

Soroptimists Honor Mrs. V. E. O'Neill

Evergreens, pine cones and poinsettias gave the Pelican party room a festive atmosphere for the annual Christmas party of the Soroptimist club of Klamath Falls.

President Thelma Henry greeted all members and guests present and turned the meeting over to Mrs. Robert Thompson who was toastmistress.

Mrs. Thompson told of the custom of the Soroptimist International to bestow honorary memberships on a very few outstanding women who otherwise are not eligible for membership but due to their achievements as women in their own fields of endeavor, contributed in many ways to their community. Mrs. Thompson presented Mrs. Victor E. O'Neill with an honorary membership in the Soroptimist club of Klamath Falls which entitles her to be accepted as a member and to attend meetings in any Soroptimist club in the world. Mrs. O'Neill presented her with a message of blue and gold and she was welcomed as a new member by all those present.

SOCIETY

By Edna Killmeyer
Holiday Tea

Mrs. Robert Eugene Hooker and Mrs. J. Vern Owens asked a number of friends to a holiday tea last Wednesday in the Pelican party room.

The Christmas motif was delightfully carried out in poinsettias, yule-tide greenery and bright Christmas tree balls. Complementing the attractive tea table were poinsettia blossoms and red tapers in silver holders.

Hours were from 3:30 to 5 o'clock. Pouring the first hour were Mrs. Kenneth A. Moore and Mrs. Percy Murray and the second hour, Mrs. Victor E. O'Neill and Mrs. Ralph W. Stearns.

Assisting the hostesses were Mrs. C. J. Cox, Mrs. L. A. Murphy, Mrs. Ray W. Oldenburg, Mrs. Henry Gerter and Mrs. Kenneth Klahn.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Honzel are expecting their daughter and son here for the holidays, both of them coming in this week-end from school. Phyllis is a student at Seattle college, and Andrew Jr. is at Bellemann school for boys at San Jose.

The group was entertained by Marie Casjens and John Crosby who sang duets and solos of Christmas songs. They were accompanied by Mrs. George McIntyre, who is a Soroptimist club member.

Santa Claus, in the persons of Esther Lawler and Isabel Brayer, complemented in face paper, dolly whiskers, came bearing gifts for all.

Holiday Party

The annual Christmas party at the Klamath Falls Nile club was held Wednesday evening, December 10, at the Willard hotel. Members entertained their husbands at the formal dinner party.

Tables and the hall were decorated with the traditional Christmas colors, red and green. Around the Christmas tree were toys brought by members to be sent to the Portland Shriners' hospital for crippled children.

Entertainment was provided by the Community Players, under the direction of Rev. Godfrey Matthews, and by members of the Barber Shop quartet. Santa Claus (Paul Matthews) was there and was assisted by Mrs. S. W. Moss, mistress of ceremonies.



TOGETHER FOR CHRISTMAS will be the R. C. Woodruff family. Among those who will complete the family circle at the Woodruff home on Pacific Terrace are the Woodruffs' two daughters and their children. From left in this busy quintet are Mrs. Stanley Staiger, (Jolene Woodruff), and her son, "Bits," small Timothy Bailey, his mother, Mrs. Charles Bailey, the former Patricia Woodruff, and his brother Roland. Mrs. Staiger and "Bits" are here for the holidays from Lake Oswego.

—Guderian.

Christmas Blossoms And Fire Crackers

How would you like to have a backyard full of poinsettias? We have a friend who has and that's not all—the lovely scarlet blossomed Christmas flower banks both sides of the street leading to her home.

Of course, she lives in Hakalau, Hawaii, which may make you feel better since the climate of our town is not so well suited to poinsettias and you can blame it all on that.

This friend, who's an Oregonian, says she can't quite get used to the idea that Christmas is so close—sunshine and palm trees aren't what the season of Noel calls to mind. But, when the poinsettias poke out their pretty heads, the time for holidaying has come, and the small Hawaiian youngsters add their reminders in the form of fire crackers, which pop merrily away at any time of the day or night as Christmas draws near.

