



When Mr. and Mrs. James Bates celebrated their golden wedding anniversary November 11, they entertained in the home at 32 Newtown street in which they have lived for the entire 50 years of their wedded life. About 100 friends called during the afternoon. (Knackstedt photo)

Medford Couple Observes Golden Wedding

Many couples celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary, but not many can say they have lived in the same house for 50 years.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bates celebrated their golden wedding day Sunday, November 11, and entertained their guests in the pink house at 32 South Newtown street which has been their home ever since their wedding day.

The couple was married in Klamath Falls, Ore., in November, 1912. Mrs. Bates is the former Belle Finley, and her family lived near Lakeview, Ore., at the time of her marriage to Mr. Bates.

Mrs. Floyd McKee and Mrs. Everett Corey served the wedding cake and poured for the anniversary party. Assisting them were Mrs. Roy Pursel and Mrs. Olan Sneed. Mrs. Jim McIntyre was in charge of general arrangements.

The rooms were decorated with gold chrysanthemums in the wedding cake, decorated in gold and white, was the tea table centerpiece.

Mrs. Sam Jones made a gold wall hanging which served as a backdrop for the many cards which the couple received. Mrs. Bruce Blew and Mrs. Jones were in charge of the guest book.

For the event Mrs. Bates wore a dress of blue crepe and a white orchid corsage. She is one of the original members of Medford Ladies of Elks and has been active in the group ever since. Mr. Bates, who operated a barber shop here for many years, is a life member of the Medford Elks lodge, which he joined in 1914.

When the Bates chose a photographer to take their 50th wedding anniversary pictures they selected Kenneth Knackstedt because he had lived in their neighborhood as a small boy.

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Mrs. Note Is Elected

Mrs. Mary Note, 32 Hamilton street, was elected third national vice-president of the Blue Star Mothers of America at the recent 20th annual national convention, held in Washington D.C. Mrs. Note has served as the fourth vice-president in the year just closed.

She reports that Mrs. Juanita Reeves of Ohio is the new national president, and that the 1962 convention will be held in Detroit.

While in the nation's capital, Mrs. Note attended the Veterans' day ceremony at Arlington National cemetery where the national president placed a wreath on the tomb of the Unknown Soldier. About 175 of the mothers were taken on a guided tour of the White House, various monuments and the Archives building.

Following the convention, Mrs. Note remained in Washington to make tours of Georgetown and to Mt. Vernon.

She made the trip from San Francisco by jet plane.

Last week Mrs. Note, a member of Medford Chapter 2, Blue Star Mothers, reported at a meeting of the group at the home of Mrs. Helen F. Wason, 617 Catherine street.

Student In Recital

Miss Julie Gant, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gant, 1248 Eureka circle, Medford, will sing in a recital at the University of Oregon school of music Tuesday, November 20.

Mr. and Mrs. Gandt plan to attend.

The Italian songs featured are taken from a book edited by Luigi Dallapiccola. Miss Gandt, accompanied by the harpsichord, will sing a group of songs. On the program are "Son Amor Pargolella," by Francesco Cavalli; "Illustrate, O Ciel," by Claudio Monteverdi, and "Vado Ben Spesso Cangiando Loco," Salvatore Rosa. All the composers lived in the 1600s.

Miss Gandt, a sophomore, majoring in voice, is a coloratura soprano, studying under Exine Anderson Bailey, at the university.

The student studied in Medford under Mrs. Caroline Andrews Werner and received beginning training in the Medford High school where her music and voice instructors were John Drysdale, orchestra director, and Lynn Sjolund, vocal music department.

Miss Gandt has sung this fall in Eugene at United Crusade events.

Traveler Home After Air Trip

Gold Hill - Miss Donna Eskew has returned to her home in Gold Hill after a 15-day tour of Europe. She was among 33 persons who made an Inter-Line tour with Air France by jet planes, traveling in France, England, Italy, and Switzerland. In Switzerland transportation across that country was by bus.

In each country she said guides accompanied them who spoke the English language. The beauty of the mountains in Switzerland and well kept fields impressed her she said.

En route to Oregon from the European tour, Miss Eskew stopped in Springfield, Mass., where she visited her brother, Roland Eskew, who is a senior master sergeant at Westover Air Force base. He is a former resident of Gold Hill. The sergeant and Mrs. Eskew have one daughter, Zara Eskew.

Miss Eskew is an employee of United Air Lines at Medford.

Reception Held For Newlyweds

Shady Cove-Trail-A reception held recently at Our Lady of Fatima church hall in Shady Cove honored Mr. and Mrs. Bill Reeves, Medford.

The Reeves were married October 6th in Reno and Mrs. Reeves is the former Phyllis Briggs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Briggs, Shady Cove.

Hostesses for the event were close friends of the family, the Mesdames Earl Sheppard, Jim Hopkins, William Littlefield, James Sawyer, and Ramal Axtell. The hall was decorated in a pink and white with chrysanthemums and carnations. Mrs. William Shepherd made and decorated a wedding cake. Mrs. Axtell was in charge of the guest book and Mrs. Hopkins took charge of the gifts.

Pouring coffee was Mrs. Bill Littlefield. Mrs. Sawyer poured punch and Mrs. Earl Sheppard cut and served the wedding cake.

Approximately 75 guests called during the afternoon to extend their best wishes to the couple.

