

Imaginative Headdresses Add Gaiety to League Ball

Christmas decorations, birds, feathers, a dunce cap, fresh flowers and a variety of other material were used to make the headdresses which southern Oregon women wore to the annual Christmas charity ball at Rogue Valley Country club last Friday. The event is given each year by Medford Junior Service league to raise funds for the league's kindergarten for children with hearing and speech impairments.

Winning prizes were Mrs. William Patton for a head-dress of fresh pink carnations in a brass wire container; Mrs. W. F. Cowling, "Cranberry Merchant" scene; Mrs. James Richeson, tower of Christmas glitter; Mrs. R. Ren Taylor, pink halo and pennies; in "pennies from heaven" theme; Mrs. Loren Sawyer, doll dressed in blue, and Mrs. Roger Sterton, nativity scene.

Mrs. William Dawkins, Ashland, who won first prize last year for her headdress of a small set of real deer antlers, this year wore a big white Christmas bell trimmed with red balls and glitter. With her white chiffon frock she wore red hose and red satin slippers.

Wears Bell

The Dawkins arrived at the ball with an Ashland group which had attended a cocktail party at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Robert M. Turner. Mrs. Turner wore a black gown and a jeweled hair ornament with pendant on her forehead.

Mrs. Richard Alley attended the ball wearing a champagne colored gown of French design and her headdress was a champagne glass filled with bubbles. The gown had a floor-length skirt with back drapery.

Mrs. Floyd Hart Jr., chairman of the ball, wore a head-dress of gold and silver leaves with a tiny reindeer nestled in the arrangement. Mrs. David Holmes, whose simply made gown was of the fashionable gold brocade, wore no headdress but instead carried a little open umbrella with handle and stays made of Christmas beads.

Mrs. Houston Pitts wore a pagoda-shaped headdress which was made from a metal basket sprayed with gold paint. Mrs. Pitts added spikes of gold beads to ornament the basket. Sprays of white leaves made Mrs. Brian Stringer's headdress, and Mrs. B. Brandt Bartels wore two large white doves on her head, one carried a gold ribbon rose in its beak. Mrs. Bartels' gown was of green print silk.

Mrs. Arlon Skinner's evening gown of Christmas red satin was designed with a bell-shaped skirt and her headdress was of red and silver ornaments and leaves.

Clock Is Headdress

Mrs. Ronald Ricketts wore a headdress of white feathers, angels and stars. Mrs. Edward C. Collins wore a large simulated clock face on her head with a little sign which said "party time." Scattered over the face of the clock were a little wine glass and hors d'oeuvres on picks. Mrs. John W. Caulkins' headdress was of red tassels, and Mrs. Blackledge had contrived a tiny silver helicopter for her headdress. Mrs. Steven Mosher wore a tall tower of silver ornaments and Mrs. Kellenburger had used the space age theme and wore a headdress with two lighted "satellites."

Mrs. Robert Taylor's fashionable gown of grey chiffon was made with a tunic edged in a wide band of feathers and she wore a tiny crown on her black hair. Mrs. George Pear-

son's headdress was a tall black dunce cap which she wore with a black frock.

About 250 were present for the event, always one of the most elaborate of the holiday parties given in southern Oregon.

Demonstration On Decorations Given For Unit

Mrs. Calvin Smith and Mrs. Gary Conrad presented a demonstration on Christmas decorations at the last meeting, of Wilson Park Extension unit held at the home of Mrs. John Haven, 1200 Leland street.

Wreaths made of candy and nuts and Christmas trees made of net were some of the ideas shown.

During the business meeting the group voted to make up a Christmas basket for a needy family. Mrs. David Shaffer, chairman, requested that all food for the basket be brought to her home, 932 Stewart avenue, no later than December 18.

Women who had completed the basic dress workshop were asked to model their dresses and tell the cost of each.

Samples of favorite cookies and candies were brought by the women and recipes were exchanged.

A caroling party will be held by the unit members and their husbands on December 22 in the Wilson Park area. They are to meet at the home of Mrs. O. H. Smeltz, 1049 Ingrid street at 8 p.m. Mrs. Verner McCall will direct the carolers.

The next meeting will be held January 5 at the home of Mrs. Dwight Albright, 1678 Orchard Home drive.

