

### Civic Music Board Signs Noted American Soprano

Blanche Thebom, noted American mezzo-soprano, will appear on the 1958-59 concert series of Jackson County Civic Music association series it was announced today by Seth Bullis, association chairman. Miss Thebom is considered one of the world's most gifted and interesting singers.

Last season was a brilliant one for Miss Thebom. She sang in England in Covent Garden's widely-trailed production of "The Trojans" by Berlioz, and was the only American artist asked to sing before Queen Elizabeth II during the queen's recent tour of the United States.

Miss Thebom is the first American woman soloist to visit the Soviet Union in this generation, and won unprecedented ovations at Moscow's Bolshoi theater, and the opera houses of Leningrad and Kiev.

The Russian tour was the climax of a year in which she also toured South and Central America and Iceland for the United States State Department. She appeared with the Stockholm Royal Opera and participated in the American premiere of Poulenc's "Dialogues of the Carmelites" with the San Francisco opera.

Miss Thebom will sing in Medford in mid-February, the exact date depending upon other appearances for which she is booked on the west coast. Other artists for the series will be selected after the close of the annual membership campaign in early October.

Mr. Bullis pointed out that last year's association members received renewal notices this week, and that the annual campaign will open October 6.

### New UN Representative Champions 'Older' Women

By MARY PRIME  
United Press International  
New York — (UP) — Women over 40 need a champion, says Sweden's new representative to the United Nations. They have that champion in Mrs. Agda Rosell, the only permanent woman representative to the U.N. Security Council.

"I'm tired of hearing women over 40 called 'old' when they want to re-enter the business world. They still are young, physically fit, and able to work," said Mrs. Rosell, who took over her post recently after a seven-year career as a delegate to the U.N. General Assembly and various commissions.

A cool, no-nonsense blonde with green eyes, a trim figure, and the zeal of a suffragette, Mrs. Rosell lives in Larchmont, N.Y., with her daughter, 13 and son, 15.

**Woman's Decision**  
She was graduated from the Swedish Institute for Social Science and Social Work in Stockholm, then became a civil servant in the Swedish Labor Department in 1943. She also was chairman of the International Relief Activities from 1948 to 1951 and was acting president of the International Federation of Business and Professional Women's clubs.

"A woman should have a chance for vocational and professional training, then decide whether to work through the family-raising period or wait until the children are grown. Education is wasted if she can't come back to a job," Mrs. Rosell said in an interview.

"We can't just speak about equal pay and jobs for women—we must work for our own acceptance," she added. "How can we expect men to work for us if it's to their disadvantage? Men talk about privilege, but privilege is a poor substitute for equality—the opportunity to develop our special skills and talents."

**Greater Participation**  
She recommended electing women to trade union offices, putting women on collective bargaining boards, and making us board directors of corporations.

She also called for women to plan and regulate park systems, medical centers, and transportation systems.

"Women are close to home, children, and community functions, so who knows better than the women who live there what improvements a town needs. We need to start political training on a local level, then progress to the national government," she said.

Besides her regular U.N. duties Mrs. Rosell devotes time to lecturing and writing about women's rights, the refugee program, and (UNICEF) United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund. She also reads, goes to the theater and ballet, and spends as much time as possible with her children.

"It's always difficult to juggle a career and family, but all human relationships are a question of quality, not the number of hours spent together," she said.

### Methodists Plan Annual Seminar

Methodist women of the Rogue sub-district will hold the annual seminar in First Methodist church, Ashland, Monday, September 22. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m.

Mrs. G. W. Turner, sub-district president, will open the meeting with the call to worship at 10 a.m. The whole theme is "The Whole Wide World for Jesus."

Officers presenting studies will be Mrs. G. Blinkhorn, Mrs. John Poage, secretary of spiritual life; Mrs. Eldon Lee, secretary of Christian social relations; Mrs. John Western, missionary of education and service and Mrs. Maurice Romig, secretary of supply work.

Mrs. Orville Merritt will present the goals for 1958-59. Fireside circle of the Ashland church will serve luncheon and a nursery will be in operation.

