for Medford. Wood gatherer's rank was presented by four Eagle Point girls by Mrs. McGraw, vice president of Rogue council. Mrs. Allison Luman, crafts training, presented fire maker's rank to four Medford girls and five Eagle Point girls.

For the first time in several years a girl has earned the difficult rank of torch bearer. Ann Younger was presented this rank by Henry Enders of Ashland, a local and national board member and holder of the Gullich award. Mr. Enders explained some of the most difficult requirements of this rank. Ann repeated the Camp Fire Desire and lighted her torch bearer's candle and then her father was given the honor of fastening her pins.

The extinguishing of candles closed the ceremony and the girls retired while singing the recessional.

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Salt Lake City Has Meter Maids; Traffic Improved

By RICHARD B. LANEY
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Salt Lake City — The toughest cops in Salt Lake City these days also are the prettiest.

They're the Meter Maids, women law enforcement officers who patrol parking meters in the congested downtown area to issue tickets for overparking.

They have proved to be tougher than case-hardened policemen when the motorist tries to talk his way out of being given a ticket.

The Meter Maid patrol first was created in July, 1934, with the idea that the woman would relieve regular policemen from meter patrolling for other duty.

But the use of women to hand out tickets for overtime parking, improper parking, lack of proper vehicle registration and location of stolen cars has produced an unexpected dividend.

A Lot of Walking
It has resulted in a great improvement in the flow of traffic through the metropolitan area.

Police Chief W. Cleon Skousen said that because the Meter Maids had caused a greater turnover in the use of parking meters — parking at a meter for more than one hour is no longer permitted — downtown stores had experienced a 27 per cent increase in business.

This turnover is especially important because only 3,500 parking spaces are available for the 70,000 automobiles that travel through downtown Salt Lake City each day.

Each of the city's 12 Meter Maids walks eight to 10 miles a day, and some of the women wear out a pair of shoes a month.

The group issues an average of 18,000 tickets each month. At the rate of \$1 or more for each violation this means at least \$18,000 per month in the city's coffers.

The Meter Maids, whose technical designation under civil service is meter readers, actually are not policemen although they are under supervision of the police department's traffic division.

The women range in age from 25 to 40, and all but one are married and have children. Their pay is \$175 a month.



TO ADD SPARKLE TO YOUR MEALS. Mix together 2 tablespoons blue cheese, one-half 3 oz. package cream cheese, 3 tablespoons chopped watercress or parsley and 3 tablespoons mayonnaise. (Makes dressing for 4 salads.) To complete salad, place 2 Canned Bartlett Pear halves, cut side up on crisp salad greens. Spoon dressing into cavities. Serve with French dressing.

Stamp Club Plans Meeting Friday

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Friendly Indifference Good For Eating Strike

Champaign, Ill. — If your child is on an eating strike, let him miss a meal or two.

A University of Illinois nursery school dietitian said that a mother shouldn't panic when Junior refuses to eat. Instead, said Mrs. Rita McGreer, she should keep an attitude of "friendly indifference," and not force him to eat. The child will not starve to death if he misses one meal.

Mrs. McGreer believes it is wise to let the child decide when and how much to eat. But she stressed that the food be tasty, nutritious and attractive, and the portions small enough.

Lighting Institute Says Many Americans Live in Dreary Gloom

New York — Many Americans need to be shown the light, literally, says the American Home Lighting Institute.

A recent institute survey showed four out of five Americans are living in dreary gloom, only a few candles removed from the light provided by the cave-man's fire, it said.

Some 80 per cent of the nation's homes have less than 11 light fixtures, the institute said. Minimum good home lighting standards call for at least 25 lights.

Dead line Sunday Classified is at at noon Saturday

Superb will be your reaction to this gourmet dish. Split an English muffin in half. Butter and top with a slice of cheddar cheese. Sprinkle with a dash of ground black pepper and place under the broiler. Heat slowly until cheese is melted and muffin slightly toasted. Immediately sprinkle caraway seeds over top of muffin. Place a poached egg on each half and top with a lightly cheesed white sauce or favored Hollandaise. Garnish with chopped parsley.

