

Social Events ♦ Women's News



Washington, D. C. - Miss Pamela Turner, New York City, has been appointed press secretary of Mrs. John F. Kennedy, first lady-to-be, Miss Kennedy worked for Senator Kennedy the past two years in his Capitol Hill office, and also traveled with his party during the presidential campaign. (UPI Telephoto)

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.

- Tuesday:**
 8:30 p.m. - Crater Lake post and auxiliary, VFW hall, 42 1/2 North Front st.
 8:30 p.m. - Jacksonville Royal Arch Widows and Oregon chapter Royal Arch Masons, Jacksonville Masonic temple.
 7:30 p.m. - Westminster Presbyterian Women's association Esther circle, with Mrs. Howard Miller, 2000 Woodlawn dr.
 7:30 p.m. - Chapter BE, PEO sisterhood, home of Mrs. W. E. Hercher, 1608 Stratford way.
 8 p.m. - Zion Lutheran church circle, Mary, with Mrs. Owen Kunkle, 1411 East McAndrews rd.
Wednesday:
 10 a.m. - Zion Lutheran church circle: Lydia, with Mrs. H. C. Covert, 220 North Oakdale ave.
 11 a.m. - Townsend Harmony auxiliary club, Walker's Dreamland, 415 1/2 East Main st.
 12 noon - Reames Social club, Medford Masonic temple.
 12:30 p.m. - Chapter CG of PEO Sisterhood, home of Mrs. E. L. Bartholomew, 2635 Hillcrest rd.
 12:30 p.m. - Chapter CP of PEO Sisterhood, home of Mrs. George Roseberry, 3310 Hollywood ave.
 1 p.m. - Phoenix Grange Home Economics club, Mrs. Alfred Schroeder.
 1 p.m. - Jackson Council of Parent-Teacher associations, Central Point Grange hall.
 1 p.m. - Nevita Past Matrons, home of Mrs. Mary Note, 32 Hamilton st.
 1:30 p.m. - Contemporary Book club, home of Mrs. Robert Sleeter, 39 South Berkeley Way.

To Install
 Elita Deuel Hubbs tent, Daughters of Union Veterans, will install new officers at a meeting set for Wednesday, January 18, at 1 p.m. at Santo hall on North Columbus avenue.

In Ashland
 Ashland - Dr. and Mrs. J. Gardner and little daughter Anna, Myrtle Point, Ore., were recent visitors in Ashland. Dr. Gardner, who formerly practiced in Ashland, is now with the Myrtle Point medical clinic.

You're invited to A PARTY
 Friday, January 20



"Hi, I'm Richard Steele and I'm inviting you to attend our Open House Party, Friday, January 20th, celebrating the merger of The Rogue Valley State Bank and The Oregon Bank. Watch for your Treasure Chest key in the mail."
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 701 East Jackson

Employment Problems Discussed At Altrusa-Sponsored Meeting

How an older woman can find employment, and keep it, was discussed by a panel of speakers at a dinner meeting of Medford Altrusa club held Thursday night at North's Chuck Wagon. Aid to older women needing employment has been a continuing project of Altrusa club, both on a local and national basis, for several years.
 Miss Dana Platz, who operates an employment agency in Medford, said that while finding work for an older woman is a definite problem, clear thinking on the matter is obscured by many "glittering generalities." These are based on a grain of truth and fact, but have grown out of proportion, she said.
 "Americans like to believe that 'life begins at 40,'" said Miss Platz, "but the grim truth is that life ends at 35, as far as employment goes." The speaker said that while obviously many older persons do find employment, it is also true that when an employer calls an agency, he almost always asks for a young person.
 The speaker gave a list of employment age brackets, which she said are based on national thinking. When an employer asks for a "young" person, he means someone between 17 and 22 years of

