

AROUND ABOUT

with Justine Weatherford

When I returned from Portland last weekend one of my priorities was, of course, to read last week's issue of this paper. How much I missed in my four days away! One item I had jotted down to write about this week was the lilacs blooming in Elsie Leather's yard. I read that the Harold Pecks also have blooming lilacs—but then I got lost trying to understand the picture credit. Other than that, I was pleased to be able to understand everything else I read.

Did you hear now Dr. Tibbles saved an elk hunter some thousands of dollars? Well, as our good doctor was driving up Coal Mine Hill he was flagged down near a group of vehicles and asked if he had a fire extinguisher in his rig. "Sure, I always carry one in my Bronco. Here it is!"

Seems that a visiting hunter had a fire break out in his recreational vehicle and the little foam-sprayer went to work and quickly stopped the conflagration. What a big savings to the owner. So Dr. Tibbles keeps on being helpful and doing good in this community which loves him. He drives a Bronco—but he is an extra-good Scout.

Back to mixed up flowers. Theta Lowe told me that as she was cleaning up leaves, etc. in their nice backyard, she found violets blooming and daffodil leaves well out of the ground.

Now a little about another helpful member of this community. Pat Brindle has had to be away from her work at the Neighborhood Center for many weeks while she had hospitalization, surgery and a period of recuperation. Her assistants carried on nicely at the center, but are now saying that they are so glad to have Pat back, at least part-time, again.

I hear that five well-known ladies have been spending time in hospitals out of town. Pauline Hughes has returned home to Ukiah after surgery at Pendleton Community Hospital. Cleo Van Winkle, who resides at the Hiersche Nursing Home in Pendleton and who was recently discharged from Pioneer Memorial here after a broken leg mended—has fallen and broken her good leg now and is in bed again. Seems she has had three or four broken legs in rather quick succession—a record nobody would want to challenge.

County Treasurer Sylvia McDaniel and everybody's friend Carrie Becket are seeing one another in the Physical Therapy Department at St. Anthony's. They practice walking together—Sylvia after surgery and Carrie after a broken hip. Heppner's Police Chief's mother Viola Gilman is also at St. Anthony's where she has undergone cataract removal. We hope all these dear ladies make it back here pretty soon.

Before I followed the White Angel down to Portland I had a chance to visit briefly with Rev. Mel and Nancy Dixon from Milton-Freewater who were here with friends. Mel called on

Bill at "our" hospital.

Maybe you read about the new tower at the Emanuel hospital in last Sunday's OREGONIAN. Bill is on its top floor (Room 5518). He may have been wheelchair out to a solarium window to look down on the dedication ceremony today, Nov. 10, when ex-President Jerry Ford and state and Portland officials gathered in the flagpole-centered entrance area.

Small world, another Morrow County person may also have looked down from the fifth floor. Mary McElligott, daughter of Eunice and Don, Ione, is a nurse in the Coronary Care section which shares the floor with the Oncology Section where Bill is.

As I drove home Saturday I stopped in The Dalles to visit with my friend and ex-neighbor Effie Johnson and son Bill who happened to be with his mother. Effie misses her Heppner friends but gets fine news letters quite regularly from Ida Farra. Bill looks dandy, is having a birthday this week. He and Joyce and their "almost grown up" sons live next door to Effie.

When I got back here, I first stopped at the library where I found Faye Ruhl had everything well under control. After I unloaded the car at home, I began to think about fixing some supper. Just then I got a telephone invitation to come join the Degree of Honor members, families and friends at their pre-Thanksgiving Potluck at 6:30. How I enjoyed their delicious chicken-supreme and other delightful foods in the festively decorated lodge rooms. After dinner the E.E. Gontys showed three wheels of colored slides of some of their travels. They had excellent pictures of the Black Hills, Yellowstone, Crater of the Moon and San Francisco. What a nice evening.

When I left Bill, he gave me some instructions to carry out before I return next weekend. "Be sure you tell Amanda Duval how much I appreciated the ride in the ambulance she gave our county." I delivered the message on Sunday morning.

Our community is a much nicer place to live because of the many, large gifts that good, generous Amanda has given it.

U.S.A.F. Military Police Sgt. "Charlie" Douglas Gonty wrote home from his assignment in Greece to tell his parents Mr. and Mrs. E.E. Gonty that he has been sent to Athens on a two-month temporary duty assignment.

Along with 14 other security police from a mountain Airforce Base he was ordered to the metropolis where there seems to be lots of violent political activity, bombings and threats to lives.

Isn't it good to live where we don't get nearly so violent about politics? When we note a low turnout of voters, some of us might wish there was a little more concern here, however.

MORROW COUNTY COMMUNITY

PEOPLE • EVENTS • HAPPENINGS

BMCC winter term classes planned

It's time to start thinking about Blue Mountain Community College winter term evening classes, according to

Nancy Brownfield, coordinator for this area.

Though winter classes are not scheduled to start until Jan. 2, Mrs. Brownfield would like to know what class offerings are wanted by the community and she encourages people to think about pre-registering.

The following classes are being considered for winter term: Beginning Conversational Swedish, Physical Fitness for Women, Cross Country Skiing, Guitar, Tole Painting, Ceramics, Calligraphy, Microwave Cooking, Personal Finance, Oxy-acetylene Welding, Woodworking, and Genetics.

If you are interested in attending one or more of the classes please contact Mrs. Brownfield, 676-5039, so a final schedule can be arranged. Pre-registration will begin Dec. 15.

