

Lexington

By DELPHA JONES
Mr. and Mrs. Earl Soward have had as their house guest their daughter, Mrs. Vern Greenhalgh, and son of Hutchinson, Kan. The Sowards and guest attended a family get together of Mrs. Soward's family, the Ingalls, at Puyallup, Wash., over the weekend. Mrs. Greenhalgh left Monday on her return trip home, accompanied as far as La Grande by friends who will make the return trip with her.

Three Links Club of Holly Rebekah Lodge met at the home of Mrs. Elsie Fox on Thursday. Plans were discussed further concerning the Sidewalk Bazaar and a report heard on various articles of fancy work for the fall food sale and bazaar. Refreshments were served to Catie Padberg, Leita Messenger, Florence McMillan, Frances Peck and son, Delpha Jones, Dorothy Edwards, Hilda Yocum, Vivian McConnell and Venice McRoberts by the hostess, Mrs. Irene Padberg. Mrs. Peck won the door prize. The next meeting will be at the Padberg home.

Mrs. Catie Padberg has purchased a new trailer home, which has been delivered to the lot recently purchased across from the Roy Campbell home. As soon as the ground is leveled Mrs. Padberg will start moving.

Mrs. Cleo VanWinkle is visiting at the home of her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. William J. VanWinkle, from Heirsche's Nursing home in Pendleton. A daughter, June DuVall, and son of St. Louis, Mo., are here visiting, staying at the Jack VanWinkle home in Heppner to be near her mother for a visit. Mr. DuVall will join her later in the month.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Van Winkle of Salem were Lexington and Heppner callers last week, taking their small son William home after a visit with grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland and Mr. and Mrs. VanWinkle. Glenda Kay, VanWinkle returned home with them for an extended visit.

Mrs. Robert Davidson is a patient in St. Anthony's Hospital in Pendleton.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Rienertsen and daughter Virginia of Dallas were Lexington visitors over the weekend at the Kenneth Jones home. Rienertsen and Jones were aboard the USS Galveston during their Navy days.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McConnell and family have returned from a trip to North Dakota where they visited both his and her families. Mrs. McConnell reports no trouble getting gasoline.

Mrs. Morris McCarl drove to Seattle Saturday to meet her son, Lee, who was arriving by plane from Sitka, Alaska, where he has been visiting with Scott Crabtree.

Recent visitors at the Erda Pieper home have been her daughter, Mrs. Earl Hall, and Jodi from Portland, Diane Dick and Mrs. Daryl Dick and Debra, Trevor and Devonna, all of Portland, visited their grandmother, Mrs. Pieper, last week.

Mrs. Harvey Wright and children have returned from a few days stay in Portland. Mr. Wright, who has been hospitalized for some time, is now a patient in Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner.

Irrigon

By FRANCES ROSE WILSON
Jim Thompson of East Central Oregon Association of Counties appeared before the city council July 10 asking if it was favorable to being included in the study being conducted on the area concerning industry and related economics. Council members responded favorably.

Cecil Cooley, representing Majestic Acres Corp., was present to discuss further plans for the housing development being proposed for the area south of the highway and east of Ordinance Road. The council, without formal action, expressed approval of the engineering study, with

certain modifications, to furnish water from the present well to a reservoir to be provided by the developer.

A bonding process will be started by the City of Irrigon to provide a second well and emergency equipment for the present pumping station.

A 60-unit apartment building and 53 housing units are in the plans for the initial development.

At the council meeting an ordinance was adopted ordering the vacating of 9th Street between North and South Main Streets.

No one but council members appeared at the scheduled hearing on the vacation of the street.

A petition by Gerald and Rita Clark, which was approved by the planning commission for annexing their property to the city, was approved by the council. It involved about 2 acres between Utah and California Avenues and east of First Street. The area was also approved for low density residential zoning, as requested on the plat submitted.

Mae McKinney of Pendleton is visiting her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Stephens.

