

# Social Events ♦ Women's News

## Service Guild To Hold Party

Mrs. Emerson Anderson will be hostess Monday, December 19, for a meeting of Ruth Esther unit of Wesleyan Service guild. The guild members are to assemble at 7:30 p.m. at her home, 2131 Hillcrest avenue.

A brief business meeting will be followed by the annual Christmas party.

Mrs. Richard Williams will give the devotional service and Mrs. Lionel Guy is planning a Christmas program. Gifts of money in Christmas socks will be sent to the Louise Bunch-Beulah Faber Memorial chapel in the Methodist home in Salem.

Members will exchange gifts which they have made. Hostesses for the evening are to be Mrs. J. R. Russell, Miss Voda Brower and Miss Annette Gray.

## Circle To Make Decorations For VA Domiciliary

Members of the Military Order of Lady Bugs, Roguette circle, will make decorations for the Veterans Administration domiciliary Saturday morning, December 17. The party at the domiciliary will be held at 7 p.m. December 22. Caesar Muzzoli's music group will perform while gifts are distributed.

The circle made plans for the event at a meeting Tuesday evening at the VFW hall. Lady gold bug, Mrs. Eva Pittock, conducted the business session.

Mrs. Harold Sutherland, Mrs. Ralph Pittock and Mrs. Amy Randle served refreshments. The group will meet next on January 10.

## Party Announced

Rogue chapter, Grandmother Clubs of America, will hold a Christmas party and gift exchange Monday, December 19, at Girls Community club.

A covered dish luncheon will be served at 12:30 p.m. and each member is to take her table service.

The program is in charge of Mrs. Nina Chandler, who states that gifts are not to exceed 88 cents in cost. Mrs. Arthur Webster, president, will conduct a business session.

Members are asked to note the change in meeting date due to the Christmas holidays.



James Hagland, wearing beret and sweat shirt, posed here with two entries in the Poor Losers' show which he and Robertson Collins sponsored last Sunday at the Medford hotel. The unique venture, which drew a large number of entries and many visitors, was planned as a means of drawing attention to the first annual area competition show at Rogue gallery, to raise money for the gallery and frankly for fun. The two pieces of "sculpture" shown here were created for the Poor Losers' event; the one at the right is of eggshells and entitled "The Naked and the Dead" and the other, by an entrant who gave his name as "Dilli Dalli" is of wire and paper. The area show now on exhibit at Rogue gallery, 220 West Main street, will be open through December 24. Hours Saturday will be noon until 4 p.m. (Simonson-Walker photo)

## Applegate Valley Slaters Pre-Christmas Programs

Applegate Valley - Pre-Christmas events in the valley are centered in church and school programs to be presented next week.

Young people of Ruch community church will present a cantata Sunday, December 18 at 7:30 p.m. Following the Sunday school hour that day children's classes will present a program at 11 a.m. on Christmas afternoon the church will hold a 3 o'clock worship service. The church young people also will participate in a youth rally at Central Point Community church December 27.

A cast of 50 students, fourth through sixth grades at Ruch school will present a play, "The Shoemaker's Christmas," at the school gymnasium Wednesday, December 21 at 8 p.m. The band and two choral groups will be featured. Women of the Parent-Teacher association are assisting with costumes. Santa is scheduled to arrive after

the program. Everyone is invited to attend these events.

Ladies of the Valley Garden club will hold a Christmas meeting at the home of Mrs. Glenn Smith Wednesday, December 21 at 1:30 p.m. They will have a gift exchange and social hour.

The Upper Applegate Grange held their Christmas observance Friday. It was a potluck supper and program.

## Officers Named For Tri-Hi-Y

Officers were elected at the last meeting of Tri-Hi-Y held at the home of Mrs. David R. Baker, 517 Beatty street.

The new officers are Anita Ritchey, president; Bonnie Knapp, vice-president; Pat Brown, secretary; Laura Rupe, treasurer; Doreen Huson, chaplain; Jackie Rummel, sergeant-at-arms; Nona Donahue and Charlene Francis, publicity chairmen.

## Food Stocks For Holidays Said Ample

Washington - Despite the wintery weather, thrifty shoppers should still be able to stock up on an excellent selection of good food buys at markets this last week end before Christmas.

