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President Likes to Rock; Sale of Chairs Increases

New York—When the President of the United States rocks, the whole country rolls along with the habit. Furniture manufacturers and retailers report that President Kennedy may have done more for the rocker than Whittier's mother. . . . The demand for rockers increased sharply after the White House disclosure that Kennedy has a rocking chair which he uses in preference to other chairs in the executive suite. . . . His physician also must get credit for part of the new demand for a chair whose end-guards date to 18th century England. Dr. Janet Travell said that a rocker is a good

way to relax—"It provides gentle constant exercise and helps to prevent muscular fatigue." Kennedy's chair has been with him since his Senate days—it's a cane backed number made at Ashboro, N.C. Its manufacturer, the P & F Chair company, says that orders have climbed from a mere trickle to a backlog of about four weeks of production since the President was photographed in one of its 425 numbers. . . . Ol' rockin' chair has been getting a new lease on life for the last 10 years, and Kennedy just created a sudden demand, said one furniture manufacturer whose line includes all types of rockers from reproductions of early American to the platform which enjoyed its last hey-day in the 1930s. . . . "The rocker never has gone out of style," said Nat Ansell, president of Baumritter corporation. . . . "but in the last 10 to 15 years, it has shown steady gains in popularity. . . . Ten years ago, only 2 or 3 per cent of all our chairs sold were rockers. Today, 12 to 15 per cent are rockers and swivels. . . . "With the advent of television, a lot of people have wearied of sitting immobilized in regular chairs. The rockers, swivels and recliners provide some motion."

Many Eligible Men Available for Women in Arab Republic

Cairo—In the United Arab Republic, girls should have no marriage problems. New census figures showed the UAR has a population of 16,478,000. . . . The province of Al-Suwayda in the Syrian region—the population is 100,000, of which exactly 500,000 are males, and the other 50,000 are females. . . . Some provinces, though, showed more females than males. But there were mainly provinces in upper Egypt or desert areas—where both agriculture and industry are poor and men have to emigrate to other provinces in search of work. . . . The census figures placed the population of the Syrian region at 4,561,000. That of the Egyptian region was 28,080,000. . . . According to the figures, Egypt has increased its population by more than one-third in slightly over 13 years. In the last census, taken early in 1947, Egypt had a population of 19 million. The current census showed an increase of over seven million.

State Head Will Visit Yreka Lodge

Yreka—Mrs. Nelle Mertens, Palo Alto, president of the Rebekah Assembly of California, will visit Hope Rebekah lodge at a meeting to be held Tuesday, April 11. A no-host dinner will be held at the Yreka Inn at 6:30 p.m. and reservations are being made with Mrs. William Singleton. . . . Mrs. John Hitchcock, in charge of the program and refreshments, states that the meeting will be formal. . . . Initiation was held by the Yreka lodge at the last meeting. Mrs. R. A. Taylor and Mrs. Ellen Wilson were initiated, with Mrs. Mary Boove, vice-noble grand, giving the obligation. . . . The new members received their membership pins from Mrs. Hattie Nelson. . . . Mrs. Kathryn Bandy, Mrs. Laurel Keyes and Mrs. Bertha Dodson were elected to membership. . . . It was announced that the annual sessions of the Odd Fellows grand lodge and the California Rebekah Assembly will be held in Sacramento May 14-19. Delegates from Hope Rebekah lodge will be Mrs. Singleton, Mrs. Joe Thomason, Mrs. Jack Boker and Mrs. Walter Peters. . . . Mrs. Hazel Jerdens was presented a membership pin by Mrs. William Nelson, conductor.

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Guests were Mrs. Betty Thomas, Mrs. Leahia Black, Mrs. Donna Wiggins and Mrs. Laura Sewell, visitors from Ruth Rebekah lodge, Jacksonville, Ore. They extended an invitation to all Odd Fellow lodge members and Rebekahs to attend their annual Historical Trek, April 15 in Jacksonville. . . . After the meeting refreshments were served by the committee with Mrs. Charlotte Glover chairman. . . . Proceeds of a cake sale were given to the Laurel Theta Rho club of Yreka.

