

AROUND ABOUT

with Justine Weatherford

Part of this column is being written on Labor Day. What do you know about this national holiday? Sure it is the last holiday before school begins.

After I put out our home flag, I turned to my World Books to learn a few facts about the day, and I found much of interest to me. I didn't realize that Oregon was the first state to make it a legal holiday in 1887. Did you?

I also found that this first Monday in September Holiday honoring working persons is celebrated in all of the U.S., Puerto Rico and Canada. In Australia it is called Eight Hour Day and commemorates the successful struggle for a shorter working day. Downunder the celebration varies from state to state. In Europe Labor Day is May 1. President Grover Cleveland signed the bill making it a legal holiday in the U.S. in 1894.

No matter what our age or our background each of us must have feelings about the things September holds—many of them tied to school days. Most of us are present or past pupils or teachers and a few of us are present or past school bus drivers.

Heppner's first school bus driver was Jerry Brosnan, the Butter Creek rancher. When he was 16 and of high-school age, his parents and their neighbors bought a bus and Jerry was its driver. He and his brother Joe and neighbors Earl Ayers and Gerald Swaggart puffed in toward town each morning. As these "big-high-school guys" came along toward town they picked up a couple of Kilkenny kids (where Colleen K. Greenup and family live now), several Hanna kids at the Hanna-Bennett Ranch, The Guy Boyer children at the C. Monagle Place (where the Matt Greenups are now), the Tom Beamer youngsters (where the Floyd Jones family is now) and the young Kenny group that rode their horses over there from Sand Hollow. Jerry Says Providence planned well that older lads lived the furthest out on the route and could gather up the younger grade-school small fry as they progressed toward town.

The grade school children along Butter Creek were attending Lena Grade School then—only those on the town side of Jones hill came in to Heppner Schools on this first and several later buses.

I asked Jerry and his mother Zetta what the first bus driver was paid. I learned that he got a few gifts of appreciation when he graduated—but his big pay was just "experience."

Now great-grandmother Zetta and grandparents Jerry and Marian see the five fourth-generation of Brosnans, the children of Ed and Lorraine, board the Butter Creek bus.

How times have changed!

One week after I learned about the first school bus driver Jeremiah Brosnan, son of John and grandson of Irish pioneer Jeremiah, I had a chat with the county's second bus driver, Gerald Swaggart, also of the Little Butter Creek area. Gerald said that after the students' families got the bus paid for, they began to pay the drivers. He recalls that he was paid \$20 per month and that this big spending money led him into several bad, extravagant habits.

Since my mind is on those drivers who made the Jones Hill, Lena and Franklin Hill run—I am remembering a few I've known. Ray Ayers now lives in Pendleton but comes here often. I am amused by the Ayers' present address—Ray and Kay live on Jay Street.

Although Clint Agee was not a regular driver, he often substituted on that run. I thought we would be seeing him again this year, but have now learned that he will not be teaching in the county again but will teach at Camas, Wash.

Several other bus items I've just learned concern, first, our former editor and Heppner swim pool director, Tom Franks. Tom started driving the North Lexington bus this week. Next, I understand that Rev. Duane Geyer will be chauffering the bus run I know best which my husband Bill has driven for the last five years. Well, enough about bussing.

It seems to me that this is one of the quietest days of the year in our town. Sort of a lull before the storm of fall activities get in full swing with the school year's start and with dozens of organizational meetings set to begin their yearly schedules.

Lieuallen-Broun Wedding Aug. 21 Cross, Nelson exchange vows



Dr. and Mrs. Frank Lieuallen (Evelyn Kirk Broun)

The All Saints Episcopal Church in Heppner was the setting for the Aug. 21st wedding of Evelyn Kirk Broun and Dr. Frank Lieuallen, both of Hermiston. The bride is the daughter of the late Merle and Altha Kirk, Heppner. The groom's parents are Mrs. Violet Lieuallen and the late C.L. (Buck) Lieuallen, Pendleton.

Father George Bates officiated at the 2 p.m. ceremony. Bill Jepsen, nephew of the groom, was the acolyte. Susan Jane Jepsen, niece of the groom, was organist and also accompanied vocalist Diane Campbell of Pilot Rock.

Given in marriage by her son, Nicholas Broun of McMinnville, the bride wore a pale blue full length satin dress with chiffon overlay. The two strand pearl necklace made a frame for the agate necklace worn by her mother at her wedding. She wore a comb of blue and white daisies that matched the topping and streamers on the lace covered prayer book.

The bride's attendants were Merlyn Robinson, Heppner, sister of the bride, and

Suzanne Jepsen, Ione, sister of the groom.

