

Wedding Service Lasts Three Days In Indian Cities

Washington — (U.P.)—Modern brides who wait that "too much fuss" is made by their mothers at weddings might compare themselves with their Indian sisters.

"In India the usual city wedding lasts three days," said Mrs. Veena Vashi, an Indian woman who is studying architecture and social economic planning here.

"The bride robed in a white sari, has small part in festivities," said Mrs. Vashi. This is the opposite of her American counterpart who is the main attraction.

The first evening of the wedding ceremony, the bride usually sits in one room, head modestly lowered. Female relatives and friends sit around her.

"The groom arrives resplendent in robes. He is garlanded with flowers and is on a horse. Proceeding the groom are male relatives and friends. And leading the procession is a brass band, to announce the arrival," she continued.

The bridegroom is seated in another room. Males and females are separated.

The bridegroom must wait for an auspicious moment for the actual wedding ceremony. This "moment" is decided upon by comparing the astrologies of the couple. The stars decide at exactly what second they will be wed. This "auspicious moment" might fall at 4 a.m., or some other unhandy hour.

The ceremony itself, is simple and beautiful. It takes about 10 minutes for a Brahman (Hindu) priest to unite the couple.

After the ceremony, a feast is

Bethel to Mark Anniversary; Members Visit

At a meeting of Central Point Bethel of Jobs' Daughters planned for May 12, members of the Order of Eastern Star will be honored guests, and the Bethel will celebrate its seventh birthday. The events were announced at the regular Bethel meeting held last week.

Reports of grand session were given and members described their visit to the "grandparents" at the Masonic home in Forest Grove. Escorted and introduced were Melvin McGrew, past patron of Nevita chapter and associate guardian-elect of the Bethel, the Misses Donna Lavin and Belva Chew, past queens.

On the refreshment committee were the Misses Sally Elden, Joanne Ritter, Anita Conger, and Mesdames Elden, Ritter and Conger.

A large group of Central Point Bethel members visited Bethel No. 14 in Medford May 4 on Friendship night and entertained with a prize-winning drill, "Wormando's Hideaway."

ready for the guests.

"The father who earns \$60 a month would spend about \$500. While the one who earns \$500 a month would spend about \$2,000," she said.

The second day the bride is taken to the groom's home.

On the third day, the groom returns the bride to her parents' home. He is welcomed as a new son.

"Of course," Mrs. Vashi concluded, "in the villages the wedding ceremonies last seven days."



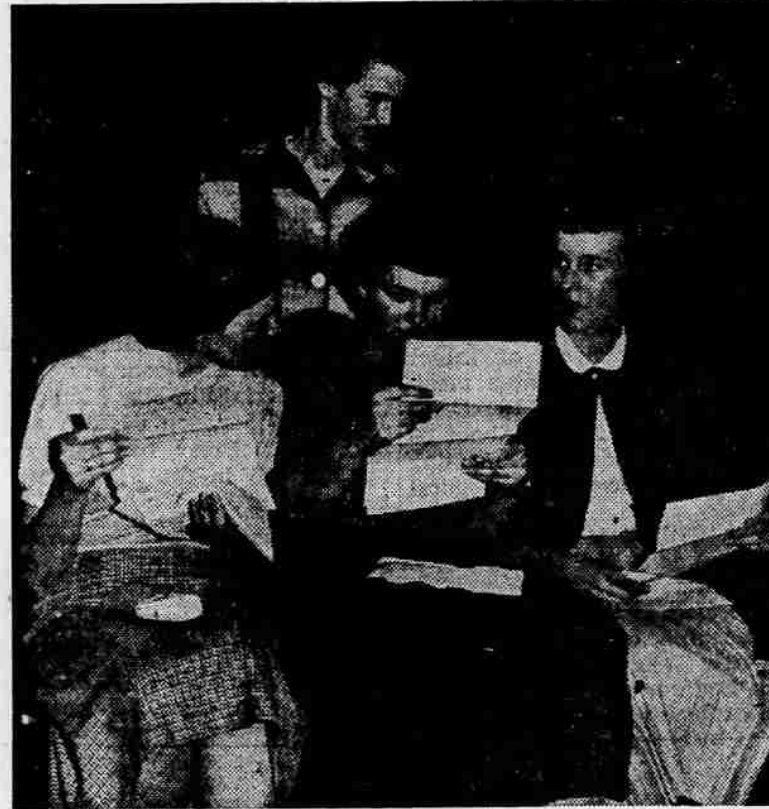
Announcement of honors and awards marked the annual program and tea given recently at Medford Senior High school during Girls' League week, and award winners are pictured here following the event. Shown (left to right at back) are Miss Mary Kay White, who won a Girls' League award for seniors; Miss Marguerite Lamp, PEO merit award winner; Miss Melissa Jennings, Daughters of the American Revolution good citizen-

ship award winners and Miss Barbara Cox, winner of a Girls' League sophomore award; (seated, on sofa, left to right) Miss Beverly Cosler, winner of Girls' League award for junior girls; Miss Sandra Laing, another winner of a league award for a junior; Miss Sue Doolen, sophomore league award winner; (seated on floor) Miss Kathleen Guiley, senior Girls' League award.

