



POTPOURRI

When the car rolled into our own driveway Monday night and our spring (left over from last year) vacation was ended, our first thought was "how can grass possibly grow so tall in such a few days?" About the only time a gardener should take a vacation is in the middle of the winter.

But we aren't really unhappy about the state of our little garden, for we had been enjoying the sight of nature's gardens, and those of our relatives and friends, while our own went unattended. In the garden of relatives in Chelan, Wash., is a graceful and colorful ornamental maple tree which was placed in the yard so that whoever works at the kitchen sink may look up and see it, framed in the window. There is also a lovely pink dogwood in the yard, in full bloom at that time, and dozens of others, along with lilacs of many shades, were to be seen in gardens nearby.

Friday morning we left Chelan early and drove to Wenatchee where we had breakfast with the Elliott Degmans, longtime friends who lived in Medford many years while Elliott D. was with the USDA here. Both Chelan and Wenatchee are encircled by the vast folding hills characteristic of the Columbia river area in northern Washington, and the cool rainy spring, about which we heard complaints on all sides, nevertheless is responsible for their lush green look, a look which the entire Pacific northwest has this spring.

The Degman's garden has hundreds of tulips and several fine lilacs, and the last of the narcissi were still in bloom. One of these, a white, double flower almost as large as a cannella, had an especially sweet perfume like carnations and Potpourri begged for a couple of bulbs come digging time. The Degman's middle son, Charles Allen, also breakfasted with us, and later his charming wife and handsome little brown-eyed son, Brian, came to meet the visitors. Charles teaches in one of the Wenatchee elementary schools, and the two homes are located close together, an arrangement which pleases the new grandparents who are glad to fill the role of baby sitters.

Luckily the White Pass highway was open—the two of us had driven over Blewett many times, but never over the entire distance of White Pass which connects the Ellensburg and Yakima areas with the Tacoma, Centralia-Chehalis section. To better enjoy the magnificent mountain scenery, we put the top down on the Doll and even though rain threatened and we ran through a couple of showers, kept it down for almost the entire trip. Clouds veiled the high peaks, however, and we had not so much as a glimpse of Mt. Rainier. This trip on a clear day was a wonderful one; the highway runs for miles along Rimrock lake formed by damming the Tieton river, and the forested mountains are imposing. There are fishing resorts, a ski area, tourist facilities and mountain homes.

Central Washington's hills were covered with the yellow daisies, dwarf pink phlox and the bright blue lupine which is one of the west's loveliest and most abundant wild flowers. On the western slopes the yellow is provided by scotch broom on the hills and various meadow plants, including buttercups and even the lowly skunk cabbage, color the fields.

We saw only one car from Alaska. It was a station wagon with a baby's crib in the back and on top two extra tires and a 10-gallon can labeled gasoline. Pappy came up with the information that motorists traveling the Alcan highway must carry the extra tires and emergency gasoline supplies. Road signs provided the comic relief. We giggled over "Soup Creek" and "Slow Worms." A sign at the outskirts of Joseph, Ore., reads "This town is heaven to us, don't drive like hell." One at the entrance of Elgin, Ore., reads "Slow Down—This Is A One Hearse Town."—O.S.

Plans Announced For Family Night

A potluck dinner will be held during the Medford YMCA family night, Friday, May 20. It is set for 6:30 p.m. and families are asked to bring their own table service and "white elephant" items for game prizes.

The committee in charge of arrangements suggests that play clothes are in order for the informal evening of games and swimming.

Phoenix Lodge To Meet Tonight

Phoenix—Phoenix Neighbors of Woodcraft circle will hold a social meeting tonight at the Phoenix Community club. Cards and games are planned. Every member is welcome to bring a mother or a friend.

Fifty Plus Club To Hold Meeting
Medford Fifty Plus club will meet at St. Mark's Guild hall Friday, May 20, at 12:30 p.m. Members are asked to bring a sack lunch.

Medford Families Attend Week End

Eugene—Among those attending the Junior and Mother's Week End festivities last week end on the campus of the University of Oregon were Medford families of members of Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity. They included Mr. and Mrs. John Pletsch and daughter, Jean, Mrs. Howard Boyd and daughter, Mildred Ann and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Guches.

