

Potpourri

Philadelphia, July 4—Some 7,000 people stood in line for practically hours last night in order to be presented to an Oregonian. Pretty and charming Martha Shull, retiring president of National Education association, was honored at a formal reception given by NEA and Oregon Educational association in the Grand ballroom of the Benjamin Franklin hotel and which jammed the hotel.

The honor of also meeting the vice-president of the nation, Richard Nixon, went to the first several hundred through the line, then the vice-president excused himself and the reception continued without him. The vice-president had spoken at the general assembly which preceded the reception, but for various reasons, the fact that he would attend the reception had not been generally announced. Hostesses, including Maxine Smith of Medford, were informed of the vice-president's attendance at the party only an hour or so before Miss Shull and Mr. Nixon arrived.

A reporter-photographer team from Life magazine has been covering the centennial convention, and were on hand at the party, along with a few other reporters and photographers. Various "big wheels" in NEA and OEA stood in the receiving line from time to time in order to receive guests and be photographed with the two honored guests. Miss Shull wore a long pink lace gown which was becoming with her graying hair and fair complexion, and a pink orchid corsage. However, the decorations in the Grand ballroom and the three other rooms reserved for the party were red roses, and the Oregon room at the hotel has had red roses, dozens of them, every day. They are a gift from the fiancée of Margaret Perry, Monmouth, who was McCall Magazine's "Teacher of the Year" in 1955 and who is attending the convention. She was honored at the annual dinner of the Department of Classroom Teachers Tuesday night.

As was the case when Vice-President Nixon visited Medford during the last election campaign, a swarm of secret service men and of Philadelphia police stood close at hand during the reception. Potpourri wandered over to talk with one, who said that he wasn't really worried—that when the federal men are on the job, the local men feel everything is under control.

According to this native son of Philadelphia, the city is "nothing more than a hick town." He conceded that this sounded odd, since the population is more than two million souls. But he said the people generally are narrow-minded and that there are a lot of "silly blue laws" on the books.

Potpourri brought along a book to Philadelphia called "The Philadelphian" and written by a native son, a former newspaper man. He makes the native Philadelphian out to be a grasping, pretty unprincipled person with little interest in his neighbor and says that Philadelphia "society" is an ever-dwindling circle because the "best families" are dying out and no others are being accepted. Just now we asked a fellow reporter in the NEA press room if Philadelphia isn't known as the "City of Brotherly Love." "Gosh, I guess it is," he said, "but I haven't heard that in a long time."

A team of speakers who visited Medford not long ago, and who were former Philadelphians, maintained that there is no concerted effort in the city to solve the problem of the Negro slums or of juvenile delinquency. The policeman more or less agreed with this and said the proportion of Negroes is increasing. "I'm going to get out as soon as I can," he concluded.

Teachers, however, seem to be making an effort to treat children simply as children, and not as Negroes, whites, Jewish children or gentiles. Almost 3,000 Philadelphia school children of all ages and their teachers presented a simply fabulous "schools parade" program for the convention Tuesday night that brought extravagant praise from the teachers.

The youngsters were thoroughly trained, the pageantry colorful and exciting and the music very beautiful. And in almost every number, the Negroes and whites played and performed together. The visiting teachers were further impressed with two scenes of the pageant. In one instance when scores of children had scampered from the huge auditorium floor, one small child lay curled up in the middle, seemingly asleep but with a bright spotlight on him. After a moment, one of his companions came and woke him and the two scampered off together, hand in hand. One was white and the other very black.

The closing scene of the pageant was impressive, with a huge mass of learning towering over a platform. With children on all sides, four teachers dressed in costumes to represent the last 100 years of education in this country, and accompanied by three or four white children so dressed, entered the room and stood below the Lamp of Learning. Last to enter was sweet-faced Miss Shull, with her characteristic warm smile. By one hand she led a small white child, by the other a small black child. And she took her place by those who had preceded her to the Lamp of Learning.

Potpourri's part in the program was concluded this noon, and now we feel somewhat freer. The centennial convocation speakers, Norman Cousins of the Saturday Review, Dr. James Conant, former president of Howard university, and Waurine Walker, a former NEA president, spoke during the morning. In the afternoon Potpourri led one of the 115 circles, made up of teachers and lay persons from all over the U.S.

We were six—a kindergarten teacher from New Jersey; a New York teacher from a high school of 4,000 who teaches German and English; another New Yorker from a rich district who teaches English and Social studies; a man who teaches mathematics in a school near Philadelphia and a Catholic sister who heads the science department at a Philadelphia parochial college.

