

SOCIETY

By LOIS STEWART

Bend Conference Of Soroptimists

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The first impression one received upon arrival in Bend for the Soroptimist Northwest Regional conference was the friendliness and hospitality and the atmosphere of welcome from the entire town. It was expressed in the friendly welcome of the motor court proprietor, by the "Welcome Soroptimists" signs painted on the shop windows, to the warm greetings from the members of the Bend Soroptimist club who greeted us when we registered at the Pilot Butte Inn.

There were Soroptimists from the entire Northwest including Alaska, and young and enthusiastic Venturists who were greeted by

made us feel so proud that she was one of our members. Several guest musicians added much in making the evening a great success.

The Sunday breakfast, given by the Lakeview and Burns clubs made a perfect ending to a successful conference. We were all feeling quite disgruntled because of the early hour. When we arrived at the hotel we were immediately snapped out of it by the whoops and yippies that greeted us from the Lakeview and Burns girls all decked out in costumes ranging from the swank sheriff's posse garb, jeans and boots of range riders to black hats, pistols and bandanas of stagecoach robbers. Their theme was "Life on the Range" and it was carried out with table decorations and favors, and atmospherically by a trio of cowboys playing and singing western songs.

Their mistress of ceremonies was Lakeview club's president, Erma Clause, who kept things lively every moment. Although most of us were accustomed to only orange juice and coffee for breakfast, everyone tore into a chuck-wagon breakfast of steak, fried potatoes and coffee.

After a rollicking good time, we all settled down to more serious matters when the address "Our House in Order, Spiritually," was given by Anne Sprague of the Lakeview club who is the Lakeview superintendent of schools. Her talk was very inspirational and she urged each to use all his talents and influence on the many problems facing us both at home and abroad, and to have faith in God, in our principles and in ourselves.

The final meeting of the conference was conducted by the outgoing regional director, Claire Nichols, who introduced the new director for the next two years, Alice Jones of Portland.

The final message was given by Lois Bell Sandall, immediate past president of the American Federation who chose as her subject, "Our House in Order—World Wide." She told how important it is for organizations such as ours to participate in the fullest extent in world wide activities and to keep informed of world events. Her talk was very forceful and made one realize she knew her subject well.

This next month she will be sitting in conference at UNESCO where she has been invited to take part as an expert consultant in domestic relations.

Rose Poole was guest speaker and her topic carried the conference theme, "Our House in Order" from the legislative angle. Her talk was very impressive and straightforward. She brought out one point that made a great impression on us, that women in these United States hold the balance of power. There were 1,171,748 more women than men to come of voting age this past year.

We were all bursting with pride after the luncheon was over when we heard the compliments and thrills that the speakers and participants were our own members. There was only one thing lacking and that was that the person who so beautifully planned our luncheon, Lillian Hills, had to be absent on account of having the measles.

But there was more yet to come. The two clubs, Bend and Lakeview, that we organized were still to be heard from.

The Bend Soroptimists were hostesses at the formal banquet held Saturday night. Beautiful dinner menus were handed to us at the door and the swan was the theme of their table decorations. Grace Donner was a gracious toastmistress and Velma Buckingham a capable presiding officer.

She introduced Lucille O'Neill, honorary member of the Klamath Falls Soroptimist club, as guest speaker. She spoke on "Our House in Order in Education." She immediately cast a spell over the entire audience with her humor, wit and sugar-coated pills of criticism. It

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PATTY DUELL is to be a bride in late summer. The engagement was announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Duell of Klamath Falls, this week. She will wed Arnold Malatchi, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Malatchi of Boise, Ida.

—Kennell-Ellis

Sojourners

Sojourners and their guests met at the Willard hotel Wednesday afternoon, April 29, for a no-hostess luncheon and cards.

Contract bridge and pinocle were enjoyed with prizes going to Mrs. Don Rice, Mrs. George Reed and Mrs. J. Argersinger. Hostess for the afternoon was Mrs. H. R. Collins. Mrs. Elton Galbreath, Mrs. Rosalyn Jackson and Mrs. Crosby Lamont were introduced as new members. Guests attending were Mrs. R. L. Nations, Mrs. G. U. Cornell, Mrs. Ruth Wallace, Mrs. Dale Morrison, Mrs. George Reed, Mrs. Ray Williams, Mrs. A. F. Bettsch and Mrs. Schrum.

Mrs. Williams of the Red Cross asked for volunteers to come to a training course for social welfare aides. Anyone wishing further information should contact the Red Cross office.