Parents of fraternity members were entertained at an open house on Saturday afternoon and at the annual TKE awards banquet held at the Eugene hotel Sunday. Saturday evening, the Tau Kappa Epsilon house, together with Ann Judson house members, won the coveted first place award in the all-campus sing mixed group with their rendition of "Waltzing Mathilda." Gary Findell, a member of the fraternity, composed the arrangement and led the group and Lynn Sjoland, director of choral music for Medford High school, was one of the judges.

Last year, the Tau Kappa Epsilon won the float contest at the canoe fete traditionally held Friday evening at Mother's Week End, and this year constructed the queen's float. Medford students attending the university and living at Tau Kappa Epsilon house are James Boyd, Robert Bright, Jim Pletsch and Richard Guches.

Calendar

Thursday:

6:30 p.m.—Mistletoe camp, RNA, Pythian building.

7:30 p.m.—Women's Association, Hope Presbyterian church, Rogue River, Barnett hall.

7:30 p.m.—Boover Parent-Teacher association, school gymnasium.

7:30 p.m.—Lively Rogues, Rogue Valley Country club.

8 p.m.—Unit 5, St. Anne's Altar society, Girls Community club.

8 p.m.—Miriam circle, Zion Lutheran church, home of Mrs. W. Mattson, 1036 Mt. Pitt ave.

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

8 p.m.—Roxy Ann court, Order of Amaranth, Masonic temple.

8 p.m.—Welcome Wagon club, home of Mrs. Robert E. Moss, 1196 Ross lane, north.

8 p.m.—Crater Lake auxiliary, Fraternal Order of Eagles, Eagles hall.

Friday:

9 a.m.—Southern Oregon Iris society, home of Mrs. Kenneth Farley, 3563 Jacksonville highway, to begin tour.

10 a.m.—Phoenix Extension unit, home of Mrs. Curtis Stockstill.

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

2 to 4 p.m.—Thurston kindergarten open house, 245 Stewart avenue.

2 p.m.—National Association of Retired Civil Employees, Room 1, 33 North Riverside ave.

Women's News Social Events

Summer Study, Recreation For City's Youth Outlined

Robert Haworth, director of city parks and recreation for the city of Medford, outlined the summer program for children at the last meeting of Roosevelt Parent-Teacher association. It was the unit's final meeting for the year.

Mr. Haworth's report included schedules and dates for sports such as swimming, baseball and tennis. He stated that the complete agenda will be sent to parents in written form before the end of school. The summer program will also include academic work, instrumental music, baton twirling classes and arts and crafts.

The speaker also mentioned the work of the YMCA, Girl and Boy Scouts and the Camp Fire Girls and suggested that the individual agencies be contacted for further information.

Mr. Haworth introduced Kenneth Lyons, new recreation program director for Medford and former director for such a program in Moscow, Ida. Mr. Lyons told of some of the activities for teenagers carried on in Moscow. A question period followed.

Robert Sage, Roosevelt principal, listed important dates to remember. That evening, May 13, was to be the safety banquet night sponsored in part by the PTA. May 24 will be preschoolers visitation day. Hours will be 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. He asked that families new to the school district who have not been contacted, call the school office, SP 2-2300, if they have a child who will enter first grade next year.

May 26 will be another school budget election and Mr. Sage urged all to vote. June 3 the sixth graders will be given a promotion party by the PTA. The retiring PTA board will give a luncheon for the teachers and personnel on June 7. School ends on June 8.

Mrs. Hale Greenman, president, reported on the recent PTA convention held in Medford in April.

Mrs. William Seibert, past president of Roosevelt PTA and Medford Coordinating council, and president of Jackson County Council of Parent-Teacher associations, installed officers. Those taking office were Mrs. William Blackledge, president; Mrs. Curtis Butterfield, vice president; Mrs. Richard Schwahn, secretary; Mrs. Arthur Savard, treasurer. Mrs. Seibert presented a president's pin to Mrs. Blackledge, who conducted the remainder of the meeting and presented a past president's pin to Mrs. Greenman.

Mrs. Lucian Van Gordon, in recognition of the past and future PTA officers, led the members in singing "Auld Lang Syne" and "Schooldays."

Brownie Troop 88 presented the colors and the Girl Scouts furnished baby sitting. Miss Elizabeth Rice won the room count for the lower grades and Jack Pope for the upper grades.

Refreshments were served in the cafeteria by mothers of the children in the first grade.

