

Senior Class Prophecy

I had pulled into Lexington an hour early to pick up an old classmate at the Lexington International Airport. There I met cousin Joan McElligott who had just flown in from Cambridge, Mass., where she teaches at Harvard. Over the years she has become a world reknown history buff and has recently tried her hand at writing. Her latest book is, "The Sinking of the German Navy." At any rate she was to be speaker for the 1986 Commencement exercises.

On the way back to Ione we talked continuously about our old classmates. We both had read Kay Bergstrom's name in several leading newspapers. She's a regular Gloria Stienman. It seems that she recognized her calling in life when she fought the discrimination of the fair sex on the Pacific Northwest Bell telephone directory, clear back in 1974.

Joan said that she had run into Melanie Ball and Teena Stefani on one of her lecturing tours. Teena is a New York socialite, still in search of her rich lawyer. Melanie has become an excellent secretary for the President of the United States. What got her the job was her extensive knowledge of tapes and bugging.

Joan had been so excited about touching home territory that she almost forgot to tell me about her ride up. She had switched planes in Texas and by coincidence Kathy Gilbert was on the same plane, and had gotten off at Pendleton's airport. She had flown with royalty, as Kathy had recently been elected as Queen of the Hardman Rodeo, the biggest rodeo now in Oregon.

Our classmate Mark Rietmann had only lasted a year at Tumble Weed Tech. As I had told him that he would, he had gotten married. He lost the family farm due to crop failure, but... he's kept busy now running a herd of registered angus and raising his family of thirteen children.

Phil Carlson has also gone into farming. He was better off than Mark though! The halls of learning had called him back. He had realized that education was important to youth and was now the Superintendent of Morrow County Schools. (And to think that we thought it was world problems he wanted to solve!)

Donna Wilson never did make it out of Morrow County. She worked even faster than Mark. Scott and she have built on to the Baker place to accomodate their sixteen kids. So much for being a Medical Secretary!

We had just pulled up by Beecher's Restaurant when the car locked itself in second gear. (I never have had much luck with cars!) I called Independent Garage and Fred Sherman answered by phone call! I guess he went out of state for the training but came back to be the garage's main mechanic.

While the car was being fixed we decided to take a look over the town. Many buildings had been added on Main Street for the city had done much growing.

We hadn't walked but a few feet when I read the first sign -- "Rowell's Western Wear." We peered through the door and I could have sworn I saw Candi behind the counter. We went in though and sure enough it was Candi. The store was crowded so we left. I guess they're making good, though I never thought they'd try this.

Back on the street again we were ready for anything. There was a Sear's store farther down the block so we went into it just for kicks, we had time to spare with nothing to lose. We asked the clerk who the head of this outfit was. She replied, "Paul W. Ashurst I". I guess he had worked up the ladder and finally reached the top.

Joan and I were ready to believe anything now. Across the street there was this catchy modern little white building. We went over to get a closer look at it and what should we see on the door but -- "Dentist-Kevin Gutierrez, Your teeth are my teeth." Thinking of his mouth as much as he does I guess I shouldn't have been so surprised that he should care about other's too. We went in to say "Hi" and who should be behind the desk but Jan Ekstrom. We both knew she had gone to school to learn the art of picking teeth. She said that the big city life had called her back.

We asked her if she had heard anything from our old classmates, Doris McCabe (Berry now) and Cheryl Ployhar. She said that Doris was still in Hermiston raising her young family. They have four kids; Ras, Blu, Goose and Straw. Twins were on the way, so the doctor says.

Cheryl had found a job that summer we graduated, at the mill. She didn't like the indoor work. Now she's lumberjacking in the mountains. Bob's home with the apron strings raising their two kids.

Jan also added that there were big doings tonite at the school. Our old classmate, Mickey Hoskins, had become another Michealangelo. She had finished her ceiling paintings at the school house that she had been working on for the past ten years. To celebrate the occasion, another old classmate, now a famous singer, Cassy Chapel was going to put on a benefit concert for the school.

All my classmates went places, it seems, after our graduation -- clear to the top!

For some reason the conversation had gotten onto food. Jan said that John Marick had just opened a new Sea Food Cafe on Main Street and it was the rage. Joan and she decided to eat lunch there, but I passed it up. I had developed some self control around food, besides it was time I got back to work. I told Joan to find a ride home and I'd call her later.

I figured the car must be done by now with Fred fixing it. I had a forty-five minute drive to the other side of town ahead of me, so I best hit the road in order to get back to work at a decent time. You see I had finished college on the ten-year program and had recently become the Accountant for "Meyer's Inc." (I guess he had finally pinched enough pennies to need one.) I had also learned some new tricks to save on money. I sure hope he is understanding about my being late!

MARY PAT McELLIGOTT
JOAN McELLIGOTT

ELECTIONS

The Ione Student Body held elections recently and results were as follows:

In the office of President, Joel Peterson was chosen. Mike McElligott was also a candidate.

Charlie McElligott was elected to the office of Vice-President from the field of Rick Peterson, Skye Krebs, Glen Griffith, and Joe Rietmann.

For Assistant Secretary-Treasurer the school picked Arlynda Aldrich over Lori Bergstrom, Lauretta Piening and Terry McElligott.