Soon after she wrote us, a boatload of honest-to-goodness Oregon Christmas trees were due to arrive. 75,000 to be exact, and she was practically spending every waking hour on the dock to be sure of getting one.

Despite not having any bushel baskets of poinsettias around, it makes us feel good to see the little evergreen of our state's forests getting some well-deserved recognition.

En route north for Christmas are L. J. and Mrs. Stuart Nelson and little daughter Genevieve, who will leave soon from their home at Alameda for Portland to share Christmas and New Year festivities with Barbara's parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. D. Johnson, formerly of this city, and with Stuart's parents in Salem Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nelson. "If it isn't too snooty," Barbara writes, "we'll come through Klamath Falls."

The Victor O'Neills and the Frank Z. Howards are packing up their Christmas dinner and will spend the holidays on the Oregon coast. The foursome plans to leave Christmas Eve and remain for several days at White Rock cabins at Brookings.

Arriving just before Christmas from Seattle is Mary Louise Loney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Loney Jr., who will remain over the holidays with her parents. Mary leaves her very busy job at Magnin's for a few days' holiday rest at home.

Major and Mrs. Zed Barnes and young Brent will enjoy Christmas here with his father, W. B. Barnes, and other relatives. The major and his family leave Hamilton Field the day before Christmas.

Going south for the holidays—three from here. Mrs. Carey M. Ramsby left Friday morning by train accompanied by her two granddaughters, Sue Ramsby, young daughter of the Martin Ramsbys, and Ann Gillenwaters, daughter of the T. R. Gillenwaters of Monrovia. Ann is a freshman at the University of Oregon and came in Thursday night. Mrs. Ramsby and Sue and Ann will spend Christmas with the Gillenwaters who are former residents of our town. While in the south, Sue will observe her 11th birthday on December 27.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Wright were also southbound. They left today, Saturday, to spend Christmas with Mrs. Wright's aunt, Mrs. W. S. Morse of Santa Monica, and will remain south until February 2.

Getting ready for Christmas and moving at the same time was the December problem of the Harry D. Boivin family which just this week took possession of the former Harlan Bosworth residence on Conger avenue. The Boivins have been living at the top of the N. 6th street hill on Lincoln street.

George and Audrey Brosterhaus, married here last summer in rites at Sacred Heart church, will spend their first Christmas as Mr. and Mrs. when they come down from Eugene Tuesday. George is attending the University of Oregon this year. They will be house guests of his family, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Brosterhaus on Eldorado, and also enjoy the holidays with Audrey's family, the Andrew Honzels of Lakeshore drive.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Keller of Portland are arriving Sunday to spend the holidays with their mothers. They will visit with Mrs. George Humphrey of the IOOP apartments, and with Mrs. J. J. Keller of Jefferson street. This is the Keller's first visit to Klamath Falls in a year.

