



A story over the wire from London says that the favorite topic of conversation in Great Britain now is the future of Princess Margaret and her husband, Anthony Armstrong-Jones. One of the favorite topics around the Rogue valley is the mosquito menace.

At the Sojourner garden party Thursday Mrs. O. A. Eden apologized and said that in spite of spending \$16 on various sprays, she had been unable to rid her garden of the pests. Another woman declared her husband sprayed \$5 worth of insect dope around their patio one day in an effort to rid the area of the insects just before a dinner, and that the next morning "there were as many as ever."

Mrs. Jack Moran declared Potpourri's garden couldn't possibly have as many mosquitoes as infest the Moran's acreage, and Kenn Knackstedt argued along the same line. What's more, Kenny K. said "I can prove it." When we gave a polite hoot, he just said "you wait and see." So we waited, and in three days, we saw Kenny took camera in hand and made a picture of the mosquitoes clustered on the wood above his door. Here is a part of the picture, and Potpourri admits defeat. The Knackstedts have more mosquitoes than we do, or else they figured out some clever trick to gather them all in one spot.



Over the fruit salad and iced drinks at the Medford hotel last Monday, Potpourri and two women from Ashland tried to decide why so many Americans don't like to read, talked about the everlasting popularity of Shakespeare's plays and the trend of the theater in general in this country. The Ashland women, Mrs. Harold Offord, who lives in Berkeley, Calif., and comes to Ashland for the summer, and Mrs. W. B. McCullough, are as enthusiastic about the Shakespearean festival as is Potpourri.

We triggered the conversation with an article by Joseph Papp, founder and producer of the New York Shakespeare festival, who believes that state support offers the best solution for the problems of fine theater in this country. This director says that theater should "stand in the vanguard of thought, should be an area for challenging ideas in both

content and form, a place for deep and stimulating experience." Instead, he says "We have a theater without scheme or purpose, without consistent artistic leadership, a theater based on whim, subject to economic laws thoroughly at odds with creative objectivity, a theater with pick-up teams of talent plucked from the overflowing pool of unemployment."

Mr. Papp believes that "the arts cannot operate on the profit principle," and that since they are an essential part of our lives and necessary for survival, the government should support the theater, just as it supports education, or the postal system. This interesting man says that the theater would be freer under government than it would be under the profit system, since under the latter, producers naturally turn to whatever will bring the greatest potential gross.

"By making the theater a responsibility of government, it makes it a responsibility of the people," Mr. Papp wrote. "Restricting the theater to private subsidy cuts it off from the mainstream of American life and perpetuates the growing separation of the theater and its vast potential audience. Only with government aid can we have ticket prices within the reach of everybody, a greater number and variety of plays and a guarantee of continued existence for the theater. Private subsidy narrows the scope of the theater. Government involvement broadens its role into the larger area of education and contributes to the development of a greater, more intelligent and more responsible audience."

Faith McCullough has some strong doubts about Mr. Papp's idea, but Mrs. Offord pointed out that most European countries, where there is a broader and deeper participation in the arts than the United States has yet attained, have government support of the theater.

Talking about the quality of reading in this country, Mrs. Offord, who has published a number of books and who writes book reviews for the San Francisco Chronicle, said she once offered to help Girl Scout troop members earn badges. Thinking that she would pick an easy badge course, Mrs. O. picked reading. To her dismay, she discovered that most of the troop members weren't really interested in reading and some actively resisted her efforts to enlarge their reading horizons.

The three of us also brooded over the fact that year by year a note of sloppiness has crept into the business of publishing reading material; 20 years ago a misspelled word or grammatical error could not be found in a novel put out by one of the good publishing firms, or in an issue of a first-rate magazine. Now it is quite common.

A notice submitted to the society department recently read: "Members are to bring a covered dish and their husbands." We presume that the husbands would be tucked into a basket, along with the meat loaf and scalloped potatoes, and covered with a clean white tea towel. However, husbands were really given their due. The notice was written in the customary black type with the exception of the world husbands, which was capitalized.—O.S.

### Hitchhiker's Trip Through Europe To Be Described

Robert Youngblood will show pictures of his hitchhiking trip through Europe at a coming meeting of Ruth Ester unit of the Wesleyan Service guild of First Methodist church. The unit will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday, August 15, at the home of Miss Voda Brower, 139 South Keenway drive.

