

Sea Otters Are Subject Of Book

Ashland—Popular on both sides of the Atlantic is the book, "Ring of Bright Water" written by Scotsman Gavin Maxwell. This was Mrs. Elizabeth Sommer's choice for review at the Monday meeting of Ashland Study club when members met at the home of Mrs. I. F. Andres.

The author tells of his life on one of the northern Hebrides islands. On his island Maxwell witnessed the seasonal migration of birds and sea creatures, observing the phenomena of killers.

Central figure in the book is a sea otter which Maxwell acquired while on a trip to Iraq. The furry companion opened a new world of experience to the writer and the animal's untimely death brought desolation until after long searching a successor was found.

Critics are comparing "Ring of Bright Water" to "Born Free" as another story of nature in a weary war-mad world. Of added interest was the fact that a club member, Mrs. Len Osgood, had come from the particular locality in which the story was laid and was acquainted with several of the persons mentioned by the author.

"Just for Fun" was the title given by Mrs. H. F. Jenkins to her selected subject on dolls. She told of visiting the McCulley house in Jacksonville where more than 300 dolls are exhibited by Mrs. Leona Salzer.

Mrs. Jenkins gave the history of dolls and their makers, saying that doll collecting is one of the fastest growing of all hobbies. She mentioned several collectors in the valley as well as those who had originated unusual dolls, using dried pears or apples for faces for example. The famous Raggedy Ann doll was designed in Ashland by a member of the Gruelle family.

She illustrated her talk and concluded with a display of two china head dolls which had been in her family for generations and showed several antique dolls from the collection of Janet McCullough. One wax figure in original costume dates from 1810.

Mrs. R. Drew Lamb conducted the business session.

Evans Valley PTA Elections Are Announced

Evans Valley—Mrs. Richard H. Taylor was elected president of the Evans Valley Parent Teacher association at a recent unit meeting in the school. Mrs. Leslie J. Gravatt was elected vice president; Mrs. James R. Keith, treasurer, and Mrs. Raymond A. Isley, secretary.

It was announced that third and fourth grade students had won a tie for selling contest for the unit's annual bean supper and will be rewarded with a wiener roast.

The unit's project for new outdoor basketball stops was reported under way.

Jack Gilinsky was reported as the Cub Scout master for Evans Valley. Earl Covey, principal spoke on the school budget and reminded members to vote at the May 6 elections.

A program was presented by third and fourth grade students who sang directed by William Osmer, music director. Sandra Clark and Sandy Purrier played saxophone selections accompanied by Teresa Patterson, pianist. Clifford Gilinsky played a cornet solo, accompanied by Betty Taylor, pianist. Refreshments were served by mothers of second grade students.

Flower, Hobby Show Announced

Gold Hill—Arrangements are being made by Gold Hill Garden club to have a flower show here on June 14. The public will be invited to take part in the event which will be presented in the dining room at Gold Hill Grange hall. It will be a competitive show and ribbons will be given.

The event will also include a hobby show of ceramics, oil paintings and other handiwork.

The announcement is being made early so that residents here will be able to plan entries. Everyone is urged to participate.

Plans for the show were discussed at the April meeting of the group held at the home of Mrs. S. M. Christensen, president. Mrs. George Dorman will be hostess for the next session of the Gold Hill Garden club at her home Friday, May 17 at 1 p.m.



Mrs. James E. Farrar (at left) Medford, and Mrs. Hugh E. McDonald, Roseburg, are shown as they boarded a West Coast Airlines plane in Roseburg on the first part of their trip to Memphis, Tenn., to attend the Woman's International Bowling tournament and annual convention. Mrs. McDonald is treasurer of the Oregon Woman's Bowling association, and Mrs. Farrar is president of the Medford Woman's Bowling association and a director of the state group. Crest Inn motel, Medford, is sponsoring the Medford team. About 80 Oregon women are attending the convention which closes today. (Clark's studio, Roseburg)

Veni-Vidi

Rome—Almost every traveler comes to Europe with a list of "musts"; must see, must do, must go to. On many lists are places to eat, such as Alfredo's, Romolo, Hosteria Del Orso, Da Meo Patacco, etc.

Alas, Alfredo is dead, and there are three restaurants in his name. This insures tourists that they can still order the fettuchini for which he was famous.

