

Laurel Steddom Is Recent Bride



MR. AND MRS. ROBERT STANLEY BALLOU

New Brunswick, New Jersey, is the first home of the newlywed Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stanley Ballou.

The bride is the former Laurel Ann Steddom, daughter of Mrs. John Donaldson of Denmark and George Steddom of Bandon. Her husband is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Byron O. Ballou of 128 Roger Drive, Palo Alto, Calif.

The couple repeated vows Dec. 21 in the First Congregational Church in Palo Alto with Dr. G. Arthur Casaday reading the double ring ceremony.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a lace and crepe gown which extended into a cathedral train. A star of seed pearls held her veil of

silk illusion, and she carried a bouquet of red roses.

Mrs. Kent Meads (Linda Steddom) of Pasadena, Calif., the bride's sister, was her matron of honor, wearing a holly red crepe dress and carrying a spray of white roses.

Bridesmaids were the bride's sister, Kay Steddom of Seattle, Wash., Janet Engelbart of Sacramento and Anita Marlin of Redlands, Calif. Georgia Lee Steddom of Bandon was junior bridesmaid for her sister. They were dressed identically to the matron of honor.

Carrying the rings was the bridegroom's nephew, Jeffrey Ballou.

Arthur H. Bredbeck performed best man duties and seating the 175 guests were Baron Dickey, Norman Guinaso and Martin Petueck.

A champagne reception followed in Menlo Park. Among the wedding guests was the bridegroom's grandmother, Mrs. Ethel Chilton of Santa Cruz.

For their honeymoon the newlyweds drove across the United States to New Jersey via Texas, Louisiana, North Carolina, Virginia and Washington, D. C.

Laurel Ann was graduated from Seattle Pacific College and has been teaching at Yucapa Junior High School.

Her husband was graduated from San Jose State College and presently is assistant national director of Explorer Scouting, Boy Scouts of America, in New Brunswick. He served as national commander of Knights of Dunamis, Eagle Scout organization.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Birthday wishes go out this week to Betty Newkirk, Ray Marshall, Tressa Gorsuch, Carol Everest and Robert Brocksen.

Anniversary wishes go to Mr. and Mrs. Lem Morin and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Keeler.

SHOP HOME TOWN STORES FIRST

Protecting An Idea

How can an inventor best protect his invention or idea? This problem arises every time a basement mechanic or a research scientist finds he has made an important discovery in the industrial or other practical fields in which our patent laws grant protection.

Since questions may arise as to who was first with the idea, the inventor should take early steps to insure he can prove when he conceived his idea.

A commonly-held, false belief is that an inventor can prove the date of his invention by his own written description which he has mailed to himself by registered mail. As legal proof this form of evidence is of little value. An inventor cannot prove facts in a patent contest without corroborating proof furnished by an outside party.

The inventor who has never revealed his invention to anyone else has no satisfactory proof of invention. Keeping it secret from any corroborating witnesses is one of the surest ways to jeopardize an invention. At the earliest possible time the inventor should fully disclose his idea to one or two reliable persons who would be good witnesses at a later date.

Each of these persons should sign and date a written description of the idea. All sketches, drawings and photographs similarly should be dated and witnessed immediately. No notarization or other formality is necessary.

Original models should be preserved, plus correspondence, receipts for parts or labor used in developing the idea. In this manner an inventor can build a record of proof which will be available and admissible in the event someone contests his right to the patent.

After the inventor has conceived his idea, he should act reasonably diligently to reduce the invention to practice. He can either construct an operable model of the invention or file a patent application in the U. S. Patent Office.

Because the expense of preparing and filing a patent application is substantial, it is often advisable to investigate carefully the commercial prospects of a new product or process before filing.

It is also advisable at this stage to have a novelty search performed with the assistance of a patent attorney or patent agent to determine whether the idea is really new or just a slight variation on what has been

Game Commission Commends Public

All persons who generously offered assistance on behalf of the wildlife resources during the deep snow emergency are extended a hearty thanks from Game Commission personnel. According to John McKean, state game director, literally hundreds of telephone calls were received from persons asking to help or seeking information on what to do to ease the food shortage for almost every kind of wildlife we have.

