

Pickin' Pears

News and Notes From Camp White

By SID HOLLINGSWORTH

A real treat is in store for the literary lights of Camp White through the scheduled visit and talk by Angus Bowmer, of Southern Oregon college. He plans to speak before the Writers' club Tuesday afternoon, May 26, at 4 p.m.

It was Angus Bowmer's idea, as well as his effort, which has made possible the success of the Shakespearean Festival, held each summer at Ashland during August.

His ambition was to complete the entire repertoire of plays and this has been accomplished.

Now, there is a new Shakespearean theater, more substantial, with more commodious seating arrangements. This is the year of the Oregon Centennial and with the expected increase in visitors, it is logical to assume that many will stop over for the four plays and a centennial masque to be presented.

There is further significance here to the visit of Bowmer, who likewise teaches at the college. Southern Oregon college has aided the program at the domiciliary in a number of ways and on numerous occasions.

Students have presented recitals in the theater and SOC teams appear regularly at Memorial Field.

Dr. Arthur Kreisman, of the department of humanities, which includes English literature, was one of the first to recognize the struggle being made here to gain a foothold in the arts.

He appeared before the society of artists meeting here to present his thesis concerning the interrelationship of all the arts. He also gave a talk to the doctors during a seminar on geriatrics, the science of dealing with old age.

Dr. Kreisman and Dr. Byrns of the same department at the college have addressed the writers recently, giving suggestions with respect to form and style in prose as well as poetry.

Three other SOC professors have contributed valuable information to the station in the relationship of music, philosophy and physical education to the needs of veteran domiciliary members in the cultivation of interests.

In view of the fact that considerable misunderstanding has arisen in veteran circles concerning a bill introduced in congress last month, which makes a number of fundamental changes in the pension law, a summary of the need and circumstances which prompted this proposed legislation has been made available for the information of domiciliary members who would be affected if the bill becomes law next July.

The report reads: A bill to modernize the veterans pension structure - featuring a "graduated scale" of payments keyed to individual needs - was submitted to congress by the administrator.

In his budget message earlier this year, the President reported he had asked Mr. Whittier "to present to the congress legislation both to provide more equitable treatment of needy veterans and to modernize the veterans pension program in the light of social developments and changes."

Under the proposed bill, 55 per cent of the 1,223,000 veterans, widows and children now on VA pension rolls would receive increased pensions. In the long run, however, it is expected that the modernized pension structure would involve annual pension outlays substantially below those under present statutes.

A "savings provision" in the measure would insure that no beneficiary now on the VA rolls would be cut off, and, in addition, would give these beneficiaries their

choice between old and new rates.

Under the proposed graduated scale, payments would be keyed in the future to both the amount of other income and the number of dependents and increases are proposed in income limitations as well as maximum rates of pension.

Mr. Whittier praised the cooperative attitude of major veteran organizations which were consulted prior to submission of the proposed bill. He also had high praise for all within the VA who worked long and hard readying the bill for congress.

Thirteen antique models of automobiles dating back to 1915, drove into the parking area Sunday morning as the first stop in a tour of the valley made by members of the Old Timers club, which has a collection of 50 varieties, none more recent than 1931. About 50 home members were on hand to greet them.

Names like Nash, Essex, Dort, Cord and Hupmobile, no longer on the road, were visible evidence of automotive history. Three Model T Fords, an old Buick and a 1922 Studebaker were included. Lowell Reavis, vice president of the club, headed the party.

Entertainment by a tiny class from the Thurston Dance Studio was sponsored jointly Friday night by the auxiliaries of the American Legion, department of Oregon, VFW Post 1833 and Barracks 14 and the Medford auxiliary of the Veterans of WW I.

The Rogue River Rebels concluded the performance with band numbers. Refreshments were served.

State Warns of Poison in Clams

Salem—The state board of health has issued a warning against eating marine mussels or uncleaned clams taken from Oregon coastal waters this spring and summer.

"Oregon clams are still delicious, but it is unsafe to eat any portion of the mussels or the digestive organs of clams this time of year because they may contain a strong alkaloid poison similar to strychnine," according to Dr. Harold M. Erickson, state health officer.

The poison results from the mussels or clams feeding on a tiny organism of the plankton family, which occasionally are washed in by the ocean.

"Reputable commercial packers are aware of the danger and do not permit any of the harmful sea food to enter the open market," Dr. Erickson said. Sale and distribution of marine mussels and uncleaned clams is prohibited by state board of health regulations between May 1 and October 31.

Individual digging clams during the danger period were urged to remove all black portions before eating. White meat and muscular tissues of the clams do not contain the poison.

