

Advent is Opportunity To Prepare for Yuletide

By LOUIS CASSELS
United Press International
Churches took note Sunday of a fact that department stores have been proclaiming for several weeks.
Christmas is coming.
Sunday marked the beginning of the Advent season. The name comes from the Latin word "adventus" which means "coming." On the ancient liturgical calendar which divides the year into appropriate seasons of worship, Advent is a four-week period of preparation for the coming of Christ that is celebrated at Christmas.
Many Protestant churches which formerly paid scant heed to the liturgical calendar have in recent years joined the Catholics, Episcopalians and Lutherans in emphasizing the observance of Advent. The reason is obvious.

Advent offers the best opportunity the churches have to resist the commercialization of Christmas. Instead of waiting until the last minute, on Christmas Eve, to introduce the Christ child as a sort of afterthought of the holiday season, churches begin four weeks in advance to point up the religious origin of the joy and expectation expressed in Christmas customs.

This year, many of the major denominations are stressing that Advent can be observed at home as well as in church. Through their Sunday schools and church publications, they are suggesting specific ways in which individual families can keep the real meaning of Christmas from being lost in the hectic round of gift-buying, card-sending, cake-baking and tree-trimming that gets under way as soon as the Thanksgiving dishes are wiped.

One suggestion is to use Advent wreaths as a vehicle for simple family worship services. This is a very old custom which fell into neglect, and which is now being rediscovered. The only requirements are that it be homemade, and that it contain five candles. It may be used as a centerpiece for the dining table.

Each night during Advent, when the family sits down for dinner, a candlelighting ceremony is held. During the first week of Advent, one candle is lit and the rest remain dark. The second week, two candles are lit, and so on. The fifth candle, usually larger than the rest and in the center of the wreath, is lit on Christmas Eve.

The religious training imparted by the ceremony depends on what goes with the candlelighting. Reading from the Bible, formal or informal.

Librarians Plan For Program on

Christmas poetry will be read at a meeting of Jackson County Association of School Librarians to be held Tuesday, December 2, at Phoenix High school at 4 p.m.
Each person attending is asked to take a short selection of Christmas poetry.
Mrs. Mabel Sims will be hostess.

prayers, singing Christmas carols, asking one of the children to memorize and recite a Christmas poem—any or all of these may provide material for family devotions. The important thing is that the family pauses for a few moments to think together about what the coming of Christmas means.

Any family that gets stuck for appropriate Bible passages or prayers can get help from its pastor, or may buy a little book of family devotions from a religious bookstore. The American Bible society publishes a list of scriptural readings for the pre-Christmas season. This list is usually available through local churches.

FOE Auxiliary Slates Events

Several coming events were announced today by the auxiliary to Crater Lake aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles.

The auxiliary plans a public card party for Wednesday, December 3, at 1 p.m. in the Eagles hall, 217 West Main street. Dessert will be served.

Thursday, December 4, the auxiliary will hold a business meeting at 8 p.m. in the hall. Entertainment is planned before the meeting. Election of a conductor is planned.

Thursday the auxiliary will also hold a bazaar at the Eagles hall, 217 West Main street. Hours will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Gold Hill Lodge Schedules Voting

Gold Hill—Mrs. Paul Thompson, noble grand of Amethyst Rebekah lodge, today asked all members of the lodge to attend a meeting scheduled for Wednesday, December 3 at 8 p.m. in the Odd Fellow's hall.

Mrs. Thompson and Mrs. Daniel Stewart, chairman of a committee in charge of amendments to the lodge by-laws stated that this is an important meeting because the final reading of the proposed changes to the by-laws will be read during the business session followed by voting. Assisting Mrs. Stewart on the committee are Mrs. Melford Hood and Mrs. Ferd Jones.

Workshop Planned For Howard Unit

Members of Howard Home Extension unit are invited to attend a tin craft workshop at the home of Mrs. H. E. Friesen, 2120 Table Rock road, Tuesday, December 2 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. They are asked to take a sack lunch.

Mrs. N. F. Gier, workshop leader, states that members attending should take utility gloves, small tin snips, needle-nose pliers, ice pick or awl, a waste piece of soft board, tin cans and tin lids of various sizes, fine wire, yarn or string, gold gilt paint, and a ruler.

New Book Derides Wine Snobs

New York—(UPI)—"Wine snobs" and restaurateurs come in for a raking over the coals in "The Commonsense Book of Wine," written by Leon D. Adams and published today by (David McKay Co., Inc.).

