

Sharon Merkel Graduates From Nursing School

News has been received here of the graduation November 22 of Miss Sharon Jean Merkel, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. A. Erin Merkel, Chula Vista, Calif., from the Glendale Sanitarium and Hospital School of Nursing, Glendale, Calif.

The Merckels are former residents of Medford and Dr. Merkel was Jackson county health officer for many years. He is now head of the department of pediatrics and maternal care for the San Diego county department of public health.

Dinner Given In Eagle Point Honors Parents

Eagle Point—Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lusk, 305 C street, Eagle Point, were honored at a family Thanksgiving dinner held recently at the Eagle Point Grange hall.

Among the 36 persons attending were five of the couple's seven children, 13 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

From out of town for the event were Mrs. Lillian Boehm, Redwood City, Calif., daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lusk, Palo Alto, Calif., son and daughter-in-law, and their two sons, Ken and Lyle; and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hagen, Casper, Wyo., granddaughter, and three children, Cindy, Wally and Sherri.

Others included Mr. and Mrs. Carl Clough, Jimmy Clough, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Clough, and children, Janice and Donna; Mr. and Mrs. J. Ivan Lusk, Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Sander and sons, David, Terry, and Phillip; Mr. and Mrs. Ted Whisler and daughters, Sandra, Charlotte, and Earline; Mr. and Mrs. Reg Sampson, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lusk and daughter, Janine.

The dinner was the first gathering of the family since the couple celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary May 10, 1951.

Wyatt Family Here

Houseguests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Foose, 706 Newtown street, last week were their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Wyatt, Bandon, and four grandchildren.

The family arrived in the valley for Thanksgiving and returned to the coast Saturday.

Artists' Sale Set Today; Community Gallery Is Aim

Two large rooms at the Girls Community club, 228 North Bartlett street, are reserved for today's pre-Christmas sale of works by local artists.

Members of the Southern Oregon Society of Artists are sponsoring the event to assist in raising funds for a community art gallery. All works are priced under \$25.

Many paintings are on display, and in addition to the donated pictures, each exhibitor has two others for sale at the regular price. Twenty per cent of the price of these will also go to the fund.

Valley artists who have donated paintings include Jack Teeters, Mrs. Vola Tolman, Mrs. M. M. Huggins, Mrs. Zeida Van Valzah, Mrs. Arthur Brereton, Mrs. Leonard Andrews, Hal Bishop,

Mrs. A. J. Castillo, Mrs. David Engleson, Eugene Ferrrell, Mrs. A. V. Hardy, Mrs. Ralph Hixson, Mr. and Mrs. George Johnson, Mrs. S. C. Horton, Mrs. A. C. Lewis and Harry Marx.

Mrs. Jack Mitchell, Mrs. Grover Corum, Mrs. John Pleische, Mrs. Earl Moore, Mrs. W. L. Neece, Clifford Platz, Mrs. Fred Rankin, Mrs. Afton Carter, Harold Skidmore, Joyce Grissom, La-Vesta Gardner, Mrs. L. C. McMahan, Nettie Williams.

Victor Wrigglesworth, Marjorie Olds, Mrs. Howard Wilson, Mrs. William Dawkins, Mrs. John Reid, Mrs. A. R. Schoenberg, James Ragland, Mrs. Tom Staley and Eugene Bennett.

The public is invited to the sale, which will be held from 2 to 9 p.m.

Methodist Women Announce Unique Christmas Project

Woman's Society of Christian Service of First Methodist Church is sponsoring a Christmas card gift for the church this year.

Members and friends of the church who usually send cards to each other are being asked to contribute to the Christmas card fund the amount they would have spent in purchasing and mailing cards. This money will be used to buy a lasting gift for the sanctuary of the church, thus providing an enduring item rather than cards which are usually disposed of at the close of the holiday season.

A large card is being made, and will be placed in the foyer of the church. It will contain the names of all who give to this fund. The women, according to Mrs. Milton Snow, president, feel this will be a friendly way of saying Merry Christmas to all friends who worship at First Methodist church.

At the November session of the Woman's Society Tuesday, November 24, reports were made by delegates who attended the Western Jurisdiction meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in Portland in October. Reporting were Mrs. Snow, Mrs. Walter Higgins, Mrs. Jessie Minear and Mrs. George Roseberry.

