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Chaff and Chatter

Wes Sherman

APPARENTLY Morrow County folks are going to insist that their editor be able to ride a horse if he is going to be the written voice of the county. Since our eager Chamber of Commerce president, Dr. C. M. Wagner, came up with the idea of having a "ride-in" to the Chamber meeting Monday to help publicize the rodeo, we have been getting all kinds of offers on loans of horses.

Bonnie Barratt offered the use of a gentle horse that she has, and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Payne came in one evening to volunteer the services of their quarterhorse. However, Frank Turner insists that he has one all ready for the editor that is as tame and gentle as they come. To hear him tell it, we could use a rocking chair on its back instead of a saddle.

We were kind of hoping that someone would come up with a Shetland pony, which we figured would be about our speed, but no one has to this time.

Since we have about run out of excuses, we may have to board one of the critters (and we use the term with the utmost respect) come Monday morning. Frank won't let us use a stepladder to get on, as we had planned, but said he would have a good-sized box handy.

If we go through with it, surely some of the rest of our good members like Harley Young, Mike Whitesmith, Ed Gonty, Al Lamb, Oliver Creswick, Randall Peterson and others shouldn't be allowed to get off the hook. Turner says that he is going to have plenty of horses for all.

Funny part of it is that he thinks we're joshing him about not being able to ride a horse. He's so used to it that he can't feature such an abject greenhorn.

We'll swear that if we ride a horse Monday it will be the first time since we rode one of the big draft horses that pulled lumber for dad at the logging camp in Olequa, Wn., at five years of age or less.

NO MATTER where you go, you will always bump into someone who has some connection with Heppner. The co-publisher and the writer struck out on their 3-day vacation Thursday evening for the beach. We made a stop in Forest Grove and dropped into a grocery store. The proprietor was a man we had known as a boy, Syd Couper, and he looked just the same as he always did—maybe a little more grey hair. We hadn't seen him for 25 years. When he found out we were from Heppner, it rang a bell with him right away. "My uncle was there at the time of the flood," he said.

Crossing the Columbia River on the ferry at Astoria, we ordered coffee at the concessions counter and started conversing with the waitress. Turned out that she was from Moro, daughter of a minister who used to serve a church there and lived next door to Giles French. She was well acquainted in Heppner and recited names of many people she knew here.

We finally wound up at Seaside and got a little 2x4 room that overlooked the beach. Gazing out the window Saturday, we spotted a fellow that was a dead ringer for Charles Starks, owner of the Northwestern motel.

"That fellow looks enough like Charles Starks to be his brother," said I to the wife.

Short while later we were walking down the street and bumped into Charles Starks and daughter. The Starks of Heppner were in Seaside on vacation, too.

Meanwhile, back at the Seaside (the hotel there) Mrs. Max Barclay was gazing out her upstairs window, being on vacation with her children, and watched the Shermans strolling down Seaside's beachfront walk. She dropped in to the office yesterday to tell us.

IF YOU HAPPEN TO have the August 16 issue of Life magazine handy, look at the picture on page 58, showing Senator Carl Hayden of Arizona in connection with an article on pork barreling. See if you can find anyone in the photo you know.

Towards the right side of the picture is none other than Oliver Creswick, big as life, and beside him is Judge Oscar Peterson. However, the judge is upstaged by the fellow in front of him who pretty well blots out Mr. Peterson. Nevertheless, you can tell by the forehead and the haircut that it is our judge, all right.

The photo was taken at the time of the Rivers and Harbors Congress in Washington, D. C. Proves again that Heppnerites get around and also proves our delegates were on the job at the Congress.

WHEN SADIE PARRISH told us that her niece and nephew, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Waud, were visiting here from Othello, Wn., this week while judging at the Morrow county fair, the name rang a bell.

"Did he ever go to school at Nyssa High?" we asked. Sadie didn't know but thought that some of the family once lived there.

A few minutes ago, Sadie and the Wauds arrived at the office with eyes agleam. Kenneth had lived in Nyssa, and he went to high school there, graduating in 1944. He couldn't remember for sure about his old teacher but we remembered him as one of our orientation students, having him as a freshman.

Kenneth is now county agent in Adams county, Washington.

We're proud to say that he looks very well oriented indeed.

