

ALTONA.

Twenty-fifth Anniversary.

About eighty friends and relatives gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Nelson, one mile west of Altona, Friday, February 25, 1916, to remind them of their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. The event had been planned as a surprise, and such it proved to be. The occasion proved to be a very pleasant one and will long be remembered by all.

At noon the guests began to gather at the Nelson home and soon preparations were in readiness for the dinner. At 12:30 a delicious four-course dinner was served, which all enjoyed immensely.

After dinner the time was spent in a social way. Lillie, Ruth and Clyde Nelson favored the guests with several musical selections appropriate for the occasion.

Rev. F. A. Gustafson, pastor of the Lutheran church of Altona, read the 103d Psalm and also led in prayer, and later gave an interesting talk in which he paid high compliments to the worthy couple. In his talk he said in part: "We are gathered together on this beautiful day to rejoice with our friends who today celebrate their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. I can see you 25 years ago with your hearts aglow with youthful love and enthusiasm. You are older today in years because this is the law of nature. During these years God has been very good to you, for which you have reason to praise Him today. Thru hard work you have been permitted to save so that you will be care-free in regard to the necessities of life in declining years. God has given you children that are healthy. 'Tis true they have been sick occasionally, but they regained health again. Just think what that is worth. But more than that, they are talented and can get along in this world. But you have also reared them in such a way and they have responded to that instruction so that they reflect credit upon their parents in their daily walk.

"God has been good to you in the religious sphere, also. You have also meant much to the church of which you are members and by your labor and means you have helped to advance God's kingdom among us.

"On this beautiful day under these favorable circumstances your friends have come together to express their congratulations to you. But they have not come empty-handed, but wish to leave you something to remind you of this occasion. Therefore, in behalf of the friends present, I take great pleasure in presenting you this dish of money and these beautiful articles of silverware. And now we wish you many more happy years together and we hope that 25 years from today we can again meet together to celebrate your fiftieth wedding anniversary. May God bless you richly."

Later, Rev. Benson of Galva gave a short talk in which he thanked the children for remembering him with an invitation, as it is two years ago today since he was at the Nelson home and performed the marriage ceremony of their eldest daughter. He congratulated the children on honoring their parents in such a way as they have done today and knew they would be well repaid for it in the future.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson are well known and kindly respected by all who know them. They have lived in this country all their married life and have resided on the farm west of town for about 20 years. They are prosperous and prominent and have the best wishes of a host of friends for many years of happy married life.

Those present from out of town were: Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Erickson, Mrs. Oscar Anderson and Justus Matson of Galesburg, and Rev. and Mrs. L. B. Benson of Galva.

Miss Lillie Nelson prepared and read a poem suitable for the occasion which was highly interesting.

Miscellaneous Shower.

Mrs. Jennie Andrews Lofgren was honored with a miscellaneous shower on the afternoon of February 22, at the home of Mrs. Milo Simpson, two miles north and one mile west of town, which was given by Mrs. Thomas Andrews, Jr., Mrs. John Andrews, Jr., and Mrs. Milo Simpson. The guests arrived at the home at 2 o'clock and proceeded to have an enjoyable time. The time was taken up in a social way and the bride was given some good advice and a favorite recipe from each one present. Mrs. Lofgren was the recipient of a number of fine gifts which had been hidden in one of the rooms, and for which she had to hunt. The gifts included china, silverware, kitchenware, linen and a beautiful picture. After this refreshments of sandwiches, pickles, coffee, cake, Nabiscoes and ice cream were served by the hostess. Those present were Misses Sarah McGaan, Dora Lofgren, Anna Johnson and Verne Simpson, and Mesdames Edward Quick, Ray Abernethy, Oliver Nelson, Milo Anderson, Edwin Thulene, R. H. Keeler and Jean Keeler; also Miss Fern Suydam of Galesburg. All departed at a late hour, after having spent a very enjoyable afternoon.

Word was received here Saturday by Mrs. A. A. Scott, telling of the death of Eugene Mills of Los Angeles, California. Mrs. Mills, who was formerly Miss Stella McClatchy, is a niece of Mr. Scott.

The annual meeting of the Altona Good Roads association will be held March 4 at the usual place. Send all bills at once to Treasurer D. N. McMaster or Secretary A. R. Keeler.

The Altona Cemetery association will hold its regular meeting at Alfred Carlstrom's insurance office Saturday, March 4. A good attendance is desired.

A Reminder.

Dealer—This is the best parrot we have, but I wouldn't sell him without letting you know his one fault; he'll grumble if his food doesn't suit him. Miss Fitz—I'll take him; it will seem quite like having a man in the house.

VICTORIA.

Mrs. Rufus Diehl was in Galesburg one day last week.

Mrs. Charley Bowman returned to her home in Galesburg Wednesday after several days spent here with her father, John Mahnesmith, Sr., who is ill with pneumonia. He is better at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Kennedy arrived here Wednesday evening from Kismet, Kansas, where they have been visiting Mrs. Kennedy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Smith, the past month.

Miss Kathryn Gothard spent Wednesday in Galesburg. Glen Rowles of Abingdon returned home with her.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rice arrived here from Galva Wednesday evening.

