

Social Events ♦ Women's News



Last Sunday's page of old-time Fourth of July pictures brought a wave of nostalgia to the newsroom. Some remembered town celebrations such as those in the old pictures, others talked about picnic feasts of fried chicken and baked beans, and others remembered what fun it was to shoot firecrackers and set off sky rockets and Roman candles.

Sports Editor Dick Jewett said regretfully that of course, fireworks are dangerous and many persons are injured when their use is not controlled, but that he and his brother and sisters had had lots of fun with them and he half-way regretted the fact that nowadays fireworks are mostly something which the youngsters just watch when some group or town sponsors a controlled display.

The kids can still play with sparklers, but even these can cause trouble. FB recalled that the last time sparklers were used in their neighborhood, someone tossed one into a pile of sawdust and it burned inwardly for days. Then it blazed up and the fire department had to be summoned.

As a result of the old pictures, one family decided to have a picnic at home, somewhat in the old-fashioned manner, and resurrect the 40-year-old freezer and make a batch of homemade ice cream. Photographer Bob Vroman, whose uncle took some of the pictures used on the page, reported that talking about bygone days had inspired his parents, the Elwin R. Vromans, to plan such a day.

Strange, isn't it, that few of us seem to remember what the fiery-tongued young lawyer had said during the program given from a bunting-draped stand in the park, or at the school grounds? What we remember is the fireworks and the homemade ice cream and the races, and the wash tub full of lemonade. It was made with juice from real lemons, laboriously squeezed by hand, and not from processed juice poured from a can, or frozen juice, or worse yet, from the synthetic junk that bears little resemblance to lemons.

The ice cream was made with eggs and milk cooked into a thin custard for the base, with lots of thick cream and flavoring added when the mixture was put into the freezer can. At first the crank turned easily, but later as the stuff began to freeze, it would be harder and harder to turn, and at length one of the kids would have to sit on the freezer to hold it down while father worked away at the crank.

When the long-awaited moment arrived and mother finally dished out the frozen cream, it was a dessert fit for the gods.

That's what we remember. Not what the orator said.

When we took the engravings and layout down to the shop, the makeup man, Herb DeVos, looked at the pictures and sighed. "I almost wish those days were back again," he said, also with a note of regret. "Life wasn't so complicated when I was a boy."

This morning while doing the pre-breakfast stint at the ironing board, we thought about the days when mother ironed dozens and dozens of dresses and shirts and petticoats and little girl panties all with a heavy iron heated on the wood stove. This morning we zipped over the pieces with an electrically heated iron which in almost nothing flat steamed out the few wrinkles left in the drip dry material. We'd hate to keep house without electricity, refrigerators, vacuum cleaners, drip-dry no iron materials, and to live without radio, television, cars, milk in germ-free cartons and all the other long list of the things that make up the modern world.

But then, we'd gladly do without atom bombs, the cold war, the East-West struggle over ideologies, the rising tide of juvenile delinquency and the feeling that somehow along the way the nation and its citizens have lost some of their integrity.

Will those who run the United States in the year 2,000 look back on 1962 with nostalgia as a time when life wasn't as complicated? O.S.

Interest Is Spurred Abroad in Americana

By GAY PAULEY
UPI Women's Editor

New York — UPI — Mrs. John F. Kennedy has spurred new interest at home in Americana with her program of refurbishing the White House in authentic furnishings from various periods of U.S. history.

Abroad, a similar interest in Americana gets a giant assist from a unique museum started by two men who believe the cultural image overseas of the United States could stand improvement.

The two are founders of the American Museum in Britain, which has just opened its latest addition—a detailed replica of the flower gardens at George Washington's Mount Vernon home. The gardens are the gift of the Colonial Dames of America.

The museum is located at Claverton Manor, Bath, England, 107 miles west of London. Sir Winston Churchill is supposed to have made his "first political speech at Claverton 65 years ago.

Old West Next

When we heard of the garden presentation, we hied ourselves off to the headquarters of the Friends of the American Museum in Britain, where we found Mrs. Norman Walker, widowed mother of four grown sons, presiding.

The chic Mrs. Walker, with a background in fashion sales and magazine work, is the executive secretary. The Friends chairman is Mrs. Thomas S. Lamont of the Morgan and Lamont banking families.

