

Dance Announced
At Camp Domiciliary
 Ladies auxiliary, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Department of Oregon, will sponsor a dance at the Camp White Domiciliary Monday, December 7, at 8 p.m. in the theatre. Music will be furnished by the Camp White orchestra. Those wishing transportation may get the bus at the Trailways depot at 7:30 p.m.

Prevent stretched necklines in sweaters by sewing two rows of round elastic inside the necks.

Animated Cards Interest Kiddies

Kansas City, Mo. — (UPI) — A m o n g favorite Christmas cards for boys and girls this year are "animated" greetings that become walking dolls or swinging clowns.

The doll, an angel that wears a holly halo, trundles under the power of an elastic band motor. Another card contains a clown named Bobo who flips and spins on a swing.

Other toys and games on Christmas cards include a brightly-colored periscope (it works) for boys, a diminutive slate with eraser and colored

chalk and Nativity scene for youngsters to color (crayons included), a packet of bubble bath that is certain to delight any young lady, a replica of a compass that "Santa" uses when he brings his toys to you," a red lollipop, a kit of tricks, and a "magic" message.

Even baby can be remembered with special cards. One contains a paperboard tree that can be set up as a decoration. Another is a record book of baby's first Christmas, with places to mount photographs and record gifts, and to note the new arrival's reaction to the holiday.

New York — (UPI) — Plan a casserole meal around sweet and sour yam-pork bake. Cook 1/2 cup of chopped celery and 1 medium-sized green pepper, seeded and chopped, in 2 tablespoons of vegetable oil until tender. Blend in 1 tablespoon of cornstarch and 1/4 cup of vinegar and 1/2 cup of water. Cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until liquid is thick and clear. Arrange 4 slices of cooked pork and 4 medium-sized yams, cooked, peeled and sliced — or 1 (1-pound) can of yams, drained and sliced — in a 1-quart casserole. Sprinkle with salt and pepper, top with cornstarch mixture, cover and bake 45 minutes in a 350-degree oven. Serves 4.



Phoenix, Ariz., has become the home of the world's largest sewing bee. In suburban Litchfield Park, about 200 women cut and stitch huge helium balloons, called enclosing envelopes, which become part of Navy blimps. Here Rose Travers and Nora Chaplin work on one of the blimps. (UPI Telephoto)

Largest "Sewing Bee" in Arizona

By BILLY K. McFARLAND
 United Press International
 Phoenix, Ariz. — (UPI) — The land of Wyatt Earp today is the home of the world's largest sewing bee.

In suburban Litchfield Park, about 200 women cut and stitch huge helium balloons, called enclosing envelopes, which become part of Navy blimps.

The blimps carry radar, function as part of the North American Air Defense Command (NORAD), and patrol the Atlantic offshore approaches day and night.

The women work in a sprawling building at the Goodyear Aircraft plant. To the seamstresses, a blimp is "just 1,394 great big patterns, which we cut and eventually sew together," said Alabama-born Jean Glover, a veteran worker in the sewing shed.

"Each pattern we are working on now has a number — D-630.

"The 'D' stands for dirigible, and the '630' means this is the 630th blimp which has been produced by Goodyear so far."

Then the blimp is sent to Lakehurst, N. J., where it makes initial forays over the Atlantic with a long-range, high-powered radar scanner swinging inside the bag. If it is accepted by the Navy, it is manned with about 20 men and put into service for

NORAD.

"History is full of stitches in time," said Miss Sullinger, "but this is a case of a stitch in Arizona giving us more warning time to do something about an air attack from across the Atlantic."

Specifications for hiring the women sound like requirements for airlines stewardesses. The rigors of the work demand that no woman start on the payroll if she is older than 28, more than 5 feet-5 inches tall, or weighs more than 120 pounds.

"It's like being a prize fighter," said Geraldine Avis Sullinger, 28, who came to Phoenix from Joplin, Mo. "If you lay off for awhile, you have to watch yourself or your weight will zoom up. One girl was off for two and a half months, and her weight went up 40 pounds. She had to come back and work it off."

Miss Sullinger stands all day, knees locked, leaning from the waist to caulk seams. She admitted she is a bit disdainful when neighbors tell her they can touch toes 10 times without bending a knee.

The women never see their work in the air. As soon as the envelope is completed, it is inflated with air. Inspectors go inside to look for light-holes which show up in the pitch-darkness. When all holes have been patched, the air is vacuum-sucked from the bag. Then it is folded and packed in a box, sent to Akron, Ohio, where it is inflated with helium and tested.

Firkusny To Play In Portland

Portland — The Czech pianist, Rudolf Firkusny, will be heard in two Christmas concerts by the Portland Symphony orchestra scheduled for Monday, December 14, at the Public Auditorium, and December 15, at the Oriental theatre.

