

Party Line

Starting a week ago, our town looked like the coast highways in the summer time. By Sunday evening, the campers, pickups and whatever were leaving our area, loaded down with deer. On the way down Willow Creek Sunday evening, I counted (what I could see from the car) 15 deer hanging. One camp had five deer. The young hunters in this area will be able to start one day earlier, with Friday an In-Service Teacher Day for the Morrow County Schools. So it will be no school for the students.

Rose Winter just called with her first release for the 3-act play "Charlie's Aunt" to be held November 19 and 20, at the Heppner High School Cafatorium. The 19 member cast is working their hardest to present this hilarious play, that will keep the audience in stitches.

The FFA will be holding a slave auction Thursday, October 14, at the Heppner High School Gym. There will be over 50 members auctioned off, including advisor, Hal Whitaker.

This week, Jim Rogers hopes to open his new restaurant, "West of Willow." "It's all those almost finished jobs that seem to never be finished," said Jim, "but I know that we will be open very soon," he added.

Also, ladies, tonight is Elks Ladies Night; again the menu is great, finger-lickin' barb-e-que'd chicken. Cards will follow for the evening's entertainment.

Morrow County's John F. Kilkenny was honored last weekend at the Oregon State Bar Association Convention in Portland. Judge Kilkenny received his 50 year pin for having actively practiced law in Oregon one-half century.

Sam McMillan's easy, friendly manner in speaking to the Historical Society last Sunday showed that he really loves his birthplace and that he is a serious historian.

Dallas Ward, another Lexington boy who made good, has been a county visitor recently. He stopped here after his University of Colorado football team had beaten the University of Washington team at Seattle. Dal checked on his wheat land near Hardman and had a good visit with the C.C. Carmichaels.

Gilmore Street is becoming teacher's row now that Jim Ackley has moved there near Jane Rawlins and the Steve Brownfields.

A recent visitor from Madras was Ernie Ceresa. Ernie is the sports writer for the Madras paper and was over to cover the football game between Fossil and Madras.

Barbara and Orville Cutsforth have returned from the Steens Mountains, and Barbara's ego is deflated. She did not get her sheep tag filled. In fact, she did not get close enough to one to get a shot off. So much for a once-in-a-lifetime chance.

Lexington News

Ruth Robinson entertained with a pinochle party at her home on Monday afternoon. Those playing were Florence McMillan, Lois Woods, Penny Huffman and Ruth Robinson of Lexington, Fran Crook, Norma Groce, and Debbie Pettit of Heppner and Cieta Walters of Ione. Winning prizes were Cieta Walters low, Fran Crook high, and traveling, Lois Wood and Debbie Pettit. Refreshments were served later in the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Jones, who have recently moved here from Florida, are staying with her grandmother, Venice Hendrickson. They are both employed in Boardman. Mrs. Jones is the former Debbie Yocom.

Mrs. Frankie Robinson and son Mark are spending a few days in Portland where Mark underwent eye surgery at Dornbecker Hospital.


Frankie Robinson is a patient in St. Anthony's Hospital in Pendleton.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bradd of Coos Bay visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. VanWinkle, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. David Anderson and girls, Annissa and Katrina, are staying with her grandmother, Mrs. Eula Bloodworth, while visiting in this area. They will leave October 12 to take a new position with Dole in the Philippines. A family dinner was enjoyed at the Bloodworth home on Sunday, October 3. Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Jamie Sands and Jessica, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bloodworth and Billy of Hermiston, Jim and D. Ann Bloodworth and Danika, Iris Campbell, Nancy Nash and Angie and Wesley and the David Andersons.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Aarstad, Portland, were weekend visitors with Mrs. Harstad's sisters and families, Mr. and Mrs. John Edwards and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. VanWinkle. They also did some hunting.

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Centennial celebration

33 different ministers in 100 years

During the first one hundred years of the Methodist Church in Heppner, 33 different ministers have occupied its pulpit.

After Rev. Walter L. Airheart left in 1911, the Protestant churches of Heppner were united in a federation, which included the Methodist Episcopal, the Baptist, the Presbyterian and the Methodist, South churches (the latter three vanished from the community years ago).

The federation was served by Presbyterian and Methodist clergy. It lasted 11 years—until April, 1923. (Records list a Methodist Episcopal Church, South in Heppner in 1908, but not how long it had been here. It was located just south of the Dr. McMurdo home on Chase Street. Both the church and the parsonage burned down on the 4th of July, 1918, soon after the completion of a remodeling program. When the Heppner Federation was dissolved in 1923, the South Church was discontinued and most of its members joined the Methodist Episcopal.)

In 1934 Willow Creek flooded badly and the spreading waters covered a large area doing a great deal of damage. "Water filled the church basement, floating everything floatable, including the piano."

