



ENJOYING THE DANCING at the dinner-dance honoring the Board of Governors of the Oregon Bar Association Friday night at the Roseburg Country Club were Attorney and Mrs. Gordon Sloan, Astoria, and Attorney and Mrs. Glenn Jack of Oregon City. (Jenkins Photo)

Three Piano Recitals Given By Saar Pupils

Mrs. Bernard Saar presented piano pupils in three charming recitals last week at her attractive home on North Jackson Street. Relatives and friends enjoyed the programs, which were given Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. Following the recitals, Mrs. Saar served lovely refreshments.

Presented by Mrs. Saar Monday evening were: Joanne Thompson, Sharon Couts, Carol Hetrick, Margaret Carlson, Sharon Cowin, Joyce Rand, Sue and Dick Meredith, Judy Hosford, Janet Inman, Lola Nicholson, Maxine Dancer, Barbro Skoog, Patty Dent, Kris Anderson and Lois Lehne.

Tuesday evening, young pianists presented were: John and Frank Churchill, Delores and Charlotte Issacson, Carolyn Wood, Joan

Blanchard, Roy Spencer, Patsy Gemberling, Norma Nelson, Joanne Miller, Lester Coy, Geraldine Middlestadt, Carol Lindbloom and Fred and Janet Hargis.

Wednesday evening's recital was presented by Tony Follett, Judy Lovelady, Lynn Parsons, Sue and Judy Lindell, Art Luckett, Judy Hodson, Karen Weaver, Linda Ellison, Leon Lark, Mary Lou Sissick, Judy Lounsbury, Sally Hahn, Joan Burroway, Joyle Gourley, Pat Elliott and Janice Romaine.

Monday evening, Mrs. Saar was assisted in serving by Mrs. Bruce Hetrick. Tuesday evening, some of the older girls in Mrs. Saar's classes assisted and Wednesday evening Mrs. Grover Follett and Mrs. Lovelady assisted.

DR. AND MRS. WAGONER ENTERTAIN AT DINNER PARTY TUESDAY NIGHT

Dr. and Mrs. T. J. Wagoner entertained at a seven o'clock dinner at Carl's Haven Tuesday evening honoring their daughter, Helen, and George Shepard, whose marriage was an event of the following evening at the First Methodist Church. The wedding rehearsal followed the dinner.

Covers were placed for the two guests of honor and Mrs. George Shepard of Missoula, Mont., mother of George; her daughter, Carol Lee, also of Missoula, and her son, Court Shepard, of Tucson, Ariz., Mr. and Mrs. Roland Worth of Winchester, H. C. Wagoner of Roseburg and the host and hostess, Dr. and Mrs. Wagoner.

Pre-Nuptial Party Is Enjoyed Saturday Night

Shirley Ann Helweg and Walter E. (Terry) Hercher, whose marriage will be an event of June 29, were honored at a delightful party given by a group of friends and relatives calling at the Helweg home Saturday evening.

A shower of gifts was presented to the couple and a large gift was also presented to them from: Mrs. Walter E. Hercher, mother of the bridegroom-elect; Mr. and Mrs. Chester Hercher and son, Bill; Mr. and Mrs. Harrie W. Booth and son, Brian; Mr. and Mrs. R. D.

Coen and sons, Jerry and Michael; Dr. and Mrs. C. B. Wade, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Pickens and son, Jon; Mr. and Mrs. Chester Morgan and son, David; Mr. and Mrs. Maurice J. Newland and daughter, Miss Marcia; Mr. and Mrs. John Morgan and Mrs. Paul Helweg, parents of the bride-elect.

The party arrangements were made by Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Newland and Mr. and Mrs. John Morgan. Following a social hour, lovely refreshments were served.

UNITED WORKERS CLASS MEETS AT STANTON HOME FRIDAY AFTERNOON

The United Workers Class of the First Christian Church met at the home of Mrs. Malinda Stanton on Parrott Street Friday afternoon with the president, Mrs. Hattie Neal, conducting the business session.

Mrs. Ethel White presented a very enjoyable program. Lovely refreshments were served by the hostess.

Those enjoying the afternoon with Mrs. Stanton included: Mrs. Minnie Noyer, Mrs. Hattie Neal, Mrs. Mary Plumer, Mrs. Annis Blaskey, Mrs. Emma Beckley, Mrs. Etta Wilson, Mrs. Lucia Ingels, Mrs. S. L. DeLapp, Mrs. Ethel White, Mrs. Flossie Van Blaricom, Mrs. Dorothy Rhoads, Mrs. Hutchings, Mrs. Long, Miss Alice Mahn, Mrs. Lillian Munson, Mrs. Myrtle Bailey and Mrs. Edith Boyack.

