

**Grange News**

**Greenhorn Grange**  
Greenhorn Grange of Yreka held initiation ceremonies in the first and second degree at the Grange hall recently.  
Mrs. John Cawley and her degree staff all dressed in colored formal gowns presided over the initiation ceremonies. Two candidates were given the first two degrees.  
During the business session presided over by Grange Master Lou Coles, District Deputy Wayne Ralston spoke briefly about the work in the Grange performed by the late Manuel Lawrence.  
The Booster Barrel will be opened May 18, and this night there will be a potluck supper and program in which each Grange attending will present a number.  
A program presented by the Lecturer Mrs. Joe Lewellyn included a reading by Mrs. Lou Coles and the presentation of pansy plants to the oldest mother, Mrs. Mary Lemos, the youngest mother, Mrs. Jerome Casson and the mother with the most children, Mrs. Frank Bear of Hornbrook.

**Try and Stop Me**

By BENNETT CERF

ON MONDAY, a gangling college undergraduate landed a summer job with a big company. On Tuesday, he reported for work at 10:15. "You should have been here at nine," the superintendent reproved him. "Why?" asked the undergraduate. "What happened?"



Miss Rosebud Hopkinson, from the Hopkinson plantation in Louisiana, was brought by her mother to New York at the age of seventeen for her very first look at a Northern metropolis. Standing in line for admission to the Radio City Music Hall, Miss Rosebud heard two young men ahead of her conversing in Italian in very animated fashion. "Dawgone," whispered Miss Rosebud to her mother, "Ah can't make out one word these Yankees say!"

It's tough work making our younger generation laugh out loud, claims Comedian Sid Caesar, who ought to know. "Our public, or cry, or even applaud. The only way you can tell they get the point of a joke is they sit there snapping their fingers. This means you've really broken them up!"

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**New Device Detects Water Impurities**

Philadelphia - (UPI) - Water that goes into complex mechanisms linked to aerospace efforts must be as pure as the distilled aqua used in car batteries. A detective-style device finds impurities that are only a tiny fraction of one part in one million.

The instrument, which determines the exact purity of water under test, works on the principle of the resistance of water to electricity and measures the electrical conductance of the sample. The purer the water, the more it resists the passage of a current.

**CHECK PROGRAM**

Washington - (UPI) - The Labor Department plans to form a committee to look into discrimination in federally-approved apprenticeship programs.

**Medford Student Discusses Article on Raising Japanese**

(Editor's note: Following is another article from Fred Lorish, son of Dr. and Mrs. Fred C. Lorish, 830 Minnesota ave., Medford. Young Lorish is attending Keio university in Tokyo on an exchange scholarship. He will be in Japan a year, studying the Japanese language, philosophy and religion.)

By FRED LORISH

Since I arrived here, almost every day has brought forth a rash of articles in Tokyo's English press about Japanese customs. Many people, particularly foreigners, feel that the Japanese will insult those coming for the Olympics unless some typically Japanese habits are changed.

One article, though not directly concerned with this problem, particularly struck my eye. It was entitled "The True Basic Differences Between Western and Japanese Customs" written by a Dr. Alfred Babcock.

As this article was but one in a series of five, it didn't present all Japanese customs. It dealt specifically with Kanji, the characters used to express the language, and with the rearing of children.

I would like to quote Dr. Babcock's statements: "Even worse . . . are some aspects of the Japanese method of rearing children. Of course, Japanese parents are loving and conscientious, but I think their usual method of rearing has serious faults."

"Children generally are so pampered, spoiled, and waited on, like little daimyo (feudal lords) that self-reliance, love of wholesome adventure,

and intellectual growth are largely stifled in them. Act Like Slaves."

"From a Western point of view Japanese mothers act almost like slaves to their little sons. I am afraid one result of this is to nourish the male's illusion that he is superior to the female. Another result of pampering small boys is that they are emotionally entirely unprepared for the fierce competition and heavy responsibility they suddenly face at adolescence."

"This terrible shock to the adolescent too often instills in him, I think, a life-long inner insecurity - resulting in excessive fear of the unexpected, hostility to change (even when obviously desirable), and excessive fondness for ritualistic habit-governed behavior."

"For the sake of happiness and progress I think that Japanese children ought to be encouraged to become self-reliant, to face their own problems, and to think for themselves as early as possible."

"I think Japanese children should be taught more a sense of responsibility and consideration toward others, first of all towards their mothers. This is not, of course, the same blind obedience taught in feudal times."

**Has Read Books**  
"They must be shown (preferably by persuasion and reasoning) that they have duties toward others that they must fulfill, but also rights of their own that will be respected. Childhood is certainly the right time for basic education in good principles."

To me, it is apparent that Dr. Babcock has read a great many books while he has been in Japan, but has done little observing. I find it difficult to conceive any intellectual (and I am taking for granted that the term "Doctor" connotes an intellectual) coming to Japan and finding nothing of any worth in the Japanese way of life.

