

## WEDDING FETE FEATURE



## WEDDING PART OF SPAN DEDICATION

Oregon City, Dec. 28.—The wedding of Miss Ella Averta Parker, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Parker of West Linn, and Louise E. Hartke, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hartke of Mt. Pleasant, as part of the bridge dedication ceremony today, is considered symbolic of the closer union of Oregon City and West Linn through completion of the new bridge. The wedding, which is to be a public affair, will be held beneath the portals of the new bridge at 3:30 o'clock.

Mayor Shannon of Oregon City is to be best man and Mayor Harry Greaves of West Linn will give the bride away. The ceremony will be performed by Rev. Caradoc Morgan, pastor of the First Congregational church. The ring ceremony will be used.

Following the wedding the couple will be guests at a reception at the Commercial Club rooms. The Woman's club is to act as hostess. Following the reception the newlyweds will leave for Seattle where they are to spend their honeymoon.

They will make their home in Oregon City.

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Above—Miss Ella Averta Parker of West Linn. Below—Louis E. Hartke Jr. of Mount Pleasant district of Oregon City. Their wedding today as part of the Willamette bridge dedication ceremony symbolizes the closer union of West Linn and Oregon City through completion of the new span.



# OREGON CITY BRIDGE OPENED FORMALLY

Impressive Ceremony Held  
at Dedication.

10,000 SEE PROGRAMME

Portland, Oregon City, West Linn  
and Rest of State Join in  
Big Celebration.

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building and costing more than \$225,000, the new edifice designed by C. B. McCullough, state bridge engineer, replaces the original span across the river and provides a new route to Portland which bids fair to become the future route of practically all tourist travel from the north or the south. With the completion of a stretch of pavement through West Linn which is now in the process of construction, the west side river route to Portland will be complete.

A dedication ceremony fitting the occasion had been arranged and without a hitch this was carried through until the tired onlookers went home at night. The day was a gala one from the start of the programme this morning with the coronation of Queen Harriet until the last blessing of Rev. Caradoc Morgan, who wedded in actuality Miss Ella Averta Parker, the bride of West Linn, and Louis E. Hartke Jr., the bridegroom of Oregon City, as they stood on the bridge at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

A lasting memory of this occasion will remain with the citizens of the Willamette valley who have witnessed the beginning and at last the realization of their vision of a great connecting link in the Pacific highway.

A symbol of the union of the two civic communities was typified in this unique wedding ceremony, a feature of the festive programme of the dedication. In the presence of thousands, they stood under the huge arches of the bridge, Mayor

SCENES AT THE DEDICATION CEREMONY FOR THE NEWLY COMPLETED HIGHWAY BRIDGE ACROSS THE WILLAMETTE RIVER BETWEEN OREGON CITY AND WEST LINN.





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#### WEDDING PLANNED.

One of the features of the program will be the public wedding which will be held on the bridge at 2:30 o'clock.

The bride will be Miss Ella Averta Parker, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Parker of West Linn, and the bridegroom is to be Louis E. Hartke Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hartke of Oregon City, Route 1 (Mount Pleasant). The Rev. Caradoc Morgan, pastor of the Congregational church of this city, is to be the officiating minister. He will use the ring ceremony. The bridesmaids are to be Miss Evelyn Robinson and Miss May Shelly, both of Oregon City. The best man is to be Mayor Shannon of Oregon City. The bride is to be given in marriage by Harry Greaves, mayor of West Linn.

# MARRY AT SPAN

## Wedding Symbolic of Joining of Two Cities

OREGON CITY, Dec. 29.—With the completion of the dedication ceremonies, the new Pacific highway span connecting this city and West Linn has started upon its life of usefulness, and already the pleasure car, truck and motorcycle is filling its solid roadway, and numerous pedestrians in business or pleasure may be seen upon its pathways.

One of the most interesting of the ceremonies of the dedication and opening was the wedding of Miss Ella Averta Parker, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Parker of West Linn, and Louis E. Hartke, jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hartke of Oregon City.

Crowds packed the bridge long before the arrival of the bridal pair, and many could catch but a glimpse of the service. As Rev. Caradoc Morgan, pastor of the Congregational church of this city, pronounced them man and wife, there was many a tear with the smiles, and many wondered whether the marriage, so strongly symbolized by the great structure on which they were united, would have the beauty and durability of the rising arches and solid trusses.

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# REAL WEDDING IS FEATURE OF BRIDGE OPENING

Oregon City, Dec. 29.—In the words of the Portland Ad club song, "Oregon City and West Linn are better today than they were 45 years ago."

The reason is that they are now bound together by a \$275,000 steel and cement bridge which was formally christened Thursday and thrown open to general and local traffic.

It was a great day for the historic and industrial region around the falls of the Willamette. Not only were the two towns joined together in symbolic wedlock, but there was a real wedding in the center of the newly constructed structure which united a West Linn family with one whose place of abode is in Oregon City. The high contracting parties were Miss Ella Averta Parker, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Parker of West Linn, and Louis E. Hartke Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hartke of Oregon City, route 1 (Mount Pleasant). It was a "ring ceremony" and the officiating minister was the Rev. Caradoc Morgan, pastor of the Congregational church of Oregon City.

