

POTPOURRI

An unknown woman in Eugene made a statement to Potpourri which annoyed us, deeply. The incident took place Monday night while scores of people waited outside the doors of McArthur court of the University of Oregon which were not yet open for the concert of the Minneapolis Symphony concert.

Five or six women, including Potpourri, started a conversation and before long we said something about the Civic Music concert series in Medford. "Oh," said the woman, in real or pretended surprise. "Do you have Civic Music concerts in Medford? I've always had the impression that all Medford cared about was a winning football team."

She didn't know, but she struck a vulnerable nerve. Potpourri drew a deep breath and started to explain that just because Medford happened to have winning athletic teams didn't mean that there were no music lovers in the Rogue valley. About that time the doors opened, the crowd surged into the court and we never saw her again.

It was a fine concert, and we were happy indeed that arrangements had been worked out so we could attend. This orchestra, always a good one, has a new director, Stanislaw Skrowaczewski, formerly of Warsaw, Poland. According to one musician to whom we spoke during intermission, he is an excellent director, better than those who have preceded him in recent years, and the orchestra is beginning to rejoice in his direction.

"He not only knows music as a conductor must know music, but he has drama and fire," said the orchestra member. "Best of all, he demands something of us that no American conductor ever demanded—absolute precision. Somehow, Americans seldom ever achieve the fine precision that the European-trained musicians do."

It was estimated that about 9,000 were in the audience. Before the concert, an officer of the Eugene association said there is a potential audience of 11,000 for every concert, since the Civic Music group there is a combination of townspeople and university students.

We sat next to a woman who buys two association memberships every year, one at Eugene and one at Corvallis. She lives in Sheff, and attends almost every concert given in both cities. She said that while music lovers are grateful for the big budgets which the university and college associations have, that there is constant complaint over the fact that the concerts must be given in buildings which were constructed with athletic attractions in mind.

Acoustics in McArthur court are absolutely terrible. The symphony orchestra, of course, could be heard even though not to the best advantage. But David Abel, young violinist from San Francisco who was soloist, must have wished that the tones of his instrument were not being swallowed up in the vast depths of the court.

Potpourri had gone to the concert particularly to hear him, since his mother, Mrs. Willard Abel of San Francisco and the former Hazel Shoemaker of Centralia, Wash., is a Kappa Delta sorority sister. We've kept in touch ever since student days at Washington State College, and have watched young David's music progress with deep interest. Years ago we had heard him play snatches of the Mendelssohn violin concerto in the Abel living room in San Francisco, and to hear him again, as a full-fledged concert star, backed by a fine orchestra, was a musical treat.

Imagine our pleasure to return to Medford and discover that in our absence Jackson County Civic Music association had begun arrangements to book him here this season. We hope this can be accomplished.

Come a day when we have a few minutes to spare, this business woman is going to write a letter to a certain New York designer and tell him "bravo." We'll add UPI woman's editor, Gay Pauley, to the list for publicizing the man.

He is Herbert Sondheim, who says he is calling a halt to seasonal clothes and plans on designing clothes for women which will go from season to season. May his tribe increase! Applauding the designer, Miss Pauley wrote:

Sondheim unveiled his early 1961 collection for buyers with the comment it was not a spring collection—"Spring has become a dirty word in the fashion business," said the manufacturer. He explained that because of climate, both nature's and man-made, spring no longer was a "long shopping season."

"The woman always has planned her major expenditure on fall and winter clothes," he said. "Now, with prices what they are, she looks for clothes with the longest possible life



London—Model Margaret Holmes shows a "beatnik" wedding gown during a Teenagers Bridal show in London recently. The raised skirt of the gown reveals a pair of blue "scooter pants." The gown is the design of a 19-year-old designer, Lawrence Cutting, Sussex, England, who may have been influenced by the styles of the Victorian era and the widespread use of pants for women at that time. (UPI Telephoto)

... she wants something she bought in November or January to go right through spring into summer."

To Sondheim, the time has come for a non-season look and weight to clothes. Well, hooray for a practical man. But I wish Mr. Sondheim had gone even further. I wish he'd told the buyers about shoppers like me who can't keep up with the stores' rushing from fall to resort to spring to summer. I wish he'd told them about shoppers like me who never seem to get around to shopping for something in November which will go right into summer. I'm the type who looks for a garment when I need it, and almost inevitably when the store doesn't have it. I shop for shorts when I start a vacation, for a bathing suit when I plan to go swimming, for a winter coat when the snow flies.

But you just try finding a bathing suit after the Fourth of July.

