

President and First Lady Guests at Bolshoi Ballet

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Washington - President Kennedy watched the Soviet Bolshoi ballet dance two acts of "Swan Lake" Tuesday night and then went backstage to tell the troupe it was "better than ever."

The President then left, but Mrs. Kennedy stayed for the remaining two acts of Tchaikovsky's classic, danced on the stage of Loew's Capitol theatre three blocks from the White House.

Kennedy, with Russian Ambassador Anatoly Dobrynin acting as his translator, told the Bolshoi dancers what a "great pleasure" it was to see them perform in Washington.

The President spent about five minutes backstage before returning to the White House. The President's party included Agriculture Secretary Orville L. Freeman and his wife, Interior Secretary and Mrs. Stewart Udall, and Llewellyn Thompson, long-time U.S. Ambassador to Moscow who recently left that post.

Kennedy, shunning a black leather chair brought in especially for him from the White House, sat in a mezzanine box with his wife. In a box opposite them sat the Soviet ambassador and his wife who stood and waved at the Kennedys when they arrived.

The entire theatre - packed with about 3,000 persons - rose as the orchestra played first the Star Spangled Banner and then the Soviet national anthem.

Backstage, Kennedy told dancers how, at their rehearsal earlier in the day, they had captivated his wife and daughter, Caroline. Mrs. Kennedy thanked them particularly for their warm treatment of Caroline at the rehearsal.

Kennedy recalled that he last saw the Bolshoi when he was traveling in Russia as a student in 1939, and "tonight you are better than ever."

Medicare Aide Talks for Group; Events Planned

Mrs. Frank McKeown, case aide for the Medicare program with the Jackson County Public Welfare department, spoke for last week's meeting of the Security Benefit club at the KP hall. She stated that information about the program may be obtained at the welfare department office.

It was announced that the club's annual Thanksgiving dinner will be held Wednesday, November 21 and that a dance is planned for November 30 at the Pythian building from 8 p.m. until midnight. The Melodious Four will play and the public is invited.

Mrs. Lulu Ahart, who has returned to Medford after spending a month in Missouri and Tennessee, was present.

Security Benefit club meets each Wednesday at the Pythian building from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Get Together Club Announces Party

Get Together club will hold a public card party Friday, November 16, at the Girls Community club. Dessert at 1 p.m. will be followed by cards.



The Thespian troupe at Medford High school opens its play season with "Bernardine" Thursday, November 15, at the school auditorium. Pictured during a recent rehearsal are (left to right) Bill Bulger, who plays Olson, Harold Reid, cast as Tub Grinner, Frank Williams, the hotel "wolf," Dale Stansfield as Fudge and Lindsay Darnelle, playing Jean Cantrick. Originally scheduled for November 15, 16 and 17, the play will now be produced Thursday, Saturday and

Monday since Medford is to meet Roseburg in the state football quarter-finals here Friday night. The school orchestra, directed by John Drysdale, will entertain the playgoers before the curtain goes up and during intermission. Season tickets for Thespian plays, or single tickets of "Bernardine" are available from any member of the troupe, the cast, crew, production or business staff and will also be on sale at the box office on production nights.

Student Serves On Committee

Corvallis - Richard E. Middlekauff, 525 Valley View drive, Medford, is on the central student committee in charge of plans for homecoming this year at Oregon State university.

Young Middlekauff is a junior at OSU, majoring in the School of Business and Technology.

OSU's annual homecoming celebration is scheduled November 17. A 10-student committee is in charge of the week end, which will include alumni reunions, campus tours, open house in the various living groups, a student alumni talent show, and a football game with Colorado State university.

Women's News Social Events

BPWC Speaker Compares British and U. S. Elections

Ashland - "Elections, British and American" was the timely subject of Douglas Legg's talk last Wednesday evening before members of the Business and Professional Women's club.

With the aid of a blackboard filled with figures, the Southern Oregon college instructor explained economic and social conditions which influence much of Britain's political system. He said that unlike the United States, class rather than race consciousness has become a prime factor in British government through its Parliament, and that because of this the Conservatives are gaining power as the working class standard of living rises and old Labor party loyalties are abandoned.

Britons never know when an election may be called, the only stipulation being that there must be one every five years. As a result the party in control calls for elections at its zenith of power with only a two-week period for campaigning.

A nominee offers himself to the constituents, not necessarily those of his own community, but party officials must give approval. Campaign expenditures are restricted and once elected the winner cannot deviate from the party line.

The college teacher, who spoke from a year's study in the British Isles, convinced his surprised audience that the Mother country now has little in common with her erstwhile child when it comes to elections. The speaker was introduced by Mrs. Lilah Jennings, legislative chairman.

The club honored its first Girl-of-the-Term when Miss Jane Hennick, Ashland high school senior, was awarded the BPWC traveling pin which she will wear until her successor is chosen at the end of the next six-week period. Mrs. Jacqueline Lewis, scholarship chairman, made the presentation.

Miss Hennick has a record of leadership during her high school years which includes presidency of the 1961 senior class, secretary of the Girls' league, Girls' State delegate in 1962, member of the student council for two years, member of the National Honor society, Thespians and the debate teams.

The meeting and social hour that preceded it were held in Wesley house. Hostesses were Mrs. Ala Dailey, Mrs. Alice Arnold and Mrs. Josephine Jarnagin.

During the business session conducted by the president, Miss Ruth Bobber, reports were presented and plans approved for fund-raising projects, one of which will be a series of small group dinners given by the members with each guest paying \$1.