The Hosteria Del Orso is advertised and famous because it was said Dante lived at the inn. But this legend was finally destroyed when it was made known that Dante was in Rome before the inn was built. Long after it was closed—centuries long—it was restored, and not only did they discover unsuspected architecture of great charm, but they found little surprises, like a skeleton of a man who had been standing in between two years. The location, along the Tiber, has atmosphere too; it was in the vicinity that executions took place in the middle ages.

If you do not know that the great Goethe, Montaigne, Rabelais and others had frequented this inn (which is now only a restaurant) you would still think it a nice place to dine at.

Recently, I was invited to dinner there. As it was crowded and we had not made reservations, we sat in the bar for an hour. Then we were ushered into one of the smaller dining rooms. The menus were large and told of the many choices of food. They were not vulgar enough to have prices listed, however. There were five of us, and we had one course and dessert—almost unheard of among Europeans—a plate with dollar sized filets, a vegetable, potato, and rolls. A baked apple for dessert. Oh, yes, a bottle of wine. The "il conto"—bill to us—was \$50. I hesitate to think what the hour in the lounge was. Is it any wonder that the Italians call such places "tourists' traps"?

Da Meo Patacco is another of a different sort. When I first went to this delightful, rowdy place across the river, I had an odd sensation that it smacked a bit of Americana. I couldn't place it, and loved the beauty of the old buildings surrounding the alley-like piazza. One of them reminded me of Romeo and Juliet's balcony. Something like clever spotlighting, lighting from underneath the beauty spots—impressed me as the work of a deft and clever stage manager—a stage setting.

Sing for Rich

In the summer, long tables with colored cloths, bottles dripping with wax, shaded lights, big baskets of bread on the tables add to the simulated effect of simple, peasant Rome. At 9:30, out of an open window up above, comes a Mario Lanza voice, and appears a big booming, "O Sole Mio" singing Italian. Then with great rattle and gawdy,

come the costumed entertainers, with gourds, flutes, cymbals, cornets and mandolins. They wear the Sicilian handkerchief around their heads, and red silk bands around their waists. They wind around, in and among the guests, singing to the most prosperous ones.

Events Set For Dancers

Dance news for the week includes an announcement of instruction in round dancing to be held tonight at Country Square, Colver road, Talent, between 8 and 10 p.m.

Mrs. Floyd Workman, instructor, states that "Mexico" and "Saint Louis Blues" will be taught. All square dancers are invited.

The open hoedown on the schedule for Country Square will be canceled this week due to other dances in the valley. The dance will be held May 18.

Derby Hoedowners will hold a club dance Friday, May 3, at Derby Community hall. Dancing will begin at 8:30 p.m. and Edwin Cavin will call. All square dancers are invited. Refreshments will be polka style.

Lessons Planned

Beginning square dance lessons are being sponsored by Buckles and Bows club. Lessons will be held at Country Square, and the next is scheduled for Monday, May 6, from 8 to 10 p.m. Floyd Workman is instructor. Those wishing information may call the Workman home, 535-1150.

Montague PTA Holds Election; Bills Reviewed

Montague—Officers for 1963-64 were elected at the last meeting of the Montague Parent-Teacher association.

New officers, who will be installed May 16, are Ward Foster, president; Mrs. William Frost, first vice-president; Mrs. Robert Lightie, second vice-president; Mrs. Albert Clement, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Ward Foster, historian; and Joe Burch, Jr., auditor.

Lester Newton, school superintendent, discussed assembly bills AB-1000 and AB-800. He explained that both of these bills are for the raising of funds for public education in California.

Mr. Newman said that he, in the company of Judge E. McAdams, Gene Beceda and Ward Foster, as well as several other interested persons from Siskiyou county, made a trip to Sacramento to protest Assembly Bill E. He feels that the delegation made a favorable impression. Opponents of this bill believe it penalizes districts receiving forest reserve monies.

The program was presented by Mrs. John Gibbons and her kindergarten class members who sang. The kindergarten class also won the prize for having the most parents in attendance at the meeting.

Elections Held In Evans Valley

Evans Valley—Mrs. Robert K. Wales was named president of Evans Valley Home Extension unit at recent elections held in Enterprise Grange hall in Wimer.

Mrs. Glenn R. Bowman is the new secretary. Mrs. Dan U. Callahan was elected treasurer.

