

And So They Were Married --

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Betty and Glen H. Merrill, 1416 Fifth Street, will celebrate their 17th wedding anniversary on Saturday. They were wed in Reserve New Mexico, Aug. 18, 1934. Music was the common attraction that brougpt them together, back in October 1933 in Phoenix, Arizona Betty Brandon, a high school girl was going with Glen's cousin and the two young men lived on the same orange grove. Betty and her parents went to the grove to look at oranges, and "Glen was playing a guitar and had a stack of sheet music under him. We got to talking about it, and he asked if he could come down to see me,"

works for the Department of Water and Power. All members of the family are baseball fans and see every local game. Oldest daughter Gail plays on the girl's softball team, and she hit the winning run that won the last game at the tournament in Utah rceently. There is a son Richard Glen, and a younger daughter Di-anne.

Betty had an apendectomy in December 1933 is the days when a patient had to stay in bed for two weeks and then be inactive for months. She could not return to school that semester. The two decided not to wait for her graduation after all—And So they Were Married.