At meat counters, beef and pork continue plentiful, with chuck steak, round and chuck roasts leading the beef section, and pork loins, chops and hams available at budget prices. In the poultry line, broilers and fryers continue top buys.

In the fruit bin, apples, cranberries, oranges and grapes offer the best selection to price-conscious shoppers. Many markets are also featuring grapefruit.

In the vegetable department, celery appears an outstanding choice. Other plentifuls this week end include cabbage, carrots, onions, potatoes, sweet potatoes, turnips, tomatoes, lettuce and squash.

In fish, plentiful items include both fresh and frozen shrimp and scallops, and fish sticks and portions.

A more detailed report for the West follows:

Pork, poultry, cranberries and citrus fruits are in ample supply in most Pacific Coast markets this week, but many prices are slightly higher. Pork is in ample supply, while beef, calf, veal and lamb supplies are adequate. Most beef and pork cuts are 1 to 2 cents a pound higher than a week ago.

Poultry items, especially fryer chickens, are being featured in most markets. Poultry prices are mostly unchanged except for slightly higher prices on ready-to-cook young hen turkeys in California markets. Egg supplies are increasing, and medium size eggs are down 2 to 3 cents a dozen in California markets. Butter supplies are ample and prices steady.

The limited list of plentiful fresh fruits and vegetables include cranberries, grapefruit, lemons, navel oranges, cabbage, cauliflower, celery, carrots, lettuce, dry onions, winter squash, spinach, turnips and rutabagas. In good supply are avocados, tangerines, winter pears, artichokes, russet potatoes, sweet potatoes and tomatoes.

In fish, best buys are Dungeness crabs, halibut, rockfish and spiny lobsters.

## Shower Given

Tiller-Drew - A pre-nuptial shower for Miss Phyllis Higgins was given at the Leo Higgins home Wednesday, December 7. Mrs. Charles Jackson was hostess.

## Calendar

Calendar notices and news for the society section of The Mail Tribune must be submitted in writing and deadline 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 5 p.m. the day before publication.

Friday: 6:30 p.m. - Women of the Moose, lodge hall.

Saturday: 2 p.m. - Daughters of American Revolution, Girls Community club. 2 p.m. - Epsilon chapter, Delta Kappa Gamma, Red Cross building. 7:30 p.m. - Odd Fellows and Rebekahs, Central Point Masonic hall. 8 p.m. - Knights of Pythias and Pythian Sisters, Pythian building.

# POTPOURRI

A recent dramatic review in the Seattle Post-Intelligencer brought us up-to-date on the activities of Jacques Colton, University of Washington student, Jacques, a daughter of the Sam Coltons of Medford, played in the UW production of "Look Homeward, Angel" put on at the Showboat.

John Voorhees, writing for the Seattle newspaper, says that in his opinion "Look Homeward, Angel" is one of the few truly great American plays of the 20th Century, and that the role of Eliza Gant, played by Miss Colton, is the deepest and most rewarding in the work—he termed it "a fascinating and powerful character." The critic wrote "It is a demanding role and Miss Colton is to be commended for the depths of interpretation which she, and director Kenneth Carr, have been able to bring forth." He added that the student actress and the director "provide a sense of theater, a cohesion and direction to the production which were sadly lacking in the touring production." (He referred to a recent performance of the play in Seattle in which Miriam Hopkins had played the role of Eliza Gant.)

Miss Colton, a drama major, has appeared in a number of UW plays since enrolling at the school, and in addition she teaches a class and produces plays for the Seattle church which she attends.

The January issue of TV Radio Mirror is of particular interest in the Rogue valley, for four of Photographer Kenn Knackstedt's pictures are used to illustrate one of the articles. Featured in the article is Martin Milner, co-star of CBS-TV's "Route 66," his wife and small daughter, Amy.

Kenn K. took the pictures last summer when the "Route 66" company spent several weeks in the vicinity of Grants Pass filming two programs, and were part of a large number of stills which the directors had him take. The Medford cameraman spent many hours on the assignment, and watched with great interest the filming of the television show. He was fascinated to see how much time and film is expended in the consuming all the way from an hour to an entire day, either ended up as brief glimpses of a few seconds in the completed film, or were discarded entirely.

