

Dinner, Reception Held On Fiftieth Anniversary

The son and three daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Longhurst, 814 Grant avenue, were in Medford recently for the golden wedding anniversary of the couple. A family dinner at the Medford hotel was followed by an informal reception in the recreation room.

Here for the event were the couple's son, C. E. Longhurst, Everett, Wash., and their daughter, Mrs. Grant Marsh and Mr. Marsh, Honolulu, T.H.; Mrs. Norman Berg and daughter, Christine, Medford, Mrs. C. D. Naslund, Mr. Naslund and their daughters, Judy and Janet, Myrtle Point.

Also here were Mrs. M. A. Besser and Mr. Besser, El Monte, Calif., sister and brother-in-law of Mrs. Longhurst; Stanley Longhurst and Mrs. C. H. Marrs, Petersburg, Ontario, Canada, brother and sister of Mr. Longhurst, and another brother, Charles Longhurst, Los Angeles, and his wife.

Only family members unable to attend the celebration were Mr. Berg and the Longhurst's grandsons, Grant and Phillip Marsh.

Mrs. Besser and Mrs. Marrs cut the golden wedding cakes, and Mrs. Dwight Logan, Eugene, and Mrs. Elsie Lewis, Medford, served punch. During the family dinner Mrs. Marsh read a family history which Mr. Marsh had written for the occasion. Judy Naslund took charge of the guest book.

Decorations were made up of 500 small orchids which Mr. and Mrs. Marsh had brought from Hawaii. Included were an orchid tree, and the numerals "50" made from orchids.

For the dinner and reception Mrs. Longhurst wore an Alice blue gown with silver trimming, and a corsage of golden orchids. Her daughters wore corsages of brown orchids.

Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Logan and daughters, Eugene, Mr. and Mrs. William Bell and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. B. Tennant, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Russell, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Horn, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Wagner, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Peebles, Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. K. Fluck, Gold Hill; Mrs. Albert Straus, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Norris and Mrs. Lewis.

The honored couple received many gifts. Mr. and Mrs. Longhurst were married in Golden, British Columbia, December 4, 1904. They moved to Everett, Wash., in 1922, and to Medford seven years ago.

Mr. Longhurst is secretary and treasurer of the Local 503, Amalgamated Meat Cutters' and Butchers Workmen of North America here. Mrs. Longhurst is a member of Olive Rebekah lodge, First Presbyterian church and Daughters of the British Empire.

Mr. and Mrs. Besser remained in Medford and are guests of the Longhursts until after the holidays. They are spending a few days visiting their niece, Mrs. Naslund and family, Myrtle Point, and will return the first of the week.

Birthday Party In Central Point Honors Woman

Central Point — Mrs. Effie Erwin, who makes her home with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ditch, Central Point, was honored at a party last Wednesday afternoon in observance of her 73rd birthday. The party was held at the home of her daughter and was attended by about 20 women from the Friends church, Medford. Her actual birthday is December 23.

The event was in the form of a surprise and Mrs. Erwin was presented a cake. The cake had been decorated by Joe Wolk-Lanski, a friend of the family. She also was presented many other gifts, and the cake and other refreshments were served.

Mrs. Harold Allen, Central Point, and Mrs. Raymond Brood, Medford, furnished duets, and Mrs. Milo Hardin told the Christmas story from the Book of Luke. The group also sang Christmas carols.

After the birthday party Mrs. Clynton Crisman, wife of the pastor of the Friends church, was presented a friendship quilt by the Grandmothers club of the church.

Auxiliary-Guild Elects Officers

St. Mark's auxiliary guild members elected Mrs. G. R. Owens president of the group during a Christmas luncheon December 10. Mrs. Roy V. Rickard is the first vice-president; Mrs. R. K. Bailey, second vice-president; Miss Amy Harding, recording secretary; and Mrs. William Isaacs, treasurer.

Mrs. L. D. Whiteford, Miss Lillian Whiteford, Mrs. B. C. Richardson and Mrs. E. Dalen were hostesses for the luncheon. Mrs. Herschel Morris, accompanied by Mrs. Ernest Conrad, sang Christmas songs, and Miss Harding read a Christmas message.

The next meeting will be Friday, January 14.



Miss Irene Cummings

Irene Cummings, Harold Kinney To Wed in Spring

Mr. and Mrs. John Cummings, 597 Midway road, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Irene Grace Cummings, to Harold Ray Kinney, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Kinney, Freeman road.

Miss Cummings, a former student at Crater High school, is now an employee of Mann's department store. Her fiancé attended Medford Senior High school and served two years in the United States Army. He is now employed at Bear Creek Packing company.

The wedding will take place in early spring.

Lincoln School Announces Events

Parents and friends of children in Lincoln school are invited to attend several Christmas activities December 22 and 23.

The Christmas program will be in the school gymnasium starting at 1:30 p.m. December 22 with school being dismissed at about 2:30 that day. The school band, directed by Al Huntman, and the school orchestra under the direction of Miss Audrey Brist will take part in the program. There are approximately 40 students in the band and about 22 in the orchestra.