Gayle McNary won the position as Annual Editor. She was the only student running for this position.

For the position of Editor of the "Cardinal Spirit" Cindi Martin was chosen. Terry McElligott was also running.

Varsity cheerleaders for next year are: Sherri Wilson, Gayle McNary, Terry McElligott, and Catherine McElligott.

Junior Varsity cheerleaders are Donna Palmer, Dawn Peterson, and Debora Palmer. Sheila White also tried out.

DANNY AKERS

in 12 years...

What I want to be when I grow up!

First grade class, under Mrs. Rietmann.
Cindy Dickerson-teacher
Jerry Anderson-garbage man
Kenny Graves-fireman
Paula Anderson-teacher
Mark Meyers-Policeman
Paul Zinter-fireman
Lori Fetsch-horse rider
Donny Doherty-mill worker

If I could be anything, what would I be?

Second grade class, under Miss Herman.
Sylvia Ladd-a horse
Mark Prock-a dog
John Dickerson-a millionaire
Scott Barnett-a fish
Darrin Padberg-6 million dollar man
Greg White-football player
Craig Hams-a bird
Howard Leavitt-a cat
Lyndean Markham-a football player
Larry Sullivan-5 million dollar mine

DONNA PALMER

BMCC Sings

On Thursday, May 16, the BMCC Concert Choir and Vocal Ensemble presented a musical program to the Ione students in grades 7-12.

Directed by Mr. Thomas R. Blaylock, the group consisted of 28 singers and several accompanist, some who were recognized as local residents. Fourteen of the singers took part in a special vocal ensemble, which sang several songs.

With songs ranging from the "Pater Noster" to "Smile" the group entertained students for almost an hour.

The group was good, and all the students enjoyed their presentation.

CATHERINE McELLIGOTT

1973 Graduate Report

Wondering what happened to last year's marvelous seniors?

Well here is a brief report on the happenings of that class: KATHLEEN McELLIGOTT is attending the University of Portland where she is majoring in Nursing. This summer she is working at Larry Lindsays'.

DAVE WARREN is currently at OSU, majoring in Engineering. He lives at the Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity. Dave will be home working for the summer.

DICK SNIDER is majoring in Agri-Business at BMCC. He played JV Basketball and was on the Baseball team at BMCC.

MELISSA McELLIGOTT attended Carrol College in Helena, Montana where she is majoring in nursing. She is working this summer for Francis Carlson.

GREGG WILSON is going to OSU where he is majoring in Engineering Physics and belongs to the AGR Frat. He is employed this summer at Hiembigners.

JERRY PETTYJOHN is going to BMCC, after working in Heppner the 2nd term. He is now majoring in Communications.

KENT GUTIERREZ is also at BMCC. He is majoring in Physical Education and was on the College's Baseball, Track, and JV Basketball team.

CHRISTINA LINDSTROM is attending Pacific Lutheran in Tacoma, Washington where she is majoring in Communication Arts, and Journalism.

ED WINKLEMAN, after going 2 terms at EOC, majoring in General Science, is now home, working for Larry Lindsay.

NANCY ASHURST, after attending BMCC for 1 term, majoring in Nursing, is now home working for Slim Emert.

ANN HOSKINS is at BMCC where she is majoring in Education and minoring in Basketball. She is living at Gibbon and will be doing ranch work this summer.

DAVE McNARY is working at the Auto Parts in Milton-Freewater and is living with his "Granny."

JOHN RIETMANN is attending college in Monmouth where he is taking General Studies and Liberal Arts. He will work this summer.

KAREN CROWELL is married to Doug Connors and is presently living in Hermiston.

D-ANN BLOODSWORTH is living in Ione's trailer court and works at MCGG. Her husband Jim, is employed by Kinzua Corporation.

DONAL McCARTY is in the navy for 4 years and is stationed near Memphis, Tennessee. He recently finished boot camp in San Diego.

1974 Senior Plans

Following are the 1974 Senior's future plans:

Mary Pat McElligott-Going to the Big Sky Country to attend Carrol College in Helena, Montana and major in Business.
Fred Sherman-Going to Arizona and attend school, majoring in Master Mechanics.
Donna Wilson-Uncecided.
Micky Hoskins-Attend Blue Mountain Community College in Pendleton to major in Art and minor in Basketball.
Melanie Ball-Attend Blue Mountain Community College in Pendleton.
Paul Ashursts-Go to work.
John Marick-Presently unknown.
Phil Carlson-Attend OIT, major in Auto and Diesel Technology.
Kay Bergstrom-Enter OSU and major in Home Economics.
Joan McElligott-Attend Portland University, major in History.
Mark Rietmann-Major in Ag Science at Blue Mountain Community College.
Teena Stefani-Go to college at Lane Community in Eugene.
Doris McCabe-Get married in June to Ron Berry and move to Hermiston.
Cheryl Ployhar-Find a job somewhere-hopefully!
Cassandra Chapel-Go to EOSC in LaGrande; major in Elementary Education and minor in Music.
Candi Mansfield-Get married and live in Ione.
Jan Ekstrom-Moving to Richland to go to Medical Institute for Careers.
Kathy Gilbert-Major in Accounting at Blue Mountain Community College.
Kevin Gutierrez-Go right to work at Ed Martin Industrial Incorporated.

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