



Children gather around as Mrs. Inez Erwin, right, reads the children their favorite stories. The Children's Story Hour was presented by volunteers at the Heppner Public Library during the summer.

## Story hour ends at public library

For seven Monday mornings this June and July sizeable groups of children between 4 and 8 years old have been enjoying story times at the Public Library.

This is the third year that the American Association of University Women has organized and carried out these Monday morning programs.

This is the first year that children from the Heppner Child Development Center have attended. They have walked to and from the library with several staff members each week to join with about an equal number of youngsters who came from their own homes. Weekly attendance has varied from about 25 to over 40 children.

Volunteer storytellers, who gave of their time and talents this year were: Jeanne Howell, Pauline Winter, Rachael Dick, Sue Duncan, Inez Erwin and Mike and Kathy Anderson who were there two Mondays. Live tadpoles, various puppets and other visuals have enhanced the stories. Several mothers and big sisters have come along each week to assist with the children.

Librarian Justine Weatherford points out that circulation of children's books has gone up considerably as a direct result of these gatherings. She feels that they have been most helpful in demonstrating to the small children the pleasures to be gained from reading.

It is hoped that before next summer the Children's Room will be completed and story times can be held there. The work on the new room that was moving so well last spring came to a halt when Ed Heimstra was hurt and unable to carry on. He will complete his summer school work soon and may then be able to complete the shelving and partitions for the new room.

### WEDDING SET

Teri Snow, daughter of Mr. Bill Snow, Ione, will be married to Joe McElligott, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dick McElligott, Ione, on Saturday, Aug. 9, 4 p.m. The wedding will be at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Heppner. All friends and relatives are cordially invited to attend.

## IONE NEWS

Eva Hamlett

The Ione Garden Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Fred Martin on Wednesday, Aug. 13, 10:30 a.m. The morning will be taken up with a business meeting and convention reports by Helen Martin and Delta Huber. There will be a salad luncheon at noon, followed by an open meeting with Mrs. Charles Dallas, Blue Mt. District Director of Pendleton giving a program on flower arranging with special emphasis on the mechanics of arranging. She will also discuss selecting and grooming flowers for horticulture display at the fair. Those attending are asked to bring containers, flowers, and foliage.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Crabtree were recent visitors in Portland, going down to see Mrs. Archie Munkers.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Shurman, Aptos, CA, spent Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Halvorsen. Coming with them were Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Barnwell of Portland.

Arriving Monday to visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Halvorsen was Mrs. Halvorsen's cousin, Mr. Francis Lindsey and son John from Albuquerque, NM. On Monday evening Mrs. Halvorsen entertained with a family dinner. Members present besides the host and hostess were Joe Halvorsen, Donna and Darcie Rea, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Crabtree, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Munkers of Lexington, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Halvorsen and family, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Halvorsen and family, Hermiston, Mr. and Mrs.

Larry Prock and family and Mr. Francis Lindsey and son John.

Mrs. Adon Hamlett spent last week in Vancouver, WA visiting her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Arrends. On Wednesday, Adon Hamlett came down and spent Wednesday through Friday visiting them.

This Friday will be the last Story Hour for the summer. Featured readers will be Miss Lisa Meyers, Miss Natalie Tews, and Miss Janet McElligott.

### BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Scherrer, Lexington, a son, Sonny Von, 7 lbs. 3 1/2 oz., born July 31.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ray Papineau, Lexington, Nora Jean Peterson, Condon, and Eugene Scherrer, Battle Ground, WA. Great grandparents are Mrs. Agnes Nichols, Lexington, and Mr. and Mrs. William Rooper, The Dalles.

Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Wayne Miracle, Heppner, a son, Patrick Wade, 8 lbs. 5 1/2 oz., born August 3.

Grandparents are Mrs. Georgia Daniels, Butler, KY, and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Miracle, Peach Grove, KY. He has one sister at home.

To Mr. and Mrs. Terry Hirm, Heppner, a son, Wesley Phillip, 7 lbs. 5 1/2 oz., born Aug. 3, 1975.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Hirm, Anacortes, WA, and Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Weir, Fort Meyers, FL. Great grandmother is Mrs. Alma Hirm, Butler, MO.

## Japan visitors have touch of homesickness

Word received from the girls visiting in Japan indicates they have had a round with homesickness. The young ladies, Cathy Palmer, Alice Abrams and Janette Piper arrived in Tokyo on July 26. They will spend about one month with their Japanese hosts.

In her letter to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Del Piper, Janette mentioned frequently the fact that she missed home and family and would be anxious to return. She was finding Japanese life styles somewhat different and interesting. She mentioned the difference in the method of drying clothes, the fact they have no beds and sleep on the floor and their toilets look like ours but don't flush. She also remarked that the small tub Japan home has a small tub much like a foot bath.

Alice Abrams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Abrams spent her first day in Japan in the hospital. Her first small-pox vaccination didn't take so she was required to have another before leaving Seattle and she had a reaction to the shot. She is visiting in Nagasaki and has the opportunity to help teach some of the children English. She remarked about the many, bright shiny, small cars they use. She has found the Japanese still bathe in their traditional manner which is much different than she is used to.

Both young girls have mentioned the hot weather and high humidity. The girls are visiting under the 4-H and LABO exchange programs. As yet Mr. and Mrs. Roger Palmer haven't received a letter from their daughter Cathy.

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## 4-H home ec members must register early

All members enrolled in 4-H home economics projects were mailed county fair pre-registration forms recently, according to Birdine Tullis, Extension Assistant.

The form lists all contests and events open to 4-H members and must be returned to the County Extension Office by Aug. 8 to ensure participation and schedule of events for fair. "There are events for every age group and the fair is coming sooner than you think," Birdine said. "It really helps if the girls will get their pre-registration forms in on time."

Some events and 4-H dates are changed at the fair this year. The public style show, previously held on Wednesday evening, will be moved to Tuesday night, Aug. 19. The popular event will again be

held in the main rodeo arena in front of the grandstand. Just the day is changed—and all interested are asked to mark their calendar with Public Style Show on Tuesday of this year.

Any one in the county who has not yet picked up a copy of the Fair Premium Book will find a supply available at the Extension Office, Heppner and at the Justice Court Office, Irrigon.



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