



Potpourri just finished a weekly "day off" stint in the garden and brought back to the house a wheelbarrow load of chrysanthemums. Never before have we had such quantities of chrysanthemums. Since we've only had medium success with these flowers in the past, and since others are reporting a particularly good season, it must be that last summer's long, dry weeks were just right for chrysanthemums.

If pappy doesn't watch, he'll find the entire vegetable garden planted to flowers. Our best chrysanthemums this year are growing out near the barn, in full all-day sunshine. The marigolds planted near the chrysanthemums also grew to out-of-this-world proportions and were literally a mass of flowers. We had good luck also with an annual lupine planted in this plot. A new dwarf sweet william failed to flourish, however, and we had only medium success with a double larkspur. The colors were interesting, but some sort of rot or bug attacked the roots and more than half the plants died.

However, we'll leave pappy enough room for tomatoes, cucumbers and sweet corn—especially sweet corn. This year the last crop came in in October, and until about the third week of that month, the two of us feasted on fresh corn two or three times a week. This is the latest we've ever had fresh corn from our own garden. Pappy's garden, that is. When it comes to vegetables, he does all the work.

A teacher in Southfield, Mich., has done something which we considered doing, but never found time. Inspired by a question propounded by Cleveland Amory, writing in The Saturday Review, as to how many newspaper reporters could spell the last name of the Soviet premier, Robert M. Boltwood of Southfield decided to try the question out on his adult education classes. He chose two classes at a state university—classes in business composition and business letters. The students averaged about 38 years of age, were all business men, some administrators and others in lesser positions in sales, manufacturing, personnel administration, accounting, etc. All had at least a high school education.

The 32 men came up with 28 different spellings of "Khrushchev." Only one spelled it correctly. Intrigued by this test, the teacher then tried the men out on the spelling of the last name of the president of the United States. Fourteen of the men spelled Eisenhower correctly, the others spelled it 14 different ways.

For some reason or the other, reading this brought to mind a telephone conversation with a woman whose identity we did not learn. She called and wanted to know "if I have to come to your reporter's school." We said that we could not, of course, force her to attend the school, then out of curiosity asked why she did not want to do so.

She replied "My stories are never more than three or four sentences long and what could possibly go wrong with so short a story?" Long experience has taught this reporter and editor that practically anything can be wrong about a short story—sometimes even one written by an experienced reporter. Particularly the spelling of names.

A club reporter not indoctrinated about the spelling of names, and the importance of making an effort to have them correct, can not imagine how much trouble names are in the newspaper business.

It still annoys this female that the fashion news is almost in reverse. When the Rogue valley is sweltering under the hot summer sun, the fashion designers and dress factories are in full swing on fall and winter clothes. And in the last week of October, 1939, the New York Times carried reports of the first American showings of spring clothing for 1940.

Eleven collections were reviewed in two issues. One column said that almost every big-time designer is showing prints different than ever shown before. Print dresses with matching print coats were big news, and black and white was reported as still a favorite. One designer showed prints with mammoth palms, jungle tigers and fern leaves—he had been in Africa for inspiration. Another one was said to favor "scratch prints" whatever that might be, and "mumble-jumble ones" that could be spotted a block away. Some were called soft and splashy, others were said to be neat and some "melted" looking.

Sleeves are going to be big, bigger and bigger. They are called kimono, cape, burnoose, leg-of-mutton, dolman, puffs and by other names. Chiffon is in great favor, skirt lengths and waistlines are apparently not news except Dior's bubble skirt, which some are copying. Some of the colors mentioned were lavender, wild rice, coconut, garnet and "fevered gold."

Daniel Webster said it: "What can we do with the Western Coast? A coast of 3,000 miles, rockbound, cheerless, uninviting and not a harbor on it? What use have we for such a country? I will never vote one cent from the public Treasury to place the Pacific Ocean one inch nearer Boston than it is now!"—O.S.

Puff Pastries

New York (UPI)—European-style puff pastries now are available uncooked in frozen food departments. They include apple, raspberry and blueberry turn-overs, cherry and apple rolls and apple strudel. Be sure to follow package directions for baking. The pastries must be solidly frozen when they go into the oven, otherwise they won't rise properly.

Hardy Citrus

New York (UPI)—Grapefruit need not be harvested when ripe. It hangs without spoiling on the tree for weeks until needed, sometimes as long as four months.

Extra-tasty

New York (UPI)—Italian-style spaghetti sauce mix blended with meat loaf ingredients makes an extra-tasty dish. Mix 1 beaten egg with 2 pounds ground beef. Add 1 cup soft bread crumbs. Remove 1 tablespoon spaghetti sauce mix and add remainder to meat. Combine a 6-ounce can of tomato paste with 1½ cups water. Blend ¾ of sauce mixture into meat, pack lightly into greased 9 by 5 by 3 inch loaf pan. Bake at 350 degrees 1 hour. Stir leftover sauce mix and liquids together, heat and serve with loaf. Serves 8 to 10.

