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## Little Publicized Driving Hazard

The other day newspapers carried an account of a woman's death in a head-on collision on the highway. She was wife of a minister and was driving with two small children in the car when it veered into the wrong lane directly in the path of an oncoming vehicle.

The report said that investigators were unable to determine any cause for the accident. The thought comes that maybe it was caused by a real hazard that is seldom mentioned in connection with highway accidents.

We refer to the real danger that exists when an adult drives a car with babies or small children as its only other occupants, particularly when the adult is their mother.

When the tot suddenly makes a move, falls over on the seat, or brushes against the car door, the mother is prone to forget all else and think only of her child. Serious accidents can, and do, happen in the few seconds in which she makes a move to protect her child.

A number of years ago a woman went to town to shop, taking her two or three-year-old son. En route home on a good rural highway, she ran off the road on a long straight downhill stretch, the car rolled over and both were killed. No one will ever know for sure, but circumstances indicated that a sudden movement by the child had caused the mother to lose control of the car.

On another occasion, the wife of a good friend of this editor was driving alone with her young tot. As they came into a town, the baby suddenly lurched from his sitting position, the mother made a grab for the child, and the car plowed into a bridge railing.

Young children aren't the only causes of such diversions, but they are about the worst, because one never can anticipate what they are going to do. On one occasion a woman was making a short trip to bring home some milk from a neighbor's house. It was on the floor of the car in some gallon jugs. One of the jugs started to fall over, she reached down to right it as she approached a railroad crossing, and while her attention was on the jugs, rammed into the side of a train crossing on the country road.

Whenever we see a mother alone in a car with children so young that they cannot be responsible for themselves, we feel some real concern because of the accidents that we have witnessed that were caused by the mother's instinctive feelings for her children. But very little has ever been said about this aspect of highway safety.

Mothers—and dads, as well—should not take little tots in the car unless the youngsters are secure in car seats designed to contain them or they are otherwise cared for to assure that the driver's attention will not be diverted.

While all the current attention is being focused on seat belts for adults, some consideration should be given to fastening down the youngsters, too. This would serve the double purpose of not only making the trip safer for the tots but would help allow the driver to keep his attention on driving.

## Rural Housing Loans Now Open In Small Towns

Rural Housing loans are now available to owners of non-farm tracts in rural areas and in rural communities of not more than 2,500 population.

Rural Housing loans will not only help families obtain better homes but will put more carpenters, plumbers, and electricians to work, and will increase the sales in lumber yards and building firms.

Housing loans are made for the construction, repair, and remodeling of dwellings and essential farm buildings and to provide water for farmstead and household use.

In addition to major construction funds are available to modernize homes—add bathrooms, central heating, modern kitchens, and other home improvements, as well as to enlarge and remodel farm service buildings and put in related facilities such as paved feedlots, yard fences, and driveways.

A senior citizen may use loan funds to buy a previously occupied house or to buy a site he owns. To qualify as a senior citizen, a person must be 62 years of age or older.

The interest rate is 4 per cent on the unpaid balance of the loan. Repayment may be up to 33 years.

The proposed housing must be adequate to meet the family's needs yet modest in size and design.

To be eligible an applicant must own a farm or a housing site in a rural area; be without decent, safe and sanitary housing, and be unable to obtain the needed credit from other sources. He must also have sufficient income to meet payments on existing debts, meet other expenses, and make payments on the proposed loan.

The local area committee of the Farmer's Home Administration determines the eligibility of applicants.

Other loans available include operating, farm ownership, and soil and water.

Information may be secured at the FHA Office in Pendleton located at 105 S. E. Byers Avenue. The office day is each Monday.

Mrs. Max Buschke and Mrs. Carey Hastings were in Portland May 25-26 to attend a buyers market for fall and winter lines.

## Chaff and Chatter

Wes Sherman

BIG MYSTERY of the week is how Pete McMurry got enough auto parts of that small building to fill his spacious new Heppner Auto Parts building with three times the floor space. Funny part of it is that all of the merchandise came from the interior of the former location. Not only does it well occupying the floor space in the building he just bought, but some of it is stowed in back rooms. Just in the past couple of days some new shipments have been coming in, but until then, all of it came from the familiar haunt across the street.

Pete expects to have a grand opening probably next week, and he will be able to tell you all about it.

ON OUR week-end trip to the valley we met a friend who had considered taking a position in Moro. One of his friends knew about him considering some new post and asked him where he was thinking of going. "To Moro," the No. 1 friend replied.

"I know," said Man No. 2, "but where are you going?" "To Moro!" he reiterated.

"I know when you are going but where?" insisted No. 2.

Now that could go on a good long time, like the Abbott and Costello routine of "Whose on First?"

Finally No. 1 figured out the misunderstanding and explained that there is such a place as Moro.

By the way, this is the only county in the state to which you can go tomorrow today.

CITY DADS after the council meeting on the budget the other night were talking about Prineville, which draws a large part of its revenue from a city-owned railroad, of all things, and thereby saves paying a lot of taxes.

