

Story Hour To Resume Over KYJC

The Children's Radio Story Hour will be on the air tonight over KYJC at 8:30 o'clock. Medford branch of American Association of University Women presents it each weekday from October through May in cooperation with the station.

This begins the sixth year for the public service program, on which AAUW members read stories for children. Mrs. Ralph A. Wiese, story hour chairman, coordinates the work of some thirty AAUW members who select, time, and read the stories. This provides a wide variety of stories for children of varied ages and interests. Mrs. Wiese says that AAUW would appreciate comments on the program. They may be sent to KYJC.

At present, the story hour is not sponsored. However, when it is sponsored, KYJC gives part of the proceeds to AAUW for the fellowships program, which provides funds for outstanding women to work toward doctorate degrees. Medford branch AAUW has contributed at least one \$500 fellowship each year for several years.

Presbyterians Review Event

"Family Conference at Low Echo" was the topic of the program for a meeting of Westminster Women's association September 27, in the Fellowship hall of the Westminster Presbyterian church.

Mrs. Richard D. Wyatt, Mrs. Robert Hood, Mrs. John H. Freese, Mrs. Earl Johnson of Westminster Presbyterian church and Mrs. Jack Sanborn of First United Presbyterian church gave their impressions of the week end of August 26-28 when many of the families of the Westminster Presbyterian church gathered together at the Girl Scout Camp at Lake o' the Woods.

Mrs. Wyatt reviewed the agenda of the conference and Mrs. Hood gave her personal impressions of the guest speaker, the Rev. Stanley Wallace of the First Presbyterian church, Red Bluff, Calif. Mrs. Freese related the speaker's challenge to the parents attending the conference to "continue a child's religious education in the home, to know oneself, to get involved with the activities of the church, and to grow by practicing daily personal devotions."

Mrs. Johnson told of the discussions held around the campfire after dinner and Mrs. Sanborn told the group of the fellowship and recreation and stated that the conference was the "highlight" of her family's summer. Each of the women said that her family agreed enthusiastically that they want to attend the family conference next year.

A devotional program entitled "Search for Tranquility" was presented by Mrs. John Dellenback at the beginning of the meeting and a brief business session preceded the program.

Coffee and refreshments were served by Martha circle.

Californians Visit At Whitney Home

Gold Hill - Mrs. Irja Reynolds from Lamita, Calif., was a recent guest for ten days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Whitney on Sardine Creek road.

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Valley Quartet Visits Shakespeare Country

(This is the fifth in a series of articles written by Mrs. Almus Pruitt on the travels of Mr. and Mrs. Pruitt, Mr. and Mrs. Angus Bowmer, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Allen Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Miller, who are touring the British Isles and the European continent.)

Arriving in England from Scandinavia was almost like a return home. We had enjoyed our previous three days there and our second visit deepened our attachment for the "light little island" with its "happy breed of man." Despite the tradition of family bickering between England and the U.S. we are convinced that most Britishers feel warmly toward Americans, a fact brought home to us time and again by special courtesies extended us.

As one English village woman put it, "When you come right down to it, we're all cousins now, aren't we?" On London street Britishers more than once approached us as we stood with opened city map trying to get our bearings, and asked with a smile: "Are you having trouble?" When we explained our dilemma they gave eager - if sometimes obscure directions, adding cheerfully, "You can't miss it."

We learned to become wary of this remark, for it often proved a most unreliable, albeit well-meant prophecy. We not only could miss it, but frequently did. (The more extreme British dialects, such as Yorkshire and Lancashire, were more difficult to understand than the average Norwegian's English.) And in a library, as we were searching our purse for paper needed to copy data, a kindly gentleman at the table promptly produced paper with the friendly remark, "Would these be of use?" Little gestures such as these, to us, proved cordiality.

London, with its multiplicity of attractions, ranging from solemn history of the rollicking spirit of Soho and Piccadilly Circus, soon fastened itself upon us. We found bookshops crowded but cozy, with soft-voiced intellectual conversations droning away as we browsed. And we enjoyed first-rate entertainment for less than half the cost in the U.S. We saw "My Fair Lady," "Rox," with Alec Guinness, "Flower Drug Song," Alfred Lunt and Lynn Fontaine in "The Visit," and a zany French musical, "Irma la Douce."

Also, we enjoyed wonderful ballet (ranging from Swan Lake to the new modern, "London Morning," by Noel Coward), not to mention visits to the National Gallery, British Museum, delightful Kew Gardens, and an early morning visit (courtesy of our friend, specialist, Carroll Miller) to the Covent Garden Flower and Vegetable market, displaying produce from Italy, Israel, Australia, Holland (at numerous fruit stands, in Scandinavia, Holland and England, we found Medford pears for sale.)