Anyone interested will be welcome at the meeting, whose in charge reported.

**Announce Picnic**  
Central Point—Crater chapter, Grandmother Club of America, will meet August 15 at the home of Mrs. Roy Kelly, 239 Cherry street. The meeting will be a covered dish picnic, and each member is to bring her own table service.

### Couple Attends Class Reunion

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Grover, Cherry lane, recently attended the 20th reunion of the 1940 graduating class of Grants Pass High school. The reunion was held at two events, the first being a lawn party August 5 at the home of Mrs. and Mrs. William Barrett and the second a banquet and dance at the Eagles hall in Grants Pass August 6.

Warren Thomas, who had served as class president, was chairman of the reunion. A prize for the classmate who came the longest distance went to a woman from Panama. About 130 attended.

### Vacation Increases Accident Dangers

East Lansing, Mich. — Vacation time increases the danger of accidents to small children, and a spanking may be necessary to teach safety rules, a Michigan State university child expert says. Betty Garlick, head of the Spartan Nursery school, said traffic and water hazards are the most prevalent in the summer. Construction projects, home equipment, fires and tools are sources of danger to children, too, Miss Garlick said.

### Sensational Salad

Bring this startling new salad to your buffet table next time the crowd gathers at your house. It's molded salad which can be done early in the day. The tangy combination of canned blue lake green beans, artichoke hearts and egg slices are put together in a ring mold. Dissolve two (3-ounce) packages lemon-flavored gelatin in three cups hot water. Add 2 teaspoons instant minced onion, two tablespoons each wine vinegar and lemon juice. Chill until partially set. Slice four hard-cooked eggs and arrange with pimiento strips in bottom of 8-inch ring mold. Spoon in gelatin to cover, then layer of sliced, cooked artichoke hearts, more gelatin and well-drained blue lake green beans. Cover with remaining gelatin. Chill until set. At serving time unmold with salad greens. Accompany with a dressing made by blending sour cream, mayonnaise, dash horseradish and dill weed.

### Activities Curtailed At Center

Activities at the Senior center will be curtailed during the rest of August because of the warm weather.

The Arm Chair Travel group will not meet Monday, August 15 and will hold its next showing of colored slides of foreign travel Monday, September 12 when an interesting fall series will begin.

The woodcarving class has cancelled August classes and will start again Wednesday, September 7.

The art class will continue to meet and plans to assemble at the center Tuesday, August 16 and then do some sketching in Hawthorne park from 1 to 4 p.m. This field trip will be taken with the two teachers, Mrs. Nettie Williams and Mrs. Ruby Twedell, who will be in charge of the classes in oil painting for the remainder of August.

The class just finished studying techniques in drawing from David Hagerbauer, artist from Ashland who is opening a studio there in September.

The Spanish class and the orchestra class will continue their morning sessions Thursday as usual at 9 a.m. and 10 a.m.

The Senior Center orchestra, under the leadership of Edward Root, retired county school music teacher, has been asked to give a concert in Medford Library park August 23 at 7:30 p.m.

The Rogue Valley Council on Aging will sponsor the concert with the cooperation of Robert Hayworth, head of the city's park and recreation department, who will make arrangements for a bandstand, lights and benches and Purucker Music house, which will furnish a piano.

Mr. Root states he will welcome new members for the orchestra who play an instrument, but stresses that all must attend the orchestra rehearsal sessions Thursday, August 18, at 10 a.m.

### Women Return From Portland

Mrs. Maude (Bert) Mahoney, Mrs. Ruby (Clarence) Kinman and Mrs. Roxie (William) McKinney, employees of the J. J. Newberry company here, returned from Portland where they have been for the past month helping prepare the new J. J. Newberry store in the Lloyd center for the opening, held August 1.

The Lloyd shopping center is said to be the largest in the world, and the Newberry store is the largest and most elaborate of that chain in the west.

### WCTU Members To Hear Sermon

Medford Women's Christian Temperance Union will meet Thursday, August 18, at 2 p.m. in the fireplace room of the First Presbyterian church. Devotions will be given by the Rev. Harold Sanner of the First Nazarene church. Mrs. Sanner will give an instrumental solo.

