



CYDE ALLSTOTT

Cyde Allstott plans wedding in August

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Allstott, Heppner, are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Cyde Marie, to Michael Doherty, Heppner.

Cyde is a senior at Heppner High School and plans to attend Blue Mountain Community College, Pendleton, next fall.

Her fiancé attended Heppner High School and is currently employed at Kinzua Corporation.

An August wedding is planned.

Mary Bates AAUW luncheon speaker

BMCC Librarian Mary Bates, the Oregon State chairman of this year's topic area, "Women Searching for Self," was the speaker at a luncheon meeting of the AAUW branch at Beecher's Cafe, Jan. 12.

Before Mrs. Bates was introduced by Branch President Liz Curtis, members held a business discussion. Besides a money-raising project they considered the matter of bringing more college credit courses to the county. Branch Legislative Chairman Anne Doherty polled the 22 members present as to their feelings about the Highway Trust Fund and the coming ballot measures concerning the possible establishment of a new tax base for school support.

"We should constantly strive for less sexism in children's literature and for open opportunities for either sex. Women must make their voices heard on vocational advisory councils. Qualified women should volunteer for committees and boards."

Several prospective members were visitors at this salad luncheon, arranged by the branch members in lone under the chairmanship of Jean Nelson.

Mrs. Curtis announced that the February meeting will be the evening of Feb. 5 at 7:30 at the Heppner Elementary School, that husbands are invited, and that the evening's discussion will be on the book, "Future Shock."

VD hits the class of '74

Besides their class rings, school colors, and memories, one fifth of the class of '74 will have something else in common: venereal disease, according to state representative Lewis B. Hampton chairman of the Oregon Venereal Disease Task Force.

"By the time these young people reach 25 years of age, one-third will have contracted syphilis or gonorrhea," Hampton said.

Some have already been exposed, treated and cured. "They are the lucky ones," Hampton said, "they are getting well. Others have syphilis or gonorrhea and either don't know it or don't know what to do about it."

Hampton pointed out that venereal disease is not exclusive to young people. It strikes persons of all ages from the newborn to the senior citizen.

Young people under 25 are the most vulnerable and the least able to handle the problem because of being unaware and because of the stigma attached to the disease.

"Venereal disease is a serious problem among young people; it is urgent for their protection that they receive accurate information," Hampton said. Efforts should be made to introduce venereal disease education into the

health curriculum of private and public schools beginning in the 7th grade.

"I find it incomprehensible," Hampton said, "that some parents and schools object to children being taught the facts about the leading infectious disease in Oregon."

There is a tendency to link venereal disease education programs to sex education creating resistance by some parents and educators.

Venereal disease education differs from sex education in that it does not cover functions of the reproductive system, sex techniques, puberty, family planning, abortions, or other aspects of marital life.

Venereal disease education belongs in the health curriculum where it can be discussed as a communicable disease along with typhoid, diphtheria, smallpox and mumps.

"Students should be taught about venereal diseases as they learn about other health problems that affect their lives," Hampton said. In this way, young people will receive factual information rather than controversy about value judgements.

The Oregon Venereal Disease Task Force was established by Youth Commission Chairman Clay Myers in May of 1973. The final report of the Task Force will be published in June of 1974.

March of Dimes drive, Jan. 31

The annual March of Dimes Mothers March will be held Thursday, Jan. 31.

Mrs. Carolyn Cole, Mothers March chairman for the 1974 drive against birth defects, will direct volunteer activities throughout the county during the drive.

Mrs. Cole is coordinating the neighbor-to-neighbor appeal aimed at overcoming the nation's major child health problem. "Birth defects strike some 250,000 infants with physical or mental damage every year in the United States," reports Mrs. Cole.

Donna Bergstrom, Morrow County chairman for March of Dimes, announced this year's area chairman: Leice Martin, Heppner; Marie Struthers, Lexington; Dianna Hams, Lone; Mary Lou Daltoso, 481-4761.

Boardman and Irrigon.

The Heppner volunteers will begin their canvass at 6 p.m. from the Bank of Eastern Oregon. Following the drive, they will meet back at the bank for coffee and doughnuts.

Volunteers in the Lexington and Lone area are still needed. Anyone interested in working on the drive may call Marie Struthers, 989-8248, or Dianna Hams, 422-7507.

