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## "The Buggy Ride"

The Umpqua National Bank of Reedsport published a story under the title "The Buggy Ride" in an advertisement recently. The story has a good moral which is self evident. Here's the story, and it isn't so far-fetched, either:

"Once upon a time, there was a bright gal named Dora, and she read the Big City Papers and all about the Big Bargains the Big Stores were offering. So Dora said to her husband, she said:

"John, you gotta wash the car and fill up the gas tank. Tomorrow, I'm gonna take the kids and go up to the Big City to do a lot 'o fall and winter shopping."

John, he was listenin' to the fights on TV, so he just grunted, so Dora says again:

"John, you gotta get the car ready. John, I'm talkin' to you! Tomorrow, I'm gonna take the kids and go to the Big City to do our fall and winter shopping."

"Huh?" says John. "Oh yes, why?"  
"I can save a lotta money," says Dora. "There's a Big Sale at Ketcham and Skinnem's. I'll need

a hundred dollars."

"We can't spare a hundred dollars," says John. "Besides, it's a hunnert miles to the Big Town, and you'll have to figure car expense at eight cents a mile, an' you'll hafta . . ."

You know who won the argument. Dora took off bright and early the next morning for the Big Town, but the drive took five hours each way instead of only four, because she had a flat tire and little Dora got carsick and she couldn't find a parking place and she got a parking ticket, and the kids kept nipping at her heels.

So she had to crowd all her shopping into a couple hectic hours and some of the things she wanted she couldn't find because most of the "bargains" were gone before she got there.

But she did find a wonderful buy in fall coats at \$29.95 "marked down from \$42.50." Only trouble was the Woman Next Door had one just like it she had picked up for \$24.88 in a local store.

"Anyhow," said Dora as she collapsed into a chair that night, "it was a beautiful drive."

"A Buggy Ride, you mean," said John. "And when do I get some supper?"

## From The County Agent's Office

By NELS ANDERSON

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Don Robinson of the Kirk and Robinson Hereford ranch near Heppner stopped into the office a few days ago to report the

## TO THE EDITOR . . .

To The Editor:

I read with sadness of the death of Dr M A Leach, of Pendleton. Our ranks of early-day pioneers are fast disappearing. Dr Mark A Leach has been a life-long friend of this writer, as has other members of his father's family. Just a short time before his death, N A Leach, eldest brother of Dr Mark Leach, wrote me the following, which is a part of the Leach family history written for my book, "Morrow County History."

"The year of 1876 was quite an eventful year for us. In addition to having grasshoppers and a bad hail storm, were also visited by the stork, who chanced to stop at our house on Big Dry Creek on August 31, 1876. The package contained a bouncing boy. We older children couldn't see anything unusual about our new brother, but the neighbors all agreed he was a fine looking boy, something extra special. They said a name like Dick, Tom or Harry was not good enough for a fine boy like this, so my mother left it up to the neighbors to suggest a name that would be appropriate. Mark Twain's books were very popular at that time, and they all agreed the new arrival should have the name of Mark, but warned that it should not be made official for a reasonable length of time, reasoning that Mark Twain possibly would object, on the grounds of it affecting the sale of his books. However, after a time it was officially announced the name would be Mark Alonzo Leach, and it has stuck ever since. It has even been extended to at least one of the descendants of said Mark Alonzo Leach. Mark Twain really had no kick coming anyway, for the sale of his books increased materially after that event."

I hope the people of Morrow county and Heppner and Lexington will enjoy reading this choice bit of the Leach family history as written by one of them.

O M Yeager  
Castle Rock, Wash

Round Up Polled Hereford show and sale held on Armistice Day in Pendleton. He reported the sale brought the highest average prices since it was started in 1953. The 42 head consigned averaged \$666 with 39 bulls bringing an average of \$669 and 5 heifers \$645. The champion bull was shown by one of our Morrow county Polled Hereford breeders, the Barnett Hereford ranch of Boardman. This champion bull sold for \$1225. The reserve champion consigned by Stan Crocker of Centerville, Wash brought \$1050. Both champion and reserve heifers were consigned by Roy Robinson, former Morrow county Polled Hereford breeder, now of Grant county. These heifers sold for \$850 and \$725. Don consigned the reserve champion pen of two bulls and had an average of \$714 on five head consigned to the sale. I do not have a report of all of the bulls brought back to Morrow county, however, I have seen one of the bulls consigned by Kirk and Robinson which was purchased by Alvin Wagenblast, Lexington. The bull is of very high quality and should do Alvin a lot of good in his herd. Alvin was particularly happy to get this bull since it carried President Mischief breeding which he has done so well with in a former herd sire.

