

with Justine Weatherford
Did you notice that Spring officially arrived on Monday, Mar. 21?
We were pleased to pick our first 1977 full-bloomed daffodils on St. Patrick's afternoon. We are ever grateful to the Ralph Thompsons and the Ball family, who formerly lived where we live, and who left bulbs and other plants for us to enjoy.
St. Patrick's Church ladies served dinner to about 200 persons last Thursday. Wonderful stew. The musical Larry Lindsay

Around About

family added much to the conviviality of the evening with their renderings of gay Irish melodies.
An Altar Society member just phoned to tell me that the prize-winning car players were: for bridge—high, Hazel Mahoney; low, Gladys Connor; for pinochle—high, Betty McDonald; low, Martha Van Schoiack. Irene Swanson and Helen Keithley were the lucky winners of door prizes. All prizes were home-baked foods.
Two popular teachers, Inez Erwin, Heppner, and Clifford Williams, Ione, have had inactivated arms for some time. Each accidentally slipped on ice near home. The Williams' arm was "un-cast" first, but the Erwin arm will "come-out" soon. Both teachers carried on their usual duties during the confinements. Williams even kept on milking his cow.

Robinson, Grieb honored

Last Sunday evening, Mar. 20, the Oregon State Convention of the Future Farmers of America opened in Pendleton.
Hal Whitaker, Heppner High F.F.A. advisor and a large group of students from Heppner and from the other two county high schools are attending during the first half

of their spring vacation week. Kyrnn Robinson and Ken Grieb will be awarded State Farmer degrees at the final honor assembly.

Bookworms invited

The Topic Club of Ione has invited the Bookworms of Heppner to be guests at a Mar. 30 meeting in the home of Helen Proudfoot.

For many years, these two well-established literary clubs have exchanged meetings. The Topic Club members came to a Bookworm meeting in Heppner last fall.

The Mar. 30 meeting will be an afternoon affair; Bookworm meetings are usually held in the evening.

Hospital Notes

Admissions and dismissals at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner for the week ending Tuesday included Elsie Ayers, Heppner, admitted; Frank Ayers, Heppner, dismissed; John Lindstrom, Ione, dismissed; Alissa Brownfield, Heppner, dismissed; William L. Kummerland, Heppner, admitted.

Also, Patricia McCarty, Heppner, dismissed; James Dunbar, Lexington, admitted; Gary Griffith, Condon, dismissed; Landa Miller, Kimberly, admitted; Joyce Holmon, Heppner, admitted; Raymond Hampton, Kinzua, admitted; Walter Hartill, Washington state, admitted.

Students plan trips to Japan

Tim Jones and Debbie Pausitan, both freshmen at Heppner High School, will spend part of next summer in Japan. Each will be paying a return visit to the Japanese students who came here to visit with them last summer.

Tim will be staying with the Yushi family in Toyota on the island of Honshu. Debbie will also be staying on Honshu in the city of Osaka.

Legion celebrates

Members of the American Legion, Auxiliary, and their families gathered at the Legion Hall on Tuesday, Mar.

15, for a potluck dinner to celebrate the 58th birthday of the American Legion. Following the dinner, Bev-

erly Doherty presented Auxiliary membership pins to Maryann McElligott, Thelma Ling, Helen Drake, June Crowell and Betty Reitmann. John Jepson, Commander of Ione post, introduced Arnie Hedman, Heppner, District 6 Commander, who assisted in presenting year pins to those members present.

Receiving pins were Herman Blettel, 23 yrs.; Robert Drake and Eldon Tucker, 25 yrs.; Eldon Padberg, Donald Peterson, Robert Reitmann, and Charles Doherty, 31 yrs.; and 32 yrs. to Dale White and Joel Engleman. Homer Mankin was introduced and it was announced he had recently received a 56 year pin. Charles Doherty presented John Jepson a gift for his work on the membership committee, and for his three years as Commander of the Ione post.

Maryann McElligott made a large decorated cake for the occasion. The American Legion Emblem was centered on white frosting, with brightly colored flowers in the upper left corner and lower right corner. In green lettering above the emblem was Happy Birthday, and below was Ione Post No. 95. Both organizations held their regular meeting following the presentations.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lindstrom spent last weekend in Tacoma, Wash., visiting their

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Club hears Kerr

County Extension Agent Harold E. Kerr held the complete interest of members of the Heppner Garden Club and their guests with his program on insects, Monday evening, Mar. 14.

Kerr was introduced to the

gathering by Garden Club President Jane Rawlins, who also welcomed the visitors in the Degree of Honor Hall.

The program opened with viewing of a color film on insects.

After the film, he showed samples of approved poisons to 4-H gardeners who had joined the adults for his presentation.

Kerr opened the meeting to questions. Special watering practices were discussed.

Irene Nolan was hostess and was responsible for arranging the program and presiding at the refreshment table.

The Heppner Garden Club members will meet on Apr. 11 in the home of Barbara and Dan James. The meeting will follow a potluck dinner. The topic will be "Houseplants and Their Care."

Ione news

• Eva Hamlett

• 422-7557

daughter, Christina.

The State Women's Fellowship Cluster meeting of the United Church of Christ was held at Condon on Mar. 17. Representing the Ione church were Mrs. Alfred Nelson, Mrs. Fred Martin, Mrs. Darrel Wilson, and Mrs. Kenneth Smouse. The title of the program was "Wake Up to Process of Becoming." Rev. Ann Smith, president of the Fellowship, was in charge, and the main speaker was Ed Quette, Interim Minister of The Dalles.

A St. Patrick's luncheon was served at noon, followed by a short afternoon session with an address given by Mr. Terry Kawata, president of the United Church of Christ Conference, and organ selections played by Dorothea Harris of the Condon Church.

Bunchgrass Rebekah Lodge No. 91 met at the home of Mrs. Edith Matthews, Thursday,

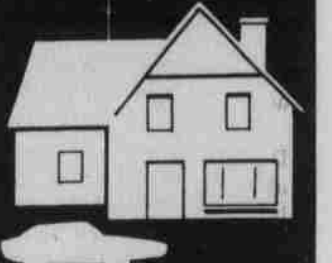
Mar. 17. President of the Rebekah Assembly, Melvina Mellinger, paid her official visit, accompanied by Helen Cato, Grand Marshal. A no-host luncheon was held at Beecher's before the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Turner of Vancouver, Wash., are visiting at the home of Mrs. Gladys Drake.

The United Church of Christ announces the following events: New members will be received at the morning service on Palm Sunday, Apr. 3. The traditional Easter Breakfast will be served between 8:30 and 9:00 a.m., and the worship service will be at 10:00 a.m. Maundy Thursday service will be Thursday, Apr. 7, at 6:30 p.m., with a candlelight potluck dinner, followed by Communion and the Office of Tenebrae. The next six week series of adult classes will begin Thursday, Apr. 14, at 7:30 p.m. The

subject will be "An Encounter With the Bible."

An Open House will be held Saturday, Mar. 26, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the American Legion Hall, in honor of Mrs. LaUna Crowell, who will be celebrating her 90th birthday. Friends and relatives are cordially invited to attend.



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