

Tea at Sacred Heart Hospital To Observe Week and Anniversary

A silver tea to be given at Sacred Heart hospital Sunday, May 7, by Providence guild will be a double celebration. It will open National Hospital week, and stress the 1961 theme, "Your Hospital—A Community Partnership." Of greater importance to valley residents, it will commemorate 50 years of continuous service to this community by the hospital.

Co-chairmen of the tea are Mrs. N. James Wilson and Mrs. John Welch. Members of Providence guild will head the committees for tea arrangements.

An effort has been made to locate the 42 graduates of the school of nursing, which was established at Sacred Heart hospital in 1912 and closed in 1933. Nine of them live in Medford, and others are residing on the West Coast. All of them have been invited to attend the tea at their Alma Mater, and the response indicates that the nursing school will be well represented. It will be a homecoming celebration for the group.

The story of the foundation of Sacred Heart hospital is of special interest in this golden anniversary year. In 1910 a committee of Medford doctors petitioned Mother Mary of Nazareth, provincial superior of the Sisters of Charity of Providence in Portland, to found a hospital in Medford. The reply was favorable, and in May, 1911, Sister Praxedes of Providence, builder and first superior, with three Sisters, arrived in Medford, and assumed charge of a small frame building bearing the name "Southern Oregon Hospital." The yellow, two-story frame house was located on the corner of South Central and Eleventh streets, and 14 patients were installed in it when the Sisters assumed charge. The attic became the Sisters' dormitory.

Plans Began

The superior (who was later to be the superior general of her Institute) was a woman of faith and vision. Plans were begun without delay for a modern brick structure that would accommodate from eighty to one hundred patients. Ground was broken in May, 1911, and patients were moved in on January 2, 1912. The formal dedication took place on February 18, 1912. For six years, only the second floor was kept occupied, but the third floor was opened for use in 1918, the first year of the great influenza epidemic. At that time, the city furnished cots, beds, and blankets to help the hospital cope with the emergency situation; many organizations in the valley had assisted in furnishing rooms when the hospital opened. Practical assistance was freely given in those early years, and patients and staff were often treated to surplus fruits from valley orchards.

A few years later, there was an outbreak of smallpox in the city, and the isolation department of the hospital was crowded. Still later, diphtheria patients filled the small space.

Sacred Heart hospital never closed its doors; it has answered the sudden demands of illness and disaster for three generations of valley residents.

Nursing School

The school of nursing was opened in 1912 to solve the problems of finding professional nurses to aid with the care of the patients. The location of Medford, so far from any city, made trained help difficult to find. Accordingly, a training school was organized in May, 1912, with three applicants from the vicinity as the first probationers. The first graduation took place on June 8, 1915, with the Misses Mary Barba, Angeline Provost, and Ada Hamlin receiving diplomas and medals. All three graduates of this first class reside in or near Medford, and will be present at the 50th year anniversary tea.

The enrollment of the school increased satisfactorily, but in 1933, new and more stringent laws required that

training schools must be connected with hospitals having a daily average of fifty patients. Plans were made to transfer the 15 students then attending the Sacred Heart Hospital School of Nursing to Saint Vincent's hospital, Portland.

Throughout the years, nurses and nuns have dedicated their lives to the care of the sick. Sister Mary Norbert typifies the selfless service given by the nuns to the patients. She has helped the people of this community for 43 years, longer than any other member of the hospital staff. More amazing is the fact that all of these 43 years at Sacred Heart hospital have been spent on night duty. She is said to have a sixth sense which directs her to the patient who cannot sleep, the frightened child, the appre-

hensive heart patient. She has a reassuring word of comfort for each of them, and a soothing remedy to ease their pain.

Nursery Head

Sister Mary Norbert has been in charge of the nursery, and assisted at delivery and attended many thousands of babies. More than 11,000 births occurred at Sacred Heart Hospital from 1919 to 1961.

Sacred Heart hospital was built as a substantial brick building, and has endured the years almost unchanged in its exterior. However, an extensive remodeling program was undertaken in recent years to bring the facilities up to modern standards of the best medical care. Other changes highlight the passing of time.

Once the hospital stood isolated on a high hill, remote from the small town; now new subdivisions are crowding the foot of that hill, and the city has surrounded it. Once the Sisters rode to town in a one-seat buggy, pulled by a horse named Slat, a gift of the late Dr. R. J. Conroy; now they drive a 1955 Ford, a gift from the hospital employees. A neon cross atop the hospital, another gift of the employees, adds a modern touch to the ageless mission carried on within the walls.

