

City, County Planners on Forum

Planning is one of the most important functions of governmental units. It must be done wisely and thoroughly and must never cease. Four men, members of city and county planning commissions in Jackson county, agreed on this when they spoke Thursday night for a meeting of Medford AITUSA club held at Rogue Valley Country club.

Paul Selby, chairman of Medford Planning commission and first on the program, stressed the importance of city planning, said the duties of such planning bodies are set forth by Oregon statute and added that "planning goes back to the earliest days—even the cliff dwellers carefully planned the location and layout of their cliff houses."

Planning is never finished, Mr. Selby said, and declared that since many residents and officials believe that "the population of the floor of the Rogue valley will some day be 65,000 persons," planning for industry, commerce and community living on the basis of those figures is now going on.

Study Land Use

Mr. Selby spoke of the planning for housing subdivisions, of the problems of zoning and of land use and added that a general land use map is now being worked out. Medford is studying the problems posed by mobile homes, is making studies of streets, of the needs of public buildings, and is looking into the results of the impact of shopping centers on business, he said.

The Medford planning chairman said Medford needs to consider an urban renewal plan, and must constantly study the regulation of business in all its ramifications, he said. An adequate water supply and sanitation are constant problems, Mr. Selby declared. In his summary, Mr. Selby declared that "Land, its use and regulation is actually our prime problem."

City Just Grew

Ashland's main problem is that it "just grew" like Topsy said John S. Billings when he was introduced. Mr. Billings is a member of the Ashland Planning commission, and a member of the advisory board for the county commission. "Ashland's streets still follow the pattern of the cow paths of early days," Mr. Billings said. Ashland has grown slowly, and has had many growing pains partly because there was no proper planning, he added. A non-paid advisory commission was at length set up for the city, he said.

Mr. Billings said that some of Ashland's problems are brought about by the fact that it is a "one-street town" and told how the shopping center near Southern Oregon college had posed certain troubles for city officials.

Some sections of the city are without sewers, Mr. Billings explained, and added that the city will soon have a map of sewers and projected sewers and is now letting bids for a sewage disposal plant. Ashland also is working towards a land use map, he said, and returning to former comments about the city's maze of streets, declared that "strangers and the fire department get all tied up in trying to find addresses."

Water is also one of Ashland's main problems, Mr. Billings declared, and said that the city has worked out a plan with the Talent Irrigation district for water use. The use of trailers and mobile homes is also troubling Ashland, according to the speaker. Mr. Billings mentioned that a sub-division is being planned near Ashland's radio station, and said the new hospital will be on the west side. Southern Oregon college has expansion problems, too, according to the Ashland man, and he said

both the city and the college sometimes have need of the same tracts of land.

Planning Essential

"Planning is essential or a city will be nothing more than a hodge-podge," Mr. Billings asserted. "Zoning is the best thing in the world for a city."

Speaking for Central Point, Dale S. Bartley, chairman of that municipality's planning commission outlined what has been done and what is being contemplated. Organized in 1942, the planning commission has recommended and suggested needed measures and ordinances.

These include city zoning, a building code, a sub-division ordinance and a uniform street program. A start has been made on a program for a perpetual park system, he declared, and for a summer recreation program for children. Central Point needs a municipal swimming pool, he added, but said there is no money for this at the present time.

Mr. Bartley stressed that the Central Point commission has had good cooperation from the residents of Central Point.

Ronald M. James, chairman of the Jackson County Planning commission, which works under the county judge and commissioners, said that one of the county's main problems is posed by the fact that the city population has "moved out of town to the country."

Master Plan

Members of the county commission are "slowly preparing a master plan" which will aid orderly growth and development, Mr. James declared. He said studies were being made on population growth, and spoke of such problems as the need for overpasses for freeways, the development of a pattern of arterial streets and roads. He said the county commission believes strip zoning along highways is bad. "Highways are primarily a means of conveying traffic," he said and added "businesses generate their own traffic." Planning experts agree that consolidated industrial areas are better than strips.

Mr. James touched on the fact that there is usually divided opinion in rural districts, with part of the citizenry wanting zoning and the remainder objecting to it. In summary, Mr. James said the county commission has "done much basic, unglamorous, unpublicized planning to provide guidance to the various sections of the county." Another effort will be made in 1962 to get a vote on county zoning, the speaker said.

