Social Events ✦ Women's News

Miss Dorothy Buhr, regional home economist for Western Beet Sugar Producers, Inc., will be one of the speakers for the coming KYJC Foodorama, to be held February 14-15-16 at the Craterian theater. Miss Buhr is known professionally as Nancy Haven, the corporate name used by all home economists who represent the beet sugar industry. The home economist will come from San Francisco for the event.

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.

Thursday:

7:30 p.m. – Winchester Extension unit, home of Mrs. Fred Sears, 1100 Winchester ave.

7:45 p.m. – Susannah Wesley unit, First Methodist church, home of Mrs. James Sanford, 1119 East Jackson st., apartment 2.

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

8 p.m. – Olive Rebekah Lodge Past Noble Grands club, Girls Community club.

Friday

11 a.m. – St. Elizabeth's guild, St. Mark's Episcopal church.

12:30 p.m. – Medford Fifty Plus club, St. Mark's Guild hall.

12:30 p.m. – Southern Oregon Dental Society auxiliary, Kim's.

1 p.m. – Phoenix Garden club, Phoenix Community hall.

1:30 p.m. – Brownsboro Garden club, home of Mrs. Melvin Johnston.

1:30 p.m. – Past presidents, Ladies' auxiliary to Crater Lake aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles, lodge hall.

2:30 p.m. – Washington PTA, school cafeteria.

2:30 p.m. – Jefferson PTA, at school.

Party Announced By Pocahontas

Pocahontas lodge plans a public card party Friday, February 10, at 8:30 p.m. in the Redman hall on Apple street. The party will follow a business meeting of the lodge scheduled at 7:30 p.m.

Prizes will be given and refreshments will be served.

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Dances Set At YMCA

A series of dances for young people has been planned by Medford YMCA groups.

First will be a dance for senior high school age youth Friday, February 10 from 9 p.m. to midnight. Music will be from records.

Saturday, February 11, a Sweetheart's dance for junior high school age young people will be held at the "Y". It is being sponsored by the Junior Tri-Hi-Y and music will be furnished by the Teardrops of McLoughlin Junior High school. Refreshments will be on sale. The party will be from 7 to 10 p.m.

The Senior Tri-Hi-Y plans a dance Friday, February 17, following the Medford High school-Klamath Falls basketball game. February 18 the YMCA Youth council will sponsor a dance for senior high school age students. This will follow the Medford-Crater game.

Last of the series will be held Friday, February 24 for senior high school students. This is also sponsored by the Youth council; hours will be 9 p.m. to midnight.

Stamp Expert Talks on Color At Club Session

Color and the scientific method to determine it and its results in the field of stamps was the subject of the program at the meeting of the Southern Oregon Stamp club held Thursday, February 2. The speaker was Frank Applegate who has made a detailed study of the subject.

He stated that many times the same apparent color is listed in the stamp catalogues and articles by many different names, such as rose, rose-red, carmine, rose-pink and so forth; but if you compare the stamps in question the difference in color can not be determined by the naked eye.

Mr. Applegate explained that the scientific method of determining color is by passing the sun's rays through a prism onto a screen, which shows the hues and shades of all the colors. Quoting from "Color Standards and Nomenclature" by Robert Ridgeway, and "Dictionary of Color" by Maerz and Paul, he stated that there are 72 hues of color.

He displayed a large album of 72 pages, each page representing one of the hues; each page has 72 squares to represent the various shades of each; the album is an adaption from Ridgeway's Color Standards, worked out by Mr. Applegate. Closing his talk, he recommended that such a color chart should be used by the stamp catalogues and writers to scientifically determine the exact color of a stamp.

On display at the meeting were the stamp collections that were exhibited by the members at the Talent hobby show recently. Mrs. Robert Lowe won the blue ribbon in stamps for her display of "Making Friends With Stamps"; Mrs. Mabel Houch and Mrs. John Shortridge each won a red ribbon for their displays. Mrs. Shortridge displayed "Sea Life", and Mrs. Houck "Religion". Mr. Clyde Smith was awarded the sweepstake ribbon for the most outstanding display.

