

### Business Women Hold Installation Of New Officers

Mrs. Harriet Watson was installed president of Medford Business and Professional Women's club for the year 1955-56 at the annual formal installation banquet held Thursday evening at the Rogue Valley Country club. Miss Laura York, a past state president, conducted the installation service.

Other officers installed were Mrs. Alberta Rossi, first vice president; Miss Voda Brower, second vice-president; Mrs. Frida Burger, treasurer; Mrs. Beulah Nathan, recording secretary; Mrs. Glenna Corson, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Viola Pasmore, auditor; Mrs. Florence Lance, Mrs. Jeannette Marshall, Miss Grace Stuhler and Mrs. Marie Pierce, directors.

Mrs. Watson was presented a scrapbook to be filled with news on the club's activities during her year in office. She was also presented a gift from the executive board in appreciation of her services as president during the year 1954-55.

Entertainment for the evening was provided by Mrs. Sally Marjion, formerly vocalist with Jan Garber's orchestra.

### Friendship Club To Hold Meeting; Woman Honored

Gold Hill—Amethyst Rebekah Friendship club members will meet at the home of their president, Mrs. John Cogswell, Monday, June 20 at 8 p.m. Mrs. Delos Walker will be co-hostess.

Mrs. Paul Thompson, district deputy president of the Amethyst Rebekah lodge, was recently installed as an officer of the Rebekah Assembly of Oregon for the year.

Mrs. Thompson's office in the assembly is that of inside guardian. The appointment was made by the assembly president, Mrs. Edna Bradley, Clatskanie. At a recent meeting of the lodge Mrs. Thompson gave a report of the session.

William Carter, Portland, one of three living charter members of the Amethyst lodge, was introduced at the assembly session. He is the oldest past grand master in the state. Mr. Carter lived in the Rogue valley for many years.

Amethyst lodge members also placed third in publicity in the state for the past year. All lodges in the state were eligible and were divided into three groups. Gold Hill was in Group 2 which was made up of lodges with 75 to 175 members. In the past two years the lodge has placed first in its group.

### Reames Chapter Plans Meeting

Reames chapter will honor the star points at the chapter meeting set for Thursday, June 23, at 8 p.m. in Medford Masonic temple. Reports of grand chapter will be given.

Mrs. Lester Gilman is chairman and Mrs. F. W. Fawcett co-chairman for the refreshment hours.

### Family Returns From Motor Trip

Mrs. John Fugill and daughter, Mrs. Joe Tharp and her daughters, Janice and Nancy, returned last week by way of Portland, Salem and Eugene, from a motor trip to Spokane, Wash. They left here June 1 and in Spokane they visited Mr. and Mrs. Jay Grendahl and family. Mr. Grendahl is a son of Mrs. Fugill. They also visited friends at Pullman, Wash., and Lewiston, Ida.

### Electa Social Club Plans Picnic Friday

An annual picnic is planned for members of the Electa Social club at the home of Mrs. Eta Pryor, 33 Black Oak drive. The potluck event is scheduled for Friday, June 24 at 12:30 p.m., and members should take table service.

Nonaffiliated members of the Order of the Eastern Star are invited.

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June not only brings many weddings—it also brings out the usual rash of statistics about wedding traditions and information about quaint customs in other lands.

For instance, the jewelry industry put out a release not long ago about wedding rings—how cavemen made rings of woven rushes and grass which the bride wore around her wrists and ankles to denote that she was her mate's property.

It is thought bone was the next material used in making wedding rings, and that ivory, flint, bronze, iron, brass, copper and silver have all been used. Gold rings were first introduced by ancient Egyptians, who are also credited with the romantic theory that the circle symbolizes eternal marital bliss because it has no beginning or ending.

Equally romantic was a 17th century belief that started the custom of wearing a wedding ring on the third finger of the left hand. The popular notion then was that a vein in that finger led directly to the heart. But medical men later threw cold water on the belief, saying that each finger on both hands has a vein running to the heart.

Somehow Potpourri always had the notion that people in this nation tended to be more extravagant about weddings than others. But we read a recent article which said that in India, families feel it is absolutely necessary to be lavish with weddings. According to the writer, a father in India earning but \$60 a month might spend as much as \$500 on a wedding; if he earned \$500 a month, about \$2,000 on his daughter's wedding.

Tradition seems to play a large part in weddings in all nations. In Medford, Mrs. W. J. Warner's heirloom cake knife has been used by scores of brides. Last Sunday it was used to cut the cake at the wedding of Jean Kyle and Donald Gardner; in recent years it had also been used to cut the cakes when Jean's two brothers, Robert Jr., and Richard, were married. All three of the Kyles were married in First Methodist church here, also.

All church weddings may follow the same pattern, but the brides and bridegrooms—and the ministers—all add their individual touches. When Norma Leonard was married to Marvin Rosette of Medford, the bridegroom came out to meet his bride when the wedding march started, and spying his mother, waved at her and said in a stage whisper, "Hi, mom."

The society editor and an unknown linotype operator owe that same mom an apology. The copy proves that the society editor described her gown and flowers, but the typesetter just quit in the middle of the paragraph, after describing Mrs. Leonard's gown, and the story was published that way. Very embarrassing.