"I'm the lookout girl for more (items of historical interest to add to the museum," said Mrs. Walker. "Our next big project will be the Old West and we'll have to add a wing to the museum to house it."

Big Interest

The site of the museum is 55 acres of rolling countryside, including the manor house of some 33 rooms and galleries built in 1820 for one of England's landed gentry. The architect, Sir Jeffery Wyattville, worked for George IV and helped restore Windsor Castle, one of the homes

of the British royal family.

Mrs. Walker said the museum opened last July 15 for three months and that 20,000 persons visited it. This year, it will be open for six months and the number of visitors is expected to triple.

"There is a tremendous interest in Americana all over Europe," she said. The museum rooms range through furnishings and other antiquity of the first three centuries of the United States. Included is a candlestick which belonged to Peregrine White, the first American child, born on the Mayflower's voyage to Plymouth Rock.

The Museum curator is a Briton, Ian McCallum, an architect who has traveled extensively in the United States. And there's one other British touch: a tea room where all visitors may stop for a refresher traditional of England.

"Of course," said Mrs. Walker, "the cakes and cookies served with the tea are typically American."

North Dakotans

Leave for Home

Mr. and Mrs. Ferd Sundburg and children, Julie and Paul, of New Rockford, N. D., were to leave for their home today after visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Jens Myhre, 1070 Spring street, Mrs. Sundburg is a sister of Mr. Myhre.

On Tuesday evening the group were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Klumpp at Central Point, the Klumpps being former neighbors of the Sundburgs in New Rockford.

The Myhres also formerly lived there. Mrs. Myhre is Mr. Klumpp's sister. The Sundburgs arrived here from Seattle where they attended the World's Fair.

Galen Roberson

Enters Academy

Ashland — Galen Roberson, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Roberson, 1716 Parker street, left Saturday for the United States military academy, West Point, N.Y., which he was to enter July 1. He made the trip by jet plane.



Two Medford churchwomen, Mrs. Charles Adamson and Mrs. Oliver P. Taylor, participated in a training session for the Methodist Western Jurisdiction School of Missions and Christian Service, held in Forest Grove. Pictured during the session are (left to right) Mrs. Adamson, who is chairman of spiritual life for the Western Jurisdiction, Wesleyan Service guild; Mrs. Clarence Jones, Reno, Nev., Western Jurisdiction secretary for the guild; Mrs. Taylor, Oregon conference chairman of Christian social relations and Miss Lillian Johnson, New York, executive secretary for the guild.

Church Women Attend Week's Training School

Recently returned from a week of training in the Western Jurisdiction School of Missions and Christian Service, Forest Grove, are Mrs. Charles Adamson and Mrs. Oliver P. Taylor. This school was attended by 135 women from the 12 far western states; with faculty and resource persons from as far as New York and Alaska.

Mrs. Adamson, chairman of spiritual life for the Western Jurisdiction Wesleyan Service

Attend Convention

Medford delegates to the convention of the Oregon department, Veterans of Foreign Wars auxiliary held recently in Klamath Falls were Mrs. Ben Allison, Mrs. E. G. Helm, Mrs. Russell Zundell and Mrs. Lester Card. During the session Mrs. Lillian Hawkins, Portland, was elected president of the department. Formerly of Gladstone, Mrs. Hawkins has served for 19 years in such offices as department junior vice president and senior vice president, as well as treasurer and chaplain.

Mrs. Janet Bennett, Portland, was elected senior vice president and Mrs. Edna Face, Prineville, junior vice president. Mrs. Harriett Shoemaker, Portland, is the new secretary, and Mrs. Helen Reed, Milwaukie, treasurer.

Elected chaplain was Mrs. Gerry Musselman, Portland, conductress, and Mrs. Fred Mandella, Klamath Falls, guard.

Twirlers Slate Saturday Dance

Medford Y-Knot Twirlers' regular first Saturday square dance will be held on July 7 at the Phoenix Community hall, located a few blocks west of the main intersection in Phoenix. Dancing will commence at 8:30 p.m., according to caller Art Shoemaker of Central Point.

