



Miss De Ann Abbott

De Ann Abbott To Become Bride Of Donald Jones

Mrs. Ruth Abbott, 207 West Main street, announces the engagement of her daughter, De Ann Abbott, to Donald Jones, son of Mrs. Eunice Jones, Laurel street, Central Point.

Miss Abbott is a graduate of Medford High school and is employed by Newberry's store. Mr. Jones is a graduate of Crater High school and is employed by Sierra Cascade Lumber company.

A summer wedding is planned.

Society Session To Be Tuesday

Mrs. Donald Faber will present the program "Rapidly Growing Nations" to a meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in the First Methodist church, Tuesday, March 24 at 1:15 p.m.

Morning devotions begin at 10:30 a.m. in the chapel with the business meeting following at 11 a.m. in the Schweitzer room.

Luncheon will be served at 12:15 p.m. by Circle 3. Mrs. Lee Van Ausdal, chairman. A pre-school nursery is provided until adjournment at 2:30 p.m.

Special music is being prepared by Circle 2 under the direction of Mrs. Milton Snow. Mrs. Richard Loros will lead the afternoon devotions.

Assistant Superintendent Reviews School History

Elliott Becken, assistant superintendent of Medford public schools, spoke at "The Future of Education in Medford" at the last meeting of Lincoln Parent-Teacher association.

Mr. Becken reviewed the history of the system saying that the first school was started about 76 years ago, it being a single room located south of the present Montgomery Ward store. Tuition per child per year was \$8.

Later a school building was constructed on West Main street between South Oakdale avenue and Laurel streets. This building served until 1891 when it was moved to West Tenth street just behind the Catholic church. A large veranda was added and the building converted into a home. Later the structure was used for apartments and Miss Anna Laura Honts, fourth grade teacher at Lincoln school, lives in one of the apartments.

Residents of Medford who attended elementary school in those days recall that overcrowding was a problem then, as it is now, and that for a time the over-flow of students was cared for in churches.

Building Burns

A larger building was built in 1891 which burned in 1895 and for the rest of the school year the teachers and students moved about town leaving a trail of burned buildings behind them. School was held in the Presbyterian and the Baptist churches until the Presbyterian church burned and then it was held in a downtown hall until it also burned.

In March of 1896 a school was dedicated where the present courthouse stands, with both grades and high school classes attending. In 1908 a new high school was built where the Safeway store on North Bartlett street now stands, the original cost of building being \$40,000.

North school, now called Lincoln, was built in 1905. The census in 1910 was 8,840 people, Mr. Becken said, and with the steadily increasing population, Roosevelt and Jackson schools were added in 1911. The same architectural plan was used for both. There was some talk at the time that

the gymnasiums, libraries and principal's offices were a waste of space and that the school authorities might well have eliminated them from the plans.

In 1926 a new high school was built in order to care for the ever-growing number of children, and this is now used as McLoughlin Junior High school. The present senior high school on South Oakdale avenue was built in 1932.

System Grows

A new Washington school was built in 1932 and Hedrick Junior High school in 1954. Last year both Hoover and Wilson Elementary were added.

The speaker said that a vocational school for Jackson and Josephine counties is now needed and stressed that Medford schools will continue to keep pace with the times.

Jack Holmes, principal, spoke on House Bill 514 which would raise the basic school support money from \$105 to \$125. A report was also given regarding the basketball team and Mrs. Ray Jacks reported on the carnival. Mrs. Fred Lawrence of the Veterans of Foreign Wars auxiliary explained the Girl Scout and Brownie program.

The VFW has accepted the program for the Lincoln school girls.

Officers elected were Mrs. Max Weston, president; Mrs. Glen Stewart, vice president; Paul Gandt, secretary; and Mrs. Robert Hord, treasurer.

Miss Donna Witter's second grade room won the room count. Following the meeting The Shadows, singers from St. Mary's High school, entertained. Refreshments were served by mothers of second grade children.

Zuleima Temple Elects Officers

Zuleima temple, Daughters of the Nile, held election of officers Saturday, March 14, at the stated session in the Grants Masonic temple.

Mrs. Gordon Corum, Eugene, Ore., will succeed Mrs. E. Ronald Rice, Medford, as queen of the temple. Other officers elected were: princess royal, Mrs. C. W. Wray, Coos Bay; princess Tizrah, Mrs. A. M. Peters, Ashland; princess Badoura, Mrs. Chester Stonecypher, Klamath Falls; princess recorder, Mrs. Charles Cook, Medford; and Mrs. Ralph McKay, Medford, princess banker.

Installation of the new officers will be held April 4 at 8 p.m. in the North Eugene High school in Eugene.

Rehearsal for all officers is called for 1 p.m. at the same school.