Mrs. Bereth Hopkins was moderator for the discussion and the question period which followed. Many questions were directed to Mr. Selby, who said at one time that "Medford already has enough commercial zones to care for its business needs." Questioned about unsightly buildings, he said the city has no authority to condemn buildings, and that further study and action is needed along this line.

He was asked to speak further about urban renewal, and explained what other cities are doing to rid themselves of outdated and unprofitable sections and replace them with buildings and a construction which are profitable to the city's economy and bring in more taxes. Asked about Medford housing, Mr. Selby said "we have some sub-standard housing in Medford and a low-cost housing area is probably one of our needs."

A question concerning the problem of city "dumps" was directed at Mr. James, and he declared that county zoning in this matter and said it would have prevented the trouble which has arisen in recent years about the location of dumping areas.

Miss Myrta Otterdale, AITUSA president, presided and welcomed visitors who had been invited to hear the forum.

League Slates Patio Party

The Eleanor Roosevelt League, recently organized group of Jackson County Democratic women, will sponsor a patio party Wednesday, June 15, between the hours of 8 and 11 p.m.

The event will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Duncan, 1500 Terrace drive, and is a combined fund-raising and social occasion.

Mrs. Tom Reeder, in charge of arrangements, points out that similar parties have been held across the nation during recent weeks. Wednesday's party is open to Democrats and their friends.

Department Head Visits Auxiliary

Mrs. Hazel Rawles, department commander of Disabled American Veterans auxiliary, has just returned from Springfield, Ore.

She served as installing officer for the Fern Ridge, Springfield and Elmira auxiliaries, at Elmira. Mrs. Leona Burgess was installed as commander.

Mrs. Rawles also visited the Roseburg hospital, on hospital day.

While in Springfield Mrs. Rawles was a house guest of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Cole. Mr. Cole is the department commander of the Disabled American Veterans in Oregon.

James Lillies Visitors in City

Mr. and Mrs. James Lillie, former Medford residents, are visiting friends here. Mr. Lillie was recently released from the Sawtelle Veterans hospital in California.

Mr. and Mrs. Lillie, who both operated businesses here until recent years, have purchased property in Coos Bay, Ore., where they plan to make their home.

Mother Attends SOC Graduation

Mrs. Leona Gilinsky has returned to her home in Whittier, Calif., after being in Medford to attend graduation ceremonies at Southern Oregon college. Her son, Wilson Gilinsky, was a member of the class, receiving a bachelor of science degree in general studies.

Mr. Gilinsky is leaving soon to enter the U.S. Army.

Mrs. Gilinsky is a teacher in a Norwalk school, and will return to Medford to spend the summer when school closes.

Meeting Announced For Phoenix HEC

Phoenix - Phoenix Grange Home Economics club will meet Wednesday, June 14, at the home of Mrs. Von Quackebush, South Pacific highway. Mrs. Florence Hartley will assist the hostess.

Calendar

Calendar notices and news for the society section of The Mail Tribune must be submitted in writing and deadline for the Sunday edition is 1 p.m. Friday. Deadline for the weekly calendar is 9 a.m. of the day of publication and for week day news is 5 p.m. the day before publication.

- Monday:** 8 p.m. - Neighbors of Woodcraft, Eagles hall.
- Tuesday:** 12:30 p.m. - Adare Social club, home of Mrs. Roy Picard, 3400 Jacksonville highway.
- 12:30 p.m. - Past Noble Grands club, Girls Community club.
- 12:30 p.m. - St. Anne's Altar Society, Hawthorne park.

Women's News



New York—Eastern tradition and western functionalism meet prettily in the clothing designed by Mrs. Sueko Otsuka (center) one of Japan's leading designers. Preserving a traditional kimono for formal wear, Mrs. Otsuka presents a brush-printed white silk kimono (left) for evening. For lounge wear, she adapts the workman's "hantan" coat in brilliant red cotton (right) with insets of the familiar Japanese "wave" pattern. —(UPI Telephoto)

Chemise Took Long Nap; Returns as 'Fluid Look'

By GAY PAULEY
UPI Women's Editor

New York - (UPI) - Around Manhattan:

Fashion's chemise silhouette of yore didn't die - it just took a long nap.

