

Reunions Are Rained Upon

Kloetsch Clan Holds Meeting; History of Family Is Recalled

SILVERTON—The covered grandstand in the park, Sunday furnished shelter for one family holding a reunion there when a sudden mid-afternoon downpour of rain left reunion programs incomplete and business and social hours of other group gatherings in the city park unfinished. Many people made quick work of reaching their cars and went to other places for the election of their officers and their unfinished business.

At the eighth annual reunion of the Jacob Kloetsch clan, one of those meeting Sunday at the Silverton city park, Fritz Doerfler of Salem was elected as head of the group when the business session adjourned to the grandstand of the park.

Other officers elected were vice-president Frank Doerfler, Salem, and secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Ray Fox of Portland. The place of meeting next year will be at the Silverton park.

From the historian, Miss Dellora Doerfler, Silverton, was learned that Jacob Kloetsch was born in Germany November 21, 1835. He died at Stayton, Oregon, February 19, 1916. He came to the United States at the age of 17 years, settling first in Wisconsin and coming to the Stayton community in 1874.

To Mr. Kloetsch and his first wife, Theresa Heater, were born Katherine Kloetsch-Titze, Michael Kloetsch, Mary Kloetsch-Doerfler, Pauline Kloetsch-Axson, Therese Kloetsch-Ritzinger, and John Kloetsch. A second marriage was to Mina Kimmen, whose daughter, Arna Kimmen, was raised as a step-daughter. All children of Jacob Kloetsch are living excepting Katherine Titze.

Births during the past year included a son, Ronald James Cooper, May 3, 1943, to Mr. and Mrs. James Cooper. The father is serving with the armed forces. One death, Mrs. Frances Wirts-Hanna, at Salem, December 17, 1942, was reported.

Men serving with the armed forces are Pvt. James Cooper in Minnesota; Pfc. Douglas Hannaman, Southwest Pacific; Lt. Eugene Hannaman, Hawaii; Cadet Ari Hannaman, Alabama; Pfc. Wallace Doerfler, India; Pvt. Joseph Doerfler, North Africa; Cpl. William Oleson, Texas; Pfc. John Doerfler, North Africa; Pvt. Ernest Doerfler, California; and Pvt. Ernest Godell, California.

The oldest guests present were Mrs. Mary Doerfler, 81, and Mrs. Anna Doerfler, 76, the youngest Ronald James Cooper, two months.

Retiring officers were Julius Titze, Mehama, president; Lou Wirts, McMinnville, vice-president; Miss Anna Doerfler, Silverton, secretary-treasurer, and historian; re-elected, Miss Dellora Doerfler.

Registering were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hannaman and Paul and Mrs. Roy Fox and Robert and Jacqueline of Portland; from Salem, Mrs. James Cooper and Ronald James, Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Doerfler, and Martin, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Doerfler and Anne Marie; from Bend, Mr. and Mrs. Don Doerfler and Jack; from Mehama, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Bailey and Michael, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Titze and Edith Titze; from Silverton, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Doerfler and Shirley and David, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Doerfler and Dellora, Miss Anna Doerfler, Mrs. Mary Doerfler, Mrs. Anna Doerfler, Miss Margaret Doerfler; and from Stayton, Mr. and Mrs. John Zimmerman.

Test Unnecessary



Within 48 hours after she arrived in Hollywood from Monette, Mo., Betty Hall (above), University of Missouri coed, was signed to a film contract by Samuel Goldwyn. The manager of a Hollywood drug store, impressed by her beauty as she sat at the counter, gave her the card of an agent. He interviewed and signed her to a contract without a screen test.—Associated Press Telegram.

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Bus Passengers Dumped Into River



Four persons were injured seriously when this 11-ton bus with 81 passengers plunged through a guard rail in Denver and dropped 10 feet into the South Platte river. Firemen rescued many of the victims who escaped through windows. Several babies were among the passengers.—Associated Press Telegram.

Trinity Ladies' Aid Society Observes Golden Anniversary

SILVERTON—With six members more than 80 years of age, Trinity Ladies' Aid society observed its 50th anniversary Sunday at an all day meeting at Trinity church. The six older members, five of whom were present, were Mrs. A. O. Legard, 91; Mrs. E. Jacobsen, 88; Mrs. Anna K. Jensen, 83; Mrs. O. S. Hauge, 82 and Mrs. M. J. Madsen, 80. Mrs. C. I. Benson, who is 85 was unable to be present.