Conductor Piero Bellugi has programmed music with the holiday season in mind. This includes Corelli's "Christmas Concerto," "Little Symphony for the New Year," by C. Jones, and Sinfonia from "Christmas Oratorio" by Bach.

Firkusny will share his gift with concert-goers when he plays Dvorak's "Concerto in G Minor." This will be the first time this work has been heard in Portland, and both the Bach and the Jones symphony will be given first performances.

Firkusny is one of the most popular guest artists with Portland audiences as evidenced by his return this year for the fifth time to play with the symphony orchestra. Urbane and uniquely talented, he causes "music to glow before his fingers," according to past reviews.

Tickets for the concerts will be on sale at the J. K. Gill box office December 10, with the Symphony office in the Park building accepting advance reservations.

Washington — (UPI) — Physically handicapped homemakers prefer full skirts, open V-necklines, durable armholes and blouse backs in their clothes, a survey shows.

The women, among about 10-million handicapped homemakers in the United States, were interviewed by clothing specialists of the Agriculture Department's research service. The data will be used as a guide to developing new designs.

Skirts should be two to two-and-a-half yards wide to give ample room for getting about, for comfort for prolonged sitting, and to help conceal braces, the women said.

Those confined to wheel chairs prefer pleated or gathered skirts with seams sewn on the straight of the grain. Stitching in straight seams doesn't break as readily as on the bias.

One-piece dresses are worn more than other types of garments by women with arthritis or multiple sclerosis who have difficulty using hands and arms. Women who wear braces need separate skirts and blouses to resist damage from brace latches.

Pastor To Show Tour Slides

The Rev. Cornelius Linehan, pastor of St. John the Apostle church in Reedsport and former assistant at Sacred Heart Catholic church here, will conduct a "slide tour" of Europe at 8 p.m. Monday in St. Mary's gymnasium.

The "tour" is free-of-charge and open to all parishioners and their friends and is sponsored by the Parents' club of St. Mary's Grade school.

Members of the Parents' club will meet at 7:30 p.m., one-half hour earlier than usual, in the activities room of the school for a short business session. It is expected that there will be keen competition for the room count prize this month. It has been won twice by Sister Marian Arthur's room. Mrs. Charles Hackett was recipient of the November parent award.

Father Linehan's pictures and comments will highlight the shrines, the Vatican and the many other places of interest which he and the Very Rev. Carl Mai, pastor of Sacred Heart church, visited while abroad last summer.

Father Linehan acted as spiritual director of a European tour sponsored by Maryhurst college; Father Mai spent nearly three months in Europe, visiting his mother and relatives in Germany and taking several side trips on the continent. His trip was a gift of the parish.

Following the slide showing, there will be a coffee hour during which his former parishioners may greet Father Linehan.

Hostesses for the evening will be Mrs. W. D. Woodcock, Mrs. Frank J. Gritsch, Mrs. Louis Rentz and Mrs. Edward Nave.

Refreshments will be furnished by Mrs. E. E. Ford and mothers of Sister Inez Joan's eighth grade room; Mrs. Florian Shasky and mothers of Sister Agnes of the Cross' room; and Mrs. Dean Pruett and mothers of Sisters Theresa and John's room.

At a recent meeting of the Parents' club officers, plans were discussed for a late winter rummage sale which will be the major fund-raising event for this school year. Suggestions were made for

further improvement of the school play areas and for increasing the supply of girls' sports equipment.

It was reported that the Thanksgiving collection of canned goods for the Sisters was highly successful and Sister Superior Gerard Mary expressed the Sisters' appreciation for the gift from the parents.

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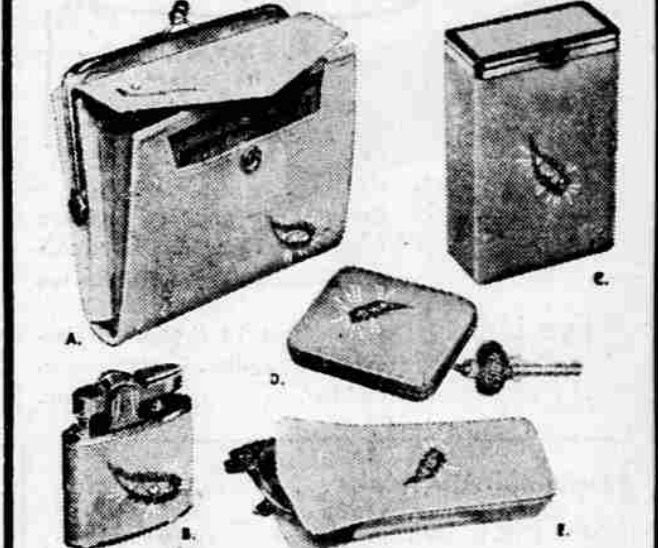
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