

New York Dress Institute Sets Up New Hall of Fame

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New York - (UP) - Eight prominent women including Queen Elizabeth II and the Duchess of Windsor, were promoted today to a permanent "hall of fame" as clothes horses.

For the first time, the couture group of the New York Dress Institute which compiles the annual best-dressed list, established the new category. It is in addition to the yearly list, which began in 1940 with 10 names and since has grown to at least 12, unless there are ties.

Once voted to the hall of fame pinnacle of chic, a woman is "above annual comparison," said the institute. Presumably she then can wear a gunnysack and still hang onto the best-dressed label.

Neither Mrs. Dwight D. Eisenhower, often a runner-up but never a winner, nor the Princess Grace of Monaco, who hit paydirt twice, made either the current annual list for 1958 or the hall of fame.

Two young socialites—one a tall, wily blonde, the other a small brunette—tied for top spot in the 1958 list. There also was a tie for seventh place.

Tie for Top Spot
Top billing went to Mrs. Winston Guest, a sportswoman and the tall blonde, and Italian Countess Rodolfo Crespi, the former Consuelo O'Con-

nor, a New York deb and model—the little one.

Others on the '58 list:
—Mrs. Henry Ford II of Grosse Pointe, Mich., and New York.

—Princess Margaret Rose of Great Britain.

—The Countess of Quintanilla, an American-born girl now living in Madrid.

—Mme. Arturo Lopez-Willshaw, Paris socialite.

—Mrs. William Randolph Hearst Jr., wife of the publishing executive.

—Actress Kay Kendall and Mrs. Thomas Bancroft Jr., a socially prominent New Yorker, tied for seventh place.

—Mrs. Norman K. Winston, wife of a New York real estate executive.

—Aubrey Hepburn, the film star.

—Mrs. Stanley Rumbough Jr., the Dina Merrill of the movies wife of a New York manufacturer.

—Mrs. David K. Bruce, wife of the U. S. ambassador to West Germany.

—Merle Oberon, the actress who is Mme. Bruno Pagliai, living in Mexico.

Three Actresses Named
In addition to the British monarch and the Baltimore-born Duchess, those entering the hall of fame "because of their faultless taste in dress, without ostentation or extravagance," were:

—Mrs. William Paley, wife of the board chairman of CBS.

—Countess Edward von Bismarck, whose former husband, the late Harrison Williams, was one of the nation's richest men.

—Mme Jacques Balsan, the former Consuelo Vanderbilt and Duchess of Marlborough.

—And three actresses, Mary Martin, Irene Dunne and Claudette Colbert.

A dress institute spokesman said the hall of fame was decided on because each year some names "are always there and we thought some of the younger women should have a chance."

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 8 p.m. the day before publication.

Monday:
6 p.m. - Christian Business and Professional Women, Jackson hotel.

8 p.m. - Olive Rebekah lodge, Odd Fellow hall, 221 West Sixth st.

8 p.m. - Rogue Valley Coin club, Girls Community club.

8 p.m. - VFW auxiliary dance, Camp White.

Tuesday:
10 a.m. - Rogue Valley Navy Mothers club, home of Mrs. Guy Cobleigh, 401 Church st., Phoenix.

10:30 a.m. - Reese Creek Home Extension unit, home of Mrs. Philip Nevins, Crater Lake highway.

1 p.m. - Central Point Royal Neighbors, home of Mrs. Emmett Nealon, route 2, box 275.

1 p.m. - Lady Elks, Medford Elks Temple party lounge.

1:30 p.m. - Medford Chapter American Gold Star Mothers, courthouse auditorium.

1:30 p.m. - Oak Grove Neighborhood club, with Mrs. Alex Connell, 3587 Jacksonville highway.



Mademoiselle's 1958 Merit Award winners were honored for signal achievement during the past year. Top row, left to right: Jessie Angelina Evans, high school student, cited for her "independence" in the battle for desegregation; Pat Farrar, TV producer; Jane Addams, cultural exchange specialist; Betty Carol, fashion designer; Ann Bancroft, actress. Bottom row: Bianca VanOrden, writer; Rosalind Elias, singer; Marcia Rogers, city planner; Natali Carbone Mangani, atomic scientist; Violette Verdy, dancer.

New York, N.Y. - Fifteen-year-old Jessie Angelina Evans, president of the student council of Van Buren High school, Arkansas, is today the "surprise" winner of a 1958 Merit Award from Mademoiselle magazine.

For the sixteenth successive year these awards were presented to ten young women in their twenties and early thirties.