Mrs. E. Storlie was the only charter member present and she was presented with a plaque. Mrs. Anna K. Jensen, first president; and Mrs. M. J. Madsen, first secretary were each presented with life memberships in the Women's Missionary Federation and spoke briefly at the acceptance. Mrs. Walter C. Larson accepted the life membership for her mother, Mrs. Benson.

The program opened with festive services at the 11 o'clock worship hour. The Rev. J. M. E. Fuhr was the speaker. Special music at the morning services was a selection by the Men's chorus of Immanuel and Trinity choir with Mrs. Tom Anderson directing. Mrs. Alf O. Nelson presided at the organ.

Following the morning services, a dinner was served in the church social rooms. At this special tables, decorated with yellow marigolds, were reserved for the pastors and the members of the aid society as well as additional out of town guests.

The afternoon program was held in the church auditorium where goldenrod and buddleia formed the decorative note. Mrs. M. J. K. Fuhr, chairman of the anniversary committee presided at the afternoon meeting, and read greetings from Rev. A. O. White, former pastor, now at Fowler, Colorado; Chaplain C. L. Foss in the armed forces; Mrs. H. M. Normann, national WMF president, in Iowa; Mrs. Olaf Egar, Los Angeles, district president; Mrs. C. O. Lerud, Portland, circuit president; Mrs. Helen Oftedahl, Longview, and Mrs. Richard Hanson, Albert Lee, Minnesota, former local society president.

Mrs. C. J. Dahlen, president of the group, welcomed the visitors. During the greeting hour, Mrs. Herman Elenson (Louise Hanken) brought a message from her mother, Mrs. George Henriksen, sr., Portland, widow of the former Rev. George Henriksen; Mrs. R. O. Schum, president of Immanuel Lutheran church Aid Society, Rev. S. L. Almlie, pastor of Immanuel Lutheran church, Mrs. Tom Hanson, Woodburn, former local resident; and Mrs. H. L. Foss, Seattle, whose husband was formerly pastor here, all spoke briefly.

Mrs. E. Storlie told of the first meeting of the Aid society, held in the summer of 1893 at the home of the late Rev. and Mrs. N. Pedersen. Mrs. Ed Holden read a history of the local Aid society.

The Rt. Rev. H. L. Foss, Seattle, was anniversary speaker. Music included vocal solos by Raymond Rahlen of Salem, accompanied by Mrs. Alf O. Nelson, and Mrs. Alvin Legard, accompanied by Mrs. Walter C. Larson.

A special section of the church was reserved for the members of the ladies aid who were presented corsages made by the Lutheran Daughters of the Reformation.

With the exception of Mrs. C. I. Benson, the entire membership of the Aid society was present and included Mrs. M. J. K. Fuhr, Mrs. Karen Larsen, Mrs. Fred Shuknecht, Mrs. John Eklund, Mrs. Nels Moseng, Mrs. L. C. Coperud, Mrs. Carl Johnson, Mrs. M. C. Thompson, Mrs. B. Storlie, Mrs. O. Sungie, Mrs. John Kloster, Mrs. Julia Moffett, Mrs. Hans Hanson, Mrs. Igborg Ormbreck, Mrs. Ole Sater, Mrs. Albert Sather, Mrs. A. O. Legard, Mrs. Christine Jacobsen, Mrs. O. L. Hattberg, Mrs. Hans Jensen, Mrs. Anna K. Jensen, Mrs. M. J. Madsen, Mrs. O. S. Hauge, Mrs. Ed Holden and Mrs. C. J. Dahlen.

Monmouth Man Brought To Hospital

MONMOUTH—Ernest Emerson who has been ill this month was taken to the Deaconess hospital Sunday morning for observation and treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Deispp and son Alan left Saturday on a vacation trip up the McKenzie river. They will visit friends at Bend, and go north into Washington where Mrs. DeLapp's parents live at Cle Elum.