## MAYOR GIVES BRIDE AWAY

The bridesmaids were Miss Evelyn Robinson and Miss May Shelley of Oregon City, and the best man was James Shannon, mayor of Oregon City. The bride was given away by Harry Greaves, mayor of West Linn.

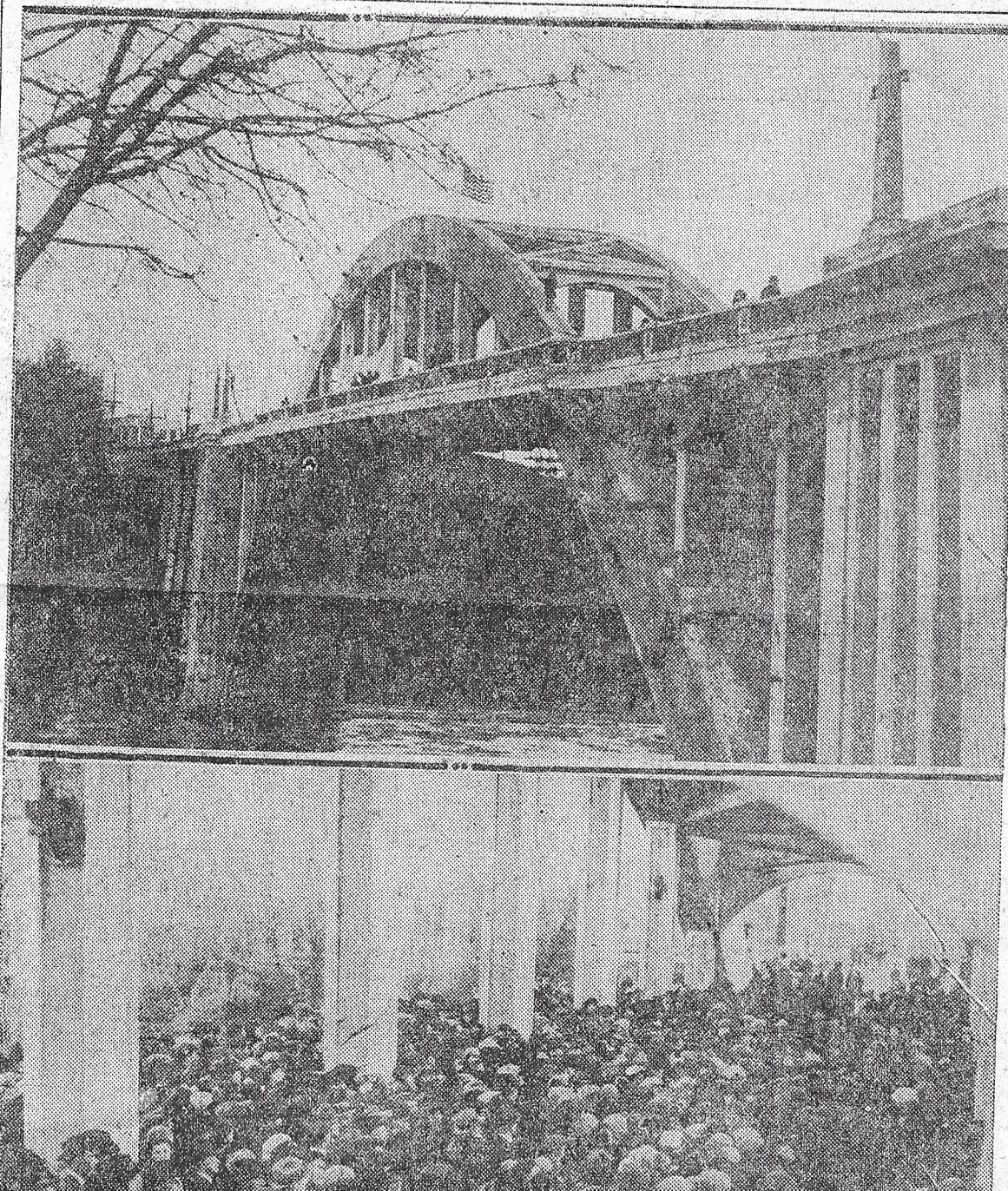
The bride wore a gown of white satin with silk Spanish overlace. A tiny spray of orange blossoms held her long tulle veil in place. Around her neck was a pearl necklace, the gift of the bridegroom. The shower bouquet consisted of lilies of the valley, bride's roses and orchids. The Oregon City band played the wedding march. The wedding ceremony was followed by a reception in the parlors of the Commercial club, the Woman's club acting as hostess.

The newly wedded couple left on the late afternoon train for Seattle, where a brief honeymoon will be spent.