Final plans were made for the Christmas Gift Festival being held in the church December 3 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. A special attraction this year will be Hungarian rolls to be served during the morning coffee time. These rolls are being made by Mr. and Mrs. Frances Czekli who came to Medford this summer from Hungary.

Kenneth Browns Hosts for Dinner

Relatives of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth E. Brown gathered at their home, 40 Quince street, Thursday for a Thanksgiving dinner. Guests were Mr. Brown's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Brown and their children, Lianne and Terry, Eugene; Mr. Brown's mother, Mrs. Chester Mulkey, and Mr. Mulkey, Sheridan, Ore.; the host's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Whedon, and children, Linda, David, Karen and Susan; Mr. Brown's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Brown, and their five children, Phyllis, Philip Jr., Kay, Jack and Paul, Medford.

During the day the couple's son, Claude Brown, called from Wrangell, Alaska.

Mrs. Edwin Durno Will Be Hostess

Contemporary Book club will meet Wednesday, December 2, at 1:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Edwin R. Durno. Mrs. Raymond Miksche will give the program.

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Thanksgiving Dinner Given

Medford Duplicate Bridge club celebrated Thanksgiving with a covered-dish supper and a team-of-four tournament. Twenty-one teams entered the play, including five from Grants Pass.

The first six places were won by Dr. and Mrs. C. M. Durland, Howard Brock and Harvey Mills, Grants Pass, 17 1/2 points; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hatten, Mr. and Mrs. Leiland Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Coode, Mrs. Ben Wright and Mrs. Ray Walker, Grants Pass, all with 15 1/2; Walter Heuner, Thomas Munds, Col. D. H. Barber, Mrs. W. A. Stiles, Mrs. Roy Keim and Mrs. Frank Baker, all with 15; and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Mitchell, Mrs. Frank Perl and Mrs. Ivan Harrington, 13 1/2.

The club will meet Tuesday night for the monthly master point play.

Family Spends Holidays Here

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce McDonald and three children, Terry, Susan, and David, of Paradise, Calif., are visiting relatives in Medford.

Thanksgiving Day they attended a family dinner at the home of Mr. McDonald's mother, Mrs. Alfred McDonald, East Jackson street. Also attending the dinner was Mrs. Fred Rankin, 18 Richmond ave., mother of Mrs. Bruce McDonald; and Mrs. Alfred McDonald's mother, Mrs. Charlotte Allen.

Mrs. Alfred McDonald recently returned to Medford to re-open her home after living for a time in Coos Bay.

Two Families Hold Thanksgiving Dinner

The William B. Konopaseks, 434 Haven street, Medford, and the Robert J. Pfaffs, 647 Laurel street, Central Point, held a family dinner Thanksgiving Day at the Pfaff residence.

Attending the event were the Konopasek's daughter, Mrs. Richard Schefers; the Pfaff's children, Janet, Douglas, Donald, Cheryl, and son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Pfaff; and F. B. Liddell, brother-in-law of Mr. Konopasek and Mrs. Pfaff.

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Travelers Honored During Trip

Eagle Point—Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Dahack, Eagle Point, received a number of tributes while celebrating their golden wedding anniversary with a group of friends in the Hawaiian Islands recently.

Making the trip to Honolulu with the couple November 9 by United Airlines were Mrs. Dick Dugan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dahack, and Mrs. Ray Harnish, Eagle Point; Mrs. Eve Prentice, Medford; Mrs. Nettie Halter, Argo, Ore.

The group motored to San Francisco November 8. While aboard the airliner en route to Hawaii, Mr. and Mrs. Dahack were presented a decorated anniversary cake. An anthurium bouquet had been placed in their rooms when they arrived at the Tropic Isle hotel on Waikiki beach, and each day brought a new gift for the couple.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Young, former valley residents who now operate a gift shop in Honolulu, and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Smith, son and daughter-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. John Smith, Eagle Point, escorted the group on a tour of Oahu island.

The Dahacks were introduced and honored at a local show and at the Waikiki Sands and Royal Hawaiian hotel where they dined. Another decorated cake was presented at the Cocoa Palms, and the Hawaiian Wedding Waltz was played.

The group took a boat tour of Pearl Harbor on Armistice day and later toured coffee, banana and pineapple plantations on the islands.

The vacationers spent two days on the island of Hawaii, where they watched eruptions of the volcano Kilauea Iki. They spent some time photographing the volcano during the day and late at night. Mr. Dahack was reported to have received singed eyebrows when he ventured too close.

