

MR. and MRS. ROBERT TORGESON

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# **Torgeson - Alexander Rites** Reflect Christmas Decor

In a 2 p.m. ceremony December of the maid of honor. All three 18 at the First Christian church here, Miss Suzi Sue Alexander of Portland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Alexander of Vernonia, became the bride of Patrick John Torgeson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Torgeson of Canby.

The double ring ceremony was performed by Reverend Robert Sargent, pastor of the church, in a setting of lighted white tapers in wroughtiron candelabra and baskets of poinsettia.

White satin bows adorned the aisle along which the bride was escorted by her father. She wore an empire style floor-length gown of white brocade fashioned with chapel train, jewel neckline and long sleeves. Her shoulder-length veil fell from a large white bow adorned with pearls and she carried her white Rainbow Bible on which rested a white orchid surrounded by lilies of the valley.

Her maid of honor was Miss Ann Bergerons of Vernonia who wore a floor-length empire style gown of red brocade and carried a single long-stemmed white chrysanthemum tipped with red. Other attendants were Mrs. Marvin Crowston of Corvallis and Miss Betty Jo Aldrich, Vernonia, whose gowns and flowers were identical to that

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### attendants wore long white gloves and headpieces of red tulle caught with combs, each adorned with a red rose, Each wore pearl ear-

rings which were gifts of the bride. Best man was Mike Torgeson of Canby, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Jerry Anderson and Ernie Peter, both of Canby and ushers were John Boyle of Canby and Doug Watson of Mo-

Wedding organ music was played by Mrs. Frank Serafin and Mrs. Larry Jones sang God Gave Me You prior to the ceremony, The Lord's Prayer as the couple knelt at the altar during the ceremony, and Walk Hand in Hand as a dismissal song.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the church parlor which was decorated with holly, poinsettias and red and white crepe paper streamers. Mrs. Erik Schlegel of Portland and Mrs. Colin Turner of Beaverton cut and served the beautiful four-tiered cake. Mrs. Jerry Anderson, sister-in-law of the groom, poured coffee and Mrs. Jack Nelson, cousin of the bride, presided at the punch bowl. Mrs. Mike Mullins of Forest Grove had charge of the guest book.

From the reception, the couple left for a short wedding trip to the Oregon coast after which they returned to Portland where they will reside. Mrs. Torgeson, who is a graduate of Vernonia high school and Northwestern School of Commerce in Portland, is now employed with the Prudential Insurance company in Portland. The groom, a graduate of Canby high school, is now a student at Multnomah college in Portland.

### Serviceman at Home For Christmas Week

MIST-Pvt. Melvin Kyser returned Tuesday to Fort Ord, Calif. after spending the Christmas holidays with his folks, the Claude Kysers.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Garlock were in Astoria Friday and Ray Garlock returned home with them.

Robert Grimsbo was a New Year eve and day guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Berg in Rawleigh Hills. Christine Berg is a guest of the Grimsbos.

Callers at the John Crawford home during the week have been Raymond Brower, Eldon Shetler, Mrs. Wayne Kyser, David Crawford and Charles Ramsey.

Mrs. Hugh Cox returned Wednesday afternoon after spending Christmas night with her family at Jefferson. Christmas night she accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Allen Wise to Lake Oswego to spend several days before coming on home.

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### **Engagement Revealed** During Holiday Week

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Marshall of Route 1, Hillsboro have announced the engagement of their daughter Karen to A/2c Allan L. York, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Adams of Vernonia. No definite date has been set for the wedding.

Mr. York was home during the Christmas holidays and left Sunday evening to return to Malstrom air force base in Montana. The engagement was announced to friends while he was at home.

# Gift Exchange **Held at Dinner**

Monday, December 27, members of the Vernonia Barracks, World War I Veterans and auxiliary met at the IOOF hall for a 1:00 p.m. potluck dinner and exchange of gifts after which each group held a short business session.

Illness and inclement weather kept many away and there were none of the usual visitors from Portland and St. Helens, but about 25 local members enjoyed the festivities. The gift exchange was held while the group was at the table.

At the Barracks meeting, Commander H. L. Russell appointed committees for the year. Pete Brunsman was named as chairman of the entertainment committee, George Smith as historian, Loren Stiff as publicity and membership chairman and Orville McKinster as Americanism chairman.

At the auxiliary meeting, Mrs. Ray Cameron, first vice-president, presided in the absence of MRS. Ralph Valpiani, who was ill.

The next meeting of the two groups will be January 24.