age, she said. If he thinks in terms of an "ideal" age, it is 24 to 35; 36 to 45 years is considered "middle" age as far as employment goes, and anything over 45 is "old" age, Miss Platz said.
Seven Reasons
 The agency director said most employers can give seven reasons why they don't want to hire anyone over 35 years of age. These are: They don't train easily, they can't work under pressure, they can't think fast enough, they can't change their habits and ideas, they haven't enough physical stamina, they don't mix well with other employees and they can't be fitted into a retirement program at that age.
 Miss Platz said that there is a wealth of facts to refute these reasons, but that they continue to exercise great influence on employment practices. Many older persons can be trained for new work, they can work under pressure, they do think fast, many have great mental agility and survey shows that older women often have better "on the job" records as far as illness goes than younger individuals, she said.
 However, the retirement programs are one real handicap, she declared, since they

are planned to start when an employee is young.
 Miss Platz believes that "It all depends on the individual" and that employers are wrong not to at least interview older persons when they need workers. "The problem of age must be conquered by each worker," she declared.
 She spoke concerning the bill which was passed by the last Oregon legislature and which forbids an employer to refuse work to anyone because of age. At first, the law was the object of much attention, she said, but it proved unenforceable and is now being largely ignored. "You can't make an employer hire someone if he doesn't wish to do so," she said. She added that the law had accomplished one good-it at least opened up an interview during which the person seeking work has a chance to impress a prospective employer.
 Miss Platz, seeking an answer to the problem of employing older persons said, "You can't legislate social reform; it must be brought about by a change in thinking."
 Miss Frances Clink, chief nurse with the Jackson County Public Health department, concurred with Miss Platz in the belief that generalities are clouding the true picture and that each individual must be considered separately. She asked "What would happen to business and industry in America if all those over 35 went home because they are too old to be good employees?" She said the worker who reaches 45 must condition herself for "age shocks," try to keep her physical condition good and her mind alert. "Have many interests," she counseled, "and keep yourself well-groomed."
 Miss Clink said that surveys have shown that while employers demand the young workers, these "often fall far short in performance." She added that many firms report that older workers are more dependable than the younger ones. "She warned that older persons going into the business world for the first time, and particularly those who have done much volunteer work, must remember "that they are just staff and not executives."
 The public health nurse pointed out that from the standpoint of the community and government, "the earnings of the older worker are needed; the nation needs those who will produce tax money and not be a drain on the public economy."
Nursing Field Open
 Miss Lotus Eaton, an industrial nurse, and Mrs. Bertha Morrill, instructor for the school for practical nurses in Jackson county, pointed out that the field of practical nursing solves the employment problem for many older women. The local school takes women between the ages of 17 and 51.
 Mrs. Morrill explained the scope of the course, said all the women in the first class, graduated last fall, had passed their state tests, including all those in the upper age bracket; all but one are now working. The instructor praised Altrusa, a classified service club for business and professional women, for its interest in the problems of older women and recalled that the club had financially assisted one of the women in the 1960 nursing class.
 During a question period, Mrs. Myrna Frink, public school principal, said "there is great respect for the older teacher" in that profession and added that some of the teachers in their sixties "are the best in the field."
 In concluding, Miss Platz said "We're all guilty of generalities in the problem of the older worker." It was stressed that the public attitude must be changed.
 Older persons seeking employment, particularly those who have been out of the business and industrial world for a number of years, must be helped to adjust, must be retrained and must have their confidence restored, it was pointed out. This must be the job of the employer, the community, friends and relatives.
 Mrs. Berth Hopkins, moderator for the panel and discussion, said the problem of the older worker warrants the continued, best attention of everyone. Mrs. Virginia Sherwood, president, presided.
 Other guests included Mrs. Elsa Walker, Mrs. Stephen G. Nye, Miss Voda Brower and Mrs. Ethel Tennant of Medford Business and Professional Women's club; Mrs. Eloise Winkler, Miss Hazel Swayne and Mrs. Tennant of Medford Zonta club; Mrs. Mary Lindroth, Mrs. Vivian Pasmore, Miss Claire Hanley, Mrs. Mary Vanderlin, chief of nurses at Rogue Valley hospital and Mrs. Olive Starcher of The Medford Mail Tribune.