Robert Jepsen was best man and groomsmen were Gene Brooks, Kennewick; Max Cheney, Pendleton, and Bill Campbell, Pilot Rock.

Serving in the capacity of mother of the bride were Mrs. Tena Devin Scott, Hermiston, and Mrs. Letha Devin Archer, Heppner, aunts of the bride.

Following the wedding was a reception at the Heppner Elks Lodge where a three tier wedding cake centered the bridal table.

Overseeing the guest book was Carol Brooks, Kennewick.

Amid a shower of wheat instead of the traditional rice, the couple left for a wedding trip to the Island of Maui, where they were the guests of

Dr. and Mrs. Cy Sun of Kahului, Hawaii.

Upon their return they will make their home at the Hope Ranch in Hermiston. Dr. Lieuallen will resume his practice in a new Veterinary Hospital located on the ranch. They also plan to raise registered horses.

The forest setting of Camp Da-Kon-Ya near Meacham was chosen by Karen Nelson and Douglas Cross as the scene of their Aug. 27 wedding. The Rev. Tyler Soine of the First Christian Church of Pendleton officiated at the double ring ceremony held amid the pine trees. The couple's respective young sons, Joshua and Noel, also participated in the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Nelson, Jr. of Lexington, and the groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Ira B. Cross, Jr. of Palo Alto, Cal.

Karen is a graduate of Ione High School and attended Oregon State University. She is employed in the Building Codes Division of the Oregon State Department of Commerce. Douglas is a graduate of the University of Oregon

with a Master's degree in psychology and is in the Alcohol Rehabilitation Program of the Umatilla County Mental Health Department.

Out of town guests for the wedding included Mr. and Mrs. Ira Cross, Jr. and Kent Cross of Palo Alto; Mr. and Mrs. H.F. Day of Yacolt, Wash.; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Slonecker of Milwaukie; Miss Kristin Nelson of Salem; Mr. and Mrs. Larry Steinke, Jeff and Eric of Redmond; Mr. and Mrs. John Nelson, Miss Cheryln Smouse, and Mr. and

Mrs. F.W. Merewether all of Portland.

Attending from the local area were Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Nelson Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. Ken Nelson, Jill and Heidi; Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Nelson; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Smouse and Carl; and Mrs. Norman Nelson. Also present were friends and co-workers of the couple from Pendleton.

Following a trip to Disneyland and other California points, the newlyweds and their sons will be at home in Pendleton.

Ione flower show Sept. 14

"Moods and Flowers" is the theme of the Mini Flower Show which will start off the fall season of the Ione Garden Club. The show is scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 14, from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Ione UCC Social Rooms.

Everyone in south Morrow County is invited to participate. Entries will be received from 10-11 a.m. and judging with audience in attendance will be held at 11 a.m. with Mrs. Darrel Johnson of Prairie City making the placements. A no-host luncheon will be held at noon and at 2 p.m. Helen Martin will lead a discussion on "Know Your Flowers?"

Divisions for the Flower Show are as follows:

I Horticulture - Three stems for small flowers with foliage and one stem for large; flowers must be grown by exhibitor. Class 1, chrysanthemums; 2, dahlias; 3, marigolds; 4, gladioli; 5, daisies; 6, roses; 7, petunias; 8, phlox; 9, pansies and 10, any other not listed.

II House Plants - must have been cared for by exhibitor for three months. Class 1, foliage; 2, hanging plant; 3, blooming plant; and 4, succulents and cacti.

III Arrangements - All natural material except where otherwise indicated. Class 1, Happy-Go-Lucky (simple bouquet); 2, A Bit of Blues (blue or blue and white); 3, At Peace (all white flowers); 4, Been Humbled (small arrangement under eight inches); 5, Adventurous (in modern style); 6, Companionable (flowers and figurine); 7, Gaiety (yellow tones); 8,

Nostalgia (dried materials); 9, Feeling Lonely (single flower); 10, Feeling Elegant (formal arrangement); 11, Tranquility (woody, may have figurine); 12, Helter Skelter (any other).

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Rev. and Mrs. Earl Soward, Lexington, attended the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Alva Ferebee at Eugene, Aug. 28. Mrs. Ferebee is Mrs. Soward's sister. Also attending were their brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ingalls, Madison, Wis., and a sister, Mrs. Earl

Blackburn, Eugene. Their 98-year-old uncle, Clarence Ingalls, Tocomo, Wash., also attended. Many nieces, nephews and friends of the couple were there from several states. There were about 200 well-wishers in all.

The couple also received a congratulatory letter from President and Mrs. Carter.

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