

# AROUND ABOUT

with Justine Weatherford

This has been an especially busy and interesting week at our home. Bill's son, C.P.O. W.W.W. III and his wife Teresa and their 14-month-old William Eugene Weatherford from Yokosuka Naval Base south of Tokyo, Japan, have been with us, as well as Bill's daughter Karla whose home is at Bremerton, Wash.

The threesome, who flew from Japan to Sea-Tac, gained a free day when they crossed the international dateline—actually arriving in Washington State before they left Japan. They have bits of interesting information to share. Teresa has made many friends with Japanese people as they lived off-base most of their first two years. Now they are in Navy housing and not mingling as closely with the natives.

Bill spends much of his time at sea. He has interesting pictures of Russian naval vessels that his ship, the U.S.S. Lockwood, came in contact with—so close that the Americans and Russians could get good looks at each others' equipment. He notes that each navy has some special plusses. He is very certain that U.S. helicopters are very superior to the U.S.S.R. whirlybirds that he observed.

Teresa has found that she enjoys shopping at the base exchange for many things, but that the Japanese stores have superior quality merchandise, at lower prices, in the cities. She says that they tend to export cheaper, poor-quality goods.

The couple tells how small their off-base apartment was. "standard U.S. furniture just wouldn't fit there." The base quarters they have now are more spacious and very comfortable. They live right across the street from a six-year American Jr.-Sr. high school. There is also a school for the first six grades on the base.

Little Billy isn't saying much yet—could be that he will start talking bi-lingually. He has been brought up with many little Japanese friends. His first flight wasn't too satisfactory—seems he got a head cold and earache and needed help from Dr. Carpenter here, who has now met three William Weatherfords.

Karla reports that Bremerton and surrounding towns are having a bit of a boom as the Navy's Trident Submarine Base is about to get into production of the latest in nuclear submarines. She practices her profession, occupational therapy in Bremerton and Port Orchard, and since she spent four years at the University of Puget Sound in nearby Tacoma, she feels pretty much at home in northwest Washington.

Karla met the visitors from Japan on arrival and has had to chauffeur them about until they were able to take Oregon drivers' tests at Hermiston and get re-licensed to drive their own green Datsun that I have been using for several years. They had become very accustomed to driving on the left-hand side of streets and turning into left lanes with the right-side-drive car they own in Japan.

Since we are being sort of internationally minded just now—it was pleasing to have a nice picture postcard arrive from "Cardiff enroute to Edinburgh" from Charlie and Dorothy Heard who are off seeing the United Kingdom. Dorothy will attend a Soroptimist meeting at Tamworth, England, and enjoy visiting with members there who were in Heppner several years back. The Heards expect to be back at their Peach Island home about Oct. 15, Charlie stated.

Bill, Teresa and Karla have enjoyed visiting with some old Heppner friends. They have felt especially lucky to find Kathy Melby Jurcich from Columbus, Ohio, with her sons Matt, 6, and Josh, 19 months, and Susan Melby Timm from Pocatello, Idaho, with her son Sean, 19 months, visiting their parents Avon and Arnold. These Heppner-educated young mothers will have left by the time you read this edition, as will have our four guests.

Our home, and the Melby's, too, will seem quite empty and quiet. Our table can go back to its original, smaller, leafless size. I know I shall miss our visitors, especially the great help that Karla has given me with my various enterprises. She has shown that her medical training means so much when illness strikes. She has devised ways to make her father more comfortable. She has developed into a mighty fine house cleaner and cook. If you happen to visit the laundromat you might note it is looking cleaner than usual because of the elbow grease Karla put forth there.

Since none of the younger Weatherfords had seen Heppner for some time, they noted many improvements. They remarked about the big Coast-to-Coast store, about Kroll's attractive new store, about Hedmans' relocation, about West of Willow, Les Schwab's outlet, the changes on Hopsital Hill, the new residences near three-mile corner and the Kinzua mill's great expansion.

## Farley, Miller united

St. Patrick's Church was the setting for the Aug. 20 wedding ceremony which united Shan-ny Farley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James J. Farley of Heppner, and Mark Miller,

son of Mr. and Mrs. Tad Miller, Lexington.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a white, organza princess-style gown with portrait neckline.



Mr. and Mrs. Mark Miller  
...The former Shannon Farley

Applied daisies adorned the bodice, edged the cap sleeves and trimmed the floor length train. Her picture hat was also trimmed with daisy appliques. The bride carried a bouquet of yellow roses and baby breath in a church decorated with baskets of orange carnations, yellow roses and baby's breath.

The bridesmaids, dressed in yellow midi-length sundresses, were Michelle Burns of Pendleton, sister of the groom, Tricia Gunderson of Roseburg, Barbara Watkins of Heppner and Nancy McElligott, Ione. Trisha Halverson, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. Each attendant wore an orange miniature carnation in her hair and carried nosegays of yellow roses, orange carnations and baby's breath. Anji Halvorsen, niece of the bride was flower girl, while Bobbette Hedman and Nancy Miller, sister of the groom, served as candle lighters.

Steve Kemp of Umatilla acted as best man while ushers included David Gunderson of Roseburg, Terry Hughes of Heppner, Rick Boyce of The Dalles and Jim Cutsforth of Heppner.

The mother of the bride wore a long, pale pink chiffon dress and the mother of the groom a long, green chiffon dress for the festive occasion. Both accented their costume with a matching cape.

Jim Ackley was musician and soloist at the ceremony. Shannon Kelly was also a soloist.

Father Raymond Beard and Father John O'Brien officiated at the 1:30 p.m. ceremony. A wedding reception at St. Patrick's Parish Hall was

followed by a reception at the Elk's Club.

