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Christmas Decorations

Christmas decorations can very well become Family traditions that are dear to the memory of every member of the family. Such family projects can be big or little but practiced every year they become a tradition that is broken with reluctance.

Maybe it's going out to the woods to get the Christmas tree. If final selection must be unanimous by all members of the family, this can become a major project that is lots of fun and frustration!

Maybe it's an angel on the tree for the new baby's in the family First Christmas and is placed each year after that with great ceremony on the Christmas tree.

Maybe it's clam chowder for supper the night the Christmas tree is trimmed.

Maybe it's making Christmas figures for the outdoor decorations. A new one for each year.

The decorations inside and out of the homes in Heppner added much to the Christmas joys of the past season. There were so many beautiful decorations, the judges had to eliminate many worthy efforts. They report the Honorable Mention list could have contained many more names.

Their recommendations listed below may be guidelines for future decorations for Heppner families.

1. We had no list of previous winners. In case of tie or very close competition, it might be well to give preference to one that may not have won the year before. What about giving recognition from year to year if the same residents have outstanding decorations, but eliminate them from the money prize and move down the scale one notch?

2. Many window decorations were beautiful but all looked so much alike there was no preference. If this category is continued, residents preparing inside decorations might be urged to make background, framework, more outstanding, and more original. What about larger prizes for outside only?

3. There are points both for and against asking participants to register. The Judges would prefer no registration but that people on out-of-the-way streets or secluded areas be requested to send in their names if there is danger of their being overlooked.

The Judges wish to commend all of the people of Heppner for their fine efforts in beautifying their town for the Christmas Season. Elaine served the Judges Christmas refreshments while they were totalling their points and arriving at their decisions. They used 40% theme, 40% originality, 20% overall effect.

Still Wondering

Is it a school or a church? The old time pictures in last week's Gazette-Times has some old timers talking. Someone has come up with the idea that it may not have been taken in front of the old school, but maybe in front of a church. The group is much too old for a high school class. Everyone is dressed up like they were at church.

Roy Knighten was in and he was sure he knew the fellow in the right front corner, but he couldn't think of his name. Someone else noticed the hats a couple of the fellows had in their laps were army hats and have crossed rifles on the hat band.

Anyone else with some ideas of when, where and who?

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editors:

John E. Bennett and his wife Beatrice Thomson have purchased an airplane. Johnny can fly it already and she is going to learn.

Who would ever think a dignified Industrial Arts instructor in the Portland school system and a well versed Division Director of the Multnomah county Public Welfare would get Moonbeams in their eyes?

Bea is a former Heppner girl and still takes the Gazette-Times. They live in Beaverton where they own their own home, and work in Portland. She has spent several years in Welfare work.

She is a cousin of Jim Thomson of Heppner and Ellis Thomson in New York City.

Recently Mrs. Bennett and daughter, Lorelle, spent a vacation in Europe, visiting in Denmark, France, and Madrid, Spain.

The Bennett's daughter, Lorelle, is spending a year in Switzerland and at the present time is working at a ski resort. Before going abroad she was with the United Airlines as a reservation agent.

Very truly yours,
Josephine Mahoney Baker
2545 S. W. Terwilliger,
Apt. 525
Portland 97201

Dear Editors:

Have recently received a Travelogue from Ellis Thomson of New York City telling of his vacation trip into Mexico. He went first to Mexico City and from there visited the many interesting pyramids among oth-

er things and also enjoyed the smaller towns in the hinterland where he met interesting people and visited their homes. The only trouble was they spoke nothing except Spanish, of which he knew little but they managed.

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Ione Trail Riders Club

The meeting was held at Marianne Pettyjohn's on Dec. 29, 1969. The club purchased a set of horse clippers for the kids in the club. Leader Maxine Linnell reported she had a letter from our former leader, Mary Hammond, who asked how the club was doing.

Marianne gave a demonstration on the 13 main colors, the stripes, strips, and the nips on a horse.

Maxine showed a movie on wild horses used for bucking horses. The film was called the Sunfishers.

The meeting was adjourned.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Griffith, Donita, John and Gib of Spray were over to have Christmas dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Toll. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Laird and Eva Griffith.

Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Chapin have returned from a Christmas visit with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Kingsley Slyter, Mike, Jeff and Doug at Camas. They spent a couple of days visiting in Portland.



ME. 1969
JERRY ALAN BLANCKAERT

Mr. 1969 Progress Report

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Heard:

I hope this will get to you in time. Thank you so much for your request. I had planned to send the picture and a few lines about J. with a Christmas card, but didn't get it done. I didn't know if you printed anything about previous New Year Babies, but since we have so many friends and know so many wonderful people I thought they might like to know about our baby. I must apologize for not sending it sooner.