London, for good or bad, is becoming Americanized. Already one finds American hamburgers, hot-dogs, and milkshakes - principally at "Wimpy" Bars - as well as ice cream, iced drinks (including cold beer - formerly anathema to a true Briton), bowling alleys, parking meters, super-markets, and so on.

The latest is drive-ins, complete with brief-skirted "carhops." A trial installation has just recently been opened. One good bet, however, which the British seem to be missing in England - much to our regret, for in traveling by auto they are especially desirable.

While in London we were joined by our good friend, Lee Mulling, of Ashland SOC, who added greatly to our "ill partee" at dinners, museums, and the theatre. He also joined us at Stratford-upon-Avon and accompanied our group to Scotland.

Our drive from London to the Cotswolds took us into the heart of Shakespeare country - toast-brown hills dotted with dark oaks, stone-walled fences and herds of grazing sheep, green fields, and thatch-roof houses. In planning for our trip, Gertrude had been intrigued by the names of English villages such as Chipping Camden and Stowe - in the World. These proved to be as interesting as their names, Chipping Camden in particular being an excellently preserved example of the Elizabethan village at its best. The rolling Cotswolds proved a perfect setting for these charming places.

At Stratford-upon-Avon, quaintly picturesque with its half-timber shops and houses, we visited Shakespeare's birthplace and his tomb; also Ann Hathaway's cottage. At the Shakespeare Memorial Theatre we saw five plays, each to a different degree, memorable. The revolving stage, used for three of the plays, bothered us considerably. While it has advantages for many productions, it seems too mechanical for Shakespeare, however modern the manner of presentation. Also, an odd use of the Stratford forestage forces the scene of action into a much too confining area (we observed that the two front box-seats had been dispensed with in order to allow for such usage). Angus' comment was, "They just don't seem to understand the use of the forestage." One really has to see the Stratford stage to appreciate the superior type of Elizabethan stage used at Ashland.

Work For Prestige
As at the Old Vic, the Stratford actors work for reasons of prestige and love of theatre rather than for money. They are a young and talented company, remarkably polished. As Angus pointed out, "Actors who appear at Stratford are already well on their way to a successful career." (Such special guest artists as Laurence Olivier, and Vivien Leigh have appeared there in recent years.) We had looked forward to seeing the work of Peter O'Toole and Dame Peggy Ashcroft (who did Petruchio and Kate in "Taming of the Shrew"). O'Toole, obviously gifted, worked erratically, we felt, with brilliant moments but also lapses in characterization verging upon indifference. On the other hand, his role of Shylock in "Merchant of Venice" we found strong and moving. Peggy Ashcroft, while she played a fiery, caustic Kate, impressed Angus as being miscast. We understand that she did her best work as Miranda in "The Winter's Tale," which we did not see. "Troilus and Cressida," a cold, cynical, unappealing play, to our thinking, was strikingly staged, with actors working in ankle-deep sand strewn on the stage. Costumes in this play were elegant, stunning, in contrast to those of the other plays, which in many cases seemed dowdy and poorly chosen as to coloring. "Twelfth Night" was easily the best of the five plays - superbly acted, directed, and staged. Our only criticism was of the dark-spirited, low-key, Feste. But this is a question of interpretation. All in all, "Twelfth Night" brought our five night in Stratford to a very pleasant close.

As for the theatre itself, we were much interested to learn from Angus that 80 per cent of the cost of building was raised in the U.S., by a fund-drive. The interior, we felt, a bit sombre, being of dull Prim - red rather than traditional warm-red. Upon emerging from the theatre one walks along the terrace overlooking the Avon river where swans float by. Tubs of red geraniums line the terrace and Tudor banners swing from the building.

Worthy of mention was our hotel at Barford, a village near Stratford. Once a parsonage serving the nearby ancient church which bears cannon-scars from Cromwell days), it has been converted into a charming inn. The spacious grounds with trees and flowers, plus the village quiet, gave us a country atmosphere so relaxing from our travel pace that we hated

to leave. Our drive to Scotland, through the lake country and on into heathered hills - near Bronte sisters and Sir Walter Scott settings - was highly enjoyable, if a bit dour with mist or rain nearly all the way. Whenever the rain made sight-seeing futile, Lee raised our spirits by leading us in song. A man of many talents, he amazed us by his wide knowledge of words of varied songs.