His comments covered not only Kanji and the rearing of children, but in other articles, tradition, the tea ceremony, schools of thought, and bonsai (the art of dwarfing trees) - not once did he have a comment of praise; always criticism.

Not that there are areas in need of criticism, for from a Western point of view Japan is a strange land in need of change. But one should follow that age-old Western maxim: "When in Rome, do as the Romans do," and if one searches for the reasons - the ideals, the tradition - behind these actions, and tries to appreciate them, he will most

often find that they are most practical.

Mr. Babcock seems to think Japan is still living in the feudal era of Japanese history (c.1400-1867). Yet such is not the case. Japan is presently torn between "Westernization" and her traditions. These traditions, however, are not entirely feudalistic, and this is where Dr. Babcock is in error. For Japan's traditional customs are those handed down over many centuries; her history is some 2,000 years in length. The feudal period is but one short epoch of her historical past.

I have met a great number of Japanese students of my age group, as well as a great number of adults and children. Granted, this number is but an insignificant fraction of the Japanese population, but I am under the impression that it is a far greater number than Dr. Babcock has come in contact with.

I have lived within six separate family groups, and among these people I have yet

to meet anyone lacking "self-reliance, love of wholesome adventure, and intellectual growth." Nor have I found that because of parental care that these people are "emotionally entirely unprepared for the fierce competition and heavy responsibility they suddenly face at adolescence."

**Of Particular Interest**  
One comment particularly interested me, that being, ". . . intellectual growth (is) largely stifled in them (the Japanese)."

Apparently intellectual growth is unencumbered in the West, or so goes the inference. I see the Western intel-

lectual discovering many wonderful things: the atomic bomb, the hydrogen bomb, ICBM's with atomic warheads.

And then I see Japanese research - research of a far different type: merely to make the existing order a better one in which to live. I see the refinements the Japanese have made on many products to such a degree that many of the products, particularly cameras, tape recorders, motorcycles, transistor radios, to name but a few, are the finest in the world. They are approaching life and the existing order in a realistic way.

**News About Servicemen**

**IN EXERCISE**

Army Sgt. James A. Yeoman, husband of Elaine Yeoman, 920 Maple Park dr., Medford, recently took part in Exercise Grand Slam II with other members of the 14th Armored Cavalry Regiment in Germany.

Elements of the Canadian, French and German armed forces also participated in the exercise which was designed to test plans and procedures of NATO forces assigned to central Europe.

**COMPLETES COURSE**

Army Pfc. Calvin E. Rhodes, son of Mrs. Estella M. Rhodes, Central Point, has completed a 15-week radio teletype operation course at the Southern Signal school, Ft. Gordon, Ga.

**ABOARD CARRIER**

Boilerman Second Class Richard F. Klassen, son of Mrs. Violet M. Wilson, 115 Mistletoe st., Medford, is engaged in under way training aboard the attack aircraft carrier USS Shangri-La at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

**ABOARD CRUISER**

Fire Control Technician Seaman Apprentice Arthur A. Ruhl, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Ruhl, 1300 Dakota ave., is serving aboard the guided missile cruiser USS Little Rock, en route to the Mediterranean.

**GRADUATES**

Capt. Frederick H. Faulkner, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Faulkner, 693 Head rd., Central Point, is being reassigned to his former base, Reese Air Force Base, Texas, following his graduation from the Air Force instrument pilot instructor course at Randolph Air Force Base, Texas.

The officer, a graduate of Sacramento State college, received advanced training covering navigational aids, flight instruments and fundamentals of instrument instruction. He now is qualified for duty as an instrument instructor, flight examiner or supervisor of instrument flight training programs.

**IN EXERCISE**

Army Pvt. Steven J. Hooley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman A. Hooley, Kerby, and husband of Myrna Hooley, 200 Lewis ave., Grants Pass, recently took part in Exercise Grand Slam II with other members of the 14th Armored Cavalry Regiment in Germany.

**CITED**

Lt. Col. Galen C. Morey, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Colom, formerly of Medford and now of Roseburg, has been cited at Sandia Base, Albuquerque, N.M., with the presentation of a certificate of achievement for services he performed during the period March 1961 to January 1963 while assigned to plans officers for Field Command, Defense Atomic Support agency.

The officer is currently attending the University of Omaha, Neb. and following completion of a six month course, will return to Sandia Base for reassignment.

**IN CELEBRATION**

Yeoman Seaman Jeffrey L. Porter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norris Porter, Old Stage rd., Medford, recently took part in the 20th anniversary celebration of the destroyer USS Mullaney in San Francisco.

**REASSIGNED**

Second Lt. Edward J. Susec, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Susec, 324 Liberty st., Ashland, is being reassigned to the 827th Radar Squadron at Kingsley field, Klamath Falls, Ore., following his graduation from the Air Force training course for weapons controllers at Tyndall Air Force Base, Fla.