In order to state a successful campaign, Mary Lou Daltoso reported the Boardman and Irrigon areas will be canvassed Jan. 21-31, both days and evenings. Anyone in that area interested in the once-a-year neighborhood drive on behalf of children's health is urged to contact Mrs. Daltoso, 481-4761.

Between us chickens On the other hand, we never had it so good

Page 35 of Newsweek for December 24th entitled "Then and Now" should furnish women some food for thought.

The picture of "Mrs. Freake and Baby Mary" painted in 1674 (artist unknown) reflects a mother's pride in her own and her baby's personal appearance.

Three hundred years later Duane Hanson presents us with the life-size sculpture "Supermarket Lady" — a baggy, bulgy, bra-less broad, arrogant in her pridelessness. In wash and wear pullover and miniskirt, in house slippers and of course, hair in rollers and cigarette in mouth, she pushes her cart, overflowing with TV dinners, ice cream, chocolate cookies and doughnuts, with pleneous meats, canned and packaged foods.

Mrs. Freake probably made every stitch of clothing worn by herself and her child, after weaving the material. And consider her laundry problems (no deodorant sprays, remember) especially the manifold petticoats trailing the floor, to be washed, starched and ironed with sadrons heated on coals in the fireplace (you think you have back trouble?) Like as not she heated the wash water, carried from the nearest stream, in a black iron pot with a wood fire under it. If she was lucky she had a washboard but probably just her hands to rub the clothes clean with her homemade lye soap, and to wring and rinse and wring again, till the skin slipped off.

But we are liberated now, as well as emancipated, with time to grow fat and sloppy if we don't watch it.

But surely we haven't sacrificed all our pride on the altar of technocracy. With fast hair dryers and heated rollers we have no excuse for appearing in public in hair curlers. The woman who inflicts those tortures on herself at night and on her husband at breakfast (if she gets up for it) is sorely in need of a return to self respect.

We need more pride in ourselves, our families, our communities and our country. In an article in Gazette-Times recently, a Canadian rebuked us for selling our country short, after all the good things we have done. We don't have to be Chauvinists to be proud of our country.

A later Gazette-Times article by James Reston (GIVE THANKS FOR SHORTAGES) deserves re-reading. In it he points out that, historically, Americans have always risen to any occasion, and will again.

To anyone watching the Rose Bowl Parade it should be obvious that a country able to promote that much enthusiasm, beauty and cooperation can't be all bad.

So here's to a proud, and clean, happy New Year.

Degree of Honor elects new officers

Mary Bryant was elected president of the Degree of Honor Lodge, Jan. 8. She replaces Frieda Majeske.

Her officers for the coming year are: Marilyn Bergstrom, 1st vice-president; Ruth Bergstrom, 2nd vice-president; Ardith Hunt, recording secretary; Alice Soward, secretary-treasurer; Bernice Nash, usher; Shirley Connor, assistant usher; Doris Robinson, inner watch; Martha King, right assistant to the vice-president; Catie Padberg, left assistant to vice-president; Mary Bryant, drill captain; Alice Soward, trustee; Doris Robinson, sunshine chairman; Ida Farra, Mary McMurry and Martha King, auditing committee; Mary McMurry, color bearer; Mildred Padberg, Ida Farra, Eleanor Gonty and Marie Steagall, escort staff; Lee Wagonblast, escort staff alternate; Helen Kruger, escort staff; Oma Cox, pianist.

Pancake feed to be served by grange men

Monday, Jan. 21, is Men's Night at the Lexington Grange. A pancake feed cooked and served by the grange men will begin at 6:30 p.m.

Fred Nelson is chairman of the supper committee, assisted by Gene Majeske, Joe Yocom, Don McEwen and Cecil Jones.

A grange meeting will follow. The program will be "Ruling by the Tax Department on Partnerships and Balance Sheets." Norman Nelson and Carl Marquardt are in charge of the program.

The charter will be draped in memory of Lora Moyer.

Consumerism course being held here

If you fell you have been a victim of false advertising, who would you contact? If your washing machine, still under warranty, breaks down but the dealer refuses to fix it, who should you contact first?

The answer to these and other consumer related topics will be discussed during the Consumer Awareness course offered in Heppner by Blue Mountain Community College adult education community service.

