

Bethel Proficiency Tests Passed by Three Members

Initiation and proficiency tests were the highlights of the meeting held by International Order of Job's Daughters, Central Point Bethel, last week in the Masonic hall, Central Point. The meeting was opened by Mrs. Jack R. Campbell, Bethel guardian, and Paul Hopkins, associate guardian.

Initiated into the secret rites presided over by Queen Rebecca Ferrell was Miss Teri Lee Martin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Martin, Central Point.

Mrs. Archie Purdy and Mrs. William Askwith, past Bethel guardians, and Miss June Hopkins, representative to Wisconsin, were welcomed and introduced. Both of the past guardians commented on the progress of the Bethel.

Mrs. Campbell stated that the next meeting would be election of officers. She said that Eastern Star and Masonic night would be held on December 6. Mrs. Campbell announced that proficiency tests were required for eligibility for nomination as a line officer and read the by-laws pertaining to the edict. Those passing the pro-

iciency tests at the meetings were the Misses Judith Patterson, Sandra Beasley, and Janet Hobbs.

Friendship Night Reports were given on attendance at friendship nights held by other Bethels in the area.

During the session visitations to other Bethels were also mentioned. Comments included the preciseness of Medford Bethel 14's marching and the vocal quality of the Grants Pass Bethel's choir.

Big and little sisters were appointed for the coming year. Queen Rebecca announced that the big sisters for the junior Bethel officers would be their regular line officers. Other appointments were the Misses June Hopkins, big sister to Teri Lee Martin; Sandra Beasley, big sister to Linda Chisum; and Janet Hobbs, big sister to Jerri Gardiner.

To Raise Money The daughters voted to add to the educational and promotional fund by requiring that each member earn \$1 for the fund before the next meeting and give a humorous report on how it was earned.

The meeting of the guardian council will be held at the Campbell home on Bursell road, Central Point on December 18 at 7:30 p.m.

Following the meeting refreshments were served in the dining hall by a committee including the Misses Sue Kelley, Colleen and Patricia Knapp and Sandra Beasley and their mothers.



Mrs. Frank L. Stratton, 104 Portland street, Medford, is pictured here with a display of dolls which will be featured at a tea to be given Monday, November 21, by Travel Study club to open the annual CARE project. The tea will be held at Girls Community club from 2 to 4 o'clock and will be themed to Latin America. The CARE project is an annual one of the General Federation of Women's clubs and the affiliated state and local groups. Last year the local club received citations from both the Oregon and the National Federations for the success of its local collections for Greece. This year the Federation CARE project will aid Latin American nations.

UPI Reporter Defends American Women Abroad

(Editor's note: The American woman living abroad is a fair target for criticism for every fancied reason under the sun by every man - American, Japanese, French, et al. The following is in her defense.)

By ROBERT KLAVERKAMP
United Press International
Tokyo - (UPI) - At every cocktail party, in every interview with movie actors, businessmen, and even some diplomats, and in almost every magazine and newspaper, the refrain is the same: "American women talk too much."

"American women do not have the feminine charm of the Oriental women. There just isn't any comparison. I'll take the Japanese woman for her pleasant way of accommodating a man, the Chinese for her grace and intelligence and the Vietnamese for pure beauty. The American woman? Maybe for her money, but what else does she possibly have?"

The much-maligned American housewife, taking care of her family in a foreign climate, in most cases doesn't

even have time to defend herself. Since Japan is largely a man's world, she isn't even at the club or party where she's being crucified verbally. And her husband is either remaining discreetly (?) quiet or agreeing with some of the criticism.

What is Truth? What, then, is the truth about the U.S. woman living abroad? Is she monster or myth? Well, the truth is she's pretty wonderful and indispensable to her husband, and he wouldn't trade her for half a dozen of the seductive Oriental beauties.

Let's take first the criticism that she talks too much and turn it into one of her finest attributes, for that's what it is. Any man who doesn't enjoy matching his verbal wit with a woman isn't worth his salt and even good companionship is barren without a little conversation now and then.

The Oriental beauty may exude sex appeal. But if she's smiling and agreeing with everything you say and do, this little tableau can bore even the most supreme of the Casanova egoists. A woman who speaks her mind is a refreshing commodity, and American women are best at this even if they sometimes puncture an ego in the process.

Good Hostess As a hostess, she's second to none. Being a bit of the gregarious helps in this department and the American woman loves mixing at a cocktail party. She can engage and disengage herself from all her guests more often in an evening than Khrushchev can blow hot and cold over Berlin. And the guests love it.

If variety is the spice of life, name another woman who can bundle the kids off to school in the morning, get Papa on his way, line up a speaker for the monthly meeting of her women's group, lunch downtown with three of her friends, study Japanese for two hours in the afternoon, and be ready to accompany her husband in the evening while he entertains a couple of visiting firemen from San Francisco. Maybe not a typical day, but some American women have been known to do more. They just don't make them that way anywhere else.

