

### Pi Beta Phi, Alumnae, Meet for Picnic

Eugene members of Pi Beta Phi met Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Wayne Atwood, 1941 University Street. Mrs. A. H. Currey was co-hostess.

An al fresco dinner was served and alumnae and active members discussed campus social events. Alumnae brought their children to the gathering.

An honored guest was Mrs. C. J. Sullivan Jr., who will leave soon for Chapel Hill, N.C., where Dr. Sullivan will join the faculty of the University of North Carolina. Dr. Sullivan has been a professor of philosophy at the University of Oregon.

Out of town guests were Mrs. Robert Rogers of Oskridge and her twin daughters, Laura and Janet.

**KANSAS WOMEN MEETING TUESDAY**  
Kansas Women's Club will meet Tuesday, at one-thirty o'clock, at the home of Mrs. W. R. Starmer, 3650 River Road. Those wishing transportation are asked to call Mrs. Lloyd Fuller (4-8187), before Tuesday noon.

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## Eugene Missionaries Plan Return to Belgian Congo

**By Helen Sherman**  
**STATUS** of the native in the Belgian Congo has gone up considerably in the past twenty-five years according to three missionaries who will leave Eugene this month to return to Africa.  
Christian Church missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. David Byerlee and Miss Hattie Mitchell, first went to Belgian Congo in the early twenties. Even then, many of the natives were paid a few spoonfuls of salt and some brass rods for a month's work.  
Today, some natives are receiving larger salaries than single missionaries. The natives are well-trained, well-educated, and assuming responsible government positions.  
The Eugene missionaries said that in the fifty years that there have been Christian Church workers in Coquilhatville province of Belgian Congo 80,000 natives have become members of their church. The province is smaller than the area of the State of Oregon but there are more members of this denomination there, than in the states of Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, and Utah combined.

### Africa Old Story To Byerlee Pair

Anticipating their sixth trip to the Belgian Congo as Christian Church missionaries are Mr. and Mrs. Byerlee, 1442 Oak Street, now waiting for sailing reservations. They may sail to Belgium and then fly to the Congo, or sail from the West Coast.

Although they have claimed Eugene as their home since their return last September, they have spoken at eighteen out-of-town conventions during this period. They will be living in Coquilhatville, Belgian Congo, which is the capital of the province of the same name. It is situated on the equator, where it crosses the Congo River, one thousand miles from the West Coast.

The Byerlees revealed such climatological information as the fact that it is warmer, both north and south of the equator than it is on the globe-dividing line proper. Also, that the hottest period there is from Christmas to April.

Mr. and Mrs. Byerlee were married in Salem in 1918. At the time, he was attending the Eugene Bible University, now Northwest Christian College. His wife taught voice at NCC from 1917 to 1920, when he was graduated from the college. Mrs. Byerlee had studied voice at a private school in Calgary, Alberta, Canada. The school was under the auspices of the Royal Academy of Music in London.  
During the 1918-19 school year Mr. Byerlee was a mechanical foreman of the Eugene Guard, later consolidated with the Eugene Register. The Byerlees' son, Allen, a sophomore at both NCC and the University of Oregon, has been employed as a part-time worker at the Eugene Register-Guard since last September.

Mrs. C. A. Read, their daughter, was graduated in June from NCC and now is a senior at the university. The children spent most of their lives in Africa, as the Byerlees have been there from 1920-23; 1924-29; 1930-35; 1936-41; and 1944-48.

**Royalty Visits**  
Mrs. Byerlee recalls that two weeks before Allen was born, Queen Elizabeth and King Albert of Belgium came to inspect

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### Miss Mitchell Sees War Years Abroad

Miss Mitchell is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Mitchell of Springfield. She was graduated from the Eugene Bible School, now the Northwest Christian College, in 1919 and attended the Christian College of Missions in Indianapolis, Ind., from 1920 to 1922. Miss Mitchell received her bachelor's degree from the University of Oregon in 1932 while on a furlough from her mission work.

Her first assignment in the Belgian Congo was from 1923 to 1925. In 1926, she studied French in Belgium, then returned to Africa the following year. Returning to the States in 1931, she came by way of East Africa and Japan. From there she sailed on a Japanese freighter to San Francisco.

She was back in Africa from 1933 to 1938, and again in the war years from 1939 to 1943. The 1943 return trip was a memorable one, Miss Mitchell said. Her ship was at sea for 60 days from the time it left Durban, South Africa, until they docked at San Pedro, Calif.

There was more submarine dodging than the passengers knew, according to Miss Mitchell. At one time, they were twenty miles from a spot off the South American coast where an American destroyer had just sunk a German blockade runner. She was back in Africa from 1945 to 1948.

Miss Mitchell will now go to Mondonby in the Coquilhatville province where she is to be supervisor of the school. Mondonby is situated 500 miles southeast of the Byerlees' post at the Coquilhatville province capital.

Boys and girls attend her school at different times of the day, Miss Mitchell said. The natives are in school for three or four hours a day. The rest of the time they work to earn their livelihood. Their jobs vary from agricultural work and nursing in the post hospital to apprenticeships in masonry and the carpenter shop.

She said that the Belgian government relies on the Protestant and Catholic missions for all school work except professional training.

