

300 Women Attend Homemakers' Festival April 16

By RUTH KING

"Progress comes from adventures, explorations of land and thought, the absolute conservative gives civilization naught."

This bit of philosophy by Rebecca McCann suggested the theme, "25 Years of Progress," used for the 1963 Klamath County Homemakers Festival on April 16 at the Klamath County Fairgrounds.

The setting, the program, some of the unit exhibits, followed the theme. Some of the honored guests present had been in home

extension since the organization meetings in 1938. Among those who came from a distance who have played important parts in that progress were Mrs. Charles (Azalea) Sager, Corvallis, former State Leader Home Economics; Mrs. Glenn Allen, Medford, Extension; and Mrs. Eber (Iva) Kilpatrick, Salem, who lived at Merrill for many years and at one time served as president of Home Economics Home Extension Council of District 3 was also present.

Some 300 women of the county's

several units and many guests were in attendance for the all-day meeting that opened with registration in the morning and concluded with an informative talk by Mrs. Ed Bell in the afternoon.

Luncheon was served by women members of the Midland Grange.

Arrangements for the meeting were made by Mrs. Ruth G. Dyer, Mrs. Frances C. Hall, Beverly Bower (4-H Club) members of the County Home Extension Advisory Committee chaired by Mrs. Merle Jackson and others.

The morning invocation was by Mrs. Richard Fleming followed by brief talks on "Our Beginnings, 25 years ago," by Mrs. James Dixon, Mrs. Wesley Harsey and Mrs. Fred Rueck, Mrs. Ray Loosley and Mrs. Earl Mack.

Mrs. Frances C. Hall spoke on "Your Agents," Mrs. Azalea Sager on the "Power of Women," Walt Jendrzejewski on "The Next 25 Years," and Mrs. Harlin Prough, Bonanza, vice chairman of the county advisory committee introduced the guests.

"The power of women is far-reaching," Mrs. Sager said, and when women believe that there is a real need for the betterment

of a community, for health improvement, for assistance to youth, and for answers to other problems that beset mankind today, women, working together, accomplish their goal.

She cited research projects established after women have raised the funds for study, specifically tooth research carried out at OSU and the building of Azalea House, women's dormitory on campus.

In conclusion Mrs. Sager, comparing this country with Africa, said such activities are possible in America because of the great freedom that women here have.

A world traveler, Mrs. Sager is well qualified to make such comparisons.

Walt Jendrzejewski, looking into the future in extension work, predicted that accomplishment depends largely upon the values held by the individual and how well they are preserved. His thought-provoking talk included the great advances that the extension service has made in the last quarter of a century in many areas of living, aiding many family levels throughout America.

The musical sextette, Clinton Kingen, Ken St. John, Jim Monteith, Bruce Carter, Sam Miller and John Kesterson of Conger School, directed by Mrs. Frances Woodruff, opened the afternoon session with several numbers that brought rounds of applause.

Mrs. Glenn Allen installed the two new members of the county advisory committee, Mrs. A. E. Smith, Oregon Technical Institute and Mrs. Carl Chase of Bly.

Mrs. Ed Bell spoke on "The Harmony of China, Glass and Silver," giving interesting bits of history, manufacturing processes and use.

Home Economics agents since 1938 have been Mrs. Winifred Gillen Fulmer, Mrs. Helen Stine Vaughn, Mrs. Lorna Peck McKinley, Mrs. Mary Glenn Gallagher, Mrs. Dorothy Tolleth, Mrs. Dolores Bracken Fricke, Mrs. Hope Holbrook Tachini and the present agents, Mrs. Ruth Dyer and Mrs. Frances Hall.

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YES! THEY ARE TWINS — Home furnishings were the project of the Conger-Fairview Home Extension Unit. Some of the articles made were interesting to Mrs. Rex High, left, and Mrs. Zetta Sullivan, right, twin sisters of the Poe Valley-Olene Unit.



TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF PROGRESS — Home Extension work has played an important part in the lives of hundreds of Klamath County homemakers in the quarter of a century since home extension units came into being, Sept. 13, 1938. There were originally seven units. Today there are 22. Winifred Gillen, now Mrs. Fulmer, was the first home economics extension agent. Left to right are Walt Jendrzejewski, Klamath County extension agent, Mrs. Ruth Dyer, Klamath County home economist, Mrs. Charles (Azalea) Sager, Corvallis, former state leader, Home Economics Extension Service, and Mrs. Frances Hall, Klamath County home economist. Azalea House, women's dormitory on the Oregon State University campus, was named for Mrs. Sager. Home extension women in Oregon helped establish that housing unit on campus.



REMEMBER WHEN? — The old-time shopping bag is relegated to the attic if you have one or to the trash can. Women marketing in today's modern, serve-yourself markets use clean rubber-tired carts to push up wide aisles. This exhibit was placed by the Fairhaven Unit. Left is Mrs. Eva Thompson. Right is Mrs. Putt Roberts.

OVERDONE BREAKFAST

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif. (UPI)—Thirty-thousand pounds of ham and bacon were a bit overcooked—in fact, burned to a crisp—Tuesday when a truck-trailer caught fire.

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