

Housewives Advised to Brag And Not Deride Homemaking

By GAY PAULEY
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New York—Some free advice today to all those millions of women whose occupation is "just a housewife."

Take a new look around you. People in high places are beginning to recognize that most of you hold not one but several dozen jobs. So start promoting. Shed your shrinking violet complex. Discard your ironing board slouch, throw your shoulders back in pride. Brag about, don't deride, your "career."

The newest friend in the housewife's camp is Mrs. Katherine B. Oettinger, chief of the U.S. Children's Bureau, and homemaker also.

She chides all of us for looking down our noses at contributions on the stay-at-home wife... even suggested she should be paid, just as the 22 million women in outside jobs are reimbursed.

"So many mothers feel guilty if they do work," Mrs. Oettinger told a recent National Manpower Conference at Harriman, N.Y. "But though this is sometimes forgotten, so many feel guilty if they do not."

World's Hardest Job

The time has come for the "world to enhance the status of the homemaker," she said. "The lack of respect and recognition for one of the hardest jobs in the world is so familiar it needs no documentation."

Mrs. Oettinger told of one mother of three, who decided to take an outside job until she checked the cost of sending the children to a day care center. She found her salary would just about pay the tab. She decided not to take the job and commented, "I didn't think I was worth ANYTHING at home."

Mrs. Oettinger said perhaps the way to "enhance" the status of "just a housewife" is "to often suggest but seldom taken seriously... to grant some pecuniary recognition to the mother who works IN the home."

Well, I've been counting all the jobs the housewife holds and much as I agree with Mrs. Oettinger, there is a big hitch.

Who would pay her salary? Hubby.

The family budget might cover her earnings as a domestic, at the going rate of \$1 to \$1.50 an hour. But foot the bill for her work as family doctor, nurse, management expert, financial whiz, fashion advisor, and you're in the big money.

Applegate PTA Hears Talk on Woodburn School

Applegate Valley — Children who are in the way of the parents' own selfish pursuits were named among those most frequently sent to the correctional school for boys at Woodburn, Ore., said Gleason Crowell, a representative of the school, spoke at Ruch Parent-Teacher association meeting Friday evening.

Mr. Crowell, who represents the school in three counties in Southern Oregon, and has headquarters in Medford, said that 38 boys are at Woodburn now from Jackson county. He said that public schools are the channels where danger signals of delinquency are most often detected, many times even before parents are aware of these tendencies. Offenses range from truancy to murder, the speaker said.

He described general conditions at the school, saying that except for extreme offenders, youngsters at Woodburn enjoy the freedom of home life. In addition to their regular schooling they are allowed to work at any of the various vocations around the 260 acre farm, which included dairy, poultry, carpentry, painting, upholstery and furniture shops and laundry. Some of the more reliable boys are given off-campus care at foster homes within a 30 mile radius and attend public schools. Others are sent to camps at Tillamook or Cannon beach and have employment with the Forest service or fish and game commission.

The average time for rehabilitation of a boy is from 12 to 14 months. Owing to the individual, some do not care to return home, while others have a desire to go back to the most undesirable type of home, Mr. Crowell said. Some find employment in trades learned at school, and a few enter college. Some find foster parents. The speaker said that few delinquents come from rural areas.

Back-To-School Night Observed By Crater PTA

Central Point—Back-to-school was the theme of the first meeting of Crater Parent-Teacher association October 28 at the high school cafeteria. The parents followed the daily schedule of classes of the students. The six regular class periods were held in 10 minute sessions with the teachers explaining the aims of the year for each class. Questions followed.

The newly formed dance band played during the band period.

The president, Mrs. Lewis Kilbourn, presided. The invocation was given by the Rev. Paul O. Kroon of Community Bible church. The flag was presented by members of a Senior Girl Scout troop, Rachael Hamilton, Janet Kilbourn, Laurel Setnes, Janet Scilberg and Rosalie Hewitt.

Mrs. Kilbourn introduced the officers and chairmen of committees for the year. The officers are: president, Mrs. Lewis Kilbourn; first vice president, Mrs. Chester Ashton; second vice president, Cinton M. Charley; secretary, Mrs. Earl Sands; treasurer, Albert H. Piche.

Committee chairmen are: Community, G. A. Koellner; character and mental health, Mrs. B. Sam Taylor; hospitality, Mrs. William Straus and Mrs. Carl A. Licht; legislative, C. Claude Thompson; magazine, Mrs. C. Scott Hamilton; publicity, Mrs. Charles S. Taylor; ways and means, Mrs. Richard Savage and Mrs. Fred W. Lester; welfare and student aid, Mrs. W. C. Higginbotham; school representative, A. L. Straus; flowers, Mrs. C. W. Anhorn.

Teachers were introduced by Principal A. L. Straus.

It was voted to install a milk vending machine which will be under the management of the Future Farmers of America.

During the meeting 140 parents became members. Anyone wishing to join the group may do so by calling Mr. Charley.

The next meeting will be November 25 at 8 p.m. Miss Boshers and the Torch Honor society will have charge of the program.

Class Dinner

Shipmates class of First Methodist church will hold the monthly potluck dinner Friday, November 8, at 6:30 p.m. at the church.

Anyone "a little past the half-way mark" is invited to attend the dinner.

To Dance

Pioneer Square Dance club will meet Saturday, November 9, at 8:30 p.m. at Kershaw square. Members may invite guests.

Kenneth Howe and Gordon Kershaw will call; refreshments will be served.

Annual Art Show Opening Tonight

The seventh annual art exhibit sponsored by Medford branch, American Association of University Women, will open this evening at the Medford hotel.

The yearly show features the work of valley artists, and observes National Art week.