Family Dinner

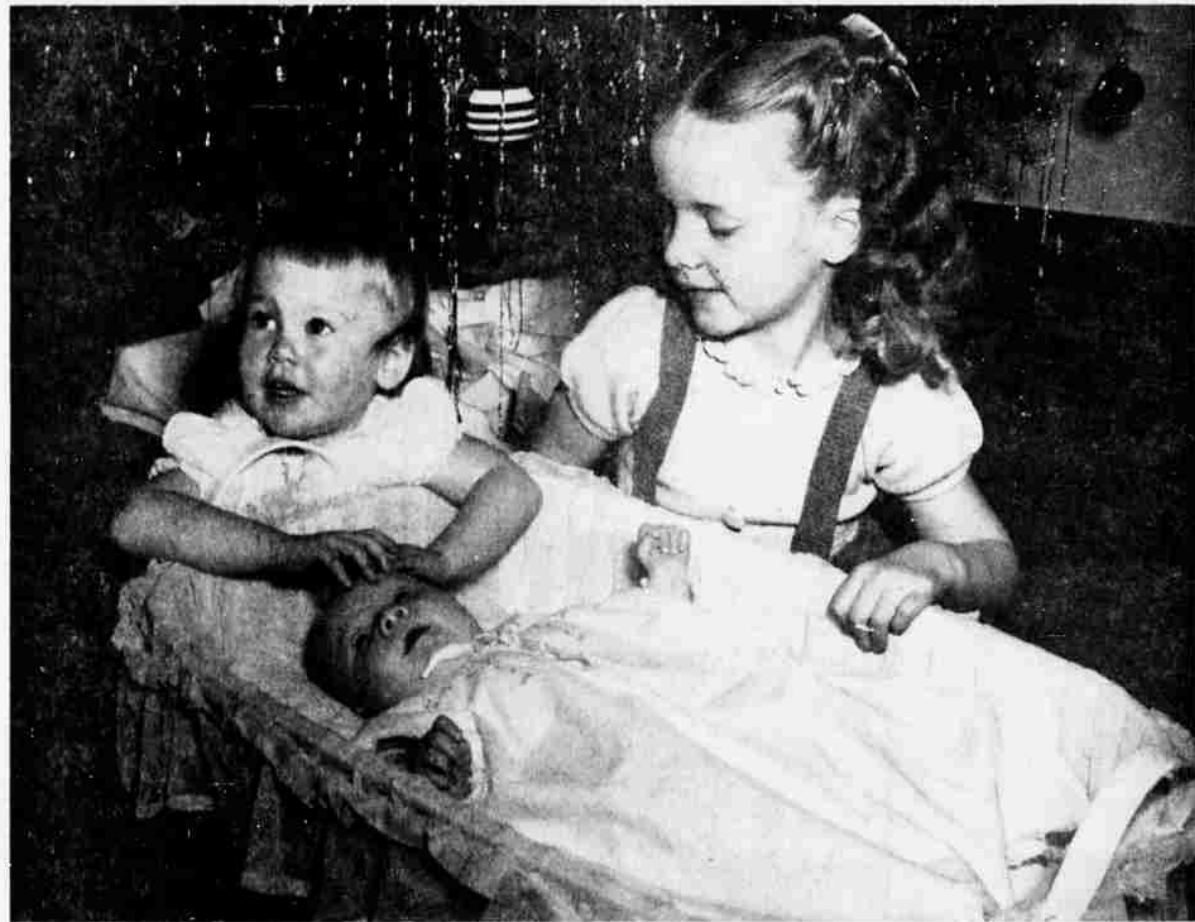
Three families will join for Christmas Eve dinner at the Dean H. Osborn home on Lawrence street this year.

Dr. and Mrs. Osborn will entertain Dr. and Mrs. A. O. Roenicke, Ruth, Frederick and Virginia, Dr. and Mrs. James M. Hilton and Jean, Bob and Dick, and Dr. Osborn's mother, Mrs. N. G. Osborn, formerly of Pullman, Wash., who is now making her home in Klamath Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. James Burness Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Burness Sr. will entertain Christmas Day at open house at the young Burness' new home, 1856 Lowell.

Some 200 friends will be invited to the affair.

—Kennell-Ellis.



TINY MARILYN LOUISE will be just two months old Christmas Day, and all thrilled at having a new little sister to help enjoy the holiday are Laurie, left, and Leslie. These happy youngsters are children of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Fleet of 200 Conger avenue. Leslie was five years old December 19, almost a Christmas child, and Laurie will be two next month.

—Guderian.



HAPPY AT THE PROSPECT of his first Christmas is Richard Thomas Whitlatch, six-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Whitlatch. This little fellow is really decked out for the holiday, too, even to the Christmas tree.

—Kennell-Ellis.



PRE-CHRISTMAS DAYS are busy as every family knows, and the Arthur Comptons are right in the middle of the rush. Young Jimmy, son of Dr. and Mrs. Compton, is in charge of the gift-wrapping department right now, and a fine job he's doing! The Comptons will be spending their first Christmas in Klamath Falls this year.

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CHRISTMAS IS SHEER fascination for small Cindy Lee, whose fancy has been caught by a gay Christmas tree ball. With Cindy Lee are her mother and daddy, Mr. and Mrs. James Burness Jr. This, in addition to being Cindy Lee's first Christmas, is the family's first yule holiday in their new home, 1956 Lowell street.

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