The Sisters are deeply grateful for the help they have received from the community through the years. The theme of National Hospital week, "Your Hospital A Community Partnership," seems particularly suitable for their golden anniversary celebration. The many citizens who have contributed to the growth of the hospital are all invited to attend the tea on May 7.—M.J.C.

All Units To Study Appliances

All Home Extension units in the county will study small electrical appliances during the month of May. The lesson was given recently by Mrs. Leona C. Sheehan, Jackson County Home Economics agent, and will cover three phases of this subject.

It will first concern the purchase of small electrical appliances and what to look for in order to get the appliance best fitted to its need. The second phase will be on the care of the appliance and how to keep it clean and in the best working order. Last to be studied will be the storage of the appliance. Many times it is not used to its full capacity simply because it is not stored in the most convenient place, the leader stated.

Medford Parents

Installation of officers for 1961-62 will take place at a meeting of Medford Parents unit May 2 at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Melvin H. Fields, 2592 West Main street.

Mrs. James Tengedal and Mrs. Harold Clement will present the lesson. Hostesses will be Mrs. Edward Goodwin and Mrs. Melvin Weaver.

Members are reminded to bring their own table service and also coffee bands and coupons. These will be used to purchase a new coffee urn for the unit and silverware for the new county extension kitchen.

Lake Creek

Lake Creek unit has changed the meeting date of this month's lesson to May 10, one week later than the usual time, because of the state council meeting at Corvallis.

The project lesson will be given by Mrs. Joe Arens and Mrs. Foster Swigert. The meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. William Harper, and opens at 10:30 a.m. Installation of officers for the coming year will be held.

The menu will consist of foods appropriate for a picnic. Women wishing information on the menu may call on the menu may call service should be brought by all attending.

Griffin Creek

The Griffin Creek unit has postponed its regular meeting one week and will meet on May 12 at 11 a.m. at the Grange hall.

Officers of Shady Cove unit will be installed at a meeting Tuesday, May 2, at the home of Mrs. Edward Gray, Eagle Point. The lesson will be presented by Mrs. Clifford Sikes and Mrs. Byron Craven.

Mrs. Sikes will be installed as chairman; Mrs. Frank Linden, vice chairman; Mrs. Craven, secretary; and Mrs. Harold Biddle, treasurer. Mrs. John Lowery, past chairman, will be installing officer.

A potluck luncheon of foreign foods will be served at noon. The meeting will be the last for the unit until fall and will begin at 10:30 a.m.

DAR Winner Introduced

Miss Aedene Jensen, Eagle Point High school senior, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Burton C. Jensen, Nick Young road, Eagle Point, was introduced at the Saturday meeting of the Daughters of the American Revolution held at the Rogue Valley Manor.

Miss Jensen was selected by the state as the Good Citizenship girl by the DAR. She was introduced by Mrs. H. S. Chirgman, good citizenship chairman.

Mrs. Edith Gifford spoke on Constitution day at the session attended by 37 members and visitors. Hostesses, all Manor residents, were Mrs. T. J. Gifford, Mrs. G. O. Taylor, Mrs. D. O. Hood, Mrs. B. G. Harding and Miss Florence Gifford. Pouring were Mrs. Harding and Mrs. Marjorie Riddle.

Two Elders On Program

Elder C. J. Ritchie, conference missionary secretary, and Elder John Apel will be guest speakers at the Federated Dorcas meeting Tuesday, May 2, at the Red Cross chapter house, 60 Hawthorne avenue.

The meeting, to be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., is sponsored by the Valley View Dorcas Society of the Seventh-day Adventist church. A potluck dinner will be served at noon.

Elder Apel, who will be accompanied by his wife, was until recently president of the Middle East union of the church. They will speak on mission work in the Middle East and China.

Dinner Slated In Shady Cove

Shady Cove—Members of the auxiliary to Steelhead post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will serve a Mother's day dinner from 1 to 6 p.m. Sunday, May 14, at the Shady Cove VFW hall.

A number of members of the post and auxiliary are expected in Grants Pass today for the district 7 meeting at the VFW hall.

Four women became new members of the auxiliary at a meeting April 21. The new president, Mrs. Thomas Merit, conducted the business session.

Mothers To Hear Convention Report

A report on the state convention of the Gold Star Mothers held recently in Tillamook will be given at a meeting of the Medford chapter Tuesday, May 2, at the home of Mrs. Clyde Sturgill, Route 3, Box 188A, Cherry lane.

