

Townsend Meeting Set This Morning In Carpenters Hall

Any person interested in the Townsend club movement is invited to attend the council club meeting at 10 a.m. today at Carpenters hall.

At the meeting two delegates to represent the Medford club at the state convention will be elected. The convention, called "parade of states," will be held in Portland July 20 through 23 at the Multnomah hotel.

A last week's meeting Mrs. Lulu Ahart and A. W. Ellison were honored for April birthdays.

Mother Honored At Dinner Party

Gold Hill - Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Taylor and daughters, Reba and Irita, were hosts to a family dinner given at their home Wednesday evening, April 29, in honor of their houseguest, Mrs. Florence Hunt, Nampa, Idaho.

Mrs. Hunt, who is Mrs. Taylor's mother, had been visiting relatives in southern Oregon the past ten days. She left by plane Thursday, planning to visit relatives in Portland en route home.

Others attending the dinner party were Mr. and Mrs. Willard Taylor and son, Glen, Gold Hill, and Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Taylor and daughters, Penny and Debbie, Table Rock.

Butte Falls HEC Makes Show Plans

Butte Falls-Plans for a style show and silver tea, to be held May 11, were made recently at a meeting of the Butte Falls Home Economics club. The event will begin at 1:30 p.m. in the Community church recreation room.

All Grange sewing contest entrants and others interested will be invited to participate.

HEC members donated books to the local branch library in observance of Library Week. Members heard a letter written in 1886 to "Grandma" Abbott.

The club will meet May 12 at the home of Mrs. Henry Wright.

To Sponsor Dance

The Ladies' Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Department of Oregon, will sponsor a dance at the Camp White domiciliary Monday, May 4, at 8 p.m.

Music will be furnished by J. Hoots orchestra of Ashland. Those wishing transportation may get the bus at the Trailways depot at 7:30 p.m.

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Pythian Sisters Will Meet Tuesday

The regular meeting of the Pythian Sisters will be held at 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 5, in the Pythian building, with Mrs. George Bryant and Mrs. Dorothy Johnston on the refreshment committee.

Mrs. Don Doss, Ross lane, will be hostess at a covered-dish luncheon of the Past Chiefs club at 1 p.m. May 6.

Winners at cards at a recent meeting of the Pythian club in the home of Edward Bostwick, 3273 Biddle road, were Mrs. Audrey White, Miss Patricia Hawks, Mrs. Emilie Conrad and Mrs. Joe Fritsch. Mrs. Dorothy Johnston was co-hostess.

Thursday Meeting Planned by Group

Phoenix-The Oak circle of Phoenix will meet Thursday, May 7, at 8 p.m. at the Grange hall. Serving committee will include Mrs. Mervin Hixson and Mrs. Christine Dinsmore.

Installation obligation will be given officers unable to attend the installation held recently in Ashland. Mrs. Chester Parker will be installing officer.

Colorful Terry Good For Beach

Blotter-like cotton terry transforms surf and sun togs into gay fun fashions, reports the National Cotton council.

Stylish in a variety of fashionable silhouettes, terry fashions guarantee carefree trips to sunny settings. Swimsuits, cover-ups, orient-inspired robes, hooded popovers and clam-digger pants all take to terry cloth stripes, prints and plain colors.

Brief as only a bikini can be, a Turkish-printed terry swimsuit that promises an even tan. Oriental in shape, modern in its fabric is a striking, striped terry robe with huge kimono sleeves and wide obi sash. For the vacationer's beach hours, a hooded terry jacket that is as cute as a bunny is paired up with fringed pants. Nautical and fun is a lobster-printed terry middy that teams up with shorts. A poncho that knots at the sides and unties to make a beach towel is a versatile addition to travel wardrobes.

Cotton terries in brilliant colors follow fashion's most sophisticated styling. Hot pinks, fuchsias, solar yellows and nature's greens are scheduled to add their own sun-lit qualities to sun-bathed beaches.



Palo Verde Dry Wash, Ariz.-Pal Peg warned us not to camp in any dry washes in Arizona, but Pappy insists that this one is perfectly safe. However, since Pal Peg lived in the Southwest for many years and Potpourri believes what she says, we're going to pick up everything before we settle for the night, and see that the car is moved to higher ground. Last night we put our sleeping bags down on the lawn at El Rancho Bonito, but tonight we aren't going to take any chances with the "night life." We've already seen two tiny lizards, and would die of fright if a tarantula came by.