Potluck refreshments will be served midway through the evening of square and round dancing. Visitors to the Rogue River Valley who are anxious to compare local square dancing with that "back home" are especially invited to join in the fun, according to Twirler officials.

Breakfast

The annual outdoor breakfast for members and friends of Roxy Ann court, Order of the Amaranth, will be served Sunday, July 8, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. in the garden of the Charles Hoppe residence on Lorier lane. The meal is prepared and served by members of the court.

Calendar

Thursday: 8 p.m. — Mistletoe camp. Royal Neighbors of America, Pythian building.

8 p.m. — Mothers of Twins club, home of Mrs. Don Parton, 118 Western ave.

8 p.m. — Neighbors of Woodcraft of Phoenix, Community hall.

Friday: 12:30 p.m. — Phoenix Thimble club, Maple Grove park. 12:30 p.m. — Christian Women's club, Rogue Valley County club.



"Teal" is the reply which Hal Applebaum is making to the inquiry of Sally Broadwater who, in her role of Sister Rose, in the current Footlighter play, asks the operator of a Las Vegas night club if he will have some refreshment. The comedy, "Seven Nuns at Las Vegas," is playing

Spanish Weddings Are Costly for the Brides

By PAM MIXTER

United Press International Madrid—If you're thinking of nailing that man and castle, don't do it in Spain. That is the advice of this reporter who has lived here.

Furthermore, if you don't believe in long engagements, don't touch a toe to Spanish soil.

In Spain, getting hitched for a girl is generally costly because often it is the girl who pays toward furnishing her future home.

Generally a girl must buy all of the furnishings for the bedroom and the kitchen.

In some parts of Spain, the girl foots the entire bill.

It is the groom's lot to pay for the rest of the home, usually the living room furniture.

The housing problem is another reason for long engagements, unless the newlyweds care to move in with relatives.

In parts of Spain where the bride foots the bill, the father-of-the-bride is not left out of things. Not only must he pay for the wedding ceremony itself, but supply a dowry as well. This can be a new car, stocks, or land.

At an average wedding, \$27 will buy one organist, two violins, a red carpet down the center aisle, flowers and lights for the church. If the bridegroom happens to have a few extra pesetas in his pocket, he can throw in an extra violin or two.

Hire Limousine

If he can afford it, two limousines are hired. Both are decorated with white flowers around the inside and with white lace on the outside door handle.

The richest relative or friend is picked to foot the bill for

Fifty Plus Club Elects

Mrs. Martha Bowker was re-elected president of the Medford Fifty Plus club during semi-annual elections held June 29. L. C. Davis was elected vice president; Miss Jane Moroney, secretary; Mrs. Minnie Van Bergen, treasurer; Mrs. Bertha Penwell, chairman of ways and means, and Mrs. Bertha Konzella, chairman of membership.

The members voted during the meeting to donate \$25 to the Salvation Army in Medford, for the new building program.

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, July 6 in the Episcopal Guild hall, West Fifth street and North Oakdale avenue. A potluck luncheon will be served at 12 noon, followed by a brief business session. A program, card games and dancing will be diversions of the afternoon.

Members of the Alexander string band assisted by Mrs. Maud Arnold, pianist, will furnish dance music. Persons over 50 years old are invited to attend as guests and to join to the group.

Robert Michels Returns to Ranch

O'Brien — Robert Michels has returned to his ranch above Takilma for the summer. He arrived last week to visit his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. George Michels, who reside east of O'Brien. Mr. Michels has a winter home in southern California.

Anderson Family

To Move Soon

O'Brien — Gordon Anderson, his wife and family plan to occupy their newly built home on Leonard road, near Grants Pass, soon.

Visitors

Mr. and Mrs. Z. H. Smith and Miss Bonnie June Francis recently returned to their home in Spokane, Wash., after visiting here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon E. Craft, 178 Winema Way.

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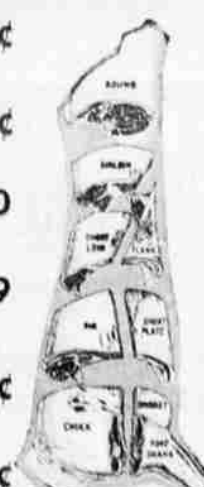
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