SAY, IF you happen to drop in at one of the schools, you would almost think school had already started. A good many of the teachers and staff are hard at work. Went over to the new high school the other day. Clarence Johnson was up to his neck in books in the library. Principal Gordon Pratt was rushing around in the office, and Alice Vance, office secretary, was working away at her desk in the new office.

We asked her what she thought of the new office.

"It's wonderful!" she exclaimed. So that should make her Alice in Wonderland.

Back in a counselling room, Jim Sutherland was bearing down on some work and in another spot, Margaret Kirk, one of the hardest working teachers you'll ever find, was getting ready to put out a pre-school issue of the school paper, the Hehisch, of which she is advisor.

If there had just been a few kids around, you'd have known surely that school was starting a couple of weeks early.

Same is true at Lone. Call up out there and you get Gene Harryman or Leonard Herrick promptly.

SOME ORNERY little gremlins were at work at the Queen's Coronation Saturday night, but try as they could, they couldn't spoil it. Bill Barratt, emcee, was too much for them.

The scheduled program didn't show up, and that left a real hole that had Mike Whitesmith as chairman, tearing his hair, but Bill did a masterful job of making an impromptu program of his own.

Since we weren't here to cover the event, Burton Denton, circulation campaign manager, volunteered to take pictures for us. When he got there, he couldn't get the flash to work for a long time. Finally got it going.

But alas, when he got back to the office to take the film from the camera, found that the film roll had broken in two, and most of it was exposed when the camera was opened.

So we tender our regrets that we have no pictorial coverage of the event. Mr. Denton did his best but the gremlins were against him.

Monument

By MARTHA MATTESON
MONUMENT—Mrs. George A. "Bucky" Flowers and 10-month-old daughter, Verkina, came last Wednesday evening from the east to visit Bucky's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Flowers.

Jess Allen, justice of the peace of Canyon City, was here last Wednesday morning to visit with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Drees and three children left Friday morning for Rathdrum, Idaho, where they will make their home. Mr. Drees will teach in the high school there. He had taught in Monument the past five years.

Mrs. Tom Erhardt drove to John Day Wednesday on business.

Jim Croker made a business trip to John Day on Friday for extra parts in the garage.

Miss Dianne Hutchison, Mrs. Roberta Croker, Mrs. Theo May Johns drove to John Day last Wednesday on business.

Mrs. Clara Flower, Mrs. George A. Flower and daughter Verkina left Sunday evening for Portland on business and will continue on to Molalla to visit Clara's mother for a few days.

Visitors Sunday at the Frank Howell home were Mrs. Howell's brother, Mr. and Mrs. Sam McDaniel of Hardman, John Stevens formerly of Hardman, but now staying at Top with his daughter, also Mrs. Stanley Musgrove, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Howell and two sons of the Kerns ranch in the basin.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lippert and three sons were here for the week-end from their fence building camp.

Members of the 4-H clubs are busy getting stock and other entries ready for the fairs.

LEXINGTON NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Van Winkle and family, Midge Bradshaw, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Ledbetter and family and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Cole were visitors at Hat Rock on Sunday.

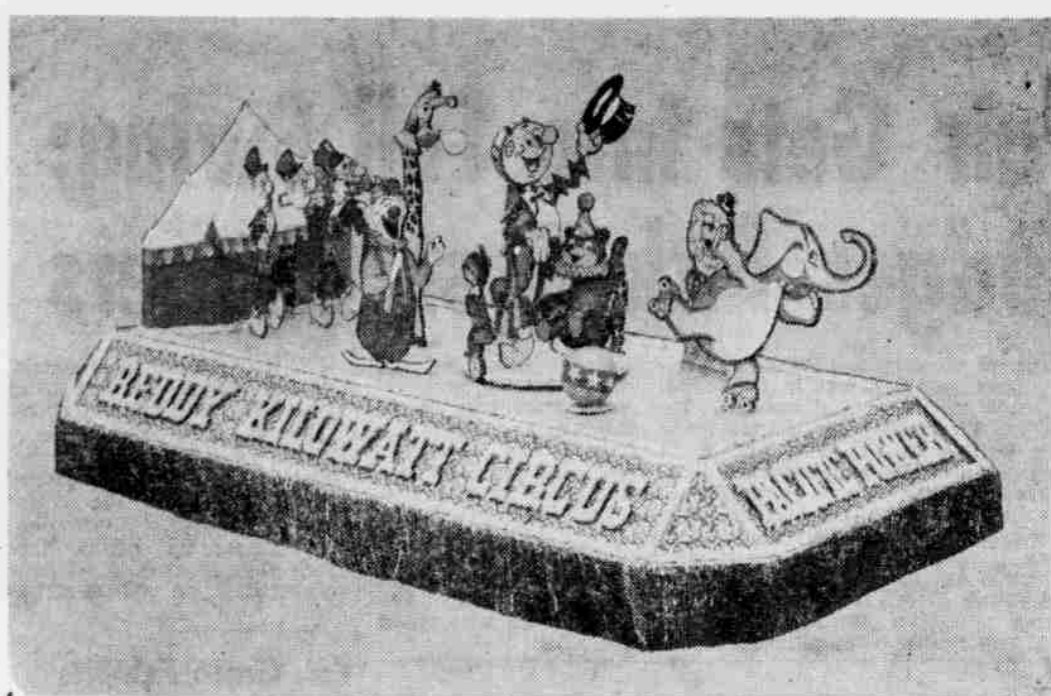
Miss Linda VanWinkle has as a house guest Miss Midge Bradshaw of San Francisco, Calif.