Miss Grace Robinson was a Galesburg passenger Thursday. Charles Bowman of Galesburg spent Wednesday in Victoria.

John England and Jess McIlravy were business callers in Galesburg Thursday.

Emil Harms went to Chicago Wednesday afternoon on business.

Mrs. Emil Anderson left Wednesday to visit in Galesburg and Galva with her sisters.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Methel M. E. church met Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. D. S. Kelly.

Mrs. Arthur Gordon returned from Sheboygan, Wis., where she has been visiting her parents.

The B. Y. P. U. will hold their regular meeting Friday evening, March 3, at the home of Miss Inez VanPelt.

Mrs. John Butler accompanied her mother-in-law as far as Peoria Wednesday, she leaving for Iowa to make her home with her daughter.

John England and family of Abingdon spent Thursday night here with his mother, Mrs. Anna England.

Mrs. Caroline Swedlund returned to Galesburg Friday, where she is staying with her daughter.

Glen Norton and family left here

Thursday for their new home in Orion.

John Butler loaded his household goods last week for Mineral, Ill., where he will have charge of the elevator.

Arthur Gordon and son were in Galesburg Friday on business.

John Ericson, Ernest Burkart, Henry McClure, Paul Olmstead, Earl Ericson and Frank Johnson were passengers to Galesburg Friday.

Charles Clark, Jr., visited relatives in Oneida Friday and Saturday.

Phil Gibbs and Roy Sopher were in Galesburg Saturday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Plummer of Knoxville have been spending the past week here with their son, Lee Hovork, and family.

Mrs. Fannie Barrer of Galesburg spent Friday and Saturday here on business.

Mrs. Craver of Little York, Ill., came Saturday to visit her daughters, Mrs. Sherman Ives and Mrs. John McDowell.

Mr. and Mrs. George M. Sornberger were shopping in Galesburg Friday.

Cliff Messmore returned from Chicago Friday where he has been several days on business.

Miss Harnet Larson, who is a student at Knox college, spent Saturday and Sunday with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Jarnigan were Galesburg visitors Friday.

Miss Jennie Clark spent Friday in Galesburg.

Cecil Hedstrom spent Friday and Saturday in Galva.

The G. & G. E. R. R. had a carload of grain off the track Monday afternoon near Alert.

The Foreign Missionary society will meet at the parsonage with Mrs. M. S. Swishes Wednesday afternoon, March 1. A good attendance is desired.

Mrs. Maud Black returned from Indiana Wednesday.

Mr. Addis of Galesburg visited at the home of his son here Wednesday.

Eliza Arnold is gaining, quite an improvement being noticed.

Mrs. G. L. Hedstrom is improving. Mr. and Mrs. John England are going to move to Galesburg, where he has a position with an electrical firm.

Lee Horrom and family moved into the house vacated by John Butler.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Addis are planning to move to Peoria in the near future.

E. P. Diehl and family have moved to Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, where they have purchased a farm.

Ford Goff and family have moved from Copley township to a farm near LaFayette.

Arthur Hammerlund moved from near LaFayette to the Jonas Johnson farm north of town last week.

Dave Moline and family will move to a farm near LaFayette this week.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Sornberger, who have lived half a century near Victoria, moved to town Thursday.

Henry Pennington and family moved this week to near LaFayette.

Youngdahl-Nelson.

Miss Lillian Youngdahl and John Nelson, both of this place, were united in marriage February 22 at the Bethel M. E. parsonage by Rev. A. J. Strandell. They were attended by Miss Grace Nelson, sister of the groom, as bridesmaid, and Leon Youngdahl, brother of the bride, acted as best man. Immediately after the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Ida Youngdahl, to a company of 25 relatives and friends. A three-course dinner was served by Mrs. Ben Bjorling and Mrs. Augusta Westlund. The decorations were pink and white and the color scheme was carried out very effectively.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson are two of Victoria's most popular young people, having spent most of their life in this community, and both being graduates of the Victoria High school. The bride is the oldest daughter of Mrs. Ida Youngdahl and is an accomplished young lady. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Nelson.

They have the best wishes and congratulations of a host of friends.

Anderson-Thesfield.

Miss Jennie Anderson and Charles Thesfield were married Wednesday evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Anderson, in the presence of a large company of friends. The bridal couple received many wedding gifts. They have a host of friends who wish them a long and happy married life.

Miscellaneous Shower.

A miscellaneous shower was given by Mrs. Harry Kennedy and Miss Maud Thomas at the home of Mrs. John Mahnesmith, Jr., Saturday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Forest Kennedy and Miss Bessie Coleman. Miss Coleman is to be married soon to Earl McClure. There were 38 present. Dainty refreshments were served. They received many useful gifts.

Carlson-Elliott.

Carl E. Carlson and Miss Ethel B. Elliott were married Wednesday evening at the home of the bride. A large company witnessed the ceremony. They received many useful gifts.

Funeral of Mrs. G. S. Westfall.

