

# Attack Claims Elaine Rietmann, Active Resident

By LORRAINE BALL

IONE—Services were held in Ione at the United Church of Christ on Monday, September 29, at 2:00 p.m. for Mrs. Elaine Rietmann, 71, who passed away unexpectedly on Thursday, September 25 at the Good Shepherd hospital in Hermiston.

Mrs. Rietmann was born in Heppner June 1, 1898, the daughter of Inez Voruz and Eugene L. Freeland. Her mother taught school on Butter Creek about 1891, and her father was a bookkeeper and assistant cashier in the Heppner First National Bank.

In 1909 the family moved to the Willamette Valley. She graduated from Corvallis High school in 1919, and from Oregon State College in 1923.

She married Omar Rietmann in 1922 in Ashland. Three sons were born to this union, Paul, who preceded her in death, Omar Eugene and Laurance Otto, both of Ione. They farmed near Ione until 1937 when they moved into town and have operated the Rietmann Hardware store.

Mrs. Rietmann was very active in her community, currently serving as district director of the Oregon State Federation of Garden Clubs.

She was a member of the United Church of Christ, Bunchgrass Rebekah Lodge, American Legion Auxiliary, Locust Chapter 119 of O.E.S., a charter member of the Ione Topic club, Wil-dows Grange, and the Ione Garden club. She has also been very active over the years in the Ione PTA, serving her community in any capacity she was needed.

Rev. F. W. Luedde of the Ione United Church of Christ officiated at the memorial services with final resting at High View Cemetery in Ione. Mrs. Van Rietmann was soloist, accompanied by Mrs. Paul Tews on the organ.

Six nephews of Mrs. Rietmann, Wayne, Harold, Bob, Bill, Dave and Van Rietmann were acting pall bearers. Honor bearers were Kenneth J. Smouse, Roy W. Lindstrom, James R. Barnett, Charles O'Connor, Lewis Halverson and Leo Crabtree.

Survivors include the widow, Omar of Ione; sons, Gene and Larry of Ione and two grandsons.

Kenneth Smouse, accompanied by his son Kenneth Lynn, who has been visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Smouse, motored to OSU on September 24 to take his daughter Cheryl to school for the coming year. The men came back by Paulina Lake for a day of fishing before returning home. Kenneth Lynn left September 28 to return to the University of Utah in Salt Lake City, where he is working for his Ph.D.

Mr. and Mrs. Berl Akers motored to Monmouth last Wednesday to take their daughter, Bonnie, for her freshman year at OCE.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Swanson took their son, Jim, to Cor-

vallis last week where he enrolled in his freshman year at OSU. He registered at Finlay Hall. Jim was chosen for the marching band which plays for the football games.

Before returning to Ione the Garland Swansons visited in Salem with relatives. At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmo McMillan they were pleasantly surprised to visit with other relatives gathered for a small family reunion. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Don Ramsey and daughter, Susan, of California, and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Swanson of Portland. Mrs. Ramsey is the former Beverly McMillan. They also visited with Mrs. Swanson's sister, Lena Miller, at the Marion Home in Sublimity. Miss Miller is progressing satisfactorily.

Many out-of-town relatives and friends were here for the services for Elaine Rietmann. Among those attending were a nephew, Eugene Freeland of San Diego, Calif., an aunt, Mrs. Della Voruz of Portland, Nancy Voruz of Portland, Florence Clark, sister of Mrs. Voruz; Mr. and Mrs. Van Rietmann, Condon; Mr. and Mrs. David Rietmann and Mrs. Dean Rohde of Kennewick; Mr. and Mrs. Victor Peterson and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Balsiger of The Dalles, Mr. and Mrs. W. Hendricks and daughter and William Balsiger of White Salmon, Wn.

Several Grange members attended the Rhea Creek Booster program on Sunday. Those from here included the Marion Palmers, Lee Palmers, Berl Akers and Art Dalzell. Two squares of the dance club performed.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bristow and three children of Portland visited with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Bristow, and other relatives in Ione and Heppner over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Bristow was in Portland on September 18 to watch the graduation exercises of their granddaughter, Pam McCabe, from the Western Business University.

Don Bristow returned Sunday from a week's vacation along various points of the Oregon Coast.

House guests this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Rietmann were John Bristow and Ted Gray and sister of Vancouver, B. C. They will also visit other area relatives. Bristow is a cousin of Mrs. Rietmann and of Edmond Bristow.

Kathy Keene, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Keene, graduated from the Western Business University on September 18, following a year's study to become

a legal secretary. She plans to remain in Portland to work. Mr. and Mrs. Keene and sons, Richard and Stewart, went to Portland for the exercises.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sherer spent the week-end at Redmond at the home of their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Barnhart. They took their granddaughter, Judith, home following an extended visit here.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Keene and sons visited over the week-end in Richland at the home of their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Loy Keene.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Rohde and family of Kennewick visited over the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Vera Rietmann.

Scott Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Wilson, broke his leg during the Ione-Mt. Vernon game at Ione on Friday. Scott spent several days in Pioneer Memorial hospital, and will be in a cast for some weeks. The Ione football team will miss his action on the grid. Scott is one of the few senior lettermen returning for this year's season.

Mrs. Carol Morrison of Portland motored to Ione with her sisters, Mrs. Vera Rietmann and Mrs. Ruby Roberts, for a visit following Mrs. Robert's medical checkup last week in Portland. She returned to her home in Portland on Sunday, accompanying Mr. and Mrs. Joe Engleman. Engleman went down for a medical check-up also.

Roger Childers was honored at a birthday party, celebrating his fifth birthday, at the home of Mrs. Dick Sherer on September 25. Mrs. Cleo Childers was hostess for her son's party, with Vickie Kincaid, Anita Palmer, Jimmy Jepsen, Roger and Diana Morter and Billy Kinzer on hand to join in the good wishes. The children played games and feasted on ice cream and birthday cake designed in the farm tradition with a tractor and the farm animals decor.

Mrs. Pat Hammond of Portland was here over the week-end to finish moving their

household furniture to their new home. They are located at 8930 S. E. Crystal Springs Blvd., Portland, and would enjoy seeing or hearing from their local friends.

Mrs. Lewis Halvorsen and Mrs. Larry Prock and daughters, Lori-Ann of Heppner, were visitors in Portland last week. Lori had dental care while there. They visited over night with Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Townsend.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Halvorsen went to Walla Walla on Saturday to see their son Mark play football. Keith Rea also attended the game.

Eddie Sherman was unable to play football this past week-end for EOC, as he bruised a bone in his leg. It is thought he will be able to play this coming Saturday when EOC meets Southern Oregon at La Grande. Because of his injury, Eddie spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don Ball. Ron Palmateer and Jerry Healy of Heppner accompanied Ed home.

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## R-1 Teachers Choose OEA Representation

Under a new law, ORS 342.450, certificated employees of a school district are now entitled to choose the method of negotiation with school boards on teachers salaries, reports Ron Daniels, Superintendent of Morrow County School District R-1. The law also requires that an election be held to determine the method of negotiation desired by the teachers.

In the election held in Morrow County Schools on September 25, three methods of consultation were on the ballot, Daniels said. Of the 85 employees eligible to vote in the election, one voted for individual consultation, 19 for selecting a committee by majority vote and 56 voted for representation by an employee organization.


Also on the ballot was one employee organization that is qualified to act as representative by virtue of having at least 40% membership. This is the OEA and that group received 71 votes. The certificated employees of the school district who are members of OEA will select, by

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