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"Mikado" Theme of Button Club July 10

In a room gaily decorated with oriental umbrellas, lanterns and fans, with a background of bamboo and Japanese maple, the Eugene Button club met at the home of Mrs. J. P. Graham, Thursday, July 10. Lesson theme for the afternoon was the operetta, "Mikado," and was presented by the hostess, who is president of the club. Members surprised the hostess by appearing in colorful kimono.

A one o'clock dessert was served in keeping with the topic. Pink dahlias, Japanese china and place cards formed the table decorations.

Commemorative buttons were exhibited and the lesson was illustrated with portions of the famous operetta by Betty Lou and Roberta Bagley and Joan Metcalf, with Marjorie Colner presiding at the piano. "Three Little Maids From School" and "From Every Kind of Man" were beautifully sung, with Jeanette and Elizabeth Workman as attendants, all in colorful oriental costumes. This special feature was a surprise to the visitors. Mrs. Wilbur Workman and Mrs. Harry Metcalf were guests. Mrs. Workman assisted in serving. Mrs. Kitty Sobert of Eugene was also a guest. Members of the club present included: Mrs. Miriam Flock, vice president of the club; Mrs. Forest Keefe, secretary; Mrs. Edith Wood, of London, treasurer; Miss Bessie Belle Bodine, program chairman; Mrs. Christie Busey, Mrs. Edith Droste, Mrs. Barbara Davis and Mrs. Agnes Thornton.

In giving the history of the Mikado, Mrs. Graham told that the operetta was presented by the Gilbert-Sullivan opera company at the Savoy theater, London, March 14, 1885, as its first appearance with enthusiastic success. The club will meet with Mrs. Edith Wood at London, August 14. Portions of the decorations were loaned by friends for the afternoon including a display of oriental articles sent from Japan by Dr. Allan Ferrin to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Ferrin.

FAMILY REUNION AT LONDON

Those attending the annual family reunion at the Sam Medford river garden picnic ground Sunday the 13th, who enjoyed a feast of fried chicken, spare ribs, ice cream and cake, were: Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow W. Hughes and family, Mr. and Mrs. Le Roy Goodwin, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Powell and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Paul Jones and family of Cottage Grove; Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Clay and family, Mrs. E. Baker and son Ronald Harvey of Eugene; Mr. and Mrs. George Green and family of Portland; Sammy Medford of Eugene; Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Dowd, Mr. and Mrs. Wagner of Long Beach, Calif.; Miss La Velle Betty of San Diego, Calif.; Miss Betty Clark, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Beatty and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Medford of London. There were 39 present at the reunion representing 13 families.

MOTHERS CLUB

The Mothers club had a very enjoyable meeting at the home of Mrs. Carolyn Wallace on July 8th with a goodly number present. A bountiful potluck dinner was served by the hostess. For the month of June, 29 garments were reported given out. The next meeting will be a picnic in the city park. This will be August 12th. If the weather is unfavorable, the picnic dinner will be at Mrs. Wallace's home.

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WEDDING VOWS EXCHANGED IN YELLOWSTONE PARK

A wedding of interest to their many friends here was that of Miss Joyce Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard A. Smith of Eugene, to Gene L. Durham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Durham of Cottage Grove, who exchanged wedding vows July 4th in the chapel in Yellowstone National park at two o'clock. The Rev. William Floyd Frank read the service, the wedding music being played by Miss Wilma Troth.

Mr. Smith gave his daughter in marriage. She chose a gray wool dressmaker suit, white accessories and an orchid corsage.

A reception was held afterward at the Mammoth Springs hotel in Yellowstone. Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Leonard A. Smith and daughter Judy of Eugene; Mrs. Nelson Durham, Mr. and Mrs. Vinal Randall, Billy and Ivona of Cottage Grove; Mrs. W. P. Needham of Dallas, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Steck of Ashton, Idaho; Miss Pat Harris of Big Springs, Idaho and Hiram Harms of Salt Lake City, Utah.

