



RECEIVES TROPHY—Central Pointer David Macke, a student at Crater High school, is shown receiving the trophy he received for taking first place in the extemporaneous division of the Oregon High School Speech League Tournament. This was the 51st annual tournament to be held on the university campus.



MEDFORD WINNER—David Frohnmayer (right), Medford High school student, receives a first place trophy from K. E. Montgomery, director of the Oregon High School Speech League Tournament which was held on the university campus April 11 and 12. Frohnmayer took first place in the impromptu division of the tournament.



NAMED PRESIDENT—Donald Lacey (far right) of Central Point's Crater High was elected president of the Oregon High School Speech League at the group's 51st annual state tournament. The tournament was held on the University of Oregon campus April 11-12. Also elected were Edith Engel of David Douglas High school in Portland, first vice president, and Norman Anderson of Grants Pass High, second vice president.

Shotgun Blast Kills Unborn Child

Toledo, Ohio — Mrs. Arletta Brahler, 26, who police said killed her unborn child by shooting herself in the stomach with a 16-gauge shotgun, was in "critical condition" at the Flower hospital early today.

Her husband, Maurice Brahler, told authorities his wife had been pregnant for about eight and a half months.

Mrs. Brahler was found bleeding just inside the door of her house by a neighbor.

Brahler, a factory worker, said his wife suffered from a heart ailment. The sheriff's office said she may have shot herself because she was ill. Authorities still have not been able to talk to her, however.

TRANSIT REVENUE DOWN
New York — Passenger revenue on New York City's subways dropped \$4,304,543 in a nine-month period ending March 31, the Transit Authority announced today. The drop was blamed primarily on the recession.

NEW SOVIET TRADE PACT
Moscow — A new Soviet-Iranian commercial agreement "will greatly increase the volume of trade between the two countries," the Tass News Agency reported today. Representatives of the two nations signed the pact in Tehran, capital of Iran, Tuesday.

WEEK END IN THE SUN
Panama City, Fla. — A group of 80 physically handicapped children will get a week end in the Florida sun, starting Thursday. The group, from a crippled children's clinic in Birmingham, Ala., will be the non-paying guests of a local beachside hotel.

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Benny, Dinah Shore Honored as Leading TV Entertainers

Hollywood — Comedian Jack Benny and Singer Dinah Shore were honored as television's top male and female entertainers Tuesday night at the nationally televised 10th annual Emmy awards.

An estimated 70 million viewers watched the presentation of Emmys to "Gunsmoke" as the best dramatic series; "Playhouse 90" for its single performance of "The Comedian," and "The Phil Silvers Show" as the best comedy series.

Columbia Broadcasting System won the network race for the most awards presented by the Academy of Television Arts and Sciences, taking 15 compared to 12 won by the National Broadcasting Company.

ABC Takes One
American Broadcasting Company, creators of "Maverick" took one of the 28 Emmys presented.

Television veterans Robert Young and Jane Wyatt, co-stars of "Father Knows Best," were chosen as the best actor and actress in a leading role in a dramatic or comedy series.

Bearded Peter Ustinov was honored as the best actor in a single role for "The Life of Samuel Johnson," on "Omniibus."

The Emmy for the best actress in a single performance went to Polly Bergen for the title role in "Playhouse 90" production of "The Helen Morgan Story."

Rod Sterling repeated as the best writer of a one hour show with "The Comedian."

Technical Awards
Five technical awards were presented for: best art direction, Rouben Ter-Arutunian, "Twelfth Night," Hallmark Hall of Fame; best cinematography for television, Harold E. Wellman, "Hemo the Magnificent," a Bell Telephone science series; best live camera work, CBS, for the entire "Playhouse 90" series; best film editing for TV, Mike Pozen, "How to Kill a Woman," a "Gunsmoke" program; and best engineering or technical achievement, "Wide World."

