

### Chapter Selects Sweetheart

Central Point—Miss Doris Owens, senior at Crater High school, was recently elected sweetheart of Crater chapter, Future Farmers of America.



Miss Doris Owens

Miss Owens was named winner of the title during a recent dance given by the chapter. The ceremony was held on a 12-foot high throne contrived from bales of straw.

For the event Miss Owens wore a white western style dress trimmed with gold. The FFA jacket which she received is of white silk decorated with an FFA emblem and "Chapter Sweetheart" emblem in blue and gold.

Dolan Roberts and The Stardusters, a western band, provided music for the dance. The room was decorated in bright blue and yellow, and the Red Eye bar, hung with small colored lights, was made to resemble those found in saloons in frontier days.

A box social was held during the dance intermission. The annual Western day was celebrated at Crater High school to publicize the dance.

Cartoons of "gun fighters" decorated the walls. A business meeting will take up at 7:30 p.m., and the Christmas program will be at 8 p.m.

The new chapter sweetheart is a member of many organizations. She is president of Future Teachers of America and is vice-president of Girls Athletic association.

The Owens live on a cattle ranch; Miss Owens rides and was a princess for the Junior Chamber of Commerce rodeo last summer. Miss Owens plans to attend Oregon State college to study animal husbandry and physical education.

The chapter sweetheart will be presented a gift at the FFA parents and son banquet next April.

Members of Medford Welcome Wagon club and their husbands held a Christmas dinner-dance last Saturday night at Mon Desir.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Lewis McLaren, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Naverette, Mr. and Mrs. Dee Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ames, Mr. and Mrs. John Hall, Mr. and Mrs. John Brennan, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Rauch, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Chartier, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ball, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Ridenour, Mr. and Mrs. R. McKena, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Vankiotis and a guest, Miss Elaine George.

### Joe Francis Here For Holiday Stay

Joe Francis, who plays professional football for the Green Bay Packers, arrived in Medford Monday to join his wife and small son, Mark. The family will spend the holidays here with Mrs. Francis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Neathamer, 119 Jeanette street, and will then return to Corvallis where Mr. Francis will attend Oregon State college.

Also spending the holidays with his parents will be Norman Neathamer Jr., also a student at Oregon State college.

### Pocahontas Lodge To Hold Dinner

Pocahontas lodge plans a potluck dinner and Christmas party Friday, December 19 at 8:30 p.m. in the Redmen's lodge on Apple street.

A business meeting will take up at 7:30 p.m., and the Christmas program will be at 8 p.m.

### Girl Scouts Party Planned

Troop 181 of St. Mary's Neighborhood plans a Christmas party for December 22; members plan to go Christmas caroling before the party.

Troop 181 has had a busy schedule this fall under the leadership of Mrs. Quentin Lewis and Mrs. Florian Shaky. The troop is divided into three patrols; patrol leaders are Mary Carol Leavens, Linda Daniels and Stephanie Holen; assistant leaders are Janet Marcisz, Lenore Shasky, and Faye Lewis. Other officers are Mary Rementeria, treasurer, and Michelle Ely, scribe.

Halloween was celebrated with a masquerade party given by patrol 1. A baked food sale was held after the Parents' club meeting, and the proceeds were used to purchase five trees that will be planted around the school.

The balance was used to purchase toys for the pediatric ward at Sacred Heart hospital.

Patrol 2 worked on the needlecraft badge, making bibs which were presented to the Sacred Heart hospital. The troop toured the hospital on November 4 at which time the toys and bibs were presented.

December 5 a surprise party was given for member Judy Scott who is moving. She was presented with some Girl Scout stationery and a Girl Scout bracelet.

The troop toured Bear Creek Orchards plants December 8.

Michelle Ely, Scribe.



A small girl created a minor furore in First Presbyterian church last Sunday morning by saying, loudly enough for the entire congregation to hear, "I like you." She was speaking to the minister, Dr. D. Kirkland West, and it is said that the nonplussed Dr. West was speechless for several seconds, while laughter swept the congregation. The little girl was three-year-old Brenda McKenzie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley McKenzie, 373 Holmes avenue, and she was being baptized by Dr. West.

Dr. West had just started the ceremony and had repeated the child's name when Brenda, in the arms of her grandmother, Mrs. L. J. Conley, looked up and announced her approval of the minister. "I was really embarrassed," confessed Mrs. McKenzie afterwards. Little Brenda has an older brother, Douglas, 5, and a younger brother, Steven, 20 months old.

There are a few Good Samaritans still around about. One actually tried to change a flat tire for Potpourri Tuesday night, in the cold and dark of Fourth and Grape streets. The only thing that prevented him from changing it was that the spare was flat, too. So the car just sat on the street all night, and pappy was the Good Samaritan who changed it in the cold and fog Wednesday morning. And now we have four brand new tires, a whole flock of green stamps, and more peace of mind about the possibility of more flat tires happening on cold, dark nights. Of course, the bank account is somewhat reduced. And just before Christmas, too.

A columnist writing blithely in the Denver Post announced that "Christmastide's golden glow has overtaken the city and even the shoppers are less worn and weary." She should speak for herself. This shopper was considerably worn and weary after only a little more than an hour and a half of looking for Christmas presents Wednesday morning. So we just sat down and had coffee with Mrs. George Rode and little George—the latter happily consumed a sandwich and then waited, somewhat impatiently for the manner of small children, for the women to quit talking and get on with more important business.

Mrs. R. has an amusing story about the last meeting of the Democratic Central committee. In the midst of the business session a loud ringing began and as the startled committee members looked around, Edith R. discovered that the noise was coming from her largish handbag. She had picked up an alarm clock earlier in the day at the jewelry store after it had been repaired, stuffed it into the bag, and forgot about it.