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Jamboree Planned In Klamath Falls

Klamath Falls — The second annual square dance jamboree sponsored by the Merry Mixers Square Dance club of Klamath Falls will be held June 9 at Pelican court, Klamath Union High school, beginning at 1 p.m. Melvin Stickett, Portland, will be master of ceremonies.

About a dozen callers from Oregon and northern California have been invited to assist with the jamboree. John Newman is president of the club.

CALENDAR

Calendar notices and news for the society section of The Mail Tribune must be submitted in writing and deadline for the Sunday edition is 1 p.m. Friday. Deadline for the weekly calendar is 9 a.m. of the day of publication and for week day news is 8 p.m. the day before publication.

Monday:
7:45 p.m.—Westminster Guild, First Presbyterian church, fireplace room at church.
8 p.m.—Olive Rebekah lodge, IOOF hall.

Tuesday:
10 a.m.—Rogue Valley Navy Mothers club, home of Mrs. C. R. Alexander, 110 Almond st.
12 noon—Insurance Women of Jackson county, Jackson hotel.

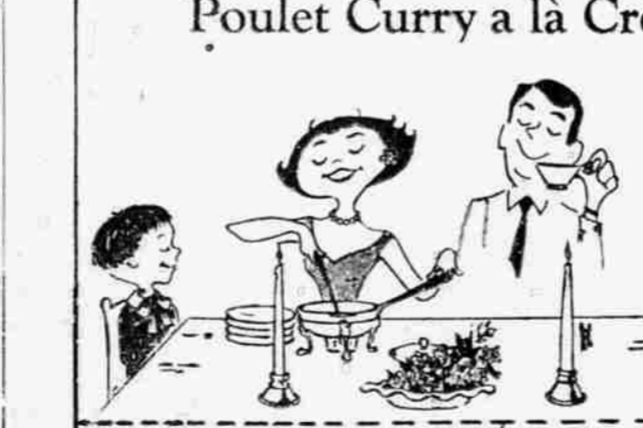
12:30 p.m.—Central Point Garden club, meet at Central Point Grange hall for transportation to home of Mrs. Fred W. Greene, Long Mountain rd., Eagle Point.

1 p.m.—Central Point Royal Neighbors, home of Mrs. Robert Hague, 2641 Connell ave., Medford.

1 p.m.—Lady Elks, Elks temple.
1 p.m.—Oakgrove Neighborhood club, home of Mrs. Allan Finn, 2322 Jacksonville highway.

2-5 p.m.—Junior Service League house, tour.

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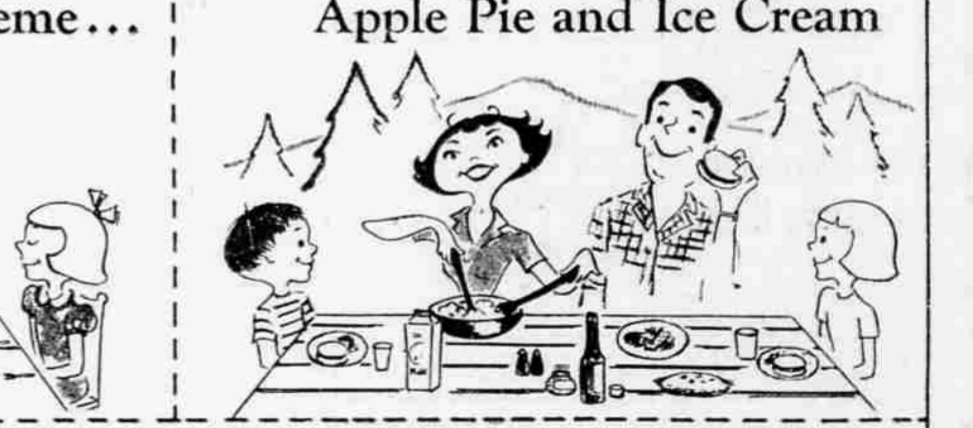
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