Women's society members from Methodist churches in Ashland, Cave Junction, Gold Hill, Grants Pass, Medford, Talent and Wilderville will attend.

Mrs. K. E. Montgomery, district vice-president, will pronounce the benediction and adjournment is set for 2:30 p.m.

### Music Teachers To Hold Meeting

First meeting of Rogue Valley chapter of the Oregon Music Teachers' association will be held at the home of Mrs. Edia Peterson, Crown road, in Ashland Monday, September 22, at 7:30 p.m.

Members are asked to bring any qualified teacher who wishes to join. Both vocal and instrumental teachers are invited.

Anyone who wishes to attend the meeting, or who wishes further information, may call Mrs. Peterson, MURdock 9-3156 in Ashland, or Mrs. Dorell Huson or Mrs. Harold Head, Medford.

### Woman Author Gives Job Advice

United Press International  
New York — (UP) — Be realistic in your approach to a job says a woman author of a new book on careers in fashion.

Says Eleanor L. Fried: "A glamorous job is one that you don't know much about. Absolutely no one ever describes his own job in such terms."

Miss Fried's book, "Is the Fashion Business Your Business?" (Fairchild), takes a realistic look at the industry which like steel rates among the "Big Ten."

"Prospects for the apparel industry are bright," says the author who since 1947 has been placement director for the Fashion Institute of Technology, New York. She pointed out that by 1965, the nation's population will be approximately 190 million; that the teen-age population will have increased by 50 per cent in a 10 year period.

"What a set of opportunities for the apparel manufacturers and the apparel merchandisers," she observes.

Her book analyzes the job qualifications, salaries and potentials in designing, merchandising, promotion, publishing, and the production and management phase of the industry.

### 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 3 p.m. the day before publication.

**Thursday:**  
6:30 p.m.—Roxy Ann court, Order of Amaranth, Medford Masonic temple.  
7:30 p.m.—Royal Neighbors of America, Pythian building.  
8 p.m.—Medford Welcome Wagon club, Girls' Community club.  
7:30 p.m.—Lively Rogue's Dinner club, Rogue Valley Country club.  
8 p.m.—Adare chapter, Jacksonville Masonic temple.  
**Friday:**  
11 a.m.—Fifty Plus club, Pythian hall.  
1 p.m.—Gettogether club, Girls community club.  
1 p.m.—Phoenix Home Extension unit, Fireside room, Phoenix Presbyterian church.

## Potpourri

Shirley Duncan, a breezy auburn-haired young woman from Australia who "doesn't live anywhere anymore" comes up with some mighty crisp comments on the United States. Tipped off to Miss Duncan's presence in the city by a telephone call from Mrs. A. S. V. Carpenter, Potpourri spent a lively half hour with Miss D at the Medford hotel.

Miss Duncan, who lectures for the National School assemblies and for Knife and Fork clubs in the United States, loves America and Americans but says "if I told you what I really think of your schools you wouldn't print it," and believes our children and young people are unmanly and undisciplined, particularly in the south.

The visitor, who spoke in the Ashland High school and was headed for Yreka, did add that she liked Oregon very much—better than California, and after three years of living and traveling in the United States is reluctant to think about going back to Australia. "Americans who haven't traveled can't realize how much higher their standard of living is than the rest of the world," she said. "All your ice boxes and washing machines and other electric gadgets—they're wonderful. And central heating! It's like magic! You can't imagine what it's like to live in big houses with nothing but fireplaces to heat them in cold weather." She shuddered at the remembrance.

When Potpourri reminded her that we are criticized in this country for being too interested in material comforts, she said vigorously, "Oh, that! They're just jealous and envious. Practically everyone would prefer to live in comfort."

Miss Duncan, who toured Australia by bicycle with a girl friend and then wrote a book "Two Wheels to Adventure" which was published by an English firm, has been twice around the world and wants to travel next in China. "I can go," she reminded Potpourri. "Remember, other nations don't bar their citizens from traveling in China."

The young woman visited the Brussel's Fair last summer, and on that subject had some ready comments. "The U. S. building is the most beautiful of all," she said. "But there's nothing in it of much value." She said almost everyone from other nations criticized the U. S. for making its exhibit so frivolous, and said the constant showing of fashions caused much adverse comment.

