

# Potpourri

This is the best season of all in the Rogue valley. This is the time we long for in January and February, when the days are cold and dark and there is scarcely a hint of spring in the garden and on the hills. This is the time when the days are sunny and warm, but not too hot, when the grass is green and the flowers bright; this is the time when we waken to the song of the birds and the busy hum of the spray machine in the orchard across the road. This is the time when it is fun to get up at 5:30 in the morning, when the lengthening days are still far too short to accomplish all the multiple tasks in house and garden. This is the beginning of picnic time and meals eaten outdoors where the eyes can enjoy the tracing of green leaves against a blue sky or linger on the far hills instead of the same four walls. This is the time when it is sheer, unadulterated joy to be alive, and outdoors and busy.

May is also a time of decision. Not world-shaking decisions, of course, but decisions important to the homemaker and gardener. Today, for instance, shall we wash windows and take the cobwebs off the walls, or shall we pull weeds and clip grass and plant petunias? In the spring battle of house versus garden, the latter usually wins. We argue to ourselves that more of our friends and neighbors see the garden, than see the indoors of the house, and besides, we can wash the windows—inside, anyhow, on a rainy day when it would be impossible to garden.

And there's the problem of what to plant in the big clay pots that hang on the little rock wall near the outdoor fireplace. Last year it was trailing blue lobelia and pink petunias—or was that the year before? Shall it be pink ivy geranium and white petunias? This much is certain, whatever the color combination, Potpourri and pappy will enjoy them as we sit at the picnic table or rest in one of the patio chairs.

Wednesday we bought three pairs of garden gloves—one leather, one plastic and one cotton. Pappy keeps telling us, and we keep telling pappy, that a careful gardener wears gloves. But somehow, the gloves are never where we thought we left them, or if they are handy when we start out for the day's chores, before long we decide to pull small weeds, or transplant tiny plants and the gloves are tossed aside—bare fingers are better than gloved fingers for these tasks. An hour later, the gloves are still on the ground, or on the branch of a tree or hung in the convenient croch of a tree. Wednesday's purchase was prompted by the bandage, still necessary after a week of nursing a cut on the back of the right hand, inflicted by gardening which was more enthusiastic than cautious, and which might have been less serious for a gloved hand.

"We did real well on our skull practice," reported one civil defense official after yesterday's simulated alert. "The worst incident we had to cope with was a power failure in the gymnasium. The girls hooked up too many electric coffee pots and blew the fuses."—O.S.

## Church To Hold Annual Banquet Monday Evening

The annual Mother-Daughter banquet sponsored by First Baptist church will be held Monday, May 12, at 7 p.m., at the church. All women of the church and interested friends are invited.

A welcome to the mothers will be given by Miss Mary de Place. Special music will include a vocal solo by Mrs. Claude Lewis, cello solo by Miss Julia Gandt, and a vocal duet by Lorraine and Pamela Hampton. Mrs. Keith Hooker-Smith will give a reading on "What is a Girl?" and the devotional will be presented by Miss Joyce Colvin.

Arrangements for the banquet have been made by the Women's Fellowship, of which Mrs. Don Miner is president. Mrs. Larry Adams is program chairman. Members of the Men's Fellowship will serve the meal. Those wishing to attend the banquet are asked to call their reservation to Mrs. Don Lindstrom, SPring 3-1298, or Mrs. John Clark, SPring 2-8377, by Friday, May 9, if possible.

**Vegetable Variation**  
New York—Next time snap beans are on the menu, try tossing them with melted butter or margarine and sliced toasted almonds. Add a pinch of nutmeg, salt and ground black pepper. Toss lightly.

## VFW, Auxiliary To Hold Dinner

Shady Cove—Steelhead post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and auxiliary will hold a potluck dinner Saturday, May 10, at 7 p.m. at the Post home in Shady Cove. Following dinner films from the VFW national home at Eaton Rapids, Mich., will be shown. The public is invited to attend.

Plans for the dinner were made at the last post and auxiliary session, held May 2. Mrs. H. R. Prentice, Medford, was initiated.