### Rebekahs Call **Practice Meet**

Elective and appointive officers of Mt. Heart Rebekah lodge for 1966 are all asked to report at the IOOF hall at 7 p.m. next Tuesday evening, January ll for practice for the installation which will be held Thursday evening, Januarv 13.

Mrs. B. J. Horn, district deputy, is in charge of the installation and has selected a corps of installing officers from among past noble grands of the lodge. All of them, also, are to attend the practice.

Mrs. Marie Elliott heads the list of 1966 officers as noble grand. She will succeed Mrs. Mathilde Bergerson, 1965 noble grand.

the Christmas party, secret pals were not drawn and plans are to include that in the social hour at the January 13 meeting.

### Extension Unit Plans Lesson On Electricity

The Timber Route Extension Unit will meet next Tuesday, January 11 at the West Oregon Electric building at 10:30 a.m. for a lesson on What a Woman Should Know About Electricity which will be presented by project leaders, Mrs. Bill Gardner and Mrs. Oren Weed. This is expected to be a most informative and useful lesson and all ladies interested are welcome to attend.

Portland, Oregon has an extinct volcano (Mt. Tabor) within its city

### **Students Leave** For Graceland

MIST-Mr. and Mrs. Al Baughman and four children of Forest Grove were Monday evening dinner guests of Walter and Grace Mathewa. Friday, Jeanne Irby of Seattle and Kent Wheeler of Connecticut were overnight guests at the Mathews home. Jeanne and Marian Mathews left by train Saturday for their school in Lamoni, Iowa and Kent left for California to complete the two weeks left of his U.S. military service after which he will continue his education at Graceland college where he has previously attended. Mr. and Mrs. Sulo Sanders braved the storm Friday evening to come to Mist for their daughter Donna and to bid farewell to Marian. They joined the Mathews and their guests around the fireplace for a picnic supper, eaten by candle light because of power outages. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Case also visited the Mathews Friday evening. The Mathews enjoyed New Years day dinner at the Dale Clark home in Cornelius.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Garlock and Mrs. Mary Garlock were in Portland Sunday with Mrs. Bern Bliss to meet her daughter, Bobbie Dee at the train depot and help her get settled at the Portland Sanitarium. Mrs. Bliss went on to Spangle, Wash. to visit. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Reddick of Clatskanie visited at the Garlock home Sunday ev-

Mrs. Norman Hansen and Sandra were in Longview Tuesday to visit with Mrs. Howard Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Shalmon Libel were in Vernonia Sunday and visited with Mr. and Mrs. Sam De-

## **Vacation Spent** With Daughters

RIVERVIEW-Mrs. Maude Wells spent her holiday vacation at the home of her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Adsit at San Diego. She left December 22 and came back to Portland last Friday. She spent that night at the home of another daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Holmes at Milwaukie. Mr. Holmes brought her home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Cline visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Don Cline at Moses Lake, Washington December 23 through 28. It snowed there most of the time but they encountered no trouble on their return trip.

Mrs. Alice Mills spent Christmas week in Portland at the home of her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Cleon Woodruff. Her son Bert brought her home Thursday.

Elmer Anglesey of Bend visited at the Carson Strong and Grace Peachey homes a few days last week. Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wyckoff and four daughters visited the Strongs and Mrs. Peachey.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Taylor and son Dale of Portland were here Sunday afternoon and took home with them her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Short who had spent two weeks with his sister, Mrs. Grace Peachey.

Anita Sabilino of Portland spent last week at the home of her aunt and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Steele Jr. The Steeles took her home Sunday afternoon.

# **Education Aid Given New Vets**

State educational aid benefits were paid to 629 veterans last year in the amount of \$98,805, the Department of Veteran's Affairs reported recently.

While this was a 19 percent drop from 1964 in benefit payments, Franklin G. Reynolds, the department's educational officer, said there was an uptrend in the last two months of 1965 due to the addition of Vietnam and other cold war veterans to the program.

"This was the first increase in payments since 1959," Reynolds

Of last year's 629 veterans receiving state benefits, 73 were members of the new class of veterans made eligible by the 1965 legislature. These were recipients of the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal and the Vietnam Service

Reynolds said the majority of the new veteran group is receiving the maximum benefit of \$50 a month as full-time undergraduate college students. For other studies the maximum is \$35 a month.

Since the educational aid program started in 1945, payments have gone to 14,033 veterans of World War II, Korea and later overseas campaigns in the amount of \$3,929,723, representing an average benefit per veteran of \$280.

Korean veterans are stil entitled to the benefit without facing an enrollment deadline. Only those World War II veterans who enrolled by June 30, 1959, are still

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