



Many of the 1947 graduates of Medford High school still live in the city. Shown above is a group, all from Medford, who attended the 1947 class reunion held June 30 in the Rogue Valley Country club. One of the features of the reunion was a bulletin board on which were displayed old copies of the Hi-Times, school papers; sports clippings and other school mementoes and

here the group is reminiscing with a copy of Hi-Times. From left to right, standing, they are, Richard Morgan, Mrs. David Legg, the former Madeline Ward; Mrs. Gerald Sherman, who was Harriet Walker; William Singler, and seated, Mrs. Robert Kline, the former Vonna Lee Webber. (Simonson-Walker photo)

Class of 1947 Holds Reunion at Club

About 115 persons attended a reunion last week end of the 1947 class of Medford High school. The main gathering of the group was Saturday evening, June 30 in the Rogue Valley Country club at a cocktail hour and dinner. Husbands and wives of the graduates were guests.

William Singler served as master of ceremonies for the evening and numerous prizes were awarded.

Given the prize for traveling the furthest was Richard Runyard who now lives in St. Joseph, Mich.

Mrs. Robert Kline, the former Vonna Lee Webber, and Mrs. David Legg, the former Madeline Ward, presented the prizes.

Mrs. Singler, the former Grace Morse, was given the award for having the youngest child, which is three months old. Mrs. A. D. Abraham, formerly Gayle Skidmore, now of Albany, Ore., received the prize for having the most children, which are five.

Mrs. Norman Cheadle, Corvallis, (Virginia Long), was given the prize for the grayest hair, and Roger Note was recipient of the prize for the least hair. The one who was judged as having gained the most weight was Douglas Coghill, now of Anaheim, Calif., and given the award for having been married for the least



Mrs. A. D. Abraham, (left) the former Gayle Skidmore, who now lives in Albany, Ore., was given a prize for having the most children, which are five, during the recent Medford class of 1947 reunion. Mrs. Walter Speare Jr., the former Elaine Sherwood, was presented a ball and chain for having been married the shortest time. (Simonson-Walker photo)

CALENDAR..

Sunday:
8 a.m. - Roxy Ann court, Order of Amaranth, Charles Hoppe residence, 305 Lozier lane.
Monday:
12 noon - Beehive club, Olive Rebekah lodge, home of Mrs. Homer Vinzant, 848 Stewart avenue.
12 noon - Jackson County Retired Teacher association, Lithia park, Ashland.
7:45 p.m. - Natural Food associates, Courthouse auditorium.
8 p.m. - Chrysanthemum circle, Medford Neighbors of Woodcraft, Eagles hall, 217 West Main street.

Tuesday:
10 a.m. - Welcome Wagon club, home of Mrs. Ernest Mickelson, 778 Marshall avenue.
12:30 p.m. - Women's fellowship, First Baptist church, Girls Community club.
1:30 - Rogue Valley Herb society, home of Mrs. R. D. Abel, Cherry lane.
6 p.m. - Pythian club, home of Mrs. John Hall, 140 Alida street, Ashland.
8 p.m. - Roguette circle, Military Order of Lady Bugs, Veterans of Foreign Wars hall, 42 North Front street.

Wednesday:
11 a.m. - Townsend club, Knights of Pythias hall.
12 noon - Mistletoe club, and Royal Neighbors of America, home of David Fraysher, 2035 Sunset drive.
1:30 p.m. - Central Point Garden club, home of Mrs. L. C. Gordon, 741 Freehan road.
5 p.m. - Navy Mothers club, Central Point city park.
Thursday:
7:30 p.m. - Missionary Ladies, Advent Christian church, 8 p.m. - Ladies auxiliary, Fraternal Order of Eagles, Eagles hall.
Friday:
1:30 p.m. - Past Presidents, Crater Lake auxiliary, Fraternal Order of Eagles, home of Mrs. John Bowdish, 209 South Orange street.

Veni-Vidi

By MARGARET SCHULER

My hand bag is bursting with money—with 100,000 lire. That is a lot of lire, and with it I should live, barring unforeseen emergencies, for three weeks. Minus a tax, government stamp, cost of cashing, and lower exchange rate, this is circa 160 American dollars.

At the moment I am having a cup of espresso coffee. This is necessary so that I can cash one of the 10,000 lire bills (\$16). No cashier in Rome has change unless you need a cup of coffee, or something. Even a thousand lire poses a problem in certain shops.

My money is in 10,000 lire notes, and each of these—fancifully called "bedsheets"—is about the size of a page from a good sized book. They make quite a wad and are too big to tuck into the front of a suit or dress.

The obliging American Express company change their own checks, for a fee, into lire, and clerks, several of them at a time, stand busily dispensing notes to queues of American tourists all day, every day, every week — all summer.

Foreign Currency

Money is difficult for Americans in Europe. Translating foreign currency into simple dollars and cents causes almost a mental block at times. Then, however, is the time to be alert, because often a clerk, waiter or cashier is apt to make a mistake, and too late, you discover that instead of nine bills, you may have eight. It frequently happens and the only way I find, is to count and recount regardless of the line behind me.

Italy has one silver piece of money — it is 500 lire value, about the size of our 50 cent piece, and worth 80 cents here. When you give one of these to a cashier something curious happens. She tosses it into the air and lets it fall on the counter. The first few times this happened to me I took it personally and wondered if I really looked that much of a crook. But yesterday I saw the necessity. A woman in a crowded market gave the girl one such coin. As it fell on the counter I heard the difference in the sound. It was counterfeit. The customer spluttered a bit, as she took it back, but I had the feeling she knew quite well what she had done. She went off, not a bit abashed, to try again somewhere else, no doubt I will take only paper notes now — at least they don't sound counterfeit when you give one to the suspicious cashier.

