

Visitors, Parties Make Valley News



Mrs. Elmo Smith (center), wife of Oregon's governor, was honored at a number of parties during a visit to the valley last week. A small group was invited to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl E. Wimberly Jr., on South Barneburg road Wednesday morning to meet Mrs. Smith. Pictured with Mrs. Smith are Mrs. Philip Lowry (at left), wife of State Senator Lowry, and Mrs. C. H. Buffington.

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July and early August days have been filled with parties, many of them held outdoors in patios and gardens. Some of the events honored visitors here from far-away cities to visit relatives and friends and to attend the 1956 Oregon Shakespearean festival plays.

Among the guests were Governor Elmo Smith and Mrs. Smith who came down from Salem to attend the opening of the festival Wednesday night and who were honored at a number of other functions both in Medford and in Ashland.

Parties for Mrs. Smith included a small breakfast at the home of Mrs. Carl E. Wimberly Jr., Medford, a coffee hour at the home of Mrs. James Busch in Ashland and a tea at the Women's Civic clubhouse in Ashland for which Mrs. Philip Stansbury was chairman. The governor and Mrs. Smith were honored at a cocktail



Among visitors to the valley this week were Mrs. John R. MacArthur and her daughter, Miss Muriel MacArthur, Bronxville, N. Y. The two women made a brief visit with Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Ruhl, 2404 East Main street, and left Thursday again for the east. The visitors were honored at a number of small parties during their stay and made a trip Monday to the Oregon coast.



Mrs. Marian Goeltz, Salt Lake City, (at right) is pictured here with her aunt, Mrs. Charles S. Newhall, Old Stage road, during a visit in Medford which ended Thursday. Mrs. Goeltz, who was accompanied to Medford by Mrs. John R. MacArthur and Miss Muriel MacArthur (upper right), makes frequent trips to Medford to visit her aunt. She is known in Salt Lake City for her work with the Girl Scouts, Junior league and other organizations.

party given by Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Selby at their home in Ashland, and both were among the honored guests who attended the opening dinner and play of the Shakespearean festival.

A recent garden party in Medford was that given by Women of Rotary at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Brainerd, 226 Valley View drive. Called a "Cotton Coffeete," funds derived from the event went to Rogue Valley Memorial hospital. About 150 Medford and Ashland women attended.

Assisting Mrs. Brainerd were Mrs. John H. Bunker, who is president of Women of Rotary, and a large committee of Rotaryans. Pouring were Mrs. D. Kirkland West, Mrs. D. Ford McCormick, Mrs. S. Ralph Dippel, Mrs. William W. P. Holt, Mrs. Charles W. Lemery, Mrs. Royal E. Bebb, Mrs. A. Orin Schenck and Mrs. C. C. Leonard.

(Brainerd photos)



Mrs. Paul Reinhardt, Chicago, and her small daughter, Anne, are spending several weeks in Medford with Mrs. Reinhardt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Daniels, 407 Park street. Mrs. Reinhardt, the former Clara Daniels, played leading roles for the Oregon Shakespearean festival for a number of years and she is enjoying the plays of the current season.



Charles J. Walker (at left), collector of customs and Rotarian from Galveston, Tex., is shown here with H. J. Meiring, chairman of the fellowship committee of Medford Rotary club, just before the club's luncheon Tuesday. Mr. Walker and his wife are in Medford to visit their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Walker, 401 road.



These three members of Medford Women of Rotary are shown during the "Cotton Coffeete" which the group gave recently to raise funds for Rogue Valley Memorial hospital. Mrs. William W. P. Holt (at left) poured and Mrs. John H. Bunker (center) is president of the group. Mrs. P. F. Brainerd (at right) was hostess at her home, 226 Valley View drive, for the 150 guests.



Mrs. Richard C. Ashcom of Detroit, Mich., and her three children are spending the summer weeks with Mrs. Ashcom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Tomy, 705 Park street. The children, Jeffrey, aged 3, Kathie, 8, and Julie, 10, spend most of their time in the Tomy garden with their toys and books. Doctor Ashcom, who practices medicine in Detroit, will arrive August 19 for a visit and the family will then return home by plane. In the fall the Ashcoms plan to leave Detroit to make their home in Midland, Mich., a smaller city.



One of the large garden parties of July was a benefit coffee held by Women of Rotary at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Brainerd on Valley View drive. Among the guests was Mrs. Kenneth Campbell (at left), member of the auxiliary to Medford Lions club, and Mrs. W. H. Crowder (at right), a new member of Women of Rotary. Mrs. S. Ralph Dippel was among the women who poured during the morning. Guests were received from 10 o'clock to 12 noon, and a substantial sum of money was donated to Rogue Valley Memorial hospital.