In addition to the tree in the gymnasium, each room will have a Christmas tree and an exchange of gifts during the home room parties. During this time Santa Claus will visit each room and pass out treats to the children. Preschool children may attend the home room parties if accompanied by their brothers or sisters. Primary grade will hold their parties from 12:30 to 2 p.m. and the intermediate grades from 2 until 2 p.m. December 23. Parents may also attend the home room parties. School will be dismissed at 2 p.m. on the 23rd.

Another activity during the week will be the all school Christmas music program over KBES-TV from 4:30 to 5 p.m. Wednesday, December 22. Several singers from each school in Medford will appear on the program.

Auxiliary Gives Children's Party

Shady Cove — A children's Christmas party was sponsored Saturday by members of the auxiliary to the Steelhead post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and a Christmas party and potluck dinner for auxiliary members was held Friday evening. Another auxiliary event was a "Pill pal" party Wednesday.

During a recent business session of the group Mrs. Fred Lawrence, district president, and Mrs. O. O. DeBerry, both of Medford, and Mrs. Nila Perry, Grants Pass, were guests.

At the meeting Mrs. Walter J. Blair's application for membership was accepted. A dinner for Rotary club members of Shady Cove was planned and Mrs. Gene House was appointed chairman for the event.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Ruby Oliver, Mrs. S. Parrick and Mrs. E. Osborn. The next meeting will be January 7.

Guild Discusses Hey Day Plans

Plans for the 1955 Heyday, sponsored by the Tudor guild of the Oregon Shakespearean Festival theater, were discussed at a meeting held last week at the home of Mrs. Myron Root, 28 North Berkeley way, and attended by guild members.

The Heyday is given annually as a benefit for the scholarship fund for Shakespearean actors.

Daughter Home

Miss Nancy McKinstry arrived Friday evening from Corvallis to visit through the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. McKinstry, 744 Dakota avenue. She is a student at Oregon State college.

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Organ Society Has Yule Party Thursday Night

About 70 persons attended a Christmas party and dinner Thursday evening at the Medford hotel for members of the Southern Oregon chapter, Hammond Organ society, and their guests.

The group was organized September 20 and is made up of persons interested in organ music.

Meetings are held once each month at Puruckers Piano house and anyone interested in becoming a member is invited to attend the meetings.

Merle Stover, the youngest member of the chapter, played selections, and others who furnished music on organs for the occasion were Tommy Widner, Grants Pass, and Mrs. Dorothy F. McQuat. Group singing was led by Bob Randall, Grants Pass.

Thirty members received membership certificates in the organization which is nationwide. The group originally was made up of about 40 persons and now has a membership of 70.

The president is Z. Edgar Irwin, Grants Pass, and the three vice-presidents are Art Hall, Ashland, Leonard Mathews, Medford, and Bob Pinket, Grants Pass. Mrs. Ted Conway, Shady Cove, is the secretary, and Sam Taylor, Medford, treasurer.

The board of directors is made up of Don Miller and Dr. G. A. Dierdorff, both of Medford, and Merle Stover.

The next meeting will be January 21, at the piano house.

Gardeners Meet In Jacksonville

Jacksonville — The December meeting of Jacksonville Garden club was held at the home of Mrs. Paul Godward. Roll call was answered by giving the name of a red-berried shrub and a few specimens were displayed. A branch of landi-pyracantha, brought by Mrs. Lawrence Luy, was especially beautiful.

A business meeting was followed by a social hour and Christmas gift exchange among the members. Miss Claire Hanley received a prize. Dessert luncheon, including a variety of Christmas cookies, was served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. James Winingham and Mrs. Robert Sorber.

December 13, several members met at the clubrooms and worked on garlands for the Camp White Christmas decorations.

Twenty-three members attended the meeting at the Godward home.

Events Announced By Reames Chapter

Mr. and Mrs. John Esp, retiring worthy matron and patron of Reames chapter, Order of Eastern Star, will preside for the farewell meeting of the year when the chapter meets Thursday, December 23, at 8 p.m. in Medford Masonic hall.

Initiation and a reception for 1954 members is also planned for the evening.



Miss Joanne Post is the fiancée of John R. Clark, Central Point. The engagement of Miss Post, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. John R. Post, The Dalles, to Mr. Clark, a son of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Clark, Central Point, was announced last month.

Bride Honored At Shower Party Wednesday Night

A shower honoring Mrs. Stanley Cramer, whose wedding was a recent event, was held Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Arthur Johnson. Mrs. Cramer, the former Gerrie Gilman, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gilman, Ross lane.

Mrs. Clayton Copsey was presented a farewell gift. She will move soon to Alaska.

Games were played and the prizes were won by Mrs. Joe Kingsley, Mrs. Randy Huggdahl, Mrs. Frank Gidney and Mrs. A. B. Shirley.

The hostesses were Mrs. Carl Pearson, Mrs. W. H. Arnold, Mrs. Nora Glascock and Mrs. Anna McCormick.

The home was decorated in a Christmas theme.