Adams, a writer from Sausalito, Calif., for years was secretary of the Wine Institute in San Francisco. He teed off against American hotels and restaurants for what he alleged to be "extortion" in the prices they charge for wine with meals, "bungling" in letting vintages spoil in their storerooms, and clumsy, inefficient wine service.

He charged that eating establishments in New York and other cities mark up their prices as much as 800 per cent on cheap foreign wines and "hesitating to try extorting more than 400 per cent on the American vintages" with whose prices patrons are more familiar, often refuse to stock the native product.

The average "candle-lit New York restaurant" pays between 60 cents and \$1 for some of the cheaper French and Italian wines and "credulous customers are being charged from \$4 to \$5 for the very same bottles," Adams said.

The Californian described his book as "a new effort to unscramble the wine crazy-quilt—an attempt to simplify a subject still entangled by taboos, stilted notions of correctness, and a foggy maze of perplexing labels and general misinformation."

Adams claimed that "by and large, American wines are now better and more reliable than wines of the Old World." "Drink the wine—not the label," he said.

Gardeners Plan Christmas Party

Central Point—Central Point Garden club will hold a Christmas party Wednesday, December 3 at the home of Mrs. C. W. Anhorn on Freeman road.

The arrangement committee, Mrs. Lester Gordon, Mrs. R. D. Kay and Mrs. Arnold Bohnert, will give a demonstration on Christmas Decorations.

There will be an exchange of gifts of plants or garden material.
The meeting will open at 10 a.m., and a potluck luncheon will be served at 12:30 p.m. Members whose names begin with A to J are asked to take hot dishes, those with J are to take rolls and other members, salads.

Mushroom Club To Close Year

Southern Oregon Mushroom club will hold its last meeting of the year Wednesday, December 3rd, at 8 p.m., at the Red Cross building, 60 Hawthorne avenue.
Club members have been unusually busy in recent weeks. Fall mushroom hunting has been unusually good, and members gathered almost 40 different varieties which were made into an exhibit for the recent hobby show of the Medford Chin-Up club.

Women Fail to Conquer Ministry as a Profession

By GAY PAULEY
UPI Women's Editor
New York—(UPI)—Women have cracked the prejudice barriers in engineering, medicine and law. They have been accepted as plumbers, bus drivers and U. S. senators, bank presidents, brokers and paper hangers. But there is one major field they are not seem to conquer—the ministry.

In the course of 2,000 years, women have managed to chip away at some of the prejudices against them in the pulpit, but they still have a long way to go to be accepted as preachers to the degree they are encouraged to stand over hot stoves preparing church suppers.

The National Council of Churches reports in its 1958 yearbook that there are fewer than 7,000 women ministers in the United States, out of a total 168,419 clergymen. Of these, 5,791 women are ordained or licensed. Only 2,896 actually have pulpits—and these are mainly in small towns.

Several Circuit Riders
There are several women circuit riders. They travel from church to church. One drives a station wagon on her circuit. Another paddles a rowboat from island to island off the coast of Maine. Still another jogs through the northwoods of Michigan on her horseback.

But the closest a woman minister has come to official status in a big New York City church is to marry the pastor and serve as his assistant on a strictly non-preaching basis. She is Mrs. Donald Harrington, wife of the minister of the Community Church, in midtown Manhattan.

The Rev. Ellen B. Shaw, of Mazomanie, Wis., president of the American Association of Women Ministers, says there is a need for more ministers and that women can fill this need very well.

"So why should they not be used more than they are?" she asked. "Every person has their place to fill in life, whether male or female, and women can fill the ministry efficiently. Therefore, she should be used more than she is."

Prejudice Decreasing
She added that the prejudice against women ministers is decreasing, however, more in some parts of the country than in others.

"I think that perhaps in the field of counseling, women have an usual function," she told United Press International.

"It is an increasingly important part of the ministry. Perhaps it is because it is easier for people to tell their

problems to a woman than to a man."

Mrs. Shaw has been licensed to preach since 1939, but did not have a church of her own until 1942. She has been preaching every Sunday since that time, and her husband also is a preacher. They trade pulpits every Sunday.

Dinner Honors Newlywed Pair; Airman Arrives

Gold Hill—Mr. and Mrs. John R. Ritter entertained at a dinner party November 25 at their home here to honor their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Milton LeRoy (Lee) Sanderson, who had returned after a wedding trip to San Francisco, Calif.