Now, I know the retailers have problems. Women all should plan ahead, as the stores plan their stocks ahead. It's ridiculous to think, I suppose, that summer cottons should be available all summer. Room has to be made for fall, and to take care of those planners-ahead who visit the coat department the minute the first leaf falls.

I suspect the stores who right now are buying for spring 1961 get fed up with apple blossom time by February, I'm just lagging in the game, if I don't get around to spring until Easter.

Sondheim's no-season campaign as a result gets my full support.

It recalls a shopping experience a designer friend from Dallas, Tex., had. She came to New York on business one September, packing only fall clothes, but arriving to find Manhattan shimmering.

She went into Saks Fifth Avenue—the store headed by Adam Gimbel—in search of a dark but cool cotton. The clerk told her, "Madam, our season changes August the First. All we have now are woolens."

The designer pleaded, "Don't you have any cottons anywhere... even on a mark-down rack?"

The clerk drew herself up and again informed her, "No, madam, I told you, our season changes August the First." The visiting Texan—hot, tired and by this time a bit angry—turned to depart. But as she left she got the last word.

"Would you," she said, "tell Mr. Gimbel to let God know!" Hooray for Designer Sondheim and Miss Pauley.—O.S.

Family Party Halloween Event In Eagle Point

Eagle Point — "Is there a family of spooks or hobgoblins living in or around the Eagle Point community?" is the question currently being asked by the executive committee of the Eagle Point Elementary Parent-Teacher association.

According to James Scott, parent vice-president of the unit and general chairman for the annual community Halloween party, there will be something new in prizes this year. A prize, as yet undisclosed, will be awarded the family attending that is judged best in costume. Other prizes will be offered and costumes are optional.

A full-length feature movie has been secured for the evening, according to Mrs. Darrel Stanley, president. She stated there will be no charge for admission, food, games or entertainment. Everything will be free, and all children in the community are invited to join the fun and to take their parents with them.

All the service clubs in the community are cooperating and will take part in some way, although the Elementary PTA is sponsoring the event. The time has been set from 6:30 to 9 p.m. in the elementary school gymnasium Halloween night, October 31.

When planning a new kitchen, include at least 18 inches of heat-proof counter space next to the range for a convenient spot to rest hot pans.



SUBURBIA — Neat tailoring characterizes this rambler jacket and slim tapered pants styled in wide-wale cotton corduroy for suburban living. Stephanie Koret designed the pants with a glove-like fit and the hip-length jacket with long cuffed sleeves, a shirtband collar and breast patch pocket.

Camp Fire Girls

Okizu Group
A meeting of the Okizu group was held at the home of their leader, Mrs. Herbert Partridge. The girls made 100 Uncle Sam hats for the daughter dinner which is to be November 1. The girls made the Uncle Sam hats because the dinner is near election time.

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Obligation Night Planned by Chapter

Obligation and instruction are on the agenda for a meet-

ing of Reames chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, Thursday, October 27. Mrs. Roy V. Nordwick and E. G. Randolph, worthy matron and patron, will preside. Entertainment will follow the meeting. Chairman and co-chairman for the evening will be Mrs. Vernon Turpin and Mrs. Zerold Laurine.

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Groups to End Study of Psalms

Women of the Westminster Presbyterian church will be guests of the Women's Association of the First Presbyterian church at their meeting Tuesday, October 25, at 12:30 p.m.

Following the luncheon the program will be the final in the study of the Psalms. It will be entitled "The Hymn Book of the Ages." Mrs. George Flanagan, program chairman, has selected "Praise in the Night."

Each circle has selected one of the Psalms to interpret in a different way—through music, drama, film and an interpretative dance. Eight different Psalms will be used.

During the business meeting the nominating committee will give their report and new officers for the coming year will be elected.

Hostesses for the event will be eBthany-Trinity circle assisted by Charity circle.

District Officer Visits Auxiliary

Mrs. Harry Birch, Medford, district president, made her inspection visit at a meeting of the auxiliary to Crater Lake post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, October 18.

Her talk to the group stressed that membership, community service and youth activities are important jobs to be done.

Mrs. Thomas Merit and Mrs. Philip Holt, Shady Cove, were special guests.

Mrs. E. G. Heim, sewing chairman, stated that the next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Fred Lawrence, with Mrs. Heim as assistant hostess for the dessert luncheon. Members will wrap several hundred gifts for the fish pond at the Camp White domiciliary Halloween party October 28 at 7:30 p.m.

If the wind keeps whipping the starch out of drying clothes, add salt to the starch water next time.