A potluck luncheon will be served at 12 noon and a business meeting will follow. Mrs. Victor Eakin and Mrs. Mary W. Fredericks will give the convention reports.



Mrs. William L. Blizard, Oswego, (center) president of the Oregon Federation of Business and Professional Women's clubs, was in Medford April 22-23 to attend the annual spring conference of the southern Oregon district. She is pictured with Mrs. Kenneth Brisco, (at left) Klamath Falls, chairman of the southern Oregon district, and Mrs. Ruth Bray, Coos Bay, state membership chairman.



Miss Savitri Pandit (center) student at Oregon State college, was a guest at sessions of the spring conference of the Oregon Federation of Business and Professional Women's clubs held April 22-23 at Rogue Valley Country club. Miss Pandit, studying at OSC on a BPWC scholarship, is pictured with Mrs. Nell Faulkner (at left), president of the Medford Business and Professional Women's club, host group for the meeting, and Mrs. Marion Klem, Medford, conference chairman.



Mrs. Peter Ruef, 1010 South Oakdale avenue, will take her small daughter, two-year-old Tamara, with her when she participates in the Cancer Crusade campaign May 2, "C" day. On that evening about 1100 men and women in Jackson county will call on their neighbors between 5 and 8:30 p.m. as part of the annual April crusade of the American Cancer society. Mrs. Ruef has been assigned to call on families in her own South Oakdale neighborhood.

Soil Fertility To Be Studied

The use of chromatograms in assessing soil fertility will be discussed by Miss Anna M. Streed at the monthly meeting of Natural Food associates Tuesday, May 2, in Room 114 of Medford High school. The meeting will begin at 7:45 p.m.

Miss Streed will also talk on the nutritional value of foods, and Mrs. Harlan P. Bosworth Jr. will review the recent meeting of the American Academy of Nutrition held in Los Angeles. The public is invited.

Miss Besty Dean To Study Abroad

Ashland—Miss Betsy Dean, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Graham M. Dean, Porterville, Calif., will leave the first of June for France where she will study music for the next year at Fontainebleau, as the result of winning a scholarship in San Francisco.

The Deans owned and edited the Ashland Daily Tidings for ten years. They now make their home in Porterville where they publish the Porterville Daily Recorder, one of a chain of papers in California and New Mexico.

CALENDAR..

Monday:
12 noon—Olive Rebekah lodge, Odd Fellows hall.
12:30 p.m.—Valley Past Matron's club, Medford Masonic hall.
1:30 p.m.—Medford Garden club, with Mrs. Dayton Dupue, 1019 Murray ave.
7 p.m.—Executive committee and Carnation club of Degree of Honor Protection association, at 851 Humphrey st.
7:15 p.m.—Warren assembly, Order of Rainbow for Girls, Jacksonville Masonic hall.
7:30 p.m.—Civil Air Patrol, CAP building, Medford airport.
8 p.m.—Rogue Valley Club club, Girls Community club.
8 p.m.—St. Mary's Grade School Parents' club at school.

Tuesday:
9:30 a.m.—District 6C Motheringers, Jewett school cafeteria, Central Point.
10:30 a.m.—Shady Cove Home Extension unit, home of Mrs. Edward Gray, Eagle Point.
12 noon—Medford chapter, Gold Star Mothers, home of Mrs. Clyde Sturgill, route 3, box 188A, on Phoenix rd.
1 p.m.—Central Point Royal Neighbors of America, home of Mrs. J. F. Ward, Gold Ray Dam rd., Gold Hill.
1 p.m.—Medford Ladies of Elks, Elks club party lounge.
7:30 p.m.—Chapter BE of PEO Sisterhood, Rogue Valley Manor.
7:30 p.m.—Medford Parents Home Extension unit, home of Mrs. Melvin Fields, 2592 West Main st.
7:30 p.m.—Talent Phoenix Music Boosters' club, Phoenix Grade school gymnasium.
7:45 p.m.—Natural Food Associates, Room 114, Medford High school.

8 p.m.—Auxiliary to Crater Lake Post, VFW, VFW hall.
8 p.m.—St. Mary's High School recital, High school gymnasium.
Wednesday:
11 a.m.—Townsend club, Pythian hall, North Grape st.
12:30 p.m.—Chapter CG of PEO Sisterhood, home of Mrs. Stephen R. Mosher, 2208 Oakwood dr.
12:30 p.m.—Chapter CP of PEO Sisterhood, home of Mrs. Leonard Mayfield.
12:30 p.m.—Contemporary Book club, home of Mrs. Allen Smith, 102 Black Oak dr.
12:30 p.m.—District 4, Oregon.