For us the gem-performance at the Edinburgh Festival was "Verdi's Requiem." The acoustics of the hall were excellent. The huge bass drum - over six feet in diameter - which accentuated the off-beat in the "Dies Irae" (Day of Wrath) proved tremendously effective, showing Verdi's mastery of orchestration. Also inspiring was the use of an antiphonal brass choir, the trumpets being stationed high in the balcony, opposite the main orchestra and chorus of 250 voices on the stage. The entire production was worthy of the highest praise. Some of London's best musicians - of the Philharmonia Orchestra and Chorus - had come to Edinburgh to take part. One of the performers, a girl chorister, who took pension-breakfast with us at the flat where we stayed, expressed in an awed voice her inspiration in working with the fine director, Carlo Giulini.

We also saw Strawinsky's ballet "Petrouchka," by the Royal Ballet of London, an excellent production of Verdi's "Falstaff," and "The Seagull," by Chekhov, presented by the Old Vic company and starring Judith Anderson. On our last night in Edinburgh, in drenching rain, we watched the famous Scottish Military Tattoo, featuring drills done to the sound of bagpipes, military bands, and drums. The image of Edinburgh cast-

le looming nearby from the mist, the skirling of bagpipes, and the performers in colorful kilts, all made the evening unforgettable, even though the rain had a dampening effect, mentally as well as physically.

From Edinburgh we returned to Barford by Coney - Island-like Blackpool to call for the Bowmers who had remained at Barford in order for Gertrude to recover from the collision with a motorcycle which she suffered in London. After dropping Lee Mulling, who had to fly immediately to Copenhagen, in London, we visited Canterbury for a look at its celebrated cathedral and then embarked on Dover for Dunkerque, France, watching the famous White Cliffs fade from sight, as we sailed over the same route as that of the harrowing withdrawal of British troops from the continent, during World War II.

Fall Activities To Be Planned

Fall activities will be planned at a meeting of Townsend Harmony auxiliary Wednesday, October 5, at 11 a.m. at Walker's Dreamland. Among the events will be a bazaar.

A Tausend club dance is scheduled October 21 at Jacksonville Community hall. Last week four club members were honored for having birthdays.

Entertainment was provided by Mrs. Ellen Townsend, Ashland; M. Murphy, Jacksonville; J. P. Graham and Enos Natfziger, Medford. The local club serves a pot-luck luncheon every Wednesday at 12 noon at Walker's and visitors are welcome.

Guest Teacher To Be at Studio

Nico Charisse, ballet master and authority on eurythmics and traditional dance forms, will be in Medford Tuesday, October 4, as a guest teacher at the Colleen Hope Dance studio. Hours for the guest lessons will be 3:30 to 8:30 p.m. the studio announces.

Mr. Charisse is on a tour of several western states lecturing and demonstrating his concepts of the philosophy and techniques of both classical and modern dancing. He is former ballet director for MGM studio, has helped produce motion pictures and served as master of Spanish dancing for the San Francisco Opera company.

Meeting Announced For Navy Mothers

Rogue Valley Navy Mothers club will meet Tuesday, October 4, at 10 a.m. at Girls Community club. A covered dish luncheon at noon will be followed by a business meeting.

BPWC Week Recognized By Mayor

Mayor John W. Snider has recognized the annual National Business Women's week and the local observance planned by Medford Business and Professional Women's club. The week opened yesterday and continues through October 9.

"It is my great pleasure to congratulate the members for their observance of this week," the mayor stated. "This organization has made many fine contributions to our community and this annual observance is most deserving."

Opening event of the week was a tea yesterday afternoon at Girls Community club which honored Mrs. Florence Lance, "Beep of the Week." Mrs. Floyd Palmer was chairman, and pouring were Miss Voda Brower, Mrs. Harriett Watson, Miss Peggyann Hutchinson, Miss Laura York, Miss Lucille Lenox, Mrs. Eva Judd and Mrs. Nell Faulkner, president of the Medford club. Chrysanthemums and tapers in fall colors centered the tea table. Mrs. Lance was presented a corsage.

A week-long program of events marks the special week. Today BPWC members attended the luncheon meeting of the Medford Chamber of Commerce and Wednesday a luncheon will be held at the Jackson hotel from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mrs. Thomas Rutter of the Medford League of Women Voters will be speaker and all interested women are invited to attend. Reservations may be made with Miss Brower, Spring 3-5039, or Spring 2-6171.

Speakers Slated For Garden Club

Central Point - Mrs. Bert R. Elliott and Mrs. James Cornutt will present a program for a meeting of Central Point Garden club to be held Wednesday, October 5, at 1:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Ralph Hixon, North Old Stage road, or Route 1, Box 293, Central Point.

Mrs. Elliott's topic will be "Flowers of the Bible," and Mrs. Cornutt's will be "Discovered This Summer." Hostesses will be Mrs. Hixon, Mrs. Otto Bohmert and Mrs. Robert Schmidt.

