

**It's a Boy**

Word was received in Heppner last week of the birth of a baby boy to Mr. and Mrs. Jon Hedman, Dubois, Wyoming. Jason Blu arrived Dec. 19 weighing 5 pounds, 11 ounces and he was 18 inches long. He is the Hedmans first child.

Maternal grandmother is Mrs. Darlene Arrington, Heppner. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Arnie Hedman, Heppner. Great grandmothers are Mrs. Blanch Wise, Heppner, and Mrs. Lelia Arrington, Bowdon, Georgia.

**Davidsons' Present**

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Davidson are parents of a son, born Dec. 27 at Pioneer Memorial Hospital. He weighed 6 lbs 15 oz. The name probably will be Timothy Gerald.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. R.G. Watkins and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wilson, all Heppner. Great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Gwyn Watkins and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Hemenway, all Pilot Rock.

**CHRISTMAS DINNERS**

**AT CLARKS**

Mr. and Mrs. Hal Sunday arrived Friday evening in time to attend the Rhea Creek Grange Christmas party with her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Barton Clark. They went on to Portland to be at Hal's brothers, the Jerry Sundays for Christmas. Jerry's and Hal's folks Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Sunday came up from San Jose.

The big German shepherd, Sam that belongs to Hal and Nonda stayed here with the Barton Clarks. They will pick him up when they come next weekend to spend New Years here.

Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ned Clark, Pat, Matt, Kathleen and James were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wright and Mr. and Mrs. Barton Clark.

**MR. AND MRS. DON VAN WINKLE** and William Howard 18 months were here over Christmas to visit her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cleveland.

A FAMILY DINNER was enjoyed at the Ron Haguewoods. Guests were Mrs. Haguewood's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oral Wright of Lexington and her grandmother, Mrs. Ava Wright of Heppner.

**Open House to Honor Rills**

An open house at the Rhea Creek Grange Sat., Dec. 30 will honor Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Rill on the occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary. The open house will be from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Mr. and Mrs. Rill's children and the grange are hosting the event.

All friends and relatives are cordially invited. The family asks that there be no gifts.

**GED Classes Resume**

The Adult General Education classes will resume Jan. 3 at the Neighborhood Center in Heppner. It was announced this week by Mrs. Dennis Doherty, instructor.

Classes will be from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. on Wed., and 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Thursday.

Any persons interested in working on adult high school diploma or GED are encouraged to attend. For further information, contact Mrs. Doherty at 676-5050.

**AUDREY JONES** flew to Torrance, Ca. to spend Christmas vacation with her brother, Earl Coombs. She was looking forward to the 70 - 80 degree weather that he promised her. Miss Jones is a teacher at Heppner Elementary.

**MORE CHRISTMAS**

**MR. AND MRS. ART VANCE** enjoyed Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Garry Tullis, Mark and Tim.

**to La Grande**

Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Gribble went to La Grande to spend Christmas with their La Grange kids, Barbara, Derrick, Kimi and Miki and Mr. and Mrs. Doug Gribble, Jeff and Julie. Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Gribble, Rodney and Donnell came up from Cottage Grove and spent Christmas with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Don Belenbrock.

**Bob Jesperson**

Bob Jesperson drove to Portland Friday after school to take a plane to San Francisco. He was spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R.J. Jesperson at Lafayette. He will be joined there by most of his brothers and sisters.

**Art Watkins**

Mr. and Mrs. Art Watkins will enjoy Christmas Eve with her brother-in-law and sister Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hopper at Maupin. On Christmas Day they were to go to The Dalles to the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Burt Holland, Bill, Mark and Craig. Other members of the family joining them there were Mr. and Mrs. Russell Longnecker and Jean from Mt. Vernon, Wa. and Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Wilson of Tillamook.

**More Christmas**

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hiemstra planned to visit both of their daughters during the holidays. They left Saturday morning for Portland to visit Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Maxam and Trisha who is three years old. Later in the week they were planning to drive to Richland, Wa. to visit their other daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Frick, Becky, Scott and Wendy who is also three years old.

**To Texas**

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Meador and Tammi flew out of Portland Saturday to spend a week in Texas. They will visit Dick's mother, Mrs. Fred Meador at St. Jo.

**Christmas Eve Service**

The Ione United Church of Christ had their annual Christmas Eve Communion Service. It was a candle light service that started at 5:00. There were readings done by several members of the church. The Advent candles were lighted.