Women's News

Dancers Active In Valley

Square dancers were out in force Halloween night, with many at Bellview Grange in Ashland and also at the American Legion hall in Central Point.

Local dancers and visitors from Klamath Falls, Eugene and Yreka, Calif., were still dancing at daybreak in Ashland.

At Central Point, costume prizes were awarded to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jensen, with honorable mention to Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Lynch.

Friday, November 6, a round dance workshop is planned at Wilson school in Medford beginning at 8 p.m. Mrs. Douglas Fosbury is instructor and all interested couples are invited.

An open hoedown is planned Saturday, November 7, at 8:30 p.m. at the Bellview Grange hall near Ashland. Byron (Buzz) Dibble will call and potluck refreshments will be served.

Waggin' Wheelers will also dance Saturday night at Carpenters' hall, 123½ West Main street, Medford. Douglas Decker is club caller, and potluck refreshments will be served during the evening.

Y Knot Twirlers club will hold a party dance Saturday, November 7, in the American Legion hall, Central Point, starting at 8:30 p.m. Refreshments will be potluck and Douglas Fosbury will call the squares. The Legion hall, located on the Main street of Central Point, has a good dance floor.

All these dances are open to the public.

Friday evening, November 6, a meeting of square dancers will be held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dallaire, 1060 Crater Lake avenue. Purpose of the meeting is to discuss possible organization of the Rogue valley areas as an area council for affiliation with the Oregon Federation of Square Dance clubs. It is pointed out that the Rogue valley is one of two areas in the entire state of Oregon where an area council has not yet been organized. Two couples from each local club have been invited to attend the meeting.

Lodge Schedules Meeting Tonight

Phoenix-Neighbor of Woodcraft lodge will meet at the Grange Hall tonight at 8 o'clock.

The Thimble club of Neighborhood of Woodcraft lodge will meet at the home of Mrs. Chester Parker Friday for a covered dish lunch at noon. During the afternoon, all the members of the lodge who have received 35 and 50-year pins will be honored.

Director Cancels SOC Fall Play

Ashland—"On Borrowed Time," the fall term SOC Players' production has been definitely cancelled, it was announced by director Angus L. Bowmer of the Southern Oregon drama staff.

Mr. Bowmer, who is also the founder-producer of the Oregon Shakespearean festival, said that two of the leading players were ill and that another lead part had been vacated because of the student's withdrawal from school.

United Press International Wool garments will keep their lines indefinitely if hung on sturdy, well-shaped hangers and in sufficient space to hang freely in the closet.

Gay Follies Continues Tonight

A snappy footnote at the end of the program pages listing the Junior Service League Follies numbers says "Any resemblance to the above program is not only coincidental, it's miraculous!" In a way this is true, for when one considers that the show was put together in only slightly more than two weeks, it does seem almost a miracle.

The league members had to learn and rehearse fast-moving and intricate dance routines, whip any number of song numbers into shape and learn how to put across those quick little black-out skits which bring howls of appreciation from the audience and which stick the acts together.

The Follies opened last night, proving that the league members and the director, Peter Thomas of the Jerome H. Cargill Producing organization, New York City, had brought forth their miracle. This is not to say that the show wouldn't have been improved with a few more rehearsals, or that it is of professional caliber, which it wasn't meant to be.

But the show is bright, colorful, and at fast-paced times it is very funny. Some of the "Rockette" type numbers are much better than one could imagine with so few rehearsals and the entire production is sparked by a few well trained and talented amateurs.

One of these is Mrs. Brian Mullen, Mrs. Mullen, a real "southern belle," who came to Medford from the east a couple of years ago, is beautiful, has a wonderful stage personality and is an accomplished ballerina. Her dancing, both in the night club atmosphere of the "Fabu-Las Vegas" numbers with a group of fast-stepping "gamblers" and in a ballerina scene in the "Memories of Gigi" is delightful to watch. We hope Mrs. Mullen lends her talents to other productions in the valley.

Mrs. Edward Sickels also

Dietitian Named To ODA Board

Ashland—Miss Seraphine Scanlon, Southern Oregon college director of dining service, was appointed to the board of the Oregon Dietetic association as career guidance chairman, at the fall meeting of the organization October 30-31, in Portland. Accompanying Miss Scanlon to the meeting was Mrs. Tom MacLeod, dietitian of Rogue Valley Memorial hospital, who serves as diet therapy chairman for the ODA.