Christmas Pageant Presented

A United Nations Christmas pageant was presented at a meeting of the College Women's Club of the Rogue River Valley Saturday afternoon at the Girls Community Club.

The pageant was presented with Mrs. Vernon Wilson as narrator, Mrs. Lyle Schopper as soloist and Mrs. H. Chandler Drew, accompanist. It was a "magic trip" taken to various countries of the world, telling of their Christmas customs and accompanied by authentic music of the country visited.

Portugal was the first stop on the mythical trip. This country is noted for the famous "Portuguese Hymn," which has been translated into 25 languages and is known as "Come All Ye Faithful." The club learned that in Mexico December 16 starts the Christmas season. They commemorate the nine trips of Jesus to Bethlehem. Each carol in England is a masterpiece of sentiment for home and countryside, it was learned. "Deck the Halls with Holly" is typical of the Christmas carols.

Sweden has three weeks of gaiety, then on Christmas everyone attends church. "All Hail to Thee" is traditionally sung.

Family devotions are always observed in Norway. In Denmark, Christmas is a family day, "everything is blessed. It is a tradition for hymns to be sung at the top of the bell tower to the four points of the compass.

The origin of the Christmas tree was in Germany by Martin Luther. The candles represent the stars. A wreath with four candles is a tradition. One candle is lighted each week before Christmas.

France is noted for the music of Franz Liszt. Mrs. Drew played a composition which Liszt composed for his grandchildren.

In Italy everyone makes shrines weeks before Christmas, the club learned. Even in India and China there are carols and psalms.

The "trip" ended in the United States with the spiritual, "Sleep Little Jesus."

Mrs. Wallace Haskins, president of the club, welcomed the guests. They were Mrs. G. R. Ringo, Mrs. Orrie Stoddard, Dr. G. A. Roseberry and Mrs. Omar A. Bacon.

Hostesses for the afternoon were Mrs. Olin Arnsperger and Mrs. G. B. Canode.

Refreshments were served by the social chairman, Mrs. John Carter and her committee; Mrs. Ray Bailey, Mrs. E. A. Evanson, Mrs. Oliver Obenchain and Mrs. John Black.

Women's News • Social Events



Among the officers who attended the annual Military Ball, held recently at Rogue Valley Country club were (left to right) Brig. Gen. William Prentice (at left) Becken and Captain Strubel were recently promoted in rank. —(Knackstedt photo)

Christmas Program Given For Roosevelt PTA Unit

A Christmas program was presented for Roosevelt Parent-Teacher association last Friday afternoon by the fifth and sixth grade children from the various activity period groups.

Mrs. Abner Clark, program chairman, explained the importance of the activity period. "There are seven different activities offered at Roosevelt school," she said. The chorus, Bible history and drama activity groups presented the program.

Mrs. Richard Schuchard led informal singing while Mrs. Marion Montgomery's fifth grade chorus entered — each child carrying a different colored light. Peter Sage announced their selections as "Friendly Beasts," "Bring a Torch Jeanette Isabella," a French carol, "Birthday of the King" and "All Through the Night." The latter featured a descendant group. Members were Mary Gardiner, Teresa Dougherty, Kathleen Lesage, David White, David Sorenson and Steven Edson. Mrs. Schuchard was the accompanist.

The sixth grade chorus, directed by Mrs. Eleanor Hamilton, sang, "Orchestra Song" and "Go Down Moses." A select group from the chorus sang "Willy Bring Your Drum" and "Joyous Christmas Song." The announcements were made by Max Guiley, Christy Sleeter and Rena Drew accompanied.

Mrs. Gladys Todd, Bible history teacher, presented the legend "Why the Chimes Rang" using the Hannelgraph. She told how her work is sponsored by the Jackson County Board of Christian Education, and is financed by the churches of Jackson county.

Mrs. Bertha Haskins, sixth grade teacher, explained that the student's drama participation develops human nature and stimulates thought. One of her groups gave a playlet "Santa Substitute." Santa was Henry Muller, Mrs. Santa,

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Holiday Party For Daughters, De Molay Friday

One of the largest social events of the holidays for the younger set is the annual Christmas party of Job's Daughters and the Order of De Molay. The event this year is a dinner-dance set for Friday, December 18, at Rogue Valley Country club.