The Feb. 3, 1957, coverage of the Riker's Island, N. Y., plane crash won CBS an award for "the best coverage of an unscheduled newsworthy event."

Five Persons Killed In Head-on Crash

San Bernardino, Calif. — Five persons, including three women, were killed on Monday in a head-on auto collision on U. S. Highway 66 six miles north of Oro Grande.

California Highway Patrol officers said the two cars were traveling at a "tremendous" speed when they smashed together.

Jesse W. Sanders, Minneapolis, was the only survivor of the grinding crash. He was reported in serious condition at St. Mary's hospital at Apple Valley.

The dead were identified as Frank J. Kotnour, 70, Huntington Park, Calif., his wife, Ida, and Sanders' wife, Ella, 63, all in a car driven by Kotnour.

Killed in the other car were Henry Charles Lepp, 55, Milwaukee, driver of the other car, and his wife, Esther, 52.

Grange Notes

Upper Applegate Grange
Members of the Jackson county court will be in the Upper Applegate area Wednesday, April 16, to inspect sites suitable for recreation areas, it was announced by Worthy Master Menno Bachmann at the regular meeting of Upper Applegate Grange April 11.

Upper Applegate Grangers have considered making their major public service project for the 1958 national contest the development of such a recreation area in conjunction with the county, providing suitable arrangements can be made. A special Community Service Project committee will be named from the Grange membership at the next meeting Bachmann stated.

Report of the Relief Committee indicated Val and Helen Haskins are ill with colds at their home in Jacksonville. Ella Dorn is also ill and candidate-elect Hester Knutzen is convalescing in Sacred Heart hospital following major surgery.

Agriculture Chairman George Redhead reported decreases in the price paid to producers for both grade A and factory milk following USDA reduction in dairy price supports. He also stated that the milk ring test for bangs disease in dairy herds, which has replaced blood testing, leaves veterinarians with more free time to test beef herds and carry on the program of calf vaccination.

A quotation from Don Berry, published on the farm page of the Mail Tribune, advising that a proper site for a vegetable garden should have good drainage and be free from rocks brought a big laugh from the listeners, since few if any possible garden sites in all the Upper Applegate region have less than bushels of rocks to the acre in all sizes from pebbles to boulders.

Home Economics chairman Edna Sawyer read her quarterly report to Pomona and State Grange showing of seven new HEC members and three new Grange members received during the quarter, with eight entries in the National Grange sewing contest and two in the state contest to date. Mrs. Sawyer presented the National Grange Certificate of Merit awarded to her for HEC accomplishments during 1957 to Bachmann, suitably framed for display in the Grange hall, and dedicated it to the members of the 1957 Home Economics club.

The regular HEC meeting has been postponed from April 14 to April 21, and is to be held in the Grange hall. The quarterly report of the Secretary to Pomona and State Grange was read and accepted showing a present total membership of 78.

The House Committee chairman, James Wittingham, reported that the well had been thoroughly cleaned, flushed out and re-sealed. A note of thanks was authorized to be sent to Hunter and Best for the loan of equipment used in the well cleaning operation. Purchase of necessary materials was also authorized to complete additional shelves for the Grange hall storeroom.

Balloting for State Grange officers was completed and permission was granted the Ruch Parent-Teacher association to use the Grange hall on Saturday evening, April 26,

Mario Lanza's Cancellation Boomed

Hamburg, Germany — A crowd of 400 disgruntled music fans marched on Mario Lanza's hotel Tuesday night and booted the singer's cancellation of a scheduled performance.

Lanza's manager, John Coast, said doctors advised him not to sing because of a severe cold.

The cancellation was not announced until the Hamburg City Music Hall was filled to capacity.

If all the land underlain with coal in the U.S. could be placed side by side, it would cover an area larger than Great Britain, Erie and France combined.

for their benefit Talent Show, an annual community event.

