



"Hoods To Teach Square Dancing" read a headline in the society section of Thursday's Mail Tribune. This prompted a bit of ribbing from newsmen EW, who wondered if the society editor didn't know that "hood" was short for "hoodlum" in police lingo. (The story referred to the Kenneth Hoods, well known square dance teacher).

But both EW and Potpourri are a bit behind the times when it comes to definitions for "hood." According to Gerald Raftery, teacher from Elizabeth, N. J., the teenagers in his school use the word to mean someone who is absolutely tops and in high favor. "Hood used to mean hoodlum - bad guy," Teacher Raftery wrote in the New Jersey Education Association Review. "But today when Jane practically swoons over Tommy, she's likely to say, 'He's a real hood'."

This New Jersey teacher wonders why teenage girls always want to change their names, and particularly why they are so fond of "y." "If they can get a 'y' in it, they'll do it every time," he observed. It also seems that the teenagers in New Jersey go for gastronomic delights with such names as pig dinners and awful-awfuls.

Another news item says that Gilbert Highet, in his book "Art of Teaching," declares that young people shouldn't be treated as adults. "Younger children," writes Mr. Highet, "are more like birds, and teenage girls are very much like horses; strong, nervous, full of strange fears and sudden illnesses; they will work very hard for anyone they trust, but they are never quite as happy as when they are just running around shaking their manes."

Dipping further down in this stack of material, we came upon an article which asks the question "Does your child remember in September what he learned in May?" A teacher in Springfield, Missouri, made a survey of her first grade class before and after summer vacation, and found that almost all children forget some of what they learned during the school months.

One child lost 16 months reaching achievement between June and September, and most pupils lost at least two months, she found.

Here are some suggestions given by National Education association to bridge the gap when children are not in school - maybe parent readers will remember them next spring. "Encourage your child to make summer collections of bugs, rocks, leaves or shells. Provide a place to display the collection. Encourage children to draw pictures, take snapshots and make notes about such places as state capitals, historical spots, animals and waterways. Buy him in inexpensive magnifying glass and telescope, so he can discover for himself the wonders, both big and small, of the universe. Introduce him to the public library and help him select books of interest.

Come to think of it, why wait until next summer to do these things? Especially every child should be well acquainted with the school and public library, and use them all of the time.

Union High school, in Monterey, Calif., has solved the litterbug problem. After the lunch period every school day, two students and the vice-principal inspect the school grounds. If there is undue litter, the school snack bar is closed for the day and a black flag is run up on the school flag pole. According to word from the school, the plan works and litter-bugging is on the decline.

Perhaps the residents of South Oakdale avenue in the vicinity of Medford High school could buy themselves a black flag. Last year it would probably have flown every day.

From Honolulu last week came the news that Mrs. Elizabeth Titus and her daughter, Maccine, are now living in that city. The two women, who formerly lived here, moved from Tucson the first of August, and have taken an apartment which Miss T. says has a wonderful view of Waikiki beach, Diamond Head and the Kewalo Yacht basin. They are enjoying the 90 degree daytime weather, and report that the thermometer seldom goes below 70 at night.

Miss Titus, who was on the staff of the library here for a number of years, has taken a position as reference librarian at the University of Hawaii. She was delighted to find that Honolulu residents are very "art minded" and that a two-block-long fence is maintained - not to fence anything in, but to provide a place where artists hang their work each Saturday.

Miss Titus, both librarian and artist, painted the murals in the children's department of the Medford library, and was an active member of the Southern Oregon Society of Artists when the two women lived here.

Add coincidences: Last year Nyla Murray, 4-H club member was judged sweepstakes model in the annual 4-H club fair. Nyla's father, Kenneth Murray, works in the Mail Tribune shop and "made up" the page on which a picture of his daughter, wearing her prize-winning white lace gown, appeared.

This year the sweepstakes model was Miss Julie Ashton, who wore a red and white polka dot taffeta frock which she made. Julie's father, Chester Ashton, also works in the Mail Tribune shop and for all we know, may have set the type which provides the cut lines for today's picture of his daughter.

Julie, a 4-H club member for seven years, has had the best kind of example, for her mother has been a leader for 28 years, first in Grant county and then in Jackson county. During these 28 years of leading cooking and sewing clubs, Mrs. Ashton's members have all completed their projects every year with the exception of three. O.S.

Club Bids Prospective Members

Prospective members will be special guests of Medford Junior Women's club at a social evening planned for Wednesday, September 23, at 8 p.m. The party will be at the home of Mrs. Robert Billingsley, 2016 Woodlawn drive. Mrs. R. E. Bridenstine and Mrs. Gene Chamberlain are co-chairmen for the affair.