The Christmas program December 5 will be in charge of the executive board and will continue the year's theme of "opening doors," this one being to let Santa in.



Miss Jane Hennick, senior at Ashland High school, was chosen "Girl of the Term" by Ashland Business and Professional Women's club last week.

Rehearsals Begin For 'Messiah'

Ashland - Rehearsals for the "Messiah" to be sponsored and performed again this year by the Southern Oregon college music department, are under way according to Dr. Herbert Cecil, chairman of the department. This fifth annual presentation of the oratorio will be given Sunday afternoon, December 2.

College students and singers from the Rogue Valley area will participate in the chorus for the concert. The rehearsal schedule is: November 15, 7:30 p.m., Room 255 of Churchill hall; Nov. 18 and Nov. 23, 2:30 p.m., First Christian church, 209 South Oakdale avenue, Medford; November 26 and November 29, 7:30 p.m. in the college gymnasium; December 1, 7 p.m., college gym; and December 2, 3 p.m. will be the performance.

Anyone who is interested in singing in the presentation of the "Messiah" is requested to attend as many rehearsals as their time will permit, Dr. Cecil said.

Session Planned By Sewing Club

The sewing club of The Disabled American Veterans' auxiliary will meet at the home of Mrs. William Eiden, Jacksonville, Thursday, November 15, at 11 a.m. A potluck luncheon will be served at noon.

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CALENDAR

Wednesday:
7:30 p.m. - Aquatic committee meeting, Medford YMCA.

8 p.m. - Toastmistress club, Girls Community club.

8 p.m. - Roxy Ann HEC, Mrs. Carl Quackenbush, Foot-hills rd.

8 p.m. - Xi Mu chapter, Beta Sigma Phi, Mrs. Wilson Slater, 5405 Jacksonville highway.

Thursday:
10:30 a.m. - Lone Pine extension unit, Mrs. Charles Hurst, 765 Sunrise ave.

10:30 a.m. - Rogue-Elk extension unit, home of Mrs. Don McClellan.

12:30 p.m. - Medford Sojourners club, Girls Community club.

1 p.m. - Wenonah club of Westonska council, Degree of Pocahontas, Redman hall, Apple st.

1 p.m. - Blue Star Mothers, Mrs. Helen Watson, 617 Catherine st.

1:30 p.m. - Jacksonville Garden club, Mrs. R. T. Nichol, 1555 South Peach st.

1:30 p.m. - WCTU, Fire-place room, First Presbyterian church.

Students To Talk For Parents' Club

St. Mary's High School Parents' club will meet tonight in the all-purpose room at the school on Black Oak drive at 8 o'clock.

During the summer several of the students represented St. Mary's school in activities held in different sections of the state. These students will each give a brief talk, describing their experiences.

Taking part will be Jim Calhoun and Laura Batzer, talking of the student council workshop in Eugene; Sarah Robinson, Marylee Lowry and Mary Ann Carnegie, speaking on the classes at the Summer School of Catholic Action; Mike Stinson, Pete Naumes, Jerry Vakoc and Eric Schade, who attended Boys' State; Barbara Lewis and Mary Walsh, who attended a cheer-leading workshop held in Corvallis.

The Parents' club will also vote on a revised constitution.

Lincoln PTA Sets Open House

In celebration of National Education week, open house will be held at the November meeting of Lincoln school Parent-Teacher association, Thursday, November 15, from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Room visitation will be held preceding the business meeting, allowing the parents to view the children's work and talk to their teachers.

At 8:30 p.m., Jack Holmes, principal, will ring a bell signifying the opening of the business meeting held in the cafeteria.

Refreshments will be served preceding the introduction of representatives of the Camp Fire Girl, Girl Scout and Boy Scout organizations, who will give short talks concerning the formation of units not in existence at this time in the school.

Baby sitting will be provided in Room 7.

FOE Auxiliary To Give Party

A public card party is planned by the Ladies' auxiliary to Crater Lake aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles, Friday, November 16, at 8 p.m. in the Auxiliary hall, 217 West Main street.

Refreshments, games and prizes are being planned by the committee. Auxiliary members in need of transportation are asked to call Mrs. Stuart Forbes, 772-5984, after 5 p.m.

Phoenix Lodge To Hold Dinner

Phoenix - Phoenix Neighbors of Woodcraft will hold the annual homecoming dinner at Phoenix Community club Saturday, November 17, at 7 p.m. Members may take friends.

The committee states that a ham dinner will be served; those attending are to take table service and a dessert or vegetable and a salad.

Games and a white elephant sale will follow the dinner.

College Selects Medford Students For Band Choir

Four young Medford women have been selected to join musical groups at Northwest Nazarene college in Nampa, Ida.

Selected for membership in the college concert band are Miss Marilyn Shepard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Shepard, 1309 Winchester street; Miss Evelyn Young, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Young, 1975 Spring street, and Miss Ruth Stiehl, daughter of Mrs. Fay M. Stiehl, 116 Elk street.

Miss Linda Michael, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Holly Michael, 424 South Peach street, and the Misses Stiehl and Young were selected for the women's treble choir. Miss Shepard is a sophomore and the others are freshmen students.

Troop 76

Recently Girl Scout Troop 76 visited Fluhrer's bakery, the First National bank, the Jacksonville museum, and had a backyard cookout and overnight sleep at Mrs. A. Carrara's home.

The troop also has gone on several hikes. Troop leader is Mrs. Carrara, and the assistant leader is Mrs. Victor Eakin.

Reporter and Secretary, Tina Carrara

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