

**Lexington news**

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Norma Marquardt, who has been a patient in Pioneer Memorial Hospital has been moved to the nursing home at Pioneer.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Kane and small son have moved to their new home recently constructed on the lot joining that of Mrs. Kane's mother, Gladys VanWinkle.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Buchanan have returned from a vacation which took them to the Oregon and Washington coast, where they enjoyed some fishing and visiting with relatives and friends.

Holly Rebekah Lodge members honored Mrs. Kenneth (Linda) Jones at the Cutsforth home on Wednesday with a cradle shower. The gift table was centered with a three tiered cake made of diapers, blankets and adorned with decorative pins, rattles, mittens and booties. The ladies spent the afternoon visiting and after Mrs. Jones, assisted by her sister, Susan Johnston, opened her gifts, refreshments were served. The refreshment table was centered

with a bouquet of yellow mums and trays of appetizers and a variety of dips. Hostesses were Gladys VanWinkle, Barbara Cutsforth and Virginia Peck.

Venice Hendrickson and Florence McMillan visited in Boardman on Sunday where they attended the fall style review and heard the Sweet Adelines sing. The meeting was held at the Nomad restaurant.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Peck have returned home from a trip to the eastern states, visiting in Kentucky.

Gene Heliker of Seattle spent a couple of days last week visiting with friends and relatives, staying at the home of his mother and stepfather Mr. and Mrs. O.W. Cutsforth.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Laney, former Lexington residents, will be pleased to hear that their daughter Rosetta and husband Don are now living in Hermiston where they own and operate Clarks Shoes at the Hermiston Plaza. Mr. and Mrs. Laney are now residing in Twin Falls, Idaho.

**New recipe sought for Oregon wheat**

A search has started in Oregon for "a product that will be a symbol of Oregon wheat production", according to Frank Tubbs, Adams wheat farmer and chairman of the Oregon Wheat Commission.

Oregon wheat growers predominantly produce a class of soft white wheat that is used for making pastry products such as cakes, cookies and pastry flour. About 80 per cent of Oregon's wheat is exported to Asian countries where it makes various speciality products such as noodles, sponge cakes and unleavened bread products.

"In the United States", said Tubbs, "we use our Oregon wheat generally for pastry products. It is only fitting that we call our contest an 'Oregon S'Wheat Roll Contest'."

Original recipes are sought, according to Mrs. Helene Holcomb, staff member of the Oregon Wheat Commission. She said that any recipe can be submitted for the contest as long as it uses wheat flour and is original.

Judging of the contest will be by professional home economists selected by Ivan Packard, administrator of the Oregon Wheat Commission. Recipes will be judged on creativity, good product use, practicality, texture, flavor, attractiveness, completeness and clarity.

Six finalists will be chosen to participate in a bake-off to be held in Portland. Expenses for the finalists will be paid. The date of the bake-off has not been announced.

Prizes for the "S'Wheat Roll" winner will be \$100 and a silver tray for the first place winner, second prize will be \$75 with third prize being \$50. Fourth, fifth and sixth prizes will be \$25.

Contest deadline is January 31, 1979. Entries are to be mailed to the "S'Wheat Roll Contest", Oregon Wheat Commission, P.O. Box 400, Pendleton, Oregon 97801. Full information and contest rules are also available at the same address.

**Hunters start 50 forest fires**

More than 50 man-made fires have flared up in Umatilla National Forest since the opening of elk season last weekend, according to U.S. Forest Service officials in Pendleton.

Most of the blazes have been characterized as nuisance fires, which failed to cause substantial damage, although they created massive workloads for fire suppression crews. Most of the fires have been contained to an area of less than an acre, but one, in the Meacham area, spread to fifteen acres.

The number of fires spotted during the current elk season by far exceeds the average number of forest fires reported in a full year, according to Forest Service officials. For the past 10 years, the Umatilla National Forest has experienced an average of 37 man-caused fires per year.

Nearly 25 fires were reported in the Heppner District alone during the opening week-end of elk season, according to a Forest Service spokesman, keeping suppression crews, fire patrol aircraft and other Forest Service personnel

nel tied up throughout the period. Nearly all the Heppner District fires were limited to less than one acre.

The potential exists for a devastating fire, according to Ralph McCurdy of the Pendleton office of the Forest Service, due to the extreme dry conditions, gusty winds, an abundance of dead pine beetle infested trees, and the large number of hunters building campfires.

Adding to the fire peril is the fact that most of the seasonal firefighters assigned to the Umatilla National Forest have left the area, with the end of the summer fire season.

Forest Service officials urge hunters to build fires in safe areas, clearing away pine needles and other forest debris from the fire site. Hunters who come across a fire are urged to take the time to scratch a line around it, if possible, to prevent its spreading. If the fire is spreading rapidly, however, hunters are urged to stay clear and not risk possible injuries. Fires should be reported at the earliest possible moment.

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