Mrs. Harley Hall Named Chairman Of Extension Unit

Applegate Valley—Mrs. Harley Hall was elected chairman of Upper Applegate Extension unit at a meeting held at the home of Mrs. Clifford Childers Wednesday. Mrs. Claud Williams was elected vice chairman; Mrs. Childers secretary; and Mrs. Ivan McDonough treasurer. . . . Mrs. Glenn Travis gave the project calorie conscious meals, asking members to make up a day's menu after which the total calorie count was given. It was stressed that in formulating a reducing diet, no foods should be omitted except fats, and that meals should not be omitted. . . . An extra curricular activity was held last month when several women requested a class in making braided rugs which was conducted by Mrs. Rolland Smith at home. Mrs. Smith was a project leader in rug making about six years ago. Those attending the class were Mrs. Ernest McIntyre of Jacksonville, Mrs. Marvin Brewster and Mrs. Clay Brion of over Applegate unit, and Mrs. Raymond Lomas, Mrs. Ivan McDonough, and Mrs. Harley Hall. . . . The upper unit is participating in state and county extension events in May. Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Hall will attend the state council meeting at Corvallis the first week in May, and a number of women will participate in a skit at the May Festival to be held at the Medford armory May 19. The skit, portraying the project on calories, is written and directed by Mrs. Edna Sawyer. . . . Guests at the meeting Wednesday included Mrs. William Barker, Mrs. Fern Bond, Mrs. Curtis Gearhardt and her guest, Mrs. Leslie Gilbert, Brisbane, Australia.

Physical Fitness Auxiliary Topic

The woman's auxiliary to the Jackson County Medical society will meet Wednesday, April 12, at 7:30 p.m., at the home of Mrs. Jack Wahlstrom, North Phoenix road, Medford. Mrs. Allan Markee will be co-hostess, and dessert will be served before the business meeting. . . . Virginia Wickersham, a representative of the Stauffer home reducing plan, will be guest speaker for the evening, and will present a discussion on physical fitness.

Social Events Women's News

Donor Says Giving Blood Results in Spiritual Lift

By GAY PAULEY UPI Women's Editor
New York—(UPI)—The nurse rolled up my sleeve and tied a length of rubber tubing tightly above my elbow. "Ummmm," she said, "Good veins!" With that remark came the fast jab of a needle into one of those "good veins" at the bend of the elbow. I was on my way to giving my first pint of blood. . . . The scene was the blood donor room of Lenox Hill hospital. I hardly had the place to myself. In addition to the nurses on duty, there were 15 of us set to donate within a five-hour period one of the rare blood types needed for a woman we'd never met. All we knew was that she was to have an operation for heart surgery the next morning. . . . that at least 15 pints of her rare blood type should be on hand for the operation. . . . I got involved in giving because I recently had written about the Rare Blood club, sponsored by the Knights of Pythias Associated Health Foundation. The club members are rare blood types who are willing to donate for free when there is a need. . . . There are six rare types, making up 35 per cent of the national population. I happen to be A-negative, a type found in five per cent of the population. . . . "Sign Me Up" "Sure," said I, at the time, "sign me up." I forgot about registering until the other day when the blood bank called. Could I be at Lenox Hill to help supply A-neg for a patient. . . . I could. Then I got a case of nerves. Would giving blood hurt? Like millions of persons I hate the sight of a needle. Learned later that it is the dread beforehand that gets to you. . . . like the dread of facing the dentist's drill. Because, other than for that quick thrust of the needle, there is no pain. And the jab is over before you can say "ouch." I had no reaction physically—only spiritually. The nurses said there rarely are any after-effects. The hospitals and Red Cross see to that by giving you a physical checkup first.