The coffee break was pleasantly interrupted by Mary Brown, looking absolutely stunning in a black knitted suit with which she was wearing several strands of pink pearl beads and earrings to match. One of these winters, when we get up enough courage, we're going to pick our own private list of 10 best dressed women in Medford.

The Denver Post columnist also went shopping and found what she very facetiously called "stocking stuffers." The list included a \$50 hand-stained leather ice bucket, a \$4,000 diamond necklace, a four-foot stuffed giraffe for \$95.95, a bird palace for \$185, a waste basket covered with maribou and adorned with sequined butterflies for \$15.95 and sweaters, trimmed with mink, for \$125.

Still reading? She also found a silver cup that plays "Rock-a-Bye-Baby." Yesterday there came in the mail an advertisement for a bottle holder for baby that plays Brahms "Lullabye."

Instead of addressing Christmas cards the other evening, Potpourri took time out to write Edward R. Murrow and compliment him and Fred Friendly for their television series, "Small World," on the air Sunday evenings. It is one of the best and most important programs to be heard locally.

The letter was prompted partly by a recent article in the New Republic in which Mr. Murrow severely criticized the broadcasting industry (he is a vice president of Columbia Broadcasting company) for failing to meet its obligations to inform the public of the grave issues of the day. He said that during the hours of heaviest listening, 8 to 11 p.m., "Here you will find only fleeting and spasmodic reference to the fact that this nation is in mortal danger."

The distinguished radio-TV personality acknowledged that the networks simply cannot afford to "give away" more time, and came up with the idea that the largest of the nation's corporations might turn over one or two of their program spots to the networks for use of material of this nature. Ed Sullivan's show might be dropped for one night and a program presented on the needs of American education, or the Steve Allen time might be given over to a study of the American policy in the Far East. (That sound you hear is the turning of the dial.)

Mr. Murrow is genuinely worried that so few in America feel the urgency of the times and wrote "For surely we shall pay for using this most powerful instrument of communication to insulate the citizenry from the hard and demanding realities which must be faced if we are to survive."

He added, "We are currently wealthy, fat, comfortable and complacent. We have currently a built-in allergy to unpleasant or disturbing information. Our mass media reflect this. But unless we get up off our fat surpluses and recognize that television in the main is being used to distract, delude, amuse and insulate us, then television and those who finance it, those who look at it and those who work at it, may see a totally different picture too late." — O.S.

### Bethel 38 Plans Caroling Party; Installation Set

Central Point—Members of Central Point Bethel, International Order of Job's Daughters, will meet tonight at 6:30 o'clock at the Masonic hall to go caroling. Following the caroling party, the girls will have refreshments at a local restaurant.

Installation of officers has been set for January 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the Masonic hall. To be installed are Miss Donna Burnett, queen; Miss Suzanne Hood, senior princess; Miss Rachel Hamilton, junior princess. The refreshment committee will be the Misses Rachel and Lee Hamilton, Sharon Walters, Melba Graham and Dora Belle Ravenor. The Misses Burnett, Hood, Jeanette Purdy and Rebecca Ferrell are on the decorations committee.

Practice for installation will be held January 5 at 6:30 p.m. The next regular session will be January 8.

Plans for coming events were made at a session December 11, with Queen Linda Warren presiding. Escorted were Mrs. Richard Stratton, charter queen and past guardian of the Bethel; Miss Kay Askwith, junior queen and Mrs. Alvin Setnes, past guardian.

When the supreme court moved from the Capitol to its own building in 1937, each justice had his individual chair moved with him.

### Medford Youth On Debate Squad

Thomas F. McDonough, Medford, U.S. Naval Academy midshipman, is a member of the academy's debate team which finished fourth in a series of debates recently.

The academy team was one of 13 colleges which competed in the Dixie Classics tournament at Wake Forest college in North Carolina, the academy officials reported.

The four midshipmen on the Navy squad broke even with six debate wins and six losses in the two days of matches, it was reported. The University of Kentucky took top honors by losing only one of the 12 debates. Notre Dame was second and the University of South Carolina third.

### Small Sedans in State Motor Pool

Salem—UP—State Finance Director John Richardson announced today that two small foreign sedans have been placed in the state motor pool in Portland.

The need for small economy cars for short-run transportation in and around Portland prompted the Finance Department recently to call for bids on small cars.

Among the 10 makes invited to bid, Volkswagen was awarded the bid with a price of \$1,466.

Richardson said more widespread use of small cars was being considered.

Salem—UP—Dr. Robert F. Wulf, a local physician for 21 years, was appointed Wednesday as chief of surgery at the State hospital here, Dr. Dean Brooks, superintendent, announced.

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**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 for publication and for week day news is 5 p.m. the day before publication.  
**Thursday:**  
 6:30 p.m.—Adarel chapter Jacksonville Masonic temple.  
 7:30 p.m.—Mistletoe camp, Royal Neighbors of America, Pythian hall.  
 8 p.m.—Talent Parent-Teacher association, high school building.  
 8 p.m.—Hilltoppers Square Dance club, Wagner Creek school.  
 8 p.m.—Roxy Ann court, Order of Amaranth, Medford Masonic temple.  
**Friday:**  
 10:15 a.m.—Phoenix Home Extension unit, Phoenix First Presbyterian church.  
 11 a.m.—Women's auxiliary, St. Mark's Episcopal church, at church.  
 12:30 p.m.—Fifty Plus club, Pythian hall.  
 1 p.m.—Gettogether club, Girls Community club.  
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