

Ashland Couple Observes 60th Wedding Anniversary

Ashland—A reception from three to five o'clock Sunday afternoon, April 29 observed the 60th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Wright, 555 Litway street, Ashland. The event took place in the Bellview Grange hall.

Eight of the couple's nine children were present for the occasion and other relatives of the couple from the valley and from out-of-town also attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Wright were married on April 29, 1902 in Hebron, Nebraska, and moved to northern California and southern Oregon in 1924.

George C. Wright of Santa Ana, Calif., a son, was unable to attend. He had visited his parents the previous week since he could not be here for the anniversary date.

The children who attended are Mrs. L. G. Sweet, Escondido, Calif., Charles Wright, Happy Camp, Calif., Mrs. Edward Ekwall and Claude Wright, both of Ashland, Frank Wright, Mrs. Roy Hewitt, Lloyd Wright and Hugh Wright, all of Medford. Families of the children also were present.

Other relatives from out-of-town were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wright, Denver, Colo., Mr. and Mrs. Alfred S. Wright, Santa Ana, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Wright, Talent, and L. A. Wright, Klamath Falls, all brothers of Mr. Wright; and Mrs. Martha Rogers of Santa Ana, a sister of Mrs. Wright, and the only close relative of Mrs. Wright in her own family.

Of special interest was the fact that the honored couple became great-great grandparents for the first time the day previous to their anniversary, when their great-granddaughter, Mrs. Robert Stoft of Oceanside, Calif., became the mother of a son, Edward.

The Wrights have 17 grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren and the one great-great-grandchild. All of the

grandchildren attended the open house, and four of the great-grandchildren were there.

During the open house Mrs. Claude Wright poured coffee and after Mrs. Wright had made the initial cut of the wedding cake, Mrs. Rogers and Mrs. Stoft continued the serving.

Miss Rosalie Hewitt, a granddaughter, had charge of the guest book.

The serving table was decorated with spring flowers and photographs of the couple at the time of their wedding and a recent one of them taken especially for the occasion.

A family dinner preceding the open house was attended by 46 persons.



A reception April 29 at Bellview Grange hall honored Mr. and Mrs. George E. Wright, 555 Litway street, Ashland, on their 60th wedding anniversary. The Wrights have nine sons and daughters, and eight were present for the event. They have 17 grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandchild born the day before the celebration.

Ashland AAUW Names Women of the Year

Ashland—Mrs. Harry Skerry was named "Woman of the Year" Saturday at the annual May breakfast of the American Association of University Women. The award was presented by Jr. Betty Lou Dunlap, chairman of the status of women committee.

Two other finalists chosen for their outstanding community service, Mrs. Widenor W. Hendrixson and Mrs. Chester Squire, were also honored at the 9 a.m. breakfast in Trinity parish hall. Women who are seniors at Southern Oregon college were guests of the association.

New officers for the year installed by Mrs. Dawn Gwaltney were: Dr. Beverly

Bennett, president; Mrs. J. Pruitt, vice-president; Mrs. Phyllis Bennett, secretary, and Miss Lois May, treasurer.

Mrs. Ella Lile conducted the meeting before turning over the gavel to her successor, and Mrs. Mabel Winston greeted the SOC seniors, inviting them to affiliate with AAUW for a larger fellowship in whatever community they reside.

Ashland High school "Seniors," a girls' singing group, presented two medleys of popular songs. They were introduced by Mrs. Estel Sohler.

Mrs. Skerry is president of the Ashland Community Hospital auxiliary and is active

To Plan

Plans for attending a district convention in Klamath Falls will be made by the executive and ways and means committees of the Degree of Honor lodge Monday, May 7 at 12 noon. Mrs. Irl Groves, 1008 Reddy avenue, will be hostess in her home. A covered dish luncheon will be served.

In other groups affiliated with the hospital including being a member of its board of directors. She is a past-president of Tudor guild and has been active in a number of its projects. In addition, Mrs. Skerry has held or now holds offices in the PEO sisterhood, Ashland study club, Episcopal church, Vining Repertory association, AAUW, and the Republican party.

The couple has two daughters.

Society Pledges Barbara Stamper

Portland—Miss Barbara Stamper, a member of the 1962 graduating class of the University of Portland, was one of the 19 members of that class selected for membership in the university's Omicron chapter of Delta Epsilon Sigma, national scholastic honor society for Catholic universities.

Selection is based on scholarship, liberal culture, character and leadership. Each of the candidates has an honor rating of magna or maxima cum laude for graduation.

Miss Stamper, a secondary and physical education major at the university, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stamper of Medford. She is a graduate of Medford high school.

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