This morning we took part in a symposium on "Teamwork in Communications Between Lay and Professional People." Our news room boss, EA, maintained from the first that the title was negative and didn't "communicate" anything. He was right. We were five on the panel—nine listeners showed and two left by the time the moderator finished.

Later we learned other groups met the same fate. One woman led a panel Wednesday led by Gordon Sabine, former dean of the University of Oregon Journalism School and now dean of the College of Communication Arts, Michigan State university, had talked to a handful. The topic was "The Effect of the Rise of Mass Media."

Last year's NEA convention was held in Portland, and teachers are still talking about how outstanding it was. Many delegates,

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 edition is 9 a.m. the day of publication and for week day news is 5 p.m. the day before publication.

Tuesday
8 p.m.—Roguette circle 4, Military Order of Lady Bugs.

Wednesday
10:30 a.m.—Central Point Garden club, Ashland Lithia Park.

12:30 p.m.—Medford League of Women Voters, at lake house of Mrs. John Day, Gold Key road.
12:30 p.m.—Medford Townspeople club, at Carpenter's union hall.

Central Point Club to Tour Ashland Park

Central Point—The Central Point garden club will tour the Ashland Lithia park after a potluck picnic there tomorrow. Mrs. E. W. Jermak is hostess.

Members are to meet at the Central Point garage hall at 10:30 a.m. and go directly to the park. Those with names beginning with letters up to "K" are to take salads, those with names "L" to "Z" are to take hot dishes.

Potluck Luncheon

Wednesday Meeting

C. E. Naffziger and Mrs. Charles Boussum were delegates from Medford to the fourth district council meeting in Cottage Grove, Sunday, July 7. Mrs. Ida Kelly, club member, also attended.

Thirty club members and six visitors were present at the Fourth of July picnic held by the club in Ashland's Lithia park. Six persons were visitors.

The next regular club meeting and potluck lunch will be held Wednesday, July 10, at 12:30 p.m. in Carpenter's union hall.

Guests Leave For Portland

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Heisten, Portland, left for their home last week after a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Michael, 475 Charlotte Ann road. Mrs. Michael and Mrs. Heisten are sisters.

The two sisters spent a few days in Roseville, Calif., visiting their brother, Albert Daugherty.

Saturday by Ladies Troop Second Annual Horse Show

The Ladies Mounted Troop, Auxiliary to the Jackson County Sheriff's Posse, will put on their second annual horse show Saturday, July 13.

The show this year is accredited with the Oregon Horseman's association. The points won here will count on championships for the state of Oregon. Riders from other parts of the state will attend.

The classes and games this year will be as follows: parade horse, matched pairs, English pleasure, jumpers, Shetland

ponies to bike, Arabian native costume, Appaloosa and Pinto Indian costume, western pleasure horse, seat and hands, 12 and under, Palomino, Texas barrel race, scurry race, and baton race.

There is an entry fee for all horse show classes. A first place trophy will be awarded in each class and ribbons to fifth place. All entries must be in by 8 p.m. Thursday, July 11. For entry blanks or more detailed information call Mrs. Iris Dodge, KE 5-2518 or write her at Box 365, Talent.

seeing our Oregon badge, stop to say how much they enjoyed their stay in Oregon last summer. These included one Hawaiian woman and two Puerto Ricans. One New York woman said she wrote a special convention report, saying how truly friendly and hospitable everyone had been in Portland, and how efficiently the sessions had been organized.

The hotel is jammed again tonight for "Friendship Night." The lobby and all stairs are solid from wall to wall with jostling men and women and the elevators are mobbed. Conventioneers teachers are a hardy lot—meeting from 7:30 a.m. until 10 p.m. and then fun afterwards.

Here it is almost time to leave the City of Brotherly Love just as we discovered the only place in town where the coffee doesn't taste like lye.—O.S.

Society

Altrusan Plans New Orleans Convention Trip

Miss Grace R. Smith, 1288 South Columbus ave., leaves Medford tomorrow morning by air on her way to the Altrusa International biennial convention in New Orleans, July 21 to 25. Miss Smith is immediate past president of the local Altrusa club.

Before boarding the convention train at Chicago, Miss Smith plans to visit relatives and friends in Michigan and Wisconsin. After the New Orleans meeting, she will take an air trip to Mexico, returning by way of Tucson and Los Angeles. She will be home early in August.

Delegates from 426 Altrusa clubs in Bermuda, Guatemala, Great Britain, Canada, Hawaii, Mexico, Puerto Rico and the United States will gather for the convention. Dr. Loretta M. Miller, past 12th district governor from Ellensburg, Wash., is a candidate for second vice-president of the international. She is now a member of two international committees.