Students Return After Summer in Sonora, Mexico

Gold Hill - Miss Jenny Lou Thompson and brother, Paul (Spike) Thompson returned to their home here with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Thompson, last week after spending the summer vacation with their father, Mr. and Mrs. Creighton Thompson and family at Cd. Obregon Sonora, Mexico. Miss Thompson is a student at Crater High school and her brother is a seventh grader at Hanby Elementary school in Gold Hill.

Family Finance Topic for Group

"Family Finance" will be the topic for the monthly meeting of the Westside Home Extension unit Thursday, October 6 at 10:45 a.m. at the home of Mrs. Donald G. Kilbourn, 1720 Beall lane, Central Point.

Child care will be provided by Mrs. Bryce Phillips, 3307 New Ray road, Central Point. A planned lunch will be served and each member is asked to bring table service and TV tray.

Women residing in the Westside area who are interested in becoming members are invited to attend. Any questions regarding the monthly meeting should be directed to Mrs. E. O. Reinke at Normandy 4-2895.

Parents Meet Teaching Staff

Rogue River - The Rogue River teaching staff was officially welcomed at a gathering of 175 parents and friends September 28.

The program was opened by Mrs. Dudley Fabric singing "The Star Spangled Banner." The invocation was given by Rev. Lester Martin, Assembly of God minister.

Introduction of teachers was by Mrs. Larry Sheehan. The introductions included humorous comments about each of the teachers.

A get acquainted session followed the program. The first regular meeting of the Rogue River Parent-Teacher association will be October 19 at 8 p.m. in the grade school cafeteria.

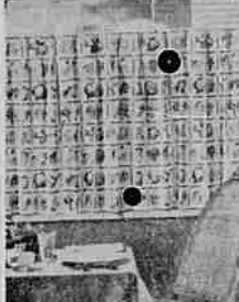
Party Celebrates Three Birthdays

Gold Hill - A triple birthday party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Whitney on Sardine Creek road recently in observance of their birthdays September 21 and September 25 respectively and Bane Wilson who celebrated his 13th birthday September 28.

Guests calling at the Whitney home were Bane's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Wilson and daughter, Judy Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard McMahan, and sons, Jeffery, Douglas and Steven McMahan; Ronnie and Robin Roeder, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Powers all of Sardine Creek and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Detchles and Arthur Loll from Grants Pass.

Hawaiian Romps To Renomination

Honolulu - United States Congressman Daniel K. Inouye romped to an early and easy win for renomination on the Democratic ticket in Hawaii's primary election Saturday. Inouye built up such a big lead on all islands that his Democratic opponent for the nomination, Phil Bird, formerly of Oklahoma City, Okla., conceded defeat within three hours after the polls closed.



BREAKFAST TIME - A breakfast nook curtain printed with fruits and vegetables adds a cheery touch to the morning meal. The cotton print is by Fuller Decorama.

Women's Night Planned at Y

The YMCA announces that Tuesday night will be set aside exclusively for women only starting October 4.

From 7 to 8 p.m. there will be instruction in water ballet for girls and women who are good swimmers.

At 7:30 p.m. there will be exercise by machine and to music, followed by sports such as volleyball, paddle ball, table tennis, swimming and trampoline.

The gymnasium will be available for both beginner and advanced volleyball players from 7:30 until 10 p.m. This will be supervised by volleyball coaches.

All women are invited to attend the first two weeks free.

Chapter Holds Model Meeting

Alpha Beta chapter, Beta Sigma Phi, held a model meeting at the home of Mrs. Richard Wager, Murray avenue.

Mrs. Irving Thompson and Mrs. Richard Frey spoke briefly on the history and meaning of the organization. The program, "Painting the Person," was presented by Mrs. John Watkins and Mrs. Richard Wager. Frank Buchter gave a demonstration on theatrical makeup. Mrs. M. Attobello demonstrated the use of modern cosmetics.

Refreshments were served by the cohostesses, Mrs. Harold Ames and Mrs. John Watkins. Mrs. Charles Tucker, Mrs. Richard Card, Mrs. Juanita Roth and Miss Eileen Martin were guests.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Ray Jones, 1525 Lenora drive.

Californians Visit Gold Hill Relatives

Gold Hill - Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Parker, Santa Rosa, Calif., were guests of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Thompson, two days last week. While here they visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Force and family in Gold Hill and the Lester Parkers on Lammman road.

Mrs. Force is a sister of Mrs. Parker and Mrs. Thompson, and Lester Parker is a brother of Mr. Curtis Parker. After leaving Gold Hill the Parkers joined her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Byerly, San Martin, Calif., for a vacation at Reno, Nevada.



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