DeLapp who has been employed by the Southern Pacific at Camp Adair has resigned his job, and will go to work in the offices of the Long-Bell Lumber company at Longview, beginning Tuesday of this week. His place at Camp Adair has been taken by J. H. Cady, who recently sold out a merchandising business he had operated here for several years in partnership with F. E. Woodward.

Fire at Fischer Site Threatens

SILVERTON—City hall folk and neighbors on South Water street spent a few bad moments Thursday afternoon when it looked as if the fire in the debris of the old Fischer Flouring mill might get away. The department was called out and the blaze was kept in check.

Clearing up of the grounds has been moving ahead the past few days.

Grangers News

Red Hills grange meets Tuesday for a covered dish dinner at 7:30 p. m., to be followed by an important business session, officers have announced.

Riches Affair Sunday Event In Silverton

SILVERTON—Descendants of the George S. P. Riches family who came to the Waldo Hills community in the middle forties held their annual reunion Sunday as an all day meeting in the Silverton city park with their afternoon program interrupted by a heavy rain before the completion of their planned sports and social hour. A picnic dinner was enjoyed at an early afternoon hour.

Registering were Mrs. J. H. Riches, Stanley R. Riches, Ina M. Riches, Florence Given, Charles Given, John Kaser, Millie Kaser, Cleo Kaser, Roy Kaser, Shirley Kaser, Glenn Parrish, Alice Parrish, Sarah Anderson, Kenneth Warnock, Emma Adamson, Tirzah Warnock, Margaret Warnock, Marjorie Whiteley, Ralph Mulkey, Dick Whiteley, Thelma Whiteley, Gene Mulkey, Estella Mulkey, Lloyd Riches, Opal Riches, Robert L. Riches, David Riches, Mrs. J. M. Farley, Minnie Mascher, George H. Riches, Temperance Riches, Nellie Moores, Nancy Moores, Sophie Riches, Davis Burkhardt, Larry Burkhardt, Archie Simeral, Frank Simeral, Lucille McKinney, Mr. and Mrs. Donald S. Riches, Leland Riches, Janice Riches, Bernard Riches, Wallace Riches, Jr., Denis Riches, Gladys Riches, Lois Riches, Kenneth Given, Saralee M. Silva, James Mulkey, Elsie Nelson and Arthur Nelson.

Church Meets Set This Week

SILVERTON—Church affairs for the coming week include the quarterly business meeting of Calvary Lutheran church on Tuesday night and the meeting of the Ladies aid society at the social rooms of the church Wednesday at 2 p. m. with Mrs. Lester Standard as hostess.

The Young People's society of Immanuel church will hold its July meeting Sunday night on the church grounds.

The official board of the Methodist church meets Monday night in the annex of the church and the WSCS will meet Tuesday at 2:30 in the social rooms of the church.

Dorcas society of Trinity church will meet Tuesday, the afternoon group at the home of Mrs. Oscar Sater and the night group at the home of Mrs. William Bloch. Trinity board of Trustees will meet Tuesday at 8 at the church and the quarterly congregational meeting will be held Wednesday night at 8 o'clock in the church.

Derbys Visit in Portland

MONMOUTH—Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Derby, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Walker of McMinnville, spent Sunday in Portland as guests of the Derbys' son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lacy.

Trailer House Occupied as House Burns

SILVERTON—Mrs. Zanta Huton entertained Wednesday night for her 12-year-old daughter, Len Ann. A group of the younger set spent an informal social evening with games and supper.

Mrs. Josephine Lake, who has been employed at Portland for the past several months, is spending several days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Powell.

Mrs. Harry Walker has been very ill at Portland recently according to word reaching Silverton friends. She is now recovering slowly following a serious operation.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Smith, who recently lost their home by fire, have equipped a trailer house and are now living in it.

Central Howell Farmers Union Holds Picnic

SILVERTON—Sixty members of the Central Howell local 221, Farmers Union, met in their annual picnic at the Silverton city park Sunday with a dinner at noon and an informal program during the afternoon.

The regular Monday night meeting, which would have been held July 12, was combined with the Sunday afternoon session.

The union was organized in 1929 with a list of 50 charter members and has grown to 265 active members. Ernest Werner was the first president and A. R. Mathys the first secretary. Present officers are Alfred Jensen, president; A. G. McCloughry, vice president; and Earl DeSart, secretary-treasurer.

