

Women's News • Social Events



Mr. and Mrs. Walter J. Spragg of Marston Green, near Birmingham, England, are guests in Medford of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Albert F. Andrews, 357 Bessie street. The visitors are pictured here with their granddaughter, Ethel Andrews, 9, student at Roosevelt school. The Spraggs, who are spending several weeks here, are traveling throughout southern Oregon and northern California with their son as he makes business trips to various cities. He is district manager of the Greyhound

Club Lists Winners At Bridge

White City—A large group of bridge players attended the last monthly master point session of Camp White Veterans Bridge club.

Winners for north-south, Section A, were Leland Clark and Maurice Coode, Wilderville, first, 101½ points; Paul McDuffee and Alexander C. E. Pfister, second, 99; Mrs. W. W. Stevenson and Mrs. Ben Todd, third, 98½; Walter Ensminger and D. Hill, fourth, 95. East-west winners in this section were Mrs. Clifford Howard and Mrs. A. W. Lingaas, first, 97½; D. H. Barber and Walter Humes, second, 95½; David Glatfelter and George Mitchell, fourth, 94.

North-south winners in Section B were Richard House and Chester Reavis, first, 110½; Mrs. Paul McDuffee and Mrs. Richard Milestone, second, 108½; Mrs. Glen Harrison and Mrs. Sam Richardson, each pair scoring 109½ points; Mrs. J. J. Dougherty and Mrs. Sam Van Dyke, fourth, 98.

Holding top scores for east-west players in Section B were the Berg Martens, first, 97½; the Jack Mitchells, second, 96; Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Holmes tied with Mrs. Fred Purdin and Bud Purdin for third and fourth, each pair scoring 88 points.

Prizes furnished by the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Oregon, were awarded to veterans and their high scores for November. They went to Walter Humes, first; William Vale, second; Franklin Gilbert, third; David Glatfelter and George Mitchell, for fourth and fifth tie; Thomas G. Randall, sixth; and John Foley, seventh.

Gold Hill Circle To Meet on Friday

Gold Hill—The Golden circle, womens group of the Gold Hill Christian church, will meet at the home of the minister, Miss Jean Cunningham, Friday, December 9 at 7:30 p.m.

Plans for the annual Sunday school Christmas program will be completed during the session. The program is slated for Sunday, December 18.

Caroline's Favorite Doll Is Classic 'Raggedy Ann'

By GAY PAULEY
New York—David Carton hasn't met Caroline Kennedy. All he knows about the tiny daughter of the President-elect is that she's a character in looks and that what seems to be her favorite doll definitely is his favorite.

Caroline's favorite doll is Raggedy Ann, a soft and cuddly cloth toy which is almost as much of a classic in the nursery as the teddy bear.

Ann's in the News
In the last few days, pictures of three-year-old Caroline out walking with her father and pushing a carriage with a rag doll in it, and the United Press International close-up of Caroline with daddy bringing up the rear holding a rag doll, have hit front pages across the country.

Which, says Carton, promises a new interest in the red-haired toy inspired by a series of books for children.

"Maybe not a big boom this year," says Carton. "It's too close to Christmas and most stores long since have stocked up. But wait'll next year."

Incidentally, lest John F. Kennedy Jr. be neglected, Carton has dispatched him a Raggedy Andy, brother of Ann.

Proposed Legislation Discussed for Nurses

A summary of proposed legislation which would affect registered nurses was given at the last meeting of District 4 Oregon Nurses association, held at Rogue Valley Memorial hospital. The speaker was Mrs. Johnnie Schick, Portland, president of the association.

Purpose of the proposed legislation, to be introduced in the 1961 session of the Oregon legislature, is to encourage the adoption of an orderly procedure for establishing desirable employment policies and practices," Mrs. Schick said. This would be accomplished through the democratic process of collective bargaining in which the employees have a voice in determining the conditions affecting their employment, the speaker added.

All employees of hospitals and other health care facilities would be covered, Mrs. Schick said. Facilities maintained by county, state or federal governments would not be included, she explained.

The Oregon Nurses association cannot ask for legislation which protects only the interest of professional nurses, she added.

Mrs. Schick pointed out that it is the policy of Oregon Association of Hospitals to recommend that the individual hospitals in Oregon do not bargain with the nurses in their employ.

"The Oregon Nurses association bill provides simply that the employer of the nurse must sit down with her representative and bargain in good faith toward reaching a binding agreement regarding employment standards," Mrs. Schick stressed. "It provides that if an agreement cannot be reached, a fact finding inquiry shall be made so that there can be a complete review of the situation and that findings of fact be published to the general public in the county where the employer is located. The bill does not force the adoption of any proposals by either party. It merely provides that the nurse shall be respected and recognized as a professional person and an employee, and that she shall be given a courteous hearing and serious consideration of her requests.

"There are no laws affecting Oregon nurses that require their employers to negotiate with regard to the working conditions," Mrs. Schick concluded.