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Dinner Party Slated by Lodge; Officer Coming

Pocahontas lodge will hold a potluck dinner Friday, May 20, at the Redman hall at 6:30 p.m. A business meeting will follow at 8 p.m. and a card party will close the evening's program.

Members are privileged to take guests for the dinner and the card party.

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Actor Plans College Show

Ashland—Phillip Hanson, Shakespearean performer who has been attracting attention with his one-man show, "Kings and Clowns," has prepared Herman Melville's famous novel, "Moby Dick" for theatrical presentation as a solo performance. This unusual program will be presented at Churchill auditorium under the sponsorship of the SOC Players Thursday, May 26, at 8 p.m.

It will be a benefit performance for the Players scholarship fund.

Hailed as an important achievement in theatre presentation, it is reported that the presentation brings the entire sweep of the novel to the stage with all of the atmosphere of the sea and the hunt for the whale.

Tickets are on sale at Swem's and at Southern Oregon college.

The actor presented his "Kings and Clowns" show Sunday in Medford for a large and enthusiastic audience.

Pupils Present Annual Recital

Accordian students of Mrs. Rose Meadows entertained parents and friends at the annual recital held at the Carpenters Hall, May 15.

The musicians were Roger and Randy Wiley, Danny O'Duane, William Breedlove, Della, Frank and Walter Fitzgerald, Raymond Potter, Rick Campbell, Jacque Wolf, Douglas Mann and Miss June Shroyer.

Following the students' program, several numbers were played by Mr. and Mrs. Meadows and Mrs. Henry

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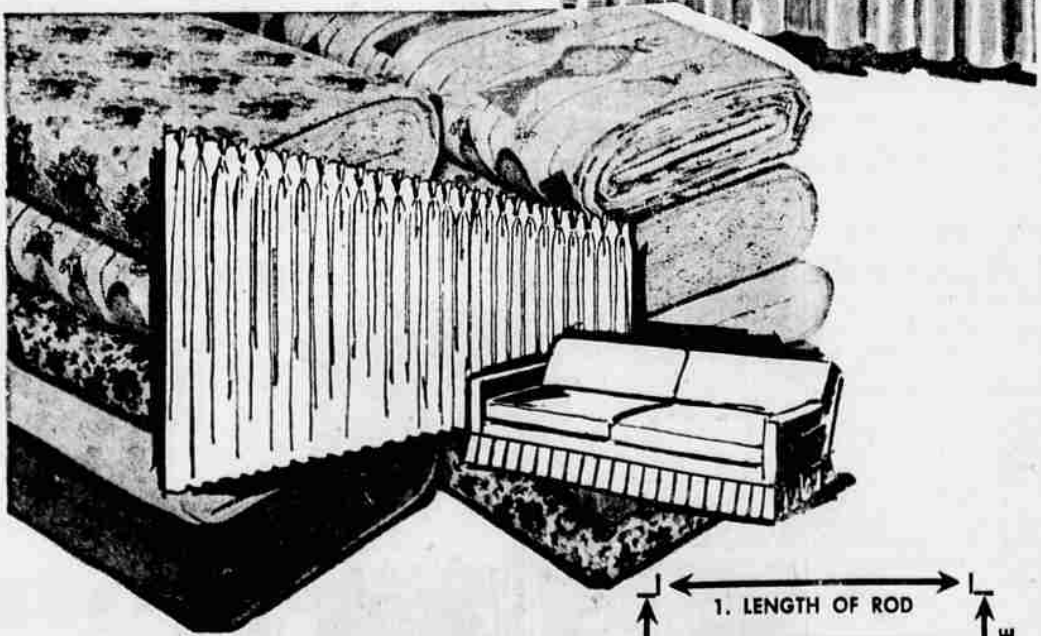
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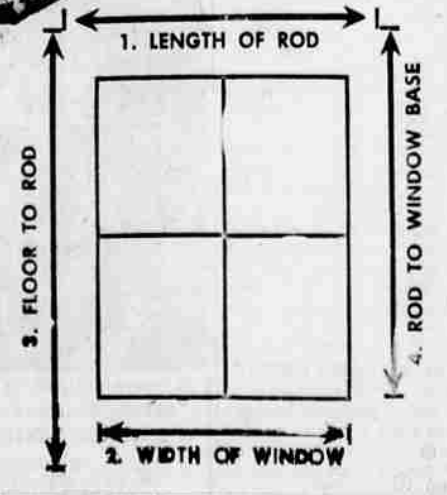


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