Speaker Named For Rose Society

H. M. Sommerer of Monarch Feed and Seed company will speak at the Monday, March 23, meeting of the Medford Rose Society.

The meeting will start at 7:45 p.m.

It was reported that roses are producing new growth at this time of the year and the plants should be protected against disease and pests. Mr. Sommerer will explain what materials should be applied for best protection.

All interested persons are invited to attend.



Miss Doris Darrohn

Shady Cove Pair Engaged to Wed In Eagle Point

Shady Cove-Mr. and Mrs. Robert Darrohn, Shady Cove, announce the engagement of their daughter, Doris Mae Darrohn, to Elden Leon Elder, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Elder, also Shady Cove.

Miss Darrohn is a sophomore at Eagle Point High school. Mr. Elder is a graduate of the same school, and is employed with the Elder Logging company.

A June wedding is planned.

Speakers Announced

Eagle Point - Donald Chapman, case worker with the Jackson County Public Welfare department, and Lawrence Tweedy, counselor in the juvenile department, will speak for the Eagle Point Elementary Parent - Teacher association meeting Tuesday, March 24. Mr. Chapman will describe the foster child program and Mr. Chapman, Mr. Tweedy, and the Rev. Joseph Munshaw, family life chairman of the Eagle Point association, will form a panel to discuss and answer questions from the audience.

Martin Jorde, president, has announced that a slate of officers for the coming year will be presented at the meeting. He advises that further nominations may be made from the floor and asks that anyone wishing to place a name in nomination secure permission of the person concerned prior to the time of the meeting.

A baked goods sale will be held in conjunction with the meeting; persons attending are asked to bring, or buy, or both. Refreshments will be served by mothers of the third and fourth grade students. The meeting will be held at 8 p.m. in the grade school auditorium.

Club Member Wins Prize For Costume

At the last meeting of the VFW Auxiliary Sewing club, Mrs. E. G. Heim won first prize for her costume most in keeping with the Centennial year. Judges were Mrs. Ted Fuget and Mrs. G. Hitt.

Mrs. Fred Lawrence displayed her antique cut glass pieces and clothing that had belonged to her mother.

Mrs. Florence Garner displayed a homespun shawl that had been made in 1843 by a grandparent.

Hostesses were Mrs. O. O. DeBerry, Mrs. Russell Zundel and Mrs. Fred Lawrence.

Next meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. Ivan Lusk of Central Point in April.

Project Planned in Gold Hill

Gold Hill - Amethyst Rebekah lodge will sponsor a luncheon and card party as a fund-raising project, according to Mrs. Clarence Parsley, ways and means chairman. The event will be held in the Odd Fellow's hall on Fourth avenue in Gold Hill at one o'clock, Wednesday, March 25. The public is invited. There will be a small charge and proceeds will be used to improve the local hall.

Plans were also announced at the last session of the lodge held March 18 to hold a rummage sale in the Fehl building in Medford on Monday, April 20. Proceeds from this fund raiser will also be added to the improvement fund. Anyone having suitable items for rummage are asked to contact Mrs. Jerry Herrington, noble grand, or Mrs. Clarence Parsley, for further information.

Members of the lodge paid tribute to Schuyler Colfax and sang selections in his honor.

A card party was held at the close of the business session. Guests were husbands of Rebekahs, and members of the Gold Hill Odd Fellow's lodge.

Refreshments in the St. Patrick's theme were served by Mrs. Earl Moore, Mrs. William Fields, and Mrs. Harry Quinn.

Rocks flanked by small green elves and green shamrocks made up the table decorations, of which Mrs. Moore was in charge.

Mrs. Herrington, noble grand, named Mrs. Howard Burnett and Mrs. William Gossman to assist her on the April refreshment and program committee.

Mrs. Clarence Parsley will be hostess for a meeting of the Past Noble Grand's club at her home on Sardine Creek, Thursday, March 26 at 8 p.m.

Amethyst Rebekah Friendship club will have the annual dinner and theater party Monday evening, March 23. Those going are asked to meet at the home of Mrs. Paul Molloy on Second avenue at 6:30 p.m. Mrs. Harry Quinn, president of the group said.

Easter Egg Hunt To Be Saturday

Women of the Moose are planning the Annual Easter egg hunt for all children of Moose members. It will be held at the home of Mrs. Lee Hutton, Coleman Creek road, Saturday, March 28 at 2 p.m. The road will be signed to aid those driving to the event.

Mrs. Lee Hutton, Mooseheart alumni chairman, and a committee are in charge of the party.

Study Announced By Presbyterians

"A New Day in Missions" will be the theme of study for the Women's association of First Presbyterian church when it meets Tuesday, March 24, at 12:30 p.m. in the Fellowship hall of the church.

Mrs. Arnold Bohnert will lead the study which will be preparation for the Mission Institute which will be held at the church April 12 through 15.

