

Attorney and Mrs. Dexter Rice Honored

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ORIGINAL WEDDING PARTY PRESENT—An unusual feature of the Golden Wedding celebration by Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Rice was the presence of their attendants of 50 years ago—Seated, left to right, Mrs. Dora Wilkins Bolter, Portland, bridesmaid; Mr. and Mrs. Rice; standing, Rev. John Dawson, Portland, minister, and Stanley L. Kidder, Roseburg, best man.



FAMILY TOGETHER FOR GOLDEN WEDDING—Attorney and Mrs. Dexter Rice, seated, were posed by the News-Review photographer with members of their immediate family during their Golden Wedding celebration. At left is daughter Mrs. D. W. (Iris) Helliwell, and, standing, grandson James Helliwell and son-in-law, D. W. Helliwell.



PRESIDE AT SERVING TABLE—Seated: Mrs. J. F. Barker. Cutting cake: Mrs. Arthur W. Baum. At punch bowl: Mrs. Stanley L. Kidder, wife of the best man in the Rice wedding party.



PORTLAND COUPLE SURPRISE HONORED COUPLE—Attorney and Mrs. Dexter Rice and the Rev. Mr. Dawson were overjoyed by the surprise visit to the Rice Golden Wedding celebration by Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Haslinger and the latter's mother, Mrs. Nell D. Smith, in background of photo above. Dr. and Mrs. Haslinger and Mrs. Smith are very close friends of the Roseburg couple and drove from their homes in Portland to attend the celebration although an appointment forced their return the same evening.

Anniversary Draws Felicitations From Hundreds of Friends

More than three-hundred friends signed the guest book at the reception Sunday afternoon and evening celebrating the golden wedding anniversary of Attorney and Mrs. Dexter Rice at their beautiful home at 241 South Kane street. Hundreds of letters, cards and telegrams came from friends wishing them continued good health and congratulating them upon their golden wedding day, while one large room displayed the many, many wonderful gifts showing the esteem and love of friends and neighbors. Enormous bouquets of gold and bronze chrysanthemums, yellow gladiol and yellow rosebuds were sent by friends in honor of the occasion.

The most unusual part of the entire celebration was the original wedding party being together for the affair. Rev. John Dawson, pastor of St. George's Episcopal church in Roseburg 50 years ago, and who married the Rices, came from Portland as did the bridesmaid, Mrs. Dora Wilkins Bolter. The best man, Stanley L. Kidder, of Roseburg, feels he is most fortunate to be in Roseburg as he was held a prisoner of the Japanese at Santa Tomas in the Philippines during World War II.

The day itself was perfect with nice warm sunshine throughout the afternoon. The serving table was arranged on the veranda for the afternoon serving hours, and in the dining room for the evening reception. Guests called from two-thirty to five o'clock in the afternoon and from seven-thirty until ten in the evening.

The Rices' son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Helliwell, and their son, James Helliwell, received the guests. Mrs. Charles B. Wade was in

charge of the reception. Mrs. John H. Robinson, Mrs. L. W. Josse and Mrs. Velle Broadway assisted in receiving in the afternoon and Mrs. O. B. Robertson of Agate Beach, Mrs. Frank Long, Mrs. Hazel Scott, Mrs. Robert Browning and Mrs. Jeffery Currier of Eugene assisted in the evening.

Alternating in pouring during the afternoon were Mrs. J. F. Barker, Mrs. Stanley L. Kidder, Mrs. Erwin Rice and Mrs. Charles W. Wharton with Mrs. A. W. Baum and Mrs. M. E. Rice cutting the cake and Mrs. Clarence DeCamp and Mrs. Wayne Rice assisting with the serving. Mrs. Ed Radigan had charge of the gifts during the afternoon.

In the evening, alternating in pouring were Mrs. H. C. Weis, Mrs. Roy Bellows, Mrs. H. L. Studley of Agate Beach, and Mrs. Edgar Lewis, with Miss Rosa B. Parrott and Mrs. W. F. Chapman cutting the wedding cake. Serving were Mrs. B. D. Coen, Mrs. Albert Flegel, Mrs. L. K. Fies and Mrs. John Young. Mrs. Phil Harth had charge of the gifts. The guest book was in charge of Mrs. A. G. Henninger and Mrs. Frederick J. Porter. Mrs. J. A. Harding was in charge of the serving during the evening. Wayne Rice, Ford Singleton and Del McKay also assisted with the affair.

The table was centered with a large Victorian glass bell filled with pale gold-colored rosebuds and flanked by everlasting gold candles in three-tiered candelabra. The candles were the gift from Lawson's Jewelry, when Mrs. Rice was chosen as the bride-of-the-week on their KRNR radio program the Thursday eve-

ning preceding the celebration. Two beautiful wedding cakes, decorated with gold rosebuds were served.

The bridal party, relatives and out-of-town guests were entertained at a six o'clock buffet supper at the beautiful home of Dr. and Mrs. Charles B. Wade, residing next door to the Rices, close friends for many years.

Mrs. Rice was lovely in a black afternoon gown of chiffon and lace. Her bridesmaid, Mrs. Dora Wilkins Bolter, wore an afternoon dress of jade green. They both wore orchid corsages. Mr. Rice, Rev. Mr. Dawson and Mr. Kidder wore yellow rosebuds in their lapels. Mrs. Helliwell wore an afternoon dress of horizontal striped taffeta in soft iridescent hues.

Blanche Autenrieth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Autenrieth, was born July 14, 1878, in Yreka, Calif., and moved to Roseburg at the age of fifteen. Attorney Rice was born to Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Rice, of Rice Hill, pioneer Oregon residents, February 14, 1873. He has resided in Douglas county all of his life. He attended school in Oakland, Roseburg and University of Oregon law school in Portland. He has the reputation of being one of the finest lawyers of the state and has been prominent in state bar circles during his practice of law the last 52 years. On his fiftieth anniversary practicing law, he was honored by the Douglas County Bar association. He was formerly a state game commissioner and has been most active in numerous organizations and affairs of Roseburg. Mrs. Rice is known as a most charm-

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FRIENDS MEET AT GOLDEN WEDDING RECEPTION—With more than 300 persons in attendance the Golden Wedding reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Rice resulted in much pleasant visiting among friends. Pictured above are, from left, Mrs. Harold Hoyt, Mrs. Edwin Booth, Mrs. Velle Broadway greeting Mrs. E. G. Bolter of Portland; Attorney Rice greeting a guest, and Mrs. John Robinson, who assisted in receiving guests during the afternoon hours.