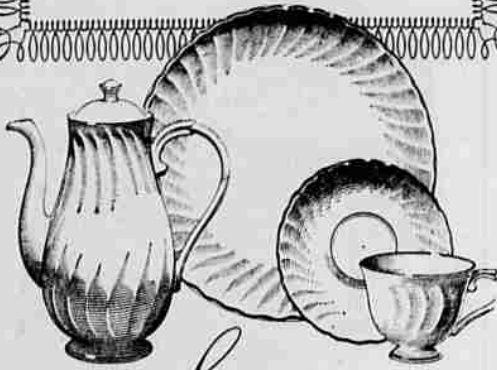


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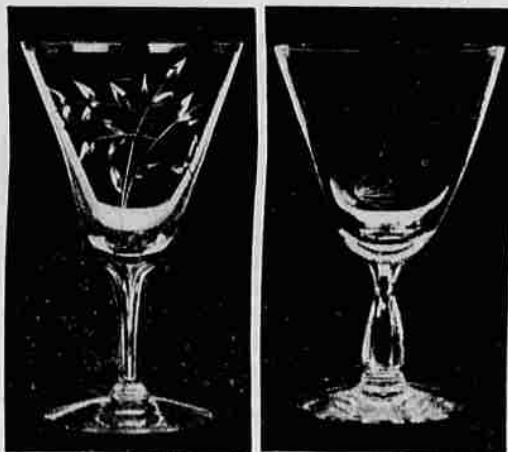
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Mrs. America of 1963 Says 'It's Been a Ball'

By JOAN SWEENEY
United Press International
Los Angeles (UPI)—In the six months since Marilyn Mitchell was crowned Mrs. America of 1963, she has logged nearly 80,000 air miles. And for the San Diego housewife, who had never been out of California before, it has been a ball.

Mrs. Mitchell is billed as the nation's "Number One Home-maker," and she has found the description generates considerable interest among women when she makes personal appearances across the country in connection with her title.

"Many women come out to see me just out of curiosity," she said. "In one small mid-western town, a woman came up to me and said, 'My bridge club sent me to find out what you have that we don't.'"

Mrs. Mitchell, the wife of R. Lyle Mitchell, a marketing personnel supervisor for a telephone company, won the Mrs. America title on the basis of homemaking skills, community service, poise, personality and appearance. And it's obvious to even a casual observer that the brown-haired, brown-eyed mother of three scores high marks in the latter three departments. She reveals her age as 36 without the slightest hesitancy.

"I never mind telling my age," she said, "because each year is better than the year before."

Visits Hamlets, Cities

On her junkets in connection with her title, Mrs. Mitchell has visited hamlets and America's largest cities.

As a lifetime resident of seashore southern California, she found one of her biggest thrills on a recent visit to Connecticut. She saw her first autumn.

Although her trips take her away from her children—Kirk, 9; Rodney, 10 and Shelly, 12—her travels have been an education for them too.

"They have got a tremendous geography lesson out of it," she said. "They follow me on a globe and we talk about the areas I visit. I try to bring back something from each section."

"It's like having a traveling saleswoman for a mother," she added.

Mrs. Mitchell has firm ideas on raising her children.

"I believe they should have equal amounts of love and discipline," she said. "It's very difficult to fight new trends, but I believe in sticking to a decision if it is right and proper for the child. I think a child really wants discipline and feels more secure if he receives it."

And as far as Mrs. America is concerned, her husband is the titleholder at home.

Man Head of House

"I believe very strongly the man is the head of the house. Somebody has to be the one who answers when the children are involved. The child must know who the head of the house is."

Mrs. Mitchell was talked into entering the Mrs. America contest by a women's club.

"I was very reluctant because I felt I didn't have a chance and it would be disappointing to them. They talked me into it and I'm so glad."

Since she won the title, her autograph has become popular among her children's classmates. On one of the requests, however, her son asked for a special inscription to go with the autograph. She found out why later—the recipient had paid him 15 cents for it.

Mrs. Mitchell takes her job as Mrs. America seriously.

"I have to be on my toes," she said. "Where I used to run to the grocery store in a pair

of capris, now I feel I have to be more careful about how I look because I'm supposed to be representing the housewives of America."

Printers Plan Banquet, Dance

A Christmas banquet and evening of dancing for members of the Medford Typographical Union, Local 559 and wives and husbands are announced for Sunday, December 15 at The Dardenelles Dining Inn.

A cocktail hour at 6:30 p.m., will precede the 7:30 p.m., buffet dinner.

An orchestra will provide the dance music.

Richard Morgan of The Medford Mail Tribune is chairman for the event.

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 10 a.m. Friday. Deadline for the weekly calendar is 9 a.m. of the day of publication and for week day news is 5 p.m. the day before publication.

Thursday

7 p.m.—Susannah Wesleyan Guild, home of Mrs. Everett Faber, 810 Crown Street, Central Point.

7 p.m.—Talisman Rosebud Council, Pythian Sunshine Girls, Pythian building.

7 p.m.—Ladies Auxiliary to Table Rock Encampment, Medford IOOF hall.

7 p.m.—Mothers of Twins Club, Ping's Restaurant.

7:30 p.m.—Zonta Club, home of Mrs. Cole Holmes, 16 Ross Court.

7:30 p.m.—Lively Rogues, Rogue Valley Country Club.

7:30 p.m.—Altrusa Club of Medford, home of Mrs. Ralph Dippel.