Miss Mitchell's picture appears in the book, "Fifty Years in Congo" by Herbert Smith which was published this year. The book lists some of her duties as keeping books as station treasurer, visiting out stations, baptizing converts, performing marriages, advising mothers, and demonstrating gardening. Her evangelistic work, however, is of prime importance.

**WOMEN'S AUXILIARY** of the Fraternal Order of Eagles will meet Tuesday at eight o'clock in the F.O.E. Hall. Initiation will be held.



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**MRS. MELVIN G. KERR** (Patricia Aubrey) was married early this month at Cottage Grove. Her husband is soon to be assigned to overseas military duty, but she will remain here.

### Lemon Family Meets At Corvallis Home

**MONROE**—The Lemon family reunion was held in Corvallis last Sunday, August 14, at the E. B. Lemon home. It is an old established line in this area. Some of the members who have moved to Canada are visiting here at this time and were in attendance. Many members from Monroe were present.

Those attending: Mrs. Nellie Crow of Carmangay, Alberta, Canada; Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Folk and daughter, Dorothy, of Vermillion, Alberta, Canada; Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Olson, their daughter, Marilyn, and son, Bobbie, of Tigard; Mr. and Mrs. Mardus Lemon, Mabel Lemon, Mr. and Mrs. Winston Turner, and Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Lemon, all of Corvallis; Mr. and Mrs. Ira Lemon, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Reader, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Bailey, and Mr. and Mrs. Loren Bailey, all of Monroe.

### SHOWER GIVEN

**SWISSHOME** — Mrs. John Bergsma entertained friends at a "pink and blue" shower honoring Mrs. Charles Rerrick, Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Rerrick received many gifts.

### Eugene B&PW Club To Meet Thursday At Potluck Picnic

Eugene Business and Professional Women's Club will meet for a picnic and potluck dinner Thursday evening, at the home of Mrs. Mary Pernot on Walnut Lane. Mrs. Pernot lives at the home of her sister and brother-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Gilbert. Dinner will be served out of doors on the lawn.

Chairman of the affair is Mrs. Frank W. McCulloch, who heads the transportation and attendance committee. Assisting her are Mrs. Harry Garrett, Mrs. L. P. Chase, Mrs. W. C. Lindley and Mrs. Lawrence Norton.

Members of the club are advised to meet at the city park blocks, near the courthouse, at six-fifteen o'clock. The dinner is set for six-thirty o'clock. Directions on getting to the Gilbert home are: Cross the Ferry Street bridge, follow the Coburg Road one mile, to Harlow Road; turn right at second lane. Each is asked to take her own table service and sandwiches, and one dish, either a casserole, salad, or dessert.

Mrs. David Barnhart, president, announces there will be a business meeting.

### Catholic Daughters Planning Sale

Catholic Daughters of America will hold a rummage sale Friday and Saturday at the corner of West Broadway and Olive Streets, and also on the following Friday and Saturday, September 2 and 3.

The group will have a potluck picnic dinner at Moose Park, near Ferridge lake, Wednesday evening at seven o'clock. Serving on the committee in charge are Mrs. Phillip Wenzl, chairman, Mrs. Paul Wenzl, Mrs. John Wendel, Mrs. Robert Thomas, Mrs. Leonard Oswald and Mrs. Edward A. Stevens.

At the August meeting the members voted to continue sending aid to a Polish family, whom they have been aiding.

### Couple Wedded Recently at Salem

In a candlelight ceremony in the chapel of the First Congregational Church of Salem, Miss Constance Bacon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Bacon of Springfield, was married to LeRoy A. Post of Glendale, Calif., son of Mrs. J. B. Stark of Glendale. The Rev. Seth Huntington performed the double-ring ceremony July 17 at four o'clock in a setting of white gladioli.

The bride wore a fitted, two-piece suit of white pique with a peplum, pleated at the back. Her white straw cloche had a small brim and a white face veil. She wore a corsage of rubrum lilies and white carnations, and wore for tradition a cameo ring which had belonged to her grandmother.

Miss Margilee Kelso of Springfield was the bride's only attendant. She wore a pastel print silk dress, a pale green straw hat, and a corsage of gardenias.

Keith W. Bacon, the brother of the bride, was best man. A reception was held immediately following the ceremony at the Marion Hotel for relatives and close friends of the bride and groom.

After a honeymoon in Salem, the couple has been at home at 1858 G Street, Springfield. The bride attended the University of Oregon.

### Mrs. Williams Bound for National Convention

Mrs. Ira Williams, state delegate to the National American Legion Convention to be held in Philadelphia, August 28 to September 1, will leave Eugene today. She has hastened her departure plans this week after receiving notification Wednesday that she is to attend sessions of the executive section of the American Legion National Child Welfare Commission on the Saturday and Sunday before the convention.

At the convention, Mrs. Williams will room with Mrs. Glen Lewis. Mrs. Lewis, also a member of the Willamette Women's American Legion Post Number 161 is now on tour of duty in Fort Myers, Va.

Mrs. Williams, state co-chairman of the American Legion Child Welfare committee, will visit numerous juvenile detention homes on her trip, including some in Chicago and Washington, D.C. She also plans to stop at Hull House in New York City. She will return by the Canadian route and plans to visit in

Vancouver, B.C., with her husband's family.  
This will be the first national Legion convention which Mrs. Williams will attend as a delegate. She had previously attended as an auxiliary member. Also attending the convention as a state delegate will be Dorris of Springfield.

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