Mrs. Harnish said they were told by the guide that if the lava area is leveled over a period of 50 years, the moss will begin to grow in the area, followed by other vegetation and, finally, by trees.

The visitors had luncheon at the Volcano House near the edge of the volcano. The house was vacated the next day due to the molten lava nearby. Journeys between islands were made by air.

Son Here

Thanksgiving week end visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Angus Todd, 12 Ashland street, is their son, Ralph, a junior at Simpson Bible college, Seattle, Wash. The student will return to college this evening.

Mrs. Richard Gray Elected Girl Scout Council President

Mrs. Richard W. Gray, Cherry lane, was elected president of Rogue Valley Girl Scout council at the recent annual meeting held in Ashland.

Mrs. Gray has been active in Girl Scouting for the past nine years. She has served as Brownie and Intermediate leader, troop committee member, district public relations representative, and third vice president. She has served as first vice president for the past two years.

Mrs. Gray has also been an American Red Cross volunteer, assisting in finance, production and working as a Gray Lady. She has been an active member of the American Association of University Women, League of Women Voters, Medford Women of Rotary and the Contemporary Book club.

Mrs. Thomas R. Lytle will replace Mrs. Gray as first vice president, and Mrs. Robert Sletter will serve as second vice president for a second term. Both are from Medford.

Others elected to counsel offices and committees were Mrs. Thomas Eslinger, Medford, member-at-large; Mrs. Scott Davis, Mrs. Michele T. Rossi, both of Medford, and Mrs. Howard Wiley, Ashland, membership nominating committee; Mrs. Hugh Brown, Grants Pass, chairman of the committee on employed personnel; Mrs. Harvey Woods, Ashland, public relations chairman; Mrs. William J. Thompson, Medford, troop organization chairman; Ted Bergold, Grants Pass, finance chairman for a second term; Mrs. Walter Higgins, South Medford district chairman; Mrs. Cecil Woods, Ashland district chairman; Mrs. Boyd Hixson, chairman of Grants Pass district; Mrs. Jack Nelson, West Siskiyou district chairman.

Elected to serve a second term on the endowment fund committee were Mrs. J. H. Helm, Talent, and Tom Culbertson, Medford.

Guests at the luncheon, which was served by women of the Bellview Grange, included Judson Compton and George Brennen, Crater Lake Council, Boy Scouts of America.

Senior Girl Scouts Betty Duffy, Ashland; Roberta Stephenson and Gail Hayden, Grants Pass; and Diane Lewis and Carolyn Finch, Medford, presented the program. They spoke in turn of their experiences at various Girl Scout-sponsored activities this past summer, showing swap items, snapshots and colored slides they brought back with them.

Arrangements for the meeting were made by Mrs. Moulton, council meetings chairman, and Ashland district chairman, Mrs. Cecil Woods.

Willy Ley To Speak

Willy Ley, an authority on rocket research and space travel, will speak Friday, December 4, at Rogue River Valley Knife and Fork club meeting, at the Rogue Valley Country club.

Reservations are necessary for the 6:45 p.m. dinner and must be made no later than Tuesday, December 1, with Mrs. Richard House, 15 Cornhill court.

Mr. Ley has been a pioneer in the rocket field since 1920 and was one of the founders of German Rocket Society in 1927. He came to the United States in 1935 and has been science editor of a New York newspaper and research engineer for Washington Institute of Technology. He is also a consultant to the department of commerce's office of technical services.

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"Ugly American" To Be Reviewed

Mrs. Edith Swartsley will review the book, "The Ugly American," by Lederer and Burdick, for The Wednesday Study club meeting December 2 at the Girls Community club.

Mrs. Paul R. Rynning will give a talk on "The President's Music Men."

To Install

New officers will be installed at a meeting of the Licensed Practical Nurses association Monday, Nov. 30, at 7:30 p.m. in the social room of Sacred Heart hospital.

Mothers to Hold Bazaar, Party

Rogue Valley Navy Mothers club will hold a bazaar and card party in the Girls Community club Tuesday, December 1. The sale starts at 11 a.m. and the card party at 12:30 p.m. The sale will feature crib quilts and infants wear.

Anyone wishing to make reservations may call Mrs. James Wicker, SPring 2-2985. The club's Christmas party will be held December 8 at the home of Mrs. Carl Ludwig.

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