Well, Jerry Alan Blanckaert, Jr., Heppner's New Year Baby for 1969 will soon be a year old, Feb. 2, 1970. We have given him the nickname of J. to save confusion and because we didn't want to call him Jr. He has had eight teeth since he was seven months old. He's also been walking, all by himself, since he was nine months old. Of course, like all eleven month olds, he's very inquisitive about everything and is constantly finding something new to investigate. He can say ma-ma, da-da, uh-oh and hot. He's a very happy baby, loves people, and is almost always very good. His hair has gotten very light and curly in the back (his hair was very dark when he was born). He weighs 21 pounds now and is 29 1/2 inches long. The doctor says he's very healthy, and well advanced. Of course, like any mother, I could probably write pages about him, but I think I've covered the most important things.

We all had a very hectic summer. We lived with my parents from June until September. We had a very hard time finding a place to live. Finally, we did find an apartment and we're all settled. Jerry has a very good job with American Tel and Tel in their Long Lines Dept. and we're hoping a very bright future. We're both very happy and excited about it. He will have chances for transfer and we're hoping very much to get back to Oregon sometime soon.

We would both like to take this opportunity to again thank all the merchants and wonderful people of Heppner. We have never met or known so many kind and friendly people as we did in Condon and Heppner and we probably never will again. Dr. Wolff and all the staff at Pioneer Memorial Hospital are marvelous. There are also many people in this world like Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ayres who would go to a hospital to sit with a stranger and wait for the birth of his child. They were such a help and comfort to my husband. We can never thank anyone of you enough. We miss Oregon so much and are praying to get back there someday.

We would like to wish each and everyone of you a wonderful and blessed New Year. Again, we thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Very sincerely,
Mr. & Mrs. Jerry A. Blanckaert and son J.

P. S. Enclosed is 50c for a few extra copies of this edition of the paper if it wouldn't be too much trouble. Also, would it be possible for you to send us the negative of the picture that was in the paper when J. was born. Mr. Sherman said we could get it when we left. If it's still available, we would sure appreciate it. Thank you.

Municipal Court

Dec. 28 to Dec. 31

Monte Crum, Illegal U-turn, 10.00; Frank Halvorsen, VBR, 10.00; Tom Davidson, Illegal U-turn, 10.00; Tom Davidson, VBR on snow, 15.00; Larry Bellenbrock, VBR and Defective Equipment, 20.00 (10.00 suspended for 30 days depending on no citations).

Ione Sewing Club

The Ione Sewing Club led by Mrs. James was called to order by Jan Ekstrom. Teena Stefani read the minutes. Kathy Gilbert gave a demonstration on how to fit a pants pattern. Cassy Chapel served refreshments. The meeting was held at Teena Stefani's.

Kathy Gilbert, reporter

MEETING CALENDAR

Monday, January 12—
Chamber of Commerce, noon,
Wagon Wheel
Fire Department, 7:30 p.m.
Ione Lions Club, Ed's Tavern,
7:00 p.m.
Ruth Chapter No. 32 O.E.S.,
Masonic Hall, 8:00
Heppner Garden Club, Neighborhood Center, 8:00

Tuesday, January 13—
Degree of Honor, Episcopal Parish Hall, 8:00

Wednesday, January 14—
Willow Lodge, IOOF Hall, 8:00 p.m.
Jaycees, 8:00 p.m.
Ione Garden Club, 1:30 p.m.

Thursday, January 15—
Soroptimists, City Hall, 12:00
Holly Rebekah Lodge, 8:00
4-H Foods leaders training, Lexington school, 10:00
Rhea Creek WAC
Lexington WAC
Jaycee Wives

Friday, January 16—
Sans Souci Rebekah Lodge, 8:00
WAC of Willows Grange, 2:00
TAP, Neighborhood Center

Saturday, January 17—
Willows Grange

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hunt have returned to their home in Lexington after a two-week visit over the holidays with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Levis in Loveland, Colo.

REMEMBER THIS? REMINISCE!

TWENTY YEARS AGO
Thursday, January 5, 1950
Mr. and Mrs. John Hanna announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Jean, to Donald L. Bennett. The wedding will be an event of Wednesday, February 8, at 7:00 p.m. in the Methodist Church and will be open to the public.

Considerable change in residence has been made during the holidays. The Sie Walkers have purchased the Mahoney house on Baltimore St. and have moved there from their former home on Water St. which has been sold to Mr. and Mrs. James Johnston. The Kenneth Keelings have moved to the house on Jones St. recently vacated by A. A. Scouten family and the Minnie B. Furlong residence on Jones St., formerly occupied by the Keelings, has been rented to Mr. and Mrs. Basil B. Burnstead.

Low point on the thermometer was reached before midnight.