Mrs. Dale Waltermire will be in charge of the worship service.

Guest Night

Degree of Honor lodge will hold guest night Monday, March 23, at 8 p.m. at the Girls Community club. The program will include presentations by drill teams from Grants Pass and Ashland lodges.

Sixteenth Degree To Be Conferred

Lloyd E. Hamlin and cast will present the sixteenth degree of Scottish Rite Freemasonry Monday, March 23, at 8 p.m. in the Masonic temple for the benefit of the spring class of candidates.

Preceding the conferral of the degree, Commander Hamlin will officiate at a stated meeting in the Council of Kadosh; and Venerable Master Carl H. W. Oestreich will preside at a stated meeting of Medford Consistory.

Electa Club

Electa Social club will meet Friday, March 27, at 1 p.m. Centennial attire will be appropriate, it was announced. All Order of Eastern Star members not affiliated in the Rogue Valley and visiting members are invited to attend.

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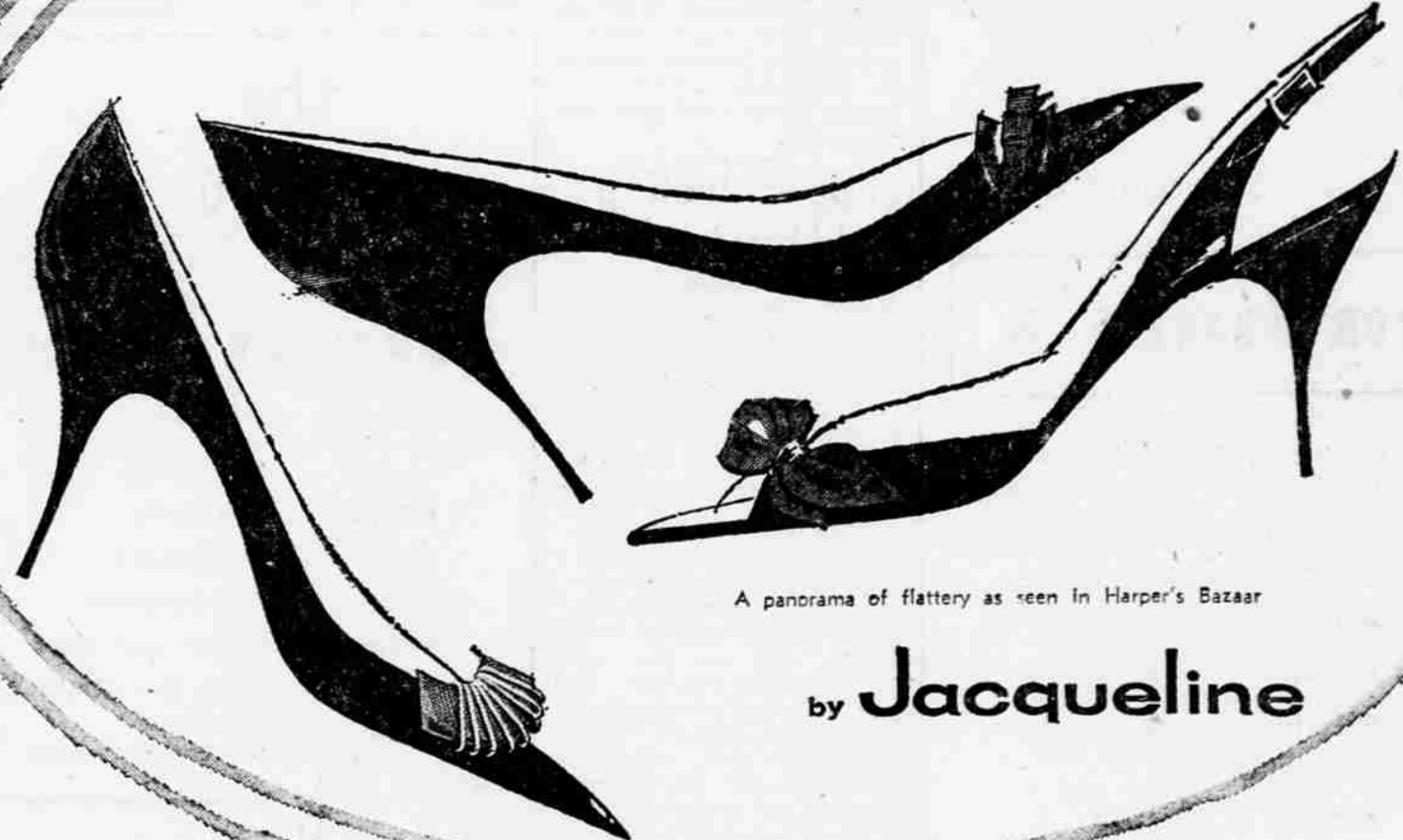
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