

Women's Group In Rogue River Holds Initiation

Rogue River - Nine members were initiated March 11 into the Rogue River Civic Improvement Club of the Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs in the Rogue River clubhouse.

Mrs. Lyabel Deck, president, conducted the ritual. Mrs. William C. Batman, vice president of the Grants Pass Women's Federated Breakfast club, spoke on "The General Federation of Women's Clubs."

She stated the purpose of the federation and stressed the impact which may be brought by the concentrated efforts of 11,000,000 members in more than 50 countries.

Plans for the First District convention to be held in Medford Thursday, March 24, at the First Methodist church, were discussed. Mrs. Carl W. Peterson, Ashland, district president, was a guest. She stated that Mrs. Hildred M. Zell, Wasco, Ore., disarmament division chairman of General Federation and International affairs chairman of Oregon Federation, will be convention speaker.

Among the guests attending were Mrs. Clay M. Lee, president of the Travel Study club of Medford and chairman of the trade aid committee of the Oregon Federation; Mrs. C. A. Gaines, Rogue River, and seven women from Grants Pass.

A dessert luncheon was served preceding the meeting. Hostesses were Mrs. Victor Friden and Mrs. Anna Clastic assisted by Mrs. Lester Drumm.

American Mothers Committee Explained

The American Mothers committee carries on a continuing program aimed at "the development and strengthening of the moral and spiritual foundations of the American home" it was explained last week in Medford. Known largely for its supervision of the selection of state mothers of the year, and of the American mother of the year, the committee's program is not confined merely to this phase, it is stressed.

The committee maintains a Counselor Motherhood Service with the help of women who have served as mothers of the year in the various states, and who are organized in each state. The state associations are made up of mothers who have qualified for nomination as a state mother of the year. Mrs. Harlan P. Bosworth Jr., Medford, who was 1959 Oregon Mother of the Year, will become president of the Oregon Mothers' association in June.

The program of the American Mothers committee this past year has stressed the counselor service, the formation of prayer groups and a book project through which it is hoped to strengthen the American home through reading. Lists of these books are available from Mrs. Bosworth; they are in the field of history, religion, fiction, poetry and philosophy as well as the field of family living. A guide to children's reading is also available.

Membership Opened
Interested persons, even men, may become members of the American committee, it is noted, and various types of memberships are set up.

Three Jackson county women who participated in an American Mothers committee project last year were Mrs. Grover T. Mulkey, Gold Hill; Mrs. W. W. Brawn and Mrs.

William Jeffrey, Medford. The three responded to requests of the national committee and Mrs. Bosworth, and expressed their ideas on better family living and child-rearing in letters.

Firmness
Mrs. Brawn, who has four children, wrote that it seemed to her that "the moral fiber seems to be disintegrating and in its place (has come) the feeling of parents that every problem of their children is just due to a phase they are going through." She added that she believed parents need to exercise a "firm hand" and to start this firmness in the child's early life. If discipline is a part of the child's early life, by early teens he may be given his independence, Mrs. Brawn believes.

Mrs. Brawn also expressed interest in the field of nutrition, one of Mrs. Bosworth's major interests, and said that "after studying several books I am thoroughly confused."

The Gold Hill mother, Mrs. Mulkey, said she believed raising children is a most rewarding career and that with her four children now on their own, "we have a feeling of accomplishment." "The code by which we lived happily is simple," she wrote. "I would begin with love and companionship, the sharing of recreation and hobbies. Early discipline and work for everyone is important, a shirker had to take the consequences. The members of a family must be taught cheerfulness, emotions must have a governor and each person's possessions respected. Manners and thoughtfulness lend much to family harmony."

Parental Help
"Each child followed his aptitudes with all possible parental help, and learned early the importance of making his own decisions. Training in citizenship, morals, religion and finances is necessary, but can go awry without love and companionship in the family. These ingredients work."

Mrs. Jeffrey, who has had considerable material published, listed 10 "Suggestions for Happier Family Living" beginning with "learn the loving approach." She also advised "translate wishful thinking into action; view family troubles objectively; cultivate your sense of humor; analyze success stories; read good

books; include Bible reading and prayer; discover that back of every idea lies the sacrifice of dedication; study families that are achieving happiness; be patient."

The full context of Mrs. Jeffrey's statement has been printed for distribution.