Other Morrow county breeders that we know of at this sale were Barton Clark and Raymond Wright. Don reported some sales at his farm as a result of the Round-Up sale. A San Francisco Hereford breeder purchased several head after the sale. Cows and heifers sold were breeding which the breeder was especially desirous of having and price was evidently no item for the older cows which were bought for \$1000 a head on down.

Almost 12 million children are taking part in the National school lunch program this year. Last year the program provided a market for 561 million dollars worth of farm products.

By the time this is read the 31st annual meeting of the Oregon Wheat Growers League will be in session at the Multnomah Hotel in Portland. From the looks of the program it should be an interesting annual meeting. Something new has been added this year or we should say, changed in regards to the national association of wheat grow-

ers which is being held in December in place of the usual early February. The national meeting will follow our state meeting being held this year at Denver, Colorado on December 10, 11, 12 and 13. A number of Morrow county wheat growers have indicated their intent to attend. Mixed in with the important committee meetings will be speakers, discussion panels, business sessions and entertainment. Such important people as senator Milton Young, senator Richard Milner, Clifford Hope and representative Albert will be a few of the discussion panel members and speakers. The meeting will be held at the Cosmopolitan Hotel.

In a little less than a year, hog numbers in Morrow county have increased several hundred per cent. Some of our operations are set up as permanent breeding facilities; others are fattening operations. For those who are working the first time or approaching it, it might be helpful to suggest that adequate housing must be provided to prevent hogs from catching pneumonia. Many hogs are lost every year because of inadequate housing. Adequate housing may be provided by an open shed closed on three sides. It is necessary to have proper drainage so water will not run back into the building. Pay particular attention to prevent cross drafts. In some instances housing is too tight for hogs. This results in over heating which contributes to the susceptibility of pneumonia. Straw, low quality hay or shavings make excellent bedding. Do not get it too deep as hogs do not do so well if they crawl into the bedding.

## LEXINGTON

Mr and Mrs Al Frost were dinner guests of Mr and Mrs George Hermann on Thanksgiving. The Frosts are from Fossil. They were accompanied to Lexington by Mrs Frost's mother, Clarice McFadden who then continued on to Hermiston where she spent the day with her sister and family.

Mr and Mrs Lonnie Henderson and family, were dinner guests at the home of her father in Hermiston, Mr and Mrs Claude White, Norman Ruhl and mother, Elva Ruhl and Bertha Hunt and son, Donald were dinner guests of Mr and Mrs Morris McCarl on Thanksgiving.

Mr and Mrs Marvin Ray and children of Moses Lake were callers at the home of her brother and family, Rev Norman Northrup and family on Thanksgiving.

## Boardman House Destroyed by Fire

Fire of unknown origin completely destroyed the house on the old Olmstead place Thanksgiving Day about 2:30 p. m. Unoccupied, it was owned by Pattee Bros of Condon, and had some household goods and clothing stored in it which belonged to Mr and Mrs Frank Claughton. Everything in the house was destroyed, including a gas range and heater belonging to Pattees. Claughton said he had been thawing water pipes earlier in the day, but had used hot water for this, and thought the fire may have started from a short circuit in the pumping system. The Boardman city fire truck came to the scene, but the fire had gained such headway that nothing could be saved, although the fire was kept from the barn and other outbuildings. Claughton stated that the building and contents were covered by insurance.

Donald Gillespie, who has been a patient in the Veteran's hospital in Walla Walla, Wash for the past several weeks, spent the holidays at the home of his parents, Mr and Mrs Zearl Gillespie. They took him back to the hospital Sunday.

College students home for the holidays included Norman Nelson, Jim Thorpe and Connie Baker from EOCE at La Grande, Maxine Seward from U of O at Eugene, Leo Skoubo from OSC at Corvallis, and Ivan Kress from Oregon-Tech at Klamath Falls. Jerry Peck, also at Ore-Tech, spent the vacation in Los Angeles, Calif with Mr and Mrs Dave Johnston of The Dalles, who went there to see their daughter, Duree, who teaches in a dancing school there.

Mr and Mrs Arthur Allen went to Portland Sunday to attend the 25th wedding anniversary celebration of Mr and Mrs Wilbur Lehman, former residents here.

Mr and Mrs Frank Claughton were hosts for a Thanksgiving dinner at their home. Guests included their son and daughter-in-law, Mr and Mrs Clayton Claughton and sons Stevie, Dale, Gary and Curtis of Minam; Mrs Claughton's brothers-in-law and sisters, Mr and Mrs Lloyd Keller of Condon, and Mr and Mrs Al Harvey and children, Joe and Susan of Lewiston, Ida; her brother and sister-in-law, Mr and Mrs Clarence Warren, nephew Bill Warren and son Tommy, all of Spray; her nephew, Mr and Mrs Jerry Keller, and Mr and Mrs Melvin Pattee and children, Pat, June and Mary Ellen, all of Condon.