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Plans for the coming spring dinner dance were discussed. Mrs. Poole and her committee are planning on making this a gala affair. Saturday, May 15, at the Willard hotel is the time and place with the social hour at 7 o'clock. A buffet supper will be served at 8:30 o'clock.

Hawaiian decorations will be used and entertainment and group singing will be enjoyed. McDonald and Morrison will furnish the music.

Members and particularly newcomers wishing to attend should contact Mrs. Marshall Poole, 3363.

Pearl Yorkland entertained the Thursday Contract club on April 22 at her home, 519 N. 11th. Bertha Hewitt received the award for high score. There was one guest, Grace White. The club's next meeting will be May 6.

Saddle Club
The Klamath Saddle club met for its annual dinner and installation at Sari's Saturday evening and Mrs. A. F. McDonald, retiring president, returned over the office to Mrs. Carol Chase, newly elected head of the group.

The long tables were decked with sweet peas and ferns with the club's special little black and gold horses as figurines. A special award trophy went to Mrs. Guy Barton and to Mrs. L. L. Truax for their outstanding work in the club this past year and they will keep the trophy for six-month periods.

Attending the dinner were Mr. and Mrs. A. F. McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Earl McNeilly, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Mattoon, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Balsiger, Mr. and Mrs. Carol Chase, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Barton, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Elledge, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Moon, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Rice, Mrs. L. L. Gruen, Mrs. Dan Liskey, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Cletus McMahan, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Matt, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ruge, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rickbell, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Read, Mr. and Mrs. Beverly Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Drew, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hatchett, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Denlinger and Mrs. Charles Perry.

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Catholic Daughters Elect Officers

Mrs. Rose Bell of Stayton was unanimously re-elected state regent, Catholic Daughters of America, at the thirteenth biennial convention of the organization held in Klamath Falls last Saturday and Sunday, April 24 and 25.

Court Klamath, the hostess group, was honored by the election of Mrs. Mildred Smith as vice regent. Mrs. Smith was the first grand regent of the local court and it was through her efforts that court Klamath was established.

Helen Welch of Portland was elected to the office of treasurer; Clarissa Trembley, Tillamook, monitor; Hazel Holmboe, secretary. Delegates to the national convention, Rose Hall, Ann Erwert and Helen White; alternates, Nellie Franzwa, Helen Van Hoomissen and Mildred Smith. The 1950 convention will be held in Pendleton.

The transportation committee headed by Elizabeth Brandness, assisted by Dolores McAndrews, Helen Patterson, Virginia Herlihy, Ollie Holzgang and Aileen Ellis, transported the state officers and delegates from their respective hotels to the grand regent of the hostess court, Rose O'Leary, welcomed the members. The floral arrangements at the hall were under the direction of Minnie McCroskey. Glady Stephens and Geraldine Roycroft.

Registration was under the direction of Violet Pieser, assisted by Mildred Petrick, Luana Spith, June Andreu, Leone Mathis, Mary Ann Granas, Mary Howard and Hazel Nary.

Rose Bell, state regent, well-known for her charm and graciousness, presided over the business session, and the national representatives, Mrs. Wilma Lewis, the Rev. Murnane and other state officers and members were welcomed by Grand Regent Rose O'Leary.

Lynn Roycroft, commander of Klamath post No. 8, gave the address of welcome from the city and the opening prayer was led by the Rev. Edward Murnane, followed by group singing of the national anthem and the opening ode.

Roll call of state officers and delegates followed with all 17 courts of the state being represented. Mrs. Nellie Franzwa, called the "Mother of Catholic Daughters West of the Rockies," was escorted to a place of honor, and district deputies, Helen White of Salem, Mary LeDoux of Mt. Angel and Pearl Chapman of Portland were also given seats of honor.

It was reported that five of the courts represented were attending their first convention. State Convert League Chairman Mrs. Selby Shunterman and State Junior Chairman Agnes Brown had some very interesting exhibits on display. Court Klamath's very capable grand regent, Rose O'Leary, served on the credentials and resolutions committee.

The state regent's report brought out several very interesting facts, including an increase of 234 members in the courts throughout the state. Court Capitol City, Salem, and Court Klamath, Klamath Falls, tied for first place in the membership contest, and were given similar awards. Court Columbia, Astoria, received the second award. During the past five years courts throughout the state have increased membership by 1174 members.