Tonight we will test that old saying that the desert cools off as soon as the sun goes down-when we parked here about an hour ago it was an even 100, but it has cooled to around 90 degrees already. The location is near Hope on Highway 72-we turned off 80 because of the heavy traffic. The trucks and buses were a steady stream in all directions.

Last night the stars were absolutely dazzling-the clear desert air seems to bring them closer and make them brighter. Venus hung low and was startlingly large. Potpourri insisted on sleeping out on the lawn although our hosts were a bit perturbed at such conduct, but before we had feasted our eyes very long on the beautiful night sky, they just wouldn't stay open any longer.

Tonight both Pappy and Potpourri are absolutely "done in" again. We've been in and out of the car what seemed like 40 times, at least. We try to hurry and yet to see and photograph as much as possible. We drive a little ways and then one or the other sees a clump of bright flowers, or an especially interesting shrub in bloom or one of the awesome scenes with which Arizona is famous - we stop, pile out and Pappy gets the camera ready.

Today was really a workout for Pappy, for we drove into the real low desert which is just beginning to blaze with its spring bloom. Pappy just doesn't aim and shoot. He works slowly and carefully with light meter, various lenses, including the big telephoto lens, filters and from time to time sets up either the low or high tripod. While the bloom is not yet in full, we saw enough to keep us busy from mid-morning when we left Rancho Bonito, until both of us were too tired to slide out of the car except for a permanent stop.

We saw many of the tall clumps of desert poppies with their big white blossoms, more of the orange desert mallow, miles of yellow daisies of many sizes and some of the low-growing blue ones. However, for one who had never seen the big cactus, this was an outstanding sight. Early in the day when Potpourri exclaimed over the thousands of prickly pear cactus - clumps with scores of "plates" - one variety looks like a small tree - Pappy said "you haven't seen anything yet." It was true, too, because the giant saguaro - standing tall as trees with their arms akimbo, are like nothing else Potpourri had ever seen. Growing among the monstrous saguaro are the ocotillo - clumps of slender stalks from four to 10 feet tall with almost every stalk tipped with several crimson blossoms, causing the common names, candlewood or flaming sword.

Common also are the lower growing hedgehog or strawberry cactus and the various chollas. One of these is called Christmas cholla because of the numerous red fruits and another the teddybear cactus because the silvery spines are so dense and the shape so animal-like.

Everywhere there's tumble weed and greasewood. Miles and miles of it.

Pappy photographed one spectacular slope, using the telescope lens. The slope was rocky and forbidding, and covered with the saguaro, ocotillo and prickly pear - the latter with only a few of the big yellow blossoms which come on by the thousands later. But the cactus isn't everything - also blossoming now is the palo verde, a shrub with some resemblance to scotch broom since it is a mass of small, bright yellow flowers. This has no leaves - palo verde means green stick, we were told - and they grow as shrubs of varying sizes into small trees. We are missing the height of the bloom, but even so, those few now flowering are very beautiful.

It grew too dark to finish last night. The desert does cool off quickly - more than 20 degrees in two hours, but it was never very cool during the night and this morning at 6 o'clock the thermometer had risen to 64 and there is already a hot wind. We have no way of knowing what the relative humidity is, but it must be practically nil and now we know why so many road side signs advertise - along with gasoline, cold beer and other commodities - "free water and ice cubes." Last night we wished heartily we had taken time to fill the thermos bottle with some of those free ice cubes.

Yesterday also brought other wonders of the Arizona desert. We saw and photographed two wild burros, grazing at the side of the road. And, Pal Peg will be particularly pleased to know that we saw two road runners. In case some of our readers are as uninformed as was Potpourri until a short time ago, "road runners" are harmless long-legged native birds and not some poisonous creature which makes the desert dangerous.-O.S.



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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 5 a.m. of the day of publication and for week days is 5 p.m. the day before publication.

Today:
10 a.m. - Townsend club, Carpenters hall.
3 p.m. - Teacher recital, Churchill hall, Southern Oregon college.
Monday:
11:45 a.m. - Degree of Honor lodge, home of Mrs. Serena McMahon, 650 Oakdale dr.
9 p.m. - Olive Rebekah lodge, Odd Fellows hall.