The Buzzen Dozen and Busy Stitches-Stirrers 4-H club members modeled dresses and skirts they had made and also served refreshments. They told of their projects for the year. Hostesses were Mrs. Betty Rhoten and Mrs. F. R. Williams. Mrs. Rhoten also demonstrated hat making.

When painting, put an old sock over one shoe. If the paint drips on the floor, you can save bending over to wipe it up by simply "toeing the mark."



Mrs. Faie Zigler

State Officers Of Two Groups Visit Medford

Mrs. Faie Zigler, Portland, Oregon department president of the United Spanish War Veterans auxiliary, recently made an official visit to the Colonel Sargent auxiliary at Redman hall, James Caine, Portland, made his official visit to Colonel Sargent Camp at the same time.

Mrs. Alice Smith, president of Colonel Sargent auxiliary and Z. N. Agee, commander, were hosts at a banquet served in honor of Mrs. Zigler and Mr. Caine. Mrs. Harry Barneburg and Mrs. Don Anderson were co-chairmen of the banquet.

Accompanying the distinguished visitors were Mr. and Mrs. George Thompson and Mrs. Ida Johns, Portland. Mr. Thompson is department adjutant and Mrs. Thompson is a past department president.

Attending from Grants Pass were the department junior vice president, Mrs. Renne Grosh, and the grand gila monster, Mrs. Mabel Breitmeyer, of the Military Order of the Lizards. Also introduced were the department historian, Mrs. James Vandersteien, Medford, and two guests, Mrs. Dell Cline and Mrs. Ruth Banta. The guests and officers were presented corsages by Mrs. Anderson in behalf of the auxiliary.

After the banquet and meeting the guests visited the hobby fair at the Veterans' Administration Domiciliary, White City.

Medford Unit Elections Held; Delegates Listed

Mrs. Clifton L. Green, 919 Kenyon street, was elected chairman of the Medford Home Extension unit at the April meeting in Santo hall.

Other officers elected were Mrs. Dayton Varner, first vice chairman; Mrs. C. O. Lack, secretary, and Mrs. E. F. Archer, treasurer.

The project lesson on care of hard-surface floors was given by Mrs. Hobert Ditsworth and Mrs. Jessie Walters. Plans were made for sending delegates to the Oregon state council at Corvallis in late May. The delegates appointed were Mrs. Varner, Mrs. Harry Daugherty with alternates, Mrs. Carrie Milnes and Mrs. Vera Wright. Mrs. Ralph Clemmons was a guest.

The serving committee for the May 8 meeting will be Mrs. Varner, Mrs. Daugherty, Mrs. Lack, Mrs. Russell Herbert and Mrs. H. W. Morrow.

Guests

Ashland—Mr. and Mrs. Richard Farnham and four children from San Jose, Calif. were week end guests at the Anderson Creek home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Farnham.

Housewarming Honors Couple

A combination surprise housewarming and birthday party honoring Mr. and Mrs. James Trimble and family was given April 23 at their new home on Atlantic avenue, White City.

A birthday cake was presented Mr. Trimble by his sisters, Mrs. William Snow, Mrs. Mack Griffin, Mrs. Henry Snow and Mrs. John Snow. The congregation of the Four-square church also presented him a cake.

Assisting with the serving were Mrs. K. L. Mathewson, Mrs. E. J. Whitman, Mrs. Lonnie Varner, Mrs. Don Rogers and the Misses Laura Griffin and Karon Trimble.

Gifts were presented the couple by those attending. Approximately 35 persons attended.

Local Women To Make Plans For Convention

Mrs. Susan Walsh, president of the Insurance Women of Jackson County and Mrs. Helen Stevens have been selected to serve as co-chairmen for a local committee on arrangements for a national convention of insurance women to be held in June, 1965, in Seattle, Wash. Announcement of their selection was during a luncheon meeting of the local group April 23 in Jackson House.

The program was presented by Mrs. Barbara A. Phillips, local attorney, who spoke on the proposed changes of the state constitution.

Insurance Women's day will be observed by the group Tuesday, May 21, in Girls Community club, the next regular meeting. An open executive board meeting will be held Tuesday, May 7 at 12 noon in Town House restaurant.

Other guests at the meeting were Mrs. Janet Arana, Miss Colleen M. Borreson, Mrs. Mary Jane Kelley, Mrs. Zola G. Peters, Mrs. Lorraine E. Smith, Mrs. Marjorie Spatz, Miss Carol Wilcox and Miss Karen Young.

