

Block Where They Always Lived Is Scene for 50th Anniversary

Mr., Mrs. J. N. Balthaser,
Pioneer Buffalonians, Will
Have Wedding Breakfast,
Reception Next Tuesday

Two 73-year-old Buffalonians, each of them of pioneer ancestry, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary Sept. 23 with church services, a wedding breakfast and a reception in the same block in which they have lived their 50 years of wedded life. They are Mr. and Mrs. John N. Balthasar of 339 East st.

The Rt. Rev. Clarence Bradley, a nephew of Mrs. Balthasar, will officiate at a solemn high mass at 9 o'clock in St. John the Baptist Church. A wedding breakfast for 40 guests and a reception at the home will follow.

Mr. Balthasar, whose parents pioneered in the Black Rock section, operated a grocery store for 30 years at 335 East st., became assistant superintendent of markets, from which he retired in 1939, and now is engaged in a greeting card business. His wife, the former Miss Bertha Ostertag, whose father fought in the Union Army and whose uncle was a Pony Express rider, was born in Atchison, Kan. The first Democratic committee-

Church Services
Mark 50th Anniversary



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woman in the 21st Ward, Mrs. Balthasar has been active in Catholic groups and civic organizations.

Eight of their ten children still are alive, and will attend the ceremonies with the Balthasars' 16 grandchildren. The children are: George of Kenmore, Sylvester and Edward of Buffalo, and Clarence of Boston, and four daughters, Mrs. Gertrude Brooks of New York City, Mrs. Thomas Burns, Mrs. Chris Olislager and Mrs. Henry Finn, all of Buffalo.

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They are Spindel family