Dinner guests at the home of Mr and Mrs Harold Kress were their son-in-law and daughter, Mr and Mrs Franklin Ball and daughters Barbara and Karen of Hermiston, Kress' brother and sister-in-law, Mr and Mrs Wen-

dell Kress and daughter, Sandra, Mrs Kress' mother, Mrs Frances Meyer, and her brother-in-law and sister, Mr and Mrs Johnnie Leffler and children Gary and Janice, all of Lewiston, Ida; and Mrs Kress' sister-in-law, Mrs Ruby Meyer and children Larry, Johnnie, Carol, Cathy, Tony and Janice of Kennewick, Wash.

Mr and Mrs Arthur Allen and Roy Rordell spent Thanksgiving in The Dalles at the home of Mr and Mrs Harry Wickman, parents of Mrs Clayton Allen. Week-end visitors at the Allen home were their son and daughter-in-law, Mr and Mrs Gene Allen of Seattle, Wash.

Mrs Ethel Nethercott of Jackson, Wyoming was a recent visitor of her brother, Charlie Nickerson. They left last week to go to Boise, Ida to visit Nickerson's daughter-in-law, Mrs Edith Nickerson, and at the home of Mr and Mrs C W Heath in Glens Ferry, Ida.

Recent visitors at the home of Mr and Mrs Rollin Bishop were, Mrs Hazel Butler of Moses Lake, Wash, and Mrs Ardith Sherman of Spokane, Wash. The three ladies were schoolmates in Vincennes, Iowa, and had not seen Mrs Bishop for the past ten years. Mr and Mrs Zearl Gillespie received word Friday of the death of Mrs Arthur Young of Moses Lake, Wash from a heart attack. She was the former Mrs Ruby Gillespie, widow of Art Gillespie, who also died of a heart attack.

in March, 1957.  
Mr and Mrs Bob Miller were dinner guests Thanksgiving at the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr and Mrs Charlie Phillips, in The Dalles. Week-end visitors at the Miller home were their son-in-law and daughter, Mr and Mrs Paul Matt and children Steve and Colleen of Tacoma, Wash, their granddaughter, Roberta Phillips of The Dalles, and Mrs Miller's brother-in-law and sister, Mr and Mrs Carl Gaede of Gresham.

Mr and Mrs Hugh Brown of Pendleton were guests at the home of Mr and Mrs Tom Webb from Wednesday till Monday.

Mr and Mrs Russell Miller and children Jim and Pat spent Thanksgiving at the home of Mrs Miller's brother and sister-in-law, Mr and Mrs Elbe Akers in Ione.

Mr and Mrs Marvin Carpenter and children Johnnie and Annie of Seattle, Wash were holiday visitors at the home of Carpenter's parents, Mr and Mrs Delbert Carpenter. Carpenter was also here from his job at Bellingham, Wash.

Esther Kirmis, county extension agent, met with the Needle and Thread 4-H club to help them reorganize. Mrs Earl McQuaw is leader, and Chloe McQuaw is junior leader. Officers were elected as follows: Dorothy Rash, president; Anna Mae McQuaw, vice president; Brenda Billings, secretary-treasurer; Sandra Thorpe, song leader; Patti Partlow, news reporter.

Materials and enrollment cards were distributed. The projects taken by the girls are Just So Girls, Sew It's Fun, Charmingly Yours, and Teen Wise Clothing.

A film, cotton dress styles will be shown for all sewing 4-H girls at the next meeting.

Mr and Mrs Elvin Ely and daughter, Eileen, and Dorothy Rash went to Portland Friday to see the annual Fairy Land parade. They were overnight visitors at the home of Mrs Grace Tyler.

## RECRUITER COMING

S/Sgt Thomas O McGehee, Marine Corps recruiter for this area, will be at the Heppner post office, Saturday, December 6 from noon to 5 p. m. Anyone desiring information about the Marine Corps may contact him there.

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Advertisement  
From where I sit . . . by Joe Marsh  
**One Man's Hen is Another Man's Rooster**  
My last column was about Whitey Fisher and his chicken farm—and now Whitey has made news again. Whitey entertained some folks from the city last weekend and they toured his modern barn. The visitors asked all sorts of questions. The best was: "How do you tell if the two-day-old chicks are hens or roosters?" "Easy," answered Whitey. "Just take the chicks one at a time. Place some corn meal in front of it. If she eats it, she's a hen. If he eats it, he's a rooster."  
From where I sit, some answers that sound like they make sense turn out to be the silliest of all. For instance, a friend recently objected to my choice of a glass of beer with supper. When I asked him why, he replied: "I've had only coffee with my dinner for the last twenty years." Now that's not only silly—it's intolerant too. Neighbors ought to tend to the "eggs in their own baskets."  
Joe Marsh  
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