Speaker Urges Changes In Free Election System

The Republican party might do well to change its name, and certainly should work to improve the nation's free election system according to Peter Gunnar, Salem, chairman of the Oregon Republican Central committee told a women's luncheon meeting yesterday.
 The chairman talked for Jackson County unit of the Oregon Federation of Women's Republican clubs at North's Chuck Wagon. Mr. Gunnar said if the party should contemplate changing its name, he suggested The Freedom Party. The change would help overcome "historical disadvantages that plague us," said the speaker, and "more basically, freedom is what our party and its philosophy is really about."
 "We want our government to be so constructed and to operate in such a manner that each American can freely choose his destiny with full freedom of opportunity and limited only by what infringes upon the freedom of others. We want all Americans happy, well fed, well clothed, well housed, well educated, healthy and secure, not at the expense of their neighbors but by the free exercise of their own abilities and initiatives in a free society under a system of free enterprise."
Improve Elections
 Mr. Gunnar continued by saying that one threat to the nation's freedom is in "our own free election system." He stressed that ballots must be shortened, and said that with so many issues and candidates on the primary ballots, no one could possibly have adequate knowledge of all the candidates and issues. He said "the first and most logical step in this process would be to take the election of convention delegates and party officials off the primary ballots and have them elected by a party convention."
 He said the next step would be the adoption of the "most modern nominating process, that of the Connecticut primary convention called the challenge primary system." This would result in better candidates more responsible to the party, he declared.
 Mr. Gunnar also advocated a study of the governmental processes by the legislature, and said a start was being made this session under Gov. Mark Hatfield. "Responsibility for governmental acts must lie clearly with some official who can be removed either by the people at the polls or by some higher official elected by the people," the speaker said.
Stresses Home Rule
 The GOP chairman said that the same problems exist in county government, and "each of us should take a great interest in the adoption of county home rule."
 He outlined as the third threat to freedom the fact that money "is one of the greatest political powers." He spoke of the high cost of campaigns, said thousands of citizens in Oregon are making forced political contributions and have no choice in the use of the money. "No free American should be forced to contribute for political purposes," Mr. Gunnar argued, and added that the legislature should pass an amendment to the Corrupt Practices Act making it illegal to collect political

contributions of any kind at or near a person's place of employment or by any check-off or deduction program from his salary or wages.
 Asked during the question period if he had proof that this was done during the last campaign, he offered a name and place, and detailed the circumstances.
 Labor unions should be included with corporations as prohibited contributors to political campaigns, the speaker declared.
 The GOP chairman said he believed the "upturn in Democratic registration has reached its peak and will now level off while Republican registrations will once again begin to rise." He urged party members to work among the young people.
 A Republican victory at the polls in the 1962 election was forecast by Mr. Gunnar, and he said the party has a backlog of "able, intelligent, vigorous and articulate candidates, both in and out of office, which can be drawn upon in 1962 and 1964."
 At one point he mentioned Governor Hatfield's "massive reorganization program which the Democrats praise and support."
 He praised Republican women for their work during the 1960 campaign.
 Mrs. E. A. Littrell presided over the luncheon, which attracted more than 90 men and women, and Mrs. Edward Sickels introduced Mr. Gunnar.

