

# Kinzua Families Travel On Thanksgiving Trips

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KINZUA—Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Murock and Mr. and Mrs. Will Evans of Fossil went to The Dalles Thursday where they met Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bell and family of Portland for Thanksgiving dinner. Mrs. Bell and the children returned to Camp 5 with the Murocks, with Mr. Bell coming up Friday night to spend the week-end and take them back to Portland Monday.

Mrs. V. Slinkard entertained the members of her bridge club a week ago at her home. High was won by Mrs. Slinkard with Mary Miller getting second high. Those enjoying the evening were Mrs. Miller, Bonnie Campbell, Marilyn Bailey, Myrdell Wham, Marie Wall, Pat Hyatt, Hazel Hulett, Lois Carlisle, Pat Bell, Lynnea Sargent, and Helen Ostrander.

Mrs. William Stephens and Mrs. Wayne Cox went to Portland last Tuesday to meet Mrs. Anna Cox who arrived there by plane from Halstead, Kan. She will make an extended visit here.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Browning and daughter Linda went to Pendleton to have Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Martin Roe and Mrs. Jerry Roe.

Mr. and Mrs. Derral Bird and family went to Milton-Freewater Wednesday evening to have Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Burl Copeland.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Logan and family of Salem spent Thanksgiving with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Woods and Max.

Mr. and Mrs. David Sitton and daughter Debbi of Spokane spent the Thanksgiving holidays visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sitton and daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. James Walker went to Portland Wednesday evening to spend several days on business. While there they attended the 25th wedding anniversary celebration for Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Baker of John Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Jiggs Bowman and family went to Castle Rock, Wash., to spend Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Leighton Strom. On Thursday Mr. and Mrs. Bowman and Mrs. David Dahill went to Fort Lewis, Wash., to visit with Victor Bowman and David Dahill.

Mrs. Terrence Williams of St. Maries, Idaho, arrived last Wednesday to spend the Thanksgiving holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Don Cory and family.

Mr. and Mrs. John Meadows and family went to Beaverton last Wednesday evening to spend Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tipton and family.

Spending Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Keller and daughters were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hall and family, Mrs. Sarah Choate, and Mrs. Mozell Young, all of Madras.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Mallaroy and family were Mr. and Mrs. James Harroun and family of Springfield and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Reichelt of St. Maries, Idaho. The Reichelts remained until Thursday.

Bob and Bernerd Dyer went to Portland Saturday evening to meet Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Muzzy and children Kevin and Paula who flew down from Ketchikan, Alaska. The Muzzys will remain here until the latter part of February.

Vincent Allen went to The Dalles Sunday evening to meet his son, Charles, who is home on a short leave from the US Navy.

Mr. and Mrs. George Carlisle and children, Paul and Patti, spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. John Carlisle and family in Salem. Enroute home they visited with friends in Bend. Paul left Sunday to resume his studies at Eastern Oregon College.

Mrs. Verlin Conner and daughter Verla, Miss Linda Bird, and Mrs. Don Slinkard were in The Dalles Tuesday on business. Mrs. Sam Parson took her five year old son Eddie, to Heppner Friday to have stitches taken in his chin which was cut deeply when the tricycle he was riding hit a rock and threw him.

Mrs. Howard Rice and Mrs. Don Slinkard were business visitors to Madras and Bend Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Bird of Feather Falls, Calif., visited here Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bud Bird and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wham.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Baker of John Day and formerly of Kinzua celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary Saturday evening with an open house at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thorington of Lake Oswego. Mr. and Mrs. Baker were presented a vibrating lounge chair from their family who were all present. They are Mrs. Thorington, Mrs. Ed Wham of Kinzua, Ray Shanafelt of San Clemente, Calif., Bud Shanafelt of Beaverton, and Don Shanafelt of Hermiston. Mr. and Mrs. Wham and

Vicki went to Lake Oswego Friday evening, returning home Sunday.

Thanksgiving guests of Mrs. Wilma Mabe and daughter Sharyl were Mr. and Mrs. Bunny Steers and family, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Wilson and family, Clyde Cox, Mrs. Lydia Wilson, Donna Coleman, Archie Cox, and David Reichelt.

