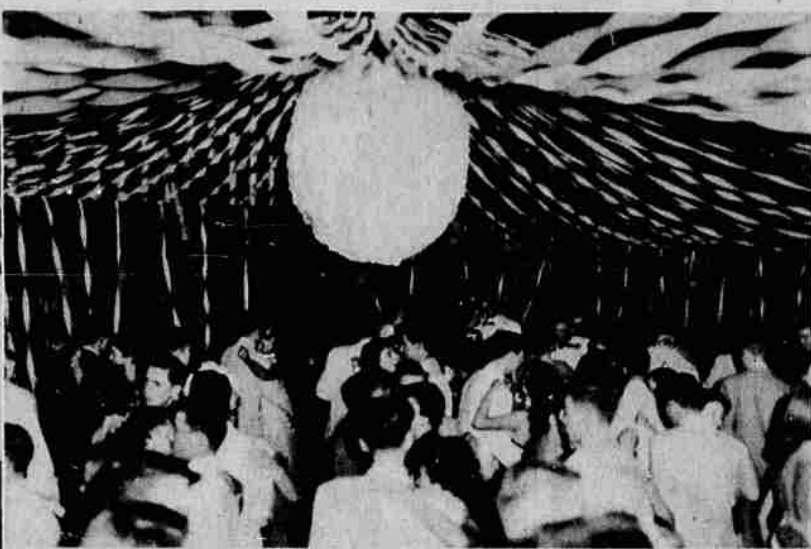


# Sylvia Gerber Crowned Sweetheart of De Molay's Most Important Social Event



**MOLAY SNOW BALL** . . . Pictures taken by William (Bill) Milne, who has worked with the organization for years—but too busy during the holidays (and after) to get the negatives printed. He's Dad Adviser to De Molay, and has always shown a personal interest in the individual members. In the picture, upper left, the crowning ceremony at the Golf and Country Club. Seated, Sylvia Gerber, center, "sweetheart" of the ball. To her left, Terry Milne and right, Milne, children of Mr. and Mrs. William Milne.



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the symbolic finished product. This is not the first snowball made, but it's the first to be carefully packed away for future use. Right center, at the punch bowl, Mrs. George Knight serves "Sweetheart" Sylvia, George Knight, Master Councilor, left, and back of Sylvia, Clayton Hannon. Lower right, Sweetheart pin and crown bearers, Terry and Dee Milne.

Standing, from the left, Annette Jacobs, Jerry Barker, Sharon Snell, Don Boyd, George Knight, Nancy Warren, David Maxwell, Diane Oldham and David Landis. Upper right, part of the crowd dancing. Lower left (l to r), Bill Matthews, George Brandt, Mrs. Marvin Nerseeth, Don Boyd and George Knight. They are the "Snow Ball construction committee" and made the huge snowball which is over four feet in diameter. They labored many, many, man hours in the Nerseeth basement (with Mrs. Nerseeth's expert help) to achieve



**MR. AND MRS. DONALD L. POPE** . . . married recently in St. Marks Episcopal Church, Medford. The bride is the former Jane Ellen Ray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Ray, Medford. Donald is the son of a well known pioneer family at Merrill, and is presently a fourth-year science major at Oregon State College where he is president of his fraternity Sigma Pi. The new Mrs. Pope is a member of a pioneer Medford family and attended OSC after her graduation from Medford High School. They are living at 457 Washington Street, Corvallis. —Photo by Landis-Shangle

## ILLUMINATING TALK GIVEN BY MRS. V. E. O'NEILL AT LIBRARY CLUB

Library Club members who attended the Jan. 11 meeting came away much better informed on education problems. Mrs. Victor O'Neill, member of the State Board of Education, addressed the club last Monday afternoon on "Some Problems of Education on the State Level." Mrs. O'Neill clarified the confused picture as to the difference between the State Board of Higher Education and the State Board of Education, of which she is a member. There are six other members of the board from all over the state and they meet every three months, with numerous committee meetings at other times. Their authority extends over all the primary and secondary schools and even includes OTI. The four men and three women serve on several committees at least once during their seven year term, each contributing his ideas and ideals to the group. Mrs. O'Neill feels that there has been general improvement in education in Oregon during the few years since funds have been used in the school system. Until voters granted these funds the control of standards was lax. Now schools that do not conform to the standards can be deprived of state money. Klamath County schools and teachers are of particularly high caliber. Mrs. O'Neill said. Most of the credit for this should be given to our city and county school superintendents. "The Four Deuces," under the direction of Mrs. D. E. Van Vactor presented the musical portion of the program. The quartet, including Bobby Harris, Jan Baxter, Robert Muehlen and Johnny Kuykendahl, sang "I Can't Do That Sum," "I Love Geography," "Down By the Station," and "You Tell Me Your Dream." By special request Benny Gupta sang the solo part of "Oh, Holy Night," with the quartet. Oregon Technical Institute arranged a display of the many items produced on the campus. It was similar to the exhibit OTI presented at the Oregon State Fair. Mrs. Loren Palmerton and Mrs. Joe Thomas presided at the tea table. Hostesses for the afternoon were Mrs. Clarence Ward and Mrs. Joe Thomas. Mrs. W. D. Miller decorated the room with clever stuffed snowmen, appropriate to the day. A spring motif was used around the tea table. On the tea committees were Mrs. Gus Vlahos, chairman, Mrs. Fred Hoagland, Mrs. Orville Hamilton, Mrs. Clark Blair, Mrs. George Blanas and Mrs. George Roberts. A display of the works of local artists will be featured at the next meeting of Library Club. Anyone interested is urged to bring a painting she has done to this meeting. Mrs. Robert Thompson, Library Club president, will review "Forty Odd."