It is said that Prineville people are really proud of this railroad, too. One staunch citizen declared, "It may not be as long as the Union Pacific, but it's just as wide!"

THREE HUNDRED pounds of delicious rolled boned roast done to a turn in pit barbecue over cherry and apple wood fire by three fine chefs! That's the appetizing prospect at the lone Community church's auction sale and barbecue Saturday.

This sounds like a capital idea with food and fun for everyone, and it will be a mighty fine thing to load up the family and buzz to lone on that day.

DAUGHTER-IN-LAW, Rose Marie, told us that if we wanted to get a good seat at OSU commencement, to be on hand at least an hour early, even with tickets. She was right. We arrived about 12:45 for the 2 p.m. exercises Sunday and still climbed halfway up into the massive stands to find a spot.

While waiting for commencement to commence commencing, we did a little musing on the magnitude of this higher education.

Oregon State University awarded 1900 degrees. We hadn't been to a commencement on this large scale before and became a little concerned when we figured that if ten seconds were allowed for presentation of each diploma, it would take 5 1/2 hours alone for that part of the program!

As we gazed around at the crowd, including hundreds of parents probably from all walks of life, it occurred to us what a tremendous investment they had made. If each set of parents had scraped together say \$5000 to get his offspring through college, that would total \$3,500,000 represented by those wearing caps and gowns there, not to mention what taxpayers across the state plunged up to support them, too.

When time came for the program to begin, we found that OSU has its commencement engineered efficiently. There is no waste motion. There can be none. The student loses his identity in the black sea of caps and gowns, brightened only by the brilliant regalia of those graduate students or faculty members with higher degrees.

One can pick out his pride and joy only by scanning intently, helped because the grad-

uate-to-be is grouped with those in his major field, and that narrows it down to a few hundred.

Passing out the diplomas is done with machine-like precision. We found it doesn't take 10 seconds; it doesn't take five; it averages about one second. Names of the undergraduate degree winners are not announced. There is no time for that.

The deans and assistants passed out those 1900 diplomas without fumbling, and many a student dropped his. The uncanny part is how each gets the right one. Apparently it takes a real high education to perfect that. If just one slipped out of place in the stack, a hundred or so might be off.

We would have been willing to bet that they handed out dummy diplomas for later redemption with the names inscribed thereon, but not so. At the conclusion of things, Rose Marie beamingly displayed hers with "Rose Marie Samok Sherman" proudly lettered across it.

About the lettered speech throughout the 2 1/2 hour proceedings (not counting the preliminary hour waiting time) was the invocation. Dr. James Jensen, president, is a personable man and what he had to say was brief, interesting and to the point. Among the figures he gave were that the class of 1963 represented 37 states and 26 foreign countries; that average age of the men is 24 and average for women is 23.

Hundreds in the class won honors, but these were announced only on the program. Thus, commencement in a large college is a great impersonal contrast from the accolades given at a high school commencement.

Nevertheless, it is evident that important things have been accomplished here; that there has been extraordinary sacrifice and hard work to get these 1900 students where they are; the sense of achievement is strong; and the parental pride is great.

One conjures on what the future holds in higher education with our colleges turning out students as they are. Maybe the time is coming when each separate school at a large university will have to hold a separate commencement—one for engineering, one for forestry, one for education, and so on.

At the same time one can readily see the need for community colleges to siphon off some of those who can profit by attending them.

## Your Home Agent

## Kitchen Needs Are Suggested For Bridal Parties

By ESTHER KIRMIS

We'll soon hear the traditional June wedding bells, consequently there will be the usual flurry of planning bridal showers.

Why not make it a kitchen "wardrobe"—just what the well-equipped cook will need.

Avoid embarrassment of receiving duplicates of some popular items and drawing "blanks" in others. Start with this basic list from which guests can choose. Two or more can double up on the larger items.

To start housekeeping, the bride will need sauce pans with covers in these sizes: 1 pint for reheating leftovers, 1 quart for cooking vegetables, 2 quart or larger for use when she has guests.

A 3 to 4 quart Dutch oven is useful for stews, whole chickens, and spaghetti.

Skillets and fry pans in 8 inch and 10 inch size are handy. The larger size should have a lid for frying chicken and skillet meals.

A good coffee maker—percolator, drip or vacuum type—is probably on the bride's list. Type depends on the couple's preferences. An electric one that makes at least 4 cups at a time is suggested.

For use in the oven, a bride can use an 8 or 9 inch pie pan which is also handy for rolls,

## Completion Date For John Day Dam Set Back Year

MAJ. Gen. William W. Lapsley of the Army Corps of Engineers today said work at John Day Dam is being rescheduled to bring the project's power on the line in the fall of 1968.

The adjustment postpones by a year the time when the dam will begin producing electric power.

"Two considerations lie behind this decision," General Lapsley said. "The first is that about one year has been lost due to a strike and other construction difficulties. This time could be regained at considerable added cost."