McKean said the offers included donation of four-wheel drive rigs, snowcats, and other equipment. Many individuals offered to forsake jobs to help distribute food into the back country. There was no shortage of volunteer labor, the director advised, but it was impossible

done before. (Oregon lawyers offer this column as a public service. No person should apply or interpret any law without the aid of an attorney who is completely advised of the facts involved. Even a slight variance in fact may change the application of the law.)

for the Game Commission with its limited personnel and facilities to use it all.

Many groups and individuals, after receiving advice and the go-ahead from commission personnel, took it upon themselves to haul hay, pellets, grain, and other food to hard-hit areas. Landowners and just plain homeowners contributed mightily by assisting game animals and wildlife of all species found around their premises. McKean said it was a great cooperative effort and the Game Commission is appreciative.

In eastern Oregon, biologists who just recently completed the annual herd composition surveys report that most wildlife is doing okay. Deer and elk remain healthy and alert, and except for a few critical areas, have experienced no real food shortage. Weather has been cold, but moderating periods have kept the snowpack to a low level. Many south and east slopes remain bare.

Pole Structure Publication Out

Do you need a one story building for an animal shelter, implement storage, hay storage or other utility uses.

Port Orford News, Thursday, February 13, 1969-3

A pole-type structure may be the best building for you, said Walt Schroder, Curry County Extension Agent.

A new publication entitled "Pole-type Structures-A Planning Guide for Various Sizes, Rafter Styles and Strength Requirements" is now available free in the County Extension Office.

A pole-type structure is an inexpensive, easily constructed type of building that can serve many purposes.

Pacific High Honor Roll

Freshmen: Kirsten Davis 3, 400; Linda Holm 3, 333; Lisa Parks 3, 333; Kathy Aldropp 3, 167; Michael Lenox 3, 167; Cyrena Mills 3, 167; Colleen Boggs 3, 000; Kerry Hofess 3, 000. Sophomores: Cathy Tucker 3, 833; James Carr 3, 667; Mary Foster 3, 667; Mike McBride 3, 500; Kimberly Dunn 3, 167; Gary Smith 3, 167; Tim Sparks 3, 167; Loretta Moore 3, 167; Carol Tope 3, 167. Juniors: Donna Frechette 3, 667; Hazel Hofess 3, 667; Linda

Bess 3, 500; Tam Hanna 3, 500; Randy Belanger 3, 400; Richard Rush 3, 167; Nancy Armstrong 3, 000; Robert Carr 3, 000; Earl Lang 3, 000; Brad Marsh 3, 000; Robert Ray 3, 000; Patricia Smith 3, 000.

Seniors: Valerie Stiegler 4, 000; Glen Libby 3, 833; Jeanne Parks 3, 833; Peggy Armstrong 3, 800; Janice Smith 3, 800; David Knapp 3, 667; Scott Rose 3, 500; Jerry Carpenter 3, 333; Arne Johnson 3, 333; Teresa Keith 3, 333; Frank Neely 3, 333; Darla Smith 3, 333; Linda Knutson 3, 200; Cheryl McDonald 3, 167; Barbara Donaldson 3, 167; Richard Hodge 3, 167; Michelle Deets 3, 000; Peggy Jensen 3, 000.

SPOT ADS ARE READ

Log Scale Change To Be Discussed

Ralph W. Horn, Menasha Corporation, North Bend, vice-president and program chairman of the Oregon Logging Conference, announced that one of the important panel discussions on "Log Measurement" is scheduled for 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 20, at the Lane County Fairgrounds in Eugene.

Dr. Carl Stoltenberg, Dean of School of Forestry at Oregon State University, will moderate this panel. Members are Art Hubbard, regional check scaler, Boise Cascade Corp., LaGrande; Jack Stevenson, Intermountain Lumber Co., Missoula, Mont.; Bruce Starker, Starker Forests, Corvallis; and Carl Newport, Mason, Bruce and Girard, Portland.

Changes in log scaling practices as a result of increased mixture of this type of raw materials used will be discussed. Sample scaling by piece control, weight and cubic measure will be principal topics.

"Confusion in the Wood Pile" is the theme of the Oregon Logging Conference at their 31st Annual Session in Eugene, Feb. 20, 21, 22. A large display of logging equipment will be featured.

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