Watch the Gazette-Times for final class listings and pre-registration form. Pre-registration is important so instructors will know how many students to prepare for. Registration is also possible during the first week of classes.

The BMCC evening classes are open to any one 16 years and older.

Tamila Brannon, Vernon Seal plan Dec. 3 wedding



Vernon Seal...Tamila Brannon

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Laughlin and Mr. and Mrs. William Brannon, all of Heppner, are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Tamila Kay Brannon, to Vernon R. Seal of John Day. Seal is the son of Mrs. Dean Dinne, Hood River, and Geryl Seal, Baker.

The bride elect graduated from Heppner High School in 1976. She attended Modern Business College in Kennewick, Wash., and is presently employed by the Mid-Columbia Development District The Dalles.

The prospective groom is a 1971 graduate of Baker High School and works for Oregon Log Homes in John Day.

A family wedding will be held at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Heppner on Dec. 3. The couple will make their home in John Day.

Three births at PMH

The Morrow County stork, braving cold weather that would have daunted a lesser bird, has made three delivery trips to Pioneer Memorial Hospital in recent days.

Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Ray Parret of Kinzua were presented with a Halloween treat with the birth of their first child, Beau Richard, at 10:22 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 31. He weighed in at 8 pounds 3 ounces.

Beau's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Parret, Kinzua, and Mr. and Mrs. Erby Wise, Florence. Great grandparents include Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bennett of Heppner, Mr. and Mrs. Si Wise, Baker, Ruth Grimm, Florence, and

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Parrett, Canyonville. The baby's great-great grandmother is Ada Raines, Prairie City.

Alena Marie, the first child of proud Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Manuel Binschus, Heppner, was born at 9:59 a.m. on Wednesday, November 3, weighing 8 pounds 6½ ounces.

Grandparents of the new baby include Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Steers, Heppner, and Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Coulter, Baker. Great grandparents are Lydia Wilson, Heppner; Pearl Steers, Heppner; and Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Smith, Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary George Carr of Cayville were happy to welcome the first addition to

their family with the birth of a son, Michael Jeremy, on Saturday, Nov. 5. He weighed in at 6 pounds 1½ ounces.

Little Michael's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Cecil McDaniel, Dayville, and Mr. and Mrs. George Carr, John Day. Great grandparents included Ethel Robinson, Heppner; Agnes Davis, Lonerock; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Vanderpool, John Day; and Grandma Long, Bend.

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THE TURKEYS ARE COMING AT LES SCHWAB

Bakers celebrate sixty years of matrimony

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Baker, longtime Morrow County residents now living in Woodburn, will be honored at a reception given by their children marking their sixtieth wedding anniversary on Sunday, Nov. 13 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Valby Lutheran Church, south of Ione.

Mr. Baker was the son of a Morrow County pioneer family and he and his wife, Helen, farmed on the Gooseberry section of Eight Mile for many years.

The Bakers had five children, Clarence, now living in Heppner; David, Ione; Merle, Portland; Betty Orton, Woodburn; and Helen Schlesner, Astoria.

An "old friend of the family", Oscar Peterson of Ione, told the Gazette-Times that Baker had been an outstanding leader in the community and credited him with being the "daddy of the REA electric co-op in its infancy. Bakers were very faithful and dependable workers in the Rhea Creek Grange. "We sure miss them," he added.

All friends of the Bakers are invited to the reception in their honor and are requested not to bring gifts.

Baumans welcome surprise visitors

Weekend visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C.J.D. Bauman were their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Holt of Oregon City and two of their daughters, Kimberly and Jacqueline. Jacqueline's fiancé, Kip Holstrom, also visited.

Both the Baumans and their guests received a real surprise later in the day when another daughter of the Holts, Tracy Icenhower and her husband Stephen drove up from their home in Klamath Falls. The young couple had kept their plans a secret, hoping to surprise their parents and grandparents. To the delight of all concerned, their little scheme succeeded beyond even their expectations.

Hospital Notes

Most patients admitted to Pioneer Memorial Hospital between Nov. 1 and Nov. 8 have already been dismissed. They included Getty Cox, Heppner; Bill Lacey, Arlington; Lee McCarl, Lexington; Sandra Rill, Heppner; and Ried Duncan, Lexington; Bill Weatherford, Heppner.

Della McCurdy was still in the hospital as of Tuesday.

Hearing Tests Set For Heppner, Ione and Lexington

Free electronic hearing tests will be given by the Beltone Hearing Aid Service for residents of the Heppner-Ione-Lexington area on Friday, Nov. 11 at the Northwestern Motel in Heppner from 12 to 5 p.m.

Factory-trained hearing aid specialists will be at the office to perform the tests.

Anyone who has trouble hearing or understanding is welcome to have a test using the latest electronic equipment to determine his or her particular loss. Diagrams showing how the ear works and some of the causes of hearing loss will be available. Everyone should have a hearing test at least once a year if there is any trouble at all hearing clearly. Even people now wearing a hearing aid or those who have been told nothing could be done for them should have a hearing test and find out about the latest methods of hearing correction.

The free hearing tests will be given at the Northwestern Motel in Heppner tomorrow, call THE BELTONE HEARING AID SERVICE OFFICE, 414 S.E. Dorion, Pendleton, Oregon 97801...the telephone number is 276-3266, and arrange for an appointment at another time.

And don't miss the \$50 COUPON attached to this announcement...its good Friday, Nov. 11 only.

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