

## Two Initiated By Pythians

At the meeting of Vernonia Temple No. 61, Pythian Sisters Wednesday evening, January 12, the initiatory degree was conferred on two candidates by MEC Leona Haverland and her officers assisted by an eight-member degree staff. Those receiving the degree were Mrs. Jacqueline Scott and Mrs. Dorothy Wilson, sisters.

Since this was the annual meeting for the organization, the auditing report was received and necessary business cared for preparatory to the sending of an annual report to Grand Temple.

Plans were made for holding installation of 1966 officers prior to the next meeting, January 26. There will be a pot luck dinner at 6:30 p.m. to which members are inviting their families and friends. The installation will be held at 7:30 p.m. after which the new officers will conduct the meeting.

Messages were received from a number of members who live elsewhere in the form of holiday greetings and notes enclosed with dues.

There was considerable discussion of the Jamboree and the group began plans for participation, both with a float for the parade and a display, perhaps of quilts as they did several years ago. It was felt this would be in keeping with the

Jamboree theme, Pages from Our Past.

Following the meeting, delicious refreshments of sandwiches, pickles and chips were served by Mrs. Olivia Wood and Mrs. B. J. Horn at tables cleverly decorated with styrofoam snowman centerpiece and small marshmallow snowmen which had been made by Mrs. Wood.

### Parents Reveal Troth Of Patricia Rundle

Announced here this week was the engagement of Miss Patricia Lee Rundle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Rundle of Mist route, Vernonia, and George Cole Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. George Cole of Homewood, Illinois, a suburb of Chicago.

The couple met at University of Montana which Miss Rundle attended last year. She is now attending Portland Community college and is employed in the office of Arco Incorporated in Portland.

Mr. Cole is a graduate of the University of Montana and is at present in the Naval Reserves. He has been in Portland and Vernonia on leave and will be leaving the end of this week for Norfolk, Virginia.

The date for the wedding has not been announced.

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SUNDAY, at their golden wedding anniversary reception, Mr. and Mrs. Sam L. Hearing posed with their three children, from left, Mrs. Wilfred Holce, Sam S. L. Hearing and Mrs. Clair Ewart.

## Fiftieth Anniversary Reception Sunday Honors Mr. and Mrs. Sam L. Hearing

The fiftieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Sam L. Hearing was observed Sunday, January 16 with a reception at the Vernonia Masonic Temple which was attended by many relatives and friends from a wide area.

The room was appropriately decorated with a gold and white theme. Single yellow rosebuds were on each tea table and a large bouquet of yellow chrysanthemums centered the refreshment table. The four-tiered cake was decorated with bells touched with gold and topped with a gold and white bell and tulle ornament.

Hosts for the golden anniversary reception were their three children and families: Mr. and Mrs. Sam S. Hearing and sons Sam III and Danny of Vernonia; Mr. and Mrs. Clair Ewart and son Bob from Ashland and Mrs. and Mrs. Wilfred Holce and sons Rick and Randy, also of Vernonia. Their one granddaughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Nelson and two children were unable to be here to complete the four generation group.

The reception Sunday with the host of relatives and friends in attendance and the elaborate decorations and cake was quite different from their wedding day 50 years ago. The actual date of their marriage was January 11, 1916 in Baker, Oregon where the ground was covered with winter snow, quite a contrast to the sunny, warm day which favored them Sunday. For the ceremony, they went to the office of the justice of the peace, Forrest L. Hubbard who had been a former school principal of Mr. Hearing.

The date chosen for their wedding was the fiftieth anniversary of Mr. Hearing's parents. He was the youngest of their 13 children.

After their marriage they lived at Haines near Baker until 1928. They farmed for a time, then he had a grocery store in Haines for six years. He then was with the Safeway Stores for ten years and it was in 1935 that they came to Vernonia when he was sent here as manager of the Safeway store which then was where the fire hall is now. He decided he liked Vernonia as a place to do business and did not want to leave here so in 1937 he and Robert Tipton, butcher, opened Sam and Bob's

store and market across the street where Sam's Food Store is now. He owned and operated that store until 1945 when he turned it over to his son and retired.

However, retirement held other duties to keep him busy, for in 1948 he became mayor of Vernonia, a job with a lot of work and no pay. In 1951 he resigned that position to become city recorder, a job that he held until 1960 when he really did retire.

