



Wives of Medford and Rogue valley ministers were honored at an informal tea given last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Flanagan, North Pacific highway, by members of the Medford Council of United Churchwomen. Mrs. Everett Lasher, council president, poured for the tea and pictured here with her are (left to right) Mrs. Harvey Covert, whose husband is pastor of Zion Lutheran church; Mrs. Clifford J. Young, wife of the minister of Eastwood Baptist church; Mrs. Darryl Young, her daughter-in-law, and Mrs. Robert France. (Knackstedt photo)

Social Events ♦ Women's News

'Different' Designs Pay Off for Foursome

By GAY PAULEY
UPI Women's Editor

New York — One way to succeed in the fashion business is to be so off-beat that you don't follow any trends at all. It helps also if you get an elegant location for the business — say on Manhattan's fashionable 57th street — then give it a name completely out of keeping with its surroundings. In this instance, an environment of art galleries and elegant antique shops.

The combination is paying off for a youthful foursome of New Yorkers who run "The Bald Soprano," which draws its customers from society, show business and the international set. . . women with enough wherewithal to spend as much as \$1,200 for an evening dress.

"One of our customers flew in from Paris the other day," said Glenn Gress, the shop's designer. "She'd been there for the collections (the fall fashion openings by the couturier houses) and came on to

New York to shop with us before she flew home to West Berlin.

"Since many of our customers will be in Paris today, New York tomorrow, Rio next week, we don't produce clothes seasonally. We are used to customers looking for ski sweaters in August.

"Neither do we follow trends. Our clothes are for the woman who is not attempting to dress as fashion dictates, or as other women dress. She wants to dress as an individual, yet not look bizarre. She is assured of her clothes sense . . . she carries the dress, it doesn't carry her.

"She does not copy Mrs. John F. Kennedy because she's quite pleased with her own style of dress already."

Gress said he believes one of the things wrong in the fashion industry today . . . why various facets are crying about drop in sales . . . is lack of individuality. "Many of the big salons can't guarantee a one-of-a-kind costume even if the woman's willing to pay \$700 or \$800 for it. This we offer, and it's succeeding beautifully."

Costume Designer

The designer, who was born in Saltville, Pa., near Altoona, moved from theatrical costume design into the current business. The three associates are Ed Evans, native of Savannah, Ga.; Mrs. Sheila Brown, originally from Rockville Center, N.Y., who is business manager, and Mrs. Harriet Hagerty, from Grovesville, N.Y., a well-known weaver who produces many of the magnificent fabrics used by the firm.

All now are residents of New York's Greenwich Village, where "The Bald Soprano" (named for a play by Eugene Ionesco) had its start. The move to the vicinity of the fashionable New York shopping area came a few weeks ago when the business outgrew its village quarters.

The shop is worth a visit from any tourist, even if the tourist can't afford its prices. The frame for a huge antique mirror — the mirror long since broken — serves as one of the window props where clothes are casually draped.

Art and Clothes

The entrance light is an old Tiffany glass chandelier. Old tapestries hang helter skelter on the walls, works of art are mingled among the clothes. The piece de resistance is an upright piano, which Gress said supposedly once belonged to an opera singer who also was the mistress of a noted gambler of the 1920's.

Gress shops the world for fabrics other than those made by Mrs. Hagerty. An antique obi from Japan, for instance, went into the making of a narrow evening dress priced at \$750 — "but it's good for another 100 years," said the designer.

Gress does very few fitted dresses because "most women don't have the figure which can support a tight-fitting dress. A little ease here and there does wonders."

Calendar

Calendar notices and news for the society section of The Mail Tribune must 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 3 p.m. the day before publication.

Tuesday:

6 p.m. — Alpha Beta chapter, Beta Sigma Phi, Mrs. Harris Ross, 2432 Edgemont drive.

8 p.m. — Past Chiefs club, Pythian sisters, Mrs. Walter Grochoczi, Coleman Creek road.

8 p.m. — Redman lodge, lodge hall.

Wednesday:
11 a.m. — Security Benefit club, Knights of Pythias hall.

12 noon — Trinity Noon series, Trinity Episcopal church, Ashland.

Gallery To End Season

Ashland — The first summer season of The Stump Art gallery, Ashland, will end September 3, according to the director, Mrs. Marilyn Briggs. Paintings by local artists and the Book fair sponsored by Tudor guild will continue through that date. Hours are from noon until 8 p.m. every day.

The cultural hour program held between 3 and 4 p.m. have proven popular, Mrs. Briggs states. This afternoon Mrs. Darwin Bevins will read John Donne's sonnet, Thursday afternoon members of the Shakespearean Festival quartet will sing folk songs and Saturday Mrs. Briggs has planned a discussion, with recordings, on the ballad form. Irving Lord, instructor of English at Southern Oregon college, will present the program.

Mrs. Briggs states that The Stump has been enthusiastically received by both residents and visitors to the valley this summer, which is considered a sign of the growing interest in the arts in this area.