A letter and Mothers' day card was received from the adopted veteran of the auxiliary who is now at the VA hospital in Vancouver, Wash. Visitors to the Camp White domiciliary May 2nd were Mrs. Harry Birch and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cassal. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Norman Bandy and Mrs. Dave Bergren.

## Election of Officers To Be Held By Class

Election of officers will be held at a meeting of Shipmates class, First Methodist church, set for Friday at 8:30 o'clock at the church. A potluck dinner will be followed by the business meeting and program.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Brood have planned a "get acquainted" program, and devotions will close the evening. Members and their friends are cordially invited to attend.

## Lodges Plan Observance

Redmen and Pochahontas of Medford are celebrating St. Tammany day Friday, May 9, with a meeting at Redman hall at 6:30 p.m. A potluck dinner will be followed by a business meeting and dance for members of the two lodges and their friends.

Alexander's string orchestra will play for the dance, set for 8 p.m.

Mrs. Ben Ashton, Pochahontas of Weatona council, Degree of Pochahontas, states that May has been designated as "Reinstatement Month" for both the Improved Order of Red Men and Degree of Pochahontas. Former members from other towns or states, or present members who hold their Pochahontas membership elsewhere, are invited to contact Mrs. Ashton, 624 Benson street, telephone SPRING 2-2598, or Mrs. Lola Grigsby, 37 Rose avenue, SPRING 3-1688.

The Improved Order of Red Men is the oldest patriotic fraternity of purely American origin. It traces its beginning back to pre-Revolutionary days when patriotic groups were formed to promote liberty and to establish freedom for the colonies. The name is derived from the patriots, who, to hide their identity from the British, disguised themselves as "red men" and as such staged the "Boston Tea Party."

Today, the order and its auxiliary, the Degree of Pochahontas, uphold its early traditions by living up to its motto of freedom, friendship and charity. It takes an active part in national civil defense, Crusade for Freedom, Radio Free Europe, American Conference to Combat Communism, boys' and girls' clubs, Scouts and many other local activities.

Both branches have their youth groups, "Degree of Hiawatha" for the young men and "Degree of Anona" for the girls. Picturesque ceremonies of the fraternity are founded upon the manners, customs and traditions of the aboriginals of the American continent.

## Noted Callers To Visit Valley

Two nationally-known square dance callers will call at special dances at the Square Corral at Camp White. Both dances will be sponsored by the Rogue Valley Square Dance Callers association.

Frank (Frankie) Lane, Kansas City, Mo., will call at the Square Corral Thursday, May 22. The dance will start at 8 p.m.

Last year, Mr. Lane travelled about 60,000 miles in the United States and Canada calling at dances. He has been calling since 1948, and records for Black Mountain Record company.

While on the tour, he also will call at Paradise, Calif., and Klamath Falls.

Bruce Johnson of Santa Barbara, Calif., will call at the Square Corral July 26, and the RVSDCA is making arrangements to have a well-known caller at one of two dances at the Josephine County fair in Grants Pass in August.

Thursday: 8 p.m.—Jackson County Medical Assistants, Top Flight room, Rogue Valley Country Club. 8 p.m.—Alpha Rho chapter, Beta Sigma Phi, home of Mrs. Scott Davis, 1914 East Main st. 8 p.m.—Reames chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, Medford Masonic temple. Friday: 10 a.m.—Golden Age club, Red Cross building.

## Church Council Honors Women at Annual Event

About 260 church women, ministers and their wives attended the annual May Fellowship luncheon of Medford Council of Church Women, held May 2 in First Presbyterian church. Mrs. Glenn Harrison was chairman of luncheon arrangements.

Mrs. Everett Faber, Central Point, council president, presided and the Rev. William Saladin, Phoenix, gave devotions.