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Classic Folk Opera Given By Philharmonic Society

"Hansel and Gretel," a long-time favorite classic folk tale, was brought alive for children of the Rogue Valley over the week end. Several hundred children and young people, as well as many adults, saw and enjoyed the performances staged by the Philharmonic Society of Southern Oregon at Medford High school auditorium Saturday night and Sunday afternoon.
 The Sunday afternoon audience was much the largest, which is probably just as well, since Saturday's performance was somewhat ragged.
 The vocalists who performed fully deserved the applause they won from both audiences. Sylvia DeVoss, who lives at Talent, sang the role of Gretel and Lois Utterback, who came up from California, was Hansel. Both have fine, well-trained voices which blended beautifully and both have enough acting ability and stage presence to give a pleasing performance.
 Sue Boe, Grants Pass, another accomplished vocalist, appeared as the mother and Maynard Hadley, Medford, was the father. Mr. Hadley uses his rich voice to good advantage, and projects his warm personality from the stage. Violet Hunter sang the unsympathetic role of the witch, and brought an appreciative reaction from the young in the audience when she went "flying" around the stage on her broomstick. Dinana Hunter was the Sandman, and Julie Gandt the Dewman.
 Colleen Hope trained 14 young girls to dance the angel scene, and these favorably impressed the audience. They were appropriately clad, their costumes of white gauze being completed with little wings and glittery halos.
 A group of McLoughlin Junior High school girls, trained by Ray Lewis, were the children's chorus for the final scene.
 The setting, while simple, was good and the third scene was especially colorful. The

Retired Group Hears Students
 Eight members of the Medford High school orchestra, directed by John Drysdale, performed at a meeting of the Jackson County Retired Teachers association January 9. The group met at Girls Community club.
 H. P. Jewett, retired superintendent of Central Point schools, talked on the problems of school administration. Miss Annette Gray gave a short talk based on the movie "One Hundred and One Dalmatians."
 Appointed to a committee to prepare a nomination slate for new officers of the Oregon Retired Teachers association were Mrs. J. S. Richardson, Table Rock road; Mrs. Marie Diney, Medford; and Mrs. Alice Willits, Ashland.
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SOC Professor To Head Panel

Dr. Arthur Kreisman, director of General Studies, Southern Oregon college, will be moderator of a panel speaking on "Juvenile Problems" at a meeting of McLoughlin Parent-Teacher association Thursday, January 19, at 7:30 p.m. in the boys' gymnasium at the school.
 Other members of the panel will be Jackson County Circuit Judge Edward C. Kelly; Medford Chief of Police Charles P. Champlin; Dr. Harold Cloer, director of guidance services, Southern Oregon college; and Mrs. Owen A. Kunkel, Medford, who is vice-president of Region VI, Oregon Congress of Parents and Teachers and chairman of the Jackson County PTA council's juvenile protection committee.
 A short business meeting immediately preceding the program will be conducted by Mrs. Richard Melum, president. On the agenda will be the election of a nominating committee.
 Refreshments will be served in the cafeteria at the close of the meeting.

For Night Owls

New York - (UPI) - Midnight punch makes a hit in cold winter weather.
 To two quarts of apple juice add one-half cup of brown sugar, one-fourth teaspoon each of nutmeg and salt, one teaspoon of allspice and two teaspoons of cinnamon. Bring to a boil, cover and simmer 15 minutes. Serve hot in six ounce mugs. Garnish with thin slices of orange. Serves 10 to 12.

Pharmacy Phacts

From GENE WESTLAND
 Is going to sleep becoming a problem for you? If this is the case, help can be on the way for you. Many people are troubled with insomnia because they are unable to shake off worry apprehension or anxiety. Others find sleep almost impossible because they are unable to relax their tense muscles. We now have new medications which will produce fast and refreshing sleep. Some of these products contain mild drugs which can help to release you from your anxiety or apprehension. Others aid in the muscle relaxing process. If you are one of the many who has a persistent problem in getting sufficient refreshing sleep, please see your doctor for complete diagnosis and treatment.
 You think you've thought of everything before your new baby comes, but always there is something that has been overlooked... or a change in plans made. At McLain's Drug Centre, 8 North Central, Medford, we're always glad to help you find unfamiliar items and talk over their uses with you.—adv.