One exhibit she is enthusiastic about, though, and that's Walt Disney's film called "Circarama." Miss Duncan declared it to be marvellous and said that those who view it, standing in the middle of the room, are given the impression of viewing an American countryside from a moving vehicle. When Potpourri expressed surprise and said she was the first one to mention the Disney feature, Miss Duncan replied, "Oh, that's understandable. Americans don't see it. You have to queue up for it, and Americans won't do that. They're in too much of a hurry. The show is very popular and there is always a long line of people waiting to see it."

When Miss Duncan wondered why this nation hadn't emphasized electronic marvels and big machines, as have the Russians in their exhibit, we repeated for her the material in an article which quoted a man who had helped to plan the exhibit. This man declared that since this nation is already known around the world for its technical "know how" and since the commission had been informed that the exhibits were to be keyed to the life of the common people of each nation, it had been decided to stress typical American clothing, art, music and something of the daily life of the country rather than machines, rockets and launching devices, etc. Miss Duncan shook her head and still insisted that this country had failed to convey a true impression of the land in the fair exhibit.

A new sign has appeared on the highway Potpourri travels back and forth to town every day. It reads "Speed checked by radar." Which reminds us that during our vacation in August while listening to a Tacoma radio station, we discovered that every morning the station broadcasts, as a public service, the names of the streets on which the radar equipment will be operating that day.

An amused housewife called in a couple of days to report a conversation with the congenial young man who picks up the garbage—a young man whose accent betrays that he is from the deep south. Finding the high school age son of the family at home, the southerner politely inquired why, and was told that school had been delayed a week. Whereupon he inquired, with a big smile, "You-all having integration trouble here too?"

The housewife didn't report her reply, but Potpourri for one is deeply thankful that the Medford High school's opening is delayed because new classrooms, badly needed, aren't yet ready for student use, and not because someone believes that those who have black or brown skins are in some way inferior to those whose skins happen to be white.—O.S.



NURSERY NOTE—Bright figures of Raggedy Ann and Raggedy Andy and others from Storybookland are wonderful companions for baby on this quilted comforter by Kozee Komfort in Cyrus Clark's Everglaze chintz. The colors are baby's, too—blue and pink.

### Most Women Prefer High Heeled Shoes

Lawrence, Mass. — (UP) — High-heeled shoes may hurt our feet, but women wouldn't be without 'em.

That's the report of a nationwide survey on women's heel preferences, made by the Lifetime Heel Co. It interviewed more than 3000 women in 50 cities.

About 75 per cent of the ladies questioned prefer high, thin heels. Only 14 per cent wear heels less than two inches high.

But vanity is expensive, the survey showed. All the women questioned had heels break at least once in the past year. More than 30 per cent had heels break at least six times. Cost of replacement ranged from 35 cents to more than \$1. The average cost was about 60 cents.

### LAUNDRY NEEDS LIGHT

East Lansing, Mich. — (UP) — Good lighting is essential in the laundry — and here are two tips from Michigan State university home management specialists on how to get it:

Proper reflectors on laundry lights may give as much as 35 per cent more light on work areas. Reflectors reduce glare and concentrate the light.

### FOR CLEANER RUGS

Chicago — (UP) — Cleaning experts say rugs last longer and look newer if the housewife keeps track of spots.

Wipe up the spot immediately, then tell a rug cleaner what caused it. If the rug is made of synthetic fibers, get professional help in cleaning.

Try peach puree as a topping for cakes and sundaes.

### Toastmistress Club Opens Year

Medford Toastmistress club began the fall season with a meeting at Girls Community club. Mrs. C. H. Redmond presided, Miss Anna Streed was toastmistress and Miss Irene Barclay was toastmistress.

Mrs. Ella Lynner, a new member, gave her autobiography. Mrs. Arnold Bohnert spoke on "Can You Read Between the Lines?" and Mrs. C. A. Thatcher spoke on "Space." Mrs. Berniece Kunzmann gave an educational talk.

The speech evaluator was Mrs. Thomas Ball; Mrs. Ness was program evaluator and lexicologist was Mrs. James Van der Steen.