Mrs. Edward Leach showed the club a calendar sent her from the Japanese Postal Service, showing the stamp program for that country. Mrs. Leach is in charge of the Camp White Veteran's Stamp club which meets each Tuesday. She has an extensive collection of Japanese philatelic items.

A new member was accepted into the club, Mrs. Worth Wells; visitors at the meeting were Mr. and Mrs. William T. Jeffery, Mr. Walter A. Tilley, and Mrs. Robert Guthrie. The evening closed with a stamp auction conducted by Robert Lowe, and refreshments served by Mrs. Mamie Bloomfield and Mrs. Milton Schuhard.

The National Retail Merchants association has what we think is a bright idea. Men and women of the association believe that washing and cleaning instructions on garments are confusing (which is the understatement of the year) and are trying to work out a method of making them simple and universal.

Not long ago a group of trade association executives representing the retailing, textile and garment manufacturing fields went over the problem of how to instruct the consumer in washing and cleaning procedures for both the natural and man-made fabrics and their various blends.

Edward F. Engle, secretary of the public relations committee of NRMA, told the gathering that the answer to the problem is "symbol standardization." He said "Symbols that signify clearly and graphically the proper care and treatment of any fabric could be visibly imprinted on finished articles of merchandise."

Others at the session reviewed the problems, pointing out that until the advent of the first synthetic fabrics, the industry had concerned itself principally with the task of determining what particular washing procedure would do the least damage to the textile fibers. It was known that harsh soaps, bleaches and hot water were not good for silks and woolens, and that certain materials were prone to stains and fading.

When the field of textiles became more complex, the need for additional information on labels became apparent. According to one speaker "The textile industry responded nobly affixing washability tags containing much of the needed information. Soon, the number of tags on garments began to increase—there was one for textile fiber identification, one of textile fiber promotion, one for washability, one for finish, one for the textile mill or converter, one for the garment manufacturers, one for the retailers, etc. So now, as many as six or seven tags or labels vie with each other on a simple product, all of which are undoubtedly ripped off by the consumer and consigned to the trash basket without any of them being read."

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Don't stop now. There's more.

"To make matters worse, the consumer buys a garment and looking at the textile identification label, finds the garment is made of a number of different textile fibers. She goes to her washing machine and finds settings for linen, cotton, rayon, nylon, silk, acetate, wool and several others. She picks up her iron and finds similar settings. She looks at her garment again and finds it is made of a mixture of some of these fibers and others not mentioned on either the washing machine or the iron."

So now, the NRMA is attempting to aid the consumer with symbols similar to those used for road and traffic signs. For instance, a red square might mean "don't wash, dry clean only" while a blue square would mean "machine washable" and a white square "washable by hand." (These are Potpourri's suggestions—don't start watching for them on whatever you buy this spring.)

And of course, as any housewife who does her own washing knows, just because the label says a garment will wash, doesn't mean that everything is clear sailing. Well do we remember a certain white blouse we bought a couple of years ago. "This material is completely wash-and-wear" said the enthusiastic saleslady, "You won't have to touch an iron to it. Just wash it by hand, rinse and put it on a hanger and let it drip dry." Trustingly we took it home. We washed it carefully in mild suds, rinsed it well and hung it on a hanger, dripping, without twisting or squeezing. It dried in a twinkling but had we worn it, as was, to the office, we well know what would have happened. Our co-workers and callers at the editorial desk would have thought we'd lost our bifocals. It was a solid mass of little wrinkles. Fuming, we put it on the ironing board, hooked up the steam iron, set on "cool" and uneasily put the tip down in a spot which wouldn't show when it was being worn. Luckily we were so cautious. The print of the iron is still on that area—it left a bunch of crinkled spots about the size of large peas.

This tale could go on forever. To make a long story short, we eventually found out that this material must be ironed with a dry iron—temperature doesn't matter so much, but the steam is ruinous.

Since the so-called "drip dry" and "wash-and-wear" garments came on the market Potpourri has bought dozens of them—all sorts of garments and fabrics and colors. Exactly one of them—a blue-green plaid treated cotton sundress is actually "wash and wear" in the complete sense. It dries without a single wrinkle and can be worn with no ironing. All the rest must be ironed in some fashion.

