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Fifty Years of Fond Memories Recalled By Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Box on Anniversary

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Recalling fond memories of their wedding day, fifty years ago on Feb. 14, 1906, in the Presbyterian Church parlors in Clarion, Iowa, which took place during one of the worst blizzards of that winter—Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Box of 2359 Torrance Blvd., were honored at an open house given by members of Ruth Circle on the evening of Feb. 14, in the parlors of the local Methodist Church.

Across the country in the town where the wedding took place, a like celebration was held by Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Soultz, who were married with them in a double wedding service attended by 125 relatives and friends. The Soultzes were honored at a reception Sunday afternoon given by their daughter, Mrs. Harold Summers. Among the many guests calling on the couple were a number of their children. Mrs. Eleanor Bond of Des Moines and their two sons, Marion and Maurice. Mrs. Box recalls their double wedding ceremony at which both brides were dressed alike in grayish-pink silk in the "Gibson Girl" style so popular in those days. With a chuckle, Mrs. Box recalls that the high bonnet collar of her dress was so stiff that she couldn't even turn her head and look at her husband during the ceremony. Officiating at the 6 o'clock evening ceremony was the Rev. John S. Pollock. The only decoration for the wedding service was flowers. "In those days," further stated Mrs. Box, "you couldn't get flowers in the winter time."

After the ceremony, both couples boarded a train headed for Des Moines but became snow bound 20 miles later. The two brides were school chums and Mrs. Soultz married a cousin of Mrs. Box linking the couples in a family relationship.

Coming from Lake View, Iowa, for the 50 year celebration are Mr. and Mrs. Basil Hawthorne and son Michael. Mrs. Hawthorne is the daughter of the Boxes and their son, and family, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth A. Box reside in St. Paul, Minn., but were unable to come to California to be present at

the open house.

Also present were a sister of Mrs. Box, Mrs. Nellie Rice-Wray of Los Angeles and a sister of Mr. Box, Mrs. Al Aired and her husband of Compton. Included in the guest list were nephews and nieces of the honored pair.

Mr. and Mrs. Box who are 73 and 70 years young, came to Torrance 14 years ago and have resided at the same address on Torrance Blvd. He is a retired civil engineer. Mrs. Box is recovering from a broken arm which was injured in three places, during a fall 18 years ago.

Over 100 guests from the entire southland and from Iowa and South Dakota were here for the reception. Members of the Ruth Circle served as hostesses. A beautiful white cake decorated with 50 gold sugar roses centered the main table covered with lace. Flanking the cake were tall gold candles in crystal holders. Two handsome silver services were at either end of the table.

During the reception the Rev. Don Shelby sang "Through the Years" accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Eva Brundin. After the church reception the immediate family and friends from the midwest went to the Box home for a party.

DINNER GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Rudnick, 1855 Maple, entertained at dinner last Saturday evening. Their guests were Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Hebbson of Hollywood Riviera and Mr. Hebbson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. Hebbson of Chicago who are spending a month here.

Annual Valentine Card Party Staged by St. Cecilia Guild

The annual Valentine card party sponsored by the St. Cecilia's Guild of the Women's Auxiliary of the St. Andrews Episcopal Church was held Monday evening, Feb. 13 with 42 tables in play. Mrs. Robert Sleeth is president of the sponsoring guild.

Parties were held at the home of Mrs. Benjamin Roberts with Mrs. May Shestey and Mrs. A. C. Turner as co-hostesses. At this party prizes were played with prizes going to Mrs. Edith McNeill, Mrs. R. L. Moffitt and Mrs. G. Derouin. Prizes were awarded and refreshments were served at each party.

Another party was held at the home of Mrs. Fay Parks with Mrs. Jack Miller as co-hostesses. Prizes and canasta were played. High prizes for the women were won by Mrs. Ray Phillips with Archer Lewis capturing the high score prize for the men. In the canasta game the first prize for the women went to Mrs. Leslie Burbar and Charles Law claimed honors for the men.

Mrs. Edwards Rhone and Mrs. Nate Williamson were hostesses to a group of players at the Rhone home on Beech Ave. At the conclusion of the bridge games high score for both men and women were held by Dr. and Mrs. Paul A. Winn.

Canasta was played at the home of Mrs. Jackson Snow, hostesses Mrs. Edwina Knutsen and Mrs. William Roberts served as co-hostesses. The grand prize went to Mrs. J. R. Wilkes and ladies high was won by Mrs. James Osborne and second by Mrs. Hub Robinson.

This evening at 8 p.m. in the Masonic Temple in Redondo Beach, the Messiah White Shrine will hold its annual birthday dinner for all members. The Shrine, oldest in this area, has members in Torrance, Lomita, Redondo, Gardena and Manhattan Beach.

