

# Statesman's HOME Panorama

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## Merry Christmas...

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Statesman Society Editor

A Merry, Merry Christmas . . . to everyone and especially to those who are far away and in other lands . . . Greetings to the Reid Hansons (Margaret Lovell) who are spending their first Christmas in Seville, Spain . . . they recently entertained at a holiday open house for 180 Americans, who are living in Seville . . . Margaret decorated their apartment with many of her own decorations . . . but the Christmas tree was traditional of Spain . . . made of dyed chicken feathers . . . the Hansons are enjoying living in Spain . . . and for vacations often go over to Tangier . . . Reid is an engineer and will be in Spain another year . . . Christmas in Seville is a religious occasion, not gay and festive like in the States . . .

We send greetings . . . to the Joseph O. Craigs (Priscilla Walsh) in French Morocco . . . He retired the past year as a colonel in the U.S. Air Force . . . they like it so well there that they decided to stay on and are now in business in Casablanca . . . they live in a villa, "The Battaglio," at Ain Seba, seven miles from the city . . . their daughters, Pamela and Victoria, are enrolled in French schools . . . Merry Christmas to Consul and Mrs. Ivan White and their daughters, Patsy, Diane and Christine, who are spending their third Christmas in Tel Aviv, where he is with the American Embassy . . . he had hoped for a transfer, but due to the crisis in Israel was asked to remain a while longer . . .

Up Alaska Way . . . we say Merry Christmas to Lt. and Mrs. Paul Hawkins (Nancy Miller) . . . they are at Fairbanks, where the army officer is stationed . . . Paul and Nancy will be entertaining eight young army bachelors at dinner today . . . Her brother, Jon Miller, is way over in Tokyo today, where he is serving as a private first class in the marines . . .

Christmas greetings . . . to Lt. and Mrs. William Colvard (Ohele Lee) and son, Michael David, in Anchorage . . . he is stationed at Elmendorf Air Base . . . they are awaiting the arrival of their second child momentarily . . . Also in Anchorage are Major and Mrs. Murray Cameron (Mary Eason) and daughters, Donna and Sharon . . . the officer is stationed at Elmendorf Air Base . . . Sometime today they will talk to her parents, the David Easons, and her brother and sister-in-law, the Stearns Easons, in Olympia . . .

Over in Germany . . . we send greetings to Roberta Meyer, who is stationed near Munich at the Dachau Service Club as a recreational director in the special services branch of the U.S. Army . . . And in England greetings to Lt. Sally McLeellan, USAF, who is stationed at Manston Air Base at Margate, some seventy miles from London . . . Sally will be in London today with her cousin and husband, Lt. and Mrs. Jack Webb . . . he is stationed there with the navy . . .

In the East . . . it's Merry Christmas to Lt. and Mrs. Bruce Rankin and young daughter, Kathryn, who are in Wilmington, Delaware, where the air force officer is stationed . . . they plan to go to Dover during the holidays . . . and greetings to the Bruce MacDonaldis (Janet Galzer) in Boston . . . Bruce is studying for his master's degree at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Janet is working in the research department at the MIT library . . .

Merry Christmas . . . to the William Poormans and sons, Johnny and Bill, in Syracuse . . . to the Eugene Watkins (Edna Marie Hill) in New York City . . . and to Jim and Luella Knapp in Pittsburgh, where he is studying at Carnegie Tech . . .

Down South . . . holiday greetings to Commander and Mrs. John Lindbeck and daughters, Carolyn Ann and Mary Kate, who recently moved to Norfolk, Virginia . . . they have purchased a home and will be stationed there while the navy officer is on sea duty . . . he has been assigned skipper of a Norfolk based destroyer . . .

Christmas greetings . . . to the Rev. and Mrs. George Gunn (Sally Smith) and sons, Wilson and Herbert, in Arkadelphia, Arkansas . . . they will be joined for Christmas by their parents, who now reside at Hot Springs . . . and a merry Christmas to Sally's brother-in-law and sister, the Joseph Hardmans and their young son, Christopher, who are in Chicago . . . Joe is a legal officer at the 5th Army headquarters and Margie is on the nursing staff at St. Luke's Hospital . . .

In the sunny south . . . we send greetings to Shirley Huntington, who is with the Red Cross at the U.S. Navy Base at Pensacola, Florida . . . Shirley plans to fly home for New Year's to spend a week with her parents, the Hollis W. Huntingtons . . . and a Merry Christmas to Sidney Kromer in Winter Park, Florida, where she is a junior at Rollins College . . . Her brother, David, who recently completed his naval training at Norman, Oklahoma, has joined her for Christmas . . . they plan to sojourn at the Florida beaches during the holidays . . .