8 p.m.—Fraternal Order of Eagles, Eagles hall.

8 p.m.—Reames Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, Masonic Temple.

Friday

9:30 a.m.—4 p.m.—Central Point and Westside Home Extension Units Bazaar, Central Point Grange hall.

12 noon—St. Elizabeth's Guild, St. Mark's Church.

12:30 p.m.—Fifty Plus Club, St. Mark's Guild hall, Fifth Street and Oakdale Avenue.

1:30 p.m.—FOE Auxiliary Past Presidents Club, home of Mrs. Yetta Flowers, 205 South Holly Street.



LOS ANGELES—Mrs. Marilyn Mitchell, "Mrs. America" of 1963, whose home is in San Diego, Calif., takes in the sights at Rockefeller Center during a visit to New York City. (UPI)

Japanese Student Guest Dinner Slated

The Rogue Valley Unit, Oregon Beautician Association had as their guest at the December 9 meeting, Miss Toshiko Funabashi, a student from Japan now making her home with the Doyle Stockton family. She is attending Medford Senior High School and arrangements for her stay here were made through a letter published in The Medford Mail Tribune.

Other guests were Miss Darlene Dwyer of the Rose Beauty Center, Harvey Forsyth of Mann's Beauty Salon and Anthony McCormick of Winnie's Style Salon.

Mrs. Lloyd Hoffine and Mrs. Larry Rose, chairman and co-chairman of arrangements for National Beauty Salon Week, February 9 through 16, made a report of planned activities. They also assigned committees.

Mrs. Miriam Ward received the Community Leadership Award from the unit for outstanding work in the community. She now will compete for an award on a state-wide level during the coming year.

Mrs. Raymond Byrd demonstrated a new hair style.

Builders Class Dinner Slated

Members of the Builders Class of First Methodist church will assemble at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, December 14, in the dining hall of the church for a potluck dinner and program.

Glen Duxsen, class president, announces that there will be a film and other entertainment prior to the dinner. A talent show is being arranged by Mrs. James Baumer and Mrs. Johnny Weber, participants to be sons and daughters of class members. Christmas treats will be given to each child present and these are being assembled by Mrs. W. J. Williams.

Mrs. Oliver P. Taylor and Mrs. C. Gordon Morris, in charge of dinner plans, ask that each family bring table service for its members, as well as the requested food. Mrs. Leo L. Taylor is in charge of decorations and Mr. and Mrs. Duxsen will decorate the Christmas tree.

Past Presidents Club of the auxiliary to Crater Lake Aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles, will meet in the home of Mrs. Yetta Flowers, 205 South Holly Street Friday, December 13 at 1:30 p.m.

Mrs. Kennedy Purchases Old House in Georgetown

By HELEN THOMAS
United Press International
WASHINGTON (UPI)—Mrs. John F. Kennedy has chosen as her new home a 12-room colonial-style house in the swank Georgetown section of the capital, only blocks from where she lived with her husband in a happier day.

Complete with an elevator, an outside patio, and a view of the Potomac from a rooftop "captain's watch," the house was listed for sale at \$190,000. The exact sale price, however, was not announced.

The new house is across the street from where Mrs. Kennedy is now living in a home lent her by Undersecretary of State W. Averell Harriman. Three blocks away, is another home formerly owned by the Kennedys when the late President was a senator.

A spokesman for Mrs. Kennedy said Wednesday that she and her two children, Caroline, 6, and John Jr., 3, would move into the house next month.

The house was purchased from James M. Gibson, a retired investment broker. Gibson originally listed the house for sale at \$350,000 but recently lowered it.

Built around 1794, Gibson said the mottled brick building is believed to be Georgetown's second oldest house. It has seven bedrooms, cathedral ceilings, and foot-thick walls.

The first floor drawing room opens out on to an enclosed patio. To the right of the center hall is the dining room. Behind it is the kitchen and servants' quarters.

Holiday Theme Used by Club

Wednesday Study Club observed the holiday season at the December meeting with a luncheon and Christmas party held in Girl's Community Club.

Mrs. Hazel E. Flurry gave the program and chose for reading, a group of Christmas selections, "When Christmas Comes," which explains the true meaning of Christmas, "When the King Came," "The Angel and the Shepherds," and "The Star," found in the book entitled "Christ and the Fine Arts," written by Cynthia Pearl Maus. Mrs. Flurry also read poems, "How Far to Bethlehem," "The Inn That Misses Chance," and "Who Are Wise Men."

Mrs. M. W. Jarmin and Mrs. R. A. McKay were guests.

blocks, and sewing sets. Mrs. Johnson told the children that one of the "last things President Kennedy did was to arrange for all the toys that were brought here today."

The house was described by Pamela Turnure, Mrs. Kennedy's press secretary, as "quite spacious." She said the President's widow is expected to move in about the middle of January.

In the White House Wednesday, President Johnson signed legislation giving Mrs. Kennedy Secret Service protection, along with free mailing privileges, and office help.

Under the bill, Secret Service agents will be available to protect the Kennedy family for as long as two years. The mailing privileges were for her lifetime.

The entire amount authorized Mrs. Kennedy was \$65,000. Out of this \$15,000 was to be used to defray burial costs for President Kennedy and \$50,000 to pay her staff.

Settling into the White House, Mrs. Johnson took over a traditional First Lady's job. She brought Christmas toys to children in the District of Columbia General Hospital. With her daughter, Lucy Baines, Mrs. Johnson toured the wards giving the youngsters, puzzles,

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