What reaction does the Christmas season arouse in Americans? Do they look forward to it as one of the most important observances of the Christian religion? Do they think of it as a joyful time when relatives and friends can be together and please one another with thoughtful and generous gifts? Is it becoming more and more a time of overwork, tensions, worry about how much to spend and on whom, and a time when hundreds of people are killed in accidents?

Vance Packard, who has become known as a "social critic" of Americans through his books, the latest of which are "The Status Seekers" and "The Waste Makers," says it is all of these. Mr. Packard has broken into print again, this time with "The Christmas Wreckers" in Redbook magazine. He says that "the toll the Christmas season takes in tension and nervous exhaustion is beginning to be noticed by health authorities and the collectors of nationwide statistics.

"A West Coast psychiatrist has written a paper on Christmas neurosis. (He found that depressions are frequently associated with Christmas.) A publication of the American Medical association discussed at length the problem of coping with Christmas tensions. A spokesman for the National Association of Mental Health says that the 'Christmas blues' are a well-recognized phenomenon.

"The impact of Christmas-generated tensions, quarrels and depressions can be seen in such grim tabulations as the homicide rate and the accident toll. Every December, according to figures compiled by the Metropolitan Insurance company, the number of murders reaches a new high for the year. More people are killed in auto accidents on Christmas day than on any other major holiday, even including New Year's eve."

Gathering material for his article, Mr. Packard asked men and women if they were looking forward with pleasure to the coming of Christmas. It seems that most of those interviewed adopted a tone of resignation and some had a feeling "that bordered on dread." They pointed out that the sheer length of the holiday season is wearing, with some housewives starting their holiday preparation in September. Many buy their Christmas cards in the summer time, others shop the year around for presents and as December 25 approaches, the newspapers, radios, magazines and other advertising media remind us of the few shopping days left until Christmas.

A Frenchwoman pointed out that in her country, Christmas is for children; adults seldom exchange presents, while in the United States, adults often give presents to other adults they hardly know. Some concluded that Christmas has become a season of obligation, and not a season of joy and festivity.

Mr. Packard concludes that there is nothing essentially Christmasy, or un-Christmasy in spending money and believes that how much or how little is spent is actually beside the point. He concludes that everyone must solve the problem of what to do about Christmas in his own way, and quit doing, or begin to do, whatever will be the most satisfactory for him or her.

Sounds fine in writing, doesn't it. But it's a strong soul who can just announce that this year he will send no cards, buy no presents, stay home from church (or start going again) or in some other way reverse the trend and buck the tide in his own part of the social stream.—O.S.

Housewives Find Chicken Plentiful

(The following guide to the nation's plentiful food buys for the week ending Dec. 10 was prepared for United Press International by the U. S. Departments of Agriculture and Interior.)

Washington—(UPI)—Thrifty food shoppers will be able to find a fairly wide array of their favorite foods at markets this week end. Wintry weather has not yet cut down supplies of many items.

As for meats, beef is still plentiful at most markets, and featured at favorable prices are roasts, steaks, and hamburger, to name a few choice cuts. Pork continues fairly abundant at many markets, with hams, loin roasts, and chops available at budget prices. Lamb is plentiful at some markets across the country, and represents a good buy. In the poultry line, broiler-fryers and turkeys continue good buys.

Fruit bins offer a wide choice, such as grapefruit, oranges, lemons, limes and tangerines. Also apples, cran-

berries, grapes, pears, and also dates from big available supplies.

Vegetable counters offer a good selection too, including artichokes, mushrooms, broccoli, cabbage and carrots, cauliflower, celery, lettuce, onions, potatoes and sweet potatoes, radishes, turnips, spinach, squash, and green peppers.

Dairy products continue abundant and budget-priced. In the fish, plentiful items include both fresh and frozen shrimp and scallops, and fish sticks and portions.

Now, here's a more detailed report for this particular area—West—Arizona, California, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Wyoming. Fryer chickens are plentiful supply in most Pacific Coast markets and prices are slightly lower this week.

Red meats are in moderate to good supply and prices on many cuts are slightly higher. Calf and veal are up 2 to 6 cents a pound in the San Francisco area.

Egg supplies are moderate to ample and small size eggs are down 4 to 5 cents a dozen in the San Francisco area. Butter has declined 1 cent a pound in the San Francisco area.

There is only a limited selection of fresh fruits and vegetables including apples, lemons, navel oranges, winter pears, cabbage, spinach, lettuce, celery, onions, cauliflower, and winter squash. In good supply are grapefruit, artichokes, bunched vegetables, potatoes, sweet potatoes and tomatoes.

Best fish buys include Dungeness crabs, halibut, rockfish and spiny lobsters.

Floyd Shermans Home From Trip

Gold Hill—Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Sherman, Route 2, Box 488B, Gold Hill, returned last week from a three week trip in the Midwest and Southwest.

The Shermans visited in eastern Oregon prior to driving to LaJunta, Colo., where they visited three brothers and a sister and their families of Mr. Sherman. Then the Shermans spent some time with relatives and friends in Kansas prior to visiting with Mr. Sherman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Sherman, Anderson, Mo.