Mrs. William J. VanWinkle, Mrs. Bob Davidson and Mrs. Johnnie Ledbetter motored to Hermiston one evening last week where they attended the 4-H Style Revue at the Umatilla County Fair.

Mrs. Kenneth Klingler and three sons visited a couple of days at Orofino, Idaho with relatives. Her son Kenneth remained for a few days visit.

Miss Aletha Grytness was a caller in Lexington on Monday. Don't forget to attend the potluck dinner honoring Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Doakes at the Lexington Christian church following services Sunday morning.

Houseguests this week at the home of Mrs. Clive Huston are Mrs. George Perrill and daughter Barbara of Bend. Also coming for the week are her sister, Mrs. Fay George, and Mrs. Lucille Johnson, both of Portland.



ANIMATED CIRCUS ANIMALS performing at the command of Circus Ringmaster Reddy Kilowatt will set a gay theme for Pacific Power & Light Company's float which will be a feature of the Morrow County parade in Heppner on August 31. In the menagerie are a baby elephant on skates, a sea lion balancing a ball and a big brown bear rolling a ball.

Club to Feature Antiques at Show

By MARY LEE MARLOW

BOARDMAN—The Boardman Garden club held a picnic Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rollin Bishop for members and families. There were 13 present. Mrs. Bob Miller was a special guest.

The club will hold a fall flower show September 7, the place to be announced later. Mrs. Claud Coats will be in charge of the antique table, and asks that anyone having articles for this to please get them to her, with a short history of the article. They should be at least 50 years old. Mrs. Rollin Bishop will be in charge of the table for old photographs.

Shower Honors Mrs. King

Mrs. Harold Baker was hostess for a pink and blue shower last Thursday evening at her home in honor of Mrs. Dean King and small son Rodney Dean. Co-hostesses were Mrs. Ralph Skoubo, Shirley Earwood, Pat Miller, Dorothy Rash and Eileen Ely. There were 34 present. Out of town guests included Maxine Sciard, Los Angeles, Calif., Mrs. Jerry Peck of Pendleton, Mrs. Ivan Kress of Hermiston, and Paula Williams of Irrigon.

In games played prizes were won by Paula Williams, Mrs. George Boice, Maxine Sciard, Mrs. Frank Marlow, Mrs. Roy Partlow and Mrs. LaVern Partlow.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Black have returned from a ten day trip visiting relatives in Utah. They visited Black's brothers and sisters-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Thera Black at Logan, and Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Black at Bountiful, and his brother-in-law and sisters, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Randolph at Price, and Mrs. Edona Ralphs at Ferron. They also attended a reunion of Mrs. Black's graduating class, the class of 1935, at Sunnyside, Utah. On their return trip they visited Mrs. Black's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. I. Oveson, and her brothers and sisters-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Crawford Oveson, at Wallawa; also Mr. and Mrs. Gene Oveson, visiting there from Orland, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey West have returned home from a week's vacation at Newport, accompanied by Mrs. West's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Beeks, of Arlington. They were joined there by West's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey West, Sr., of Woodburn, and his brothers-in-law and sisters, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Russell and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Donovan and family, all of The Dalles.

