



Mrs. Mark Young, Hill, Calif., artist is shown with one of her paintings which will be on exhibit from April 16 through May 29 in the studio of Frames, etc., in Ashland. This is one of two paintings in a religious theme which are being exhibited. In addition to 34 oils, she will have on display, water colors, pen and ink drawings, pastels, xepias and scratchboard work. Mrs. Young will be honored at a reception Monday evening, April 16 from 7:30 to 10 p.m., during the opening of the show. Hosts will be Mr. and Mrs. Raymond E. Vandervalle.

Ashland Women To Be Guests

Members of the Ashland Community club, Mrs. Bert Study club will be guests of the Wednesday Study club April 18 at 1 p.m., in the Girls served.

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Potpourri is most grateful to Mrs. Mabel Houck for loaning us her collection of postage stamps about the life and teachings of Christ for today's Palm Sunday page. The collection is extremely interesting, and it is to be regretted that more of the stamps could not be used.

Photographer Robert Vroman chose those to be used, and photographed each stamp and enlarged the reproductions. Mrs. Eric de Place was also helpful in describing the entire collection, which was shown recently for the Southern Oregon Stamp club, in a story in today's section.

The twice-a-week stint of gardening Wednesday proved again what we've known for a long time. Some of the best gardening tools are to be found in the kitchen. Old tea and tablespoons are wonderful for working with tiny seedlings and we have an old curved blade kitchen knife that makes an excellent tool for cutting off weeds at close quarters.

Last week we discovered a new one. Hunting around for something to dig dandelions and other weeds out of the lawn, we tried out a spoon-shaped gadget with a sharp point and edge originally meant to remove cores from pears. It worked fine. We dug scores of little plants out of the grass in short order, saving some of the tender dandelion leaves to put in the tossed green salad for dinner.

Of course, Pappy says the weeds will grow back. He advocates weed killer, but right now, with the dandelions starting to bloom, Potpourri advocates digging. Maybe between the two of us, our weed control efforts will bring better results than they did last year.

And do we ever regret the day we planted violets near the lawn. Especially the little white ones. Now the lawn is filled with hundreds of tiny violet plants. They pull up easily, of course, having an inch or so of stem. But in spite of our best efforts, there's more of them every year. We better urge Pappy to try and find a spray that will kill violet plants as well as dandelions.

We spent a part of the afternoon walking stealthily around the yard and peering up into tree tops trying to get the field glasses on a bird. We haven't a notion what the bird looks like, but he gives a plaintive three-note song on a descending scale, quite musical, with the last note sounding as if it was a half-tone down instead of a whole tone. We heard this call for the first time last year, and we've been hearing it for the past two or three weeks.

Betty Minger, our mushroom-hunting friend down in the advertising department, says she hears the same song in her garden and is also trying to discover what bird it is. Betty can even imitate it with fair success, but whistling isn't one of our accomplishments.

We're still feeling discouraged over the ravages of winter in the garden. We feel saddest over the loss of our Cecile Brunner rose—it is apparently completely dead. It was an enormous bush and for the past several years produced literally hundreds of beautiful little pink blossoms. The Dainty Bess also is in very poor shape, and Pink Favorite has only a few leaf buds showing.

The Italian laurel is beginning to show a few green leaves, but the red-berried pyracantha is a sorry sight. However, the dependable Japanese quince is a mass of pink blossoms and shows no damage, the little flowering plum, which was dug out of a ditch bank near the Paul Smith's home on Spring street several years ago and transplanted when it was only six inches high, seems to have survived the winter, and we're thankful that the tulip flowering magnolia is also covered with flowers. The big weeping willow is a foaming fountain of yellow-green, and the delicate leaves of the graceful silver birch are already half grown. Already the Roman hyacinths, violets, and daffodils are fading, but other blossoms will take their place—the tulips, the iris, the columbine, the modest wood and grape hyacinths. The lesson of life is to be learned in the garden. —O.S.

Dance Band To Play

The Tommy Dorsey Orchestra, directed by Sam Donahue, will play at the Medford Armory on Friday, May 18, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Members of Providence guild of Sacred Heart hospital are bringing the big-name band to Medford as a money-raising project for the Sacred Heart hospital building fund.

Mrs. Henry Storino and Mrs. John Raapke are co-chairmen for the benefit dance. Tickets are being handled by Mrs. Richard Saul and Mrs. N. James Wilson.

Tickets may be purchased at Purucker's Record house, Swem's, the First National Bank of Oregon, Medford branch, the United States National Bank of Portland, Medford branch, and the Columbia Optical company.

Six Home Extension Units Plan Meetings This Week

Six Home Extension units have scheduled meetings this week and will hear lessons concerning time and energy savers in the kitchen.

Sams Valley

The Sams Valley unit will meet Tuesday, April 17, at 10:30 a.m. at the home of Mrs. Earl Bigham on Webber road. Dessert will be served by Mrs. Bessie Davis and Mrs. Edgar Pleasant and rolls by Mrs. Lester James. The remainder of the luncheon will be potluck.

Project leaders will be Mrs. Dalton Straus and Mrs. Roy Patton. Officers will be elected at the meeting.

Willamette

Mrs. Irving Thompson, 320 North Ivy street, will host the Willamette unit Tuesday, April 17, at 10:30 a.m. Mrs. Kenneth Goebel and Mrs. Ike Orr will present the lesson.

Members are reminded to

take money to reserve luncheon tickets for the Jackson County Homemakers' festival at Mon Desir in May.

For the Tuesday meeting luncheon members are to take a salad and table service.

Central Point

Central Point Home Extension unit will meet Wednesday, April 18, at 10:30 a.m. at the home of Mrs. Maynard McKay, 360 North Fifth street.

Mrs. McKay and Mrs. Vincent Swinney will give the lesson and a bazaar and baked food sale will be held. Members are reminded to take items for the sale.

Child care will be available at the home of Mrs. Clarence Jackson, 630 East Pine street.

Hillcrest Mrs. Mervyn Fawcett and Mrs. F. W. Foglequist will give the project lesson at the Wednesday, April 18, meeting.

ing of the Hillcrest unit at the home of Mrs. Fawcett, 1015 West Eleventh street, at 10:30 a.m.

Those attending are to take a sack lunch.

Rogue Elk

The Rogue Elk unit will meet Wednesday, April 18, at the home of Mrs. Oscar Hanson on Elk Creek at 10:30 a.m.

Mrs. Chester Wilson and

Mrs. Albert Esten will give the lesson. A luncheon will be served at noon.

Lone Pine

Lone Pine unit will meet Thursday, April 19 at the home of Mrs. Charles Hurst, 765 Sunrise avenue at 10:30 a.m. Mrs. Tommy Grisson and Mrs. Earl Richardson will be cohostesses.

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