Idiosyncrasies in Rome

Each time I come to Rome (and this is the fourth) I seem to have to learn anew the idiosyncrasies of Roman living. It takes several weeks to fall into the pattern, because pattern there is, and after I realize that I must count change, even at the post office and railway station, that I can hold up long lines to do it, most of my frustrations are over.

The little prickles of daily living — taxi drivers, lire, and cars — are on one side of the margin. On the other are the incomparable compensations which Rome offers. To see Palatine hill is an experience in itself, but to be on it at night, to sit under the stars at a concert and to look out through 40-foot arches over to the lighted Colosseum, to see in every direction more and more grand never ending antiquity, glamorized by soft yellow lights, mini-



The 1947 Crater year book furnished entertainment at the reunion of the 1947 class June 30 at the Rogue Valley Country club. Shown above with the book as they recall events of their high school years are, (left to right) Mrs. Richard Riggs, the former

June Elliott; Mrs. Roger Note, who was Audree Andrews; William Moffat, Mrs. Richard Henselman, the former Marilyn Nickle, and Mr. Henselman. All of these graduates still live in Medford. (Simonson-Walker photo)

time was Mrs. Walter Speare, who was Elaine Sherwood. Music for dancing was furnished by the Bob Anderson quintet.

Decorations included a football goal post trimmed in the school colors of red and black and the stage was decorated in the same colors with the numerals 1947.

An attraction during the evening was a bulletin board which displayed copies of old issues of Hi-Times, the school paper; sports clippings, letters and cards and school papers.

furnished by Vonna Lee-Webber Kline and Mrs. Richard Henselman, the former Marilyn Nickle.

On the planning committee for the reunion were Mr. and Mrs. Henselman, Mr. and Mrs. Note, (Audree Andrews), Mrs. Kline, Mrs. Donald Bohnert, (Shirley Morrow); Mrs. Richard Riggs, (June Elliott); Mrs. Gerald Sherman, who was Harriet Walker; Richard Morgan, William Moffat, Mr. Singler, William Warner, Robert Barbee, William Barnum and Robert Butler.



Numerous prizes were awarded during the 1947 Medford class reunion June 30 at the Rogue Valley Country club. Richard Runyard, (left) was presented the prize for traveling the farthest to come to the reunion. He now lives in St. Joseph, Mich. With him is Tom Childers, who received the second prize for traveling the longest distance. He lives in Phoenix, Ariz. The cow bell which the men are holding was used to keep order during the meeting in place of the traditional gavel. (Simonson-Walker photo).

MOLB Schedules Tuesday Meeting

Roguette circle of the Military Order of Lady Bugs will meet Tuesday, July 10 in the Veterans of Foreign Wars hall, 42 North Front street.

The circle is sponsoring a trip July 25 to Crater Lake National park for a group of veterans from the Veterans' Administration domiciliary. A bus will be used for the trip and a picnic lunch will be served in the park.

A fall council of administration of the Royal MOLB will be held September 8 through 9 at Sweet Home, Ore.

Plan Picnic

Mistletoe club and Royal Neighbors of America will hold a combined picnic Wednesday, July 11, at noon at the David Fraysher home, 2035 Sunset drive. Members should bring picnic lunches and table service.

Visit Friends

Ashland - Mr. and Mrs. William Daly and daughters, Patty and Terry, Alhambra, Calif., spent last week end in Ashland visiting friends they knew when living here 13 years ago. They were en route to Camas, Wash., and to the Seattle World's fair.

Coffee Hour

Welcome Wagon club will hold a coffee hour for new members of the club Tuesday, July 10, at 10 a.m. It will take place at the home of Mrs. Ernest Mickelson, 778 Marshall avenue.

Picnic Is Planned For Navy Mothers

Central Point-Central Point Navy Mothers club will hold a picnic Wednesday, July 11, at 5 p.m. at Central Point city park.

All mothers of Navy, Navy Air Force, Marine Corps and Coast Guard are welcome.

To Nominate

Nominations for the position of trustee will be held by the Ladies auxiliary of the Fraternal Order of Eagles Thursday, July 12. The meeting will be held in the Eagles hall.

zes petty irritations and gives a clearer perspective of values.

Rome has more than one outdoor attraction, which they haven't had to build — at least not for 2,000 years. At Caracalla Baths, the summer opera has begun. There you may go see "Aida" on the largest stage in the world, set between awe inspiring 100-foot pillars which dwarf the number of elephants and hundreds of people on the stage at one time. Here, too, the beauty of night is enhanced by the art of lighting, trees and shrubbery.

Or, to the gardens of the summer palace of Pope Giulio (and this is just below where I live) to see summer theater. Here the actors go in and out of doors which are 400 years old, up old marble steps and onto a marble pillared stage. It is like being transported to other time and age. Between acts of the play, Romans wander through, not one garden, but through several gardens, to drink by fountains, to view other fifteenth century treasures, to see the old excavations on the arches and little temples.

Rome — only Rome has such unique beauty and grandeur.

And, anyway, the Italian government plans to change the size of the "bedsheet" this year to a more proper carrying size.

SCHOOL'S OUT...CHILDREN PLAYING...DRIVE CAREFULLY...



The boys and girls in Medford and the Rogue River Valley are out of school now to enjoy a summer of fun. PLEASE help them to keep enjoying it! Youngsters will still be going to school playgrounds and playing at home... they are apt to dash into the street anytime... into the path of YOUR car. The Medford Traffic

Safety Council urges YOU to make SAFE DRIVING a very personal responsibility. Have your car thoroughly checked for safety... be doubly careful to observe traffic signs and regulations... watch out for children everywhere — and give them the right of way!

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