## MANY NOTABLES ATTEND

Attending the bridge dedication were more notables, local and state, than have ever been gathered together since territorial days. Among them were Acting Governor Ritner, who came to represent the great state of Oregon. John B. Yeon and W. B. Barratt appeared for the state highway commission. E. A. Peck

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representatives of the Salem Commercial club were among those present, and there was the mayor of Canby and the chief executive of other Clackamas towns.

Samuel Hill, citizen of the world and the father of the good roads of Oregon, came all the way from Victoria, B. C., to lend dignity to the occasion. From Portland came Chief of Police Jenkins, Chief of Firemen Young and Mayor Baker. The State Press association was represented by Elbert Bede of Cottage Grove, C. E. Ingalls of Corvallis and Carl Abrams of Salem. Chief State Traffic Officer Rafferty supervised traffic on the bridge.

Other luminaries included Frank Branch Riley and Franklin T. Griffith and W. L. Thompson, former state highway commissioner. A delegation of 75 from the Portland Ad club directed by George L. Rauch, president of the club, was also prominent. George L. Stapleton, circuit judge, president of the Portland Progressive Business Men's club was seen and heard. In addition there were scores of visitors by fame unsung.

From the time there was "music by the band" at 9 o'clock in the morning until late last night there was felicitation and function.

#### QUEEN OFFICIATES

The favor of providence was manifested in the beauty of the day. It rained not in the day time and at noon the sun broke through the clouds as Queen Harriet cut the cord that held the bottle of pure water as she spoke the words of dedication to public use.

A notable feature was the precision and the smoothness with which the program was carried out, reflecting great credit on the local committees of arrangement. Everything moved as scheduled and there were no long waits between events.

The first feature of the program was that of placing the gilded crown of authority on the head of Miss Harriet Phipps of Oregon City by Mayor Shannon of Oregon City. This ceremony took place on the steps of the county courthouse. Succeeding to the coronation the good looking queen and her no less handsome ladies in waiting held court for a short time in the rooms of the Commercial club.

While the court function was on, Judge John U. Campbell as grand marshal of the day, assisted by John J. Cooke, postmaster of Oregon City, lined up a long line of automobiles into which the queen and her attendants, prominent visitors and members of committees were placed. Up and down the main street the autos proceeded before turning onto the bridge for the dedication, which was held in a small roped-off area at the center of the span.

#### SPEAKERS SEE SIGNIFICANCE

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At West Linn inn came the banquet and the main speaking of the day. A gavel made from 10 kinds of wood from historic trees was presented by George H. Himes, the curator of Oregon history to Chairman Hedges, who in turn passed it on to Franklin T. Griffith, who served as toastmaster.

#### 300 AT TABLE

At the table were 300 or more guests who listened to speeches which had for their central theme mutual cooperation of communities and praise for the state highway commission.

Among the speakers were Governor Ritner, Samuel Hill, Mayor Baker, George H. Himes, George L. Rauch of the Portland Ad club and George W. Stapleton of the Portland Progressive Business Men's club. Frank



Top—Attractive view of new bridge across the Willamette river, connecting Oregon City and West Linn, taken from the Oregon City side looking toward West Linn. Next beneath, crowd gathered underneath the bridge to see dedication ceremonies; next, at left, Queen Harriett just after the coronation; at the right, Mayors Greaves of West Linn (left) and Shannon of Oregon City, joining the chain used as a symbol to represent the linking of their cities. At the bottom—Louis E. Hartke Jr. of Oregon City and Miss Ella Averta Parker, who were married during the dedication exercises, their wedding being another symbol of the joining of the cities.

Branch Riley also painted a few word pictures. Then came the wedding on the bridge, followed by dancing in West Linn and Oregon City. It was a big day.

The following went from Portland under the auspices of the Portland

Ad club to the dedication of the new bridge at Oregon City Thursday:

Tommy Luke, Sam Morrow, Ray Albee, Judge George W. Stapleton, George L. Rauch, Dr. Charles McCaughey, Chief L. V. Jenkins, W. J. Hofmann, Chief John Young, William

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Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 29.—The following marriage licenses were issued here Thursday: William H. Beebe, 20, and Dora Bass, 17, Oregon City; John L. Wisegartner, legal, and Beatrice Kidwell, legal, Portland; William E. Stacie, 35, and Mary Pierce, 31, Camas; Walter H. Poljanaja, 27, and Emily Malmberg, 24, Astoria; Marshall Griffin, 23, Portland, and Gertrude L. Kent, 20, Aapland, Cal.; Frank White, 32, and Lela Snapp, 26, Portland; Harold R. Roberts, 32, and Marie A. Le Blew, legal, Portland; Ray C. Foxton, 23, Bowdon, N. D., and Leanora Halsten, 18, Beaverton, Or.; Carl O. Borkke, legal, and Ethel M. Monroe, legal, Portland.

#### PRUNE SHIPMENTS CONTINUE

Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 29.—A total of 6,800,000 pounds of prunes has been received at the plant of the Washington Growers Packing corporation and only a small amount remains undelivered. Shipments continue, although the main rush has slackened up a little. The packing corporation handled approximately 85 per cent of all prunes grown in the county. The crop this year will total over 8,000,000 pounds.