In making a special award to the exception, Angie Evans, for "independence," Betsy Talbot Blackwell, editor-in-chief of Mademoiselle, referred to the part she played in 1958 when forty-five boys boycotted her school because thirteen Negroes were enrolled and she rallied the rest of the students to keep them from panicking. On polling the student body Angie found

the majority to be for integration. At a meeting of the school board she stood up to angry segregationists and presented the polled results. "We salute her," Mrs. Blackwell said, "for her fearlessness, her insistence on thinking for herself and then forthrightly acting on the truth as she saw it."

The achievements of the other Young Women of the Year range from outstanding performances in the theatre and ballet to atomic science and city planning. All are cited in the January Mademoiselle for "reaffirming our faith in the lives, the work and the potentialities of young women everywhere." They are:

Pat Farrar, TV producer. Graduated cum laude from Bryn Mawr five years ago, she started as a production assistant at WRCA-TV, NBC's New York station, and now manages its public affairs programs. She also produces two educational shows: *Aqui Se Habla Ingles* teaches English to 100,000 Spanish-speaking New Yorkers, and *Dr. Joyce Brothers* offers counsel on women's problems. Under her brilliant guidance both shows are proving that TV can be a dynamic, effective instrument for the public good.

Jane Addams, cultural exchange. After a B.A. from Wellesley she did graduate work in American Civilization and International Relations before her job with the Institute of International Education. In 1958, as specialist in charge of their Polish Exchange program, she traveled to Poland to help select Polish students for study in the U.S.—the first full-scale cultural exchanges with eastern Europe since World War II. With

cultural exchange never so imperative as now, Jane proves her own words: "An increase in understanding brings an increase in respect, in dignity, in creative thinking and action."

Betty Carol, fashion designer. After Pratt Institute she did modeling and fashion illustration, but designing, always the goal, became the reality when she took over at Mam'elle dresses. Under their label she has demonstrated exciting combinations of colors and fabrics and a wonderful use of trimmings. In 1958 the name Betty Carol came to the rescue of junior pocketbooks as well as figures.

Ann Bancroft, actress. Traveled from the Bronx to Broadway via TV and Hollywood. Last January she landed her first Broadway role as one-half the cast of *Two for the Seesaw*. Although the other half was veteran Henry Fonda, Miss Bancroft, according to one critic, threatened to "take the entire theatre under her arm and go home." Another rhapsodized that "she has the range of a guided missile," and all agreed that here was the most promising new actress of the season.

Bainca VanOrden, novelist. Began writing at Cambridge university and continued experimenting while living and working in Florence. Critics called her two long short stories—published first in England—witty, original and promising. This year, fulfilling that promise with "a technical maturity nothing short of phenomenal for a first novel, she leaps to command of her world, her era and her medium" in *Water Music*.

Rosalind Elias, singer. After the New England Conservatory, Tanglewood scholarships and a few minor roles, she found herself last January a prima donna overnight. Barber and Menotti, collaborators on the new opera *Vanessa*, changed the pivotal role of Erika to mezzo so that Elias might sing at the world premiere. They were rewarded when critics agreed that she "stole the show." Miss Elias went on last summer to repeat her triumph at Salzburg, is now swamped with invitations from leading opera houses of the world.

Marcia Rogers, city planner. With a degree in architecture from Carnegie Tech, she joined the Pittsburgh Regional Planning association, earned a master's in City Planning from the U. of Penn-

sylvania in '57 and then went to work for Philadelphia's Zoning Advisory commission. In 1958, invited to join the City Planning commission, she concentrated on various rehabilitation projects in Philadelphia and was primarily responsible for planning the redevelopment of the Whitman area. In twelve months she has become one of the most outstanding young women in her field.

Natalie Carbone Mangini, atomic scientist. After Seton Hill she joined Westinghouse as a chemical engineer and in 1957 became the only woman employee there ever to hold the title of scientist. While continuing her graduate studies part time at Carnegie Tech, she worked on a reactor for the atomic generating station at Shippingport. She co-authored the first procedure used in atomic subs for disposing of radioactive materials and was the only woman to work on the USS Nautilus, the world's first atomic submarine.

Violette Verdy, dancer. Began studying at ten in her native France and was dancing leading roles with the Ballets de Paris at the age of twenty. Shortly after she made her American debut she joined the London Festival Ballet and performed as guest artist at La Scala. But it was in 1958 that, dancing with the American Ballet Theatre in New York, she emerged in Miss Julie as one of the "loveliest and most skillful dancers in the ballet world." Now with the New York City ballet, she is hailed as an international ballet star.

Cocktail Party Honors Visitors

Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Leard, San Francisco, were honored at a holiday cocktail party given by their son-in-law, and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Tully, at the Colony club, December 27. About 60 guests attended.

