

Ione news

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Martin's return following month tour of Islands

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Martin returned home on Feb. 15th after a month's tour. They left the 17th of January and flew to the Hawaiian Islands, where they attended the National Wheat League Convention. On the following Monday, they left for the Fiji Islands and from there to Australia, spending time in Sydney, Brisbane, and Toowonda. Leaving there, they spent a week in Tahiti, with a day's tour of Moorea. They returned to Portland on Feb. 12th by the way of Los Angeles, Calif., and on arrival in Portland stopped over to visit Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Martin at Lake Oswego, and Mrs. Martin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R.A. Horton at Dallas.

Morrow County people attending the National Wheat League Convention in Hawaii were: Ronnie Palmateer, Virgil Morgan, Rollo Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Rea, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Halverson, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Morter, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Smouse and son, Carl, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Prock, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Crum, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd McNary, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Barak. From the Heppner area were: Mr. and Mrs. Tad Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Peck, Mr. and Mrs. Ron Hagueswood, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kerr, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Meyers, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jones, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Anderson. A number of

couples stayed in the Islands for a short time to do more sightseeing after the convention had ended.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Crabtree drove to Salem Saturday to attend Memorial Services for Mrs. Grace Tyler Hockett of Salem.

Mr. Gale Marvel of The Dalles spent the weekend visiting friends in Ione. Gale worked a number of years for Lee Pettyjohn before moving to The Dalles.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Reitmann and Donald Bristow flew to Washington, D.C., on Feb. 4th and stayed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Bristow and family at Alexandria, Va. They spent 10 days touring the sights in Washington, D.C., and visited with Rep. Al Ullman and Sen. Mark Hatfield in their offices. They returned home on Feb. 14th.

Bunchgrass Rebekah Lodge met at the home of Mrs. Delsie Chapel on Thursday, Feb. 17th. Plans were made for the president of the Rebekah Assembly visit on Mar. 17th and the District Convention on Mar. 19th. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Ida Coleman.

Miss Cassie Chapel and Miss Linda Seeler of Sandy spent the weekend at the home of Mrs. Delsie Chapel. Both girls attend Eastern Oregon College at La Grande.

The February Singspiration, sponsored by the South Morrow County Ministerial Association, was held at the United Church of Christ on

Sunday evening, Feb. 20th. Special numbers were played by Chuck Nelson on his guitar, and Frances Smouse on the violin. Singing of favorite old-time hymns was led by Wilma Chenney, accompanied by Marilyn Reitmann. The Deaconess served refreshments following the service.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Baker are the proud parents of twin boys born Feb. 15th at the Good Shepherd Hospital in Hermiston. Cory Scott weighed 4 lbs., 8 oz., and Joseph Robert was 4 lbs., 15 oz. They join a brother, Bridger, who is 15 months old. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Roper of Milwaukee, and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Baker of Ione. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gorgor of Pendleton, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Baker of Woodburn, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Thomas of Columbus, Mo., and Mrs. Augusta Ottenbacher of Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Dana Heideman are the parents of a boy born Jan. 29th at the Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner. The young man weighed 10 lbs., 1/2 oz., and has been named Nathan Robert. The Heidemans have a son, Aaron, who is a year and a half old. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Heideman of Ione, Mrs. Phyllis Huntington of Kennewick, Wash., and Gerald Wilson of Richland, Wash. Great-grandparents are Mrs. Vera Woody of Connell, Wash., Mrs. Helen Heideman of Spokane, Wash., Mrs. Claire Wilson of Twin Falls, Idaho, and Mrs. Dorothy French of Pasco, Wash. The Heidemans are fairly new in the community and live on the Franklin Ely ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Shaw (nee Marlene Magill) of Portland are the parents of a boy, David Ryan, born Feb. 12th at the Emanuel Hospital in Portland. David weighed 7 lbs., 9 oz. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Stan Magill of The Dalles, and Mr. and Mrs. Tim Pinnell of Portland.

Rev. and Mrs. Bill Arthur of Condon spent Saturday visiting at the Paul Pettyjohn Sr. home. They were also over Monday and Mrs. Arthur attended the shower of Carol Holtz.

Employees of Beecher's Cafe held a party Saturday afternoon in honor of Charlotte Gaustad, who was leaving and will be working at Cal's Cafe in Heppner. Mrs. Ruby Glascock will be cooking in her place.

Rev. Gene Ross of the United Church of Christ Conference Staff will deliver the Message Sunday morning, Feb. 27th. His interests are in Christian Education and Youth work, and he will meet with the advisor of the youth groups at 1:00 p.m., and at 4:00 p.m. with the Church School teachers to introduce a new curriculum that they will be using.

A reminder that the Women's Fellowship will meet Thursday, Feb. 24th, at 10:00 a.m. to sew articles for the State Hospital, with a potluck salad lunch at noon.

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Arends have moved to the Bill Healy ranch out of Heppner on Johnson Creek. Mr. and Mrs. Steve Burris and family of Gresham spent the weekend with them at their new home.

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Mrs. Mary Bailey is recuperating from surgery at Good Shepherd Hospital, Hermiston.

Long time resident dies at 92

Pioneer Ona Gilliam saw buggies and rockets

Ona Gilliam, the oldest child of Frank and Effie J. Gilliam, was buried near many members of her two pioneer families last week. Rev. Steve Tollefson officiated at the final rites in the United Methodist Church on Friday afternoon, Feb. 19.

Mrs. Charles Vaughan (Hazel), the youngest and only surviving Gilliam child, came from the Pioneer Memorial Hospital, where her sister had died on Tuesday, to attend, along with nephews, nieces and others of the family.

Miss Gilliam was born at the Gilliams' Spring Hollow Ranch off of Upper Rhea Creek. The family moved into

the old Swinburne-Gilliam house in Heppner in 1893, making Ona's stay there over 80 years.