We're perfectly willing to admit, of course, that most of them iron easily, in only a fraction of the time it formerly took to make a shirt or blouse presentable.

We have two or three other thoughts about labels. We wish that the retailers wouldn't tamper with them. Twice in recent years we've purchased garments having two or three labels in them when they were being tried on in the store. When we examined the garments at home, we found all the labels had been removed. The first time we let it pass. The second time we called the store and entered a strong protest. No one seemed to know who had removed the labels, or why it had been done.

Not long ago we bought a blouse. It has a label attached in the customary spot below the center of the collar and it reads "Wash and wear—no iron." Imprinted on the material, directly above the label, there are three words. They read "Use cool iron." We do. It's another one of those mess-of-wrinkles things.—O.S.

Camp Fire Girls

Okizu Group

The Okizu group of Camp Fire Girls met January 29. The charm committee passed a "personality counts" questionnaire and Postures on Parade pamphlet.

The service committee then told the group of our next project, which will be to send kits to Korea to help the children with their school, and to supply them with a few necessities.

Margaret Gemaehlich, Scribe.

To loosen fat spattered in the oven, pour about one-half cup of ammonia into a saucer and allow to stand in a cold closed oven overnight. Next morning wipe thoroughly with an ammonia-dampened cloth and again with clear warm water.

Mothers of Twins Announce Party

Mothers of Twins club will hold a Valentine's party Saturday, February 11, in St. Mary's school activity room at 3 p.m. Games will be played and refreshments served.

All mothers and twins are cordially invited. Anyone wishing further information may call Mrs. O. R. Schwartz, SPring 3-3542.

In Washington

Ashland–Mrs. Homer Bissell and her mother-in-law, Mrs. W. E. Bissell, left Ashland Tuesday for Bremerton, Wash., to visit Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bissell. While there they plan to attend the Bremerton High school spring concert directed by Mr. Bissell, who is head of the school music department.

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Camp Club Announces Winners

White City – Two sections of players competed for master points at the last session of Camp White Veterans Bridge club.

Winning north-south, Section A, were Mrs. Frank Baker and Mrs. Jack Mitchell, first, 86; Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Holmes, second, 79; Dr. and Mrs. C. M. Durland, Grants Pass, third, 75. East-west winners in Section A were the Berg Martens, first, 84½; M. Nelson and Walter Grow, second, 70; the James Winslows, third, 62.

Winning north-south in Section B were H. Brock and Walter Ensminger, first, 101½; the George Brattons, second, 90½; Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Coode, third, 88½ points. Winning east-west in this section were Walter Humes and Eugene Ricker, first, 108; Mrs. Ivan Harrington and Mrs. Frank Perl, second, 93; Mrs. Jack Barr and John Solheim, third, 86.

Prizes furnished by the American Legion auxiliary, Department of Oregon, were awarded to veterans holding high scores for January. They went to Walter Grow, first; Walter Humes, second; William Vail, third; Franklin Gilbert, fourth; Thomas Randall, fifth; John Foley, sixth and John Levine, seventh.

Officer Announces Committees

Central Point – At the last meeting of Mt. Pitt Rebekah lodge, held at the Central Point I.O.O.F. hall, Mrs. Martin Johnson, noble grand, appointed committees for the ensuing year.

They are finance, Mrs. Glen Gerrard, Mrs. Earl Obenshain and Mrs. Harold Wilson; flowers and cards, Mrs. Edward Inman, Mrs. Marshal Weidman and Mrs. Frank Glenn; good of the order, Mrs. Fred Baker and Mrs. Glen Gerrard; improvements, Mrs. John Robinson, Mrs. James VanderSteen and Mrs. Roy Burkhart.

Publicity, Mrs. Gerald Kime, Mrs. Melvin Frick, Mrs. Ellsworth Robinson and Mrs. Robert Monsey; ways and means, Mrs. John Kime, Mrs. James Farrar and Mrs. Clark McDowell; telephone, Mrs. J. A. Williams, Mrs. John Armstrong, and Mrs. Martin Johnson; drill captain, Mrs. James Beiter; standing rules committee, Mrs. Ernie Taylor; youth service committee, Mrs. Jim Corliss and Mrs. John Armstrong.

