

Mrs. Hugh O'Connor Stages A "White Christmas"

A frosty garland of fir outlines the front of the Hugh O'Connor home, 133 Grant Street, and a silvery-white spray of juniper heavy with berries and centered with "hen-and-chickens" painted white, marks the upper half of the door itself. The hen-and-chickens — painted white — are molded into what appear at first-glance to be gardenias, and the whole effect expresses a hospitable invitation to step inside where "White Christmas" prevails in Mrs. O'Connor's beautiful arrangements.

Aloha Chapter Xmas Program

Tuesday evening, December 14, a Christmas party and election of 1955 officers was held at the stated meeting of Aloha Chapter 4 OES. Rena Oldham, worthy matron and Raymond Owens, worthy patron presided. Clairance Epperson, Ida Moritz, Phillip and Grace Cole and Sanford Selby greeted the guests. Rena Oldham assisted by Martha Powell, decorated the large Christmas tree with candy canes to lend a festive touch to the chapter room. The canes were later given out by Santa to all members present. A small glittering tree decorated the piano.

A program of songs including: "A Dream of Christmas," "Silver Bells," and "Lullaby of Christmas" were sung by The Lucky Seven: Sandra Langsdorf, Eleanor Prock, Serena Smith, Mary Lou Hammer, Sharon Powell, Pat Wilson and Judy Hull. The following officers were elected to be installed in January: Edna Jones, worthy matron; John Rhodes, worthy patron; Martha Powell, associate matron; Harold Rush, associate patron; Leona Selby, secretary; Clara Sherman, treasurer; Margaret Sheridan, conductress; and Hazel Rhodes, associate conductress. A clever skit "The Night Before Christmas" was given by Betty and Jim Hunter, Mamma and Pappa; Lena Fowler, Raggedy Ann; Sanford Selby, Jack-in-the-Box; Beulah Balsiger, Rudolph the Red-Nose Reindeer; Norma Uerlings and Margaret Sheridan, potted plants; and Al Aldrich, Santa Claus.

Imogene Boothby led the friendship girls in a lovely drill and gift presentation to the worthy matron and patron. Refreshments were served in the banquet room which was cosily decorated with a fireplace, colored lights and greenery. George Boudon did the decorating and served as a co-chairman with his wife, Rita, on the refreshment committee. Other members assisting were Joy and Freda Ustick, Daisy Thompson and Phyllis Poole.

WEED BETHEL INSTALLATION

WEED — Nan Howarth was installed last week in Mt. Shasta as honored queen of Bethel No. 130 Job's Daughters. Other officers installed, who will serve with her, were: Sandra Hughes, senior princess; Carlene Water, junior princess; Marcia Holley, queen; Ann Frank, marshal; Christy Kersey, chaplain; Olivia Walter, treasurer; Angie Vacant, recorder; Joan Scott, librarian; Mary Lynn Hartley, musician; Lani Gaynor, junior custodian; Muriel Astmann, senior custodian; Shirley Holley, first messenger; Terry Huntington, second messenger; Cary Richardson, third messenger; Judy Thompson, fourth messenger; Gloria Burns, fifth messenger; Nancy Burns, inner guard; Nancee Love, outer guard. Natilie Ewer, Weed, was installed into the order of Job's Daughters at the last regular meeting of Bethel No. 130.

Mary Lynn Hartley, Mount Shasta, is the retiring honored queen. Mrs. George Walter, Dunsmuir, is guardian and Chester Kimery, Weed, is associate guardian.

State Officers Visit Members

Gold Star Mothers had as guests this week Mrs. Mildred Curtis, president of the Oregon association, whose home is in Grants Pass and Mrs. Marion Cecil, the club's first vice president of Medford. The state officers were here to make final arrangements for the installation of the local chapter to be held here January 23, 1955.

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contrasting in formation. A lacy sash was utilized as the substantial base for this generous grouping.

To the left, on a coffee table, a milk-glass fruit compote with lattice border holds apples, grapes, lemons and spruce cones — all stark white — a dramatic "still-life" against the dark wood of the table. Also, not noticed at first by many who toured the house, but strikingly individual when discovered on a table by the sofa, is a very streamlined silver gravy boat holding white glitter — trimmed snowballs and silver globe thistles.

Of course, the fireplace mantel (pictured on first page of society section) is one of the "main events" — A photograph cannot capture the depth and feeling achieved by Mrs. O'Connor in this tranquil grouping which embodies the essence of Christmas.

Above the dining table in the next room, a Della Robbia wreath is a combination of local greens and cone bases, puffy silver daisy balls, the lacy foliage of tulip with seed pods, and a sprinkling of baby wooden roses from Hawaii. Missouri hickory nuts and smooth, shiny magnolia leaves — all appearing to be actually frosted by nature.

On the table, directly under the wreath, stark white maitlandia branches and twigs emphasize the smooth white lighted tapers and silver balls which are grouped in the center.