Mrs. Earl Norris and Mrs. Frank DeMeritt were business visitors to Heppner Tuesday. While there Eva had medical care.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Grogan of Weston spent from Wednesday until Sunday visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Sharp.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Norris of Spanaway, Wash., arrived Wednesday to spend until Sunday visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Norris and with Mr. and Mrs. Don Culver at Service Creek. Thanksgiving dinner guests of the Norris home were Ken and Judy, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hamilton of Kinzua and Miss Joan Hamilton of Madras.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Mortimore and grandson Billy Schultz of Twickenham and Mr. and Mrs. Guy Van Arsdale and family were Thanksgiving dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mortimore and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Jordan and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Jordan of Mitchell were Thanksgiving guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Jordan and family.

Sharing Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Mike Todd and son were Mr. and Mrs. Denzil White and daughter Susan and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Todd of Fossil.

C. P. Hust of Medford joined his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hust, and family, for the Thanksgiving week-end. He came last Wednesday after visiting another son and family in Boise, Idaho, and with his sister in Weiser, Idaho. He continued on to his home in Medford on Monday.

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# Illness Claims Nina Stonefield, 10-Year Resident

Memorial services were held Saturday, November 25, for Nina Mae Stonefield, age 80 years, who died at Pioneer Memorial hospital on Thanksgiving morning, November 23. She had been a resident of the hospital nursing home the past eight years, but seriously ill only a short time before her death.

Services were held at 10:00 a.m. in the Sweeney Mortuary Chapel, with Rev. Father Raymond Beard officiating. Interment was in the Heppner Masonic cemetery.

Nina Mae Morris was born March 1, 1887, in Big Timber, Mont., to John B. and Dora M. (Gage) Morris, the third child in a family of 14 children, six of whom are surviving.

She was married to James Osborne in Big Timber in December, 1908, and to this union were born one son, Walter H. Osborne, and two daughters, Eva Mae (deceased) and Ada Jane Osborne. James Osborne preceded her in death in 1922.

In July, 1926, she married Melvin Stonefield in Livingston, Mont. He preceded her in death in October, 1957. Since that time she had made her home in Heppner, living two years with her daughter, Ada Piper, and the remaining eight years in the nursing home.

Survivors include a son, Walter Osborne of Big Timber; one daughter, Ada Piper of Heppner; four brothers, Chester Morris of Shelton, Wash., Sam Morris of Big Timber, Monte Morris of Clarkston, Wash., Clay Morris of Dillon, Mont. Also two sisters, Mae Dooley of Big Timber; Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Ross, Coulee Dam, Wash.; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Surridge, Bellevue, Wash.; Mr. and Mrs. Chester Morris, Shelton, Wash.; Mr. and Mrs. Joel Barnett and family, Kirkland, Wash.; John Piper, Portland; Walter Duran, Hermiston; Mr. and Mrs. Pat McQuigg and family, Centralia, Wash.

# BLM Land Auction Brings 22 Sales

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Pendleton, 240 acres, \$9,400; tract 18, Ellis, 200 acres, \$9,400; tract 20, Ellis, 400 acres, \$13,900; tract 22, E. L. Bettencourt, Gresham, 269 acres, \$11,200; tract 23, C. E. Newquist, Battleground, Wash., 119.98 acres, \$8,700; tract 24, Ellis, 319.93 acres (approximately—Anderson said legal description was partially in error and noted changes), \$14,700; tract 26, Nile G. Williams, Veneta, Oregon, 148.08 acres, \$4,000.

These first 14 tracts brought approximately \$253,000.

On the second offering, tracts 5, 6 and 8 were sold to Joe Andrews, 6 and 8 being 640 acres, each and 5 being 516.54 acres, at a total price of \$83,000. Paul Cimmiyotti of Pendleton bought tract 9, 640 acres, at \$30,600. There was no competition on the bidding on these four tracts and all went at their appraised figures.

At that point, after some 3½ hours had gone since the sale started, most of the crowd dispersed, thinking that the sale was over. But later, with just a few present, bidding continued.

James E. Towery of Turner bought tract No. 1, 640 acres lying 8 miles east of Boardman, at the appraised price of \$30,700. Clark Key of Hermiston bought tract No. 7, 640 acres, 8 miles southeast of Boardman, for the appraised price of \$29,400. Ellis bought tract 19, 640 acres lying six miles northeast of Boardman, for the appraised price of \$19,800, and he also bought tract 21, 640 acres lying 8 miles northeast of Boardman at the appraised price of \$25,200.

