

Anniversaries

Thomsons joined by many to celebrate 50th



Madge Coppock and James Thomson Jr. at the time of their marriage in 1933.

Saturday afternoon, July 2, in the Heppner Elks Lodge, a beautifully organized reception in celebration of the fiftieth wedding anniversary of Madge and Jim Thomson was arranged for them by their three children and families.

Much planning and preparation was done by daughter Meredith and her husband, Tom Walters, who came from Santa Maria, Calif., with three of their four sons. Their older son Russell was in Alliance, Nebraska, and was unable to attend with his brothers Duane, Ammon and Aaron. Daughter Bernice Thomson came from Tigard to help with the arrangements along with her brother, Bruce, and his wife, Phyllis, and their daughter, Stacey, and son, Jeffrey, from Aloha.

The colors featured at the reception were gold and red and green which had been also used at the 1933 Christmas Eve Wedding conducted by Rev. Joel Benton of the Heppner Church of Christ in the home of Jim's parents, the home that Madge and Jim occupy today. The original Gazette-Times report tells that, "The bride wore a tiptoe length blue crepe frock and carried tiny red rosebuds."

The 1933 wedding was very nice, but rather small. Madge says "It was depression style." Many times the small number who were with them then gathered to wish them well fifty years later. Three persons who were with Madge and Jim on both occasions were Jim's sisters Louise and Winifred and long-time family friend Jeanette Turner Huddleston, who had played the piano at the 1933 rites.

At the Saturday reception the beautiful anniversary cake was surrounded by lovely fresh red and gold roses. It was served to the guests by Betty Pfeiffer, Lib Daggett and Alberta Parker.

That evening, the immediate family and many of the out-of-town guests were hosted at a dinner in the Thomson home.

Among the gifts presented to Madge and Jim was an unusually attractive quilted family tree which the Thomasons have hung on their livingroom wall. Madge is putting together a hand-made memory book, also presented by their children, containing the cards, notes and pictures related to the golden anniversary.

Family members who came from out of town included Louise and Merle Becket from Creswell; Ted Thomson from the Miami, Florida area; Beatrice Bennett of Beaverton; Shirley and Norman Leitch and sons Brian and Rod from Vancouver, Wash.; and Joy and Gilbert Reed of Walnut Creek, Calif.

The large group of Heppner friends was joined by special friends from other towns (many were former residents here) in congratulating the Thomasons, whose actual anniversary will arrive on Dec. 24, but who agreed to have a summertime celebration when traveling is so much more convenient:

Jeanette Huddleston came from Boise, Idaho and Fern and John Turner came from Baker. Guests from Washington state included Margaret and Reno Daoro, Puyallup; Mary and Bob Guild, Snohomish; Theresa and Dean Naffziger, White Salmon; and Mimriam McDonald from Selah. Those coming from Oregon towns were Ruby and Bill Harmon, Eugene; Gwen and Steve Thompson, Wilsonville; Janet Bliss, Aloha; Alberta and Vawter Parker, Hood River; Crockett and Juanita Sprouls, Condon; and Clytie and Walter Mackey, Thelma Gentry and Emma Staggs, all from Pendleton.

Marriage Licenses

The Morrow County clerk's office at the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner has accepted Marriage License applications from the following couples:

Jerry Dean Gentry, 26, and Terri Ann Robinson, 25, both of Heppner.

Duane Roy Disque, 27, and Robanai Coral Riddle, 26, both of Lexington.

2 Heppner businesses staying open late

By JUSTINE WEATHERFORD

The summertime forest service and oil exploration projects being carried on currently in south Morrow County require long working days and make it difficult for those employed on them to get to Heppner to shop before businesses close.

Some of these workers have

requested longer business hours on one night each week. Last week, two Heppner businesses agreed to stay open until at least 10 p.m. on Wednesdays from now until further notice. Those who want to shop after the usual closing hours will find Central Market and the Heppner Laundromat ready to help them Wednesday nights.

Co. School Board to meet, consider policies, bids

A regular meeting of the Morrow County School Board will be held July 18 at A.C. Houghton Elementary School in Irrigon. The meeting is scheduled for 8 p.m.

The board will consider bids received for vehicles and for propane fuel, according to a district spokesperson. They will also consider requesting offering several older school buses for sale.

The Board is also expected to consider needed policy changes in the area of school closure, evaluation and hiring of non-certificated coaches.

In other matters the board is to elect officers and take a number of actions needed in order to organize for the new year. These include appointment of the board's attorney, auditor and a newspaper of record.

Hendersons celebrate 50th anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Henderson

On Sunday, June 5, the children and grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Henderson hosted a reception in their honor at the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church in Hood River.

The occasion was a celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary. The couple was married June 14, 1933.