Travel Study Club Plans Annual CARE Project Tea

Travel Study club of the Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs will join the General Federation of Women's Clubs and the Oregon Federation in supporting the CARE program for Costa Rica, Guatemala, Hong Kong, India, Iran, Mexico, Pakistan and Turkey, according to Mrs. Carl Peterson, Ashland, president of Travel Study Club.

During her administration, Mrs. Dexter Otis Arnold, president of General Federation of Women's Clubs, is emphasizing the real need for developing countries to establish literate populations.

Once men, women and children have learned to read and write, they have opened the door to progress, Mrs. Arnold believes. In order to achieve economic and cultural growth, developing nations must undertake agricultural expansion and industrialization, but before this can be done successfully, the men and women who will become important factors in this new way of life must be given a basic education.

West of the Mississippi, clubs will support Costa Rica, Guatemala, Hong Kong, and India.

The eight countries included in the GFWC-CARE program are attempting to solve the problem of illiteracy in ways best suited for their people, but the shortage of teachers due to inadequate training facilities, the lack of schools and supplies are difficulties they cannot surmount, it is said.

GFWC-CARE projects will provide such items as teacher training kits, "Tin Trunk" libraries, literacy kits, desk and chair packages and many others which will be used in conjunction with existing educational programs.

Travel Study club asks the community to share in a CARE tea to be held Tuesday, November 27, 2 to 4 p.m. in the Fireplace Room at the Girl's Community club. There will be speakers who have traveled in these countries. Jack Stong of Purucker's, will be at the Hammond organ during the afternoon.

The tea will kick off the week for the CARE campaign. CARE boxes will be placed in banks and places of business. Mrs. John L. Mansfield will be chairman of the CARE boxes.

Mrs. Clay M. Lee, state chairman of projects, has named the week of November 25 as CARE week, state-wide, in Oregon. There will be 96 clubs supporting this drive in the state.

Mrs. Edward C. Root is chairman of the tea.

This is the fifth year Travel Study club has supported the CARE drive.

Founder's Day Is Celebrated By Sigma Kappa

Medford alumnae of Sigma Kappa national sorority held the annual founders' day luncheon Saturday, November 10, at the Rogue Valley Country club. Mrs. Richard Finch was luncheon chairman.

Mrs. Jack Pfeifer of Medford, province president, reported on her trip to the Sigma Kappa national convention held in Washington, D.C., during the summer.

Panhellenic representatives selected are Mrs. William Mansfield, Mrs. Pfeifer and Mrs. Robert V. Walker. Membership chairman is Mrs. Finch. The calling committee consists of Mrs. Rebecca A. Anderson, Mrs. Edgar A. Kuppilas and Mrs. Don McNeil.

Any Sigma Kappa who has recently moved into the Medford area or who has not previously been contacted is requested to call Mrs. Anderson, telephone 773-4108. A year book and calendar of activities will soon be issued.

The next meeting of the sorority will be an informal coffee hour honoring Sigma Kappa active students and their mothers. The coffee will be held December 18 at the home of Mrs. Pfeifer on Larch avenue.

Chapter To Meet At Rogue Manor

Crater Lake chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, will meet at the Rogue Valley Manor Saturday, November 24, at 1:30 p.m. Miss Helen Crumpton will talk on American Indians.

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Ashland Student Wins Scholarship

Ashland - Ben Watrus of Ashland, a University of Oregon graduate, has been awarded a \$1,000 Price-Waterhouse fellowship in accounting. Watrus is working toward a master's degree in the School of Business Administration.

Consul Guest In Shady Cove

Mr. and Mrs. Royal E. Bebb, 528 South Grape street, had as their guest last week, Humberto Viglione, consul of Uruguay, who has been a friend of the Bebb's for a number of years.

The consul recently returned from a year in Europe and South America and he was en route to Seattle and he supervisory inspection of the consulate there.

Mr. Viglione divides his time between San Francisco and his ranch in Marin county where he raises thoroughbred horses. This was his first visit to Oregon.

Couple Returns From World Trip

Applegate Valley-Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Best, after returning from a honeymoon trip around the world, were guests of Mr. Best's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Best, and other relatives at Ruch recently. They spent a three week period in Southern Oregon, and also were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Davis, Toketee Falls. Mrs. Best is the former Miss Mary Partidge and her wedding to Mr. Best took place at an Episcopal church in San Francisco last December 22. In March, the couple left on the world tour, which included the Orient, India, Austria, Bulgaria, and other countries of Europe. They returned to the United States early in September, and visited Mrs. Best's parents in Oklahoma while en route to the west coast.

Mr. Best served in the United States Army for two years at Port Whittier, Alaska, and while there met Mrs. Best, who was in the employ of the government as a librarian. Later she worked as a librarian in San Francisco; she holds a master's degree in this field. She was graduated from the University of Oklahoma, and did further study in that state.

Mr. Best attended grade schools of the Applegate, graduating from Medford High school in 1954. He was a graduate in business administration at the University of Oregon in 1958. Prior to the world trip, Mr. Best worked with an insurance company in San Francisco.

Family Arrives From Germany

Ashland - Mr. and Mrs. Arthur M. Shepherd, (Betty Rykken) and their two children, Denise and Steven, arrived last week from Germany where Mr. Shepherd has been stationed with the U. S. Army at Worms. After a 30-day leave he is to report for duty in Georgia. His wife and children expect to remain in Ashland for a few months at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence T. Rykken, 735 South Mountain avenue, until Mr. Shepherd is given his permanent assignment.

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