The party is jointly sponsored by Bethels 14 and 55, and the Medford chapter of De Molay. It is in honor of Queens Micke Noble and Barbara Gordon; Master Councilor Lynn Knight; queens-elect, Marion Parsons and Marcia Barrell; and Senior Councilor Robert Baker.

Dinner will be served at 8 o'clock with the grand march set for 9 o'clock. Dancing will continue until 12 midnight.

Music will be furnished by the Musician Union, Local 597 of Medford.

Tickets must be purchased by Wednesday night, December 16.

Students Included In Who's Who

Ashland — Ten Southern Oregon college students have been selected for inclusion in the 1960 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges, according to SOC Student Affairs Director Dr. Alvin Fellers.

The 10 students, including six from Ashland and one from Medford, were chosen by the faculty from a list of juniors and seniors nominated by campus classes, clubs and organizations. They also were approved by the student aids and honors committee.

Named were seniors Myrtle Converse, Sue Main, Judy Paulsen, Wayne Paulsen and Carolyn Williams, all Ashland; Vernon Arnold, Butte Falls; Bob Mead, Kamath Falls and Pat Urie, Reedsport.

Juniors selected were Lynn Susee, Ashland and Pat Leek, Medford.

Selections were based on excellence in scholarship, participation in extra curricular and academic activities, citizenship and service to the college and the promise of future usefulness to society.

Unvarnished Greeting

New York —(UPI)—Unpainted wooden gadgets make handy Christmas gifts which can be made at home.

Make a cheese board out of a bread board. Decorate the board with stencils and wax it. Place a box of crackers and packages of gourmet cheese spreads and possibly a spreader on the board and wrap it with cellophane.

Unpainted hangers can be painted, stenciled, waxed and monogrammed.

Party Announced By Phoenix Club

Phoenix — The December business meeting and Christmas party of Phoenix Thursday club will be held Thursday, December 17, at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. V. L. Quackenbush, 5643 South Pacific highway.

Assisting Mrs. Quackenbush as hostesses will be Mrs. R. B. Montgomery, Mrs. George Bourne and Mrs. Douglas Roach.

The business meeting will be followed by an exchange of Christmas gifts. Those members who do not exchange gifts with a "who-do" are also asked to bring a small gift.

CALENDAR

Tuesday:

7:30 p.m.—Chapter BE, PEO sisterhood, home of Mrs. Carol Kennedy, 1 White Oak drive.

8 p.m.—Zion Lutheran church circles: Lydia, Mary and Miriam, home of Mrs. Bruce Braaten, 901 Park ave.

Wednesday:

10:30 a.m.—Central Point Home Extension unit, home of Mrs. J. H. Korner, 443 Oak st., Central Point.

11 a.m.—Townsend Harmony auxiliary club, Carpenter hall, 123½ West Main st.

12 noon—Reames Social club, Medford Masonic hall.

12:30 p.m.—Chapter CP of PEO Sisterhood, home of Mrs. J. A. Graff, 31 Geneva st.

2 p.m.—Wednesday Study club, Girls Community club.

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McHenry Boatwright, young American baritone, will appear in concert Wednesday, December 16, under the auspices of Jackson County Civic Music association. Last season he toured the country with the famous DePaul Infantry chorus as one of a quartet of soloists in a program of operatic music. He has won several outstanding awards and has been a soloist with the Boston "Pops" orchestra and with the Philadelphia orchestra. The concert will begin at 8 p.m.

Central Point Circle To Hold Installation

Central Point — Woman's Christian Service circle of Central Point Presbyterian church will meet in the church basement Thursday, December 17, at 10 a.m. Members are to take a sack lunch. Installation of officers will take place in the afternoon.

Father Carl Mai Entertains Group

The Very Rev. Father Carl Mai entertained members of the Catholic Daughters at a recent Christmas party by singing Christmas carols in the German language. He was accompanied by Mrs. Florence Lance.

The meeting was held in the home of Mrs. Ernest Flakus.

Games followed the carols, and later in the evening the group was surprised by a visit from Mrs. Santa Claus, who distributed the gifts. Refreshments in the holiday theme were served by Mrs. Arthur Becker.

The grand regent, Mrs. Lee Dupray, conducted a business meeting.

Yule Tales

New York —(UPI)—Christmas cards turn into story books for children this year. One card tells how Christmas is celebrated in other lands. Another tells the story of "Ding," a tiny bell which rings for Santa Claus as he makes his rounds.

