

## CELEBRATE GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Smith Entertain Relatives at Home in City.

### ALL CHILDREN PRESENT

Linen Used Was Brought From Europe Many Years Ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Smith celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Tuesday, April 30, with a high mass read by Rev. Father Kussman at nine o'clock in the St. Peter and Paul's Catholic Church in Boonville, where they were married years ago.

An eleven o'clock breakfast of four courses was served at their home. Besides members of the Smith family, Rev. Fathers Kussman and Donahue and Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Melstrell and daughter, Nan, were present.

Linen used on this occasion was brought to this country from Europe in the year 1854, by Mrs. Smith's mother.

The dining room was beautifully decorated in carnations and sunburst roses. Many beautiful and useful presents were received.

Mr. Smith was born in Chariton County, Mo., and has lived in Boonville the last fifty-two years. He was a dry goods and grocery merchant here in partnership with his brother-in-law, Nicholas Melstrell, for thirty-three years.

Mrs. Smith, formerly Miss Kathrine Frankin, was raised on the Henry Reakin farm on the Jefferson road, which her family owned and lived on until after the war. She is the youngest sister of Mrs. Nicholas Melstrell and Mrs. Nicholas Helnen, of California, Mo. All three of these sisters and one sister of Mr. Smith, Mrs. Oscar Gribbs, of Chariton County, have lived to celebrate their golden wedding anniversaries.

A strange coincidence is that Messrs Smith's, Melstrell's and Helnen's parents crossed the ocean on the same sailing vessel, settled in three different counties and had sons who married the three sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith have lived in the same place all fifty years. Here fourteen children, seven boys and seven

girls were born. Four boys and six girls are living, five of them living here in Boonville and were present on the occasion. There were fifteen grandchildren, thirteen of whom are living. Five of them were also present.

Their many friends extend their heartiest congratulations and best wishes for their happiness to continue.

### ERNEST D. QUINT MARRIED.

Weds. Miss Florence Drechsel, of West of Boonville—to Live Here.

Miss Florence Drechsel and Ernest D. Quint, of Boonville, were married Wednesday at the home of the bride, eight miles west of Boonville. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. F. Schlinkmann, of the Evangelical Church. Miss Kate Norton, of St. Louis, was bridesmaid and Luther Talliferro, of Tipton, was best man.

After a wedding dinner, the couple left on a honeymoon trip. They will be at home in Boonville after their return.

### Light Company Has Service Flag.

The Boonville Light, Heat and Power Company has hung a silk service flag in the window of its office. There are four stars in the flag, one gold, in honor of the men who have left the company to serve in the army. The gold star is for C. William Epple, who died in France recently. The other men who are serving are Bryan Givens, who is at Camp Funston, C. B. Owen, who joined the engineers and William Reed, who is in the artillery. Earl Jordan, another employe, left here several weeks ago to enlist, but the company has not heard whether he joined or not. As soon as it is learned he is in the service, another star will be added to the flag.

### Many Visited Music Emporium.

In spite of the bad roads and rainy weather, nearly 1,000 persons registered at the Music Emporium last Saturday. (The store has been remodeled, and is well-stocked with pianos, player-pianos and phonographs. A carnation was given to each person who registered last Saturday, the opening day.)

### Two to Leave for Navy.

John Shackelford and Jack Talliferro have received orders to report at Norfolk, Va., May 10. They enlisted in the navy at Washington, D. C., two weeks ago and have been visiting relatives here.