Show hours will be from 7 p.m. until 10 p.m. and the exhibit will remain open Friday from 9 a.m. through 10 p.m. The public is invited to attend both this evening and tomorrow.

Visitors will be asked to vote for their favorite work in each of three divisions, oil watercolor and miscellaneous. Two ballots will be available, one for the adult division and one for the student division.

Over 40 artists are expected to enter work. Tonight the contributing artists will be special guests of the Medford branch president, Mrs. A. J. Johansson, and her officers.

Safety Is Topic For PTA Session

John Childers will present a program on safety at a meeting of Roosevelt Parent-Teacher association Friday, November 8, at 2:30 p.m. in the school auditorium. A barbershop quartet will sing. Mothers of children in the fifth grade will provide the refreshments.

Woodcraft Neighbors Announce Meeting

Phoenix Neighbors of Woodcraft will hold a business meeting tonight at 8 o'clock at the Grange hall. Mrs. Gladys Bonner will serve refreshments.

Members of Class Give Shower Party

Talent—The Concerned class of Talent Methodist Sunday school gave a cradle shower for Mrs. Maynard Stutzman November 1 in the church annex.

Mrs. Henry Bottger and Charles Thomas

Mr. and Mrs. George Redhead and the room mothers arranged a Halloween party for the youngsters, and mothers of the first grade room served.

Free Repair Offered Whatniks at Portland

Portland — Shipyard workers at Swan island offered today to repair free any flying saucer, Sputnik, nutnik or whatever if one of them should land here. The offer includes drydocking, sand blasting, painting and structural repairs.

Said Hal Feick, dock master: "The job might as well be free. The Whatniks wouldn't have our kind of money anyway."

SCARCE

Cranston, R. I. — After a month-long campaign to award theater tickets to courteous drivers, the Mayor's Traffic Safety Committee reported it had found only one such driver.

From Alaska — Richard Byrns

Richard Byrns, associate professor of English at Southern Oregon college, came to Ashland with his wife and two children from Fairbanks, Alaska, where he taught at the University of Alaska. His education includes a bachelor's degree from Colorado State college, master's University of California at Berkeley and a doctor's from University of Edinburgh, Scotland. He has taught high school in Alaska and Colorado and college in North Idaho College of Education at Lewiston as well as in Alaska. Dr. Burns held a Ford Foundation fellowship in 1951-52 which he spent abroad in Scotland.



FROM ALASKA — Richard Byrns, associate professor of English at Southern Oregon college, came to Ashland with his wife and two children from Fairbanks, Alaska, where he taught at the University of Alaska.

The Hollywood Scene

Editor's note: Vernon Scott is on vacation. Rosemary Clooney tells about her experiences as a working mother—and how she's solved the problem.

By ROSEMARY CLOONEY
Written for United Press

Hollywood — So far, I am the mother of three children—a mother with every hope of having three more.

My three — Miguel, 2½; Marie, 14 months and Gabriel, 3 months—make my husband Joe (Jose Ferrer) and me very happy indeed. But since there are those who think it unusual for professional people to go in for large families, I thought I'd explain why we're doing it.

Actually, it's because we just happen to want one—and would whether I worked or stayed home. Joe and I are both members of large families, and we're agreed that it's a great institution.

I, for one, think it's awful for a child to grow up alone. I know how much security and warmth I got from my brother and sisters and I think it's criminal for a child to be deprived of this.

Relationship Evaluated

Nothing, not even the mother and father, can replace the associations between the children in the home.

There is one view, I know, to the effect that in a big family the child can't get the right individual support and attention. I happen to disagree. I think children get more of both these qualities from their brothers and sisters.

In our own particular situation, I am in the happy position of being able to spend as much time with my children as any other mother.

Most women have to take on time-consuming responsibilities like laundry, shopping, cooking and so forth. I am fortunate in being able to arrange to have these things done — so all my time away from television is free.

Time with Children Plentiful

Also, Joe and I lead quiet lives. We like to spend our evenings with each other at home for the most part. So when the children are older they'll have a good deal of time with us both.

Court Records

MUNICIPAL COURT

Ernest George Bursing, disobeyed traffic signal, \$5, bail.

Neal Lewis Chinn, violation basic rule, \$10, bail.

Eugene Guy Heim, improper left turn, \$5, bail.

Stanley Valentine Snyder, disobeyed traffic signal, \$5, bail.

Frankie Sue Williamson, violation basic rule, \$10.

Robert Joseph Claus, violation basic rule, \$10.

Robert Underhill, violation basic rule, \$15, bail.

Circuit Court

Kenneth Thomas vs. Frances Jean Thomas, divorce complaint.

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS

Robert Andrew Aston, Modesto, Calif., and Vivian Pauline Brasel, Turlock, Calif.

Armando Peter Banco, Somerville, N.J., and Roberta Gayle, Bradford, Medford.

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 5 p.m. the day before publication.

Thursday:

6:30 p.m. — Southern Oregon Society of Artists, Mary's Casa, 537 Mary st.

6:45 p.m.—Rogue River Valley Knife and Fork club, Rogue Valley Country club.

7-10 p.m.—AAUW art exhibit, Medford hotel.

7:30 p.m. —Welcome Wagon club, home of Mrs. John Mast, 532 Plum street.

8 p.m. — Adalee chapter, Masonic temple, Jacksonville.

Friday:

9 a.m. -10 p.m.—AAUW art exhibit, Medford hotel.

12:30 p.m. — St. Elizabeth guild, St. Mark's Episcopal church.

1 p.m. — Phoenix Garden club, Community hall, Phoenix.

WASP VICTIM

Concord, Mass.—Stung by a wasp on the forehead while riding his motorcycle on patrol, State Trooper John Nielsen collapsed by the roadside, lost consciousness and had to spend two days in a hospital.

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