BARBARA PETERSON IS COMPLIMENTED AT BIRTHDAY PARTY MONDAY

Miss Sonia Fett and Miss Polly Helweg entertained at a charming party at the former's attractive home at 1605 Harvard Street Monday evening to compliment Miss Barbara Peterson on her eighteenth birthday.

Lovely gifts were presented to the guest of honor from the two hostesses and the following guests: Miss Ethel Mae Wilson, Miss Maureen Doerner, Miss Lois McKinney, Miss Darlene Miller, Miss Kathleen Kilkenny, Miss Joyce and Miss Janet Harpham, Miss Donna Lee Lashua and Miss Marcia Newland.

Visiting was enjoyed and later a beautifully decorated birthday cake was cut and served with ice-cream and cocoa.

Memorial Pilgrimage Of Much Interest Here

Douglas County pioneer residents are showing much interest in the article by Mary Lou Pence of Laramie, Wyo., published in Sunday's Oregonian regarding the century-old grave on the Oregon Trail of Mary E. Homsley, who died in June 10, 1852 at the age of 28 while coming by ox team to Oregon.

Mrs. Homsley was a sister of Mrs. John Price, pioneer resident of Oak Creek, who passed away in 1917. Mrs. Price was a younger sister, who with her parents and the Homsleys, crossed the plains in 1852 in the same wagon. Mrs. Homsley was also an aunt of the late W. F. Price of Glendale, W. I. Dixon of Roseburg and the Price Brothers of Dixonville.

The story as told by the Wyoming writer is as follows: The old Oregon Trail, its charted ruts growing dimmer each year, again came to life when Wyoming honored the century-old grave of Mary Homsley, pioneer woman—Oregon-bound in 1852.

The memorial pilgrimage took place Sunday and was sponsored by the Wyoming historical department and the Fort Laramie Community Club. A number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren of Mary and Benjamin Homsley, residing in Oregon, will receive detailed programs of the event.

The grave, with its stranger-than-fiction discovery in 1925—some 73 years after the wayside burial, is just over the hillslope from old Fort Laramie on Highway 26 and it is at this site a number of citizens and out-of-state visitors will pay homage again to mothers who gave their lives in the trek westward.

Participating in the memorial addresses were the discoverers of the grave and several who appeared on the program at the marker dedication in 1925.

Clarke P. Rice, finder of the crudely etched stone, was present to tell the tale he played. Rice's ranglands adjoined the old garrison lands and one November day in 1925, while cantering across his acreages his horse stumbled over an obstacle. Dismounting to shove it aside, Mr.

Rice noticed some obvious scratches on the surface. He took the stone to Pat Flannery, editor of the little Fort Laramie Scout, and together with the mayor, Robert Rymill, they returned to the scene where it had been found. Kicking around the adjacent terrain they came upon a depression where the soil had sunk and the dirt appeared barren. Suddenly Mr. Clarke's foot struck something entrenched—a chalk base rock. They fitted the fragment to this stone and it completed a marker: "Mary E. Homsley. Died June 10, 1852."

The discovery of the grave aroused the Scout editor to highlight his next issue—an Armistice edition—with an account of the newly-found burial spot. He paralleled the pioneer woman's resting place to that of the Unknown Soldier.

His story was a touching account of the wayside funeral, depicting the wagon train pausing and the husband placing the headstone at the grave. The motherless children crying, and the husband walking beside the oxcart, now and then turning his face backward to the bleak Wyoming hillsides where he had left his loved one, alone, buried beside the River Platte.

Several weeks later an editor of the Portland Oregonian picked up the Scout among his exchanges. "Who was Mary Homsley?" he read, and "1852." That was the year over 13,000 settlers journeyed to Oregon, most of them over the trail. Many emigrants died on the road during the era of the covered wagon, markers were discouraged because of the looting, prowling Indians who might rob the dead.

Before the old train left Wyoming it forked, one way southward, the other northward toward the lands of Oregon. It was possible that the covered wagon train had chosen the southern route.

But the editor of the Oregonian decided to ask his reading public, "Who was Mary Homsley?" in an article in January 1926. He, too, depicted the roadside farewell and the motherless children. It visualized the heartbroken husband, all desire for the trail gone, but moving along with the saddened, weary emigrants.

In Portland, Mrs. Laura Gibson, 76 years of age, read: "Who was Mary Homsley?" She exclaimed to her grandchildren, "Why, she was my mother!"

For the first time Laura Homsley Gibson, the only living survivor of that emigrant train, learned where her mother was buried. She contacted the editor.