An interesting feature of the September meeting of the group was a talk on city beautification given by Mrs. O. A. Eden of the Medford parks and recreation commission. She told of the planning behind the city-wide tree planting program and of the efforts being made to maintain park areas within the city. The land being taken from Hawthorne park by the coming freeway was cited as an example of the problems the community faces in protecting currently established recreational areas.

Adequate compensation for this right of way might make possible the securing of suitable properties for future development of park facilities, she pointed out. One large consideration is the time and expense involved in landscaping a new site to the point of beauty and pleasure which we now enjoy, the speaker said.

Conservation is one of the nine departments which are outlined by the General Federation of Women's clubs for membership activities. Others are American home, communications, community affairs, education, fine arts, religion, public affairs and international affairs.

Medford Junior Women's club was accepted into the Oregon and General Federation in February, 1958, as an educational and philanthropic group.

Establishment and maintenance of a used clothing pool for the Medford elementary schools is the chief philanthropic project of the club members.

A civic endeavor is the social and appointment calendar being published for the second consecutive year which lists local organizations and community events with space on each date for personal notations. Proceeds from the sale of the calendars goes into the philanthropic fund the members have set up for assistance in clothing youngsters who need additional apparel not readily available in the clothing pool.

The calendar will be available October 1.

Duplicate Tournament Announced

Invitations have been issued to all duplicate bridge clubs in southern Oregon and Northern California to attend the annual Southern Oregon Pairs tournament of Medford Duplicate club September 26 and 27.

The Saturday night session will begin at 7:30 o'clock and the Sunday afternoon session at 1 o'clock.

Both events will be at Girls Community club and guests will be entertained at a buffet supper Saturday night and at a breakfast Sunday morning at Rogue Valley Country club.

A large number of players is expected and local players are asked to make advance reservations by calling Mrs. Frank R. Baker or Mrs. Jack W. Mitchell.

North-south winners at play September 15 were Mrs. Robert Elliott and Mrs. Ray Wise. Mrs. Paul McDuffee and Mrs. Richard Milestone, who tied for first and second with 166 points; Miss Isabel Stuart and B. L. Sanderson, third, 161½; and Mrs. Fred Purdin and William Stiles, fourth, 154.

East-west winners were Mrs. Ben Todd and Paul McDuffee. Mrs. Dougherty and Paul Hutton, who tied for first and second place, 154; Leland Clark and Howard Boyd, third, 149; and Mrs. William Knope and Mrs. Sam Richardson, fourth, 145.

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Miss Julie Ashton is pictured here wearing the prize-winning dress which she made and entered in the Jackson county 4-H club fair and the Oregon State fair at Salem. Miss Ashton, shown with her mother, Mrs. Chester Ashton, won the grand championship in modeling in the county 4-H fair, and a blue ribbon in state competition. The dress, made from a Simplicity pattern, is white taffeta with red polka dots and Miss Ashton wears it with a red feather hat and red purse and gloves. She is a senior in Crater High school, but Mr. and Mrs. Ashton and Julie live at 2200 Crestbrook drive, Medford. Mrs. Ashton, who has been a 4-H club leader for 28 consecutive years, is a past president of the Four-H Leaders' association of Grant county and was at one time vice-president of Region 6, which is 8 eastern Oregon counties, of the state association.

Annual Mission Institute To Be Friday at Army Hall

The annual mission institute, sponsored by the Medford Council of United Church Women, will be held Friday, September 21, in the Salvation Army hall beginning at 11 a.m. Mrs. William Ricken will be in charge of devotions.

Books to be presented briefly will be "People, Lands and Churches" by Rockwell G. Smith, and "On Good Soil" by Wilfred Bockelman. Mrs. A. W. Denny will present these books.

Books for youth and children are to be given as a group by Mrs. J. M. Ball.

The noon covered dish luncheon will be served at Girl's Community club. Activities about the table will be supervised by Mrs. Everett Faber, council president. Mrs. Walter Higgins will assist her.

The afternoon program will begin at 1:30 p.m. in the Salvation Army hall under the direction of Mrs. Wayne Troxell. The book, "The Way

in Africa" by George Wayland Carpenter will be reviewed by Mrs. Anne Wirkkula. The book describes the changing pattern of life in Africa as related to economic, political and religious concepts.