Next meeting of the group will be Wednesday, September 24, at Girls Community club.

### Square Dancers Form New Club

A newly organized square dance club has selected the name Crossstriders and has announced a dance for Saturday, September 20, at 8:30 p.m. The party will be held in the hall on North Grape street above the Whitelaw Candy company, and callers will be J. D. Lubbers and William Harvey.

Refreshments will be provided.

### Couple Here

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Orr of Sebastopol, Calif., were overnight guests Tuesday of their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Bowers, 48 Rose avenue. Mr. Orr is a fruit and berry grower in Sebastopol, and the couple was returning home from a conference of apple growers in Hood River followed by two weeks spent touring in Washington and British Columbia.

### Good Breakfast, Pupil Behavior Linked Together

Chicago — (UP) — A survey by the principal of a Chicago elementary school links breakfast habits with pupil behavior both in and out of the classroom.

The survey was launched by Marie V. O'Brien upon suggestion of the Chicago Nutrition Association.

Dr. O'Brien said in the report that pupils who were frequent disciplinary problems often, according to her investigations, had not been eating breakfast.

The resultant survey—conducted in grades four to eight—showed: 21 of the children polled ate no breakfast, 41 per cent ate breakfasts classified "poor," only 13 per cent ate "good" breakfasts.

Breakfasts are termed "good" if they include any four of the following—fruit, cereal, or bread, eggs, milk, sausage or bacon, and butter. "Fair" breakfasts include two of these foods and milk, and "poor" morning meals are without milk, fruit or proteins.

Miss O'Brien said that in the majority of cases "poor" breakfasts were not related to an economic factor but rather to lack of diet knowledge of parents.

The principal has introduced a food study program for pupils and parents that has paid off.

The study has been added to the curriculum for all the school's 1,500 pupils. Parents have formed a PTA unit to participate and to enforce nutrition habits.

### FANCY PACKING

Furniture makers are enlarging on the cereal box cut-out system with an eye toward attracting the kiddies as boosters.

One firm which makes mattresses and sofa beds now ships them, via common carrier in individual "play house" cartons.

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### Dean Says More Women Should Enroll in Science

Corvallis—Twenty-five years of science work at Oregon State college that have produced nearly 3,500 graduates will be marked on campus this fall, but much bigger numbers—especially of women—and vastly newer developments are forecast for the coming 25 years by the OSC dean of science.

The past two years have opened tremendous new opportunities in science fields, Dean F. A. Gilfillan pointed out, and the demand for trained scientists is greatest in history. "No end" to the demand is in sight either.

Lack of women students in science fields disturbs the OSC leader, however. Last year, only about 200 women were listed among the 1,200 school of science undergraduates and only 21 among the 308 graduate students majoring in science.

"Women can do every bit as good a job in science fields as men and ought to be encouraged to study science," Gilfillan emphasized. "Thousands of capable young women are passing up promising careers and rewarding study because they feel science isn't for them—but it might be," he said.

### Second Largest

OSC's school of science was established in 1932-33 when the state system of higher education was formed, but science classes date back to 1868 when the college started.

Science is now the second largest school on campus, topped only by engineering.

School of science enrollment jumped 30 per cent last year. Major credit for the increase went to the Sputniks and the new national emphasis on science. New student admission totals to date for this fall indicate a similar increase, Gilfillan said.

He is encouraged also by the number of science students going on for advanced degrees that qualify them for highly specialized jobs.

A report from the OSC graduate school shows that 753 students have received master's degrees in science fields in the last 25 years and 225 have received doctor's degrees in science specialties.

The 25-year total for bachelor's degrees is 2,318. Science departments at OSC include bacteriology, botany, chemistry, entomology, general science, geology, mathematics, natural resources, physics, statistics, zoology, and science education.

Big demand fields for science graduates at present are mathematics, physics, and chemistry.

Teaching programs in nuclear science and engineering will be expanded at OSC this year with purchase of a new \$165,000 training nuclear reactor, first in Oregon. The OSC cyclotron, built entirely by staff members and students in the physics department, is

also a valuable teaching aid in nuclear physics and related fields.

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