Mrs. Nettie Sirard is visiting relatives in Portland and Bremerton, Wash.

Linda Palmer is home for the holidays from Portland. She is employed in a government office down there.



**DEBBIE PECK**

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Peck, Heppner, announce the engagement of their daughter, Debbie Kay, to Doug Olsen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harland Olsen, Pendleton.

Debbie is a senior at Heppner High School and will graduate in May of '73. She is employed part-time at Hager's Dairy in Heppner. Doug is employed by Fritz Cutsforth.

The wedding will be in August 1973.

**TAKEN TO HOSPITAL**

Mrs. Kenneth Smouse was taken to the Pendleton Community Hospital Christmas morning by Mr. Smouse and Carl. She had been complaining of a film over her eyes and then seemed to be blind in one eye.

She was reported to be improving and was expected to come home Wednesday.

**SANDY MATHENY** is home from Oregon State for the holidays. Coming from Kansas City for the holidays here is Linda Kookson. Linda and Sandy worked together on the Mt. Hood Forest one summer. They enjoyed Christmas dinner with Sandy's folks, Mr. and Mrs. Orval Matheny and Dave.

**Berniece Thomson Here**

Berniece Thomson came up to spend Christmas with her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thomson. She rode back to Portland with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Heinrichs, Paula and Mrs. Snoda Elake. Paul is working in Portland and they will visit Darrel Blake in Portland and Bill at Tigard.

**MR. AND MRS. GAIL ENRIGHT** of Boardman left Saturday for Richland to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smith.

Mr. Enright is basketball coach at Riverside and was expecting to be back early in the week for basketball practice and the Christmas Tournament at Umatilla.

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**Everyone is cordially invited to the New Years Eve party at Willows Grange Dec. 31. It will start with a potluck supper at 6 p.m. followed by cards.**

**Kindergarten Program**

The Heppner Community Kindergarten children had their Christmas program and party Dec. 21 in the multi-purpose room of the grade school. They sang "We Wish You a Merry Christmas," "Jingle Bells," "Away in a Manger," "Santa Claus is Coming to Town," and "Rudolph, the Red Nosed Reindeer." They even had their own Rudolph! Cam George, adorned with horns and a big, red nose, was a grand Rudolph. The children have a rhythm band and played their instruments for two numbers. Two poems were recited: "On Santa's Knee" by Steven Messick and "When Santa Comes" by Renee Struthers. Santa Claus made an appearance after the program, with candy and gifts for all the little people.

Dee Jones, kindergarten teacher, was in charge of the program, aided by Jane McRoberts, kindergarten assistant. Mrs. Mark Johnson accompanied the singers at the piano.

**Ione**

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Lancaster entertained guests for Christmas. They were: Mrs. Lancaster's parents Mr. and Mrs. Al Marrick brothers John, David, Nick and sisters Lora and Jackie Howton.

Children of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Nelson were home for Christmas. Chuck is stationed at Fort Ord, Ca. He will return January 7. Kristin is at OSU. Their guests Christmas Eve were Mr. and Mrs. Garry Tullis, Mark and Tim.

**New Years Party at Ione**

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Morgan went to Portland to spend Christmas with their children, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Peck, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Morgan and family. Granddaughter Natalie came home for a visit with her grandparents.

**CHRISTMAS AT IONE**

By CASSANDRA CHAPEL  
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Akers of Gresham and Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Linnell of Arlington spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Berl Akers.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronny Brisbois spent Christmas Eve with Ronny's parents Mr. and Mrs. Lee Brisbois at Spray. On Christmas day they spent the day with Mrs. Ira Britt in Condon. Mrs. Britt is Mrs. Brisbois' mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Thorton of Astoria and Deniece Matthews of Echo spent the Christmas weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Mike Matthews.

Mrs. Wilma Martin and Edward Martin spent Christmas day with Wilma's brother and sister-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Ladd and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Elby Akers and Danny spent the Christmas holiday in Portland with their daughter and family.

Guests at the Herb Imel residence were their children, Mr. and Mrs. James Imel and family of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Imel and family of La Grande, and Mr. and Mrs. Nick Civarra of Seattle, Delsie Chapel and Cassandra were also there.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Crowell for Christmas were: Mr. and Mrs. Jim Steagall and family, of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Brandhagen and family of Pendleton, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Steagall and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Dougherty and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Steagall and family, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Crowell, Al Winkelman, Eddie and Donna, & Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Steagall.

Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Hams spent Christmas day with their son & daughter-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Pete Hams.

Water Crawford has received word of the death of his brother R.W. Crawford. The funeral was held in Portland on Tuesday. Rollo and Arthur Crawford attended the funeral. One of Water's brothers, (Rodney) is still living.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Munkers and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Halvorsen spent the afternoon of Christmas Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Crabtree's.

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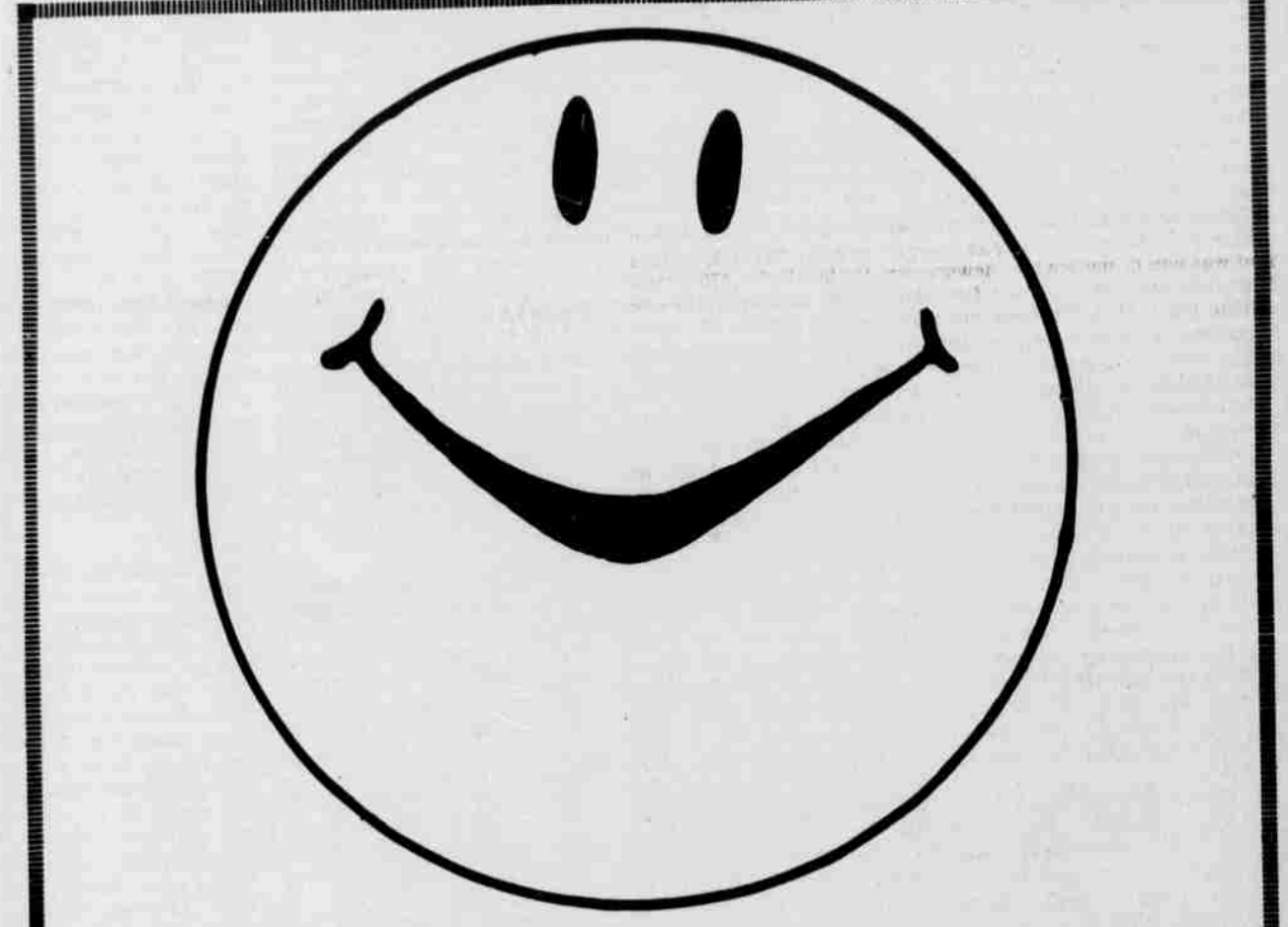
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