Dr. Erickson emphasized that the black portions should be destroyed completely and should never be fed to animals or domestic fowl, which also are susceptible to the poison.

PLANS THREE-DAY VISIT
Brussels - (UPI) - King Baudouin of Belgium plans to visit Luxembourg after his current U.S. tour. A palace spokesman said the King would arrive in Luxembourg June 16 for a three-day stay.

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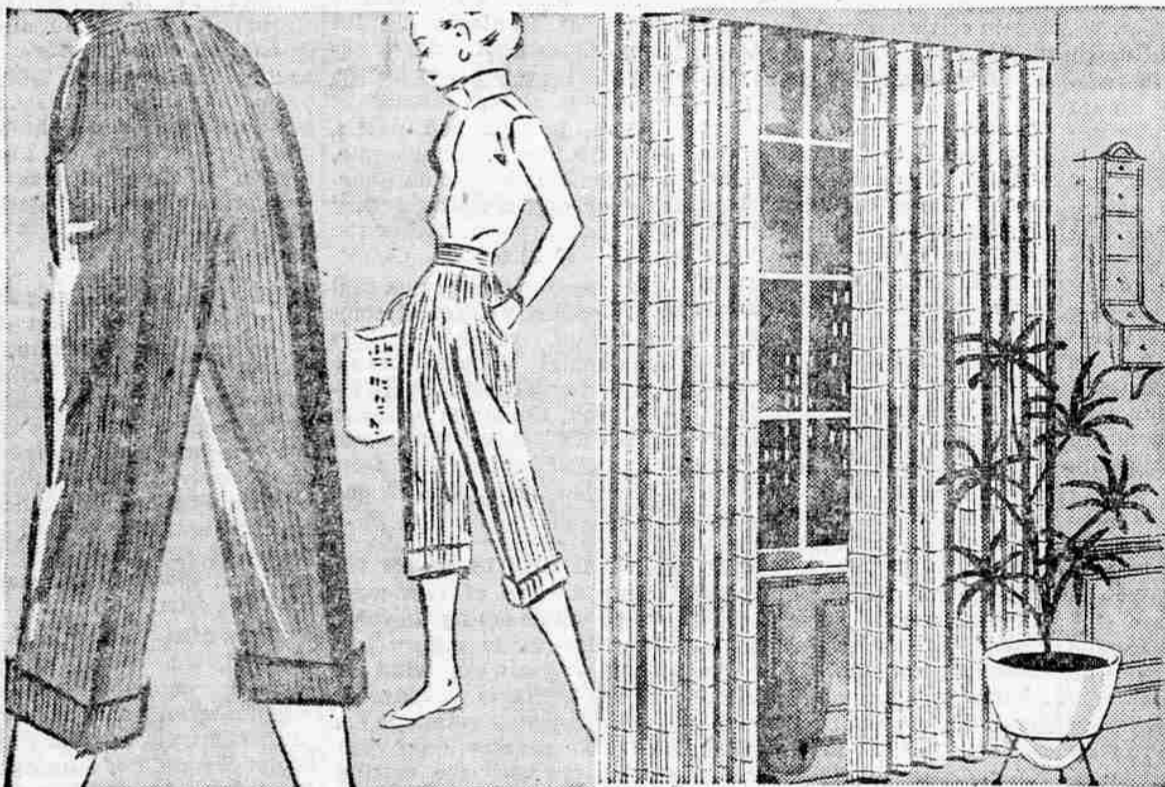
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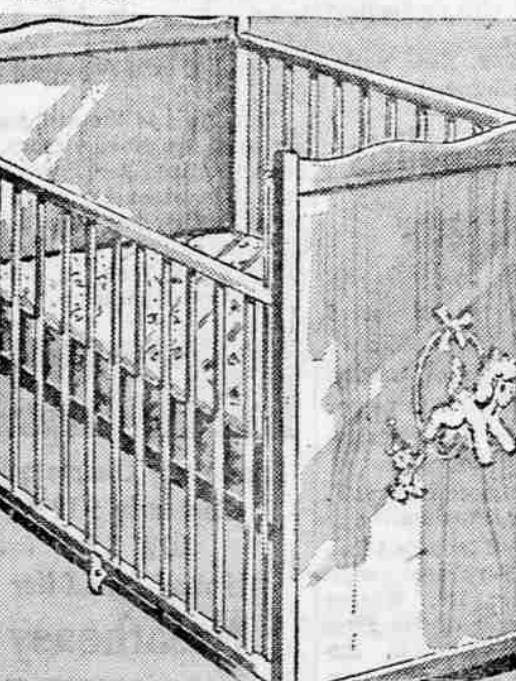
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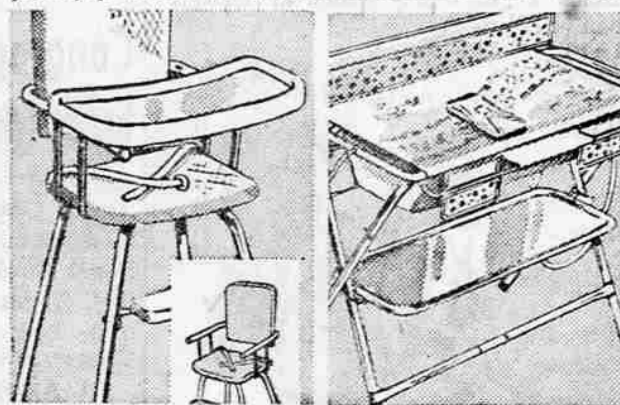