"Route 66," which shows on Channel 5 Friday evenings, is being filmed in various locations throughout the nation, using local homes, business houses, taverns, cafes and scenery as background. Some Rogue valley residents complained of the lack of authenticity in the two programs filmed in southern Oregon, and many, of course, noticed that in the first, one of the stars referred to "Carter Lake," O.S.

## Siskiyou Society Session Recalls Past Christmases

Yreka - An old fashioned Christmas tree highlighted the Christmas program given by the Siskiyou County Historical society December 10 at the museum. The tree was decorated with ornaments which were over a hundred years old. Strings of cranberries and popcorn, paper chains and little bells over which were glued rice which was then glued, and little red candles.

Around the base of the tree stood a wooden wagon with wooden wheel spokes and a doll buggy, also made of wood and over a hundred years old, held a doll of ancient vintage. Hand made dolls many years old and handed down from pioneer relatives were displayed. There was a life-sized little boy doll dressed in an authentic velvet costume.

Mrs. Cecil Elliott played Christmas music on an old baby grand piano which came around the house and was brought into Scott Valley via the Trinity Mountains on mule back. Gracing the top of the beautiful instrument was a century-old candelabrum of silver metal holding eight red candles.

Mrs. Walter Pollock and Mrs. John Rider wore black silk and taffeta dresses belonging to Siskiyou pioneers. Both ladies gave a little of the history of the dresses and modeled them for the audience. Mrs. Pollock, curator, had asked relatives of the pioneers to write something of the Christmases they had enjoyed with their grandparents and families. These letters she read and they told of the old customs, family traditions and foods they enjoyed. Many of the letters told of how as children they hung their stockings from the fireplace mantel and next day found in them nuts, hard candies, a little toy and a rare treat, an orange. There were church programs, candy pulls and popcorn stringing parties. Always there was a big Christmas dinner of fried chicken, plum duff and hard sauce, cookies, cakes and pies. Some letters mentioned the big parties at the Yreka town

## Californians Visit

Central Point - Visiting recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Duncan, 589 Wilson road, Central Point, were Mr. and Mrs. Otto Ronniger of Mill Valley, Calif., Miss Dorothy I. Duncan and John Paskley, San Francisco. Miss Duncan and Mrs. Ronniger are the Duncan's daughters. Mrs. Ronniger is the former Marjorie Duncan.

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## This Year's Toys Bigger; Show Influence of TV

By RALPH VILLERS  
United Press International  
New York - They say there's nothing new under the sun—but for under the Christmas tree there is plenty in the toy line this year.

And, chances are, the toys you buy will be bigger and more animated than ever. That's because the trend now is to bigness and a wholesale introduction of television characters—many of them cartoon stars—into toyland.

TV's Huckleberry Hound and Yogi Bear have turned up far from the home screen in bowling sets, ball toss games, a juggling game and, of course, stuffed in various sizes.

So have other video stars, Quick Draw McGraw, Bozo the Clown and Casper, not to mention numerous non-animated characters. Western video shows such as "Johnny Ringo" and "Wells Fargo" have lent their names to guns. And from a little wilder era than that of the Wild West there's an Eliot Ness double-barreled sawed-off shotgun that will shoot plastic bullets or jets of water.

Other TV shows have come out as games, "Video Village," "The Deputy," "Shotgun Slade" and "Wagon Train," with the boards duplicating the show's action.

TV Influence  
"The influence of TV characters is being felt throughout toyland," said a spokesman for the Toy Guidance Council, an independent organization which rates and age-grades toys.

The trend toward bigness is represented not only in new king-size chess, checker and domino playing pieces, but in the stuffed toy and doll lines, which offer top-sized dolls and such things as a 4-foot-long stuffed burro and a St. Bernard dog 3½ feet high.

But, the Toy Guidance Council spokesman noted, still the leaders in the toy line are guns and dolls.

## Dance Planned By Hilltoppers

Hilltoppers Square Dance club will hold a Christmas square dance Saturday, December 17, at the old Wagner Creek school, located on Wagner Creek road, two miles west of Talent.

Dancing will start at 8:30 p.m. and all square dancers are invited. Christmas corsages will be given to the women attending.

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