Is Intelligent In pure intelligence she ranks high, perhaps too high. They don't teach the girls at Vassar, Smith and California to arrange flowers and bow gracefully. But the American man is (secretly) glad of it. There's beauty in flower arrangement, but there's also beauty in a woman who can talk intelligently about more than two or three subjects. The American woman also looks good. There are the slit-

and the beautiful lines of a Japanese girl in kimono, but any man will find more better dressed women in any block in Kansas City, New Orleans or Chicago than on the streets of Manila, Singapore or Tokyo.

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Dinner Planned For Thanksgiving

Central Point-Nevita chapter, Order of Eastern Star, will hold the annual Thanksgiving dinner Tuesday, November 22, at the Central Point Masonic temple. The covered dish dinner will be served at 8:30 p.m. and each one attending is to take table service.

At 8 p.m. a stated meeting of the chapter will convene, with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Snook, worthy matron and patron, presiding.

Nevita Social club met at the home of Mrs. Elva Edler, 60 North Peach street, Monday, November 14. Final plans were made for the bazaar and baked food sale to be held in early December. Members needing information concerning the event are asked to call Mrs. Virgil Goff, Normandy 4-1448.

Before storing tennis rackets for the winter, cover them first with a coating of petroleum jelly. This helps keep strings from snapping.

Tea Will Open Annual CARE Drive

The annual CARE drive in Medford, sponsored by the Travel Study club, of the Oregon Federation of Women's clubs, will start Monday, November 21, with a tea from 2 to 4 o'clock p.m. at the Girls Community club. All proceeds will go to buy self-help kits for the Latin American countries.

The Senior Citizens Activity orchestra, under the direction of Edward C. Root, will play from 2 to 3 o'clock. Speakers for the afternoon will be Mrs. Anthony E. DeSota, Ashland, who has lived in many of the Latin American countries; and Mrs. Alicia Vaca Carter, 23 South Barnburg avenue, Medford, who came from Nicaragua.

Although the casual visitor to Latin America is forcibly struck by the difference in cultures, customs and traditions, the history of North and South America is somewhat similar,

it is pointed out. "We have shared a European heritage and mutual problems of settling a new land and cultivating a wilderness," a club spokesman stated. "These things bind us together so strongly, and makes it both necessary and inevitable to build peace and democracy. A neighbor's response to a call for help, a natural desire to aid a man to self-respect in his work, and a lessening of an almost intolerable burden of ignorance, poverty and disease, together with sympathy for those who have shared the problems of our country but were not able to progress to the things accomplished by our great nation, all combine to answer the question why Mrs. E. Lee Oshin, president of the General Federation of Women's clubs, chose Latin America for CARE."

A total of 16,000 clubs of the General Federation will participate in the CARE drive. Travel Study club won a General Federation citation for being the outstanding club in the nation in the CARE drive for Greece last year.

Attention is being focused on Latin American countries from various quarters. During World Affairs week at the University of Oregon, R. S. McClure, who served as deputy director of economic research for the Central Intelligence agency, spoke on the "Golden opportunities of Communist Infiltration." To solve these problems, Mr. McClure said, "There is no substitute for outside capital to get these nations out of their poor economic situation." He also

added that the Latin American problem deserves attention from the United States. He told of their sub-standard housing, lack of food and clothing, poor health and education facilities.

Governor Mark Hatfield and his wife, along with 28 other United States governors, are on a good-will tour of Latin America. The governor will confer with ministers of education to investigate possibilities of teacher and student exchanges between Oregon and Latin American institutions.

This year the Oregon Federation is sponsoring a scholarship for a girl from Mexico who is attending the University of Oregon.

Mrs. Fred C. Gast, state president, adds, "there is one word that contains the key to the answer of the problems of Latin America, and that word is 'education,' and education through community development."

A display of dolls, dressed in native costume, needlework, and paintings from the Latin American countries will be displayed at the tea, Mrs. Jack D. Brummond, president of Travel Study club, states.

CARE boxes will be found in the First National bank, United States National bank, Karl's Shoe store, and Summit Grocery, Tuesday, November 22 through November 26.

Anyone wishing to make further contributions to CARE, may send them to Mrs. Clay M. Lee, Cargill court, Apartment 8, and they will be forwarded in the name of the club and the community.

Guests Visit In Hornbrook

Hornbrook - A number of out-of-town guests have visited friends and relatives in Hornbrook recently.

Mr. and Mrs. William Bigelow of Grants Pass, Ore., were overnight visitors last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lockwood. The Bigelows were on their way to a winter vacation in the desert.

Wayne Naulsen and Jerry Shaw of Ashland were visitors here on Friday at the Loren Cummins home. Both young men are coaches at Ashland Junior High school. Paulsen formerly lived in Hornbrook.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Wyatt and children Stephen, Paul, and Theresa, and Mrs. Marge Snyder and children, Victor and Karen, all of Medford, were week end visitors here at the home of Mrs. Minnie Bloomingcamp and son Charles. Mrs. Wyatt and Mrs. Snyder are daughters of Mrs. Bloomingcamp.

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