The Gold Hill couple, with Mr. Sherman's parents, spent Thanksgiving with a brother-in-law and sister of Mr. Sherman, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Evans, in Arkansas. From there the Floyd Shermans drove to the Tucson, Ariz. area where they visited a sister and brother and their families of Mrs. Sherman. They returned to the valley via Reno, Nevada.

For safety's sake, straighten the bedroom before turning in so articles won't cause someone to stumble or fall in the dark.



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Two Clubs Set Dances

Star Promenaders and the Applegaters Square Dance clubs have planned dances for Saturday, December 10.

The Promenaders will hold a "last chance" dance Saturday at Roxy Ann Grange hall. The club announces that Kenneth Hood, the club's regular caller, is retiring and this will be the "last chance" to dance to his calling.

A spaghetti dinner will be served at 7:30 p.m. for all square dancers who wish to attend, and dancing will begin at 8:30 p.m. Club members are each asked to take a spaghetti or macaroni meat dish and a loaf of French bread. Guests are asked to take a salad or dessert. Coffee and pie will be served later in the evening.

All square dancers are invited to attend.

The Applegaters will dance Saturday night at Provoit Grange hall. Round dancing is planned from 7:45 to 8:30 p.m., and square dancing will begin at 8:30 p.m. Refreshments will be pollock style.

Starting in January, Applegaters will hold dances the first and third Saturday nights of each month. Byron Dibble is the club caller.

Two more Monday night workshops are set for December 12 and 19.

The club also plans a beginners' class for adults to start Monday, January 9, also at the Provoit Grange hall. Mr. Dibble will teach the class, and further information may be obtained by calling the Dibble home, SPring 3-6355.

Professor Is Speaker

Ashland—An armchair tour of France conducted by Dr. Leon Mulling carried members of Ashland Study club from the Riviera to Paris, when they met Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Marcus Woods, 120 High street.

For an hour the Southern Oregon college speech professor shared his experiences and commented upon the types of American tourists he encountered abroad during his 6-months sabbatical leave.

Description and pantomime made vivid the chronic complainer; the know-it-all; the "we-have-it-better" type; the haggler; the female vaquero; the professional wolf, and finally the ignoramus.

"One needs a truly liberal education to get the most out of travel," declared Dr. Mulling, adding, "European travel can either be an adventure or a bore, depending upon one's background and viewpoint. In many ways travel is the equal of a college education."

Colored slides brought the beauty of the French seacoast and countryside; gardens and cathedrals; palaces and castles. Remnants of the ruins of an old Roman area; turreted castles surrounded by moats; the famous Arc de Triomphe, the Louvre and Notre Dame were but a few of the interesting pictures shown by the returned traveler.

The afternoon program was concluded with the customary selected subject which was given by Mrs. Wilmer M. Foley. She reviewed several articles describing recent archeological discoveries under the ruins of an ancient church on one of the Shetland Islands.

Mrs. Gordon Pickell will be hostess for the December 19 meeting to be in the Christmas theme. Mrs. William B. McCullough will give the program.

Specialist Outlines Winter Care of Feet

Chicago—(UPI)—Feet need extra care in winter, says a foot authority.

"During the winter, feet cannot get the same amount of air they receive at other times of the year," Dr. William Scholl explained. Even shoe boots make feet perspire excessively, he said. Women shoppers should carry an extra pair of shoes to interchange with boots while browsing in stores.

"Boots should not be worn more than a few hours at a time without being interchanged with shoes or slipped off for a while," he said.

He also advised bathing feet daily and using a soothing balm to stimulate circulation. Walking barefoot in the house even in winter, is another good stimulant for the feet.

"Don't make a practice of going to sleep with socks on, even when the sheets are cold," Scholl warned. Stockings constrict the feet which should be "air-free" during the night.

Fresh port should be loosely wrapped in waxed paper and stored in the coldest part of the refrigerator.

Calendar

Calendar notices and news for the society section of The Mail Tribune must be submitted in writing and deadlines 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 3 p.m. the day before publication.

Thursday:
7 p.m.—Talisman Rosebud council, P y t h i a n Sunshine Girls, Pythian building.

7 p.m.—Susannah Wesley unit, Wesleyan Service guild, First Methodist church, home of Mrs. O. P. Taylor, 3254 Jacksonville highway.

7:15 p.m.—Warren assembly, Order of Rainbow for Girls, Jacksonville Masonic temple.

8 p.m.—Reames chapter, Order of Eastern Star, Medford Masonic temple.

Friday:
10 a.m.—Phoenix Garden club, Phoenix Community clubhouse.

11 a.m.—St. Elizabeth's Guild, St. Mark's Episcopal church, at church.

1:30 p.m.—Past presidents, Ladies' auxiliary to Crater Lake series, FOE, home of Mrs. Roy Heath.

2-8 p.m.—Medford Garden club show, Santo hall, 701 North Columbus ave.
2:30 p.m.—Roosevelt PTA, school gymnasium.
2:30 p.m.—Washington PTA, at school.

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