William Joseph Bowman is Christened Sunday Morning

Sunday was a memorable day for the Bowman and Patronsky families as their first grandchild, William Joseph Bowman was christened at the Lutheran Church of the Resurrection in Hollywood Riviera at 11 a.m. The young man, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh S. Bowman, Jr., 2471 Torrance Blvd., was born Nov. 30. Officiating at the christening was the Rev. L. R. Gangel, pastor of the church. Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Osborne served as god-parents for the baby. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Bowman, 26516 Oak Lomita, and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Patronsky, 740 Calle de

Arboles, Hollywood Riviera. The mother of the baby is the former Dolores Patronsky. Following the christening ceremony, a family dinner party was held at the home of the maternal grandparents in Hollywood Riviera. Attending the affair were great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Patronsky of Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Bowman, grandparents; Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Osborne, god-parents; Robert Patronsky, uncle; Mr. and Mrs. Hugh S. Bowman, parents; and the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Patronsky.

Gala Party Fetes Jori

Jori Cunningham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cunningham, 1923 Reynosa Dr. was complimented with a Valentine Party Sunday afternoon at the home of her parents celebrating her ninth birthday.

The children played games and were served individual cakes with ice cream and punch. Valentine tablecloths and napkins were used and the birthday cake was a huge pink heart.

Helping Jori celebrate were: Jill and Judy O'Hara, Mary Green, Gayle Hardisty, Linda Siefers, Jackie White, Christine Donish, and Patricia Hayward.

During the reception the Rev. Don Shelby sang "Through the Years" accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Eva Brundin. After the church reception the immediate family and friends from the midwest went to the Box home for a party.

LITTLE CHILDREN BENEFIT

Memorial Hospital campaign to be conducted throughout the month of May. Mrs. Charles M. Leichter is pictured with a little girl hospital patient. She will assist Mrs. Roland Stamm, who this week was appointed club and organizations chairman for the drive in Torrance. Public contributions maintain the Sister Kenny Hospital and Rehabilitation Center in El Monte, where patients are treated for neuromuscular diseases as well as polio.

Mrs. Roland Stamm Selected Club Chairman for Campaign

Mrs. Roland Stamm of 17419 Glenburn Ave. has been appointed volunteer Torrance club and organizations chairman for the Sister Kenny Memorial Hospital and Rehabilitation Center in El Monte. Mrs. Stamm said in accepting the appointment. Enrolled groups in this challenging community service project will work toward a Gold Candle or Silver Candle Award to be presented at the third annual Recognition Day Breakfast at the Statler Hotel in June. A Gold Candle Pin will also be presented again this year to the woman whose work is most outstanding in behalf of the Sister Kenny campaign.

With patients suffering from other neuromuscular diseases, as well as polio, now being admitted to the Sister Kenny Memorial Hospital and Rehabilitation Center, it will be necessary to raise sufficient funds to maintain the expanded pro-



MISS CAROL WOLFORD to Wed Feb. 25

Carol Wolford, Bride-Elect Of Don Eide, Complimented

Miss Carol Wolford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Wolford, 1551 210th St., will be married on Feb. 25 to Don Lee Eide, son of Mrs. Roland Brochu, of Wilmington, and Arthur Eide, of Torrance. The wedding will take place at the home of the bride-elect's parents.

Miss Wolford is a senior at Narbonne High School. The future bridegroom was graduated from Narbonne last year and is now employed by a Los Angeles firm.

On Friday evening of last week, Mrs. Brochu complimented her future daughter at a shower at her Wilmington home. The Valentine motif and bridal theme were cleverly combined for decorating. Appropriate games were played and the bride-elect was presented with a shower of gifts.

Refreshments consisting of individual decorated cakes and coffee were served. "Guests at the shower were: Mrs. Emily Wolford, mother of the bride-elect, Mrs. Betty Berton, Marnie Berton, Jean Berton, Annmarie Orr, Florence Joyce, Marie White, Myrtle Ray, Belle Dyer, Betty Clemmer and Misses Carroll Berton, Betty Paulos and Suzanne Brochu.

New Officers For Nursery School Named

Elected to serve as new officers for the coming term for the Torrance Cooperative Nursery School are: president, Mae Gruen; vice president, Athena Morgan; secretary, Phyllis Wright; and treasurer, Kenneth Borton.

Mrs. Gruen has appointed the following committees to serve with her: scheduling and transportation, Helen Schultz; Father's work chairman, Bob Flinns; ways and means, Norma Mills; publicity, Bobbie Boulton; purchasing, Rae Hoffman; membership, Mabel Schroeder; education, Doris Striebel; area representative, Gerry Belzer; advisory, Galen Trussell; parliamentary, Ruth Money; liaison for church, Lois Hughes; histogram, Gerry Richey; coffee, Pearl Sinecock.

At the next workshop meeting of the Parent Education class on Feb. 20, the group will build and upholster furniture for the Nursery School.

Anyone wishing information about enrolling a child in the Nursery School may contact Mabel Schroeder.

