

Party Line

By Dorothy Zita

In the letters to the editor column this week is a letter which will explain the 1902 edition of the Heppner Gazette was printed to give the outside world a brief and reliable statement of the resources, advantages and actual conditions now existing and to show that Morrow County is worthy of at least an investigation by people who are looking to the west for homes.

We received a telephone call this week from Pacific NW Bell informing us that as of January 26, the one and two party telephone customers in this area will be put on direct dialing. No longer will we be able to hear "number please", when we place a long distance call. I've enjoyed the convenience of placing a long distance call from anywhere in the Heppner area and when the operator has asked for my number, I could give mine, without an extra charge.

Friday evening, the Jerry Jones were given a no-host farewell dinner party at the Elks Lodge. They were presented a silver tray with accessories. The cake was decorated in the motif of their move with a U-Haul truck fully loaded and pulling their little orange car behind. The sign on the cake pointed to Creswell, where the Jones family moved to early Saturday morning.

This past week, the false spring we have all enjoyed, was enough to watch the attitudes of people. Cheerful greetings came quicker. Golf was back in full swing. Just a small reminder, that spring is not too far away. Although looking out the window now, I see frozen fog falling and wonder.

Jim Barratt was toasted and roasted last Saturday evening in Corvallis, to honor his retirement as athletic director of Oregon State University.

The crowd of over 500 people who gathered to pay tribute to Jim and Dorothea also contributed to an OSU endowment scholarship in Jim's name.

The Master of Ceremonies, Dee Andos, was calling the roasts. All of the roasters were good, including Jim's brother Bill, a banker from Spokane; Norbert Peavy from Sacramento, son of former OSU president, George Peavy, and one-time teacher of Jim's in Heppner High School. Kingsly Chapin Slyter, an old time school chum was good at getting some quick digs at Jim.

The Barratts held up under it all. After 25 years in Corvallis, they learned how

Gladys Cowdry, Stayton, is visiting with Alta Cutsforth, before leaving for Missouri to visit her mother, who will be celebrating her 84th birthday this year.

Dennis, would you please learn the combination to your postal box... perhaps some day you will need the mail and no one will be in the post office to hand you the mail. Besides, you've had three years to learn the combination.

Always use a hot knife for cutting fresh bread, a wet knife for cutting soft cake and a knife dipped into cold water for meringue pie.

Then there is this tip, to keep your cake fresh longer, place a piece of apple pie in the container with the cake. Just one thing, the apple pie will disappear first.

Heppner High cast begins play

Casting has already been done, and the play "The Great Big Door Step" is well on its way.

The play, written by Frances Goodrich, and Albert Hackett is a comedy in three acts.

It begins shortly after they find a great big door step floating in the Mississippi River. The rest of the play shows the schemes the Crochet family goes through to find a house to match their steps.

"I think it's going to be a really good play," commented Co-director Ellen Nussbaum. Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 18-19 are the set dates for the play. The reason it is being held in the middle of the week is because they want a good turnout and they don't think they could with basketball games on the weekend.

Jane Rawlins had selected the play that consists of seven girls and five boy parts. They are: Evvie, Krynn Robinson; Topal, Suzanne Cutsforth; Elna, Tami Toll; Fleece, Marie Yocom; Mrs. Crochet, Judy Ledbetter; Arthur, Jeff Fortenberry; Commodore Charlie Tawkins; Mrs. Dupre, Karen Winter; Tayo, Mark Parker; Dewey, Scott McEwen; Mrs. Beaumont Crochet, Kathy Marshall; Tobin, Chris Rauch; Student Director, Vicki Edmundson and Stage Manager, Steve Jones.

THREE ATTEND LIBRARY WORKSHOP

Marion Abrams, June Field and Justine Weatherford spent Saturday, Jan. 17, in Pendleton with other library people at a workshop at BMCC. Umatilla County Librarian John Switzer arranged an interesting and educational program for the school and public librarians from Umatilla and Morrow Counties who attended.

Debbie Lee presented an illustrated talk on the functions of the Oregon State Extension Division and Shirley Conklin talked about the Pendleton Community School. Dr. Richard Johnston of the Eastern Oregon State Hospital instructed the group in interviewing techniques. He and Mrs. Johnston used closed circuit television to play back some mock interviews staged by attending librarians who acted out their usual roles and also portrayed some library patrons who brought them varying problems.

Tahitian shells on display

A display of shells from Tahiti has been arranged at the Heppner Library by Viviane and Brian Maxwell. Most of the shells have been made into necklaces. The necklaces are of unusual designs and are of a variety of shapes and colors.

Along with the fifteen necklaces, the Maxwells have also loaned the library a pair of vases made of small shells and a colorful lamp made from larger shells.