At Lenox Hill, they took my pulse and temperature, checked my blood pressure, listened to my respiratory system, checked my heart beat, and asked a variety of questions—"Have you ever had jaundice?" "When was your last pregnancy?" "Do you have a cold or other infection?" "Have you had, or do you have, any venereal disease?" Needs Being Met All these give an indication of the state of your health. If it's below par, you go home without donating. . . . If the physician finds you're okay, you're ready to be one of the small percentage supplying medical science with the blood it needs to save lives. . . . The Red Cross said that "blood needs are being met," but only through a constant campaign to spur donations. Since the Red Cross started its collection program in 1949, it has listed 10,411,000 donors, with 27,800,000 pints collected for civilian and military use. Those some 10 million donors in 12 years represent only a fraction of our 180 million population. Yet, since my own experience, I've heard of donors on their way to their third gallon of donations—spaced out, of course, over several years. The Red Cross suggests donating no oftener than every two months, and no more than five times a year. . . . The Red Cross said that last year, some 5 million pints of blood were used in the United States; 2.4 million pints supplied by Red Cross, the rest by hospital, community and private blood banks. . . . It was the first donation also for the woman occupying the cot next to mine at Lenox Hill. . . . Men Are Cowards "When I walked in here," she said, "I thought if they don't catch me in the next 15 minutes, they'll never get me. But there's nothing to it is there?" A male donor then pulled himself onto one of the cots—casually reading the editorial page of afternoon newspaper as the nurse jabbed him. "He's the exception among men," the nurse said. "The strong ones usually are the biggest cowards. You women are no trouble. . . . "Donors come from all walks of life," she continued. "This giving is the common denominator. . . . She didn't say, but I now know what it also is—it's a tremendous spiritual uplift, and an unseen life with someone you've never met. . . . The hospital told me later that most of the 15 donors were on the telephone after "our" patient had surgery to find how she was doing. We all were relieved, I patient when the word was, "Patient getting along splendidly."

Calendar

Calendar notices and news for the society section of The Mail Tribune may 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.

Monday
7:30—Civil Air Patrol, CAP building, Medford airport.
7:30 p.m.—Hedrick Junior High School Parent-Teacher association, school auditorium.
7 p.m.—Neighbor's of Woodcraft, drill team; 7:45 p.m. regular lodge meeting.
8 p.m.—St. Mary's Grade School Parents club, at school.

Tuesday
9:30 p.m.—Hope circle, First Presbyterian church, 18 North Keeneway drive; Mercy circle, Mrs. Wallace Brill, 75 Lozier lane; Temple circle, Mrs. Sam Harbison, 2125 Orchard Home drive.
10:30 a.m.—Oak Grove Home Extension unit, home of Mrs. Rollin Jones, Coker Butte rd.
10:30 a.m.—Willamette Home Extension unit, home of Mrs. Robert Billingsley, 2016 Woodlawn drive.
12:30 p.m.—Bethany circle, First Presbyterian church, home of Mrs. Bert Elliott, 2186 Hanley rd.; Charity circle, Mrs. E. G. Randolph, 1316 Siskiyou Blvd.; Faith circle, Mrs. Ruth Nye, Rogue Valley Manor; Grace circle, Mrs. Don Vessey, 1424 Whitman ave.
12:30 p.m.—Women's association, First Presbyterian church of Central Point, Fellowship hall.
12:30 p.m.—First Baptist Women's Fellowship, at church.

Wednesday
New York—(UPI)—A popular Jamaican dessert uses two of the island's native products, bananas and rum. Slice ripe bananas lengthwise, brown them lightly in butter for a few minutes, sprinkle with sugar, and remove from heat. Add a few tablespoons of rum, light and let burn for a few minutes, and serve. . . . When traveling by car, turn an old pocketbook into a first aid kit. Put in it a supply of bandages, cotton, antiseptic, needle and thread and small scissors. For convenience, also add paper and pencil and a supply of nickels and dimes for tolls and parking meters.