From her scant details of that long ago overland trek was pieced out. "Father seldom talked about it. Of our mother, we only knew that she had been a victim of measles and that she had been buried somewhere along the way."

Laura was three and Sarah (Taylor) was one when they made the westward journey. Another child passed away from measles as they traveled through Idaho. Here, again, Benjamin had been called upon to improvise a coffin. (In Wyoming there had been no wood, so Mary Homsley had been laid to rest wrapped in a feather tick). But for his child, Benjamin, who had been a blacksmith, emptied the tool chest and used it to lay the loved one, another of the plague's victims, on the road to Oregon.

In Clackamas county, Benjamin Homsley took up a donation land claim and built a home for the remnants of his little family, remembering Mary's last words: "Ben, don't separate the children." "He taught us to cook and sew and keep house," Laura lovingly recalled.

That Benjamin's grief for the companion he'd lost on the trail was sincere was demonstrated by his devotion to her memory. He

AMONG VISITORS HERE for the dinner-dance for the Board of Governors of the Oregon Bar Association and their wives were, left to right: Mrs. Robert Leedy and Mrs. Carl Dahl, Portland; Mrs. Virginia Lee Richardson, who is secretary to the secretary of the State Bar Association, and Mrs. William Walsh of Coos Bay. (Picture by Paul Jenkins)



MRS. PAUL FARRENS, Klamath Falls, above left, visits with Mrs. Frank Reid, Eugene; Mrs. George Neuner, Mrs. Robert Davis and Mrs. Edward Murphy of Roseburg at the affair honoring the Board of Governors of the Oregon Bar Association and their wives at the Country Club Friday evening. Mrs. Neuner and Mrs. Murphy were in charge of arrangements for the affair and Mrs. Davis was in charge of the decorations. (Jenkins Picture)

Installation Of Officers Held By Job's Daughters

The public installation of officers for Job's Daughters Bethel No. 8 was held June 3 at the Masonic Temple in Roseburg. The honored queen, Loretta Kelley, was installed replacing the retiring honored queen, Nancy Allen. Senior princess was Lois Patterson and junior princess, Donna Ellison.

Installing officers included the honored queen, Nancy Allen; guide, Mary Ellen Holbrook, marshal, Paula Helweg; secretary, Cynthia Rutter; chaplain, Lorraine Lander; musician, Carolyn Burr; senior custodian, Kay Holmes; junior custodian, Sue Moteschbacher and angel for Book of Voids, Loretta Todd.

Council members were Mamie Wilson, grand guardian; Carol Ehlert, associate grand guardian; guardian, Frances Ellison; associate guardian, Ray Colburn; guardian secretary, Rhoda Church; guardian treasurer, Zelma Fullerton; guardian musician, Maude Patterson; guardian sociability, Thelma Greer; guardian finance, Louis Fullerton, Alma Kelley, Hari Kelley, Rachel Holbrook; guardian paraphernalia, Hester Hibbard and Elsie Pargeter; guardian hospitality, Margaret Brubaker, Alice Kruse, and Claren Brydges; guardian fraternal relations, George Trapolis; guardian junior activities, Kay Holmes; guardian scrap books, Irma Holmes; guard-

ian of patrol, Viola Spencer, and guardian of philanthropy and good will, Ruth Patterson.

Officers installed were guide, Carolyn Patterson; marshal, Joan Phillips; first messenger, Joanie Kruse; second messenger, Ellora Rose; third messenger, Nancy Coleman; fourth messenger, Carolyn Pargeter; fifth messenger, Janet Church; chaplain, Mollie Fullerton; musician, Marilyn Nichens; librarian, Peggy Tison; recorder, Barbara Patterson; treasurer, Muriel Ellison; senior custodian, Dixie Bell; junior custodian, Janet Sherwood; inner guard, Joyce Hicks; outer guard, Betty Brydges; choir director, Pat Elliott; lady of the lights, Sharen Bloom; historian, Carmen Ford; scribe, Marilyn Springer; assistant recorder, Nancy Hibbard; pages, Shirley Tenneson and Judy Grecian.

Soloist for the entertainment was Caria Lee Taylor. Morris Kelley, small brother of the honored queen sang a song which he dedicated to his sister. Bill Kelley, another brother, presented the gavel to the honored queen.

Visiting Here — Mrs. W. E. Barker of Eugene is visiting this week at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy B. Inman, at 1131 E. 2nd St. She returned with the Inmans, who were in Eugene last weekend.



IN EGYPT THE HEMPHILL WORLD CRUISE group made a trip by camel to visit the Sphinx and the pyramids. Miss Helen Casey is mounted on a camel and is third from the

left in the picture. Mr. Hemphill is kneeling at the right of the Hemphill sign.