Library News

The regular, fourth-Thursday, January meeting of the Heppner Library board will be held tonight in the new Children's Room of the library at 8 p.m.

These monthly meetings are open to the public. Randall Peterson is board chairman and Pauline Winter is secretary-treasurer. Rita Wolff is vice-chairman and other members of the board are Ed Struthers, Myrna Johnson, Bob Jones and Justine Weatherford.

The board will soon be preparing a budget to submit to the city council for approval. Library plans and growth and regular business will be considered.

McMillan book at library

Sam G. McMillan, Portland, has sent a copy of his latest book, "The Gathering of the Clan" to the Heppner Public Library. This 99 page book was published in December, 1975.

McMillan says, "It was written as a family history for the reading pleasure of family members, however, I am sure others will be interested in its contents."

The librarian recommends this book especially to anyone of Scotch lineage. The introductory chapters present a fine description of early Scotch clans and then offers an unusual chronicle of the Scots who moved into Ireland and who are the real Scotch-Irish forefathers of the McMillan Clan, a part of which came early to America. Many of them fought in the Revolution. They lived in Pennsylvania, Virginia, Tennessee and finally many came to Lexington, Oregon.

Mrs. Weatherford says, "Sam has skillfully presented his family, their friends and the public with an interesting, new historical book."

METHODISTS SCHEDULE FRIENDSHIP POTLUCK

Elsa Leathers, congregational chairman for social relations and welfare announces that Sylvia McDaniel and Alma Green will be co-chairpersons for next Sunday's friendship potluck.

Anyone who is a member or friend of the United Methodist Church of Heppner is cordially invited to attend this dinner after church, Jan. 24. Families are asked to bring something edible to share and to bring their own table service.

Dinner will probably begin about 12:30. Food may be taken to the basement kitchen before the regular 11 a.m. church service.

STOCKHOLDERS MEET

The annual stockholders meeting of the Federal Land Bank Association, Pendleton was held at the Indian Hills Motor Inn, Jan. 14.

Re-elected to a three year term on the Board of Directors were Milton Morgan and Richard Wilkinson.

Attending the meeting were farmers from Morrow and Umatilla counties.

IONE GARDEN CLUB

By Julie Nelson

Wednesday, Jan. 14, in the social room of the United Church of Christ, 11 members of the Ione Garden Club and their 18 guests took a slide picture tour of "Historical Old Mass," with Helen and Fred Martin narrating the trip. This was in keeping with the club's Bicentennial program.

Our first stop was the lovely home of the Martin's host and hostesses, Captain and Mrs. Roy Belcher, South Walpole, MA. Many of the old furnishings of this 1770 home have been restored. There is a fireplace in every room and many marble topped tables. Even the curbside in front of the home was marble. Here we had a view of one of the first water closets (toilets).

At Plymouth we looked for footprints on the famous Plymouth Rock where the pilgrims landed in 1620. In the harbor was a replica of the Mayflower II which Helen and Fred toured. Helen's comments were: "the pilgrims must have been very small people, as we were unable to stand upright in the living quarters of the ship." The ship was very narrow and seemed top heavy. How brave the people of 1620 must have been to have made a sea voyage in such a vessel.

We visited a replica of the first house in Plymouth with its weathered boards and thatched roof. Beside the house was a herb garden enclosed by a weathered board fence.

On to Boston where we walked "The Freedom Trail" which was a red painted line on the sidewalk passing the different historical spots in Boston. First on the trail was the "New" state house built in 1795. We also visited the grave of Paul Revere in the Old Church Graveyard in downtown Boston. Next we walked to the Old South Church where the Boston Tea Party was planned. The Old Corner Book Store proved inique in the fact that it was completely open on the street.

Concord was our next stop at the battle site of 1775 with the Minutemen and the British Soldiers. Here are monuments to the victorious colonial farmers and also to the defeated British soldiers. Stopping along the way we visited the homes of famous writers:

Margaret Sidney, Louisa M. Alcott, Emerson and Hawthorne.

Coming home to Oregon we found even more history and nostalgia with the Bicentennial Wagon Train at Cecil. One of our guests commented that she had seen the wagon train in the middle states later in the year and the people on the train said they would never forget the Cecil, Oregon stop as it was "The Best."

We stopped in Ione on the corner of third and B streets and looked at the beautiful! Austrian Copper Rose with the old J.A. Woolery house in the background. The rose is listed before 1590 and its origin is Peru. The Copper rose is even older than the old fashioned yellow Harrison Rose which we found standing on the dike near the railroad trestle southwest of the Marion Palmer home at the junction of Willow and Rhea Creeks. These roses were planted by Edith Nicholson's mother, Mrs. Amanuel Petteys. This is the yellow rose that came west with the pioneers and must have been very hardy to have withstood the heat and cold of this area as is testified by its existence yet today. This junction is the original site of "Pettesville" where Edith Nicholson's folks lived and here are the two bur oak trees that her father had planted in 1870, still in very good condition—producing acorns and lovely leaves every year.