Also honored was Miss Rose Drake, airman third class, who arrived in Gold Hill November 23 on leave from her duties with the woman's branch of the United States Air Force at Sheppard Field Air Force base in Texas. Mrs. Sanderson and Miss Drake were former classmates.

Other guests at the Ritter home later in the evening were Mr. Sanderson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Milton A. Sanderson, and daughters, Vickie and Miss Delores Sanderson of Sams Valley and the Sanderson's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pech of Medford.

Miss Drake, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Drake, Lazy Acres motel, Gold Hill, enlisted in the Air Force November 4, 1957, and is in the medical corp. She will be a houseguest in the home of her parents and brother, Michael Drake until December 6.

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 a.m. the day before publication.

Monday:
7:45 p.m.—Rogue Valley chapter, Oregon Music Teachers association, home of Mrs. D. F. Huson, 45 Lindley st.
8 p.m.—Olive Rebekah lodge, Odd Fellows hall.
8 p.m.—Rogue Valley Coin club, lunch room, First National bank.

8 p.m.—Veterans of Foreign Wars auxiliary, dance at Camp White.
Tuesday:
10:30 a.m.—Reese Creek Home Extension unit, home of Mrs. Ben Gardner, Crater Lake highway.
1 p.m.—Central Point Royal Neighbors, home of Mrs. E. Collins, 2665 Connell ave.

1 p.m.—Lady Elks, Medford Elks temple party lounge.
1 p.m.—Rogue Valley Navy Mothers, home of Mrs. Carl Ludwig, 511 Austin st.

Christmas Ball Date Announced

The annual Christmas ball given each year by Bethels 15 and 55, International Order of Job's Daughters in Medford, has been set for December 26 at Rogue Valley Country club.

Plans for the dance were made at the last meeting of Bethel 55, held November 25 at the Pythian building. Miss Karalee Selby, queen, conducted the meeting.

Visitors introduced were Mrs. William Sult, grand marshal, and L. H. Manning, grand inner guard for Oregon.

Miss DeAnn Coy became a member by transfer from Bethel 61, in Klamath Falls, and nine new members were initiated. They are the Misses Patti Selby, Pamela Trowbridge, Christine Bartels, Roberta Featherston, Catherine Brown, Linda Morlan, Bonnie Tully, Sharon Baker, and Beverly Bush.

Guardian Council of Bethel 55 will meet December 2nd, at the home of Mrs. Harold Gordon, guardian, 418 South Oakdale avenue.
At the close of the meeting, refreshments were served by Misses Jackie Mee, Teresa Six, Sharon Hamm, Barbara Mitchell and Faye Adams, assisted by their mothers.
Next meeting will be December 9, at which time election of officers will be held.

Grange News...

Booster night at the Roxy Ann Grange was held on Nov. 15.
Mrs. Bruce Moffatt, lecturer, was in charge of the program.

The program opened with officers seating drill followed by prayer and presentation of the flag.
The Lone Pine band played several numbers. Linda Thames, Paulette Kime and Rose Marin of Colleen Hope studio gave a dance. Ann Thames put on a Dutch dance. Skills were presented by Verda Quackenbush and Marguerite Shaw, and by Bruce Moffatt and Al Sims. Webb Hickle was introduced as sheriff of Spring st. Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Cameron were introduced as charter members of Roxy Ann Grange.

Grange members were reminded during the Nov. 21 meeting to bring their rummage to the Grange hall by Wednesday, Dec. 3. Verda Quackenbush, home economics chairman, reported the home-economics club met at the Grange hall with 22 members present. Mrs. J. G. Cameron was elected chairman. Mrs. David Winkelman, vice chairman and Mrs. Roy Van Ortwick, secretary-treasurer. Charles Whitcheer, agricultural chairman, reported the markets about the same, but twice as many sheep and hogs. Eggs will be cheaper

University Women's Co-op Housing Said 'Best Buy'

Eugene—Women's co-ops at the University of Oregon are the "best buy" on the campus, according to members of the three houses.

The girls who live in Highland, University, and Rebec, three women's co-ops, list financial savings, social life and a strong feeling of unity as their reasons for believing that co-op living is the best buy.

"Room and board is \$45 per month fall term and \$40 a month spring and winter terms" explained Miss Donna Horn, a senior from Springfield who's treasurer of the Co-Ed Housing Board and president of University House. This compares with living in the cheapest dorm on the campus which is \$76.50 a month.