GROUP SPENDS RESORT HOLIDAY

A group of young people from the Torrance Lutheran Church joined Lutheran young people from the area for a three day week end at Forest Home in the mountains.

From Torrance making the trip were: Virginia Anderson, Dalne Goode, Phil School, Julius Meier, Marilyn Swanson, Donna Moore, David Maddock, Susan Sarr, Joanne Marjola, Dennis Hansen.

Others were Larry Reintama, Linda Gilbert, Carol Johnson, Esther Gilbert, Tom Olson, Garry George, Judith and Janice Fredrickson, Tommy McGowan, Linda Henderson, Susan Foster, Carolyn Nelson and Charlene White.

WEEKEND TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Anderson and Jean and Neil of 1611 Fern Ave. were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hill of Long Beach at the Hill's cabin at Barton Flats last week end.

IT SEEMS LIKE ONLY YESTERDAY . . . but there have been fifty full and happy years elapsed between these two pictures of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Box, 2359 Torrance Blvd. In the upper right picture Mrs. Box, in her Gibson Girl gown poses with her bridegroom on Valentine Day in 1906. In the other they are shown at the reception given at the Methodist Church last Tuesday evening, when they received hundreds of congratulations from friends and relatives on their Golden Wedding day.

Omicron Pi Fete Chapter

Omicron Pi chapter of Beta Sigma Phi entertained at a coffee klatch honoring the new Rhio Xi chapter of Lawdale on Sunday, Feb. 12, at the home of Mrs. Jack Hadley, 3321 Carson St., from 2 until 4 p.m. A beautiful Valentine motif was used in decorating.

Plans for the coffee klatch were made at a meeting of the chapter held at the home of Mrs. William Swisher, 924 Maple on Wednesday, Feb. 6. Mrs. Swisher is president. Mrs. Ruby Willis was the guest speaker and she talked on "Nature's Landscapes" and showed slides of scenes of Alaska. Mrs. Willis is a native of Nanda, Alaska, coming to the United States only five years ago.

After the program, refreshments were served by the hostesses to the following members and guests: Mrs. Olson, Heaney, Deoney, Wills, Hadley, Crane, Wolfe and D. Ornstein.

Install Five In Theta Chi

Installation dinner at which pledges became active members of the Alpha Omega chapter of Theta Chi Epsilon, business and professional women's sorority was held Thursday evening at the Portuguese Bend club.

A buffet supper preceded the ceremony. The five pledges were Helen Leazotte, Dolores Murray, Jean Brindis, Claudette Borland and Shirley Schott. They were formally accepted into Theta Chi Epsilon in an impressive candlelight ceremony conducted by Dorothy Tos, president.

As each girl knelt and repeated her vows, she was presented with a red rose, sorority flower. Each girl's "big sister" then gave her a sorority pin. Prayer closed the ceremony.

Baby Shower Is Given for Mrs. W. Smith

Mrs. Walter Smith, formerly of the Faysmith area, who now resides in Covina, was given a baby shower by her former neighbors and friends. The party was held in the rumpus room at the home of Mrs. Robert Cox, 3152 152nd Pl. Mrs. Harold Wright and Mrs. Ray Dudley were co-hostesses.

The room had been beautifully decorated in a pink and blue motif. As the guests arrived, each was given a baby bib on which was a flower. Guests addressed each other by the name of the flower on the bib and all lines went into the expected baby's bank.

Games were played, with prizes going to Mrs. Irma Job, Mrs. Irene Gore, and Mrs. Walter Smith.

Centering the table was a white and pink cake topped with a candy-frosted swirl. Cream and sugar were served in baby bottles. Pink ice cream and coffee were served by the hostesses. Napkins were replica baby jackets.

Guests attending the party were: Mrs. Kennedy, Hoffmann, Christensen, Gora, Hamer, Joyner, Pat Brockway, Janet Marsh, Dewey Parks, Helen Hennessy, Carol Vaughan, Lucille Rich, Irma Job, Avis Hoffman, Viola Metz, Laura Pesola. Coming from Covina were Mrs. Rosemary Eitelmont and Mary Jaggar.

MARK BIRTHDAY

A day at Disneyland and dinner at a local restaurant celebrated the ninth birthday of Jimmie Rudnick. Making the trip with Jimmie last Saturday were his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Murray Rudnick and his brother Andy, of 1835 Maple and Jimmie's grandmother, Mrs. Anna Rudnick.



(Herald Photo)

ON THIS HIS DAY . . . William Joseph Bowman is the center of attraction at ceremonies Sunday morning at 11 at the Lutheran Church of the Resurrection where he was christened. Looking on from the left are H. J. Osborne, godfather; the mother, Mrs. Hugh S. Bowman, 2471 Torrance Blvd; Mrs. H. J. Osborne, godmother, holding the baby; and at the right, the proud father, Hugh S. Bowman.