The several church groups present were asked to stand for count and an outstanding woman in each church was asked to remain standing for special recognition. Mrs. E. Ronald Rice gave the qualifications of each woman chosen and these included: Mrs. E. C. Faber, Central Point Presbyterian church; Mrs. G. Q. D'Albini, Eastwood Baptist church; Mrs. C. C. Drummond, First Christian; Mrs. Carl Borg, Zion Lutheran; Mrs. J. W. Watkins, Phoenix Presbyterian; Mrs. Jessie Minnear, First Methodist; Mrs. Leon Yandell, Ascension Lutheran; Mrs. Maude Duffy, First Presbyterian; Mrs. Matie House, First Church of the Nazarene; Mrs. Stella Beach, Presbyterian church, Jacksonville.

St. Mark's Episcopal women asked Mrs. Arthur G. McMillin to represent their many older women whom they stated "we love dearly." Mrs. Harlan P. Bosworth Jr. and Mrs. J. C. Sparks were presented as past presidents of the Medford Council and Gold Hill Methodist church women attending were also presented.

Table decorations had been arranged by Mrs. Chester Wendt and her committee and were in the form of May baskets filled with colorful spring blossoms. This committee had also placed tall arrangements of pink and white dogwood blossoms in the sanctuary for the afternoon program.

Mrs. S. D. Earhart, chairman of the day's activities, presided for the afternoon program, held in the church sanctuary. The Rev. Clynton Crisman gave the opening prayer and Mrs. Earhart welcomed those attending and told of the purpose of the United Church Women. The Rev. Melvin Dixon gave the afternoon's devotion.

The Rev. W. Lee Mansveld sang. The Rev. Mr. Mansveld and his family, who serve the Nazarene church, will leave for the Astoria church soon. Miss Melody Pierce was accompanist.

Miss Verna Cingcade told of her work in the schools as Bible teacher for the Christian education program. The work has increased to such proportions as to require an assistant to Miss Cingcade. Funds realized from ticket sales for the luncheon and the offering on May Fellowship Day go principally to assist in salaries of these teachers.

Mrs. D. K. West, speaking on "Our Needs" stressed the importance of giving every assistance possible to the Christian education work and to appreciate this power for good in the community. The Medford High school

## To Give Recital

Elementary and advanced piano students of Mrs. Peggy Apollo will present a spring recital tonight at 7:30 o'clock at First Southern Baptist church, formerly Temple Baptist church, 794 Lozier lane. The public is invited to attend.

## Catholic Pupils To Give Concert

The Chorales of St. Mary's school will open a concert set for tonight at the school, the second to be given this week. The group will be accompanied by Mary Robinson.

Anne Manno will play a piano number, and Ronald Schaefer will sing, accompanied by Richard Cooper. Jeanette Rich will also play a piano number and Judith Singler will be heard in a voice selection, with Diane Franklin as accompanist. Other piano solos will be played by Leah Weaver, Mary Robinson and Mollie Reavis.

The Boys' Glee club will sing, with Donald Macpherson as soloist and Antonia Adams as accompanist. Miss Adams will also play an organ number. Diane Franklin and Marilyn Shepard will play an organ and piano number, and Carol Robinson will play the first movement of Mendelssohn's "Concerto in G Minor" for piano. Richard Cooper will present a voice solo, with Carol Robinson as accompanist.

The Marian choir will close the program with a group of three numbers. Richard Cooper, student director, will direct the Marian choir.

Mrs. Lois Windsor, Ashland, will be one of the soloists for the annual spring concert of Southern Oregon Women's Choral club to be held Sunday, May 11, at 3 p.m. in the auditorium of Churchill college. Mrs. Windsor and Mrs. Lois Reed, Medford, will be soloists for a presentation of "The Blessed Damozel" by Debussy. Other soloists will be Harlae Wilson, Ashland, violinist, and James Baker, Medford, tenor. Miss Helene Robinson of the Southern Oregon college faculty is the chorus director and Miss Margaret Ramsay, Ashland piano teacher, is accompanist for the chorus.

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## Insurance Women Hold Observance Of National Day

National Insurance Women's day is Saturday, May 10th. Recently Governor Robert D. Holmes proclaimed that that day would be designated as National Insurance Women's Day in Oregon also.