The course, instructed by Jeanne Howell, meets every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at Heppner High School, Room 10.

It is designed to make the consumer more aware of his responsibilities as a participating, consuming member of society. Whether in Heppner or larger commercial areas, the consumer plays an important role in shaping the economy by the decisions he makes within the marketplace.

Class topics will include learning the art of defensive buymanship, "let's read the label," get the most for your money, the credit game, insurance, buying a home, and financial planning.

There are still openings in the class. Anyone interested in enrolling may register by attending class Jan. 17. For further information, contact Mrs. Howell, 676-5002.

1st National deposits up

The First National Bank of Oregon, Heppner branch, reports deposits of \$9,220,550 and loans of \$7,475,890 as of Dec. 31.

Comparable totals for the branch a year ago were \$8,341,336 in deposits and \$7,295,662 in loans.

Statewide, deposits for the bank increased 3.9 per cent over 1972 and loans were up 8.2 per cent.

Classes in first aid available

Multi-media first aid classes will be held Jan. 21-23, 7 to 10 p.m., at Heppner High School Room 7.

Ken Nelson, Lexington, and Wayne Hams, Lone, will be the instructors.

First aid cards will be awarded to those who finish the course. Participants are asked to bring a newspaper or magazine, two towels and a blanket.

A \$1 fee will be required to cover cost of the workbooks used with the course. Persons must sign up at the extension office in order to get their name on the list. Selection will be on a first-come basis.

BLACKALLERS OFF FOR ENGLISH VISIT

The Rev. and Mrs. David Blackaller left Heppner yesterday for a two-week visit in Ipswich, England.

The Blackallers will visit Mrs. Blackaller's mother in Ipswich, after which they plan to spend a few days in London before returning. Their plans are subject to travel conditions in Britain, where a railroad strike is in progress.

Bank debits report gains

Bank debits for the 18 reporting banks including Gilliam, Grant, Morrow, Umattilla, and Wheeler counties were up in November, 1973, compared to November 1972, the University of Oregon Bureau of Business Research has reported.

Debits for November 1973 totaled \$119,849,000. For October 1973 the total was \$112,693,000 and for November 1972, the total was \$101,528,000.

Oregon, with 426 banks reporting, had a percentage increase of 16.0 in November 1973 as compared with October 1973, and a 52.4 percentage increase in November 1973 compared with November 1972.

Total bank debits for November 1973 came to \$11,407,396,000. For October 1973 the total was \$9,833,375,000 and for November 1972 the total was \$7,484,001,000.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Albert, Heppner, are visiting Edgar's brother in Ormond Beach, Fla. The Alberts plan to return home in March.

Charles A. Nelson, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Nelson, Lexington, has been promoted to Army Specialist 4 in Darmstadt, Germany. Spec. Nelson is an assistant operations specialist with Headquarters Battery, V Corps Artillery.

RECEPTION FOR NEWLYWEDS

Ron and Olivia Palmer invite their friends and relatives to a reception for their daughter and son-in-law, Lt. and Mrs. Wilson Blackburn, at the Wagon Wheel, Sunday, Jan. 20, at 3 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Blackburn were married recently in Tacoma.

SCHOOL Lunch Menu

Heppner Elementary and Heppner High School

Thursday, Jan. 17 — Macaroni and cheese, buttered spinach, rolls, butter, peach crisp and milk.

Friday, Jan. 18 — Fish stix, hash browns, cabbage salad, ice cream slice, rolls, butter and milk.

Monday, Jan. 21 — Spaghetti & ground beef, celery and cheese stix, french bread, butter, applesauce and milk.

Tuesday, Jan. 22 — Meat loaf, scalloped potatoes, lettuce wedges, fresh fruit, bread and butter.

Wednesday, Jan. 23 — School's choice.

WOMEN'S FITNESS CLASS SCHEDULED

The women's physical fitness class has been rescheduled for Wednesday nights, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m., at the Heppner High School balcony.

Women may sign up by contacting Martha Doherty or registering at the next class Jan. 23.

Officers, directors and coaches of the Willow Creek Little League will meet Thursday, Jan. 24, 7:30 p.m., in the conference room at First National Bank, Heppner. All interested persons are invited to attend.

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