

# Women's Section

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## Around Town . . .

By JERYME ENGLISH

**INTERESTING . . .** event to take place on New Year's Day will be the open house and silver tea at the Salem Art Museum (Bush House) . . . The affair will be open to the interested public and calling hours are from 2 to 6 o'clock . . . the house will be decorated in the traditional manner as it was in the days when occupied by Miss Sally Bush . . . a feature of the open house will be a display of old fashioned ornaments and Christmas cards . . . there will also be a large decorated tree in the parlor . . . Miss Edith Schryver is serving as coordinator for the benefit affair . . .

**Holiday hosts . . .** Sunday will be Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Brady Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Hill Jr., who have invited guests to their annual Christmas open house . . . the affair will be held at the Brady's new residence on Ladd Avenue with guests bidden to call between 4 and 8 o'clock . . . Assisting the hosts informally will be Fred S. Anussek Jr. and Robert G. Brady . . .

**Heading south . . .** for Christmas will be Mr. and Mrs. E. Burr Miller, who will entrain Friday night for San Francisco . . . there they will be joined by their youngest son, Jon, who is stationed at Camp Pendleton, Oceanside, Calif., with the U. S. Marines . . . While in the bay city the Millers will be at the St. Francis Hotel . . .

**Leaving . . .** today by train for California are Mr. and Mrs. F. Ivan Brown, who will spend the holiday in Walnut Creek with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Offen . . . They plan to be away until after the New Year . . .

**Christmas . . .** in Phoenix for the Mike Steinbocks and sons, David and Grant, who are leaving today by car for Arizona . . . They spend each holiday season in Phoenix and will be joined by Mrs. Steinbock's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Nelson of Chicago . . . they will be away nearly three weeks . . .

**Sojourning . . .** in the south are Mr. and Mrs. Fred S. Anussek, who will spend the ensuing three months at Rancho Mirage, Calif. . . . they left for the desert resort several weeks ago . . .

**In Idaho . . .** for Christmas are Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Flory and son, Bruce, who left Wednesday for Nampa to spend the holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Flory . . . The occasion will also celebrate the first family reunion in six years . . .

**Arriving . . .** in the capital today for a holiday visit will be Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Barnett and sons, Tom, Jim and Terry, of Stockton, Calif., formerly of Salem who will be guests of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. L. O. Clement . . .

**Expected . . .** to arrive in Salem today is Mrs. Esther Sjoding of Minneapolis, Minn., who will be the holiday guest of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bertel C. Sjoding . . . Enroute Mrs. Sjoding has been visiting in Tacoma and will remain in Salem over the holidays . . . she returned this fall from a trip to Europe and the Scandinavian countries . . .

**Holiday guests . . .** at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vera D. McMullen are their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. August C. Giering and son of Gold Beach, their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Allan McMullen and small daughter of Eugene . . . The McMullens' youngest daughter, Mrs. Elmer E. Smith Jr., will be hostess to members of her bridge club this afternoon at her Center Street home and the group will pack a box for a needy family. This is an annual project for the club.

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### Ann Gibbens, Lt. Todd To Wed

Taking the romantic spotlight today is pretty, blonde Ann Gibbens, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey W. Gibbens, whose engagement to Lt. James R. Todd, USMC, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy T. Todd, is being announced. The surprise news was first revealed at a Christmas coffee Wednesday morning for which Mrs. Gibbens and Mrs. Todd were hostesses at the former's Saginaw Street home.

Pictures of the engaged duo were arranged on the coffee table, which was covered with a green satin cloth. At one side was a tree of red hearts with the names of Ann and Jim written in white and banked with sprays of holly. The wedding is planned for February and will take place in Salem.

Presiding at the coffee urn was Mrs. Clyde C. Gilbert and assisting were Mrs. Galvin Yoakum of Portland, sister-in-law of Mrs. Gibbens, and Mrs. John French. The rooms were festive with holiday decorations, candles and a lighted tree.

Miss Gibbens, a talented young musician, attended Willamette University on a Rotary scholarship and graduated from the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music in June, where she also received a scholarship. She is a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority and Mu Phi Epsilon, national music honorary. The bride-elect is now studying on a scholarship for her master's degree at the Cincinnati Conservatory.

Lt. Todd graduated last June from Oregon State College, where he attended on a NROTC scholarship. He is a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity. He recently graduated from the Marines Officer's Training School at Quantico, Virginia, where he is now attending administrative school. The date of the couple's wedding depends on the date his schooling is completed.

### Holiday Party For Chapter

A Christmas dinner and party was held Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Bessie Loomis for the members of the Beta Omicron chapter, Beta Sigma Phi. The table was decorated with the holiday motif, the centerpiece of frosted pink greens surrounding a dark green candle. Following the dinner the members visited several convalescent homes and sang Christmas carols by candlelight. During the evening a surprise jovial Santa arrived and presented gifts, which were brought by the members for exchange, also a snowball candle was presented to the members by the hostess.

A meeting was planned to be held at the home of Mrs. Glenn McCormick, 549 Kingwood Drive, on Jan. 11 at 8 p. m.

### Reunion at Nye Home

WEST STAYTON—A family reunion on Christmas Day will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Nye. Mr. and Mrs. John Huntley and son, Larry, arrived this last weekend from San Diego, Calif. Others present will be Mr. and Mrs. Gene Highberger, Ralph, Robert and Donald of Sublimity, Mr. and Mrs. James Nye, Gary, Jimmy and Virgil Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Clippell, Dennis, Sharon, Martin, Patricia and Doris of Mehama, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Nye, John, Carol Ann and Ruth of Milwaukie, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Van Handel, Mike, Roger and Tommy of Ocean Lake, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Nye, Florence and Gloria of Siletz.

### Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Harold G. Johnston have announced the engagement of their daughter, Phyllis Camille, to Otto Louis Loehden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto F. Loehden of Hillsboro. The wedding is planned for next fall.

The betrothal was first made known at a family dinner at the Dec. 19. The bride-elect attended the University of Oregon and is now a student at the University of Oregon School of Nursing. Mr. Loehden is a graduate of Portland State and is attending the University of Oregon Medical School.

### Couple to Live In Canby

HUBBARD—Mrs. Marree Peek Stauffer of Portland and Fred Ira Strubbar of Hubbard were married Saturday in Portland by the Reverend P. M. Blenkinsop. Mrs. Richard Lutz was matron of honor and the best man was Artie Owings.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lutz. After a short trip to Southern Oregon the couple will be at home in Canby.

**THEIR OWN BRAND**  
HOLBROOK, Ariz. (AP)—Guests at an open house held by a cafe brought their cattle branding irons with them. During the party the ranchers—at the request of the cafe owners—branded the woodwork in the dining room.

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