Mrs. Jeffrey is a member of the National League of American Penwomen. Mrs. Brawn is on the hospitality committee of Jackson Parent-Teacher association, works in McLaughlin Parent-Teacher association, belongs to a Sunday school class and is a Brownie Scout leader. Mrs. Mulkey is a part-time employee of the Jackson County Farm Bureau.

Tea Given
The three were introduced at a tea given recently by Mrs. Bosworth, and presented gifts.

Commenting on the continuing efforts of the American Mothers committee to improve family living in this country, Mrs. Bosworth has said that to counteract the

stresses and tensions of modern living, "we must pin-point our moral energies in an effort to improve family life." In a world filled with international fear, and seemingly dedicated to armed strength and force, Mrs. Bosworth believes that "the ideals and goals of each family must be strengthened and pursued religiously. Moral and ethical training must be regenerated if we are to stem the tide of juvenile delinquency and crime and if the nation is to maintain its moral and spiritual standards."



Washington - Mrs. Ashton Thornhill, shown in her office here, is secretary to Senate Democratic Leader Lyndon B. Johnson of Texas. As Mrs. Thornhill often has to hurry from her desk to the door of the Senate to deliver an urgent message to the Senator she must be dressed properly.

Band Camp Announced By College

Ashland - The fourth annual session of the Siskiyou band camp will be held on the Southern Oregon college campus July 17 through July 29.

Guest conductor of the camp this year will be Randall Spicer, director of bands at Washington State university in Pullman.

Mr. Spicer is well known throughout the west as an outstanding band conductor and performer on clarinet and saxophone. He spent 11 years in Boulder, Colo., where he was associated with the University of Colorado and the Boulder public schools. He has been with Washington State university since 1953.

Siskiyou band camp offers an opportunity for junior and senior high school band students to spend two weeks in concentrated study and rehearsal. Spicer will conduct a seminar in band methods which offers graduate credit and can serve as a refresher course for school band directors. Many recreational opportunities will be presented and the dormitory facilities of the college will be available.

The founder-coordinator of Siskiyou band camp is Glenn Matthews, assistant professor

State Officers Speak for Club

Phoenix - Mrs. A. O. Floyd, Medford, treasurer for the Oregon Federation of Garden clubs, gave a report on acid-loving plants at a meeting of Phoenix Garden club March 11 at the community hall.

Mrs. R. T. Nichol, Medford, district director, also attended the meeting and gave a report. Mrs. A. C. Lewis, corsage chairman, presented corsages to the visiting officers.

Mrs. Charles Johnson and Mrs. George Bourne were hostesses. Three new members, Mrs. Mabel Johnson, Mrs. Arthur Kent and Mrs. Thomas Carter, joined the club.

Cheese Frostings
Top cupcakes with a cream frosting. Mash 3-ounce package cream cheese with 2 tablespoons lemon juice; add 2 1/4 cups sifted confectioners' sugar gradually. Add 2 tablespoons grated orange and lemon peel, dash of salt, 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg. Frosts 2 dozen small cupcakes.

of music at Southern Oregon college. Secretary is Dr. Herbert Cecil, also of the SOC music department.

Anyone desiring information concerning the camp is requested to write Siskiyou Band Camp, Southern Oregon college, Ashland.

Ladies' Auxiliary To Sponsor Dance

Ladies' auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Department of Oregon, will sponsor another in a series of dances at the Camp White domiciliary, Monday, March 21 at 8 p.m.

Music will be furnished by Vic Flood's orchestra, and through the courtesy of the Musicians Union, Local 597.

Those wishing transportation may take the bus at the Trailways depot at 7:30 p.m.

Holy Land To Be Topic

"The Holy Land" will be the subject of the program that Mrs. Earl Johnson will present to Westminster Women's association Tuesday, March 22 in Fellowship hall of the Westminster Presbyterian church.

Mrs. Johnson will show slides of her journey to Jerusalem, Bethlehem, the River Jordan and the ruins of Jericho. She will give a commentary along with the pictures.

On display in Fellowship hall will be a variety of items that Mrs. Johnson purchased while in the Holy Land. Among these will be a creche and a miniature nativity scene carved of olive wood by the craftsmen of Bethlehem.

Coffee will be served at 9:30 a.m. preceding the program.

Gold Hill - Lauren Tusting from Acron, Colo., was a recent guest at the home of his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Ferd Jones, in Gold Hill. This was his first trip to Oregon.

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