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KITES RESTRICTED TO THREE AREAS

March means windy weather, and wind makes many a young man's thoughts turn to kites. Due to the danger of electrocution to kite flyers and the chance of high voltage lines being damaged, Manager Harry D. Jaeger has announced that three areas have been set aside for kite flying.

The areas, away from the high voltage lines and the only places where kites may be flown, are the following: (1) the de-programmed area on Broadacre west of Lake in the open fields; (2) next to the dike on north Cottonwood; (3) Marshall School baseball field.

Wire kite lines should not be used, either, stated Mr. Jaeger, as the danger of electrocution is very great. On south Lake recently, a kite string wrapped around a 11,000 high voltage line and destroyed it, endangering the lives of persons passing by.

STATE NATIONAL GUARD ORGANIZING

Units of the Oregon National Guard are now being organized at the Portland Armory, N. W. 10th and Couch Street. Further information is available by calling S/Sgt. Ward, BR 0940, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday evenings, or by calling in person at Room 17 in the Armory.

Remember--the VOICE deadline is noon, March 25. Telephone, TY 0180, Ext. 56.

VANPORT WINS FIFTH IN BB TOURNEY

Fifth place in the Western States basketball tournament was captured by Vanport College last week in Compton, California.

The Vanport team moved into the finals by defeating Visalia, Calif. Junior College 58 to 57 March 6. At half time the score was tied, 26-26.

With a winning score of 65-59, Vanport, under the direction of Coach John F. Jenkins, defeated the Branch Agricultural College, Cedar City, Utah in the consolation final March 8.

GARDEN LOTS AVAILABLE

One hundred eight lots of ground will soon be ready for assignment to Vanporters for gardening. The lots will be 10' x 20', and may be reserved by contacting Mrs. Ruth Watson, Project Services, Vanport Administration Bldg.; or by calling Mrs. Watson at TY 0180, Ext. 12 or 13.

MOVIES TO BE WEEKLY FEATURE

Movies will be shown every Wednesday afternoon at 4:30 in Community Bldg. #5, it has been announced by Enid Jones, building director.

Women interested in taking sewing should inquire at Community Bldg. #5, she further stated. The building is located on Cottonwood, behind Nursery #5.

FIFTEEN COMPLETE NUTRITION CLASS

Fifteen Vanport women graduated from the Modified Nutrition Class March 5 according to Cora Allen, Red Cross instructor.

Graduates of the six-week, 12-hour course are Mrs. Davie Bonner, Mrs. Vera Brown, Mrs. Mildred Carr, Mrs. Sarah Cason, Mrs. Agnes Clark, Mrs. Samontha Denson, Mrs. Mattie Ford, Mrs. Dorothy Graham, Mrs. Freda Hickman, Mrs. J. C. Landers, Mrs. Odessa Martin, Mrs. D. Ryan, Mrs. Fannie Mae Ware, Mrs. Irene Washington, and Mrs. R. P. Wilson.

THE CHATTERBOX

By Faye Olson

The Thursday evening Hobby Class is engaged in any number of interesting hobbies. Right now they are making plastics gifts and lamps, bronzing and mounting baby shoes, stenciling textile prints on material and shelf paper, and making wall plaques. Next week they are starting leather tooling, and any adult interested in learning or experienced in leathercraft is invited to attend. The Hobby Class meets every Thursday evening in the #1 Comm. Bldg., and the only cost is for the material you use. Remember, it's a good way to get acquainted.

Talking about getting acquainted, how many of the foreign war brides know about the meetings held every Monday afternoon at 2 p.m. in the Portland YWCA?

The Tuesday evening Homecrafts group which meets at the Comm. Bldg. #1 from 7 to 10 p.m. are being given expert help on home sewing problems by Mrs. Chingrin. Self styling and fitting are two of the main items being studied.

Mothers, right now is the time for communicable diseases to spread rapidly. Won't you watch your children for sudden sore throats and high fevers and keep them home as the teachers have too much to do to take care of sick children. And, remember, there is a county health nurse at the Vanport Hospital.

MAINTENANCE SAYS

When you call for repairs (the number, TY 0180, Ext. 34) have all information ready to give: the number of your apartment, wash house, or the machine.

ROD AND GUN CLUB NOTES

By Benjamin Noble

The Club had a good turnout for its meeting on March 5. A vote was taken, and future meetings will be on the first Thursday of each month. John R. Hilburn and L. M. Samec were appointed chairmen of the athletic and the junior club activities, respectively.

For you who wish to bend a fish pole and stretch a line, try the Willamette River for crappie. If you want to drive a ways, take a trip down to Longview for some sea perch. Or drive north on Highway 99 up near Pioneer, turn there and go to Ridgefield and inquire for the locality known as the "narrows". Bass and catfish have been caught there.

Or you might go in the opposite direction up toward Stevenson this side of Wind River and try your luck in Rock Creek. Favorable reports are coming in from Claskanie, Oregon that most of the streams there have been harboring salmon and trout.

