



THE LARGEST GOLDEN WEDDING EVENT of the year took place when Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ollivant were honored at a reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schulz. Mr. and Mrs. Ollivant are pictured at the top left with the beautiful wedding cake. At the top right are Donna Schulz, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schulz and the honored couple. At center right are Mrs. Lottie Hoover, Mrs. George Bacon, Eugene Ollivant, Elijah Ollivant and Earl and George Ollivant. In the lower left corner Mr. and Mrs. Ollivant are pictured with their great-grandchildren, Glen, Bill and Cliff. At the lower right, front row, great-grandson, Bill Gourley, and standing Mr. and Mrs. Gale Friend and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Gourley and son, Cliff.

In the lovely setting furnished by the beautiful home and grounds of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schulz and daughter, Donna, in Lookingglass, over 300 friends and relatives called Sunday afternoon and evening to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ollivant on the observance of their golden wedding anniversary.

Attired in a soft rosy pink crepe afternoon gown, the bride of 50 years was very attractive. Her only adornment was a beautiful gold necklace, the gift of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Burford Steele of San Francisco, who came for the event.

Among the messages received from out of state was a long distance call by Mrs. Ollivant's brother Maynard Steele, from New York City and a niece of Batavia, New York, also a call from her niece, Mrs. Lewis Burgess, from Berkeley, who were unable to attend. From Willow Springs, Mo., one of Mrs. Ollivant's cousins wired a beautiful bouquet of flowers.

Beautiful arrangements of gladioli were used about the spacious living rooms. Outstanding on the serving table which was covered with a rich damask golden cloth, was the antique silver coffee service loaned by Mr. and Mrs. James Dawson of Lookingglass, close friends and associates through the work of Mrs. Dawson as County Home Demonstration leader and Mrs. Ollivant as a committee member of the county home demonstration executive committee for several years.

The serving table was also graced by a pair of golden candle holders loaned for the occasion by Mr. and Mrs. William Niebaum. The holders were hand wrought and held five gold and white tapers each. The guest napkins were engraved, "1908 Earl and Addie 1958." A beautiful five-tiered wedding cake was presented by their

grandson, Gale Friend of Shady Cove, and their granddaughter, Mrs. Larry Gourley of Ashland.

The cake was served by Mrs. Darwin Stone of Salem, a niece of Mrs. Ollivant. Mrs. Burford Steele of San Francisco served the punch and Mrs. Gale Friend of Shady Cove served the coffee. Assisting about the rooms were: Mrs. Louise Ollivant, Mrs. Don Stone of Corvallis, Mrs. John Wilson of Sisters, Mrs. Jim Cook, Mrs. L. D. Burford, a cousin from Stockton, Calif.; Mrs. Jon Wilson and Miss Donna Lee Schulz, Mrs. Larry Gourley, a granddaughter, had charge of the guest book. Mrs. Don Stone had charge of the gift table.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollivant were married in Bentonville, Mo., July 14, 1908, and "hurried back to Oregon as the haymaking season was on." Mrs. Ollivant was Addie Steele before her marriage and came west with her parents, William and Nellie Steele, in May 1905. They made their home in Lookingglass until May 1907 when they returned to Missouri. Earl went back to Bentonville to claim his bride. Mr. and Mrs. Ollivant resided in Lookingglass for two years and then moved to their present home in Olalla where they have resided through the years with the exception of one year, which they spent in Medford caring for the family of their only daughter, Mrs. Charles Friend, who passed away in February, 1944. She was born in Lookingglass Dec. 23, 1909. There are two grandchildren, Gale and Donna, the latter now Mrs. Larry Gourley of Ashland.

Mrs. Ollivant has two brothers, Maynard Steele of New York City and Burford Steele of San Francisco. Her only sister, Leda Stone, passed away three years ago in Kansas City.

Earl Ollivant was the youngest of nine children born to Elijah and

Lucretia Ollivant, eight of whom are living. One sister, Mrs. Lucinda Grimes, passed away in 1944. The senior Ollivants came across the plains in early days as small children and settled with their parents in this area. Mrs. Elijah Ollivant was Lucretia Bushnell before her marriage.

Earl has lived in the Lookingglass and Olalla area all of his life and has taken an active part in community projects. For many years he was a member of the Turkey Growers Assn. He was a sawmill worker in the Olalla area for many years and is retired now. Mr. and Mrs. Ollivant have a beautiful lawn and garden at their home in Olalla. Mrs. Ollivant has been an enthusiastic member of the garden club for years.

Although the couple requested that no gifts be presented, many lovely remembrances were received in addition to the scores of greeting cards. Among the gifts were the golden guest book and pen from the Busy Steppers Club of Olalla and a lovely serving cart presented by the Home Extension Unit of Tenmile. A beautiful engraved gold plated serving knife was the gift of Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson of Sisters, and was used in serving the cake for the reception.

Out-of-town guests included: Mrs. George Bacon (Maud) of Berkeley, Calif., a sister, who with her husband and sons, resided for many years in the valley; Mr. and Mrs. Larry Gourley (granddaughter) and sons Bill, Glenn and Cliff of Ashland; Mr. and Mrs. Gale Friend (grandson) of Shady Cove; Mr. and Mrs. Burford Steele, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Stone and Larry and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stone, Salem; Miss Odessa Warden, Oroville, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Burford, Stockton, Calif.; Mrs. Lottie Hoover (89,

sister of Earl), from Salem; Mr. and Mrs. Don Nicholson and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Fly, Salem; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Friend, (son-in-law) from Eagle Point; Jim Ollivant (grand nephew) from Fort Ord, Calif.; Ray Ollivant, Coos Bay; Mr. and Mrs. Delton Thiele, Pat and Dick, Yoncalla; Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Reagles, Robin, Mark and Teresa, Eugene; Eugene Ollivant, Olalla; Mr. and Mrs. George Ollivant, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Laird, Coquille; Joseph L. Laird, Myrtle Point; Mr. and Mrs. Austin Wilson, Riddle; Mr. and Mrs. John Bacon, Umpqua; Mr. and Mrs. James Homolka, Barbara, Lillian, Kay and Jimmie and Joseph Homolka, Thurston; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rowell and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hammond and Gene, Springfield; Mrs. Richard Klemm, Eugene; Mike Church, Sacramento; Olive Wilson, Klamath Falls; Teresa Ann Taylor, Eugene, Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson, Sisters; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bushnell and Keith Bushnell, Myrtle Point; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Morgan and Richard Morgan, Gaylord; Mrs. Daisy McMaster, Sweet Home; B. D. Neavall and son, Loy, Coquille; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Adamack and Donna, Powers; Mrs. Mary Hodges, Grants Pass; Mrs. Carl Walker, Canyonville; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Thompson, Umpqua; Mrs. Mildred Culver, Sutherlin; Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Hahn and Donna and Ada M. Abbott, Grants Pass; Mike Holman, Tigard; Mrs. Emily Frazier, Medford; Pernie Rabun, LaVerne City, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Mayer, Myrtle Point, and Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Looney, Camas Valley.

With the exception of a sister, Mrs. Kate Chamberlain of Roseburg, and a brother, Tom Ollivant of Lookingglass, who were not able to attend, all living members of Mr. Ollivant's family were present.



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