

## Congratulations Extended Mrs. Jones, Pioneer Daughter, on 95th Birthday

A true inspiration to family and friends is Mrs. Emma Jones, who graciously received the many good wishes due her on her 95th birthday Sunday, November 24. She was most pleased to share her "happy birthday" with so many of her relatives and close friends who called at her home during the afternoon for the reception in her honor.

The special party was arranged by members of her family, and was under the direction of Mrs. Bob Jones, granddaughter-in-law, who lives near by.

Coming from out-of-town were her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn (Florence) Jones of Tigard. A daughter, Mrs. E. C. (Ina) Hendrickson of San Leandro, Calif., was unable to be present. Another son, Alva Jones, Heppner, attended, and Bob Jones was one of her four grandsons who were present. Also in the family are one granddaughter and 11 great-grandchildren.

Centering the serving table was a large white tiered birthday cake trimmed in gold, and served by a great-granddaughter, Bobette Jones, assisted by her brothers, Steve and Mike. The daughter-in-law, Mrs. Glenn Jones, presided over the pouring.

Floral arrangements and tapers carried out the gold and white theme, and the honor guest proudly wore at her shoulder a green cymbidium orchid centered in a lacy yellow chrysanthemum.

Mrs. Jones is truly a daughter of early Morrow county pioneering parents, who settled in this area 94 years ago. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Kirk, she was born in the Williamette valley "out in the country" between Junction City and Eugene, November 14, 1870, "before birth certificate records were kept." She was just five months old when her parents brought her and a 17-month-old brother, Walter, by horse and buggy to settle on upper Rhea Creek.

They took up a homestead "among the Indians, bunchgrass, jackrabbits, snakes and birds," she recalled. She could never remember going without the necessities of life, "because there were lots of salmon that came up the creek, lots of birds, berries and wildlife, and the jackrabbits were very good eating in those days. There were lots of trees for a willow cabin." She has watched Heppner develop through the years from



MRS. JEFF (EMMA) JONES

a "one house" town. Trading center in those days was at The Dalles.

Her father kept expanding his farm operations, turning to raising cattle and sheep. He was also interested in housing construction, and a fine brick building that he built 13 years before his death is the present Lanham apartment building. On September 12, 1888, she was married to Jeff Jones, who had come from the valley to work on the farms. They continued to farm on Rhea Creek, then with the birth of their two sons, built a home in town to live during the winter months so the children could attend school. They were luckily living at the ranch home at the time of the 1903 flood, and only minor damage was done to their home in town. After an illness of three years, Mr. Jones died in 1911, and she has since made her home in town.

Still very active and young in heart and spirit, Mrs. Jones keeps busy with women's activities in the Christian church, of which she is a member. She has been an enthusiastic lodge member of the Degree of Honor and of the Rebekahs, but admits that she has felt like "slowing down a little" the last two or three years. But she continues to make the most of her golden years.

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# SOCIETY

## Portland is Scene Of McMahan-Swanson Wedding Nov. 13

IONE — Marriage vows between Miss Kathleen Estelle McMahan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John McMahan of Kennewick, Wn., and John E. Swanson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Garland Swanson of Ione, were exchanged at a morning nuptial mass on Saturday, November 13, at Holy Cross Catholic church in North Portland, in the presence of members of the immediate families.

The bride wore a white Kahlil gown with a Spanish lace Mantilla. Her bridal bouquet of red and white roses was fashioned in the shape of a cross. Matron of honor was Mrs. Kenneth Turner, sister of the groom. She was gowning in a pastel blue dress and carried a bouquet of spider chrysanthemums in shades of blue.

James Swanson served at his brother's wedding as honorary mass server. John and Michael McMahan, brothers of the bride, ushered.

Best man for his brother-in-law was Kenneth Turner, Heppner.

Following the ceremony a reception was held in the Portland Sheraton Hotel.

After a short honeymoon to the coast, the young couple will be at home at 5219 N. Willis Street, Portland.

A reception honoring the newlyweds will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Garland Swanson on Saturday, November 27, from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. All friends and relatives are invited.

## Mrs. Wright Gets Rebekah Chivalry Jewel for Services

Mrs. Orian Wright was recipient of the highest honor a Rebekah member can receive, when the Decoration of Chivalry Jewel was presented to her at the recent Canton Rally held in Pendleton, Saturday, October 23.

The outstanding award for achievements and service in lodge and community work was recommended for Mrs. Wright by her own lodge, Sans Souci Rebekah No. 33, and passed the high requirements and qualifications set up by the Department Council of Patriarchs Militant.

The impressive, public ceremony was well attended, with all state heads of the different branches of OddFellowship present to introduce their officers. Program was in charge of Canton Pendleton No. 3, with Ralph Poeschel as department commander. The Chevalliers were assisted by Ladies of the Patriarchs Militant, with Lady Arlene Hahn of Banks as association president. Uniforms of the ladies were of purple and gold, the color unit of OddFellowship.

A competitive sword drill for Chevalliers opened the evening. Grand Warden Oscar Beech of Portland. Members of Eureka with a trophy going to Deputy Lodge No. 32, Pendleton, furnished a comedy skit, and other entertainment included numbers by the Carlson School of Dance of Pendleton.