Plans for a Theta Rho Assembly convention at Central Point during June were discussed. The housing committee appointed was Mrs. John Kime, Mrs. Melvin Frick and Mrs. Ellsworth Robison.

January birthdays were observed. Mrs. Johnson presented each honored member with a small birthday cake.

Hostesses for the evening were Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Armstrong and Mrs. Allon Bohannan.

Teenager Club To Hold Dance

The Flirts and Skirts, teenage square dance club, plans a dance Saturday night at the Provolt Grange hall in honor of the graduating beginners class. Dancing starts at 8 p.m. and lasts until 11 p.m. Each person is asked to bring an "old hat of some sort." Refreshments are to be light potluck the committee states. Byron Dibble will call the squares and all teenagers who know how to square dance are invited.

Dinner Given At Mark Antony

Ashland — Music of "The Gay Nineties" was featured Saturday evening, February 3, when members of Ashland Education association, together with their wives, husbands and guests, dined at the Mark Antony hotel. Table decorations were arrangements of nesting birds and foliage, the work of the high school art class taught by Mrs. Fred Trost.

Vocal numbers were presented by Mrs. William Lewis and Mrs. Martel Peters, accompanied at the piano by Miss Lucy Ann Poucher, and by a barber shop quartet composed of Frank Koch, Lyman Pruitt, Pierre Roberts and Noel Deets.

The business session was conducted by the president, Frank Koch, and the program was in charge of Mrs. Albert Pfahler, social chairman.

Operation X Continues

The third program of the Operation X for Girl Scouts will be held at Hedrick Junior High school cafeteria Saturday, February 11, from 9:30 a.m. until 12.

Claude Haggard, director of safety for the California Oregon Power company, assisted by his 13-year-old son, Merrill, will present Copco's electrical safety demonstration, "Safe Handling of Our Great Servant, Reddy Kilowatt". Mr. Haggard has spent 35 years in this type of work.

Included in the presentation will be the conversion of various forms of energy into electricity; causes of low voltage and high voltage accidents; and a short history of the discovery and uses of electricity through the ages. Mr. Haggard will close the program with a demonstration of closed chest heart message.

Operation X is open to all Girl Scouts and their leaders, from the sixth grade through Senior Scouts.

Medford Woman Returns Home

Mrs. Hazel Rawles, 345 Apple street, has returned home after spending six weeks visiting friends and relatives.

In Tacoma, Wash., she was a guest at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Leila Gilman, a former Medford resident. In Seattle she visited a grandson, Larry Brown.

In Portland Mrs. Rawles was with a niece and nephew, Mr. and Mrs. Don Marvin. In Hillsboro, she visited other relatives.

Mrs. Rawles then spent some time in Winston, Ore., where she visited Mr. and Mrs. John Long, and her son and family, Dr. Harry Van Dermark. The Van Dermarks returned home with her, and last week end a family reunion was given in their honor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Stewart, Beal lane. Bouquets of violets decorated the tables.

Approximately 25 relatives attended the reunion.

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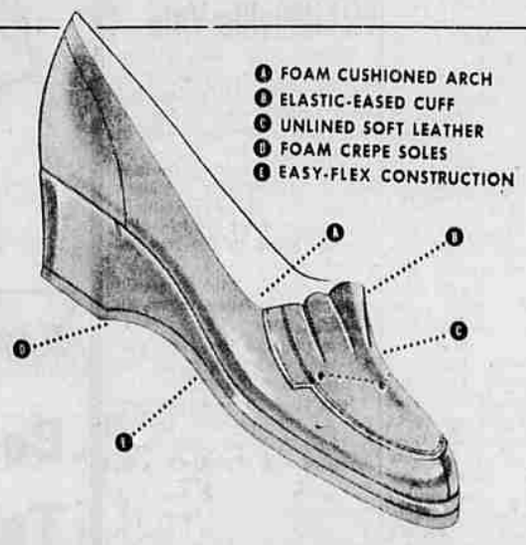

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