## Aloha Chapter 61 OES Meeting

Aloha Chapter No. 61 Older of the Eastern Star held a public installation of 1954 officers, Saturday, Jan. 9, at 8 p.m. in the Masonic Temple. Hostesses and host greeting the guests were: Dorothea Wortley and Jack Murphy. Others assisting were: Irene Markham, gifts; Grace Cole, flowers; Blanche Marks and Blanche Schulze, guest book; Elmer Bramlett and Sanford Selby, ushers; Mae Moss refreshments; and Bourge Bowdon and Alva Oldham, decorations. The chapter room was beautifully decorated for the occasion with white tulle and covered with climbing red roses in bloom. Smaller one covered with flowers in the appropriate star point colors were placed behind each star point of flowers chair and a matching bouquet decorated the piano. Installing officers were: Matron Letha Murphy; Patron Alva Oldham; Helen Spiker; Chaplain Helen Listoe; Marshal, Betty Hunter; Honorary Marshal, Clairlee Epperson; Organist, Alma Cofer; Honorary Organist, Beatrice Wilks; Bible Bearer, Sallie Woods. Escorts to the Bible bearer; Dorothy Wortley and Lena Dennis; and Flag Escort, Joe Kennedy. Officers installed for 1954 were: Rena Oldham, worthy matron; Raymond Owens, worthy patron; Edna Jones, associate matron; John Rhodes, associate patron; Leona Selby, secretary; Clara Sherman, treasurer; Martha Powell, conductress; Ruth Holcomb, chaplain; Leona Angel, marshal; Margaret Sheridan, organist; Ruth Reist, Adah; Mona Dixon, Ruth; Gwendlyn Pierson, Esther; Betty Thornton, Martha; Hazel Rhodes, Electa; Elizabeth Owens, warden, and Alva Oldham, sentinel. The worthy matron was dressed in an ankle length, mint-green formal over taffeta with a bodice and neckline trim of pearls and rhinestones, shirred cape sleeves and modified full skirt. She wore a self matching stole and an orchid corsage. Each of the lady officers wore apple green floor length dresses trimmed with rhinestones and carried bouquets of tiny red roses and white baby narcissus. A gift from the worthy matron was tucked in each nosegay. The men wore boutonnières of roses. The Friendship girls were dressed in American Beauty Rose colored formals and the flower girls in white. Each wore a rose in her hair and together formed an arch of roses through which the worthy matron was escorted to the

## MERRILL REBEKAHS INSTALL NEW OFFICERS FOR THIS YEAR

Lodge opened in form with Rebekah Lodge No. 151 Noble Grand Marjorie Burleigh presiding. The new officers for 1954 were installed. Installing officers were District Deputy Mildred Rexford and Deputy Marshal Leona Beasley, assisted by Sylvia Jones, Winnie Offield, Mae Anderson, Pearl Moore, Myrtle Beasley, Anne Fruits, Geraldine Moore, Eva Bowman, Edna Ferguson and Maxine Cole. Sister Mary Sharp was musician and Cleo Denham flower girl. New officers installed were Leta Stolt, noble grand; Vivian Cunningham, vice-grand; Mildred Rexford, recording secretary; Pearl Harris, financial secretary; Billie Woodhouse, treasurer; Anne Johnson, color bearer; Donna Faye Haskins, warden; Dorothy Conner, conductor; Irene Hill, inside guardian; Lena Buck, outside guardian; Past Noble Grand Marjorie Burleigh and Chaplain Maxine Cole. Other officers installed were Hazel McNeill, right supporter to the noble grand; Naomi Chase, left supporter to the noble grand; Miriam Hunnicutt, right supporter to the vice-grand; Leona Qualls, left supporter to the vice-grand; Leona Beasley, right supporter to the past noble grand; Margaret Loper, left supporter to the past noble grand; Louise Beasley, right supporter to the chaplain; Edna Hunnicutt, left supporter to the chaplain. Musician, Estrid Geraghty. The new drill captain is Cleo Denham assisted by Leona Beasley. Refreshments were served by Myron and Sylvia Haskins, Audrey and Paul Lewis and Verna Haskins. The next regular meeting will be Jan. 18.



**INTEREST** . . . to her friends and members of her family in the item in the Oakland Tribune, dated Jan. 5, announcing the engagement of Nancy Lou Hartt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Orin Hartt, Piedmont, to Robert Charles, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur George Burgo, Berkeley. The bride-elect's grandmother, Mrs. Amy Hartt, lives here in the Lee Apartments; and she has an aunt, Mrs. R. H. Smith, 2121 Applegate. She is a graduate of the Anna Head school for girls in Berkeley; attended the University of Oregon and is a trained dental nurse. Her fiancé prepped at the A to Z school and attended University of California, leaving there to go into the Coast Guard. An April wedding is planned. — Photo by Champion. An April wedding is planned. — Photo by Champion, Oakland

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