The funeral services for Miss G. S. Westfall were held at the M. E. church Thursday morning at 11 o'clock. They were in charge of Rev. M. S. Swisher, who spoke from the text, "She hath done what she could." He also spoke of the beautiful life which she had lived. The singing was by a ladies' quartet: Mrs. Harry Kennedy and Miss Irma Craw, soprano; Mrs. Floyd Sornberger and Miss Kathryn Gothard, altos. They sang "Jesus Is Mine," "Jesus Lover of My Soul," and "Asleep in Jesus." The church was filled with relatives and friends. A number from Knox, Gilson, Galesburg, Oneida and Dahinda were present. Many floral contributions from different organizations and friends were in evidence of her loyalty.

Farewell Reception.

A farewell reception for Mr. and Mrs. Glen Norton and Mr. and Mrs. John Butler was held at the Bethel M. E. church on the evening of the 23rd. Owing to bad weather and bad roads a great many were unable to attend. A fine program was rendered, as follows:

Piano and drum—V. C. Moak and Miss Grace Robinson.
Reading—Miss Minnie Collinson.
Whistling solo—Miss Irma Craw.
Reading—Miss Kathryn Gothard.
Piano solo—Miss Maud Thomas.

Rev. Swisher gave a talk, after which he presented Mrs. Norton and Mrs. Butler with cut glass dishes and Mr. Butler and Mr. Norton each with one of Can Dyke's books, "Blue Flower" and "Days Off." Following this light refreshments of cake, coffee and cocoa were served.

Cause and Effect.

Grayce and Mayme, ladies of the chorus, were on a day car, making the Wheeling-to-Cleveland jump, somewhat surrounded by a mass of Sunday papers with colored feature sections.

Presently Grayce abstained from frolicking with her gum for a few seconds and said: "Look here, girlie, a guy—professor, I guess—says that in a thousand years there won't be any blondes in the world."

"Hum," said Mayme, and went on reading a story of a man in Dogon, Neb., who has a house built out of land turtle shells.

"Yes—what do you think of it?" rejoined Grace.

"Why, how does he know there won't be any drug stores a thousand years from now?"—Columbus Dispatch.

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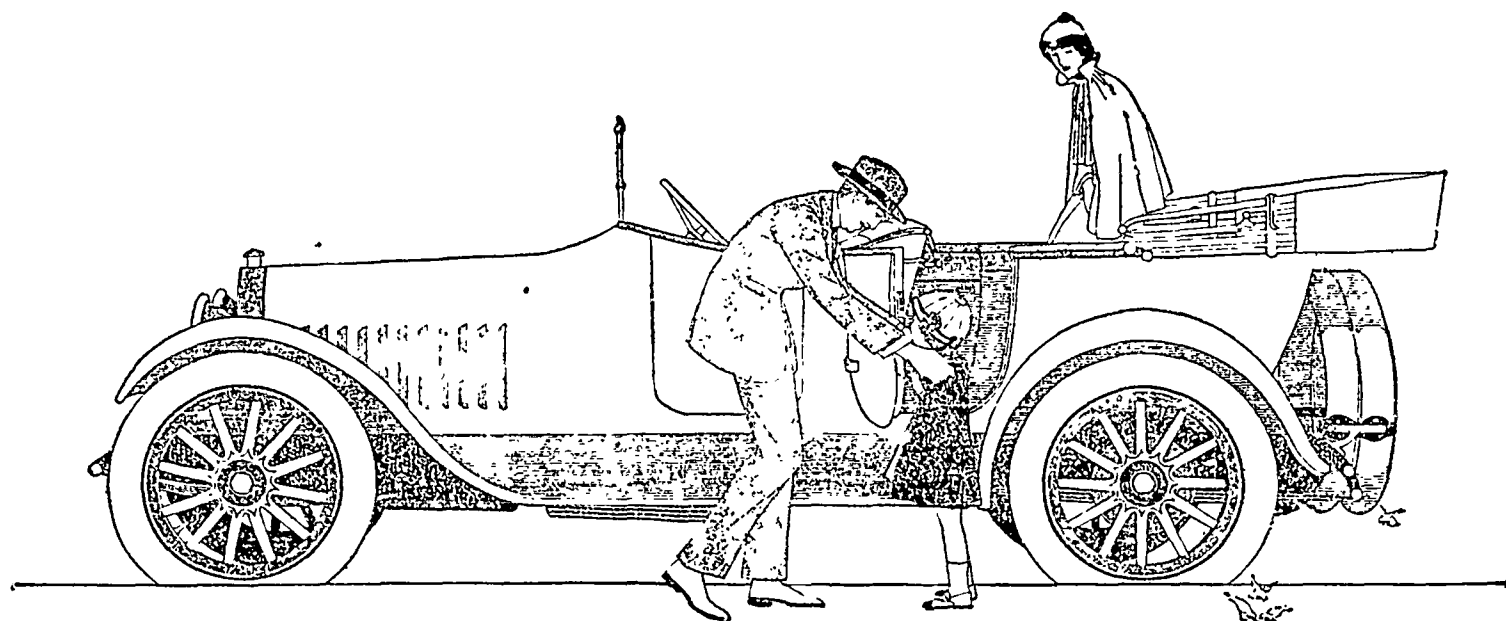


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