Book on Bell Is Reviewed For Study Club

Mrs. R. T. Nichol reviewed "The Chord of Steel," the story of the invention of the telephone, for a recent Wednesday Study club meeting. . . . The author, Thomas B. Costain, gives a detailed and personalized account of how Alexander Graham Bell conceived the idea of his great invention, the difficulties he had in securing a patent and the dramatic and conclusive test with the wires set up between Brantford and nearby towns of Ontario, Canada. The patent was granted in 1876. . . . Alexander Graham Bell, scientist and inventor, was born in Edinburgh, Scotland in 1847, educated there and in London university, went to Canada in 1870 and back to Boston 1871, becoming professor of vocal physiology of Boston university. . . . The author states that in 1990 a commemorative plaque was placed near the site where the earliest actual transmission of the human voice was conducted over a real telephone wire between points miles apart, by the telephone pioneers of Ontario and Quebec. . . . Mrs. Bernice Ravn shared the program and read from the book "The World's Great Letters," by Lincoln Schuster. The letters were written by statesmen, noted composers of music and well known writers. One letter was written by Sir Walter Raleigh to his wife a few hours before he expected to be executed. He was imprisoned in the Tower for 13 years and was later executed. Another letter in a humorous vein, was written by William Cullen Bryant to his mother, announcing his marriage. Another, written by Elizabeth Barrett Browning, one of the greatest of English poets, to her husband Robert Browning, was read. . . . As the author states, "As long as there are postmen, life will have zest, and letters will always be interesting, especially when they belong to someone else."

Safety Engineer To Be Speaker In Jacksonville

Jacksonville—C. C. Haggard will speak at the April meeting of Jacksonville Parent-Teacher association set for Tuesday, April 11, at 8 p.m. in the school gymnasium. . . . Mr. Haggard, safety engineer for the California-Oregon Power company, will talk on a new method of artificial respiration and heart massage, and will also show films demonstrating the new methods and techniques. A discussion period will follow. . . . Children of the fifth and sixth grades will sing. . . . Plans for a school carnival April 21 will be reported. . . . Refreshments will be served by mothers of children in the second grade.

Price Concert Location Changed

Grants Pass—Josephine County Community Music association has announced that the concert to be given by Leontyne Price, widely known American soprano, Wednesday, April 12, will be held in the Grants Pass High school gymnasium. It is located between Ninth and Eighth streets. . . . The concert had originally been planned for another hall. . . . A number of Jacksonville residents hold memberships in the Josephine county association and plan to attend the Price concert. It is set for 8:15 p.m.

Garden Club

Brownboro—The Brownboro Garden club will meet Friday, April 14, at 1:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Ray Payne. Mrs. Richard T. Doi of Ashland will talk on Japanese flower arranging. . . . Visitors and prospective members are invited.



Armont Willardson will direct the Salt Lake Symphonic choir when the group appears in concert here Tuesday, April 11, at the Medford High school auditorium at 8 p.m. The 130-voice choir is said to be the largest independent choir traveling in America. Tickets are available at Luak Piano house, Purucker Music house and Emerald Music company and will be on sale at the door.

Nitelighters Plan Session Tuesday

"Calorie Conscious Meals" will be the lesson for a meeting of the Nitelighters Extension unit Tuesday, April 11, at 7:30 p.m. in the home of Mrs. E. M. Stansfield, 3358 Bursell road. . . . Mrs. W. H. Colley and Mrs. V. I. Parent will give the lesson and serve refreshments. . . . Election of officers for the coming year will be held.