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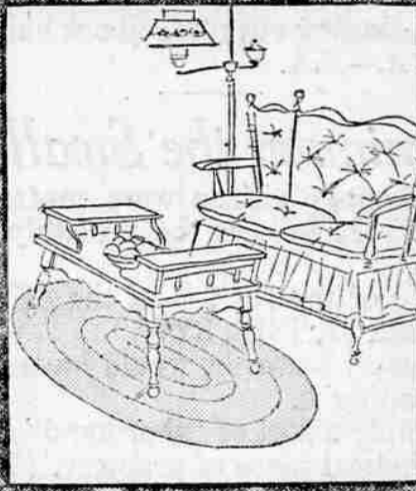
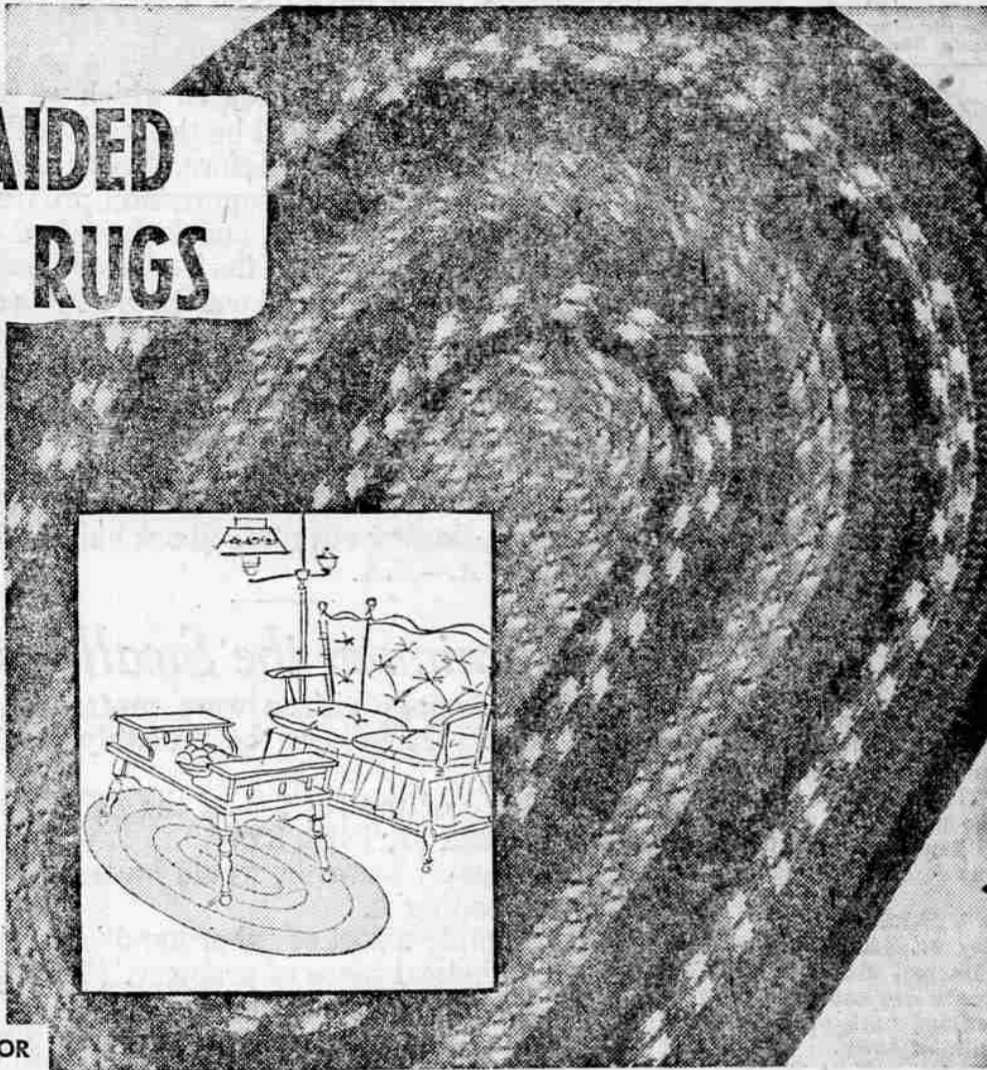
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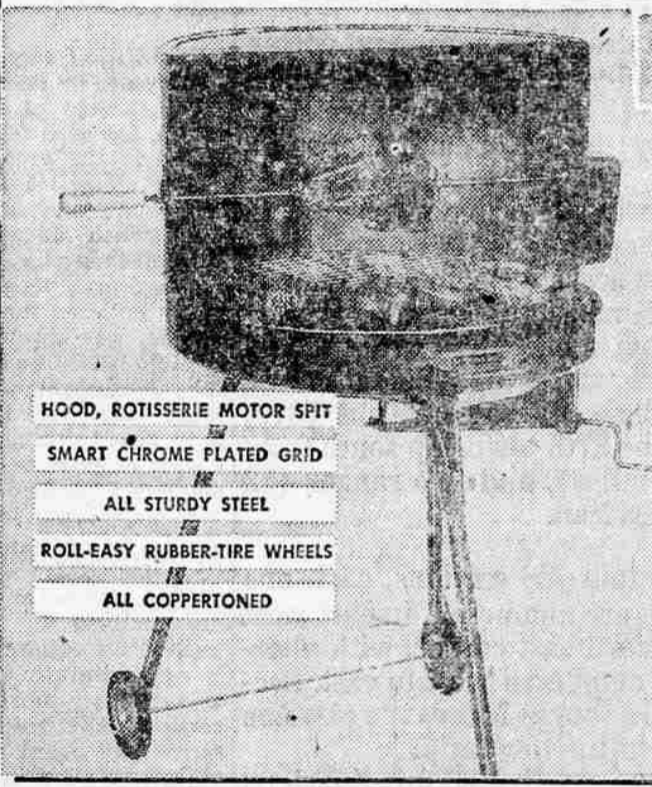
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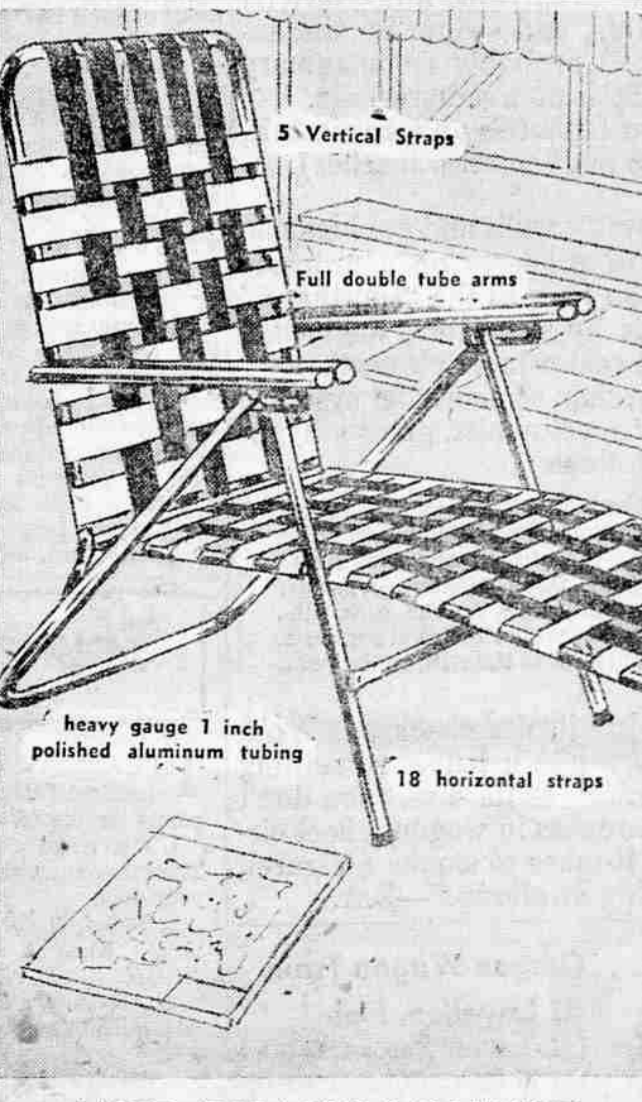
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