Ellis and Towery, the latter a farmer in the Willamette valley and at Madras, are reported to be associated in a plan to develop their lands with Columbia River water.

Peterson said that he has no particular plans on his tract 10, but said that he has always been interested in development of the lands in the north end of the county. He had filed on this same tract under Desert Entry.

It was reported that the Andrews brothers are hoping to combine the lands they purchased with 8,600 acres which they already own in the area in order that it may be developed as a unit, but they said they have no particular plan for development at this time.

County Judge Paul Jones said Wednesday morning after a telephone conversation with BLM officials that a great deal of interest has been shown in the four remaining tracts since the sale. Tract 14 would have been sold later in the evening if the auction had continued in session, he said.

The officials said that another sale would be held later—probably in the spring—on the remaining tracts. They indicated Wednesday that from post-sale interest shown, it appears that the tracts will be sold quickly when they are offered.

Judge Jones said that he felt appraisals on some of the remaining tracts are too high and said he told this to the BLM. As a result, appraisers will be back on the land this week to check their figures for the bureau.

# Relatives Attend Services Of Couple Slain in Mexico

Heppner relatives of Mr. and Mrs. Percy L. Gentry of Oregon City, who were murdered early last week while on a trip to Mexico, attended funeral services for the couple Monday in Portland.

Meanwhile authorities in Mexico were seeking a suspect in the case, known variously as Carroll Boyd Nanny, Earl Van Blaricom and Hedron Dlaridon. But he had not been located, and the couple's pickup truck and camper remained missing.

Gentry, 62, is a brother of Larry Gentry of Rhea Creek. He is also a cousin of Archie Munkers and Vernon Munkers. Gentry, together with the two cousins and their wives, attended the services Monday and returned Monday night.

Larry Gentry and his son had gone to Portland earlier to be with the mother of the Gentry brothers.

The Oregon City couple has two sons, Allan of Portland and Larry of San Jose, Calif., and one of them returned from Mexico just prior to the funeral. They had identified the bodies of their parents.

Percy Gentry, a former yardmaster for Southern Pacific Railway Co. in Portland, retired recently, and he and his wife, Margaret, 57, left on the trip to Mexico with the camper and pickup. They stopped for a visit here for two days early in October while enroute south.

The murder occurred about 128 miles north of Mexico City, the brother here said. The bodies were found near a side road, off a highway. Gentry's body, which was described as "machete-slashed and bullet-riddled," was found among rocks, and police searchers found Mrs. Gentry's body a few days later about 600 feet from that of her husband.

The Heppner man said that it was not known for sure that the bodies were slashed with a knife. He theorized that the slashings may have been done by animals in the rather remote area.

The man who at first was identified as Van Blaricom, said to be discharged from the Air Force or an ex-Marine and veteran of the Korean War, was seen in company with the Oregon City couple prior to their deaths. Larry Gentry said that a letter found indicated that he planned to show them scenic attractions in Mexico. FBI in Las Vegas, Nev., identified him as Carroll Boyd Nanny, 35, who uses the alias of Van Blaricom. Earlier, Mexican authorities identified him as Hedron Dlaridon. They are all now believed to be the same man.

Nanny is wanted in Las Vegas as a fugitive for jumping bail while awaiting arraignment in U. S. District Court on a charge of interstate transportation of a stolen automobile (violation of the Dyer Act).

One of many reports that ensued after the killings said that the Gentrys' truck had been traced to the state of Hidalgo, which lies east of Queretaro, the state in which the killings occurred. However, Larry Gentry said after returning from Portland Monday that the family had no information that the pickup had been located.

The brother said that the Gentrys had planned to spend the winter in Mexico and then take a boat trip on their return north. Robbery apparently was motive for the killings, but they did not carry a large amount of cash, since most of their funds was in traveler's checks.

# Fallout School Held Important

Fallout survival school, which is scheduled to start here Tuesday, December 12, and to continue through Friday, December 15, is considered so important that the county is requiring its employees to take the course, according to County Judge Paul Jones. He said that other counties are taking the same step, according to information received at a recent meeting of the Association of Oregon Counties.

All adults are invited to attend the course which will consist of three-hour lecture sessions on the four consecutive evenings, starting each night at 7:30 p.m. A coffee break will divide each class period.

The course is offered through the State Department of Education and will be held in the circuit court room of the courthouse. Mrs. Dorothy Viera will be instructor.

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