A creche on the buffet is another interesting example of Mrs. O'Connor's creative talent. In a doorway to the left a natural wicker screen, trimmed with dark brown — is marked with a simple spray of long pine needles centered with cone bases in white — and magnolia leaves matching the trim of the screen.

The kitchen decor — also simple, is an uncluttered candle centerpiece on a woven mat and a small wreath of silver dried moss hanging in a window. In the basement recreation room are more cone and bough arrangements — but the piece de resistance here is a stylized Christmas tree of four silver wires tapering to a point topped with a wire ball — from which, on almost invisible thread, dangle all the parts from a discarded alarm clock.

A graceful, original and delightful mobile, with swirling springs, glittering cops and all the fascinating bits from the clock's "insides" catch the eye and hold it. It was Mrs. O'Connor's "fun" piece — but it turned out to be actually beautiful, and is truly a flash with a flourish to the tour of the house.

BONANZA WOMEN'S CLUB

BONANZA — The Bonanza Women's Club met for its regular monthly meeting at the Library, December 7, at 2 p.m., with President Esther Brown in charge.

Members were happy that the annual bazaar was so successful, a beautiful plant was sent to Clara Bold, general chairman of the bazaar, expressing gratitude for her time and work. It was reported that John Brown and Lloyd Sparks had filled the wood shed with wood for the winter.

The annual Christmas party and gift exchange will be Tuesday, December 21, at 8 p.m. Hostesses for the Christmas party will be Betty Rice, Virginia Thomas, Lillian Bechdel and Mildred Kelleston.

Refreshments were served by hostesses Pat Wakefield, Norma Bechdel and Betty Rice to Emma Ralph, Lila O'Connor, Ann Bechdel, Lillian Bechdel, Isabel Hazeltine, Velda Haley, Lizze Schner, Alta Dixon, Mae Gale, Lottie Hazeltine and Esther Brown. Mrs. Dick Sohn, the home ec teacher at Bonanza brought her sewing class including Alice Graves, Iida Britton, Betty Ralph, Ethel Perry, Patty Burk, Verla Chellis, Elizabeth Sexton, Margaret Rodgers and Ruth Thomas.

ST. BARNABAS YULETIDE PARTY

LANGELL VALLEY — The Guild of St. Barnabas Church met at the home of Mrs. Bill Cunningham in Klamath Falls, December 9, for an all day meeting. A potluck lunch was enjoyed at noon. A Christmas party and gift exchange was held in the afternoon.

Those enjoying the day were Mrs. Doug Smiles, president of the guild; Mrs. Myrtle Johnson, a guest from Red Bluff; Mrs. Paul Monroe, Mrs. Wes Dearborn, Mrs. Lester Jones, Mrs. Luther Noble, Mrs. Charles Partridge, Mrs. Mike Dearborn, Mrs. Grace Blaser, Mrs. Reg Thomas, Mrs. Roy Whitlatch, Mrs. Bill Milne, Mrs. Marion Lindway, Mrs. Russell Walsh and Mrs. Cunningham.

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FRIENDS FILLED THE CHURCH in Langell Valley when Judith Jane Crawford became the bride of Byron Ross, December 10. The Rev. Galen Onstad officiated at the 9 p.m. service in St. Barnabas Episcopal Church.

Episcopal Rites In St. Barnabas Unite Judy Crawford-Byron Ross

LANGELL VALLEY — An impressive ceremony was solemnized in St. Barnabas Episcopal Church, Langell Valley, at 9 p.m. December 10, before a large crowd of relatives and friends, when the Rev. Galen Onstad united in marriage Judith Jane Crawford and Byron Ross.

The double-ring candlelight ceremony was performed before an altar banked with white chrysanthemums.

The dark haired bride wore a white satin floor length dress with lace bodice studded with sequins. Her fingertip veil was fastened to a tiara trimmed with seed pearls. She carried a white Bible, topped with a white orchid. The Bible was the "something borrowed" from Rachel Ordway. "Old" was a lace handkerchief belonging to Mrs. Mae Gale. She wore a blue sash and had a lucky penny in her shoe.

Judy was given in marriage by her father, Lloyd Crawford. Sherry Crawford, maid of honor for her sister, wore pink. Bridemaids were Rachel Ordway in blue, Phyllis Richardson in orchid, and Phyllis Maddock in yellow. All wore ballerina length dresses with matching headbands and carried white bouquets made by Mrs. Harv Frazier, who with Mrs. Wilfred Noble decorated the church and parish hall.

Burgess Ross, twin brother of the bridegroom, was best man; ushering were Robert Ross, Tommy Crawford and Robert Hartley. Marie Obenchain played the wedding march and incidental music. Ida Samrakoff sang "O Perfect Love." During the reception she sang the couple's favorite song, "Indian Love Call."

