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Guests were presented on arrival by A. T. Guddall and Mrs. Baumann with small corsages made of orchid lace with a miniature golden bell attached. These favors were gifts of the Guddalls' grandchildren. Mrs. Heggen presided as dining room hostess. Mrs. Stow had charge of the gift table and Mrs. A. T. Guddall took care of the guest book. Bridal pictures of the bride and groom 50 years ago were on display. Rev. Olaf O. Brandt gave a tribute to the honored couple and sang "God Bless This House."

The tables were beautifully decorated with orchid streamers and bouquets of spring flowers. Baskets of flowers decorated the dining room. The serving table was centered with a two-tiered wedding cake decorated in gold and flanked by golden candles. Gold and white decorated napkins bore the legend, "1902 Guddalls 1952."

Mrs. Lloyd Swenson of Elisworth and Ms. George Hawcott of Burt, nieces of the honored couple, dined at the candlelit table. Waitresses were Mrs. Leonard Anderson, Mrs. Omer Anderson, Mrs. Jason Hanna, Mrs. Andy Strand of Eagle Grove, Mrs. Clarence Brown of Fort Dodge, Patsy, Marcia and Luann Stow of Dolliver and Ruby Lou Heggen of Renwick. Mrs. Guddall was dressed in an orchid dress with a golden yellow corsage of roses as was the bridesmaid of 50 years ago. Mr. Guddall wore a gold boutonniere.

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The couple has lived in the same house which Mr. Guddall built in the fall of the year before they were married. Mr. Guddall began in the grocery business in 1893 and continued in that line until approximately 15 years ago when he retired. The Guddals have 12 grandchildren. One son, Clifford, is deceased.