In observance of the day, Insurance Women of Jackson County held a buffet dinner Monday evening, May 5, at Girls Community club. Twenty-five persons attended including guests from Insurance Women of Klamath Falls and Rogue Valley Women's association. The guests were Mrs. Shirley Smith, Mrs. Inez Stewart, Mrs. Dena D. Barkis, Miss Mary Blanchard, Mrs. Frances Keigil and Mrs. Jack Bedord, Klamath Falls, and Mrs. Leah Knutsen and Mrs. Margaret Allen of Grants Pass.

Following the dinner games were played with prizes going to Miss Ruth Zacher, Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Knutsen.

Chairwoman for the dinner was Mrs. Marie Louise Nordwick. She was assisted by Mrs. Celia Martin, Mrs. Susan Welch, Miss Jacqueline Walker and Miss Florence Robinson.

Tuesday, May 6, a luncheon business meeting of the group was held at the Jackson hotel. The business meeting was conducted by the president, Mrs. Carolyn Bagley.

numbers and Carol Robinson will be accompanied. Relatives and friends of the performers are invited to attend.

## Butte Falls Circle To Meet on Friday

Butte Falls—Village Light circle of Butte Falls Community Bible church will meet at the church Friday, May 9, from 10:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. One quilt will be tied and another quilted by the groups.

Mending will be available for those who prefer that type of work. A planned luncheon will be served at noon. All women new to the area are invited to attend and get acquainted.

A short devotional period will be held in the afternoon.

## Mrs. Ruth Hunter Hostess for Club

Mrs. Ruth Hunter entertained the Friday Sunshine club at her home on New Ray road recently. The noon desert luncheon was served from a table centered with an arrangement of spring flowers. A guest was Mrs. Frank J. Cook.

An afternoon of card games followed. Mrs. William Sweet will be hostess to the club on May 23 at her home, 2045 South Stage road.

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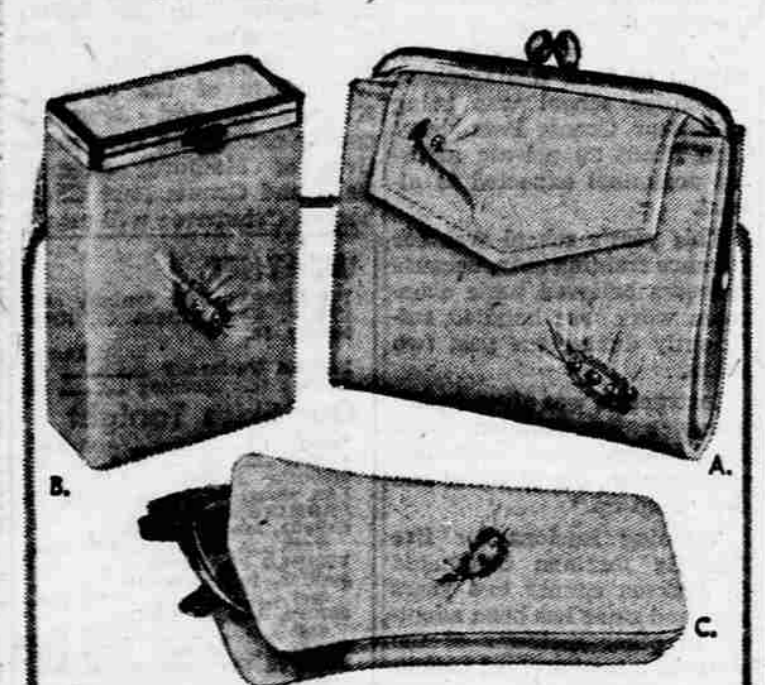
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Ronald Lapp, freshman from Grants Pass, makes his first appearance with the SOG Players in the role of Finnegan, a whimsical song and dance man, in "The Loud Red Patrick," to be presented May 8, 9 and 10 in Churchill auditorium. Finnegan, a life-long friend of Patrick Flannigan, "the loud red Patrick," moves in with the Flannigan family after he has marital difficulties with a shrewish wife. The production is directed by Dorothy Stolp of the college drama department.

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