Maxine Sciard, student at UCLA in Los Angeles, Calif., visited last week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Sciard.

Beverly Donovan, who was a lifeguard at Hideaway Springs this summer, is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Donovan, until school begins. She will teach in Portland next year.

Lynae Aase of Touchet, Wn., visited last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Black. Visiting at the home of Mrs. Louise Earwood are her grandchildren, Matt, Stevie, Renee, Vickie and Mark Cluff of Estacada. Shirley Earwood has returned home from Torrance, Calif., where she spent the summer.

mer at the home of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Earwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wyss returned home Sunday from a week's trip to Victoria and Vancouver, B. C. They also attended the Swiss Wrestling matches at Tacoma and Portland, and visited at the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pieper, in Portland.

Mrs. Emil Ash was a patient in St. Anthony's hospital in Pendleton last week, after having major surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Houston and children Leo and Arline of La Grande were week-end visitors at the home of Mrs. Houston's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Potts.

Mrs. Bob Miller visited a week in Gresham at the home of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gaede. Mrs. Gaede and Mrs. Esmer Rapert returned here with her and visited two days.

Visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl McQuaw are McQuaw's nieces, Pat McQuaw and Sharon Clark of Portland, and Mrs. McQuaw's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Art Nelson and daughter Carolyn of Seattle, Wn.

Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Ely and daughter Eileen are vacationing this week at Wallawa Lake. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rash and daughters Dorothy and Diane spent the week-end with them, returning home Tuesday.

Mrs. Jim King and children Jeannie, Steven and Jerry of Anaheim, Calif., visited last week at the home of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Sledge.

Mr. and Mrs. Seth Russell were in Portland over the week-end where they attended the wedding of their grandson, William (Bill) Anderson, son of Mrs. Gene Reid of The Dalles, and Robin Veit at St. David's Episcopal church.

Washington Athletic Director Visits Here

A welcomed guest recently at the home of Mrs. R. A. Thompson was her nephew, Leon (Nick) Nicholson of Ellensburg, Wn., in whom she has had special interest as his career has developed in the field of athletics and athletic administration.

Mr. and Mrs. Nicholson were overnight guests at the Thompson home on their way to Sacramento, Calif., where he was called in connection with his college work.

Mr. Nicholson is in his 34th year on the staff at Central Washington State College in Ellensburg, setting a record in coaching and administration work there. For the past 31 years he has been Athletic Director at the college and recently had the honor of having the new Health and Physical Education building on the campus dedicated to him.

He was a graduate of Heppner High school, where he was an outstanding athlete and student. Mr. and Mrs. Nicholson have one son, Dean, also an athlete, now basketball coach at Puyallup High school in Washington.

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John Johnson of Vancouver, Wn., is visiting at the home of his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Summers.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hug of Summerville were overnight visitors at the home of Hug's cousin, Mr. and Mrs. Armin Hug, Sunday.

Stolen Pickup Found Unharmed

A pickup belonging to Cecil Hicks, local grocery store owner, was found at Stanfield Sunday afternoon. It was stolen sometime Friday night between 9:30 and 11 p.m. from beside the store where Hicks was working. The car was unharmed and none of the tools were taken out of it.

The Boardman Community church held a Singing Sunday night following church services, with the Irrigon Community Baptist church as guests. Mr. and Mrs. Francis Klontz of Starbuck, Wn., presented several musical numbers, duets and trios with their son Mike. Refreshments were served in the church basement. Mr. and Mrs. Klontz and four children were overnight guests at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Herman Burg.

COMMUNITY BILLBOARD

Coming Events
LEGION MOVIES
Friday, August 23, 8 p.m.
"Indestructible Man," mystery, starring Lon Chaney, Casey Adams.

MORROW COUNTY FAIR
August 20-23
Heppner Fairgrounds and Annex.
Thursday—August 22—
Parade of Pets, 11:30 a.m.
4-H Pig Scramble and auction, 7:30 p.m.

RODEO WEEK
ATTRACTIONS:
Street Parade, Saturday, 10:00 a.m.
Wrangler Horse Show, Friday.
Rodeo Shows, Saturday and Sunday.
Rodeo Dance, Saturday night.
Wrangler Cowboy Breakfast, Sunday.

BEEF BARBECUE DINNER
All Saints' Episcopal church, Saturday, August 31, from 5 p.m. All you can eat.

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