

Teacher Honored Guest At Eagle Point Event

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Eagle Point - Ninety-five persons attended the open house and tea sponsored by Eagle Point Grade school teachers for Mrs. Hazel Atkins, retiring teacher, on Sunday afternoon, May 22. Friends called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Barrows on Brownsboro road. Mrs. Atkins is retiring after teaching 22 years, all but two years in Jackson county.

Mrs. Hazel Beebe Atkins was born in the Beagle area in 1895. She was graduated from the Agate High school, then located on the Table Rock road just east of Midway road. She started her career by teaching the primary grades at the Meadows school while a junior in high school and at the Griffin Creek school when a senior.

After graduation she married William Atkins and her time was soon being occupied by their three sons, Leonard, Melburn, and Everett. While the boys were quite young and all still in grade school, her husband died.

Mrs. Atkins enrolled at the Ashland Normal school in 1932 and after going to school only 18 months was graduated in July of 1933. The next fall

she assumed duties as teacher in her former school at Agate. Mrs. Atkins taught the 5th through 8th grades. Don and Ed Kimmel, Marjorie Warrick and Mrs. John (Lorraine Gleason) Benson were four of her students at that time.

Mrs. Benson recalled that at noon and recess the teacher remained in the school house teaching them to play the piano, and returned a piece of sheet music at the Tea Sunday afternoon. Another favorite pastime was having a picnic supper down at the river and playing in the sand by the lights of the car. "I just honked the horn if one of them strayed outside of the lights and they came right back," she stated, "and we didn't once have an accident."

Mrs. Atkins moved to eastern Oregon where she taught grades 5 through 9 for two years, driving daily on roads that were narrow, slick, and contained sharp curves. During the war years, Mrs. Atkins left Oregon and went to Burbank, Calif., where she worked in an airplane factory for four years before becoming ill, requiring surgery and two years' recuperation.

In 1948 Mrs. Atkins returned to Jackson county and accepted a Brownsboro school post. Salt Creek joined with Brownsboro the first year giving her 16 youngsters in school, and from that year on her average number of students totaled about five with four or five grades represented. Mrs. Atkins commented that the community was very cooperative, and the best pay she could receive was to have some of these youngsters come to her in later years and tell her that they had more fun and learned more while going to Brownsboro than any other school. She recalls only one incident where she told the youngsters she would spank them if they repeated their actions again and while she was home sick one week they proceeded to test her words.

She returned to school without saying anything about it until she had gained her strength back sufficiently to carry out her promise and then keeping them in one recess, successfully carried out the promised spanking, knowing it would do no good to do just a half-way job. "That," she stated, "was the last time they ever tested the meaning of my words."

Brownsboro consolidated with Eagle Point in 1953 and Mrs. Atkins moved to Eagle Point along with the students, teaching the third grade for the past seven years. Mrs. Atkins takes a personal interest in each of her youngsters, sometimes spending not only hours after school but going and getting with them on Saturdays and Sundays if they are not doing the work she thinks they should be doing. It was a great challenge to her to find "the magic button to push" and a great reward when she found it and could realize that the youngsters were absorbing and benefiting from her methods of teaching.

"I would like to tell anyone who is thinking about becoming a teacher that they have to enjoy teaching, playing, and working with children and have lots of patience because it requires long and hard hours," Mrs. Atkins remarked.

When school is out June 3 Mrs. Atkins plans to spend part of the summer with her sons, Leonard and Melburn, and families near Grants Pass, and also visit all 10 of her grandchildren. Her son Everett, was killed in a logging accident a few years ago. His widow, two daughters and a son live in California. Melburn and his family live in Wilderville. After her visits,



Mrs. Hazel Atkins, who is retiring after 22 years as a teacher, was honored at an open house sponsored by Eagle Point teachers May 22. Mrs. Atkins, a native of Jackson county, relatives, friends and co-workers numbering more than 90 attended the event.

Mrs. Atkins says she has made no definite plans. Out of town guests attending the tea included Mrs. Atkins' former school teacher when she was in the fifth grade at Agate school, Mrs. Mae Richardson. Others were Mr. and Mrs. Hallie Head, Klamath Falls; Mrs. Louise Schamm, Pekin, Ill.; Don McComb, Grants Pass; Miss Dianna Atkins, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Atkins and children Sharon, Billy and Reta, Wilderville; Miss Grace Bigham, Mrs. Mary Myers, Mrs. Max-

World Service Is Topic for Presbyterians

"Our World Service Dedication" was the subject of the monthly meeting of Westminster Women's association held in Fellowship hall of Westminster Presbyterian church.