Unit Elects New Officers

Butte Falls—New officers for the coming year were elected at the last meeting of Butte Falls Home Extension unit at the home of Mrs. Henry Tygart. Mrs. Duane Burton is the new chairman; Mrs. Virgil Conley, vice chairman; Mrs. William Bowen, secretary; Mrs. Donald Smith treasurer. . . . Mrs. Lee Sheehan, county agent, and Mrs. Victor Krelloff, who has recently moved into the community from Novato, Calif., were guests. . . . Mrs. Sheehan discussed the annual homemaking festival which will be an evening event May 19 in Medford so that the general public may learn more about the work carried on in the homemaking field. . . . State council delegates going to Corvallis May 2-4 will be Mrs. Clyde Moore and Mrs. Keith Scott. . . . The unit planned a food sale for April 28 in the post office, and set the date for the next meeting, May 11, so that delegates may give reports. . . . Project leaders, Mrs. Harry Dalton and Mrs. Clyde Moore, stressed the fact that appetite is not a reliable guide to meet the energy needs of our bodies. By knowing the calorie content of foods the housewife can serve satisfying meals that keep family members at their healthful best.

Spring Session Reservations Set

Reservations for the spring session of the Siskiyou district, Oregon Federation of Garden clubs, should be made no later than April 14, the district has announced. The meeting will be held Friday, April 21, at the Shady Cove school gymnasium with the Shady Cove Garden club as hostess club. . . . Registration will be at 9 a.m. and the business session will open at 9:45 a.m. Luncheon will be served at noon by the Shady Cove Grange Home Economics club. . . . For the woman who sees everything—an eight-ounce purse camera. It has a viewfinder, will hold a cartridge of 24 pre-loaded exposures, and comes in burgundy, old gold, charcoal gray, and teal. (Yashica Y 16 Sub-miniature, \$34.95 including leather case.)

Sales Planned By Garden Club At Last Session

Medford Garden club's annual spring plant and rummage sale was announced for Tuesday, April 11, at the Fehll building when the club met last Thursday. Mrs. Charles Stearns, chairman, stated that the sale will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and members participating are asked to take donations to the building tonight after 6 o'clock. . . . Dr. Irene Hollenbeck of Southern Oregon college opened Thursday's program by showing colored slides of European gardens taken on a recent tour. Her slides included picturesque formal gardens around ancient castles and modern gardens. . . . Mrs. J. W. Ostrander gave the horticulture talk on the shrub of the month, the viburnum burkwoodii. . . . Three new members initiated into the club are Mrs. Charles K. Green, Mrs. Hazel Deen and Mrs. Allan Lane. The women were each presented a geranium by the membership chairman, Mrs. Mattie Carson. . . . Guests introduced were Dr. Hollenbeck, Mrs. O. H. Breneman, Mrs. Clifford Burgess, Mrs. Ernest Gleason, Mrs. Ona E. Paul and Mrs. Wallace Feabody. . . . The nominating committee appointed by Mrs. Dayton Deupre, president, were Mrs. R. T. Nichol, Mrs. C. L. Miller and Mrs. C. F. Gordon. . . . Plans were made to attend the spring meeting of Siskiyou district, Oregon Federation of Garden clubs, at Shady Cove April 21. Registration will be held at 9 a.m. All members interested are asked to purchase luncheon tickets before April 14. The delegates appointed to represent the club were Mrs. Herbert Sims and Mrs. Ostrander with alternates, Mrs. Harry Buckmaster and Mrs. Ira Fitzgerald. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. Hildred Hughes and Mrs. Harry L. Meyers. . . . Mrs. Sims, tea chairman introduced her assistants, Mrs. R. H. Peterson, Mrs. Alice Smith, Mrs. Harry Olson and Mrs. Elton Waldron. The table was centered with a low arrangement of magnolia and camellias in an amethyst bowl with pink tapers in matching holders. Mrs. Arnold Bohmert and Mrs. Gleason poured.

Women To Form New Church Unit

Central Point—The Women's Missionary group of Medford Friends church will meet Thursday, April 13, at 7:30 p.m. at the church, to discuss organizing an evening Women's Missionary Union group. . . . An evening group would enable those who work or find it hard to attend the day session of W.M.U. to belong and participate in the program. . . . An invitation is extended to everyone interested. Further information can be obtained from the publicity chairman, Mrs. Eunice Jones, NO 4-2804.

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