The couple has returned from a wedding trip through the northwestern states and will be at home soon at 145 S. Hiway. Mr. Durham is employed at the Wheeler-Osgood Lumber Company.

Mrs. Durham is a graduate of McMurry college, Abilene, Texas, where she was a member of Delta Beta Epsilon society. She taught Spanish, English and art in the local high school last year. Mr. Durham graduated from the local high school in '40 and attended Oregon State college. He served four years in the air corps.

SHOWER FOR MISS BOSTICK

Miss Adele Bostick, bride-elect of Ralph Bonadurer, whose approaching marriage will take place early in August, was the inspiration for a kitchen shower Saturday afternoon when Mrs. Bill Bostick and Mrs. Stanley Marden entertained for her at the Marden home. Twenty-seven guests were present and showered Miss Bostick with many lovely and useful kitchen gifts. The gifts were presented in a clever way using a Min-a-kitchen, complete with floral decorations and wedding bells, as a centerpiece on the gift table. At the close of the afternoon refreshments were served to the guests. Those present from out of town were Miss Mary Marden of San Francisco; Mrs. Wilbur Davis of Portland; Mrs. M. O. Wilkinson of Albany and Mrs. Laura Sheets of Eugene.

MINNESOTA STATE PICNIC

The Minnesota State Society of Oregon will hold its annual picnic on Sunday July 27th at Jantzen Beach Park, Portland, starting at noon. Bring picnic dinner—coffee will be provided. An interesting program is being arranged for the afternoon, part of which will be an "old time fiddlers" contest with cash prizes. All former residents of Minnesota and friends are cordially invited to attend.—F. J. Hoyez, picnic chairman.

MISSOURI STATE PICNIC

The Missouri State Society of Oregon will hold their annual picnic on Sunday August 10th at Jantzen Beach Park. Picnic dinner at noon—coffee provided. A program is being arranged for the afternoon, the high lights of which will be an old time fiddlers contest with cash prizes, good speaking etc. Roll call by counties. Come and meet acquaintances from your home town. Missourians and friends are cordially invited.—W. F. Van Horn, picnic chairman.

B. & P. W. TO PICNIC

The Business and Professional Women's club will picnic at the home of Alice Breedlove next Monday evening, July 21, at 6:30 p. m. All members are asked to be present and bring own service and picnic lunch. If the weather does not permit a picnic outside, it will be held in the house.

REBEKAHS FRIDAY NIGHT

The new officers will be in charge for the first time this Friday night at 8:00 o'clock in the IOOF hall when the Rebekahs will hold their regular meeting. Loretta Sailey will fill the office of noble grand for the ensuing term. The officers will serve refreshments at the close of the meeting.

BASKET PICNIC DINNER

A very enjoyable day was spent at the home of Mrs. Orrin Richmond Tuesday when her neighbors came in with a basket dinner and surprised Mrs. Richmond. A social afternoon followed the dinner.

SOCIAL MEETING, N. OF W.

Mrs. O. W. Blackmore entertained the Neighbors of Woodcraft at their social meeting Tuesday afternoon at a 1:30 dessert. A special guest was Mrs. Blackmore's daughter, Maude Funk. At bridge, which followed, Mrs. J. P. Graham and Mrs. Funk received honors.

FORMER CALIFORNIANS TO PICNIC

Former Californians will meet at the city park on Sunday, July 27 for a basket dinner and social afternoon. All former Californians are invited.



Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Calvin Hand (Ivel Marie Posey), united at a double ring ceremony at First Methodist church, July 3.



Mr. and Mrs. Phillip R. Balsiger (Miss Donna Mae Smith).

VOWS ARE REPEATED IN CONDON CHAPEL

Miss Donna Mae Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Smith of Eugene, was married to Phillip R. Balsiger Monday, June 16, in Condon Chapel of First Congregational church of Eugene. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Balsiger of Cottage Grove. The Rev. Wesley Goodson Nicholson performed the ceremony.

