

**Parents Announce Daughter's Marriage In Texas Ceremony**

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Seehafer announce the marriage of their daughter, Billie Joann, to Bill F. Ballweg of Ft. Worth, Texas, on Sunday, February 18.

The couple was married in the first Baptist church parsonage in Murchison, Texas, by an old friend of the Ballweg family, the Rev. O. C. Cantrell.

Mr. Ballweg is serving in the U. S. Army in Virginia. He is a 1956 graduate from Technical High school at Fort Worth, Texas.

Miss Seehafer is a 1958 graduate of Lone High school. She entered the Army WACS in October, 1958, and would have received her discharge in October, 1961. However, due to a four month's extension by President Kennedy, she was not released until this month. She received training as a dental technician, getting her Specialist 5 rating, and won many honors including good conduct, and athletic trophies in swimming and basketball.

The couple plans on making its home in Texas.

**Van Houte Attending OEA Council Meeting**

Robert Van Houte, administrator of Morrow county schools, left Wednesday evening to attend the meeting of the Representative Council of the Oregon Education Association in Portland. Delegates will elect a vice president, hear reports from all its committees, determine new association policies, as well as conduct other business.

Dr. Howard Cherry, president of the Oregon School Boards Association, will be principal speaker at the council banquet Friday evening.

The OEA state convention is scheduled for March 15 and 16 in Portland and Van Houte will be installed as state president at that time.

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**50-Year Members Honored At OES Meet**

Mrs. J. O. Turner was presented her 50-year jeweled pin from C. J. D. Bauman at the Eastern Star meeting Monday night honoring the 50-year members and all past worthy matrons and patrons. Bauman was worthy patron at the time Mrs. Turner was worthy matron in 1937.

Mrs. Earl Gilliam and Miss Ona Gilliam also were honored as 50-year members. Fifteen past worthy matrons present were Mrs. Gilliam, Mrs. Turner, Mrs. C. J. D. Bauman, Mrs. Loyal Parker, Mrs. Frank Wilkinson, Mrs. Claude Graham, Mrs. Jim Thomson, Mrs. Harold Beckett, Mrs. C. C. Carmichael, Mrs. L. D. Tibbles, Mrs. Dick Wilkinson, Mrs. Floyd Worden, Mrs. Roy Quackenbush, Mrs. Paul Jones, and Mrs. Oliver Creswick. The seven past worthy patrons present for the occasion were Frank S. Parker, John Wightman, Bauman, Claude Graham, Harold Beckett, Paul Jones, and Oliver Creswick. Also honored were Mrs. Karl Miller, past worthy matron of Umatilla chapter, and Mrs. Walter Ruggles, past worthy matron of Bethlehem chapter. Mrs. J. R. Huffman presented each past worthy matron and patron with a gift.

Over 45 members enjoyed a potluck dinner preceding the meeting with some 55 in attendance. Entertaining the group was Shannon Mahoney, junior past worthy advisor of the Rainbow for Girls, who gave a humorous reading, "Reducing," followed by Mrs. Fred Hoskins singing, "When We Grow Too Old To Dream."

**Rainbow Girls Honor Fathers at Banquet**

Fathers were the honored guests Wednesday night when their daughters, members of the Rainbow for Girls assembly, entertained them with dinner and an enjoyable program.

Sixty-four girls and their fathers were seated at the table which was decorated with lovely flower arrangements and rainbows to carry out the theme, "Over the Rainbow." Shirley Erwin, chaplain, returned thanks and Beverly Blake, worthy advisor, welcomed the fathers.

A program followed dinner with Ginny Lou Turner leading off with a piano solo. The high school girls' trio, Pam Cochell, Ginny Moore, and Ginny Lou, sang. Sherri Olson and Shannon Mahoney each gave a reading and a trio of girls, Diane Schaffitz, Meridy Webb and Brenda Young, pantomimed a musical number.

Mrs. Roy Quackenbush and Mrs. Jim Thomson were in charge of the dinner with Mrs. Don Turner and Mrs. Howard Bryant assisting. Mrs. Jim Myers made the dinner rolls. The clean-up committee consisted of the advisory board members. Other committees were: decorations, Sherrie Olson, Diane Schaffitz, Fran McLeod, Kathy Melby, Nancy Cleveland, and Dr. Ed Schaffitz.

The girls will hold a food sale at the Heppner Red and White store starting at 10:00 a. m. Saturday. The next meeting will be March 5 at 7:00 p. m. at the hall.

**Elks Lodge Hosts 65th Annual Meet Saturday**

The 65th anniversary of Elks Lodge No. 358 brought a large number of visiting dignitaries, distinguished guests and members to Heppner on Saturday, February 24.

The annual celebration got underway for the approximately 475 persons attending in spite of inclement weather conditions, with registration beginning at 11 a. m. The afternoon lodge session under Exalted Ruler LeRoy Gardner, saw degree work put on by officers of Condon Lodge No. 1869 and the introduction of visiting dignitaries. Special recognition was given Frank Hise, Corvallis, district deputy grand exalted ruler; G. B. Early, Condon, member of grand lodge association committee and Oregon State Elks; William R. Brown, Pendleton, district deputy grand exalted ruler; Fred Steffani, Oregon City, president of Oregon State Elks association; James Trimble, 2nd vice president of Oregon State Elks association; Rex Cruise, Portland, publicity chairman of Oregon State Elks association; J. H. Moore, Portland, past state president of the state association, and James Garrett, Prineville, state trustee of the state association.