—(Frank Bash photo)

To Elect

Officers will be elected for the West Side Mothers club when the members meet Wednesday, May 11, at 8 p.m., at the Humphreys home on Ross lane. This will be the last meeting of the school year.



Four delegates to the annual Girls' state of the Oregon American Legion auxiliary were announced during the annual tea for mothers held last week as a part of Girls' League week at Medford Senior High school. Pictured with the announcements of their awards are (left to right, seated) Miss Janet Perry, Miss Jane Bash and Miss Nancy McKeown, while Miss Marilyn Olsen stands at back. The announcement of winners was made by Mrs. Edward Leach of the Medford auxiliary.—(Frank Bash photo)

60th Anniversary To Be Observed By Medford Couple

A family dinner today will observe the 60th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. I. A. Spencer at their home at 310 North Bartlett street. The couple has lived in Medford for over 30 years and from the time they came here until about two years ago Mr. Spencer operated a barbershop at his home.

The event today is in the form of a surprise and is being given for them by their children, Don and Clifford Spencer, and Mrs. Edna Koontz. Another daughter, Mrs. Homer Keep of Bend, is unable to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Spencer were married May 8, 1895 in Kansas and came west by covered wagon to Idaho where they homesteaded. They first lived in the Berrydale district when they arrived

Sojourners Club To Meet at Hotel

Medford Sojourners club will meet Thursday, June 12, at 1 p.m., at the Medford hotel.

An invitation is extended to all inactive members to attend. Newcomers to Medford and vicinity who have lived here less than two years are eligible for membership and are invited to attend and become members. The organization is purely social and has for its main purpose helping newcomers to become acquainted.

Any newcomer who has not been contacted will be welcomed at the meetings or can obtain more information by calling Mrs. Gene Chamberlain 3-4277.

here and for about 20 years have lived at the North Bartlett street address.

Student Wins Art Award

Miss Joan Strowbridge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Strowbridge, 618 Catherine street, has been awarded \$25 for an oil painting entered in the 28th national high school art exhibition that opened May 7 at Carnegie institute in Pittsburgh, Pa., according to a release from the sponsoring company, Scholastic Magazines.

The student is a senior at Medford Senior high school and a student of Warren Wolf, art instructor at the school. This is a top award, her instructor explained. Last year she placed second in the nation in her division, also for an oil painting.

This year's subject is of still life and is an abstraction. She won three awards in the regional contest held earlier this spring at Lipman's store in Portland. Last year she won a regional award in addition to the second place nationally.

The exhibit at Carnegie institute will continue through May 31.

Students from all 48 states made about 170,000 entries and about 36,000 pieces won places in regional exhibitions. A total of 1,475 entries have won places in the national show, representing 26 different classifications in the fields of pictorial art, graphic arts, commercial art, design, sculpture and ceramics, and crafts.

The 466 outstanding pieces in the national show received cash awards of \$25 each, donated chiefly by leading concerns in the art industry who served as national cosponsors with the Scholastic Magazines.

Sunshine Girls Plan Installation

Officers of the Talisman Rosebud council, Pythian Sunshine Girls, will be installed Thursday, May 12, at 7 p.m., during a meeting in the Pythian building. Miss Glenna Felkel will be the installing officer.

Also on the agenda will be the appointment of delegates for a grand council session to be held May 14 and 15 at Eugene.

Rio de Janeiro in English means River of January.

Mrs. Herbert Kinder Honor Guest at Party

Mrs. Herbert Kinder, 1124 Dakota avenue, entertained at her home Friday afternoon honoring Mrs. L. T. Sutherland, who will move soon from the neighborhood. Mrs. Sutherland's present home is at 1145 Dakota avenue.

The hostess served refreshments and at the party were Mrs. Sutherland was presented a gift.

hood, Mrs. William West, Mrs. Claude Cartwright, Mrs. Clinton Bennett, Mrs. Charles Hill, Mrs. Carl Landis, Mrs. Jack Huston, Mrs. Nina Coon, Mrs. Jack Beale, Mrs. Richard Knight, Mrs. Eugene Vinckel, and Mrs. Lawrence Schaefer.

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