### Daughter, Family In Eagle Point

Eagle Point — Mrs. Lester Watkins and children Colleen, Connie, and Stevie, are spending a month with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Davies, Alta Vista road. Mrs. Watkins, the former Nadine Davies, now lives in Jackson, Mich., where her husband is a music instructor in the schools.

Mrs. Davies and her son Maurice motored to Portland Sunday to meet Mrs. Watkins. Mr. Watkins plans to join the family the last week of August.

## CALENDAR..

**Today:**  
12 noon — St. Mary's court, Catholic Daughters of America, Jackson Hot Springs.  
12 noon — Ashland VFW post, annual chicken barbecue in Lithia park.

**Monday:**  
10 a.m. — Chi Omega sorority, home of Mrs. George L. Lewis, 2133 East Jackson Blvd.  
12 noon — Jackson County club, Oregon Federation of Republican Women, Red Cross building.

7:30 p.m. — Ruth Esther unit, Wesleyan Service guild, home of Miss Voda Brower, 139 Keenway drive.  
8 p.m. — Olive Rebekah lodge, Odd Fellows hall.

8 p.m. — Gamma Phi Beta sorority active members, home of Miss Carolyn Carr, 16 Florence avenue.

**Tuesday:**  
7 a.m. — Insurance Women of Jackson County, Rogue Valley Country club.  
9:30 a.m. — Woman's Society of Christian Service, Circle 2, with Mrs. Robert Little, 1700 Lenora drive; Circle 3, Mrs. Fred Darby, 1042 Mt. Pitt avenue; Circle 4, Mrs. A. J. Lynch, First Methodist church; Circle 5, Mrs. Richard Kuschel, 706 Pennsylvania avenue; Circle 6, with Mrs. David Chirgwin, 2577 Stewart avenue; Circle 7 with Mrs. Harry Olsen, 40 Berkeley Way.

10:30 a.m. — Woman's Society of Christian Service, Circle 1, potluck picnic with Mrs. L. E. Van Ausdall, 338 Fairmont street.

10:30 a.m. — Sams Valley Extension unit, home of Mrs. Stanton Hall.

11 a.m. — Kiwanian Dames, home of Mrs. Chester Hubbard, 2451 Lyman avenue.  
1 p.m. — Woman's Society of Christian Service, Circle 9, with Mrs. John Kent, 922 South Oakdale avenue; Circle 10, Mrs. Charles Thompson, 224 Renault avenue.

1:30 p.m. — Woman's Society of Christian Service, Circle 8, with Mrs. Gladys Denny, 432 North Holly street.

7 p.m. — Women's Council of the Medford Board of Realtors, Rogue Valley Country club.

8 p.m. — Crater post and auxiliary, at VFW hall.

**Wednesday:**  
12 noon — Townsend club and auxiliary, north side of Hawthorne park for picnic.

7 p.m. — Veterans of World War I and auxiliary, Girls Community club.

8 p.m. — Woman's Society of Christian Service, Circle 11, home of Mrs. James Baumer, 1517 Vela street.

8 p.m. — Roxy Ann Home Economics club, home of Mrs. Charles D. Slater, 3527 Roberts road.

**Thursday:**  
12 noon — Mistletoe club, home of Mrs. W. E. Howell, 2025 Sunset drive.

1 p.m. — Medford Blue Star Mothers, home of Mrs. E. P. Kurz, 360 De Barr avenue.

2 p.m. — Medford Women's Christian Temperance union, fireplace room, First Presbyterian church.

8 p.m. — Welcome Wagon club, home of Mrs. Ted Barbee, 18 Summit avenue.

**Friday:**  
8 p.m. — Ladies' auxiliary to Medford Carpenters' union, Carpenters' hall, 123 1/2 West Main street.

**Saturday:**  
10 a.m. to 4 p.m. — Order of the Amaranth, school of instruction, Medford Masonic temple.

**To Return**  
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Henderson and children Dennis and Ann, 2237 Crater Lake avenue, left recently for Astoria, Ore., where they are visiting Mr. Henderson's parents and brother, and other friends and relatives. They plan to return home today.

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