The bride's mother wore a rose-beige suit with matching accessories and a rosebud corsage. The bridegroom's mother chose an ice blue ensemble with darker accessories and her corsage, too, was of pink rosebuds.

The wedding day was also the birthday anniversary of the bridegroom's mother.

Rachel Ordway caught the bouquet thrown by the bride. Following the wedding a reception was held in the parish hall. Mrs. Robert Hartley, sister of the bride, cut and served the wedding cake. Mrs. Gordon Hancock and Mrs. Ross Clarke presided at the two punch bowls and Mrs. Robert Ross was at the silver coffee urn. Mrs. Clyde Wooten carried the guest book.

For going away, the new Mrs. Ross wore a blue suit with gray accessories and wore the orchid from her bridal bouquet.

After a short honeymoon the young couple will be at home in the Hunt Apartments, Klamath Falls.

DKG Yule Party

Members of the Delta Kappa Gamma society met for their annual Christmas party, Saturday evening, December 11, at the home of Geraldine Owsley, 224 Second Street.

President Beulah Elliott dispensed with the business meeting. A contribution was given by each member for the Oregon Technical Institute scholarship fund.

Rose O'Leary, social chairman presented members of the group in a program. Ruth Lobough played several piano solos; a Christmas story was read by Olive Wilson; and carols were sung by the entire group.

Irene Foster was serenaded by the chapter members as it was her birthday anniversary.

An exchange of gifts was an interesting part of the evening.

Refreshments were served by the hostesses, and those assisting Mrs. Owsley were: Edna Fletcher, Marguerite Parker and Irene Foster.

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Klamath Falls BPW Initiates Eight Members December 8th

Eight new members were initiated into the Klamath Falls Business and Professional Women's Club during the impressive candle lighting ceremony on Monday night, December 6. The ceremony followed the 6:30 p.m. dinner in the Willard Hotel.

Imogene Boothby, membership chairman was assisted by Suzanne Hamilton, Dorothy Lowell, Rose O'Leary, Viola Dixon and Beth Orger.

Initiated were: Marion Barker, Nancy Adams, Leola Heitbrunner, Gladys Kelley, Harriet Radden, Ethel Schultz, Mary Jane Plummer and Ruby Addison. Each candidate

was presented with a Christmas corsage.

Isabelle Brinner was presented with a scroll in recognition of her appointment to the policy making board of Governor Paul Patterson.

Names of qualified members of women's clubs who can be called upon by the governor are submitted each year.

The next meeting, December 20, will be the annual Christmas party. Members may take guests but

reservations must be phoned in. Annes Struthers is in charge. There will be a social hour, courtesy of the hotel management before the dinner.

Santa Claus will arrive and there will be a \$1 gift exchange. Each member is asked to take a toy for a needy child.

Handmade poinsettias from a sister of Ethel Pankey were sent from Washington for table decorations at the last meeting.

LIONESS CLUB XMAS PARTY

The Lioness Club met at the home of Mrs. Jim Olson, 2035 Portland Street for its annual Christmas party.

Mrs. John Schubert, president, conducted the short business meeting, during which a motion was made and passed that the proceeds from the food sale, chairmanned by Mrs. Vernon Moore, be sent to the Blind Institute of Oregon.

Following the meeting a delicious dessert was served by Mrs. Olson and her co-hostesses, Mrs. William Franklin, Mrs. Keith Goddington, Mrs. J. Thomas and Mrs. Ernest Taylor. Mrs. J. E. Thornton then showed colored slides of national parks west of the Rockies, taken while on numerous trips with her family.

To climax a lovely evening, Mrs. Gene Hooker appeared as Santa Claus caused many laughs in the interesting gift exchange.

The next meeting will be held January 10, 1955 at the home of Mrs. E. S. Robinson, 1336 Eldorado.

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All students home on vacation and those attending our own OTI are cordially invited to the holiday affair which will feature Lamar Jensen's music.

Dancing will begin at 9 p.m. and refreshments will be served by Rotarians and their wives. No charge is made for this dance.

Card Party

The Pinochle Club of Weyerhaeuser Camp No. 4 met December 7 at the home of Mrs. Frank Thomas, 1125 Grant Street, Klamath Falls, for its annual Christmas pinochle party.

Following potluck roast chicken dinner, pinochle was played and secret pal Christmas gifts were exchanged.

Attending were Mrs. Otis Gogwell, Mrs. Earl Cruikshank, Mrs. Loren Close, Mrs. Lee Prescott and Mrs. Dave McLaren, all of Camp 4; Mrs. Tom Radcliffe and daughter Margaret Ann, Mrs. Bob Manning, Mrs. Vern Gibbs and daughter Bonnie Jean, Mrs. Lyle Stone, Mrs. Lee Real and sons Bobby and Johnny, all former Camp 4 residents now living in Klamath Falls.

Mrs. Close won first high; Mrs. Radcliffe, second and Mrs. Gogwell, the pinochle prize.

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