

Home Extension

BIENA VISTA

Bienna Vista Home Extension Unit met at Joan's Kitchen December 6. The group enjoyed Christmas games and an exchange of gifts.

Five visitors enjoyed a delicious polka luncheon. They were Mrs. William Davison, Mrs. Glen Dowers, Mrs. Ted Nancarrow, Mrs. J. R. Guidi and Anna Lee Price.

Next meeting will be January 6 with Mrs. Ed Charas and Mrs. I. C. Holzhauser as project leaders.

ALMAMONT

The Almamont Extension Unit had its Christmas idea meeting when Mrs. Margaret Valk, Mrs. L. G. Deen, and Mrs. C. E. Cornett, members of the Northside Garden Club, demonstrated Christmas items they had made.

Other guests were Ruth Gustavson, county extension agent; Mrs. Orville Ferrell, member of the county committee; Mrs. W. J. Cavender; Mrs. D. D. Baker of Arcata, California, and Mrs. Margaret Wiard.

Because Miss Gustavson is getting married, the group presented her with a wedding gift. She told of her plans to be married at her home in Minneapolis on Christmas Eve.

Members answered roll call by giving Christmas traditions in their homes when they were children.

Instead of drawing names the group brought canned and non-perishable foods to be given deserving families. These were delivered immediately to two families.

Crater Masons Installation Set

Crater Lake Lodge No. 211 AF & AM will hold an installation of new officers on Saturday, December 12, at 8 p.m. in the Scottish Rite Temple, 632 Walnut Street. A reception will follow the installation ceremonies.

The 1960 officers to be installed are Gus Vilhous, worshipful master; Virgil H. Barleen, senior warden; Clarence A. Humble, junior warden; Walter F. Brown, treasurer; W. Dexter Elliott, secretary; Thomas C. Barnes, senior deacon; Jack W. Wright, junior deacon; Louis S. Fritsch, chaplain; Arthur D. Howell, marshal; Charles W. Filtz, senior steward; Joseph E. Green, junior steward and Lloyd G. Murphy, tyler.

The public is invited to attend.

Record For Altitude Set; Pilot Tells Experiences

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Rolling and weightless in the black void at the edge of space 19 miles above the earth—that's the story brought back by a pilot who made a successful assault on the world plane altitude record.

Navy Cmdr. Lawrence E. Flint Jr. told an interviewer his experience after taking off from California's Edwards Air Force Base last Sunday in a McDonnell F4H Phantom II carrier jet.

"I leveled off at about 50,000 feet, doing about 1,500 m.p.h. I pulled the stick back into my belly and headed almost straight up."

"The ship was almost flyless at the top—there wasn't any atmospheric resistance to the control surfaces."

"The instruments showed I was flying but I couldn't tell it because I was weightless and it was dark. It was a slow motion sort of thing. 'Way above, or actually below, I could make out the layer where the atmosphere thins out. That occurs about 38,000 feet. Also, I could see some of the curvature of the earth's surface."

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KU NEWS VIEWS

By TIM MANNON

KU now has two new chartered clubs due to the overwhelming approval of their constitutions by the members of Student Council during the regular council meeting Thursday.

The first club receiving the council's okay was the Academicians, who are a discussion and debate group of students. The purpose of this club, with Miss Eva Burkhalter as adviser, is "to broaden the members' knowledge through research and the interchange of ideas; to stimulate interest in various fields; to give members the chance to present ideas concisely, and to help develop a logical system of thought." The club will meet Fridays.

The other club approved is the Aqua Pels, a group of synchronized swimmers that is open to both boys and girls.

Next the council voted to buy the rally squad the school sweaters, which are the ones that remain with the school for future use, after a complete explanation by Veil Queen Bobbie Taylor.

These sweaters cost about \$30 apiece with the letters and emblems included. (The rest of the Rally Squad's uniform, which includes another sweater, is paid for by the girls themselves.)

The representatives also voted for "The Key" as name of the Student Directory after hearing debate from such suggested titles as "The Teleprompter," "The Tattler," "The Chatter Chart," and "The Little Black Book."

The student who named the directory, which has addresses and the telephone numbers of all students and members of the faculty who want theirs printed, is Rita Lumkin, a senior.

In other business the members heard a report of the Inter-Club Council meeting by President George Flitterati, and voted to have the different classes construct wreaths to put on their doors, as a Christmas project.

Some representatives suggested also that these wreaths might be sold afterwards. While discussing a suitable prize for the winning wreath, the council was figuring on the reward for a Christmas party as the food. But Principal McKinney pointed out that the faculty has decided against having any Christmas parties this year. The matter was then referred to the executive committee.

Under announcements, a member from Art Club related that they were selling Christmas cards and Susan Mose, president of Girls' League, announced that the Girls' League is going to stage a "dime dance" after school on December 10 from 3:15 to 4:30 p.m. The proceeds will go to the Hospital Survey Fund.

The meeting was adjourned by Mikell Thurston, student body president.

Demos 'Beauty Contest' Won By Adlai Stevenson

NEW YORK (AP)—The Democrats held a big, four-hour "beauty contest" of 1960 presidential possibilities Monday night and, based on applause, the winner was Adlai E. Stevenson.