Her father's family was first noted in Morrow's history when Colonel Cornelius Gilliam died here as he was returning from the Cayuse War; he was an uncle of Ona's father, who was Heppner's mayor during the 1903 flood. He, with his brother-in-law Tim Bisbee, operated the Gilliam and Bisbee Hardware Store which occupied the lower floor of the building, recently purchased by the Sargents for their Coast-to-Coast Store. Ona's father started keeping weather records here in 1911; her brother

Leonard continued; now Ona's nephew, Don Gilliam, who lives on part of the family place, carries on this work.

Her mother was Effie J. Wright, daughter of Albert and Julia Wright, pioneers who were instrumental in founding the Methodist Church here, which has just celebrated its centennial. The church is just one block from Ona's home from her tenth year until almost her ninetieth year—she died nine days before her ninety-third birthday.

Ona Gilliam had her public schooling here, graduating with the high school's first four-year class in 1902. She took nurses' training in Walla Walla and practiced nursing in Heppner's old hospitals. She was 66 when the Pioneer Memorial Hospital, her final home, was opened.

After Ona left it, the old home was demolished. Mrs. Amanda Duvall had purchased many of its furnishings, and they became a big part of the furnishings in the exhibit rooms in the County Museum's newest addition. Thus, equipment and furnishings that Ona Gilliam used and preserved are now sort of a memorial to her and her family and will be of interest and educational value to their community for years to come.

Music at her funeral service was by organist Pauline Miller and vocalists Carl and Betty Marquardt. Bearers were Ambrose Chapin, Harold Wright, Gene Pierce, L.D. Tibbles, Randall Peterson and Jack Healy. Graveside services were conducted by Ruth-Locust Chapter No. 32, Order of Eastern Star. Sweeney Mortuary handled the arrangements.

Carol Holtz honored in bridal shower

A bridal shower was held Feb. 21st at the United Church of Christ social room at 2:00 p.m. in honor of Carol Holtz.

Hope meeting set for 28th

On Monday evening, Feb. 28, the high school students from Hope Lutheran Church and Valby Lutheran Church will be meeting for supper and fellowship at the home of Pastor and Mrs. Mark Johnson. This meal will begin at 6:30. This meal will be a very unique meal and so all the high school students are asked to be there next Monday beginning at 6:30.

Ruth-Locust visit chapter in Arlington

Members of Ruth-Locust Chapter No. 22, Order of the Eastern Star, attended the 75th anniversary of Jasmine Chapter No. 74, OES, at Arlington Sunday afternoon, Feb. 20th. Members attending were: Worthy Matron, Mary Bryant; Worthy Patron, Claude Graham; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lindstrom; Mr. and Mrs. John Woods, Beth Bryant, and Juanita Carmichael.

The program consisted of the Welcome by Grace Grant, Worthy Matron, and Leslie E. Grant, Worthy Patron. The Rev. James Wilson gave the Invocation and the Benediction. The singing of the Star Spangled Banner and the Pledge of Allegiance preceded the Presentation of Distinguished Guests. Entertainment was put on by the Condon Chapter No. 23, followed by Introduction of Honored Guests. Jasmine Chapter No. 74 also provided entertainment before the Good of the Order and the Benediction.

The clever programs listed all the Worthy Matrons and Patrons since 1902 up to the present and listed the highlights of their year of service.

Lenton workshop slated

During the month of March, Hope Lutheran Church and Valby Lutheran Church will be having Lenten Worship services in preparation for Easter, which is Apr. 10. These worship services will begin at 7:30 each week, and they will be held on Tuesday evenings at Hope Lutheran Church and on Wednesday evenings at Valby Lutheran Church.

During these worship services, the congregation will be having an informal Bible Study, which will be centered around the "Highlights of Holy Week." While the adults, high school, and junior high school students are meeting together for this study, the elementary students will be meeting separately to watch film strips concerning the same material which is being studied by the adults. A nursery will be provided for the younger children at Hope.

Rebecca Fulleton named to Rodeo Association spokeswoman

A news release from the Girls' Rodeo Association states that Rebecca J. Fulleton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roice Fulleton, Heppner, has been appointed as a spokeswoman for the Girls' Rodeo Association by Kay Davis, director for the association's Northwestern Region.

She joined GRA in 1973 and competes in barrel racing, goat tying and roping events. She is now attending Eastern Oregon State College at La Grande, where she majors in physical therapy and will expect to gain a physical education teacher's certificate.

Becky Fulleton competed in high school rodeo here and in intercollegiate competition at Blue Mountain Community College and at California State University, Fresno.

at the home of the McMurtys. Everyone is to bring the makings for novelties, etc.

Gem & Mineral club meets

The regular monthly meeting of Morrow County Gem & Mineral Society was held Monday, Feb. 21, at the First National Bank Conference Room.

The announcement of a Rock Show at Kennewick on Mar. 5th and 6th was noted. Refreshments were served by Sally Marlatt.

Pictures of Denver Museum and City Park were shown by Pete McMurtrey. The meeting was closed in due form by Adelle La Trace, president and Eleanor Gonty, secretary. The next meeting will be a potluck at 6:30 p.m., Mar. 21.

Methodist Women to meet

Wednesday evening, Mar. 2, the United Methodist Women will meet in the church basement at 7:30. Because the organization did not meet during March, there is much business to attend to this month.

At 8:30, Rev. Tollefson will begin his Lenten Study class. Everyone is invited to come for this pre-Easter study, which will continue each Wednesday evening up through Apr. 6.

After Mar. 2, the study class will meet at 7:30 until its last meeting on Apr. 6, which is also a U.M.W. meeting night and when the class will need to meet at 8:30.

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