

Lexington news

Delpha Jones • 989-8189

Butch Williams of Washington, D.C., visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Williams of Lexington over the weekend. He is head of the correspondence education program for the U.S. Coast Guard.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams recently visited in Kellogg, Idaho.

Lyle Cox and Lee Wagenblast of Lexington are patients at Pioneer Memorial Hospital.

Irrigon news

Rose Wilson

Rob Adams returned to Irrigon recently from a seven month work tour in Saudi Arabia.

Working as a field service engineer for Delaval Turbine Company of Oakland, Calif., Adams was responsible for operation and maintenance of a diesel power plant.

Manufactured by the company in Oakland and set up at Khamis Mushayt in Saudi Arabia, the plant serves a Saudi military installation about 300 miles south of the capital city, Riyadh. The company also has a field office in Riyadh and personnel traveling between the two points do so by air.

Adams is a 1973 graduate of Riverside High School in Boardman and received his vocational training in Portland before going to the field. He will be visiting his parents, Don and Joan Adams of Irrigon, and other friends and relatives before returning to Saudi Arabia in February. He expects his next duty tour to last from six months to a year.

Mrs. Chester Wilson was called to Watsonville, Calif. last week by the death of her mother, Evangeline Fagerstrom.

Mrs. Fagerstrom, who passed away January 2, would have been 80 on Jan. 6.

She was well known in Irrigon in past years, having moved here with her parents as a girl in 1908, and residing at times over the years until 1935 when she moved to Roseburg and later to Florence, where she operated a nursing home until the death of her husband, Ernest.

She was an ordained minister with the Assemblies of God and was active through the years in church work, having pastored churches in Fayetteville, Tenn. and New Meadows, Idaho and worked in a children's home in Alaska before retiring in Watsonville.

Mrs. Wilson will remain in California for two weeks with her daughter, