

The Giddings Star

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Golden Wedding Anniversary Of Giddings Couple Observed with Special Church Services

The golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Biar of Giddings was observed with special church services at Immanuel Luth. Church Sunday afternoon.

The aged couple who lived here since their marriage 50 years ago, has also been a member of this congregation for this length of time. The marriage took place in Serbin and was performed by the saintel Rev. H. T. Killan.

Rev. G. W. Fischer who has been their pastor for nearly 32 years made the address in the German language basing his remarks on the words of the psalmist: O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good and His mercy endureth forever.

Rev. E. M. Robert who was scheduled to make the English address was unable to be present on account of the death of his sister in New Orleans so their older son the Rev. G. H. Biar of Waco addressed them in the English language using Psalm 31,16 as his basis: My time is in Thine hands, oh Lord.

Prof. Henry Stroebel was at the organ. Mrs. Milton Schroeder and Miss Ruby Liberty sang a beautiful dyet accompanied by the organ. Mr. E. E. Sitz represented the St. Mark's Congregation at Waco in a beautiful tribute to the parents of their pastor.

Open house was held at the home of the couple before and after the church service where more than 175 relatives and friends attended the celebration from Dallas, Houston, St. Louis, Mo., San Antonio, Waco, Aus-

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tin, Walburg, Winchester, Giddings and other points of the State. The visitors also included Mrs. J. A. Peter of Winchester, who had served as sponsor at the baptism of Mrs. Biar.

Pot plants and cut flowers in vases decorated the rooms where the reception was held. The heart-shaped wedding cake, embossed in white was decorated with gold wedding bells and gold lilies of the valley and white carnations, white white and gold maline formed the center piece for the table which stood near where Mrs. August Biar and Mrs. Herbert Schultz registered the guests.

The two sons of the couple Rev. Gus. Biar of Waco and Herman Biar of Dallas and their wives had charge of the arrangements, also their granddaughters, Miss Ruth Biar of St. Louis and Barbara Ann Biar of Dallas and their grandsons John Robert and Richard Theo. Biar of Dallas, and Mark Vincent Biar of Waco. From the refreshment table was served sandwiches, cake and coffee.

Mrs. Biar wore black satin trimmed with a berth of valenciennes lace, and wore a wreath of gold flowers on her hair and her corsage was of gold flowers. Mr. Biar wore a boutonairre of gold flowers.

Mr. Biar has been in the mercantile business here for more than 52 years, has been elder of the church he is a member of, for 30 years. He has been a member of the board of support for indigent orphans and widows of ministers in the Texas district of the Lutheran Missouri Synod for twelve years and is at present an honorary member of the board of elders. He has retired from active business several years ago.

Mrs. Biar was the oldest of nine children of Esq. and Mrs. August Miertschin, pioneers of Lee County. Her father was Esquire of Serbin district for 40 year sprior to his death and precinct commissioner for 24 years. Her four sisters Mrs. Lena Kubsch of Grassyville, Mrs. Minna Kesse and Mrs. Alvin Moerbe of Serbin and Mrs. G. G. Zoch of Northrup were present for the occasion. She has three living brothers Robert Miertschin of Temple, Theodore Miertschin of Plainview, and G. I. Miertschin of Dallas.

The couple was the recipient of many beautiful gifts.