Gail Glidden Is Graduated; Now on Staff

Miss Gail Glidden, who was graduated from Providence School of Nursing at Portland August 19, is now employed at Memorial hospital, Salem. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Glidden, 243 South Stage road. An honor student at the nursing school, Miss Glidden is also a graduate of Phoenix High school.

Mrs. Glidden and her other children, Janet, Tony and Charles, motored to Portland to attend the ceremonies. After the graduation rites, the Gliddens were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Buchholz, Mt. Angel. They are the parents of Kenneth Buchholz, Miss Glidden's fiancé.

The Gliddens vacationed in Portland and then returned home by way of the coast and Crescent City.

Nieces Visit

Shady Cove-Trail — The Misses Nona and Louise Propst, Campbell, Calif., were guests recently of their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bryant, Miss Marie Bryant, Camara Island, Wash., was also a recent guest of the Bryants.



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Mrs. LeRoy Williams (at left) and Mrs. Myrtle Doty were among the guests at the tea which members of the Medford Council of United Church Women gave last week to honor the wives of Medford ministers. The event was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Flanagan, Pacific Highway north. (Knackstedt photo)

WORK SMARTER — NOT HARDER

Hard work, in itself, will win you no prizes or praises. If you feel you're an overworked homemaker, take a long look at your standards. Maybe you've set them too high, considering all you have to do. After all what is most important to your family? In a day's work there are many unexpected situations to knock a perfectionist housekeeper right off her well-dusted pedestal.

"Yellowed" or "grayed" clothes that are supposed to be white are definitely an undesirable standard. What's wrong? There are several possible causes.

Iron in the water may be one of the problems and it might come from the water heater, pipes or the source of water. If this cause seems likely, use a packaged water conditioner—the type that does not leave a scum. Don't use liquid bleach in water containing iron. This intensifies the yellow or sometimes leaves brown specks unless you use a water conditioner. Of course, an automatic water softening system is a good solution, too.

Other causes of dinginess are often too little detergent, or lack of hot water. Sheets, underwear, shirts, and other clothes soiled with natural body oils need hot water and sufficient water and sufficient soap or detergent. Otherwise, oils are left in the fabric and turn yellow when clothes are exposed to the heat of a dryer or iron.

Sometimes too much detergent causes yellowing. This is because it isn't all rinsed out and discolors with heat. The moral is: Measure detergent according to your washer's instructions.

If you'd like more information about new washing products write Oregon State University, Corvallis, for your free copy of our bulletin, "Today's Soaps and Detergents."

Smart homemakers tell us that washing walls will be easier if you wash from the bottom up. The reason is this: If water drips down on the cleaned portion, it won't stain. But if you start at the top, the

drip causes streaks on the dirty wall which are practically impossible to remove except with hard rubbing.

Save time in picking up after other members of your family. Out-smart them by putting one or more waste baskets in every room and hallway. It isn't necessary to buy these; just collect some deep boxes and invite the children to help cover them with pretty wall paper or shelf paper when they need some busy work. They'll take more interest in using them for their intended purpose.

If they empty their pockets in an unsightly heap, give each person a special box for his personal clutter. This will help keep it in one place.

Leave

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Carney and daughters, Rena Maria, Jocelyn Sue and Jacqueline Ann, Redding, Calif., left the first of the week after being guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Ball, 1025 Ingrid avenue.

In Seattle

Trail — Mrs. A. Louis Day and daughter Stephanie are in Seattle where they will visit the World's Fair.

Credit Plans Used For College Bills

New York — Pay-as-you-learn financing will achieve new prominence as a fact of campus life this fall when the largest crop of college freshmen in the nation's history enrolls.

Robert J. Keir, president of the Tuition Plan Inc., largest of the institutions specializing in financing of academic costs, said more than half of this year's 1,110,000 freshmen will use credit of one sort or another to pay college bills.

Record Is Predicted For School Enrollment

Washington — (UPI) — More than 50 million students — an all-time record for any country — will enroll in U.S. schools this fall.

The prospective enrollment includes about 39 million in public schools, 6.7 million in private and parochial schools, and 4.5 million in colleges and universities.

The student population of America's school system has been growing steadily for the past 18 years at an average rate of more than 3 per cent a year. The upsurge in enrollment is partly the result of population growth. But it also is partly the result of changing social and economic patterns which put a higher premium on education and cause a higher percentage of youths to attend school for longer periods of time.

Girl Scouts At Festival

A selected group of Girl Scouts from the Northwest area are at the University of Oregon through August 31 for a Three Rivers Council-sponsored Creative Arts festival.

Among them is Susan Caperna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald R. Caperna, 1024 Ingrid street.

The 115 Scouts are from Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and Washington. One visiting Scout from Venezuela is also participating.

Ranging in ages from 14 to 17, the girls are engaging in creative work in art, drama, music, and dance. Each participant emphasizes one area and has the opportunity of exploring other areas.

The Girl Scouts arrived at the University Sunday, August 19, and for their opening session heard University President Arthur S. Flemming.