Serving on the refreshment committee Sunday was Miss Marian Butler, chairman; on sports, Don Steffen, and table, Alvin Krug.

Monmouth Store Building Leased

MONMOUTH—The Hall building, lower floor, which was recently vacated by Cady & Woodward, merchants, is reported to be leased again for a general store. The new proprietors, according to unverified report, will be George W. Cooper and Cecil Guthrie.

Cooper has operated a hardware store here for several years. Guthrie, his brother-in-law, came here recently from Dallas to live and has purchased the W. L. Smith residence, 328 North Church street, Silverton.

Fish Planting Pictures Shown

SILVERTON—Jim Toder of Salem showed pictures of fish planting and other items of interest at the Monday noon Rotary luncheon. Clark Bachman, president of the local Izak Walton league, was the special guest for the meeting.

Newly installed officers in charge of the Monday meeting were Ralph Larson, president; Jack Fish, vice president; Lowell Brown, secretary; and Elbert DeGuire, treasurer.

Tojo Scores A Hit



Black smoke and flames billow high in the sky as a result of a direct hit on an allied gasoline dump by a Japanese plane somewhere in the Port Moresby area. (Associated Press photo from signal corps.)

Gates Folk Hosts and Vacationers

GATES—Mrs. Stanley Godden and daughter Doris of Arcata, Calif., spent several days this week with Mrs. Godden's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Stitts.

Mrs. Elton Brown of Albany was a guest of the Stitts family this week and also at the Ned Richards home.

Mrs. John Harman left the first of the week for Los Angeles to visit with her son, Rex Harmon, who is stationed at that place with the US army. Mrs. Harmon was accompanied by her son, William Harmon and his family, who expect to make their home in Los Angeles.

Miss Virginia Davis is spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Davis of Gates. Miss Davis is employed in the army engineers' office in Seattle.

Western Director To Attend Meet

W. C. Leth, folk county agent and western director of the American Jersey Cattle club, is to be present at the meeting of the Marion county club scheduled for Sunday, July 13, at the M. G. Gunderson residence, 328 North Church street, Silverton.

All Jersey breeders are invited to the meeting, Anna Beatty, secretary, has announced. A no-host club dinner is to be held at 1 o'clock.

To Install Officers

WEST SALEM—The Lions club will meet Wednesday night with the program in charge of the outgoing officers. The main feature will be installation of the new officers with Joe Land of Salem as installing officer. Wives and friends of the club members will be guests of the evening. Refreshments will be served at the close of the meeting.

Sister Xavier Funeral Held

MT. ANGEL—Funeral services for Sister Francis Xavier Rieger, of the Benedictine convent at Mt. Angel were held Monday morning at the convent chapel with Rev. Bede Rose officiating. Interment was in the private convent cemetery.

Sister Xavier was born April 20, 1868 in Gerfau, Switzerland, and came to Mt. Angel with the first contingent of Benedictines in 1884. She made her religious profession on December 3, 1890 and celebrated her golden jubilee in 1940.

All her religious life except the last seven years was spent in teaching in the Benedictine schools at Portland, Oregon City and Mt. Angel. She died quite suddenly Thursday night after suffering a stroke.

Her only relatives are a niece, Mrs. Anna Bruener of Petaluma, Calif.; two cousins, Sr. M. Cecilia and Sr. Marcelline in the Benedictine convent at Yankton, N. Dak., and two brothers, one a Benedictine priest in Switzerland and the other a Jesuit in South America.

Traffic Charges Faced, W. Salem

WEST SALEM—Walter G. Wagner of Portland and C. I. Litzinger of Salem each posted \$5 bail for violation of the basic rule. Gerald Kelley of Salem was fined \$5. Cecelia Coline Sieget cited to appear in police court; both charged with violation of basic rule. Louis H. Probst of Independence and Roy Perrin of Portland each posted \$3 bail for failing to stop at red light.

Rib Is Cracked

SUNNYSIDE—Paul Taylor has a cracked rib as he result of a fall off a 30-foot ladder while picking cherries on his father's farm. His father is C. H. Taylor.

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