Wives of members met at the

**FFA Parliamentary Team Gives Program Before Soroptimists**

Six members of the Heppner High school FFA chapter were guests of the Soroptimist club at its noon meeting last Thursday in observance of National FFA week.

A demonstration of the Roberts Rules of Order was exemplified by the guests, who make up the local Parliamentary Procedure team. Under the chairmanship of Archie Ball, a mock motion was introduced, discussed and carried to completion using correct rules of procedure. Making up the team were Merlin Hughes, Gary Van Bokland, Archie Ball, Bill Struthers, Bob Fetsch and Harold Grey.

Two senior girls, Beverly Davidson and Sandra Richards, were guests at the club luncheon.

A special program is planned for Thursday, March 8, when 4-H week will be observed and Jane Rawlins will have her 4-H girls present the program.

**Rockhound Corner**

By BETTY WAGNER

Our president, Mrs. George Miller, called the February meeting to order; Mrs. Terry Blevins read the minutes of the previous meeting, and another full and interesting evening began. One subject under discussion during the business meeting was the need for a club scrapbook. Then the meeting was turned over to the program chairman, Mrs. Harold Evans.

Randall Peterson brought out many facts regarding the February birthstone—amethyst. It occurs in shades of purple or violet and is a variety of crystalline quartz with a hardness of 7. Originally it was thought that its color was due to the presence of manganese oxide, but this theory is becoming doubtful since chemists are unable to find any traces of the oxide in the crystals. Since amethysts are usually found in igneous rocks, another theory under study is that X-rays and radium, also most commonly found in igneous rocks, may be responsible for the violet color. Amethyst is one of the oldest recorded stones in history and the largest one ever found was 343 carats. Randall displayed a tray containing several amethyst rings.

Walt Edger seemed to be the lucky man of the evening. At the December meeting a contest had developed between some of the men following the auction of rocks sent the club by Mrs. Harold Sanders from her husband's collection. The competition was to see who could make the nicest article from the rocks acquired at the auction. Walt walked off with honors by submitting a very well matched set of earrings and necklace (all heart-shaped) made of Montana agate. He also won the door prize—a rhodochrosite cabochon. Terry Blevins ran a close second on that December competition with two frames of nicely arranged cabochons.

Following the "Valentine Swap" during which many stones such as petrified dinosaur bone, wonderstone, tumbled agates, a specimen of iron pyrite, and petrified wood were exchanged, the Harold Evans' served some delightful Bohemian cookies with a beverage.

**McMurdo Reunion In Portland Honors Doctor on Birthday**

A trip to Portland by Dr. and Mrs. A. D. McMurdo over the week-end was climaxed by a surprise birthday party in honor of the doctor. It was also a happy reunion for the couple as their three sons were present for the occasion.

Meeting the couple as they arrived in Portland by train was their oldest son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. McMurdo, with whom they stayed until their return Monday afternoon. Charles, or better known in this area as Ted, arranged for his two younger brothers to be present.

Dr. Bernard H. McMurdo, a dentist at Burlingame, Calif., came by plane, and Mr. and Mrs. Scott H. McMurdo, who operate the Physicians Medical Laboratory in Corvallis, drove to Portland Sunday morning. The group enjoyed a delightful birthday dinner and reunion.

Dr. and Mrs. McMurdo drove to Hinkle Saturday where they transferred to the train, returning the same route Monday afternoon on the City of Portland.

**Pratt, Huff Attend Savings Bond Meet**

Gordon Pratt and Bert Huff of Heppner attended a dinner meeting in relation to the forthcoming Freedom Savings Bond drive in Pendleton Tuesday night. A total of 19 bankers and businessmen from Morrow, Union and Umatilla counties were in attendance.

Guy Johnson of Pendleton was chairman of the meeting and Tom Pridoux of the U. S. National Bank and Charles Applegate of First National Bank of Oregon were speakers. They had attended a meeting with President John Kennedy in Washington, D. C., recently on the drive.

The Freedom drive is scheduled for May and June, Huff said.

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**One Act Plays Set For Staging Friday Night**

One act plays will be staged in the grade school multipurpose room Friday night by students of the Heppner High school drama classes, under the direction of Mrs. Janet Groves. The four plays cover a variety of plots and offer the students an opportunity to portray unusual character and acting parts.

"The Twelve Pound Look" is based on an English story and the cast includes Bill Cox, Mary Shannon, Linda Van Winkle and Mike Smith.

"Out of Order," a comedy, has a cast of three girls, Linda Valentine, Judi Hamilton and Mary Shannon.

The third play, "The Red Key," is based on a mystery. Those taking the parts are Gary Van Bokland, Carol Burkenbine and

**Rock Club Plans Peterson Display**

The Golden Rock geology club, led by Mrs. Rachel Harnet, was held February 22 in the 4-H club room. Bobby Dobbs called the meeting to order. Due to the absence of Frank Unruh, Frankie Lovgren filled the office of secretary-treasurer. We looked and talked about various kinds of rocks and discussed taking a field trip.

A committee of four, Henry Wilhelm, Bobby Peck, Bobby Dobbs and Frankie Lovgren, was appointed to decorate Peterson's window during 4-H week.

Frankie Lovgren, reporter

Carol Tholburg.

"Two Crooks and a Lady" shows good talent in character acting. Parts are played by Beverly Davidson, Nat Webb, Christine Spencer and Cheryl McGhee.

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