Mrs. Jack Sanborn will give excerpts from the book "Africa Disturbed" by Emory and Myrta Ross, former missionaries to Africa who have made a recent return visit to Africa to interview the Africans of today.

African study material will be presented by Mrs. Wilma Root.

Women of the Jacksonville Presbyterian church will present a skit and St. Luke's Methodist church women will give a musical number "A Prayer for Africa." An African folk story will be told by Mrs. Vern Wilson. Mrs. Milton Snow is to lead a group song.

A film in keeping with the general program will conclude the afternoon's program. The offering will be used

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AAUW Holds Patio Party

A patio party for members and guests of Medford branch, Association of University Women, was held Saturday, September 12, in the garden of the Milo V. Kubalek home on south Oakdale avenue.

The tea table was decorated with pink, pavender, and purple fall flowers and silver serving pieces by Mrs. Waler F. Roemer, chairman for the party.

Mrs. Roy Elmgren, president, told of the aims and activities of AAUW, and introduced officers of the Medford branch. They are Mrs. Edwin Gebhard, first vice-president; Mrs. R. M. Mayer, second vice-president; Miss Margaret Jones, secretary; and Mrs. Jeffrey Shute, treasurer.

Pouring were four past presidents, Mrs. A. J. Johnson, Mrs. Emerson Anderson, Mrs. John Stong, and Mrs. Herbert Seitz.

Mrs. Robert Butler, Mrs. Thomas Bars, Mrs. John Brandenburg, Mrs. George Johns, Mrs. S. C. Jones Jr., and Mrs. Robert F. Wilcox greeted guests as they arrived.

Assisting Mrs. Roemer and Mrs. Kukulek were Mrs. F. Wilson Wait, Mrs. E. H. Loveless, Mrs. Thomas Tinsley, Mrs. Alan S. Markee, Mrs. Alex McDonald, and Mrs. John Stong. Mrs. Earle Fichtner and Mrs. Devere Taylor played the piano during the afternoon.

to assist in work among migrants in Oregon.

An invitation is extended to all interested. A nursery will care for children.



Albany, N.Y. - Princess Beatrix of the Netherlands receives a bouquet of flowers from an admirer on her arrival in Albany Friday. Patricia Van Galen, 4, Delmar, N.Y., presented the flowers on her own behalf as a gesture of friendship. - (UPI Telephoto).

Episcopal Guild To Hear Speaker

The Women's Auxiliary Guild of St. Mark's Episcopal church will meet Friday, September 25, at the parish house.

Holy communion will be held at 11 a.m. with luncheon at 12 noon. Child care will be available after noon.

Duane Alvord, assistant to the rector, will speak on "Preparing for the Ministry."

Past Noble Grands Meet at Clubhouse

The next meeting of the Past Noble Grands club of Olive Rebekah lodge will be held Thursday, October 8.

The group met recently at Girls Community club. Mrs. Clarence Jordan provided the program of entertainment and refreshments were served by Mrs. Earl Scripser, Mrs. James D. Flemming and Mrs. Nellie Gibson.

Director Visits Mayor and Wife

Vladimir Rosing, author and director of the "The Oregon Story," Centennial pageant which was presented in Portland, was a guest of Mayor and Mrs. John Snider last week. Mr. Rosing left Saturday morning for San Francisco.

Later he will continue to Chicago where he will coach Miss Leontyne Price, opera star, for her coming role in "Thais." The Oregon pageant played for two weeks.

Fellowship Circles Schedule Meetings

Daytime White Cross circles of the Women's Fellowship will meet Tuesday, September 22, at various homes of the members.

Ruth circle will meet with Mrs. L. J. Knox, 221 Portland avenue, and Esther circle at the home of Mrs. Ethel VanCleave, 730 Alder street. Mrs. C. C. Gilbert is chairman of Ruth circle and Mrs. N. A. Mead of Esther circle.

The chairman of Martha circle, Mrs. Donn Platt, will be hostess to that circle at her home at 30 Laurel street. Elizabeth circle will meet with Mrs. Boyd Cline, 953 Jasper street.

Nell Grubb circle will meet with Mrs. Robert Spayde, 109 Orchard lane, near Ashland. Members needing transportation, or directions, should contact the chairman, Mrs. Gilbert Hill, KEystone 5-2345. Day circles meet at 10:30 a.m. and are to bring sack lunches.

The evening circles of the fellowship, Mary, Lydia, Lois and Hannah, will meet with the fellowship president, Mrs. Clarence Wilson, Walden lane, Talent, on Tuesday evening, September 29 at 7:30 p.m.

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