Several good ideas were gleaned from the reports of the grand regents of the various courts, including a new practice started by Court Sacred Heart of Tillamook, namely "A Perpetual Novena of Rosaries," said each day by three members of the court for a period of nine days, when three other women take over the task. Their intention is for the reconversion of Russia to the Christian beliefs and for members of the church who have fallen away.

The hospitality committee headed by Rose O'Leary, assisted by Mildred Smith, Ann Pala, Agnes Londe, Lenore Gallagher, Phyllis Mahoney, Azita Kennedy and Ellen Ely extended a helping hand to the out-of-town guests. Housing was

arranged for the delegates and visitors by Kathleen Maguire, Jeannette Alber, Marcella Carrier and Freda Newman.

A round table discussion was conducted by Mrs. Lewis, national representative, during the afternoon session and other business was transacted in preparation for the initiation to be held in the evening.

At the banquet, toastmistress was Minnie McCroskey. The Rev. T. P. Casey of the local court led the prayer. Arrangements for the banquet were made by Rose Bell, Bonnie Vandenberg, Clara Houston, Ann Kessler, Marcella Murray, Winnie Hooker, Jean Moore, Pearl Hoskins, Ethel Fairall, Hazel Landry and Catherine Schomaker.

Between courses the Cecilian ensemble of Sacred Heart academy rendered several beautiful selections, accompanied by Patsy Clark. Three vocal solos were sung by Harriet Lavenik.

Mrs. Lewis extended an invitation to the courts to attend the national convention to be held in Pasadena, Calif., early in July.

During the evening session the following were initiated: Elda De Bortoli, Myrtle Brett, Clara Buckingham, Iris Buckingham, Lovaine Marie Burke, Catherine Clifton, Sarah A. Eriel, Donna Fehlen, Edith Goodwin, Catherine S. Leske, Elizabeth G. Nichols, Eugenia M. Pavelek, Carmel Raffetto, Barbara Richmond, Elizabeth Russell, Elizabeth Thomas, Norine M. Weier and Helen Weltkamp.

The degree work was exemplified by the degree team from Salem. Last minute details of the initiation were arranged by Ida Mochetaz and Ethel Brunner. Court Klamath is fortunate in having so much local talent including Ursula Bond of Chiloquin, who sang "Mother Dear, Oh Pray for Me," and the court choir, which sang "Ave Maria" after the initiation.

The girls participating in this were Frances Deuliner, Marion Cronin, Vivien Kierns, Barbara Conlon, Luana Smith, Leone Mathis, Barbara Bogatay, Ethel Doveri, Naomi Miller, Ethel Fairall and James Moty, and the organist was Louise Vaughn.

A seminar, "Share the Faith," was given by members of the Salem degree team, led by the lecturer, and at the close the snack committee, including Hazel Nary, Catherine Allen, Verne Cody, Berneice Negrevski, Ursula Bond, Margaret Molitor, Grace Rousseau, Elita Plasker and Finley Watson, served.

Sunday morning 180 Daughters received Holy Communion at the 8 o'clock mass which was celebrated by the Rev. Murnane, state chaplain, who gave a very inspiring sermon based upon "Learn to Love the Will of God."

A breakfast committee headed by Martha Lavenik, assisted by Pat Dale, Alice Abbott, Peggy Sexton, Hazel Kann, Emmille Miller, Marie Nidorf, and Helen Murphy, arranged



NEW PRESIDENT of the Saddle club took over last Saturday night at a banquet at Sari's. Here, Mrs. Carol Chase (right), accepts the president's gavel from Mrs. A. F. McDonald, retiring president.

—Guderian

the breakfast at the Winema hotel. At the close of the meeting the grand regent thanked Mildred Smith, general chairman of the convention and her assistants, Violet Pieser and Azita Kennedy, for their extremely successful work. A luncheon at the Pelican cafe was arranged by Rose Bell, Florence Pickett, Helen Egan, Mabel Brocktrup, Margaret Lavin, Mildred Seavey, Billie Walker and Helen Wagner.

The programs for the convention and the decorations were arranged by Violet Pieser, Nora Quinlan, Elizabeth Schuh, Katie Curt, Theresa Calhoun, Maude Bellant, Angeline Milani, Bernadine Walker, Clara Beard and Laura Hamilton.

Stevie, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Killian of 1742 Meado way, observed his second birthday April 23 at his home when a number of little guests were invited in for the afternoon.

After birthday cake the guests played on the lawn and movies were taken of the party. Present were Kenny Zollinger, Larry and Lynn Sanders, Mary Margaret and Kathy LaFleur, Nancy Pernigotti, Vaughn Stone, and Kirk and Stevie Killian.



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