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CELEBRATE 75TH ANNIVERSARY

On Wednesday afternoon, June 24, the Hudson Library celebrated its 75th Anniversary with a silver tea held at Lee's Inn. Guests were welcomed by the hostesses, Mrs. Thomas Tyson, Miss Rebecca Nall, Mrs. J.A. Hines, Mrs. Elizabeth Valentine, Miss Helen Augur, and Miss Blanche Davenport.

On display at this special occasion was the original secretary's book of the library association, and several old and interesting photographs of early Highlands. In the lounge of the Inn, where the tea was held, were beautiful arrangements of gladiolas, and an unusual one of galax. An open fire added warmth and was most welcome on the rainy afternoon.

Presiding at the tea table, which featured an arrangement of native flame azalea and candles, were Miss Dorothea Harbison, Mrs. George Saussy, Mrs. H.D. Porterfield, and Mrs. Laura Brownell. Miss Gertrude Harbison, Librarian, kept the guest book.

The highlight of the afternoon was the presentation of Mrs. Bess Hines Harkins, well known poetess, with a reading of two of her poems, "Return to Highlands" and "Rainy Summer". The guests were delighted at hearing one of Highlands' own writers read from her books of poetry. Mrs. Harkins has received awards from organizations of both North Carolina and California poets, and has received recognition from the National Fellowship of American Poets. Mrs. Harkins is the

daughter of Mrs. J.A. Hines and the late Mr. Hines. She grew up in Highlands, and graduated from Highlands High School. Though she has been living in California for several years, she is still a Highlander, and is lovingly known as "Bess" to her old classmates and friends here.

Mrs. Elizabeth Valentine was chairman of arrangements for the tea. Mrs. Richard Lee and Mrs. Harold Cooledge arranged flowers for the occasion.

ROBERTSONS JOIN ARTHUR MURRAY TOUR

Mr. and Mrs. H.L. Robertson have arrived in Highlands and have opened their summer home on Little Bear Pen Mountain.

They returned to Miami, Florida last Sunday to join a group of 100 students and staff of the Arthur Murray Miami Dance Studio for a tour of San Juan, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands for the Dance Derby. Private planes will be chartered for the entire group.

After the tour, which will last approximately fifteen days, Mr. and Mrs. Robertson will return to Highlands for the remainder of the summer.

LIONS CLUB MEETS TONIGHT

The Highlands Lions Club will meet tonight (Thursday) at Hotel Edwards at 7:30 p.m. All visitors are welcome.