Have you tried the city of Scappoose? According to our dope, if you stop in at Scappoose and inquire for Duke's Road and take that to White's Moorage, you might have luck trolling for salmon and steelhead. Have you native Vanportites tried 5 Mile Lake for bass? Permission has to be obtained, and the lake is back of the Staffer Chemical Co. northwest of Vanport.

SAFETY PAYS

Mr. and Mrs. Vanporter, are you interested in safety? Here are a few tips from the NHA for accident prevention:

Keep things tidy; do not allow rubbish to accumulate anywhere in the house or near the house.

Keep oily cloths or rags in a metal can with a cover or dispose of them, if they have no further value.

Shrubby trimmings, tree limbs and other debris should not be piled against the sides or under the buildings.

Trash should not be burned near your house. Even when burned a reasonable distance away, someone should be in attendance with a water hose properly hooked up in case of emergency need.

If you'll heed these suggestions, they'll pay dividends.

TEEN'S OWN TALK

Our last week's Mystery couple, (Have you guessed?) is "Margie" Engstrom and Blair Gustafson.

MYSTERY BOY

Our mystery boy this week is a change from the tall, dark and handsome type we've been having. True, he's tall (5'11") and he's nice enough looking to suit any girl, but the change comes in that he isn't dark, having brown hair and a medium complexion.

He's an all around sport fan, his favorites being basketball and swimming.

When asked what his dislikes were, he had a ready answer: "GIRLS - 100%" (Quite emphatic, no?)

He's 16 years old and a junior at Roosevelt. Originally from California he's been in Vanport for 3 months.

"Always" is his favorite song at the present. Will it change?

COSTUME BALL TO BE HELD SATURDAY

Tomorrow night, March 15 at 7:30 is the time set for the Costume Ball for all members of the Teen-Age Club. Duane Siegrist, president of the club, has stated that for costumes teen-agers should "wear any old rag you can find in the rag sack."

Prizes for the best costumes, the best dancers, and a door prize will be given. Music will be by the juke box for the dance which will be held in the gaily decorated Teen-age Club Room, in Community Bldg. #1.

Twenty-five cents is the admission price set for the Costume Ball, which is for members only. Anyone interested in joining the Teen-Age Club may attend the next meeting March 26 at 7:30 in the club room.

DANCING

Every Tuesday, 7:30 to 9:45. Everyone invited. Teen-Age Club room.

MYSTERY GIRL

Here's our mystery girl for the week.

The color of her hair is a medium brown and her brown eyes go very well with her personality. She is 5'6½" and her weight is around 119 lbs.

Originally she's from Iowa. She has lived in Vanport for about 3 years and is a graduate of Vanport Jr. High. Now she's enrolled at Roosevelt High School, where she participates in the school band. She plays 2nd flute, 2nd chair, and is now in the "All City Band."

She likes one boy quite well, not saying who he is. She's not going steady with anyone so it gives him a chance.

SMOKE SIGNALS

As your little gossip gatherer groped her way through the halls at Rec. 1 she found a few articles which might be of interest to the eager-beavers and dainty daisies of dirt.

What's this we hear about a hush hush fight Monday night between Nettie Berglund and Roland Ubrick?

Where was Bill from 4:00 p.m. to 5:10 p.m. last Monday evening? Pretty rough, eh, Bill?

Janice Morgan and Glen Robideaux seemed to be having a pretty swell time last week at the old time dancing.

Where has China Berry been keeping himself lately? Outside interest, perhaps, China?

Earl Taylor sure keeps a tab on one certain girl at Rec 1. Her initials are D. J. P.

Now that Jim Pixely is working Jerrie only sees him on the weekends. But is she lonesome? She says no.

Last Saturday night a party was held in honor of Bea Westphal's 16th birthday. Everyone had a good time at the party given by Ted Gertz Saturday also.

VANPORT PASTOR MARRIES

The marriage of Eliza Toliver and Reverend C. C. Thompson was solemnized Wednesday evening, March 12, at the home of Reverend R. H. Williams, McLoughlin Heights, Vancouver, Washington.

In the presence of a few friends, Reverend O. B. Williams, pastor of the Vancouver Ave. Baptist Church of Portland, Oregon, read the ceremony.

The bride was beautifully dressed in Navy blue accented with pink, and wore a corsage of baby pink carnations and gardenias. A reception was held in honor of the couple at Community Bldg. #5.

The groom is pastor of the Union Baptist Church in Vanport.

ARMY NEWS

The AAF Training Command has announced that it has resumed the training of airplane pilots. This opportunity is open to men on duty with the AAF at the time their application for pilot training is submitted. Applications for training from men in civil life will not be accepted until after the applicant has enlisted and assigned to duty with the AAF.

The AAF also has need for men qualified to perform many job specialties. Men, having civilian experience in any of these job specialties, may be enlisted in grades above that of Private but equivalent to their experience in their job specialty.