Doris Gage-Cole of Vancouver, B. C., is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Jorgensen.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lineel visited an aunt, Margie McGuire, in Madras during the past week.

Caroline Linnel has moved to Salem, where she is staying with a friend.

A recent visitor at the Ernest Stephens home was Bill Leslie of Monument, a former Irrigon resident.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Wilson, Lerry and their daughter Carmine of Santa Cruz, Calif., vacationed at Anthony Lakes for several days and spent the weekend in Boise, where they visited their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson.

Miss Wilson returned to Santa Cruz by plane the following Sunday. She is the registrar at Bethany Bible College near Santa Cruz.

An Australian looks at American girls

"American girls, although as pretty as the Australian girls, smoke too much, drink too much beer, and get married too young," says Bill Rowett, International Farm Youth Exchange Student, Mirrable, South Australia.

Australian girls, although quite fond of beer, drink very little, not by choice but by force. The men do almost all of the beer drinking; the girls watch.

Bill, 24, single, made those statements after being in the United States only a few weeks. He has been staying with Mr. and Mrs. Jim West, lone, learning American farming and sheep raising methods.

Bill, a member of the Rural Youth, Australian equivalent of the 4-H Club of America, had his air fare to the United States paid for the agricultural company in Australia. While visiting here, he will live with 4-H members and their families.

He plans to study the American way of farming and American way of life, and upon his return home he will be able to try U.S. methods of farming on his own farm.

Bill and his parents own a 1,000-acre ranch. They raise 2,000 sheep for wool, have 350 acres planted in wheat and barley and 400 acres of alfalfa.

New camp explained

Representatives of the Church of Latter-Day Saints told Chamber of Commerce members Monday about the new Harmony Camp at Lake Penland.

Mrs. Ruth Wilson of Pasco and Mrs. Treva Button of Richland, Wash., explained how the camp is being used, mostly by girls of 12 years and over, in a four-year certification program for wilderness survival.

At the first camp for girls, which has just ended, girls built 18 camps, developed an amphitheatre for such activities as dance, drama and speech.

Mrs. Wilson is president of the church's youth organization, and Mrs. Button is a camp leader-counselor.

"This is possible because of the rainfall, which averages 21 inches per year, plus nine months of growing weather. We have no snow or frost, and the valuable rain continues throughout the year."

Oregon is similar to South Australia, he said especially the mountains, deep valleys, and the climate. However, we seem to get the rain when we need it, which makes the difference in growing crops.

"One thing that I can't follow in America," said Bill, is the property tax system for farmers. On our farm in Australia the property tax on the 1,000 acre farm amounts to \$1,000 per year, this amount includes county taxes for the maintenance of roads, water rights, consisting of the right to have running water on our property and the right to use it, and the land tax, which amounts to 1 percent of the land value. The 1 percent tax is soon to be phased out of our present tax structure. Two years ago it was 2 percent and with the next few years, should be eliminated.

"Our government is trying to encourage farming; here your government seems to be discouraging farming. The one thing that really confuses me is the government's way of subsidizing farmers. Paying farmers not to grow food, has me confused."

They announced that a Father-Son Camp will begin Aug. 25, and that youth activities in the future will be continuous through the summer months.

Orville Cutsforth introduced the speakers. The camp is located on 20 acres of property formerly owned by Cutsforth.

Ernie Labert, State Forestry Department, Fossil, will be speaker at next Monday's Chamber of Commerce meeting.

Bill continued: "There is no comparison to Australian wool and American wool. Australia is noted for its fine wool which is exported the world over. The wool is much longer and is of a different texture than American wool."

"Wool has skyrocketed in Australia within the past two years," he observed. "Two years ago wool sold for 32 cents per pound. Today the price has risen to \$1.80 per

pound, as it comes off the sheep."

Bill left the Heppner-Ione area Saturday for Corvallis, but not without an observation on Heppner and its people.

"Heppner is a typical small rural town where everyone seems to know what's happening, something I think is traditional with any small farming area, as it is in my home town of Mirrable. The people are very friendly."



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