The stronger feeling of unity which the girls claim results from living in a co-op makes for stronger loyalty, more cooperation, closer friends and harmony. "Living in the house is informal and personal, making the co-ops more than just a place to eat and sleep. It becomes a real home away from home," said Miss Annette Davenport of Sweet Home, membership chairman of the eight-student governing board for the three houses.

Add up fun, facts and figures, and it's easy to see why there were more applicants for membership than the three houses could possibly take care of this term. More than 22 girls were turned down, not because they were not qualified, but because housing space did not permit more membership. As it is, Highland has four over comfortable capacity and University is one over. This means that Co-Ed Housing, Inc., the three houses from a legally incorporated business activity, is seeking a fourth house. Two of the houses rent from the university and Rebec was donated to the co-op by the late George Rebec, former law school president.

Based on Need
Admittance is not limited by race, creed, or color. Admittance is based primarily on financial need and the girl's purpose in coming to college. Character, scholastic, and moral standing are also considered.

and all produce will be down in price, he said.
Mrs. Van Gordon reported the North Pacific Grange hall burned and was a total loss.

Robert Bruce died only a year after his formal recognition as King of Scots in 1328.

Last fall term the three co-ops were among the top 15 living organizations in grade point averages and Rebec had the third highest. The co-ops have their share of members in honoraries, sports events, and all campus fetes as well as student offices.

Each house has its own constitution, privileges, customs and social functions. Meetings are held each week and its a one vote policy. Co-Ed housing has an overall governing constitution and controls such activities as the all co-op dance.

The co-op board which meets bi-monthly consists of the eight student members, two alumni advisors, two faculty advisors and the dean of women, Mrs. Golda P. Wickham. In order to conduct business efficiently, the board hires a bookkeeper and a buyer who incidentally, not only purchase all the food used in the three houses, but also makes the menus and attends to repair.

The girls do much of the work themselves. Seniors average 3½ hours per week, from there each class adds another half hour. Duties from salad preparation to serving are outlined for the girls. Cooks are hired to handle the basic food preparation.

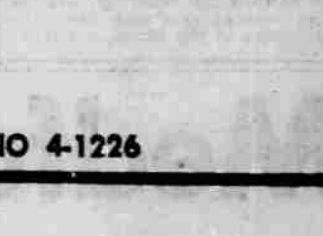
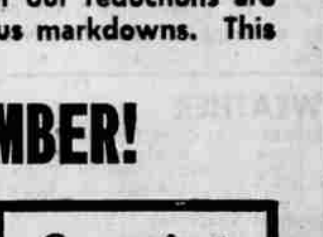
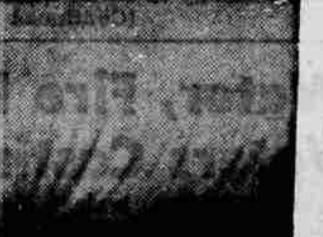
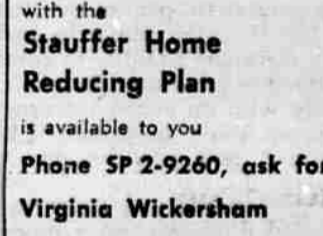
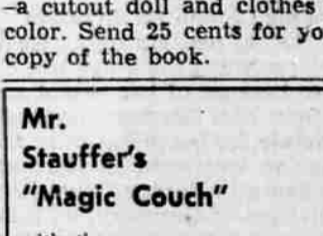
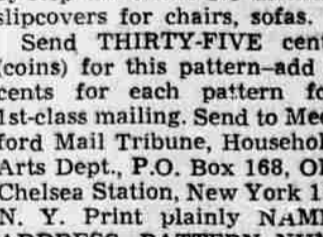
Social events are part of co-op living, and the girls enjoy contests and parties in much the same manner that the sorority members do. At Highland House recently, a hula hoop contest provided entertainment for the members. "Co-ops are fun" the girls say and no one disputes that.

Executive Committee To Meet in Gold Hill
Gold Hill—H. D. Force, president of the Gold Hill Parent-Teacher association, has announced that the regular meeting of the executive committee of the unit will be held Thursday, December 4 at 1:30 p.m. at the Hanby school building. He said members of the association are welcome to attend these board meetings, which are held the first Thursday of each month, at the time stated.

A business meeting of the Gold Hill PTA is planned for Thursday, December 11 at 7:30 o'clock at the Hanby school.

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