Stevenson says he isn't seeking the nomination.

Nevertheless, of seven men who were called to the lectern before a glittering, jam-packed crowd of Democrats, the tons for whipping and hollering went to Stevenson.

The occasion was a dinner honoring the 75th birthday of Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt. It came at the end of weekend meetings in New York of the Democratic Advisory Council. More than 1,000 Democrats paid \$100 a plate to attend the event and look over the field.

Former President Harry S. Truman and a major portion of the party big-wigs were present. Truman, bouncy and ebullient as ever, presided over the "beauty contest."

It was handled with the essence of tact and diplomacy—so as to indicate no preference for any of the presidential hopefuls.

There was no head table. Each of the aspirants and potential candidates sat with party leaders at separate tables.

When dinner ended, the curtains parted on a stage. There, seated in a semi-circle with Mrs. Roosevelt and Truman in the middle, were three U.S. senators, three governors—and Stevenson—all of whom have been mentioned for the Democratic nomination.

Truman, obviously relishing the role, called them to speak. He was the soul of finesse.

"I won't use any device that might indicate I favor any one of them," he said. "They're all personal friends of mine."

Carrying caution even further, he said he would proceed geographically, moving from west to east across the continent.

That brought Edmund G. (Pat) Brown, governor of California, up first. "A man to be reckoned with," said Truman.

Then came Sen. Hubert Humphrey of Minnesota, and Sen. Stuart Symington, of Missouri. Having now reached the Middle West, Truman called on Stevenson.

Stevenson registered well-bred surprise.

He had already spoken once, opening the dinner. There had been applause for him the first time.

Now, looking like a schoolboy caught day-dreaming by the teacher, he said: "I wasn't supposed to be included in the company of these handsome, hairy young men—a reference to his own baldness—and I'm a little at a loss what to say in view of your assumption that I'm still alive."

Nevertheless, he rose. So did many people in the audience. Cheers and clapping raked through the ballroom.

Reporters clocked the reception at 20 seconds. Tops up to that point had been the applause for Humphrey, 17 seconds.

Stevenson said he felt a story was appropriate. It was about a drunk, locked all night in a hotel bar. The tagline, which he delivered with an impish twinkle, was: "I don't want to get in. I just want to get out."

Michigan's Gov. G. Mennen Williams, New Jersey's Gov. Robert B. Meyner, and Sen. John F. Kennedy of Massachusetts followed in order. The applause for Kennedy lasted 10 seconds.

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AMA Prexy Backs Fight

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Ex-Resident Stars In Role

A former Klamath Falls solo, Wilber Elliott, sang the tenor solo role December 6 in the Yule Oratorio, "The Messiah," at College of Puget Sound, Tacoma. Elliott is choral director at Clover Park High School, Tacoma.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Elliott, this city, and received his early training in voice in Klamath Falls, beginning with his student years at Klamath Union High School.

Edward Referian, conductor, Tacoma Symphony, conducted.

Other soloists were Dr. Charles M. Fisher, associate professor of music at CPS, who sang the bass; Miss Margaret Myles, assistant professor of voice, contralto, and Jan Speers Seferian, wife of the conductor, who sang the soprano role.

Mrs. Wilber (Catherine Blanas) Elliott, who has also taken part in numerous activities in musical circles since leaving Klamath Falls, sings with local groups in Tacoma and teaches music. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George S. Blanas, 1036 Eldorado Avenue.

Bomb Threats Close Paper

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP)—Bomb threats that scared away advertisers sent a weekly Negro newspaper to shut down, Mrs. L. C. Bates, wife of the paper's publisher, says.

Mrs. Bates, president of the Arkansas branch of the National Assn. for the Advancement of Colored People, said Monday that anonymous telephone callers harassed advertisers in the State Press constantly. She attributed the calls to segregationists.

"They would call up the smaller merchants and threaten to bomb their stores if they ran more ads in the paper," she said.

Bates announced Nov. 8 that the paper had been suspended and at that time blamed financial losses and the termination of a building lease.

Bronze Plaque Needs Editing

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP)—How do you edit a bronze plaque? Brown University's Van Winkle Gates are a hallowed campus landmark. Dismantlers assembled about them Monday to attach a plaque to a gatepost thanking Elmer G. MacDowell, '14, a university trustee, for restoring the wrought iron gates.

Suddenly the little ceremony collapsed. Somebody noticed the marker identified MacDowell as "Elmer J."

The plaque has gone back to the manufacturer to be corrected.

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Sub Missile Firing Lauded

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP)—The Navy successfully fired a Polaris submarine missile for the second straight time Monday.

Navy sources said the two consecutive successes apparently means that engineers have worked out the bugs that caused three straight failures in September and October.

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Once or twice, speakers offered variations on the theme, "The man who will be elected the next President of the United States is right here in this room."

That seemed to omit a name also frequently mentioned — Sen. Lyndon Johnson, of Texas.

Finally, Mrs. Roosevelt spoke in the climax of the event. "I pray that the next president will be a Democrat," she said.

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