Ladies in uniform from this area who attended throughout the day were Mrs. R. G. McMurtrey, Heppner; Mrs. Florence McMillan and Mrs. Alonzo Henderson, Lexington; Mrs. M. N. Kirk and Mrs. Earl Eskelson, Hermiston. Others going for the evening were Mrs. Lucille Parrish, noble grand of Sans Souci lodge, Mrs. Norah Rasmus, Mrs. Alice Luttrell, Mrs. Don Hough and daughter, Mrs. Donald Townsend.

## Lodge Plans Annual Thanksgiving Dinner

Kate J. Young lodge, Degree of Honor, will hold its annual Thanksgiving dinner Saturday evening, November 20, according to an announcement by Mrs. Mary Bryant, president.

Members and their families will meet in the dining rooms of the Christian Church at 6:30 p.m. for the no-host dinner. A program will follow the dinner.

## Prepare for Sale

A special meeting of Ruth Assembly, Order of Rainbow for Girls, has been called by Mrs. Tom Hughes, mother advisor, for Friday evening, November 19. All Rainbow girls are asked to get together at the Hubert Wilson home at 7:30 p.m. to decorate containers for a candy sale, planned for November 27.

## Candy Sale Coming

A variety of homemade, "fingerlickin' good" candy is being prepared by members of the Rainbow Girls, to be placed on sale Saturday, November 27, in downtown Heppner. Place and time will be announced soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Struckmeyer and Earl motored to Salem for the week-end where they visited their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Weiher, and 1½-year-old son, Carey. Joining them from college at Eugene was their son, Dick, and all enjoyed an early Thanksgiving dinner together on Sunday.

## District President Travels for Meetings

Mrs. Frank Hamlin, District 6 president, motored to Portland recently to attend an executive board meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary, meeting with Department President Colleen Goger of The Dalles, and other department officers and chairmen.

The meeting included reports by each district president of her activities up to date. The theme this year for the Rehabilitation project is "The Veteran;" responsibilities to veterans in hospitals, in the communities and to the veterans' families.

A statewide project initiated for each unit member is to fill and pack a two pound coffee can of cookies to be sent to servicemen in Viet Nam. This will be known as "Cookies Afloat," and plans are for at least 1,000 pounds of cookies.

Acting in her official capacity, Mrs. Hamlin recently made visits to district units in Imbler, Elgin, Enterprise, Jos-

## Rainbow Girls Aid Umatilla Initiation

Rainbow Girls of Ruth Assembly, Heppner, went to Umatilla Sunday to assist the assembly there in the initiation ceremony of six candidates for membership there.

Those sharing in the ceremonies with the Umatilla girls were Janis Baker, worthy advisor of Ruth assembly; Jan Hager, worthy associate advisor; Kathy Melby, charity; Martha Peck, hope; Linda Clark, faith; Jeanine Hunt, chaplain; Ruby Fulleton, recorder; Linda Heath, drill leader; Shirley Erwin, musician; Rosenia Wilson, treasurer; Susan Melby, confidential observer; and Judy Jones, outer observer.

They were accompanied by Mrs. Tom Hughes, mother advisor.

Among guests at the initiation were Christi Peterson of Portland, grand worthy advisor; Caroline Stratton of The Dalles, grand drill leader; Mrs. Harold Becket, grand deputy of the Order of Eastern Star, and Mrs. Mr. Becket; Helen Beagle, grand warden of the grand chapter.

eph, La Grande, Union and Wallawa, and was pleased to report that each unit is making excellent progress in current projects. She also stated that the ten districts in the state, District 6 ranks second in membership quotas.

OES; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Stratton, The Dalles, worthy matron and patron of Columbia chapter, OES; and Mrs. Eva Anderson, worthy matron of Umatilla chapter, OES.

Cora Jean Cartwright, mother advisor of the Umatilla assembly, was also installed at the ceremony.

## Shirley Cox Shows Fine Improvement

All the many friends of Mrs. Stanley (Shirley) Cox are thrilled with the improvement she is showing following major heart surgery at the University of Oregon Medical School hospital in Portland October 26.

She is now convalescing at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Griffith, 6985 Highway 217, Beaverton. A number of friends have inquired of the telephone number there. It is Mitchell 4-6837.

With her rapid improvement, Mrs. Cox hopes to come home to Heppner the week following Thanksgiving.

A group from here went to Beaverton Sunday to visit her, including Mrs. Lorna Borman, Mrs. Forrest Burkenbine, and Mrs. Linda Dunlap and two children. Mrs. Borman said that she is "coming along real good."

## Two Local Couples To Exchange Vows At Double Ceremony

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Groves are announcing the coming marriage of their two daughters at a double wedding ceremony on Saturday evening, November 20, at All Saints Episcopal church, Heppner.

Miss Anita Groves will become the bride of Daryl Dick, son of Mrs. LaVelle Nelson, Portland, and Kern Dick, Heppner. The bride-elect is a second term freshman at Eastern Oregon College, La Grande, and her fiancée is a sophomore at Portland State College.

At the same ceremony, Miss Marcia Gail Rands will become the bride of David George, son of Mrs. Elaine George, Heppner, and Oscar George, Walla. Both are sophomores at Blue Mountain College, Pendleton.

The couples will exchange vows at a 7:00 p.m. ceremony, with the Rev. Chandler Jackson of Hermiston officiating. A reception will follow in the parish hall.

All friends and relatives are extended a cordial invitation to attend both the ceremony and reception.

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