South of the trestle is the old quarry site where the rocks were cut and hauled to Heppner to build the building that is now Murrays Drug Store.

Going up Rhea Creek to the former home of Joseph Mason (present owners Rod and Mark Murray) stands the two black walnut trees planted in 1871 by Mr. Mason. Here also was the first brick house in the county built from bricks dug and fired on the place.

The next meeting will be at Thelma Lings with Judy Osmin as co-hostess. Anetta Klinger will speak on roses for your garden.

Karen (nee Nelson) LaVoie, Pendleton, was surprised with an early birthday celebration Monday. Showing up for the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nelson, Jr., the Kenneth Nelsons and girls, Chuck Nelson and Janet Krieger.

TWO TRACKERS MEET

The Two-Trackers 4-H club met last Monday and decided to sell name plates for mail boxes.

The group also made plans for a food sale to be held in February.

The studied the anatomy of a horse and the various parts of the saddle and they continued their study on safety rules for riding.

Some members of the group are planning to make blankets for their horses.

Members are also continuing their lessons in English equitation and Sunday Merlin Robinson showed the youngsters the proper use of a longe line when exercising their horses.

SYLVIA MARIE LADD, Reporter

HARDMAN LIVESTOCK 4-H CLUB MEETS

The Hardman Livestock 4-H Club met recently at Hardman and elected the following officers: Claudia Huston, president; Bruce Anglin, vice president; Sandy Farley, secretary; Denise Kennedy, reporter. Livestock leader is Tom Huston.

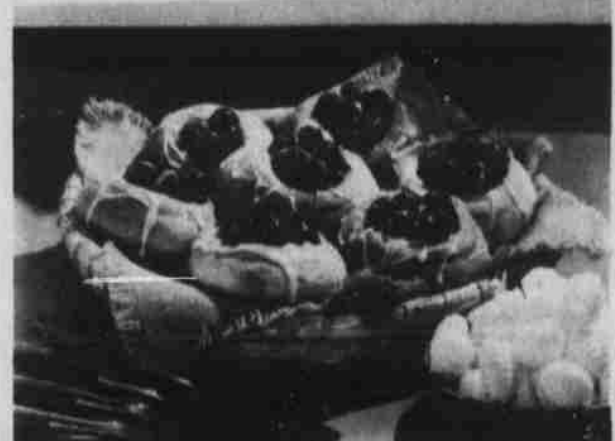
4-H books and records were handed out during the meeting.

Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month. The group has discussed the idea of meeting at other homes in the area to discuss their animals.

Mike Howell was present at the last meeting.

DENISE KENNEDY, Reporter

Bicentennial Cherry Buns



Fresh baked buns can create a feeling of warmth and hospitality for family and guests alike. This versatile recipe for Cherry Buns serves all occasions—breakfast, lunch or dinner—plus hauling our first President, George Washington, and the delightful red tart cherry. Brighten your kitchen reputation with these Bicentennial Cherry Buns... made from unbleached flour for better flavor and texture.

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| 1 No. 303 can red tart cherries | 1 package active dry yeast |
| 1/2 cup sugar | 1/4 cup warm water |
| 2 tablespoons unbleached flour | 1 cup milk, scalded |
| 1 tablespoon butter | 1/2 cup shortening |
| Few drops red food coloring | 1/2 cup sugar |
| | 1 teaspoon salt |
| | 1 egg |
| | 4 to 4 1/2 cups sifted unbleached flour |

Drain cherries thoroughly. Combine sugar and flour. Add cherries and cook until thick. Add butter and food coloring. Cool and reserve.

Soften yeast in warm water. Add hot milk to shortening, sugar and salt. Stir until shortening is melted; cool to lukewarm. Stir in 1 1/2 cups of the flour. Add softened yeast and egg; beat well. Stir in remaining flour or enough to make a soft dough. Cover and let rest 10 minutes. Knead on lightly floured surface until smooth, about 5 minutes. Place in a greased bowl; cover and let rise in a warm place until double in bulk, about 1 to 1 1/2 hours. Punch down; cover and let rest 10 minutes. Roll dough to slightly less than 1/2-inch thick. Cut with a 2 1/2-inch cutter. Place 2-inches apart on a lightly greased baking sheet. Cover and let rise until light, about 45 minutes. With fingers, press down center of buns; spoon in cherry filling. Bake at 375° about 15 minutes or until done. Makes about 1 1/2 dozen.

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