Jacksonville Topic for Club

Jacksonville will be the topic for the program when Welcome Wagon club of Medford meets Thursday, May 2, at 8 p.m. in the Girls Community club.

Jack Sutton will give a slide illustrated talk on the historical aspects of Jacksonville and of Southern Oregon.

All newcomers to the valley are welcome to attend. Instead of the usual monthly social meeting May 16, the club has scheduled a Saturday evening card party for couples Saturday, May 18 at 8 p.m. Members, husbands and visitors will be invited.

Mothers of Twins Schedule Meeting

Mothers of Twins club plans to meet Thursday, May 2 at 8 p.m., in the home of Joe Vigil, 528 Pearl street.

All mothers of twins are invited. Further information regarding the club may be obtained from Mrs. Phillip Detroit, telephone 773-3843. Mrs. Robert Kimpton, Central Point, recently was elected vice president of the club when the group met in the home of Mrs. Delvin Elder, Eagle Point. She fills a vacancy in that office created when Mrs. John Pogue, who held the office, moved.

Jacksonville School Events, Projects Listed

Jacksonville—Proceeds from the recent annual Jacksonville Parent Teacher association carnival are to be used toward a summer recreation program and to purchase records and other school items, officers have announced. The gross income from the event amounted to \$600, they added.

The school's faculty room has taken on a new look with new chairs and coffee tables which were purchased for the room by Tucker Sno-Cat corporation and Mr. and Mrs. James Tucker. The Teachers also have presented a \$30 gift certificate for the purchase of records.

The first grade students are preparing for Beginners' day, an annual event, when next year's first grade students are to visit the school to become acquainted with teachers, students and the program. This is scheduled for May 17 from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Many of the students had items on display at a recent district art exhibit which fifth and sixth grade students from Jacksonville attended. The two third grade classes recently visited the Medford and Jackson County library, and the second grade students plan to visit the Jacksonville library.

One or two pieces of leftover day-old corn bread make a delicious garnish for vegetable salad. Crumble the bread coarsely and brown in a small amount of melted butter. Season to taste with garlic or onion salt. Sprinkle warm crumbs over the salad. One medium slice of corn bread makes about 1/2 cup of crumbs.

Information on design, materials, and tools needed will be given the first day. Those interested may enroll in the classes which are free to any man or woman over fifty according to the general policy regarding the activities at the center which is located at 601 East Jackson street, Medford. Students are expected to take their own materials.

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Senior Center Sculpture Class Opens Thursday

Mrs. Ruby Ralston, who received her bachelor of science degree in sculpture at the University of Oregon, will give a five-week course in clay sculpture at the Senior Activity center, starting Thursday, May 2 at 10 a.m. and continuing each Thursday.

The first session will consist of a demonstration of the art by Mrs. Ralston who has exhibited her work in several galleries and art exhibits in this area.

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May Fellowship Observance Set

Ashland—United Church Women will meet for their annual May Fellowship luncheon Friday at 12 o'clock noon in Trinity parish hall. "Food for Thought" is the day's theme that will take the form of a round table discussion led by Mrs. Richard Berninghausen, president of the Ashland-Talent Church Women.

A planned covered dish luncheon will be served by Trinity Guild members under the chairmanship of Mrs. Ralph Burgess. All women of the community are invited. Table service is to be taken.

The May Fellowship is national and international and this year marks the thirtieth anniversary of the church women's observance.

Secret Dads Entertained By Bethel 14

Secret Dads were guests of members of Bethel 14, International Order of Job's Daughters at a dinner preceding a recent regular meeting, and the daughters revealed their identity at that time.

During the meeting, L. R. Manning, past associate guardian of Bethels 14 and 55, and past grand associate guardian of Oregon and others were introduced.

Reports were given by Miss Sue Kaer on the recent Southern Oregon slumber party held at Eagle Point, and by Miss Ada Harris on a recent show and tea sponsored by the Bethel.

Miss Sharon Huggedahl gave a recitation. Prizes were won during the evening by Earl Yoakley, Ellis Chartier, and Leonard Carlson.

The decoration committee consisted of the Misses Penny Koach, Judy Johnson, Cindy Anderson, Penny Hartzel and Susan Ingram, assisted by their mothers. Table decorations were handmade by Mrs. Randy Huggedahl.

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