The Leards spent Christmas here with the Tullys and their small son, Michael, at the Tully home, 2325 East Main street.

Dancing Class To Be Graduated

A graduation party for a class in beginning square dancing will be held at Ker-shaw square on Cory road starting at 8 p.m. Tuesday, January 6. Members of the class have completed 12 weeks of instruction in square dancing.

Kenneth Hood, instructor, and guest callers will call, and potluck refreshments will be served. All square dancers are invited.

Pythian Sisters Plan Past Chiefs' Night; Club Sets Meeting

The annual past chiefs' night will be observed at a meeting of Pythian Sisters to be held Tuesday, January 6, at 8 p.m. in the Pythian building. Reports will also be made by the trustees and auditing committee.

The refreshment committee will be Mrs. Harry Bryant and Mrs. Ada Guenther.

Past Chiefs' club of Pythian Sisters will meet Wednesday, January 7, at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Harry Bryant, 1312 Reddy avenue. Mrs. Mabel Nicholson will assist.

New officers will be installed by Mrs. W. L. Michael and Mrs. Carl Fichtner. It was incorrectly reported previously that Mrs. Harry Bryant was elected secretary-treasurer. She was elected secretary and Mrs. Leroy Cline is the treasurer.

Leaves
James Adfinger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Adfinger, formerly of Medford, returned to his home in Sacramento, Calif., Sunday after spending the holidays in the valley visiting friends. Among those visited was Mrs. Margaret Shirar, route 2, box 157, Medford.

Election Set
Election of officers for the coming year is slated for a meeting of the Southern Oregon Mushroom club to be held Wednesday, January 7, at 8 p.m. in the Red Cross building, 60 Hawthorne avenue.

Monotone Room Good Investment Says Designer

By MARGUERITE DAVIS
United Press International Chicago (UPI)—A monotone room is as wise an investment as "a good black dress," says decorator Rose Marie Pruse.

She practices the theory in her own work room, and the effect is pleasing and practical.

Miss Pruse (of Peter Schneider's Sons and company), chose champagne as her basic color. Pale beige tones are repeated in the painted walls, silk-covered sofas and chairs and in slightly deeper shades in the travertine and pearl marble-topped coffee tables.

The floor is covered with champagne-colored rubber tile, and the color is repeated in parchment lamps. Lampshades and ceiling are white.

The work room has no windows, but Miss Pruse recommends champagne fortisan, an improved rayon fiber resistant to weather for draperies.

The delicate color is not impractical, she said. Silk and fortisan can be treated with a stain repeller (Scotchgard) which has proved successful in keeping textured and satiny fabrics fresh.

Accessories provide the color, which Miss Pruse changes every six months. These days she is using purple.

Violets in white vases and clear glass jars brighten the tables on one side of the room and a three-foot high purple bottle provides a massive spot of color on the other side.

Pillows, vases, pictures and containers range in tone from violet to reddish-purple.

Miss Pruse, a light brunette with blue eyes, prefers the champagne shade, but said the same theory can be applied to any light color—blue, maize, pink, apple or mint green.

Chapter To Hold Luncheon Meeting

Chapter CP, FEO sisterhood will meet Wednesday, January 7, at 12:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. C. H. Paske, 1010 South Oakdale avenue. Assisting will be Mrs. H. Chandler Drew.

The program will be in charge of Mrs. A. R. Schoenberg.

Family Returns From Sun Valley

Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Thompson and three daughters, Cassie, Pat and Holly, Modoc avenue, have returned to Medford after a post-Christmas vacation at Sun Valley, Ida. Due to the lack of snow, skiing at the resort was poor during their stay but the family enjoyed skating and entertainment provided at the resort.

WOMEN'S GUILD POSTPONES SESSION

A meeting of Women's guild, Zion Lutheran church, planned for Tuesday, January 6, has been postponed until Tuesday, January 13, at 7:30 p.m. it was announced today.

Gold Hill Group Announces Meeting

Gold Hill-Gold Hill Health unit will meet at the home of Mrs. C. Norman Gail north of Gold Hill, Tuesday, January 6 at 1 p.m. Mrs. Harry Quinn and Mrs. Jack Cline will serve as co-hostesses. Mrs. Ted Schoenberg, president of the unit, said.

Delta Gammas To Hold Session

Rogue Valley Delta Gamma Alumnae a association will meet Wednesday, January 7, at 8 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Thomas J. Tinsley, 3368 Hollywood avenue, Medford. The group is newly organized and all Delta Gamma sorority members living in the area are invited to attend.

To Nominate

Officers will be nominated at a meeting of Medford Barracks and auxiliary, Veterans of World War I, to be held Wednesday, January 7, at 8 p.m. at Girls Community club.

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