In Texas . . . greetings to Lt. and Mrs. Paul Karschnia and son, Ted, who are living at Kingsville, where the navy officer is an instructor at the air base . . . Carroll recently completed a Gray Ladies course . . . they plan to spend part of the holidays in Dallas . . . Merry Christmas to Lt. and Mrs. Edwin Allen (Mariann Croisan) who are currently in Galveston, Texas, where he is with the legal division of the army . . . and greetings to Lt. and Mrs. James Rock and son, Michael, who are at San Angelo, Texas, where he is with the air force . . .

In Kansas . . . for Christmas are the William Bissells (Shirlee Newby), who are currently living in Tolono, Ill. . . Bill is taking graduate work at the University of Illinois and Shirlee is teaching in Champaign . . . In McPherson, Kansas, the Bissells will be with his uncle and aunt . . . there they will be joined by his parents, the Homer Bissells of Ashland, who have gone East for the holidays . . . The Bissells will leave Monday for Oregon to spend the remainder of the holidays in Salem with her parents, Secretary of State and Mrs. Earl T. Newby . . .

In Mississippi . . . we send greetings to the Kelson Lowerys and their children in Jackson . . . and to Lt. and Mrs. Charles Fliton and son, Charles III, in Vicksburg . . . Greetings to the John Laughrys (Josephine Caughell) and children, Katie and Kevin, in Iowa City, Iowa . . . John is studying for his master's degree at State University of Iowa and counselling at the University High School . . .

It's Merry Christmas . . . to the Warren Downs in St. Louis, Mo., where he is playing with the St. Louis symphony . . . his wife is now a practicing attorney . . . and in Palm Springs holiday greetings to the Elmer J. Seclars, who are spending the winter on the sunny desert . . . Mrs. Seclars writing her Christmas cards on the patio . . . the moon temperature nearly 80 each day . . . and greetings to the Fred S. Amunsons, who are also sojourning in Palm Springs for the winter . . .

## New Year's Dances Are Scheduled

The New Year's weekend will be gay with many dancing parties. The Tillicum Club will entertain with a formal dinner dance on New Year's Eve in the Gold and Green Room of the Marion Hotel. Harry Wesley and his orchestra has been engaged to play for dancing. The social hour will be from 8 to 9 o'clock with dinner served at 9:30 o'clock.

A number of guests are expected to attend the affair and the committee is planning festive decorations. On the directorate are Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Ford, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gile, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Skinner and Judge and Mrs. Joseph Felton.

**Cirque Club Dinner Dance**  
The Cirque Club's New Year's Eve dinner dance will be held in the Capitol Room of the Senator Hotel. Dinner will be served at 9:30 o'clock with dancing following to the music of Phil Day and his orchestra.

The committee for the event includes Mr. and Mrs. James White, chairman, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Dewey Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jennings, Mr. and Mrs. William Gash and Mr. and Mrs. Warren Cooley. Carousell New Year's Eve Party  
Carousell Club members will hold a New Year's Eve dance at the Izaak Walton Clubhouse between 10 and 1 o'clock. Lyle Glazier and his orchestra will play for dancing and a late buffet supper will be served.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hynd are heading the committee for the evening, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Ahsenmacher, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Goodwin, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gray, Mr. and Mrs. Don Hansen, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Anglin, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Newbury, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Preston, Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Nielsen, and Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Haney.

**Cama Club Dance Sited**  
The Cama Club's New Year's Eve dance will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall between 10 and 1 o'clock. Urs Wölfer and his orchestra will play for dancing. There will be a snack bar during the evening and the officers and their wives will serve as hosts. They include Mr. and Mrs. Donald H. Burkland, Mr. and Mrs. Val Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Fay Webb.

## Young Set Bidden to Parties

Numerous parties are on the calendar for Christmas week with the young contingent sharing honors at several of the events. Miss Rosanna Brown, daughter of the Chandler Browns, who is home from Dominican at San Rafael, Calif., for the holidays, is entertaining at a luncheon on Tuesday afternoon in the Oregon Room at Meier and Frank's. Twenty-two of her teenage friends have been bidden to the holiday luncheon.

**For College Continents**  
Miss Kaye Tomlinson and Miss Phoebe Lou Braun will be hostesses for a Christmas party Wednesday night at the Morningside home of Kaye's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. Harold Tomlinson, for a group of their college friends. Kaye is a freshman at the University of Oregon and Phoebe Lou, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Braun, is a freshman at Oregon State.

Fifty guests have been invited to the informal party and there will be games and dancing with refreshments served during the evening.

