

Midland Empire News

COUPLES OBSERVE GOLDEN WEDDINGS

ALTURAS — Two Alturas couples celebrated their 50 wedding anniversary in Alturas during the past week. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. (Jack) Thomas and Mr. and Mrs. George Stephens. On Saturday evening, May 17, at the IOOF hall here, the IOOF and Hebekah Lodges were hosts at a golden wedding anniversary dinner for Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, their relatives and friends. Thirty-three relatives from different parts of the state, 60 lodge members and a number of friends made up the party which helped them celebrate their 50 years of married life.

On Monday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Stephens were guests of the ladies of the Federated church in recognition of their golden wedding anniversary. There were 120 guests present. Flowers in profusion, a wedding cake and a floor lamp were presented to the couple. Stephens' response to the presents received was a masterpiece of wit and philosophy. A big dinner was served.

Produce Shipment Record in Making

An increase of 2735.1 carloads of fruits and vegetables inspected in Oregon so far in the 1940-41 shipping year over the same period a year ago, is reported by the state department of agriculture. The federal-state shipping point service records show inspections to April 30 were also 660 carloads ahead of the 1939-40 record year.

Inspections and certifications for April were 13283 carlots and 710 trucklots. Carlot inspections for the year, to April 30, totaled 19,375.

April shipments included 1831 carlots and 99 trucklots of apples; 124 cars, pears; 704 cars

and 27 trucks, onions; 891 cars and 580 trucklots, potatoes; and smaller lots of berries and vegetables.

PARKS ELECTED HEAD OF GROUP

SPRAGUE RIVER — Roland Parks, superintendent of the Sprague River schools was named president of the Klamath County Principals and Coaches Association at the organization's last meeting of the year held last week. Parks succeeds Superintendent E. E. Evans, who held the reins during the past year. Other new officers elected were Don Norlin, of Henley, vice president, and George Frank, Keon, secretary. Retiring officers besides Evans were Lloyd Emery, vice president and Otis Johnson, secretary.

The principals and coaches organization has charge of scheduling of all interscholastic activities, various policies of the Klamath county schools, and numerous other activities. At the last meeting a complete report of the details concerning the county high school annuals was given by committee chairman, Carol Howe. President Parks appointed the athletic and declamatory activity committees for the coming year.

PARTY SURPRISES SPRAGUE COUPLE

SPRAGUE RIVER — Mrs. Homer Koertje, formerly Frances Mays, Sprague River teacher, was honored last Saturday night by a surprise wedding anniversary party by the Sprague River teachers at Mrs. Koertje's home in Homedale. The group, headed with all of the fixings to stage a

sea food dinner, surprised the young couple, who had entertained the same group on their wedding night one year before. After a dinner of cracked crab, salad, sandwiches, olives, pickles, cake and coffee, the group retired to the parlor to talk over the memories of their wedding days. Later in the evening, the group enjoyed dancing and card playing.

Those who enjoyed the social evening were Mr. and Mrs. George Hobbs, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Parks, Miss Marie Michels, Miss Alice Jean Grossman, Junior Heidrich, Bill Heidrich and Mr. and Mrs. Koertje.

MUSIC GROUP HAS ANNUAL PICNIC

BLY — The Music and Drama association held its annual picnic at Sprague River recreation park on Monday evening. Alyce Patzke was chairman of the affair. This was the last meeting of the year. Recently elected officers of the group are president, Vern Hanon; vice president, Betty Patzke, secretary, Ann Mengel. After the picnic Frank and Bud Meiser with guitar and Mr. Detrick with his accordion furnished musical background for group singing.

Those present were Mrs. Gordon McLean, Ethel Lien, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Deering, Luther Sanders, Janet Protzman, Marie Coke, Barbara Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Mabee, Bud Betty Pat Alice Patzke, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Mengel, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Dishno, Mrs. Hartman, Norman Smith, Leonard Selmar Olson, Mrs. Muriel Dale Smith Lyle Weaver, Gene Detrick, Frederick and Frank Meiser, Carl Raupanch and Mr. and Mrs. Vern Hannon.

Rare golden caviar (sturgeon roe or eggs) sells for \$100 a pound. This caviar went only to the Russian imperial household in czarist days.

POPPY SALES TO HELP CHILDREN

How the little red poppies worn in honor of the World War dead on Poppy day help care for needy children of war veterans throughout the year was explained today by Mrs. Emil Paul, child welfare chairman of Klamath unit of the American Legion auxiliary, as the unit continued preparations for the observance of Poppy day, Saturday, May 24.

"Every poppy that is worn means more help for the children who have been left without a father's support because of the last war," she said. "First, there are the children of the men who make the poppies, the disabled veterans in the government hospitals and those employed in the auxiliary's poppy work rooms. These children benefit from the earnings of their fathers, the poppy money helping keep their homes together until the father can once more take regular employment.

"Then, there are the children whose fathers have died or are not in position to work in the poppy program. The money contributed for the poppies goes to work for them and keeps working all year through the auxiliary's vast child welfare program. It is the determination of the Legion and auxiliary that no

child of a veteran shall be left in need, and the funds collected on Poppy day are the principal source of finance for carrying out this determination.

"Food, clothing, shelter, school expenses and medical care are some of the things which the poppy means to unfortunate children of veterans. We think it highly fitting that the flower which honors those who have died for America should help those who will build the America of the future. We hope that everyone will remember these children when they secure their poppies on Poppy day and contribute as generously as possible to the auxiliary's welfare fund."

FIEND SLAYER
VICHY, FRANCE, May 22 (AP) — The "Abbeville fiend" whom townfolk blame for a series of killings which began in the occupied town of Abbeville last November 18, has been accused of a thirteen slaying in the death of a bricklayer.

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Government May Launch Drive for Discarded Aluminum

WASHINGTON, May 22 (AP) — An intensive government-sponsored campaign may be launched soon to collect the discarded aluminum ware in every American home for use in the defense program, it was learned Monday.

Some thought has been given to tin, nickel and other metals in the gigantic scrap-collecting drive, but the probability is that it will be confined to aluminum, at least for the present. Officials of the office of production management are now studying all the proposals.

The possibilities of scrap collecting campaigns were considered by the OPM last fall but the idea was pigeonholed when

surveys indicated that the results might not be worth the efforts. However, shortages in some critical metals have since become more acute, and a complete reexamination of the subject has been undertaken.

Local drives for collection of scrap metals, tin and lead foil, rubber and other materials have been carried on in many communities and in recent weeks. Officials here have not encouraged any such drives and it was learned that some of them are hopeful now that no more will be organized until it is determined if one unified effort would be worthwhile.

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