Career guidance duties involve the assistance to schools and various civic organizations in acquainting the public with the need of strong support and action in the career guidance field.

Of interest to the program chairman of southern Oregon organizations, was the purchase of a film concerning dietetics as a profession, "The Views from the Mountain" which will be available without charge. Those interested are asked to contact Miss Scanlon at Southern Oregon college for further details.

New York (UPI)—Sandwiches for the small fry have a party look when they're served with pickle baskets. Cut large whole pickles into 1½-inch crosswise sections. Scoop out the centers, leaving part of the end to form the bottoms of the baskets. Fill with mayonnaise or salad dressing. Use toothpicks to fasten on handles made from thin pickle strips.

Social Events

Music for Coming Play Said of Unusual Quality

Music from "The West Side Story" by Leonard Bernstein, and the "Frankie and Johnny Overture" have been selected to give added enjoyment to "Dino." "Dino" is an all-school production at Medford High school, sponsored by the Thespian Troupe 358, to be presented November 12 and 13.

This particular version of "Frankie and Johnny" is a very interesting one, according to John Drysdale, the orchestra's director. It contains the varied tempos of the march, the waltz, and the blues.

The orchestra is made up of 75 pieces and Walter Ayers, a junior, is the concertmaster. "The music is very difficult, but I think they'll be able to play it quite well," commented Mr. Drysdale.

Heading the production staff is Mrs. Lenore Zapell, director. She will be assisted by Mr. Drysdale as musical director; Warren Wolf, set decorations; Bob Goodwin, Phil Baird and Bob Rutter, set construction; and Jean Wobbe, properties chairman.

Properties crewmen are Darlene Dwyer, Jim Pool, Marilee Patch, Mickey Darras, Marie Weston, and Evelyn Pleyer. Sharon Laing will serve as costumes chairman, assisted by Eileen Finegan, Sue Brennan, Pat Cranston, Pam Watson, and Kathy Larimer. Others are Anne Mathews and Sue Fontaine, prompters; Bob Steadman and Ken Peek, lights; and Barbara Shaw, Christine Sather, Arliss Buett-

ner, and Sandra Hutton, make-up. The business staff consists of Joyce Pearson, business manager; with Nancy Duncan, Esther Jacobs, Barbara Donahoo and Tanya Enders handling publicity. Kathy Relling and Deanna Hull are in charge of tickets. Sharon Tepovac will be in charge of ushers, and Shirley Satterfield is responsible for programs.

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 of publication and for week day news is 8 a.m. the day before publication.

Thursday:

7:30 p.m.—Royal Neighbors of America, Pythian hall.

7:30 p.m.—Crater Garden club, home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Frierson, 2120 Table Rock rd.

7:30 p.m.—Griffin Creek Parent-Teachers association, school cafeteria.

8 p.m.—Adel chapter, Order of Eastern Star, Masonic temple, Jacksonville.

8:30 p.m.—Junior Service League Follies, Craterial theater.

Friday:

12 Noon—Fifty Plus club, St. Mark's Guild hall.

1 p.m.—Gettogether club, Girls Community club.

Open House Set At Ruch School

Ruch—The November meeting of Ruch Parent-Teacher association will feature an open house at the school Friday, November 6, at 8 p.m.

Parents and visitors will have a chance to hear beginning and advanced band groups, see a volley ball team in action, see student government at work, and make a complete inspection of the building.

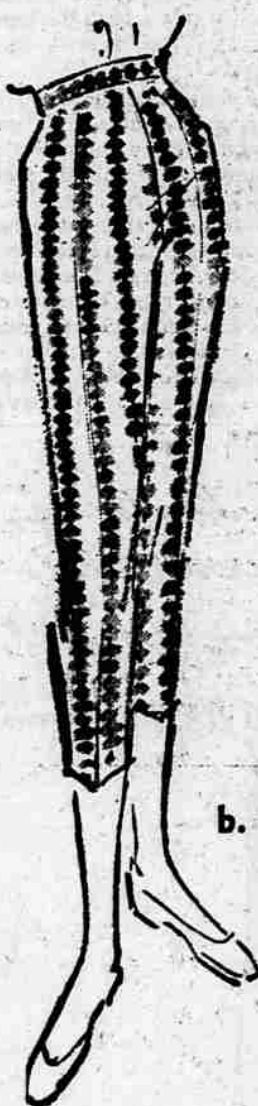
Classrooms will display pupils' work and parents will be able to inspect the work progress of their children.

Refreshments will be served by mothers of the children in the seventh grade.

Fresh California dates have a tangy sweetness that makes them exciting additions to many other foods. Try them stuffed with a cashew nut, water chestnut or bit of candied ginger; then heat quickly and gently in a little lemon-butter to serve with crisp fried prawns or grilled salmon.

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