8 p.m. - Crater High School Parent - Teacher association, Crater High school cafeteria.
8 p.m. - St. Mary's Grade School Parents' club, activities room.
8 p.m. - Jackson County Civic Music Association concert, Medford High school auditorium.
8 p.m. - Rogue Valley Coin club, Girls Community club.
8 p.m. - Veterans of Foreign Wars auxiliary, dance at Camp White theater.

Thursday:
10 a.m. - Rogue Valley Navy Mothers club, home of Mrs. Ernest Reams, 6236 Crater Lake highway.
1 p.m. - Medford Lady Elks, Elks club party lounge.
1 p.m. - Central Point Royal Neighbors of America, home of Mrs. D. R. Allred, 2641 Connel ave.
1:30 p.m. - Oak Grove Neighborhood club, home of Mrs. Clare Shores, 52 Oak-grove rd.

4 p.m. - Jackson County Association of School Librarians, Central Point Junior High school.
6:45 p.m. - Rogue River Valley Knife and Fork club, Rogue Valley Country club.
7:30 p.m. - Chapter BE of PEO Sisterhood, home of Mrs. O. A. Welsh, 1300 East Main st.

8 p.m. - Degree of Honor Past President, home of Mrs. Mayme Seiler, 1132 West Main st.
8 p.m. - Pythian Sisters, Pythian building.
Wednesday:
10 a.m. - Eagle Point Grange club, Eagle Point Grange hall.

11 a.m. - Townsend Harmony club, Carpenters hall, 123 1/2 West Main st.
12:30 p.m. - Chapter CP of PEO Sisterhood, home of Mrs. E. S. Strother, Shady Cove.
1 p.m. - Past Chiefs club, home of Mrs. Don Ross, Ross lane.

1:30 p.m. - Christian Women's Fellowship, First Christian church.
1:30 p.m. - Medford Garden club, courthouse auditorium.
1:30 p.m. - Contemporary

Book club, river home of Mrs. McCleod Maurice.
1:45 p.m. - Wednesday Study club, home of Mrs. E. W. Jermark, 320 Hargadine st., Ashland.

6:30 p.m. - AAUW, Red Cross building, 60 Hawthorne ave.
7:30 p.m. - Griffin Creek Mothers club, school cafeteria.
7:30 p.m. - Bethel 14, International Order of Job's Daughters, Masonic temple.

8 p.m. - Central Point Rebekah lodge, Odd Fellows hall, Pine st.
8 p.m. - Veterans of World War I, barracks and auxiliary, Girls Community club.

Friday:
12 noon - St. Elizabeth's Guild of St. Mark's Episcopal church, parish hall.
7:30 p.m. - Roxy Ann Gem and Mineral Society, Girls Community club.
8 p.m. - Oak Circle of Thimble club of Phoenix, Grange hall.
Saturday:
1 p.m. - Zuleima temple, Daughters of the Nile, Ashland Masonic temple.

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Annual Unit Picnic Will Be Held May 5

Gold Hill - The Gold Hill Health unit will hold its annual picnic Tuesday, May 5, at 12 noon at the home of Mrs. W. S. Dickinson on Sardinia Creek road. Mrs. Ted Schoenemann is president of the group.

Those attending are requested to bring their own table service. Members who were not at the April meeting of the unit may contact Mrs. Schoenemann to find out what they should furnish for the luncheon.

The nominating committee, made up of Mrs. Delos Walker, Mrs. Arthur Boye and Mrs. Dickinson, will present a slate of officers for the ensuing year at the May 5 session.

Chapter BE Sets Tuesday Meeting

Chapter BE of the PEO Sisterhood will meet Tuesday, May 5, at 7:30 p.m., at the home of Mrs. O. A. Welsh, 1300 East Main st. Mrs. Orville E. Hamilton will be assistant hostess.

The program will be given by Mrs. Kautz.

Chapter CP, PEO Celebrates Date

Chapter CP of PEO Sisterhood will celebrate its seventh anniversary with a party Wednesday, May 6, at 12:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. E. S. Strother, Shady Cove.

Mrs. D. R. Gardner and Mrs. H. C. Drew will assist the hostess.

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