Cutting the cake were Nancy Barker, Salem, Kathleen Hisler of Heppner, Earlene Miller, aunt of the groom, Hermiston and Francine Crawford, also aunt of the groom from Hermiston.

Pouring punch were Florence Becket and Esther Bergstrom, both aunts of the bride from Heppner, Marilyn Peck, Portland, cousin of the groom and Peggy Almon, cousin of the groom.

Marcia Anderson attended the guest table while Luanne Hurl was in charge of the guest book.

After a wedding trip to Lake Tahoe, the newly wed couple is residing in Heppner.

Both are graduates of Heppner High School. The groom graduated from the University of Idaho in 1976 while the bride graduated from Oregon State University in June. The groom is currently farming with his father.

## Grand Squares swing partners

During the week of Sept. 11-17, officially proclaimed Square Dance Week by Gov. Bob Straub, the Grand Squares dance club celebrated in style.

Under the direction of club caller Darrel Wilson, square dance lessons on Tuesday, Sept. 13, launched the season of "do-si-doing" at the Oddfellow's Hall in Heppner. The Grand Squares began their regular season of dancing at Willow Grange in Ione on Friday, Sept. 16.

In another highlight of Square Dance Week, eight members of the Grand Squares traveled to Pendleton to dance with the Rocket Squares at their annual Round-Up dance and to retrieve the club banner that the Rocket Squares "stole" at the anniversary dance last May 7. Attending the

Round-Up Dance were: George and Lorene Griffith, Cecil; Marvin and Muriel Epley, Olex; Elmer Heath and Bill and Daisy Collins, Heppner; Dorothy Warren, Lexington; and Betty Heath, Hermiston.

Now that the square dance is the official dance of Oregon, the club urges one and all to come to the Oddfellow's Hall in Heppner every Tuesday at 7 p.m. to learn to square dance.

## Results available

Results of the "Wages, Welfare or What?" town hall meeting will be available next week at no charge at the Gazette-Times office. Anyone interested may pick up a copy.

## Bike donations reported

A total Bike Ride donation to St. Jude's Hospital of \$1,361.42 was reported by Philanthropic Chairman Ellen Kennedy at the Sept. 14 meeting of Alpha Theta chapter, E.S.A.

The meeting, held at Mrs. Kennedy's home, also included a report by Co-Chairman LaRae Kindle on service hours accumulated working on Pre-School Physicals, Bloodmobile, Cancer Drive and the Cystic Fibrosis Cam-

aign for Philanthropic funds. Membership Chairman, Betty Doherty, announced plans for a new chapter of E.S.A. to be sponsored by Alpha Theta. Using a Baseball theme, prospective members will be invited to a "Meet the Rookies" party at the home of Rita Harris September 28. The charter ceremony for the new chapter is scheduled for October 19. "Metrics are Fun" was the

Educational topic presented for discussion by Ellen Kennedy and LaRae Kindle.

President Sally Wilson, Betty Doherty, Barbara Paulus and Rita Harris will be attending Oregon State Council Leadership Conference in Bend September 24.

Prospective members will be invited to attend the October 12 meeting of Alpha Theta at the home of Rita Harris.

## Ione backyard sale planned Saturday

Tasty homebaked food should be a crowd pleaser at the big backyard sale to be held in Ione this Saturday, Sept. 24, by the Ione Rebekah Lodge.

Both new and old items are marked to be sold, including household goods, books, records, dishes, picture frames

and much miscellaneous.

The sale will be held at the Matthews' residence at 2nd and Cherry from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. No advance sales will be made.

Proceeds are earmarked to help finance the organization's many projects.

## Personal security September topic

The Widow and Widower Program, an organization designed to aid in the social, emotional and financial adjustment of recently widowed persons, has scheduled a Sept. 28 meeting in Pendleton. The Meeting will take place in Room 106 of Pioneer Hall on the Blue Mountain Community College campus beginning at 7:30 p.m.

The group has been meeting for the past four months and provides a gathering for persons with common thoughts and needs. The September topic for the no-charge meeting will be "home and Personal Security" presented by Jim and Eva Carey.

For more information call Sandy or Rene Bishop at 276-1221.



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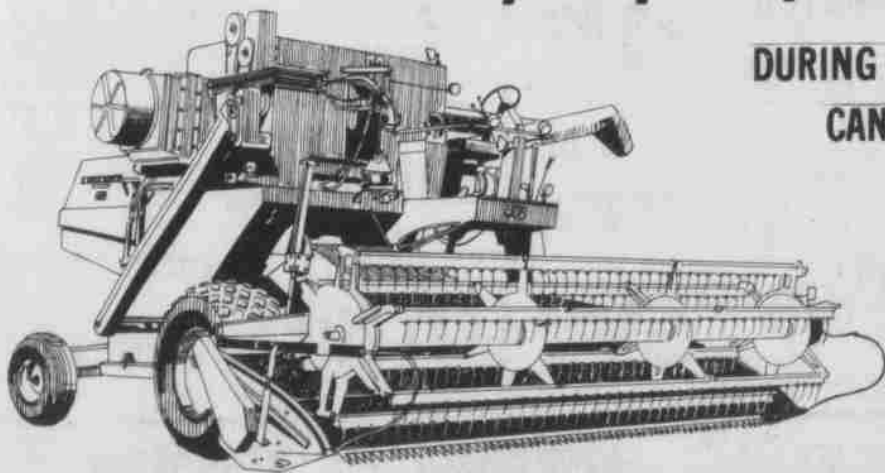
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