For lo and behold, it's back, although to drag out the word chemise again makes all of seventh avenue shudder. The center of New York's garment industry remembers all too well, in dollars lost, the quick way the shapeless look arrived and retreated two years ago.

Today, the industry refers to the "fluid" silhouette, and it's true that at the better manufacturers, the 1960 dresses are decided improvements over their unfortunate predecessors. But they still skim the body and cling nowhere.

One of the exponents of the fluid silhouette is the young French designer, Jacques Tiffau, whose fall and winter collection for Monte Sano and Pruzan is full of tube-like frocks. Many have either the suggestion of a lowered waistline, or come with waistline actually dropped down around the hip.

New Jewelry

The newest in costume jewelry design is a three-strand necklace called "shoulder to shoulder." Judith McCann, who holds several patents on jewelry inventions, created the three-strand arrangement of beads to drape around the

Women's Group To Meet Tonight

Scottish Rite Women's club will hold the final business meeting of the session tonight at 8 o'clock in Medford Masonic hall.

The committee for the evening will be Mrs. E. C. Hoffman, Mrs. F. Scheffell, Mrs. Merritt Swing and Mrs. H. E. Bishop.

Cards will follow the meeting.

Social Events

Neighborhood With Boys Chosen by Senator, Wife

By ROSE MCKEE

Washington - How would you go about selecting a neighborhood in which to live?

Sen. Eugene J. McCarthy (D., Minn.) and Mrs. McCarthy had the only boy in their family of four children uppermost in mind when they shopped for a neighborhood in which to buy a Washington home.

Mrs. McCarthy explained that Michael, 9, "always seemed to be short-changed" on playmates in their previous Washington neighborhood. Before his election to the Senate, where a term runs six years, McCarthy served five terms in the House. But since a House term is only two years and the family spent about six months each year at home in St. Paul, they found themselves moving from one Washington house to another every two years.

"This time," Mrs. McCarthy said, "we inspected the neighborhood carefully for we were buying and we wanted to be sure that Michael, who is all boy, would have boys to play with. Of course, I don't mean it was our only consideration."

Liked Tree House

She said that when they saw a big tree house in a backyard, that had obviously been built by boys, "we felt we were on the right track, and it turned out we were." Michael has boys his own age living close by their home.

The McCarthy girls, Ellen, 12, Mary, 11, and Margaret, who will be 5 in July, also have their friends in the neighborhood and "everyone's happy."

The Senator likes the house, a white brick Colonial with black shutters that is "pretty standard," because it is "much like the one we have in St. Paul," which is now being rented.

This spring, the first in the house, has been particularly enjoyable because the previous owners had done much flower planting. "Every day, almost, we found some unexpected treasure in the yard," Mrs. McCarthy told an interviewer from the National Association of Home Builders.

The succession of blooms included camellias, tulips, dogwood, primroses, lilies, azaleas, and roses, many of them in beautiful and unusual shades.

Boy Plants Flowers

The garden surprises seem likely to continue well into the summer for Michael has been planting various packages of flower seed that have come as premiums with such household supplies as soap, and "nobody is quite sure what he has planted."

Mrs. McCarthy has furnished the house with a number of antiques from her mother's family. She has some black walnut chests, seven small ladder back chairs with cane seats, and a very fine cherry table with handtapered legs from pre-Revolutionary War days. The table is used as a sideboard.

The McCarthys feel "we

brought Minnesota with us" because the furniture is the type common in the early days of the State.

The girls and Mrs. McCarthy have been experimenting with various furniture arrangements because there are "all sorts of possibilities" and they are not yet quite sure which is the best.

Like any number of men, the Senator takes a dim view of furniture moving. "I protest, he said, grinning, "but I can't say I have much influence."

His favorite nook in summer is the screened back porch and, in winter, an all-purpose room that serves as a library and a place for the television set and record player. They don't get "changed around."