Others who attended are Mesdames Florence Laing, Raymond Allen, Robert Gilman, Tom Mee, Sam Yates, Ben Doss, Bill Russell, A. B. Hall, Elsa Walker, George Culy, Harvey Rowden, Harry Miller, Tom Lynch, Irvin Patten and Miss Blanche Arnold.

Nevita Chapter Elects Officers; Installation Set

Central Point — Mrs. Luther H. Day was elected worthy matron of Nevita chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, during a meeting December 14 at the Masonic temple. Merritt Swing is the new worthy patron, Mrs. Melvin McGrew and Bruce Grieves are the associate matron and patron, Mrs. Gladys Beebe, secretary, and Mrs. Howard Short, treasurer.

Mrs. Wiles Berry and Mrs. Merle Harsh are the conductress and associate conductress.

A Christmas party was held after the elections. An open meeting will be held at 8 p.m. December 30 at the Masonic temple for installation of the new officers.

Alexa Hibbard New Queen of Medford Bethel

Alexa Hibbard was elected honored queen of the Medford Bethel of Job's Daughters Wednesday evening at a meeting of the Bethel at the Masonic temple.

Rosalie Johnson is the senior princess and Emily Masterson, junior princess.

Those elected to the other offices include Sally Ross, guide; Ann Garner, marshal; Carol McKee, Judy Brill, Janna Lou Henson, Carol Dyke and Lynda Smith, messengers.

Sue Donna Doolen is the musician and Charlene Hubler and Linda Norris, senior and junior custodians; Diana Russell, recorder; Susan Hubbard, treasurer; El Rita Gabie, chaplain; Sharon, Blickenstaff, librarian; Irene Thomas and Karen Johnson, inner and outer guards; Rosemary Doolen and Sandra Kubalek, soloist and assistant soloist; Lana Salyer and Kay Little, Lady of the lights and the assistant lady of the lights; and Lou Elsa Voegtly, historian.

Candidates initiated at the meeting were Connetta Hinesley, Jean Pletsch, Roberta Sleeter, Karen Paschke, Mary Wiley, Janet Snodgrass, Barbara Triplet and Glanda Kaye.

Refreshments were served after the meeting.

Auxiliary Holds Business Session; Members Report

Medford American Legion auxiliary held a business meeting Tuesday evening at the Legion Home. Members brought canned goods which will be used in the Christmas baskets and it was reported that two baskets had been taken to families at Thanksgiving.

Minor changes in the constitution were approved by the membership, and reports of the standing committees were heard. Mrs. Leo Williams reported that 84,000 memorial poppies have been made to date by the men at Camp White.

Mrs. Earl Bigalow reported on the auxiliary child welfare conference which she attended in Portland last week end.

The unit decided to make its sewing project the making of clothing for children. This clothing will be used in the local area, and some of it will be sent to the child welfare center at Roseburg.

Refreshments were served following the meeting.

Clark Family In California

Mrs. Roger Clark and daughter, Candy, 1505 Terrace drive, are in San Jose, Calif., where last evening they attended the wedding of Mrs. Clark's sister, Miss Nancy Walton, to Dr. Charles Short, also of San Jose. The wedding took place at the Methodist church and Candy Clark was flower girl for her aunt. They plan to return here Monday evening. The Clarks have lived in Medford for about four years and were former San Jose residents.



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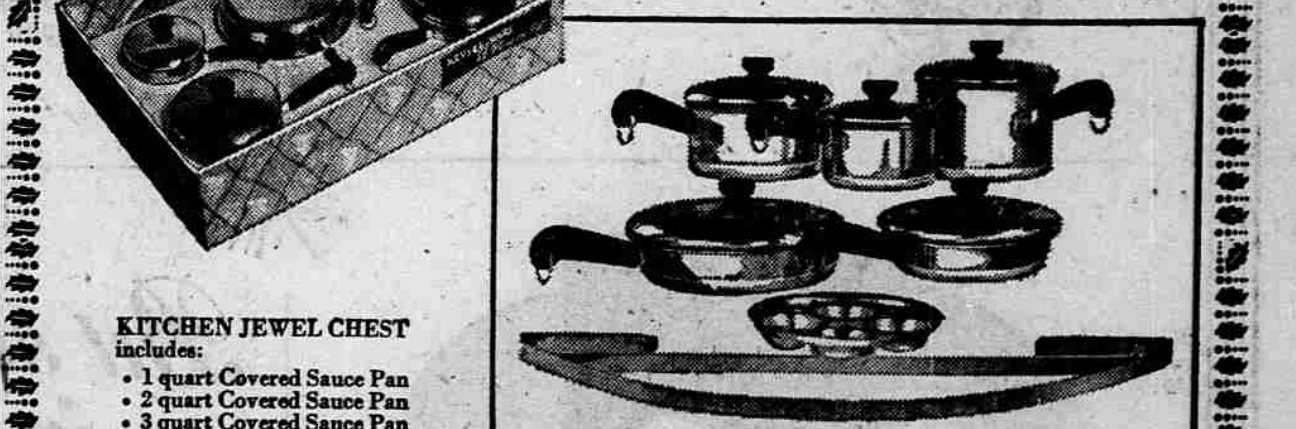
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