A graduate of Ashland High school, Lieutenant Susec received his bachelor of arts degree from Southern Oregon college.

**COURSE COMPLETED**

Army Pvt. Albert R. Myers, Central Point, and George E. Phillips, son of Mr. and Mrs. George L. Phillips, 330 Crowson rd., Ashland, have completed a five-week helicopter maintenance course at the Aviation center, Ft. Rucker, Ala.

**COMPLETE BASIC**

Pvt. Judith D. Maxson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey C. Maxson, route 4, Medford, and Carolyn K. Raigosa, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William F. Kimble, route 1, Rogue River, have completed eight weeks of basic military training at the Women's Army Corps center, Ft. McClellan, Ala.

Miss Maxson will remain at Ft. McClellan for specialized training in typing and clerical procedures.

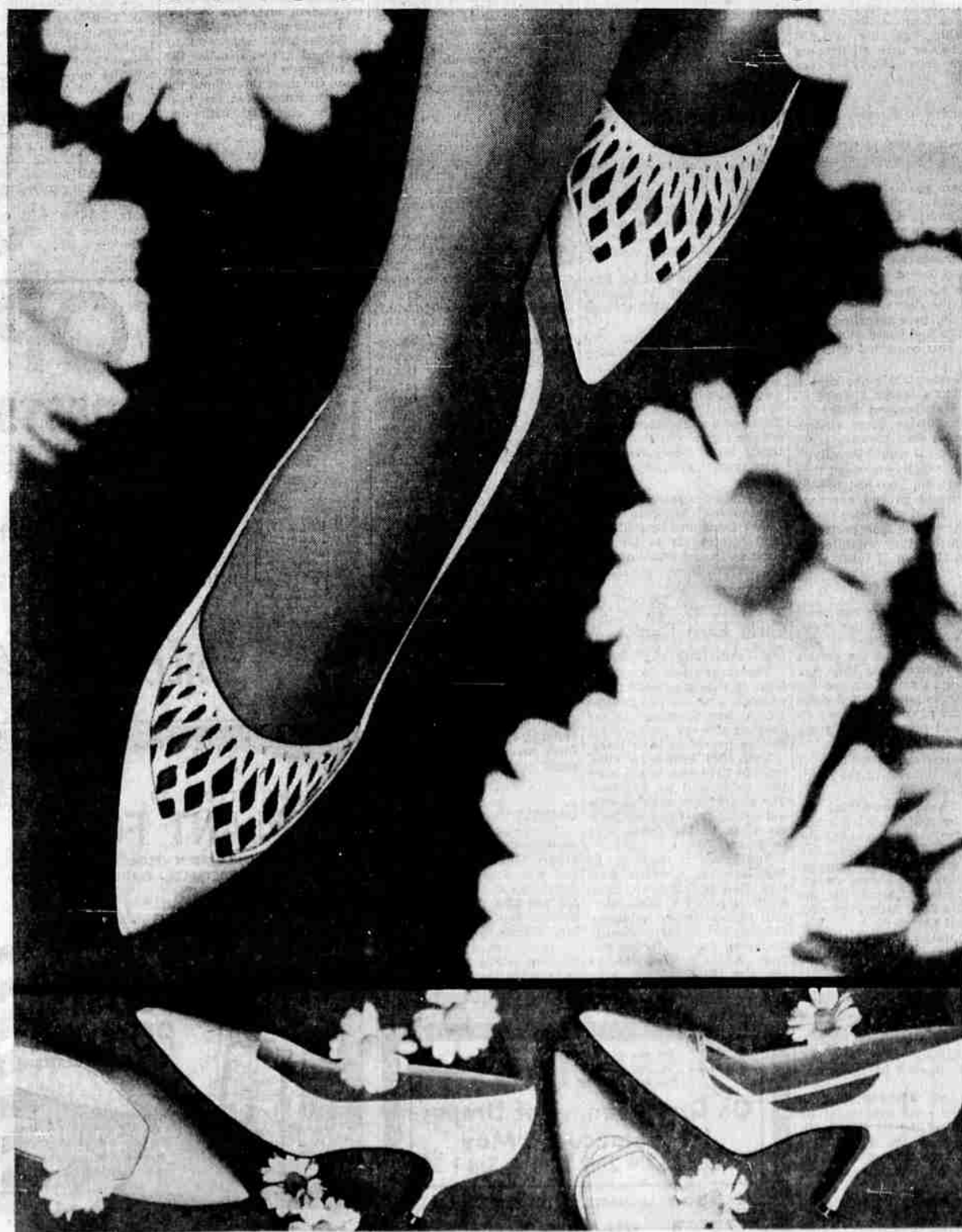
**RECEIVES MEDAL**

Army Sgt. David G. Will, husband of Merry Will, Rogue River, recently was awarded the Good Conduct medal while serving with the 27th Artillery in Germany. He is currently assigned to Battery A of the artillery's 6th Howitzer battalion at Ft. Chaffee, Ark.

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