Announcement was also made of the style revue and exhibit scheduled jointly by the Upper Applegate and Applegate Home Extension units for Saturday evening, April 19, at 8 p.m. in the Grange hall. The public is invited and there will be a program and refreshments, it was stated, in addition to a variety of exhibits and the fashion show, in which all those who participated in the recent Cotton Dress workshop will model their dresses.

A brief report of the surprise visitation to Live Oak Grange on Thursday evening, April 10, was given. Eight members were in attendance from Upper Applegate Grange including Master Bachmann, Maude Bachmann, Irene Culy, Vera Culy, Anna Scott, Pearl Whitney, Ella Russell and Omar Culy.

Lecturer Anna Scott gave a resume of the lecturers' school held at Southern Oregon college March 31-April 1, which she attended. Following her report, she conducted a quiz on Grange ritual.

Refreshments of coffee and cake with hot custard sauce were served by a committee consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Finley and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Buck and Edward Finley who were assisted by Kathleen Scovell.

No further meetings of Upper Applegate Grange will be held in April due to the fact that Jackson County Pomona Grange is scheduled to hold an all-day session in the Upper Applegate Grange hall Saturday, April 26. The annual Grange memorial service honoring deceased members will be a feature of this meeting.

Grace N. Pearson, Publicity Chairman.

Television's Emmy Show Uninspired Production; Chance for Honor Flubbed

By WILLIAM EWALD
United Press Correspondent
New York — Television flubbed its chance Tuesday night to come up with a show that would do honor to itself.

I'm sure that many of those associated with the 10th annual "Emmy" award show — seen on NBC-TV — will be laying the blame on Milton Berle today for his outrageous hogging of the camera. Berle spur out an extended monologue (to give him his due, it was quite funny) that forced everyone else to cut short their routines and seemed to throw the show into a kind of panic.

But it seemed to me the show's troubles were more basic. To put it simply, it was an uninspired production.

Like the Hollywood "Oscar" show a few weeks back, the Emmy awards were presented against a bare backdrop while confusion ran rampant on the teleprompter and on camera. There seemed to be an excessive amount of audio bugs, the camera shots often ran behind the announcing, and there was a frantic air of "how the heck am I going to get down the aisle" about it all.

Any Fresh Ideas?
It seems puzzling that an industry equipped with the sort of production brains capable of turning out the Dinah Shore, Perry Como and Steve Allen shows is unable to handle a simple award dinner with dignity, distinction and fresh ideas.

Only the most groping of efforts was made to add production values to the show. That wonderful motley military miscellany — the Phil Silvers platoon — was paraded onstage to the tune of the "March from the River Kwai." Once, a four-way screen was tried — unsuccessfully — while Jill Corey, Shirley MacLaine, James Garner and Louis Nye tackled a parody of "Love and Marriage."

I would say the show only registered on one count — it had a kind of homey air about it, an off-the-cuff informality that was pleasing at times. But its informality teetered too often on the edge of chaos.

It boils down to this: TV simply will have to make up its mind about the Emmys and set itself for an overhaul of both the awards and the award show.

For one thing, the categories are unwieldy. A category like "best continuing performance (female) in a series by a comedienne, singer, hostess, dancer, MC, announcer, narrator, panelist, or any person who essentially plays herself" is a patent absurdity. The category should be sliced to about half their number or better still, done away with entirely and awards just presented to those shows or performers who merit them.

There is something very wrong with a system that decides "The Comedian" on "Playhouse 90" is the best single show of the year, that bestows an award on "Omniibus" and is forced to slough off "See It Now," that gives a statue to "Schultz" of "The Bob Cummings Show" and forgets "The Edsel Show," "The Miracle Worker," Jack Parr, Sid Caesar and "Hallmark Hall of Fame."

And secondly, TV should organize its awards as a show free of commercials, not as a kind of subway competition for seats, a cheap scramble that looks more like a kiss-off than what it should be: A tasteful, imaginative extravaganza that the TV industry can point to with pride.

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