Supplementing the class schedule is a program of plays, a field trip, swimming parties, bus sessions, and other entertainment. Today the festival members will be entertained by the Senior Scouts of the Three Rivers council under the direction of Mrs. Donald Conradi, advisor to the Scout Senior Planning Board.

Montana Couples Visit Winslows

Shady Cove-Trail — Recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Winslow were his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Winslow and Mr. and Mrs. Peter Messer, all of Billings, Mont., who stopped off en route to the Seattle Fair.

Is Guest

Shady Cove-Trail — Miss Rosalyn Muehl, Chicago, was a guest here recently of her friend Miss Gail Wunderlich and her mother, Mrs. Isabel Wunderlich. Miss Muehl planned to visit the World's Fair in Seattle and to make stops in San Francisco and Los Angeles.

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School Cafeteria Manager Talks About New Food Program, Results

The school lunch program in this country is "big business" and parents should see that the children get good food. This was the theme of a talk given last night at Medford High school by Mrs. Gena Larson, La Mesa, Calif., supervisor of the cafeteria for Helix High school. Mrs. Larson took over the cafeteria program several years ago and since that time has gradually changed the type and variety of food served in the school, which has about 2,400 students.

Mrs. Larson states that as a result of the program, the school has had a lower rate of absenteeism, scholarship and general morale has improved, and the number of broken bones among youngsters engaging in athletics and sports has decreased. She believes that problem students are decreasing.

Her appearance here last night was sponsored by the Natural Food associates with the cooperation of school officials.

Program Outlined
Mrs. Larson first outlined generally how school lunch programs are operated and pointed out that through the federal government, certain surplus foods are supplied schools—and some funds are available for purchase of such foods as milk. Mrs. Larson, who serves as dietitian for the cafeteria, first began her "better food" program by cutting off the supply of candy and chocolate milk. In some instances she substituted carob powder for chocolate, which she says is "kinder to teen age complexions."

The next year she cut down

on the "snack foods" served and substituted a "salad line," with the salads made from fresh fruit and vegetables. A hot dish, bread and milk are also available. The third year the system added box lunches which included a protein sandwich made of whole wheat bread, fresh fruit and vegetables and the hot dish. These proved popular, she said, since the students are permitted to eat the box lunches outside on the school campus.

Other changes were the substitution of arrow root flour, which is high in calcium, for corn starch, dark brown sugar for white, school-made catsup which has no sugar in it, school-made salad dressings, and a new kind of bread made with bone meal, wheat germ and rice polishings in addition to the whole wheat flour. This was at first made to be served for the athletes at training tables, and later bakings were increased in order that the bread would be available for other students. Beans and lentils are sprouted, since these are said to be good sources of vitamin B complex.

Training Table
At the training table the athletes are also offered seeds, wheat germ and peanut butter in addition to the day's menu. Raw fruits are available to all students for desserts. Potatoes are not peeled.

Mrs. Larson said that she has the cooperation of her school principal, the coaches and teachers of physical education in her program. In addition to the new menus now offered the students, they are encouraged to walk to school instead of riding.

The speaker said in the beginning of her talk that students entering the school have an average of 13 tooth cavities per student; that before the new food program, this average grew to 30 cavities. She said that this average has been decreased, but offered no statistics. She had no figures on decreased absenteeism.

Mrs. Larson is convinced that white sugar is "the culprit" causing poor teeth and believes that a poor diet is the basic cause of poor health and disease. She said that problem students are often sent to her and she checks their diet, since it is believed a poorly fed student often is a troublesome student; also students forced into remedial subjects have their diets checked. An emergency breakfast program is carried on.

More than 50 per cent of the students in the school patronize the cafeteria, Mrs. Larson said. In addition, all students participate in nutrition studies. In summing up the program, which included colored motion pictures taken at the school, Mrs. Larson said that in addition to feeding the children well while they are in school, the ultimate goal is to teach them good eating habits.

During the discussion period which followed she said that some of the free food supplied by the government is good, and some is not. She classifies white flour and white rice in the poor category and said taxpayers of the nation should find out why it is that only the milled and refined varieties are given to the schools, since it would be cheaper to give them the unprocessed grain. Mrs. Larson's school buys wheat germ from nearby processing plants and this is shipped to the school by refrigerated trucks, and kept refrigerated at the school since it deteriorates rapidly.

Mrs. Larson said in private conversation following the meeting that she has a council of 21 physicians and dentists which she uses for consultations.

More than 100 members and interested persons attended the meeting. The speaker was introduced by Elliott Becken; Miss Anna Streed presided.

Student Needs Early College Application

Washington — (UPI) — When should a high school student begin taking steps to get into college?

Ideally, during his junior year, and by all means no later than early fall of his senior year.

That's the latest word from educators, who say that November of the senior year is the "last safe date" for applying for admission to a major college.

Educators recommend that study of college catalogs and admission requirements begin in the 11th grade. Students may also take the preliminary scholastic aptitude (college board) tests in the junior high school year.

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