After Walter Airheart, Selden Ewing served the church for two months. In January, 1912, W.A. Pratt came. F.A. Spaulding followed him for 2 years and a Pastor Alford and I.D. Parker served short terms before 1927 when F.A. Spaulding returned to Heppner. Glenn P. White followed him, serving 4 years.

In 1939 an international event that affected the Methodist Episcopal Church in

Heppner took place. It was that year that the three largest branches of Methodism joined to form the Methodist Church. They were the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Methodist Episcopal Church—South and the Methodist Protestant Church. Bennie Howe served here from 1941 to 1945, and Fletcher Forster in 1945 and 1946. Many still remember J. Palmer

Boulden was leaving, the church roll showed 224 members. Austin McGhee came to serve during 1960 and 1961. In June, 1962 Melvin Dixon began his service here. It was during his tenure that the Methodist Church united with the Evangelical United Brethren Church to become the United Methodist Church (1968).

During the Dixon years, music was very important.



Nancy and Mel Dixon with Sharon and Marty.

Sorlein who came in 1946 to serve until 1953.

During those years the church auditorium and the basement were remodeled. "New pews, an electric organ and a set of chimes were added to the beauty and utility of the church."

Lester D. Boulden served six years following Rev. Sorlein. A big event of 1957 was a 3-day conference here attended by 50 Methodist ministers. The Episcopal, Christian and Catholic churches assisted with meals and housing.

In May, 1959 when Rev.

Several choirs practiced and sang regularly. New hymnals were added. There was a vigorous Sunday School and several youth groups. A carport was added behind the parsonage.

In 1969, Edwin A. Cutting came to serve until June, 1976. During these years some educational and youth programs were arranged co-operatively with other Heppner churches.

Rev. Cutting also served the church in Echo, spending part of each Sunday and at least one other day there each

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PEOPLE

In 1974, the entrance area of the church was remodeled and several improvements made to the interior. During 1976, the parsonage was extensively renovated before Steven A. Tollefson began his service here. Rev. Tollefson delivered his first sermon in Heppner on June 26, 1976.

Four persons from the Heppner church have gone on to seminaries and have been or-

dained. The first was Alfred N. Boyer, a former Heppner school teacher, who is now minister of the United Methodist Church in Wasco, OR.

Bill Sherman, who graduated from Heppner High School in 1964 and from the University of Oregon in 1968, attended Gordon Seminary in Wenham, MA for 2 years and then received his degree from Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena in 1971, when he was ordained in the Oregon Conference. He is now pastor of the Kirkland U.M. Church in Orlando, Florida.

Grace Drake (widow of Douglas Drake) a former county juvenile officer, completed her training at Berkeley, CA and was ordained in the Oregon-Idaho Conference by Bishop Tuell. She now serves the U.M. Churches at Union and North Powder.

In 1976, John Maatta, who worked on the Dick Wilkenson Ranch here, completed his training at Oregon's Western Evangelical Seminary. He has accepted the pastorate of the Church of North America in Rapelje, MT, where he also is continuing to do some ranch work along with his ministry.

Several of the former pastors and their families and some of the younger ministers who think of the Heppner church as their home church are expected to join in the Centennial Celebration here on October 16 and 17.

Sr. Citizens phone

The East Central Oregon Association of Counties has set up a toll free number for senior citizens to call if they have a question, a problem, or just need information.

The number is free when called between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. The number is 1-800-452-8112.

The person answering the telephone is trained to refer a caller to the correct agency, service, or information in the right community or county. If there is not an answer right away, the answering service will take a number and return

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Ione Garden Club

for the 12 clubs in Blue Mountain District No. 10 of Oregon State Federation of

Garden Clubs at Indian Hills Motor Inn in Pendleton last Wednesday.

Presiding was Mrs. Allaine Dallas, District Director, who announced that twenty-six awards were won by Blue Mountain District clubs at the state convention held in June in Portland. Awards were in the areas of yearbooks, club history books, junior conservation poster, poem, poster and essay contests, garden therapy for shut-ins, horti-

culture essays by members and area beautification.

Ione Garden Club received 11 of these awards.

Group workshops were held on the subjects of: How to be a better president; How to hold a mini-flower show; Guidelines for club treasurers; Parliamentary procedure made easy; and Club awards led by Mrs. Jean Nelson, District Awards chairman, also activities for Juniors led by Mrs. Pat Pettyjohn.

Mrs. Helen Martin was elected to serve on the nominating committee.

Those attending from Ione Garden Club were: guest Iva Booker, Loree Hubbard, Delta Huber, Helen Martin, Jean Nelson, Judy Osmin, Judy Oswald, Irene Padberg, Pat Pettyjohn.

Preliminary plans were laid for a spring bus tour to Portland to visit Willamette National Cemetery and Garden of Enchantment

Landscaping WORKSHOP

By
Wilbur Burkhart

Home Horticulture Agent, horticulture columnist, and radio and TV specialist

Willows Grange Hall
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