



The Roundup

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Being the recipient at Christmastime of the latest novel of Francoise Sagan, the literary gamin of Paris, prompts me to attempt a brief survey of this amazing young authoress and her works. It may not be very learned and may reveal on my part many shortcomings of perception and lack of ability to appraise correctly the literary stature of a writer. It may be that literary criticism is not my forte—so, on second thought I will not attempt a literary critique at all, but just get rid of a few ideas I have about Sagan.

Although Sagan's subject matter is considered by the ultra squeamish as immoral or amoral, there's no gainsaying the fact

that the girl is an excellent writer. She does not offend or affront the sensibilities and presents with delicate and superb skill difficult and delicate matters, which in the hands of a lesser writer would appear gauche and inexcusable.

The literary excellence and craftsmanship of Francoise Sagan's work has won her an enviable place in the world of letters, and as she matures as a woman, a writer and a person we may expect something durable, even great, from her.

WEATHER REPORT—We used to have about one severe cold snap during the winter. Now winter is just one continuous cold beginning of a new year.

Mrs. C. W. Overman, president, discussed the point system with the Council members. She reminded them that the most outstanding club for the year would be determined on the point system. She recognized the new county project leaders and discussed the goals which they would be trying to reach in the

clubs.

TIDBIT—At this writing, if Lunik keeps on course, it looks as though Russia is heading for her place in the sun.

CONTRASTS — We Americans say we are going to do something. Russia says, Look, we have already done it. It seems that Russia is getting to be a past master of the "fait accompli".

Anastas Mikoyan, Soviet deputy premier, who is at this writing touring the United States, says, "You don't trust us enough." No comment.

It was announced that the 25th District Federation would be held in Hertford in April. Committee assignments for the meeting were announced as follows: President, Mrs. O. C. Long, Jr.; Nominating, Mrs. I. E. Halsey, Jr.; Resolutions, Mrs. Eugene Jordan; Registration, Chowan Club; Courtesy, Mrs. Wallace Peele; Time and Place, Mrs. M. T. Barrington.

A committee was appointed to make plans for a County Council project this year. On the committee is Mrs. W. H. Saunders, Mrs. Carey Hollowell and Mrs. Bristoe Perry as chairmen.

National Home Demonstration Club Week will be observed in May. A committee was appointed to make plans for the observance of the week. As County Council president, Mrs. C. W. Overman will serve as chairman with Mrs. Melba DuBois and Mrs. Wallace Peele.

The clubs were urged to support the Hospital Auxiliary by becoming members. They were encouraged to furnish flowers and magazines for the hospital.

Radio programs were assigned as follows: January, Beech Fork; February, Chowan; March, Wards; April, Center Hill; May, Enterprise; June, Ryland; July, Gum Pond; August, Oak Grove; September, Byrd; October, Advance; November, Rocky Hook, and December, County Council.

The clubs and club members were urged to subscribe to the N. C. Home Demonstration News. The paper gives information on club work all over North Carolina as well as containing recipes, patterns, etc.

The Council voted to change the date of the Council meeting from the third Wednesday to first Wednesday when it meets quarterly.

The education leaders were urged to attend a meeting on Civil Defense and see that all the club members get the information.

Mrs. Moody Mathews, VEPCO home economist, presented a very informative program on "Home Lighting." She asked, "Why is lighting so important?" She said it had been proven that 87% of our impressions come from sight which was the result

of good lighting. She discussed the importance of diffusing bowls and demonstrated the use of glass and plastic bowls.

Mrs. Mathews discussed the different types of light bulbs and then showed various types of lamps. She emphasized good study and reading lamps. She said, "When sitting down, the bottom of the lamp shade should be about eye level so that light can spread out on your reading material." Shades were discussed and the ladies were urged to buy shades which are white or light colored on the inside.

After the demonstration, Wards Club served doughnuts and coffee to the group.

IN ANTARCTICA

Noah R. Davenport, ship's serviceman second class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Davenport of Route 2, Colerain, arrived at the Naval Air Facility, McMurdo Sound in Antarctica New Year's eve aboard the attack cargo ship USS Wyandot loaded "luxury items" and 2,415 pounds of mail for this Navy-manned support station.

The Wyandot originally planned her arrival for Christmas Eve after leaving Port Lyttleton, N. Z., on December 15. But ice conditions to the South slowed and at times stopped her and on December 22 the Navy icebreaker Staten Island, clearing the ap-

proach waters to the ice shelf mooring area, proceeded North to assist the Wyandot.

On her return to Christchurch, N. Z., the Wyandot will carry a number of Navymen who spent the summer on the frozen continent and are now returning to the U. S. The ship, a unit of Deep Freeze IV Service Force,

originally left her homeport of Norfolk, Va., November 10, and expects to complete her Antarctic duty in early March.

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County Council Holds Meeting

Mrs. Lester Copeland gave an inspiring devotional at the Chowan County Home Demonstration Council meeting at the Wards Community Building. The theme was on "What A Home Is" and was very appropriate for the

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