

Medford Man Honored Guest On Ninety-Seventh Birthday

Ira C. Jones, long-time Medford resident, celebrated his 97th birthday anniversary Sunday, November 4. Mr. Jones was honored at a family gathering at the home of his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Brockway at their home on Stewart avenue.

The group included the Brockway's daughters and sons-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Luschen and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Elmore.



Ira C. Jones, observed his 97th birthday anniversary November 4. Mr. Jones, who lives with his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Brockway, on Stewart avenue, formerly made ceramic objects as a hobby and is shown here on his 92nd birthday anniversary with part of his collection. (Brainerd photo.)

Applegate, Charles Elmore Jr., showed pictures taken at the national Future Farmers of America convention held in Kansas and which he recently attended. The young man leaves at Thanksgiving time for a 4-H club convention in Chicago.

Mr. Jones can no longer read because of poor eyesight, but spends his time listening to the radio and keeping in touch with current events. A keen student of government for many years, he has talked and written much of plans for world peace and international brotherhood. The elderly man voted by absentee ballot, but eagerly listened to election returns and was delighted at the re-election of President Eisenhower. He is also interested in football, and enjoys listening to radio accounts of Medford High school games.

Earlier this year Mr. Jones' sons and daughters were here for a reunion. His sons are Dr. Rolland R. Jones, Pasadena, Calif., and Norris C. Jones, Minneapolis, Minn. The daughters are Mrs. Brockway, Mrs. Clyde Thomas, Los Angeles, and Mrs. Ralph Waldron, Vallejo, Calif.

Mr. Jones was born in Dakota county, Minnesota. On his 70th wedding anniversary Mr. Jones was quoted as saying that he had farmed for 20 years, manufactured brick for 20 years, had been a retail coal dealer and engaged in other commercial enterprises for 20 years and was spending his "autumn" years in Medford.

Potpourri

This week is American Education Week, and as far as Potpourri is concerned, the past week will be remembered as Trick or Treat Week. About all we can remember is the trying business of crawling along streets and highways at 10 miles an hour with our two eyes glued to the white line in the middle.

Wonder if it would help any to paint the center traffic line of that horrible pink or yellow fluorescent stuff? Signs made of it seem to glow through the fog.

Even those veterans of the streets and roads, the taxi drivers, are feeling the strain. Since so many people abandon their cars and call cabs during the foggy weather, the over-worked drivers were literally on the fly last week. Potpourri even called a cab Friday night just to go from the Tribune office to the Country club and the driver told how he was lost on the East side of town Thursday night for about 20 minutes.

Just after we left the Tribune the cab dispatcher gave the driver three other calls in rapid succession, one to pick up a lady at a downtown building. The cabbie hurried to the entrance, but no passenger. Waiting and fuming, he observed "we only get 20 cents out of every 50 on these jobs and then people wonder why we're always in a hurry, and hate to wait." After about five minutes, he called the dispatcher and received permission to continue without the other passenger and as we drove away he said "I'll bet in another five minutes she'll be on the phone screaming to know where her taxi is."

The drive from the club turn-off to the clubhouse was strictly guess work, with apparently nothing but swirling space in front of the headlights. Arriving safely at the clubhouse, where the Junior Service league champagne supper was getting underway, Potpourri and Photographer Bob Vroman had almost as much difficulty in seeing indoors as out, since fashionable cocktail lounges and dining rooms are so dimly lighted.

The subjects not only kindly consented to pose for pictures, but had to assist by holding a lighted match, or cigarette lighter, until Bob could focus. He also used a match to check the camera settings.

We went to the champagne supper determined to watch for unusually pretty gowns, but the only spot in the club light enough to tell about colors was the entrance hall. Since Mrs. Donald Whalin was tending the ticket table, her handsome gown of red changeable taffeta could be seen to advantage. Mrs. Philip Lowry kindly explained that her pale blue gown was of lace, instead of embroidered organza as we first thought, and Mrs. Arlon Skinner obligingly stood up when we admired her gown, a sheath of black velvet with rhinestone trim. Next time we go to a party at the club we're going to wear our bifocals and take a flashlight.

There was plenty of light, and food, at the dinner last Saturday night at Shady Cove which honored Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Watson. Photographer Bob, dubious about the wild menu, had said he was going to take a sack lunch, but he needn't have worried. The reporter and photographer sampled almost everything (Potpourri skipped the fried grasshoppers and green turtle bits) but we ate roasted bear, racoon and porcupine, and enjoyed the meat very much. The last two are very "gamey" but good. We also tasted baked and smoked salmon; ate a fried clam, sampled an abalone dish, ate two servings of a wild rice and mushroom casserole that was plain wonderful, and had slivers of roast duck or goose, maybe both. Can't remember eating any of the squirrel pot pie, or the elk. We did eat a wild rice pancake with wild honey, and a great big piece of elderberry pie.