Baskets of garden flowers and lighted candles were the decorations about the altar.

Before the ceremony Miss Mary Cooper of Sutherlin sang "Because" and "Through the Years." Chester Earls played the organ accompaniment.

Mr. Smith gave his daughter in marriage. She wore an aqua-colored afternoon dress with white accessories. Her flower was a single orchid surrounded by white satin ribbon.

Attending the bride was Miss Joyce Balsiger, sister of the bridegroom. She wore a pink print frock and white accessories, and carried a nosegay of sweetpeas.

Leland Balsiger was his brother's best man. Ushers were Gordon Rennie and James Goseler.

At the reception in the Wheeler Room, Mrs. George Balsiger served the cake and Mrs. Olive McKee poured.

After a trip to Oregon beaches, Mr. and Mrs. Balsiger now are at home at 1399 Agate Street.

The bride was a former resident, graduating from the local high school in '46. She attended Oregon State college the past year. The groom graduated from Lowell high school in '41 and served 43 months in the Army Air Forces and has been attending the University of Oregon. He is now employed in a mill near Eugene. Both will enter the University in the fall.

BETROTHAL ANNOUNCED

The engagement of Miss Nancy Thorsfeldt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Thorsfeldt of Eugene, has been announced by her parents, to Wayne W. Dillon, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Dillon of Cottage Grove.

Mr. Dillon is employed by the Northwest Lumber Company and Miss Thorsfeldt is working for the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company in Eugene.

No date has been set for their wedding.

Annual Reunion Held On the Willamette

The annual Abeene family reunion was held Sunday on the Willamette river, four miles east of Springfield.

Joseph and Amitha Abeene were pioneer residents of the Willamette valley and southern Oregon. Direct descendants of the couple now number nearly a hundred—many of whom were present for the picnic on Sunday. Guests brought attendance to more than a hundred.

Following the traditional potluck dinner, a special business meeting was held. The six sons and daughters of the pioneer couple were made members of a board of trustees. The board will consist of the following persons: Thomas E. Abeene, Eugene; Joseph Allen Abeene, Black Butte route, Cottage Grove; Verner Alexander Abeene, Sutherlin; Anna McPherson, Eugene; Mollie A. Seavey, Eugene; and Phoebe J. Roberts, Springfield. The board, with the assistance of the officers will select a permanent meeting place, maintain family records and will consider the establishment of a permanent memorial in honor of Joseph and Amitha Abeene and the Abeene family.

The following officers were elected to serve a two-year term: Robert Adkison, Eugene, president; Joan Seavey, Monmouth, secretary-treasurer; Arilla Adkison, Salem, historian.

The following individuals and families were present for the reunion: Mr. and Mrs. Allen Flesher, Scio; Mr. and Mrs. Jess Seavey, Thomas Abeene, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Adkison, Mr. and Mrs. Warren D. Lomax and family, Mr. and Mrs. Arno L. Peterson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Loren McPherson and family, Mrs. Joanna L. McPherson, Mr. and Mrs. Leo D. Boyle and family, all of Eugene; Mr. and Mrs. James McClintock and family from New Jersey; Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Roberts and family, Mr. and Mrs. K. J. Norregaard, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Meats, and Mr. and Mrs. Reva Schaefer and family of Springfield; Mr. and Mrs. Loyal Adkison of Salem; Mr. and Mrs. Roby Abeene and family, Mrs. Edith Abeene, Mrs. Sylvia Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Goldman and family, Mr. and Mrs. G. Fred Simmons and family of Portland; Miss Betty Sorensen, and Mr. and Mrs. Ronald R. Roberts Jr., and family of Seattle; Joan Seavey of Monmouth; Mr. and Mrs. Jed Wheeler and family and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Wheeler and family of Pleasant Hill.

Attending from Cottage Grove were: Mr. and Mrs. Harold Abeene and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Abeene and family, Mr. and Mrs.



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