Jerilyn Smith added a humorous note to the Kyle Gardner wedding with her arm cast. Jerilyn broke her arm just before leaving for Salem to visit her sister and while there, heard the famous Duke Ellington play. So now she is showing everyone the Duke's autograph on the cast. When the doctor removes the cast, he is to be given strict instructions to preserve that part of the plaster.

The National Father's day committee has drafted a Father's Decalogue which we are pleased to pass along. It reads: 1—Your sense of brotherhood instills in your child respect for his fellowman; 2—Your fairness teaches him good sportsmanship in work and play; 3—Your example instills in him an appreciation of the family spirit, the true backbone of society; 4—Your companionship creates a basis for mutual understanding and makes a pal of him; 5—Your teaching imparts a desire to love, honor and obey his country's laws; 6—Your encouragement helps him to apply himself to difficult tasks; 7—Your leadership in community affairs teaches the importance of local participation in government; 8—Your self-reliance helps develop an independent spirit; encourages do-it-yourself activities; 9—Your foresight in preparing for future security develops responsibility in him; 10—Your guidance prepares him for the duties and responsibilities of citizenship in a free society.

Potpourri buzzed over to Ashland Thursday night for the annual casting party which Tudor guild gives for the Shakespearean festival company. Even though we had edited a story about the party, and had a notice in the calendar, we went to the wrong building and found no one there.

Since the Women's Civic clubhouse, where the party was held last year, was empty, we decided the other logical place for the event would be Trinity Guild hall, but had forgotten the street. So we asked an Ashland policeman where the Episcopal church was located. The policeman had to look in the telephone book for the information, and didn't even know that the church's name is Trinity.

"There's a lot of churches in Ashland," he explained, "and I just can't remember which is which."

We were delighted to have our actor friends, Bill Oyler and Paul Kliss, assigned to us as guests, and at table sat across from Judges Rawlins Moore and Mrs. Moore. The judge had fun twitting Potpourri about her journalistic endeavors and finally said "Quick, tell me something interesting to say so you can quote me."

Potpourri went to the rose show meaning to stay 20 minutes and ended up by staying an hour. Now we're determined to buy some more roses and spray more and prune more scientifically and try to raise a prize-winning rose. (Pappy says the only thing we might win a prize on would be the grass which flourishes better in the flower beds than do the flowers).

The rose society members were jubilant over the quality and number of entries, and the interest evidenced in the first show. More than 700 attended, and the guest book shows many visitors from other states as well as local residents.

The Ranald Axtells of Trail provided a wishing well for the show. This was set up outside the entrance and hung with little signs in verse which invited visitors to drop in their pennies and dimes. One small boy, peering over the side, saw a Canadian penny. Letting his collecting instincts overcome his wisdom, the youngster quickly climbed over and snatched the penny from the pan of water filled with coins.

Alas and alack—he couldn't get out again and had to be rescued by show workers who lectured him but smiled on the other side of their faces. O.S.



Miss Phyllis Corliss, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold H. Corliss, 938 South Holly street, is shown above in a bicycle-powered rickshaw in Japan as she prepared to go on a sightseeing tour. Miss Corliss, a graduate of Marylhurst college at Oswego where she majored in music and voice study, is in Japan with the Army special services as a program director. She left Medford in January and plans to be in Japan for about two years. In mid-May Miss Corliss, a soprano, presented a vocal concert at the American-Japanese cultural center in Kyoto.

### Jacksonville Lions Club Names Officers

Jacksonville — Gordon Kirkland was installed as president of the Jacksonville Lions club Thursday night. Eston Humphries of the Medford club was installing officer.

Other officers installed were A. A. Griffin, first vice-president; Robert Minear, second vice-president; Fred Edens, third vice-president; Bruce Blew and Ike Dunford, directors; Joe Smith, tail twister; Art Davies, liontamer; and Clyde Sutherland, secretary-treasurer.

The southwest corner of the cellar usually is the safest place in a home during a tornado.

### Pythian Sisters To Meet Tuesday; Hostesses Named

Pythian Sisters will meet Tuesday, June 21, at 8 p.m. at the Pythian building. There will be election of grand representative and the auditing committee's report will be read. The refreshment committee will be Mrs. Lucile Brock, Mrs. Floyd Murray and Mrs. Leroy Cline.

Pythian club met last Tuesday evening with Mrs. Ed Bostwick as hostess. Prizes were won by Mrs. J. T. Conrad and Mrs. Bostwick.

Hostesses for the next meeting will be Mrs. Leroy Cline and Mrs. John Fugill.

Past Chiefs' club met last Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Joe Cook for a covered dish luncheon. Mrs. Harry Barnburg will be hostess to the group at their next meeting.



This collarless, button-front sheath is cool and chic for summer days. Serbin of Miami uses a Sanforized shadow plaid cotton for the sheath in refreshing shades of lime, blue, or pink with white. National Cotton Council fashionists say cool plaids like this will be popular for summer.

### Lady Elks

Lady Elks plan a dessert luncheon and afternoon of cards Tuesday, June 21 at 1:30 p.m., at the Elks lounge. Hostesses will be Mrs. E. B. Radzweit, Mrs. M. M. Herman and Mrs. Nick DeWitt. Wives of Elks lodge members are invited.

Pasadena, Calif. —(U.P.)—A native Portlander has been appointed manager of the Pasadena laboratory of Stanford Research institute. Dr. Robert D. Englert, holder of degrees from the University of Portland and Oregon State college, has been with SRI since 1949.

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