Citizen restrictions for enlistment in the Regular Army have been relaxed somewhat. Any alien who has formally declared his intent to become a citizen of the United States is now eligible for enlistment.

M/Sgt B. A. Claspill is on duty in the Recruiting Office, Administration Bldg., Victory Blvd. and Force St., Vanport, to answer questions relating to the Regular Army.

Girls interested in taking tap-dancing for 25¢ a lesson should sign up in Comm. Bldg. #1 right away. In order to have lessons, 30 girls must sign up. Instruction will be given by Faye Broadwell's school of dancing.

BASEBALL MEETING HELD

Baseball started getting into swing with the first meeting of the season held Wednesday night in Comm. Bldg. #1. The meeting, called by J. R. Hilburn, manager of last year's "Lucky Seven", was for the purpose of lining up this year's team.

Mr. Hilburn stated that Maintenance has agreed to begin work on the two baseball fields at Vanport as soon as the weather is agreeable, grading the grounds and repairing the screens. The playing field will be Marshall School baseball field, while the practice grounds will be the ball field at Lake & Broadacre.

The Vanport Shoe Repair Shop will finance this year's team, Mr. Hilburn further stated.

Come to Community Bldg. #1 on March 20 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. to see free show: "1000 for Recreation" and "Playtown." Also exhibit and sale of crafts from Hobby class.

SUNDAY SIGHTSEEING

One of the attractions of Portland that is always fun to visit is Washington Park. The rose gardens and other landscaping are especially beautiful in the spring. There are public playgrounds for children, public tennis courts and several different picnic areas. Last but not least is the zoo at the top of the hill. Dinner time, about 2:30 p.m. on Sundays, is the most interesting time to go. There are some new additions this year--brown Himalayan bears, who eat nothing but vegetables, a Honey bear and a new polar bear. There are also some wild Australian dogs, known as Dingo doggies, alligators that live in a specially heated tank, and several cases of snakes of every color and kind. You shouldn't miss the Wallaby who sits on his tail, and all the different kinds of monkeys who show off for the visitors. In the open pen are tame white deer that eat from your hand, two emus (an ostrich-like bird), buffalo, wild goats, and many other animals.

DEADLINE for The VOICE is Tuesday noon, March 25. Get your news in before that time.

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A DAY FOR THE IRISH

Monday is the day for "wearin' o' the green," so the VOICE sets the style for remembrance of St. Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland. March 17 is a great day of celebration in Ireland as well as for the O'Toole's, the Flaherty's and the other Irish in this country who mark the occasion with parades, public speeches, and parties.

St. Patrick was born near Dumbarton, Scotland in the year 387. While a young man, he was taken prisoner and forced to work in Ireland. He escaped, and later returned to Ireland where he preached and taught for many years, building churches and performing miracles. He is responsible for starting Christianity in Ireland, as well as the legend of the shamrock. The shamrock is worn not only as Ireland's national flower, but also in commemoration of the fact that when St. Patrick was teaching the doctrine of the Trinity, he made use of this plant, bearing three leaves upon one stem, as a symbol of the great mystery.

The day of his death, March 17, 493, is now known all over the world as St. Patrick's Day in honor of this saint who is even credited with persuading all the snakes to leave the Emerald Isle.

BAND PLAYS EVENING CONCERT

The Vanport School Band played a concert last night at 8:00 p.m. in Community Bldg. #1. Under the direction of Mrs. Ada Wood, the band played "Victory," a patriotic overture, "Chinatown" "Olympia," "Gloria," "Washington Post," "E Pluribus Unum" and "Team Work," marches; "Friends," a waltz; and the popular "Anchors Aweigh" featuring the Twirlers. The Glee Club sang "I'm Always Chasing Rainbows." Added features were ballet dancer Barbara Kyer and Joe Jones who sang "Gal in Calico."

Admission of 25¢ for high school students and 35¢ for adults was charged, the funds being used for band instruments and uniforms.

VANPORT LIBRARY BOOK NEWS

By Cheryl Brown

While Time Remains by Leland Stowe

The book opens with an inventory of the present situation, continues with an examination of the new Soviet power, present tendencies in western Europe, developments and prospects in Asia. This is followed by a discussion of the nature of Fascism, of Communism, and of Democracy. The concluding section of the book, called "The Road to World Citizenship," debates our atomic bomb policy, the need for the prospect of world government, and education for peace.

Death of a Tall Man

A Mr. and Mrs. North Mystery
by Frances and Richard Lockridge

Doctors frequently look on death in its infinite forms, but Dr. Andrew Gordon, eminent New York eye specialist, certainly did not anticipate facing his own when he went into his treatment room to begin examination of the six patients who awaited him there. Yet Death waited also, unsuspected and unseen, even by his nurse and his receptionist who were nearby. In this case of Dr. Gordon, the Norths are in top form, making murder merry and piquant with their oblique approach to the problems of homicide.

These books are now available in the Vanport Library on Victory Blvd.

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