



Mr. and Mrs. Gerald E. Mercer

Church Ceremony Weds Pair

Miss Judith Hyde became the bride of Gerald E. Mercer June 2 at 8 p.m. in a double-ring ceremony at the West Main Church of Christ. Elder H. O. Martin performed the ceremony before an audience of relatives and friends. Miss Hyde is the daughter

of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hyde, Williams, and was graduated June 5 from Grants Pass High school.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Mercer, 417 J street. He attended school in Medford and Crescent City, Calif., and spent four years in the Marine corps.

The bride wore an ivory brocade sheath dress and blue flowered hat. She carried a white Bible topped with a cluster of white carnations.

Miss Sue Dean, a classmate of the bride and her only attendant, wore white lace over pink and also carried white carnations. Steve Bennett, Grants Pass, was best man and Kenneth Hudson, cousin of the bridegroom, was usher.

Large baskets of pink peonies and mock orange blossoms decorated the altar. A reception followed the ceremony at the home of the bridegroom's parents. Mrs. Clarence Wallace, a sister of the bridegroom, cut the wedding cake, which had been made and decorated by their mother.

Mrs. Robert Nicholson, also a classmate of the bride, presided at the punch bowl and the bride's sisters, the Misses Dolores and Frances Hyde, had charge of the guest book. The young couple are residing in Grants Pass.

after the blooming time is over. Mrs. Freeland also talked at length on the origin of the fuchsia in Mexico and New Zealand in 1703 and its history through the years. She mentioned many varieties of fuchsias with their care, soil conditions and the propagating of new plants. She was presented a new plant of stephanotis. Prizes were won by Mrs. Mattie Carson and Mrs. Ekerson.

The tea table was centered with an arrangement of yellow roses and matching candies. Mrs. Ray Cyr, tea chairman, was assisted by Mrs. F. Burt, Mrs. L. L. Meadows and Mrs. W. A. Shutt.

Club Holds Installation

Mrs. A. O. Floyd was installed president of the Medford Garden club at the June meeting Thursday in the courthouse auditorium. Conducting the ceremony was Mrs. Charles Stearns.

Other officers installed were Mrs. Dayton Dupue, first vice president; Mrs. Ira Fitzgerald, second vice president and program chairman; Mrs. C. L. Miller, recording secretary; Mrs. A. L. Carrol, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Harry Buchanan, treasurer and Mrs. L. T. Ekerson, historian.

Mrs. A. T. Nichol, Siskiyou district director of the Oregon Federation of Garden clubs, presented Mrs. R. P. Renwick with a past president's pin. Mrs. Nichol gave a detailed history of the origin of the garden club past president's pin. She stated that in 1943 Mrs. L. G. Gentner introduced the subject of having a pin and she wrote to the Oregon Federation and to the National Council and neither of these organizations yet had a past president's pin. It was not until in 1946 that the first pins were ready and presented to the current as well as all of the past presidents of the Medford Garden club.

Mrs. Ira Fitzgerald, flower show chairman, gave her report of the recent show.

Mrs. J. Edwin Harper, program chairman, introduced Mrs. Wallace A. Freeland who spoke on growing tuberous begonias from the seed, slips and from the bulbs. She also outlined the care and curing of the bulbs in the fall.

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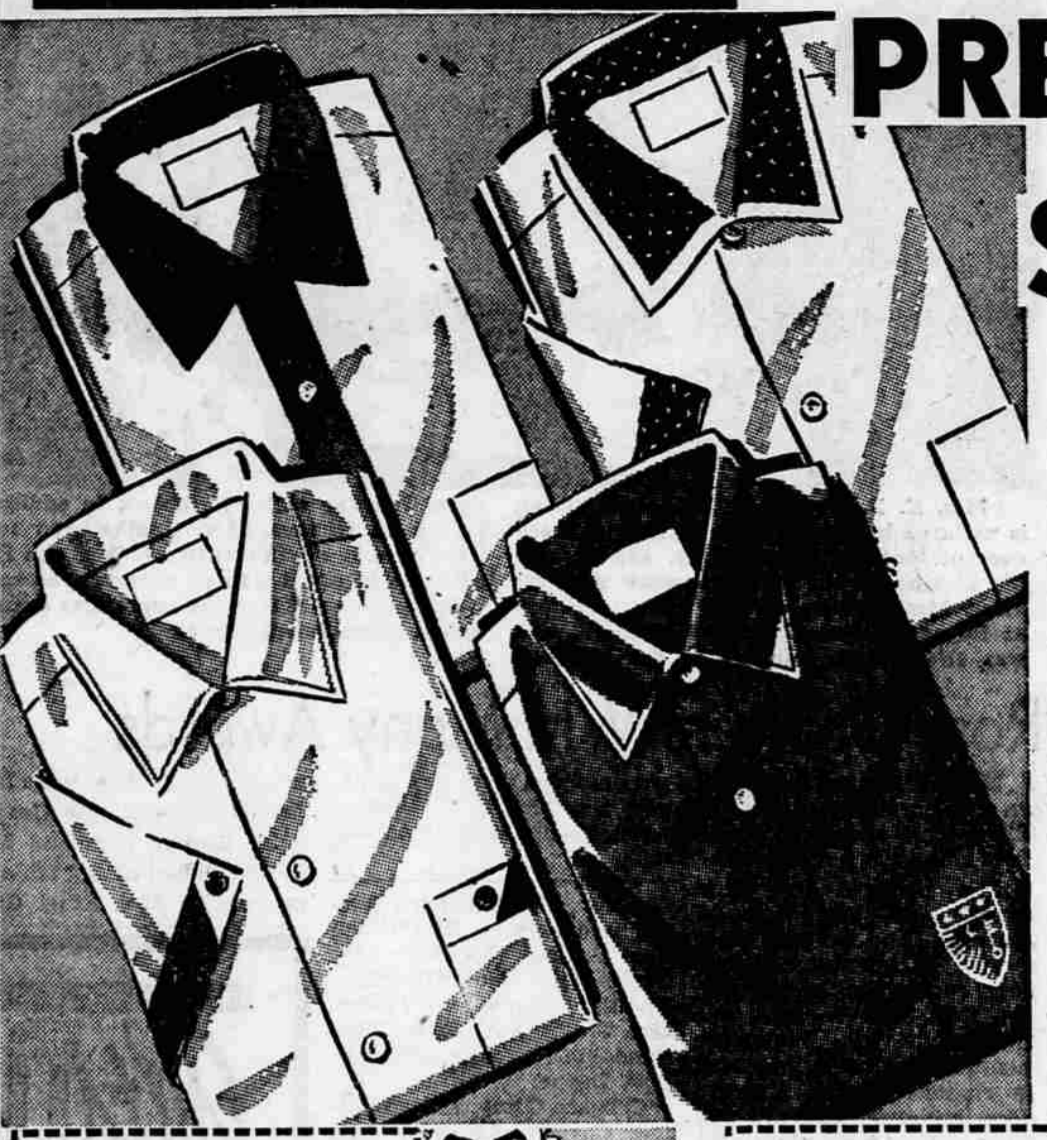
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