Poncho Towels Seen on Beach

Cool cats at the beach will be wearing a terrycloth poncho towel with a tiger—minus its head—printed on both sides. The head of the human wearing the poncho gives the animal an alive look.

In step with a peek-a-boo look for summer is the trend toward two-piece swim suits. Sheath, draped or simple; knit maillot, boy short styles; and long torso plus pleated or ruffled flounce are important swimwear silhouettes.

Summer will see more of the dress that grows out of a culotte. Launched last summer in lounge wear, the culotte is showing in sportswear as well as in dresses.

Summer collections are bursting at the seams with the Bardot look—gingham checks in all sizes; baby doll details such as ruffles, lace trimmings, embroidery and smoking; tiered, flaring or puffed sleeves; full skirts with flounces.

Cotton knits continue on the fashion scene. For summer, there are cotton knit tank tops with bare midriff, tunics, and all-in-one playsuits.

Dip the bottoms of cans of cleaning powder in paraffin wax to keep them from leaving rust rings.

Eating in Yard Costly, For Equipment, That Is

By JEANNE LESEM
United Press International

New York - It's not the food but the equipment that runs up the cost of eating out. Out in the backyard, that is.

Two examples in this summer's selection of cookout equipment are a \$695 hot dog cart-with optional hibachi, and a \$47.50 extra—and a round picnic table and bench set with recessed charcoal grill built into the table. This item goes for \$129.95.

The hot dog cart is a traveling kitchen, with deep wells for heating franks, sauerkraut and mustard, and ample storage space for cold drinks, food, dishes, glassware and cutlery.

A tour of New York's fanciest housewares store, Hamacher Schlemmer, showed these additional outdoor cooking aids:

Some 15 sizes and styles of grills, including classic oriental hibachis (\$6.95 up), a grill with blacksmith-style bellows (\$54.50), a dome-covered round grill (\$175.95), a club cart wagon with hibachi style grill, bottle caddy and serving trays (\$249.95), and a \$440 mobile rotisserie cart with horizontal and vertical fireboxes, two large spits and an adjustable firebox.

Hibachi Popular

But the most popular items through more than two decades of the cookout craze have been inexpensive, said buyer Henry Brakstad. They are centuries-old hibachi styles and a modern rectangular portable indoor-outdoor grill that burns wood or charcoal and costs under \$20.

Incidentals include transparent plexiglass covers for plates and platters to keep food warm and protect it from for plates and platters (\$3.25 up), an electric meat smoker (\$24.95), assorted barbecue tools and broiler baskets, (\$1.75 up), a 3-peck steamer for seafood, corn and chicken (\$14.95), foot-long matches (\$2.00 a box), an electric charcoal firelighter (\$5.50) and a canned heat portable food warmer (\$74.50).

Brakstad sees a slow, steadily growing trend toward fancy grills, but emphasizes that few equipment designs are really new; the most efficient grills, he explained, are stand-

ard models that have been around some time.

Cookout chefs stick with favorite recipes as well as favorite equipment. The National Broiler Council claims you can identify barbecuers regionally by the sauce they use.

New Englanders prefer a basic vinegar, butter, water and salt blend. New York state adds mild seasonings, including pepper and poultry seasoning and sometimes, an egg. The South warms it up, adding onions and Worcester-shire and red pepper sauces in South Carolina, hot condiments, tomato juice, onion and brown sugar in the deep South.

Texas shoots the works with lavish amounts of cayenne and mustard. Californians tone down the firepower and instead use herbs, such as rosemary, tarragon and oregano. They also favor local wines and give brbecues an oriental flavor with soy sauce and orange juice in the baste.

Townsend Auxiliary Announces Meeting

Plans for a picnic will be made at a meeting of Medford Townsend club auxiliary to be held Wednesday, June 15, at 11 a.m. at Walker's Dreamland. The picnic will be held June 29, a "fifth" Wednesday.

At last week's meeting of the Townsend club, C. E. Nafziger presided, substituting for L. C. Rusho. A membership report was made by A. C. Lewis.

Plans for organizing clubs in Jacksonville and Grants Pass were discussed.

The meeting ended with a penny march and piano music by Mrs. Ella Townsend, Ashland.

Visitors are welcome at all club sessions.

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