Pleasant surprise for retired couple visiting the dentist

IT was toothy grins all round as retired Gloucester couple Cecil and Vera Daniells visited their dentist. The couple, from Firkin Drive, went to their appointment at Oasis Dental Centre completely unaware it was 50 years to the day that Vera, 83, attended the practice for the first time.

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