Mrs. Ada Boynton, world service chairman, opened the program by reviewing the function and Christian purpose of the World Service committee. Women of the church, Mrs. Boynton said, had organized sewing groups and made 10 surgical gowns for mission hospitals, had made or purchased articles for five layettes, and had furnished clothing for children in the pre-teen age group.

She introduced three women from various circles who told briefly of the background of the missions that will receive the world service gifts. Mrs. Ralph Hibbs reported on the Hoopa Indian mission in northern California, maintained by the board of national missions of the United Presbyterian church; Mrs. Clarence Young told of the Simnasho Indian reservation; and Mrs. J. E. Olsen outlined the history and organization of the 110-bed Sillman University hospital in Manila, the Philippine islands.

The meeting was opened with a devotional program presented by Mrs. Laurel Case. Her theme was inspired by a recent article in the Presbyterian Life magazine written by Dr. Arthur L. Miller, moderator of the United Presbyterian Church of the

U.S.A. and minister of the church of which Mrs. Case was formerly a member.

Mrs. Lloyd Neilson, representing the Women's Association of First United Presbyterian church of Medford, presented a gift of an olive wood gavel to the Westminster Women's association. Mrs. Neilson purchased the gift on a recent trip to the Holy Land.

A brief business meeting preceded the world service dedication. Mrs. Hibbs, church librarian, reported on the progress of the new church library. Mrs. Hibbs said she has a list of books which should be in the library and invited anyone interested in donating books or the money to purchase such books to contact her.

Refreshments were served by women of Esther circle.

Lettuce Wedge Salad
New York - Lettuce wedge salad is almost a meal in itself. Divide on individual plates 4 lettuce wedges, 12 slices of tomato, 4 quartered hard-cooked eggs, and 8 cucumber pickles. Top with chilled dressing made by combining 1/3 cup of mayonnaise with 1/3 cup of sweet pickle relish, diced hard-cooked egg, 1/4 teaspoon of dry mustard and salt and pepper to taste.

Spring Vegetable Course
New York - Cook green onions and carrots together for a spring vegetable course. Trim most of the onion tops and cut carrots in thin julienne slices. Cook, covered, in a small amount of boiling, salted water until just tender. Drain, and season with salt, pepper and butter or margarine to taste.

Guest Introduced At Meeting of Speakers' Club

Mrs. K. H. Lundgren was a guest at a meeting of Toastmistress club last week. The president, Mrs. Richard Williams, conducted the session and Mrs. Thomas Bell read a verse from the Bible.

Mrs. J. W. Poage, toastmistress, introduced four speakers. Mrs. Amy True's subject was "Tip to the Tourist" and Mrs. Roy Rolla talked on "Your Obedient Servant."

Mrs. Thomas Bell spoke on the subject "The Change Must Come," and the last speaker, Mrs. J. D. Brummond, gave "My Impression of Philip Hanson Doing 'Kings and Clowns.'"

Mrs. J. L. Beams was timer, Mrs. C. A. Thatcher was lexicologist, and Miss Anna Streed spoke at some length on education. Her subject was, "Giving A Good Speech."

Mrs. Elmer Ness, topicmistress, passed little rice cakes to a number of those present. Each cake contained a topic for a short speech.

Mrs. C. E. Wilson was grammarian, Mrs. Don Marin was program evaluator and Miss Vada Brower was speech evaluator.

Mrs. Williams' thought for the evening was "Better to slip with the foot than the tongue."

Home Appliance Fits Round Room

Chicago - You can fit square appliances in a round kitchen. An appliance manufacturer did it at the international home furnishings market. The square shapes of three sinks, two food waste disposers, refrigerator and matching freezer, two built-in ovens, a four-burner stove, two dishwashers and matching washer and dryer actually added architectural interest to the perfect 360-degree circle of the kitchen.

The kitchen was round to give an open feeling and to save the homemaker steps. A designer said it cut by 35 per cent the total distance walked in preparing three meals a day for a family of five.

Much walking was cut by a Y-shaped island in the center of the kitchen. Sinks in each arm of the "Y" were readily accessible from any part of the room. Dishwashers and food waste disposers, built in below two sinks were almost as accessible.

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