**To Vile Married Duos**  
Colonel and Mrs. Logan C. Berry will be hosts for a buffet supper Tuesday night at their Kingwood Heights home for the pleasure of their son-in-law-and-daugh-



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Rainbow Girls . . . annual holiday formal dance is planned for New Year's Eve at the YWCA with members of Chadwick and Cherry Assemblies as hostesses. Among those serving on the directorate for the event are, left to right, Miss Beverly Mocabee, Miss Sally Merrill, worthy advisor of Chadwick Assembly and co-chairman, Miss Donna Haugen, Miss Ila Warren, Miss Joyce Stettler and Miss Joyce Johnston. (Statesman Photo).

## Rainbow Girls New Year's Eve Dance

"Rainbow Rhapsody" is the theme of the Rainbow Girls formal on New Year's Eve at the YWCA. Dancing will be from 9:30 to 12:30 o'clock to the music of Hal Reeves and his band from Lebanon.

Hostesses for the formal affair are members of Chadwick and Cherry Assemblies. Chairmen are Miss Janice Wood, worthy advisor of Cherry Assembly, and Miss Sally Merrill, worthy advisor of Chadwick Assembly.

Other committee chairmen include Miss Joyce Stettler and Miss Barbara Sharpe, publicity; Miss Ila Warren and Miss Barbara Henken, refreshments; Miss Mary Lynn Stevens and Miss Karen Covert, programs; Miss Joan Osko and Miss Donna Haugen, clean-up; Miss Joyce Johnston and Miss Amy Anderson, chaperons, and Miss Sue Grier, orchestra.

Patrons and patronesses for the formal include Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Henry, Mr. and Mrs. George I. Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Merle Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Emery Wood, Mr. and Mrs. George Osko, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil T. Golden, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Covert, Mr. and Mrs. Jack French and Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Henken.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee Gibson (Carroll Berry), who are here from Monterey, Calif., for the holidays, and for the newlyweds, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore James Brewer (Patsy Snider), who were married a week ago.

A group of the young married set has been invited to the 7 o'clock supper party. Additional guests will be Mrs. Walter Brownlow, grandmother of Mrs. Gibson, Fred M. Snider and Miss Nancy Snider, father and sister of Mrs. Brewer.

## Mrs. Rossman Will Entertain At Tea for Two Travelers

One of the larger events of Christmas week will be the au revoir tea for which Mrs. George Rossman, wife of Justice Rossman, will be hostess at her North Capitol Street residence on Wednesday afternoon. The affair is being arranged in compliment to Mrs. Custer Ross, who is leaving on a round the world trip with Mrs. Guy Lewelling of Albany, and Mrs. David Eason, who with Mr. Eason,

Guests have been invited to call between 2:30 and 5:30 o'clock to greet the travelers. At the door will be Mrs. George H. Swift and Mrs. G. Herbert Smith. Mrs. Rossman and the guest of honor will receive in the living room.

Presiding at the tea urns will be Mrs. Paul Linton Patterson, Oregon's first lady, Mrs. Charles A. Sprague, Mrs. James Crawford of Portland, Mrs. James T. Brand, Mrs. Arthur A. Rogers and Miss Eleanor Stephens.

Mrs. Harry V. Collins will invite guests into the dining room. Serving will be Mrs. Ross Lewelling, Mrs. George S. Rossman, Mrs. Robert Y. Thornton, Mrs. Lawrence Ballmer, Mrs. Melvin H. Geist and Mrs. Peter Gunnar, Mrs. E. M. Page and Mrs. Philip Schnell of Portland, formerly of Salem, will be in charge of the dining room.

Assisting about the rooms will be Mrs. Robert H. Baldock, Mrs. Paul Van Scoy of Jefferson, Miss Cray Brown, Mrs. Alfred A. Schramm and Miss Beryl Holt.

## Gilsons Leave for South

Mr. and Mrs. Mervin J. Gilson have departed on a fortnight trip South. They will make their headquarters in San Diego, where they will visit their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Layton J. Gilson. They plan to make side trips to Mexico and Los Angeles and on New Year's will attend the Rose Bowl game and Tournament of Roses parade. Enroute home they will visit with relatives.

## Helen Lewis Engaged to Mr. Kurth

Romantic news revealed Christmas Eve was the engagement of Miss Helen Arlene Lewis, daughter of Mrs. C. Leonard Lewis, to Louis Edward Kurth Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis E. Kurth.

The betrothal was told at a family gathering at the Kurth home on West Browning Avenue. Guests learned the news when mock wedding rings were found in Christmas packages. The rings were wound with orange blossoms and tied to cards bearing the names of the engaged duo.

No date has been set for the wedding. Miss Lewis and her fiancé are graduates of North Salem High School.

Christmas guests of Dr. and Mrs. Horace McGee are his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles McGee of Waverly, Iowa, formerly of Eugene. They have come west for the wedding of their daughter, Joyce, which will take place in Eugene on December 26.