They lived most of their married life in Lexington. Mr. Henderson owned the Henderson Garage there for over 22 years. He then farmed on the Claude White Place east of Lexington for 15 years before they sold their ranch and the home in Lexington and moved to Hood River.

In Hood River, he built a new home, which is their home now.

Mr. Henderson is still working, as a mechanic for the Frost Cattle and Surveying Company.

Many friends and relatives came from all parts of Oregon and Washington to help them celebrate.

Ione woman honored at bridal shower

St. William's Catholic Church basement was the setting June 16 for a bridal shower for Sharon Crowell, Ione, bride-elect of Brian Rietmann.

Miss Crowell was assisted in opening her gifts by Tami Rietmann and Karen Kandle. Hostesses were ladies from the church, senior class

mothers and ladies from the Bank of Eastern Oregon in Ione.

Karen Kandle and Tami Rietmann also cut and served the cake. Punch was poured by Pat Dougherty, Sharon's aunt. Coffee was served by Shirley Anderson, Brian's aunt.

'God's Prison Gang' to be shown at Lexington

"God's Prison Gang," a newly released film featuring Al Capone's getaway driver, the last member of Bonnie and Clyde's gang and two other notorious criminals who have become Christians will be shown at the Lexington Church, 160 B Street, on Sunday, July 17, announced the Rev. Stuart Dick. The showing is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m.

The film, shot behind the walls of New York's Attica prison, is hosted by Art Linkletter. It tells the story, Dick explains, of how the work of International Prison Ministry is accomplishing what more guards, higher prison walls and greater financial expenditures have failed to do—keep released inmates from return-

ing to lives of crime. Telling their stories in the 44-minute film are George Meyer, Al Capone's favorite driver; Floyd Hamilton, the last of the Bonnie and Clyde Gang; Jerry Graham, the "robber king" of California; and Ted Jefferson, convicted of crimes from drugs and robbery to murder.

Also featured is "Chaplain Ray," whose Dallas-based International Prison Ministry has changed the lives of thousands of inmates over the past 18 years.

The Lexington Christian Church invites all citizens concerned about the problem of rising crime to attend the free screening of the film," said Dick.

"Men often mistake notoriety for fame, and would rather be remarked for their vices and follies than not to be noticed at all!" Harry S. Truman

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thanks to merchants

To the editor:

On behalf of the Willow Creek Little League, we would like to thank the following merchants for their participation in the success of the snack shack stand: R&W Drive-In, Tom Troxell's Chevron and Central Market. In addition, thanks is extended to numerous individuals who donated their time to work, their merchandise and/or their equipment.

Over \$500 was raised with proceeds going toward the fence that will surround the new Little League field below Willow Creek Dam and construction of the field will begin this fall.

With this year's tremendous success, W.C.L.L. anticipates a bigger and better snack shack for 1984.

Susan Johnston and Joy Krein Heppner

Local woman achieving success in many ways

By JUSTINE WEATHERFORD

Jojean Stevens, a Heppner High School graduate from Hardman, has been achieving success in several ways recently. From June 30 through July 3 she played the piano accompaniment for the cast of "Special Edition," the Rendezvous drama directed by Robb Roy in Pendleton. She received high praise for her musical work.

From July 5 to 9, she attended the national Phi Beta Lambda Business Honorary convention and skills contest

in San Francisco. She represented Blue Mountain Community College. The Heppner Soroptimists contributed \$50 toward Jojean's expenses.

Stevens competed in the accounting championship contest, representing BMCC, where she was an accounting major. Since she completed her requirements there in the middle of March she has been employed by the Carefree Travel Service in Pendleton, who gave her a leave to go to San Francisco, according to her mother, Mrs. Robert Stevens, Hardman.

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Carlson newlyweds to be feted at reception

Clinton Carlson and Sarah Wilcox, who were married July 2 in Medford, will be honored at a wedding reception on Sunday, July 24, from 4 to 6 p.m., at Valby Lutheran Church, 17 miles south of Ione.

All friends and relatives are invited to attend.

Engagements

Anderson — Daly

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Daly of Heppner announce the engagement of their daughter, JoLynn, to Galen W. Anderson of Blue River. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Anderson of Blue River.

Miss Daly is a 1980 graduate of Heppner High School and attended the Oregon Institute of Technology.

Anderson is a 1980 graduate of McKenzie Senior High and also attended the Oregon Institute of Technology. He is employed by Sur Kamp Logging Co.

An October wedding is planned.

Brooks — Smith



Melissa Smith and Rick Brooks

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Smith announce the engagement of their daughter, Melissa Kaye, to Rick Allen Brooks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Dane Brooks of St. Louis, Mo.

Miss Smith is a 1983 graduate of Hermiston High School and is now employed at the Umatilla Army Depot.

Brooks is a 1981 graduate from Litneur High School, St. Louis, Mo. and is now in the U.S. Army, stationed at Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

An October 8 wedding is planned.

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Reception following at the Elks Lodge