"The second consideration is a recommendation from Bonneville Power Administration. BPA wants to distribute the impact of a new and very large block of energy on the regional power supply."

The general, who heads the Corps' Pacific division, explained that three big projects—Wells, Boundary, and John Day—were expected to begin generating power in 1967. The generators that were to be installed in 1967 would have had a combined capacity, or nameplate rating, of 1,638,000 kilowatts.

"Obviously, this is more power than the region could absorb in one year," General Lapsley said. "So BPA advised us it would be to the region's advantage to delay part of this production."

BPA Administrator Charles F. Luce said the adjustment will help balance the loads and resources of the region. This in turn helps to keep power rates as low as possible.

"The big swings up and down in the regional power supply began in 1957," Luce said. "They work to the disadvantage of the region. The cost of large surpluses and deficits ultimately is paid by all the ratepayers in the Northwest."

biscuits and odd jobs. A 9-inch square cake pan is just right for many cakes and baked desserts. For casserole dishes, the 2-quart size in a pretty design is always a pleasure.

Every kitchen should have a roasting pan about 12 by 9 by 2 inches. Add to this a cookie sheet and perhaps a small tea kettle and the bride will be cooking on all four burners.

For those with limited money to spend for shower gifts consider these items—measuring spoon set, measuring cup, set of four measuring cups, lemon juicer, rotary beater, long handled fork, narrow spatula or pancake turner.

## Hardman News

By ALTA STEVENS  
HARDMAN—Among those visiting friends and relatives on Memorial Day in Hardman were Osel Inskip and two neighbor children of Othello, Wn.; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Graham and children of Sweet Home; Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Allen and children of Hermiston; Archie Saling of North Powder; Mrs. Gladys Corrigal and Mrs. Marie Johnson of Portland.

Mrs. Matilda Van Bibber and Mrs. Robert Stevens of La Grande were callers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Foster Collins on Sunday. Mrs. Van Bibber is a sister of Mr. Collins.

Mr. and Mrs. Ike Shanks of Mt. Vernon were overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Lesley. Mrs. Shanks and Mrs. Lesley are sisters.

Mrs. Esie Walker honored her husband on his birthday last Tuesday evening with the serving of birthday cake, ice cream and coffee to family and friends. Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Lesley and Alta Stevens.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Alderman and daughter of Heppner, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Alderman and three children of Milton Freewater, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Walker of Pendleton, Mrs. Esie Walker and Bonnie Kessel had a picnic outing at the Chapin Creek Meadows on Memorial Day.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ruggs moved two bands of sheep through Hardman to the summer range at Parker Mill and Rock Creek range.

Patty Howell of Heppner was an overnight guest of Bonnie Kessel Tuesday.

Guests at the Esie Walker home Thursday were Mr. and Mrs. Glen Walker of Pendleton and Duane Alderman of Milton-Freewater.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Branham of Mt. Vernon were Hardman visitors on Memorial Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Kinard McDaniel and John Allen of Hermiston, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Batty and Gail, and Mrs. Jesse Batty were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Robinson on Memorial Day.

Mrs. Stanley Musgrove of Monument came for her father, John Stevens, on Friday to take him to her home for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Howell and girls of Heppner, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Howell of Irigoin and Harve Merrill of The Dalles spent Memorial Day at the Howell cabin on Rock Creek.

Friends, relatives and neighbors are reminded of the Sperry reunion picnic at Hat Rock park on Sunday, June 9.

Mrs. Harold Stevens accompanied Mrs. Robert Stevens, Jean, and Larry Brenda to Pendleton last Thursday.

Friends were glad to hear of John Hastings recovery from surgery in Portland and that he has been moved back to Pioneer

Memorial hospital to recuperate. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wilson and son and Clyde Cox of Heppner stopped in Hardman Thursday on their way to the mountains for picnicking.

Mrs. Glen Farrens, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Ball and sons of Heppner spent Memorial Day visiting in Prineville.

Mr. and Mrs. Darold Farrens and family of Monument visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wright on Memorial Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wright and Kenneth spent the past week-end visiting in Portland. Alta Stevens was a dinner guest Friday evening of Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Medlock.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stout and son, Jimmy, Pendleton, visited Memorial Day week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stout.

## COMMUNITY BILLBOARD

### Coming Events

LEGION MOVIES

Friday, June 7, 8 p.m.  
"House Out on 101," starring Terry Moore, Frank Lovejoy and Keenan Wynn.

### BIRTHDAY CARD PARTY

Episcopal Parish Hall  
Saturday, June 8, 8 p.m.  
Dessert, Bridge, Pinochle. Public Welcome.

### PUBLIC AUCTION AND BARBECUE DINNER

Ione Grange Hall, Saturday, June 8. Auction at 11:00 a.m.  
Beef Barbecue Dinner served from 12:30 p.m.

### SWIMMING POOL OPENS

Saturday, June 8. Season tickets now on sale—Family, \$18; high school, \$6; grade school, \$4.  
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