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## Christmas Week Highlighted With Many Open Houses

Christmas week will be highlighted with many holiday at homes and parties. Justice and Mrs. James T. Brand and their son, Tom Brand of Portland, will be hosts for their annual Christmas morning coffee at their Kingwood Heights residence. Guests have been invited to call between 9 and 1:30 o'clock.

Assisting the hosts informally about the rooms will be Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dorman, Justice and Mrs. George Rossman, Mr. and Mrs. Merrill D. Ohling, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Sprague, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Ballmer, Mr. and Mrs. Tinkam Gilbert, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Gunnar, Mr. Chester Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hansen, Mrs. Custer Ross, Dr. and Mrs. Frederick Hill Thompson, Mrs. Leona Johnson, Dr. and Mrs. Robert D. Gregg, Mr. and Mrs. Hollis W. Huntington and Mr. and Mrs. Harry V. Collins.

**Ricketts Family at Home**  
Event of December 26 will be the open house for which members of the Ricketts family will be hosts at the Pioneer Drive residence of Mr. and Mrs. Ellisworth G. Ricketts. Hosts with the Ricketts will be their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. William G. Frost of Portland, their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Ricketts, and their daughter, Miss Jody Ricketts. Guests have been invited to call between 3:30 and 5:30 in the afternoon and from 7:30 to 9:30 in the evening. The occasion will also mark the 34th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Ellisworth Ricketts.

Presiding at the coffee urns will be Mrs. Gerald A. Reeber, Mrs. Ivan Merchant, Mrs. Kenneth Waters and Mrs. Myron Stephenson. Assisting will be Mrs. Ralph Jackson, Mrs. Byron Watson of Corvallis, Mrs. Albert Ross and Miss Marcia Webb.

**Two Holiday Open Houses**  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Brady Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hill Jr. are entertaining with two holiday at homes this week. Guests have been invited to call Wednesday and Thursday evenings at the Brady home on Ladd Avenue between 7 and 10 o'clock. Assisting the hosts on Wednesday will be Mr. and Mrs. William Bush, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Wolcott, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Fred S. Anunson Jr.

**Paulsons Hosts on Friday**  
Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Paulson will be hosts for a holiday open house on Friday evening at their Court Street residence between 8:30 and 10:30 o'clock for a large group of their friends. The affair is being arranged to introduce Mrs. Paulson's future daughter-in-law, Miss Gail Updike of Portland, fiancée of Thomas W. Steeves. The couple's engagement was announced last spring and their wedding is planned for next June following Mr. Steeves' graduation from Willamette University.

Assisting the hosts during the evening will be Mrs. Thomas B. Wating, mother of Mrs. Paulson, Mrs. Elmer Wootton, Mrs. Alfred A. Schramm, Mrs. Charles S. McElhinny, Mr. and Mrs. J. William Baldwin, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Steeves, Mr. and Mrs. Russel E. Pratt, Dr. and Mrs. S. D. Wiles, Mr. and Mrs. James Watts, Dr. and Mrs. Charles D. Wood, Dr.

and Mrs. John R. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Loucks, Colonel and Mrs. Willis E. Vincent, Mr. and Mrs. Vern Shay, Mr. and Mrs. I. V. Benson and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer O. Berg.

**Party Hosts on Thursday**  
A holiday party planned for Thursday evening is the informal at home for which Miss Nellie Schwab, Mrs. Parter Barker and Philip Chambers will be hosts at their Kingwood Heights residence for a group of their friends.

## Miss Beverly Harrison Is Engaged

Romantic news being revealed during the holiday season is announcement of the engagement of Miss Beverly Harrison, daughter of Mrs. Lloyd Koster, to Corporal R. L. Petersen, U. S. Marine Corps, son of Mr. and Mrs. August Petersen. No date has been set for the wedding.

The bride-elect attended Salem schools and is now employed at the Oregon State Library. Corporal Petersen attended schools in Hillsboro and Portland. He is home for the holidays from Camp Pendleton, Calif., where he is with the first Marine division.

**Burr Milers Are Hosts**  
Mr. and Mrs. E. Burr Miller are entertaining with a family dinner today at their home for their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Miller and children, Jeff, Joy and Jenny, of Portland, and Mrs. Burr Miller's three sisters, Mr. and Mrs. George Foster, Mrs. Lillian Holmes and Mrs. Emma Boyce, all of Portland.

**Past Regents of Chemeketa Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution will meet Friday, December 30 at the home of Mrs. M. A. Pekar on South High street for a one o'clock no-host luncheon. Miss Ola Clark will present the program "Christmas Throughout the World."**

and Mrs. John R. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Loucks, Colonel and Mrs. Willis E. Vincent, Mr. and Mrs. Vern Shay, Mr. and Mrs. I. V. Benson and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer O. Berg.

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