FOE Auxiliary Sets Yule Party

The annual Christmas meeting of the Eagles' auxiliary will be held Thursday, December 17, at 8 p.m. at the lodge hall. A gift exchange is planned, with the gifts to cost no more than \$1.

Santa Claus will attend and entertainment has been planned by Mrs. George Gunn, chairman.

Several candidates will be initiated during the lodge session. Refreshments will close the evening.

Episcopal Women To Hold Election

Election of officers will be held at a meeting of St. Mark's Episcopal Church women to be held Friday, December 18, at the church. The meeting will be preceded by communion at 11 a.m.

Luncheon will be served at 12 o'clock, with the business meeting and a Christmas program to follow. Baby sitting will be provided.

Installation Set By Phoenix HEC

Phoenix — Phoenix Grange Home Economics club will meet at the home of Mrs. Harlan Glascock at 109 Fourth street in Phoenix Wednesday, December 16. A covered dish luncheon at 12 o'clock will be followed by installation of officers.

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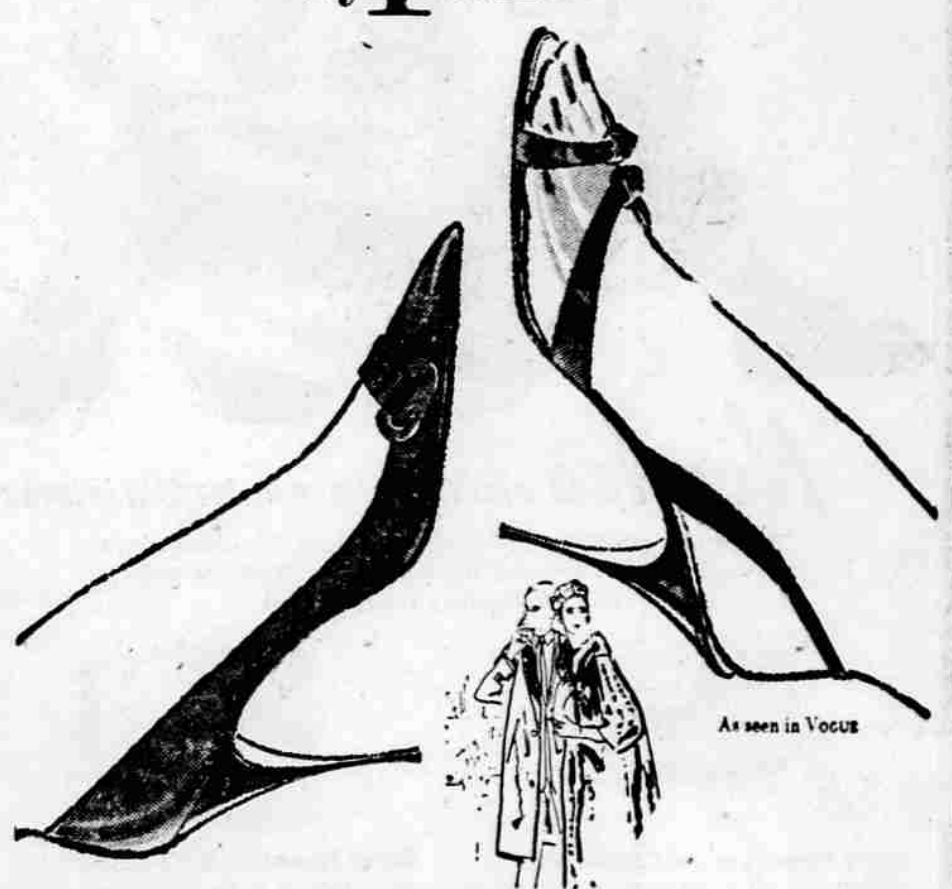
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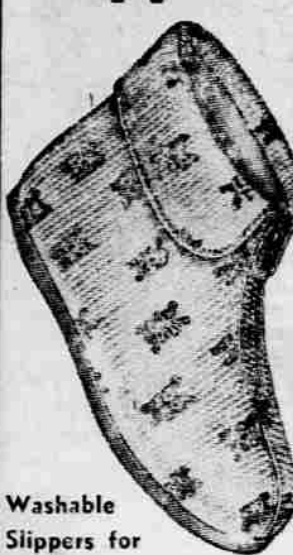
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