



### World Day of Prayer Services Are Scheduled

For the many Christian people around the world who will participate in the World Day of Prayer services scheduled for the first Friday in Lent, March 1, the day is deeply purposeful since praying together tends to bring about understanding.

The sponsoring group for the Medford observance is the Council of United Church Women. The day of prayer is planned as an active experience of prayer creating a sense of unity with the 150 countries now participating around the globe.

Offering this year will assist in supporting twelve foreign colleges, extending hospitality to about 60,000 foreign students to this country, Christian literature, and helping migrants.

#### Theme Noted

The day's theme is "More Than Conquerors."

Ascension Lutheran church, 2617 Barnett road, will be the setting for the March 1 meeting at which time the Rev. Frederick Evans will be the speaker and Mrs. Ralph Matlack will be soloist. The session of the Great Decisions discussion group.

The session meets from noon to 1 p.m. in Wesley hall at First Methodist church. It is geared to the employed person in the downtown area who have limited noon hours. All are welcome to attend.

Chairman of the group is Miss Voda Brower. Soup and coffee are furnished by the group. Those who wish may take a sandwich with them.

#### Lesson Announced For Relief Society

Mrs. Gordon Westwood will present a lesson on social science, "Divine Law and Church Government" at the Wednesday, February 27, meeting of the Relief society of the First Ward, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

The meeting will be held at 10 a.m. at the church, 648 South Ivy street.

Mrs. Westwood will show the importance of priesthood. A nursery will be provided for young children.

at a service beginning at 1 p.m. at the Veteran Administration domiciliary, White City.

Wednesday, February 27, at 2:50 p.m. on KMED Mrs. George Breece, chairman for the day, will be interviewed regarding the day's activities and Mrs. Ralph Wiese will appear with Mrs. Breece at 9:30 a.m. on a television interview. Friday, March 1, Mrs. Robert Bridge will speak over KMED radio at 11:15 a.m.

The World Day of Prayer observance will also be held at Free Methodist church, 1266 South Peach street, by that denomination from 1:30 to 3 p.m. Mrs. Eva M. Johnson, is committee chairman.

Participating in the service will be both the Grants Pass and Ashland Free Methodist churches.

#### 'Spain' Topic Of Study Unit

Dr. George G. Roseberry, minister of First Methodist church, will discuss "Spain" at the Wednesday noon session of the Great Decisions discussion group.

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#### In Prospect

Prospect - Mr. and Mrs. Don Hammond and family, Redding, Calif., were week end guests at the Ralph Goode home. Mrs. Hammond is a daughter of Mrs. Goode. Mr. Hammond, a racing car owner and enthusiast, has displayed his racing car in Medford and other west coast points.



Sasa-Wa-Nuta Camp Fire Group planted a pink dogwood tree in Hawthorne park last week as a civic project. The girls purchased the tree in cooperation with the Medford Parks and Recreation department. Pictured (left to right) are Karla Davis, Nancy Roberts and Kimmie Williams, officers of the group. Nancy is president of the group, which is made up of Lone Pine school girls, and Mrs. Ralph D. Odell is leader. (Knackstedt photo)



This business of what to do about civil defense weighs on our mind. We've read quite a bit on the subject, attended some meetings and talked to many friends. Those we talk with are in as much doubt and confusion as we are-if any of them have built bomb shelters, or stored food and water supplies, they do not talk about it.

Pappy and I have not built a shelter, and as the situation stands now, we don't intend to do so. Perhaps we are wrong, perhaps something will change our minds. But right now we believe that to build a shelter would be absolutely futile.

Recently the ways and means committee of the Oregon Senate began action to reduce to a minimum the Oregon Civil Defense agency. Because of this a number of Jackson and Josephine county citizens have gone to Salem to attend hearings on the matter. The delegations have included Edwin Taylor and Don Faber, county commissioners, C. W. Crews of Central Point, Mrs. Harlan Bosworth and Irving Thomas of Medford. Mrs. Bosworth came in recently to talk about the hearing, bringing some literature and clippings. The day she attended, and spoke, Mrs. Bosworth told the committee that she, and many others, believe that the shelter program gives citizens a false sense of security. She thinks that most people do not fully understand what a thermo-nuclear war can mean, that the Civil Defense has so many facets it is confusing the public, that it is controlled by the military, rather than civilians, and most of all she believes that the time, effort, money and brains being expended on this program should be spent instead on seeking peace. Mrs. B. believes that real security can come only with a ban on further nuclear testing, and on disarmament.

At the Salem hearing Dr. George Streisinger of the University of Oregon backed up Mrs. Bosworth's statements by saying it is ridiculous to talk about living underground and then emerging into a post-nuclear war world where civilization is gone, animals and plants are dead and insects and disease are rampant.

Mrs. Bosworth believes also that this country misunderstands the intentions of the Soviets on the spread of communism-that they plan to spread this ideology by means other than war, since to start a nuclear war would inevitably mean great destruction in their own country as well in others. This woman dedicated to the cause of peace believes that it is a poor state of affairs when the threat of nuclear war is used so extensively as an instrument of foreign policy. She wonders how people in the countries who cannot possibly have a shelter program react to the fact the government of the United States is urging its people to prepare for a life underground.