The Hearings became an integral part of the Vernonia community with active participation in civic and fraternal groups. In 1958-59, they were worthy matron and patron of Nehalem Chapter OES. Mrs. Hearing devoted much time to raising very beautiful flowers which were frequently part of the decorations for social events or found their way in bouquets into homes or places of business for others to enjoy.

Since his complete retirement, their greatest enjoyment has come from "trailer"ing. They are members of the Oregon Trailer Club and a large group of fellow members came Sunday for the reception.

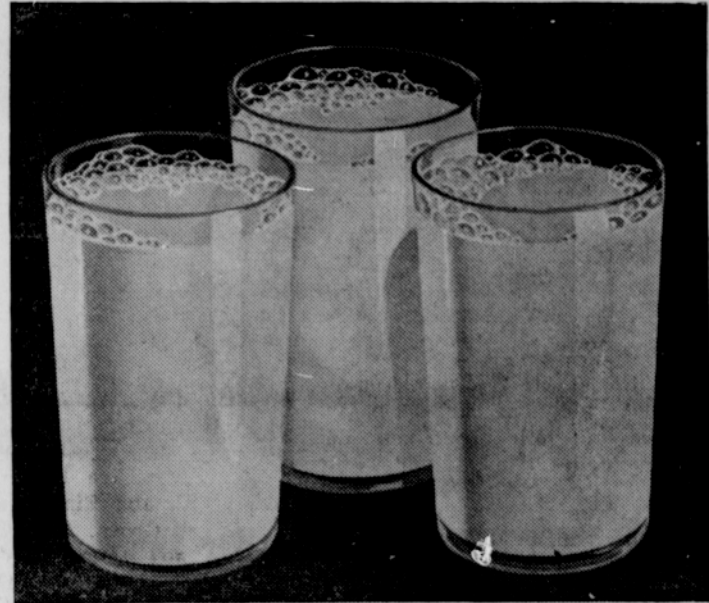
Among relatives here for the occasion were his brother, Earl F. Hearing of McMinnville; her sister, Mrs. May Hascall of Baker and two brothers and wives, Mr. and Mrs. Oren Cook of Lincoln City and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Cook of Salem; his sister-in-law, Mrs. Margaret Hearing of Portland many nieces and nephews, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Anderson and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hascall and two children and Mickey Hunt, all of Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Leo Hearing, Bay City; Elbert Hearing, St. Helens; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Curry, Ogden, Utah; and two grandnieces and husbands, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bergstrom, McMinnville and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Elmer, Portland.

Many former residents who had been neighbors and customers of the Hearings also were here to extend their good wishes Sunday. Among them were Mr. and Mrs. George Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Childs; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hartwick, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Holce, Mrs. John Kirk and daughter Susan, Mrs. Sam George, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Pemble, all from Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Mick Glenn of Kernville; Mr. and Mrs. How-

ard Peasnell, Astoria; Dr. and Mrs. M. L. Crossan, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. Andy Kostur and Mr. and Mrs. Glen Hawkins, Tillamook; Mr. and Mrs. Homer Gwin, Cannon Beach; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Marshall, Gearhart; Mrs. Rhoda Robbins and daughter, Carol Weiker, McMinnville; Dr. and Mrs. R. D. Eby, Beaverton; Mr. and

Mrs. Paul Gordon were in charge of the decorations.

Those who served were Mrs. Wilbur Davis, Mrs. Sam George, Mrs. Margaret Hearing, Mrs. Ernest Hascall, Mrs. Mae Hascall, Mrs. Homer Gwin and Mrs. Margaret Anderson.



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In addition to the large trailer group, many from the past matrons and patrons of 1958-59 group for Portland and vicinity also were here.

Following the reception, a family dinner was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Holce to allow for more visiting. Mrs. Hascall, sister of Mrs. Hearing, remained on with them this week.

The Sunday prior to the reception, a niece and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Dutch Aldrich and son Gary from Haines were here to visit the Hearings. They were unable to attend the reception.

Letters, cards, telephone calls and telegrams brought congratulations and good wishes from many persons in many places, also.

Assisting with the reception were members of the Rainbow Girls, a group for which Mr. Hearing has been Dad Advisor for many years; and ladies of the Eastern Star chapter. Mrs. Wm. Bridgers and Mrs. Paul Gordon were in charge of the decorations.

Those who served were Mrs. Wilbur Davis, Mrs. Sam George, Mrs. Margaret Hearing, Mrs. Ernest Hascall, Mrs. Mae Hascall, Mrs. Homer Gwin and Mrs. Margaret Anderson.