Most of this time we carried on a conversation with F. J. Clifford, whose home spun comments on life in the Rogue valley and other spots often find their way into the communications' column of the Mail Tribune. Mr. C. admitted that it takes him a long time to compose enough material for half a column—wonders how the professionals ever beat out as much copy as they do. He thinks Potpourri doesn't do much work at home. If he wants to know just how little, he might ask Pappy.

We tasted chinquapin and wild hazel nuts for the first time. Mrs. John Watson had undertaken the task of getting the chinquapins from their prickly burrs—said she finally put them on the floor and stomped them out with her feet while wearing a pair of heavy shoes. Carroll Watson boasted that he ground acorns in an Indian mortar and pestle in order to have acorn meal for little biscuits.

After eating all these wild foods, Potpourri and Photographer Bob decided the Indians must have lived pretty good, as far as food went.

Ira C. Jones kept telling his daughter, Mrs. A. E. Brockway, that he didn't believe the pet parakeet could talk—decided it was just Mrs. B's imagination. But a short time before election the parakeet settled on Mr. Jones' shoulder and much to his delight clearly said "I Like Ike." Mrs. Brockway had worked a long time teaching the bird the words, knowing it would please her 97-year-old father. O.S.

Meeting Changed by Missionary Circle

Due to the Bob Harlow meetings each Monday evening at First Baptist church, the regular meeting of the Gorsline Missionary circle will meet Wednesday evening, November 14, at 7:45 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Elvia Wood, 27 North Columbus avenue. This will replace the usual Monday evening session.

The program will be on Brazil. Mrs. John Roelfs will present the devotions.

The White Cross article for the meeting is sewing thread. Anyone having material for quilt scraps is asked to bring it to the meeting. Visitors are welcome.

years as a pear grower.

Until his eyesight failed, Mr. Jones made ceramic pieces as a hobby.

Mrs. Jones' death occurred a year ago November 8. The couple's 74th wedding anniversary had occurred four days before, since they had been married on Mr. Jones' birthday in 1881.

Mrs. Note to Present Report of Convention

Blue Star Mothers of America will meet at the home of Mrs. Rex Note, 32 Hamilton avenue, Thursday, November 15, at 1:30 p.m.

Mrs. Note, who attended the national convention in Columbus, Ohio, will give a report to the group.

Meeting Announced For Service Circle

Central Point—Service circle of First Presbyterian church, Central Point, will hold a luncheon meeting Thursday, November 15, at the home of Mrs. Lloyd McCashen at 1 p.m. Hostesses will be Mrs. McCashen and Mrs. Merrill Harsh.

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Post, Auxiliary Announce Events

Crater Lake Post and Auxiliary 1833 Veterans of Foreign twenty-fifth anniversary with a dinner Tuesday, November 20, at 6:30 p.m.

Mrs. Ira Canfield and Etha Wall are in charge of the dinner arrangements with Mrs. Richard Schulz and Mrs. Ivan Lusk on the entertainment committee.

Other activities are scheduled during the week by Crater Lake Post.

Monday, November 12, the Post and Auxiliary will participate in Veterans Day ceremonies. Wednesday, November 14 the Auxiliary sewing club will meet at the home of Mrs. E. L. Hitt on Merriman road for luncheon at 1 p.m.

The organization and its auxiliary were hosts to the "last man's club" Saturday, November 10, at a dinner held at the hall.

At their last meeting November 6 Mr. and Mrs. Dan Krotz, district commander and president from Shady Cove, were visitors.

Roguette circle number 4 Military Order of Lady Bugs will hold installation and a potluck dinner Tuesday, November 13, at 7:30 p.m. at the Veterans hall, 42 North Front street.

Installing officers will be Mrs. Dale Sawyer, Shady Cove, and Mrs. Harry Neumann, Ashland. Guests for the meeting will be Gladiolus circle number 3 of Grants Pass.

Luncheon Announced By Reames Social Club

Reames Social club will hold the monthly pay luncheon and meeting Wednesday, November 14 at 12 noon at the Medford Masonic Social hall. Members of Electa Social club will be honored at the luncheon which will be in the Thanksgiving theme.

Following the meeting will be an afternoon of cards.

Mrs. C. B. Paddock will be luncheon chairman.

Brunch Sandwich

Baked Brunch sandwich is easy and ideal for a Friday meal—breakfast or brunch snack. Start heating oven to 400 degrees F. For each serving, toast

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