Added to all this we read with great interest the letters of Maj. Gen. Hicks, an anonymous Ashland resident and George Reed in Wednesday's "Letters to the Editor" in this paper. General Hicks, of course, states the official position of Civil Defense, since he is the Jackson County director, and it carries a note of authority. The nameless Ashland writer believes that citizens should not depend upon Salem and Washington too much, but should work the problem out on a local level, and Mr. Reed believes that "the shelters, if built, will be the tombs of those who are afraid to face the truths behind the real causes of war."

So, he must in essence agree with Mrs. Bosworth, who said to the legislative committee that the "real problem is not how to survive nuclear attacks, but how to prevent them."

One of the pieces of literature brought to us and issued by the Eugene Peace Information center, has one particularly forceful paragraph:

"We believe that civil defense is, in itself, an aggressive act. For those who fail to see how civil defense can possibly be aggressive, we quote from General Carl Spaatz, retired Air Force Chief of Staff, who unintentionally points out this aggressive nature. He says 'It will be particularly important for us to know from now on whether the Soviet Union is building civilian shelters for its own people. This can be one of the most significant indicators of its intentions, if and when it gets ready to launch a surprise attack.' If we are to assume that civil defense preparations in Russia are an indication of hostile intent, how do we expect Russia to view such preparations on our part?" O. S.

#### Doctor Speaks For Jayceettes

Eagle Point-Dr. Richard W. Schwahn was guest speaker for the February meeting of Eagle Point Jayceettes Club president and hostess for the evening, Mrs. Ralph Humphreys, introduced Dr. Schwahn following a movie on cancer. Members and guests asked many questions.

Mrs. Harold Hanscom was appointed chairman of the annual talent show. All boys and girls living within the Eagle Point school district will be eligible to compete for the many prizes. March 30 has been set as the date for the talent show this year and will be held in the new Eagle Point Primary school auditorium. A special meeting for this project will be held at the home of Mrs. Humphreys Monday, February 25.

### OFWC Legislative Day In Capitol, Tea Slated

Legislative day for the Oregon Federation of Women's club members has been set for Tuesday, March 5 in the state capitol building, Salem. A guided service during legislative sessions will be conducted. The women also are invited for tea in the home of Gov. and Mrs. Mark Hatfield from 2 to 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

Reservations should be made for the noon luncheon which will be served in the Marion Motor hotel. They should be made by Wednesday, February 27 by writing Miss Mary Donaldson, 910 West Main street, Monmouth, Ore. Mrs. Melford M. Nelson, Monmouth, federation president, will preside for the luncheon.

Federation members particularly are interested in legislation concerning conservation, safety, the family and youth. Mrs. C. A. Fratzke, Salem, legislative chairman for the club.

The day will open with registration in the capitol building rotunda at 9 a.m. At 9:20 a.m., a tour of the building and an explanation of the legislative processes will be led by members of the League of Women Voters who will maintain the guide service during the sessions, with 10 women in each unit.

The club members are to attend sessions of the House and Senate when they convene at 10 a.m., and later in the day will attend committee hearings.

#### Discussion Held For Music Group

A panel discussion featured the last meeting of Oregon Music Teachers association, held in the Activity room, St. Mary's Grade school.

Discussion was on "what to expect - how can I help," from the viewpoint of a teacher, Sister Miriam Joseph; a mother, Mrs. Dorell Huson, and pupil, Howard Kunitz. Moderator was Sister Mary Lauranne.

Following the discussion, a musical program was presented by the pupils of St. Mary's school. Piano solos were played by Mary Pat Dungey, Connie O'Connor and Steven Rues, and a vocal solo by Tim Darland, accompanied by Sister Miriam Joseph.

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#### Temple Members To Sew Monday

Mrs. Ross G. Adams, Pioneer road, will be hostess to members of the Medford sewing unit of Zulema temple, Daughters of the Nile, at her home tomorrow morning, February 25, at 10:00 o'clock.

Mrs. David Allred, chairman of the group, requests that those attending take sack lunches, scissors and thimbles. Anyone in need of transportation may call Mrs. Adams, 772-7435 or Mrs. Allred, 773-1480. Next stated meeting of the temple will be March 9 at Medford Masonic temple.

**Prospect PTA Program Slated**

Prospect - A Founders day program for Prospect Parent Teacher association is scheduled for Tuesday, February 26 at 8 p.m., in the school gymnasium. Past presidents will be honored.

An anniversary cake will be served, with Mrs. Loyd Hale in charge. All interested parents and others of the community are invited.

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#### HEC Club

Roxy Ann Home Economics club members plan their next meeting for Wednesday, February 27 at 8 p.m., in the home of Mrs. Eva Garrett, Route 3, Box 79. Cohostess will be Mrs. Marvin Garrett. The February 13 meeting was in the home of Mrs. Mabel Christiansen, when 23 members were present.

#### Phoenix Group Plans Meeting

Phoenix - Women of the Phoenix Thimble club will meet Friday, March 1 in the home of Mrs. Arthur Hunter on Arnold lane, Medford, for a 1 o'clock luncheon, and business meeting. Mrs. Walker M. Caldwell will preside.



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