Featured at the convention will be a speech given by Dr. Jose Amora, Uruguay, director general of Organization of American States, on "Crucial Developments in the Western Hemisphere." Dr. Amora will include in his talk the planning for peaceful uses of atomic energy.

Fruit and Ice Cream Make Dressy Desserts

New York—Dress up desserts by using fruits in season, served with a topping of ice cream.

Here's one suggestion. Peel, core or pit and slice your favorite fruit—pears, apples, peaches or plums. Poach in enough sugar and water syrup to cover, using 2/3 cup of sugar to 1 cup of water, flavored with 1/2 teaspoon of pure vanilla extract. Chill and serve topped with ice cream.

Houseguest

Mrs. George B. Dicus of Hutchinson, Kan., is visiting her mother Mrs. Frank R. Baker, 938 South Riverside avenue, Medford. Mrs. Dicus will spend about a week here.

Medford IOOF Hold Installation Tonight in Lodge

District Deputy Grand Master John Black of Jacksonville will be in Medford tonight to install newly elected officers of Medford lodge, International Order of Odd fellows.

To be installed are Larry Horton, noble grand; Vern Stickle, vice-grand; Jack Huston, secretary, and George Howard, treasurer. Appointive officers will be named at the installation.

A planning committee is working now with ladies of Olive Rebekah lodge to arrange a lodge picnic soon.

Master Point Play Held by Riverside Club

Thirty two players competed in last Wednesday master point duplicate bridge tournament of the Riverside Bridge club.

High scores were in the north-south position Mrs. B. J. Sanderson and Mrs. Marie Rehling, ing, first; Mrs. M. Herman and Charles Munds, second; Mrs. George Dean and Mrs. Y. Dalen, third. East-west position players were Mrs. Howard Boyd and Al Gilhousen, first; Mrs. Paul McDuffie and Mrs. Richard Milestone, second; and Mrs. Van Gilbert and Mrs. J. J. Beaman, third.

Mrs. George Ware Returns Home After Visit to Arizona

Mrs. George B. Ware, 1818 Winema Way, returned here Saturday from Tucson, Ariz., where she visited with her son, Captain Donald M. Hall, and family. She was accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Frank A. Kimball, and granddaughter Colleen Kimball, of Springfield, who spent the week end at the Ware home.

Captain Hall is stationed at the Davis-Monthan air base, near Tucson, and is the father of two small sons. On the trip home the Oregon people spent some time in Hollywood and also visited Mrs. Ware's niece, Mrs. Ralph Reiston and family at Ramona, Calif.

Britain's Monarch's Fall Visit Brings Out Elizabethan Look

By GAY PAULEY
United Press Correspondent
New York—Look for an Elizabethan era in American fashions for fall.

The visit of Britain's young monarch and her husband to the United States is three months away. But Seventh Avenue manufacturers already are busily cutting clothes with "regal simplicity," from fabrics rich enough for royalty, and in colors appropriately named "Windsor Rose," "Elizabethan Blue" and "Royal Purple."

"The Queen's visit will have a strong influence on the way Miss and Mrs. Average American will want to look," said Roxane, who with Cecil Beaton designed the Samuel Winstan fall and winter collection.

Designer Collections Shown
The Winston group was one of the designer collections previewed Monday for 200 visiting fashion reporters here for shows by the Couture group of the New York Dress Institute.

Roxane's "fit for a queen" fabrics include silk satins in jewel tones, a \$60 per yard lame, ottoman silk brocades and wools with velvet-like texture. Monte Sano and Pruzan, pace setters in coat and suit styles, came up with the "great circle" coat—cut full enough to envelop just about any costume in a woman's wardrobe. They also showed the three-quarter length and seven-eighths length coat, the latter done in large-pattern plaid tweed, in circular, barrel, straight and bias cut.

Natural Waist Highlighted
Suits belted at the natural waistline highlighted the Harry

Frechtel collection. Frechtel is one of several manufacturers providing plenty of walking room in narrow suit and dress skirts, with deep box pleats, or slits.

Nettie Rosenstein featured all sorts of jackets in her suits—some of them hipbone length, others waist, some single-breasted, others double, some belted, others unbelted.

One of the most striking dresses in her collection: A vamp-type gown of clinging crepe, with the décolletage slashed to the waist at back. It is named "Inky."
Jane Derby's evening clothes feature skirts cut with extravagant fullness; but bodices so sparse they just barely are modest.

Are you the parent of a teenage youngster? Books at the Medford Public Library will help you cope with the many problems that are part of helping a child to grow up.

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