Pioneer



Ponderings

By W. S. CAVERHILL

A Review of Christmas

Now, that this year's Christmas is past, it is time to take a back glance to measure what happened to us. I'm going back 75 years to certain Christmases when friends and relatives rifled a tree that was decorated with strings of popcorn, popcorn balls, and tinsel strips. It was lighted by colored wax candles held in place by tin holders. It was an enchanting sight. When it was stripped of gifts, the men had felt boots, German socks, earmuffs, Bull Durham and plug tobacco. The women had shawls, high button shoes, long kid gloves and curling irons. The older boys had metal-toed shoes, and knit mittens. The older girls had beaded fascinators, "peek-a-boo" sweaters, and decorated combs. We youngsters settled for the popcorn, slates, pencils, tablets, picture books and a tin horn (that would blow once) and a drum that lasted longer. After gloating over their gifts, all turned to the Christmas table loaded with turkey, mince and apple pie, home made "twisted doughnuts" and grandma's cookies. There was the Christmas spirit then. It is the same today but observed more at random.

4-H Foods Leaders Training Dated

Naomi Davis, 4-H and Youth Development Agent for Morrow and Umatilla Counties will give training for 4-H Foods Club Leaders, Thursday, Jan. 15 at the Lexington School House at 10:00 a.m. All foods club leaders are asked to attend and benefit from the instructions on the new series of food books. New leaders and those with beginning foods members are especially urged to be present.

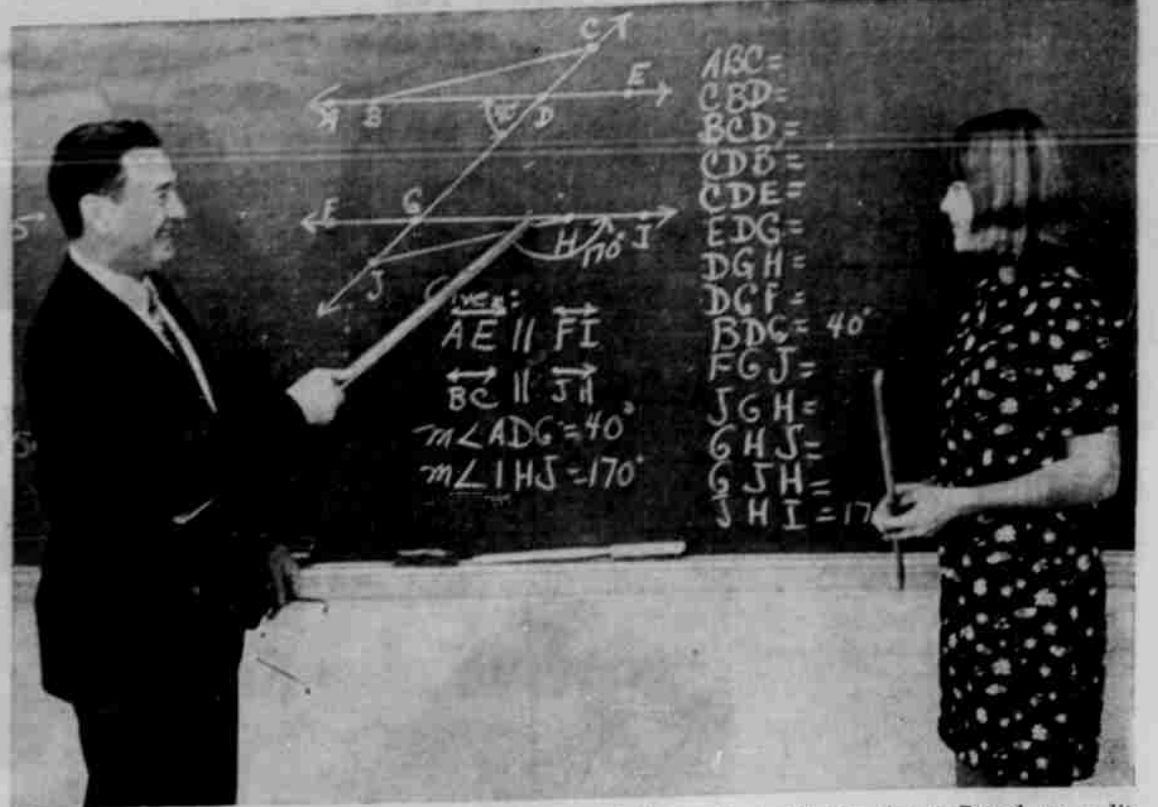
Back to EOC

Jerry and Jean Marie Healy were home from EOC for the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Healy. Jean Marie, a senior is taking her practice teaching in La Grande this term.

Other students at EOC who went back for winter term are Erin Dick, Ginny Clough, Linda Orwick and Kerry Peterson and Janet Palmateer, the two latter of Ione.

Leslie Meador is staying at Challenger Inn this term while enrolled at BMCC.

Get Smart . . .



