

### Special Meeting Honors Head of Rebekah Assembly

Gold Hill—A special meeting of Amethyst Rebekah lodge was held July 12 at the IOOF hall in honor of the president of the Rebekah Assembly of Oregon, Mrs. Mary H. Barker, Sutherland. A banquet at the Dardanelle preceded the meeting.

Mrs. Norman Gail and Mrs. Cecil Johnson presented a duet at the opening of the meeting as a welcome to Mrs. Barker. Mrs. Tom Smith accompanied them. A whistling selection was given by Mrs. Gail, with Mrs. Smith accompanying.

Mrs. Barker told the history of her lodge, Sutherland Rebekah Lodge No. 218. She urged Rebekahs to work for the interest of the lodge, and to have attendance contests as often as possible. She stressed the importance of visiting neighboring lodges.

Following the school of instruction by Mrs. Barker, she presented the lodge with a Bible marker of white satin, on which her name, office and the year were inscribed with the three links.

Mrs. George Denman presented a gift from the lodge to Mrs. Barker, with a special verse arranged for the occasion by Mrs. Earl Moore, who also made the gift.

Other out of town Rebekahs included Mrs. Kenneth Palmer, Casa Grande, Ariz., and Mrs. Rena Palmerton, Rogue River, both past noble grands of Amethyst Rebekah lodge.

Mrs. George Brownlee, Jacksonville, Mrs. W. A. White and Mrs. Jer-sha Moore, Rogue River, members of Grants Pass Rebekah lodge.

Final plans were made at this meeting to attend the convention of district 12 at Jacksonville on July 16.

Refreshments were served in the dining room at the close of the meeting to 28 members.

The center piece was a floral arrangement of salmon gladioli with the presidents colors, blue and silver on white covered tables.

Mrs. Wilmer Bailey, Mrs. Cecil Johnson and Mrs. Nina Dusenberry were in charge of the

### Survey Shows That American Family's Health Has Improved

From a potpourri of statistics reported by the Institute of Life Insurance comes a reassuring picture of the state of health of America's families, and of the financial protection related to the nation's well-being, which our families have acquired.

In reviewing the health of 85,000,000 owners of ordinary life insurance policies, the Institute stated that the record for last year shows a decidedly improved level of well-being. This is shown by the decline in the mortality rate of policy-holders, which dropped to a new low.

Decreases in mortality rates were noted for almost every major disease, according to Dr. Louis I. Dublin, eminent statistician and consultant of health and welfare of the Institute.

Last year was the second consecutive year in which the death rate of cancer was reduced. It was also the fourth consecutive year of reduction of diseases of the heart and circulation system; and the fifth consecutive for accidents.

**Health Improved**  
The improvement in the state

**Visitors**

Visiting the Rev. and Mrs. H. R. Bulman, Knowles road recently, were Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Harris of Seattle, nephew of Mrs. Bulman. They were accompanied here by Mrs. Harris' mother and brother, Mrs. Sarah Drury and Melvin Drury, and two nieces, all of Saskatchewan, Canada.

**Picnic**

Jolly Stitches and their husbands will hold the annual picnic at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Floyd, 505 South Keenway drive, Friday, July 19, at 8:30 p.m.

flowers and decorations, for the occasion. Mrs. Barker's corsage was white gladioli and pink Cecil Brunner rosebuds made by Mrs. George Dorman.

The next meeting of Amethyst Rebekah lodge will be held the first Wednesday in September.

of health among policyholders naturally means a great deal to their families. It also has meaning for the nation as a whole. Translated into terms which show the saving of human life, the lower mortality rate last year meant that some 9,000 additional persons continued to live.

General improvement in health has a direct bearing on family security in two ways: in continued earning power, and in the greater number of families who can acquire life insurance protection. Life insurance has become available to practically all who apply for a policy. At this point in time, 97 out of 100 applications for policies are accepted.

While five per cent of the total are accepted for life insurance on an extra risk basis, which calls for somewhat higher premiums because of reasons of health or hazardous occupation, even this small proportion seems to be declining, so that more persons can get life insurance at standard rates. One reason may be that even people with certain impairments are having normal life spans, and this fact is recognized by issuing policies in some instances at standard rates — which would not have been true a few years ago.

**Two Return Home After Trip East**

Mrs. Alvin Wikstrom and daughter, Miss Carol Wikstrom, 2216 Dellwood avenue, have returned home following a month's trip east. The two first spent some time in New York City, visiting relatives on Long Island, and then went to Washington, D.C., and Vienna, Va. They were guests of Mrs. Wikstrom's brother, Cal. W. L. Jobanek, and Mrs. Jobanek, at their home in Vienna. The officer is assigned to duty at the Pentagon.

After leaving Washington, Mrs. Wikstrom and her daughter visited Williamsburg, Va., and New Orleans. They made the trip by air.

## Society

### Festival Company To Be Presented In Radio Series

Ashland—Rogue valley radio audiences are offered an opportunity to get acquainted with the nearly 70 persons belonging to this year's Oregon Shakespearean Festival company. A series of interviews is being aired every weekday evening at 6 o'clock on Radio Station KWIN in Ashland. Twyla Stewart, secretary to the festival's general manager, William Patton, conducts the program which will present to the public everyone in the company.

Called "Personal Profiles of the Oregon Shakespearean Festival," the fifteen-minute broadcasts are tape recorded backstage at the theatre in an informal manner. Following release here, the programs will be sent to the various hometowns of the people involved for repeat broadcasts in those areas. This year's festival staff represents seventeen states.

### Joseph Browns To Be Honored At Opera House

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Brown, 564 Scenic avenue, will be honored at an open house Sunday, July 21, which will observe their 40th wedding anniversary. The event will be held at their home between one and four o'clock and friends are invited to call.

Planning the open house are the Brown's three children, Mrs. Eloise Logan, Medford; Mrs. Clarence Freeman and Byron Brown, both Gold Hill.

### Lodges to Hold Birthday Picnic

The annual birthday picnic of Adair chapter, Order of Eastern Star, and the Maconic bodies of Jacksonville, will be held Sunday, July 21, at the Abbot picnic grounds on Lake creek. Those attending are asked to take table service; coffee, ice cream and soft drinks will be furnished.

**Broiling Steaks, Chops, Patties**  
When using a moderate broiling temperature, steaks, chops and patties need only to be turned once during cooking. When broiling, timing is important and should be watched closely to insure the best results.

**When broiling steaks or chops,** season them on each side after broiling. If seasoned before broiling, the salt will tend to retard the broiling process. Roasts may be seasoned before or after cooking since seasonings penetrate the meat less than 1/4 inch.

**Outdoor Cookery**  
Outdoor cookery has attracted many an amateur chef in recent years. When broiling steaks, chops or patties over a grill during an open air meal, make sure the flames of the fire have died down. Cook the meat over glowing coals.

**Meat Salad Idea**  
Meat salads lend themselves well to serving as entrees during the summer months. As a quick meat salad idea combine pineapple chunks with cubes of cooked ham or veal. Add mayonnaise to moisten. Serve this mixture in a cantaloupe half.

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