To Plan Show

Talent—Final arrangements for a flower show to be sponsored by Talent Garden club May 17 will be made at a club meeting Wednesday, May 3, at the home of Mrs. W. R. Bagley. The show is planned for Talent City hall. Members also will elect officers for the coming year. Miss Eleanor Powers will be co-hostess.

Thursday:
9 a.m.—Medford Garden club, meet at courthouse.
1:30 p.m.—Sams Valley Ladies club, home of Mrs. Robert Humphrey, Highway 234.
Friday:
7:30 p.m.—District 4, Oregon Nurses' association, workshop at Sacred Heart hospital.
8 p.m.—St. Mary's High School music department, school gymnasium.
Thursday:
9 a.m.—Medford Garden club, meet at courthouse.
1:30 p.m.—Sams Valley Ladies club, home of Mrs. Robert Humphrey, Highway 234.

Workshop For Nurses

Improved nursing practice is the theme for the workshop being sponsored by District 4 of the Oregon Nurses association at Sacred Heart hospital Wednesday, May 3.

There will be panel presentations and general discussion of the legal aspects of professional nursing, interpersonal relations and communications and ideas and ideals in nursing. Guests taking part in the panels will be Mrs. Frances Gold Brown, Salem; director of nursing education, Oregon State hospital; Mrs. Catherine Ford, chief nurse, Veterans Administration Hospital, White City, and Robert Flynn, administrator of the new Ashland Community hospital. Other participants will be local nurses who attended the American Nurses association regional conference in Portland in March.

In order to accommodate all the nurses who wish to attend, two sessions will be held, one starting at 12:30 p.m. and the second at 7:30 p.m. All registered nurses in the area are invited to take part.

Rebecca Circle States Meeting

Talent—Rebecca circle of Talent Methodist church will meet Thursday, May 4, at 1:30 p.m. in the church annex. This new group for women will meet for Bible study and handwork. All members and prospective members are invited.

Master Point Play Planned; Tourney Slated

The May master point game is scheduled for Tuesday evening by Medford Duplicate club at Girls Community club. The group has scheduled a men's and women's pairs club championship tourney on May 9 and 16.

A number of players from Medford and Grants Pass traveled to Redding this week end for the annual sectional tournament.

Winners at the regular session April 25 were, for north-south, Mrs. Glen Harrison and Mrs. John Dougherty, first; 187; Mrs. Dolph Phipps and Ray S. Wise, second, 180; Mrs. Paul McDuffee and Mrs. Frank Baker, third, 172½; Mrs. Ben Todd and C. E. Prosser, fourth, 168½; Roy Pruitt and Paul McDuffee, fifth, 161½.

East-west top scorers were Mrs. Billy Blackstone and Mrs. Sam Richardson, first; 183; Mrs. James Rankin and Mrs. Paul Hatton, second, 177½; Mrs. Marvin Nelson and Mrs. J. J. Finegan, third, 172; Mrs. Berg Marten and Mrs. Leland Clark, fourth, 171½; Mrs. Roy Keim and Chester Reavis, fifth, 157½. Guests were Mrs. James Rankin, Los Angeles, and Mr. Prosser, Napa, Calif.

Homemakers Will Attend Extension Council Session

More than 50 homemakers from Jackson county will attend the annual State Home Extension council meeting May 2, 3 and 4 on the Oregon State college campus.

Two women from Jackson county have been nominated for state offices, Mrs. Lucian Van Gordon, for representative to the state board from Klamath, Josephine and Jackson counties, and Mrs. Walter Ricks for state second vice-president. Mrs. Van Gordon is the Jackson County Extension Advisory committee chairman, and Mrs. Ricks is chairman of the Extension Alumni committee.

The extension council is made up of women who participate in the extension educational program conducted by Oregon State College Cooperative Extension service. Oregon now has 700 organized extension groups with a membership of more than 21,500.

Speakers will include a Lewis and Clark college teacher, Mrs. Carl Staver, Portland, who last year traveled through African jungles to visit Dr. Albert Schweitzer. She will speak Wednesday evening, May 3.

One subject on the program

Ether Taskerud will be "The Money in Your Life," presented by Dorothy M. Sherrill, OSC extension family finance specialist. Other speakers will include Miss Ether Taskerud, coordinator of home economics extension programs, OSC president, Dr. A. L. Strand, and F. L. Ballard, associate director of the extension service. Work sessions will be conducted for county committee and unit chairmen.

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