All angles are being worked by Clifford Williams, instructor, and Susan Healy, 8th grade student, in this Geometry problem. They are figuring the size of the angles in the drawing. The names of all the angles shown in the figure are at the right. Angle BDG 40 degrees and JHI 170 degrees were given.

Clues: The sum of the angles of a triangle equals 180 degrees and supplementary angles also equal 180 degrees. Mr. Williams gives some background work for their high school geometry to his 8th grade.

Mr. Williams used his math in a practical way when he was

with the Coast Guard on a little army freighter in the South Pacific as navigator and supply officer. He received his BS degree from EWSC at Cheney and his Masters in Education from the University of Kansas. This is his 7th year teaching in Heppner.

MORROW COUNTY SCHOOLS

January Calendar of Events

- Riverside Jr. High Basketball—Umatilla at Riverside
- Heppner High Freshman Basketball—Pilot Rock at Heppner
- Riverside National Assembly—8:30 a.m.
- Riverside High School Basketball at Helix
- Heppner Elementary Basketball at Pilot Rock—2:00 p.m.
- Ione High School Basketball—Stanfield at Ione
- Ione Jr. High Basketball—Ione at Arlington, 1:30 p.m.
- Heppner High School Basketball at Grant Union
- Ione High School Basketball—Ione at Boardman
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- Boardman-Irrigon Advisory Committee meeting—A. C. Houghton school—7:30 p.m.
- Riverside Freshman Basketball at Umatilla—6:30 p.m.
- Riverside High School Class meetings
- Heppner High School Student Body meeting
- Riverside Jr. High Basketball—Riverside at Ione, 2:00 p.m.
- Heppner High School GAA—7-9 p.m.
- Heppner High Freshman Basketball—Grant Union at Heppner—6 p.m.
- Heppner High Basketball at Pilot Rock
- Riverside Basketball at Athena
- Heppner Elementary Basketball at Umatilla—1:30 p.m.
- Ione High School Basketball—Weston at Ione
- End of first semester
- Ione High School Basketball—Umapine at Ione
- Riverside High School Basketball—Stanfield at Riverside
- Heppner High Basketball with DeSales at Walla Walla
- School Board Meeting—Lexington District Office—7:30 p.m.
- Riverside FFA meeting—5th period
- Riverside Student Council meeting
- Heppner High Basketball—Blue Mountain at Heppner
- Heppner High School Talent Show—Sponsored by Speech Club Report Cards issued
- Riverside Jr. High Basketball—Echo at Riverside
- Riverside Student Body meeting
- Umatilla-Morrow Credit Union—School Employees Annual Meeting—Pendleton High School, 7:30
- Heppner High School Basketball—Heppner at Enterprise
- Ione Jr. High Basketball—Stanfield at Ione
- Ione High School Basketball—Ione at Umatilla

Lt. Doug Burpee Flies in Vietnam

Marine First Lieutenant Douglas B. Burpee, husband of the former Miss Virginia L. Turner of Lexington, is serving with the First Marine Aircraft Wing in Vietnam.

Air arm of the Third Marine Amphibious Force, the First Marine Aircraft Wing operates several hundred aircraft including fighter, attack, reconnaissance, helicopter and transport aircraft.

In addition to providing aviation support for the First and Third Marine Divisions, the Wing supports other U. S. and Allied forces operating in the five northernmost provinces of the republic.

Christmas guests of Mrs. Amanda Duvall were her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Wald of Portland.

School Lunch Menus

Presented Through Courtesy of Heppner Branch



Heppner Elementary and High Schools

Monday, Jan. 12—Mor, carrot and raisin salad, pear half, cinnamon rolls, milk.

Tuesday, Jan. 13—Chili, cornbread, cabbage salad, pineapple upside down cake, milk.

Wednesday, Jan. 14—Turkey and noodles, Harvard beets, Jell-O, fruit salad, rolls, milk.

Thursday, Jan. 15—Meat loaf, potatoes and gravy, corn, celery sticks, vegetable salad, rolls, plums, milk.

Friday, Jan. 16—Fish sticks, French fries, vegetable salad, rolls, fruit, milk.

COMMUNITY BILLBOARD

LEXINGTON GRANGE
Saturday, Jan. 10—Men's night
Pancake supper and entertainment provided by the men

HOME EXTENSION
Heppner Day Unit will meet Jan. 12 at 10:00 a.m. at the home of Mrs. Vern Keithley.
New English foods study and planned potluck.

HEPPNER HIGH BASKETBALL
Jan. 10—Grant Union at John Day

RHEA CREEK GRANGE
Potluck supper at 6:30, Jan. 9
Second series of slides to be shown by Jack Sumner

ODD FELLOWS AND REBEKAHS
Joint Installation will follow 6:30 dinner, Jan. 10
Open installation

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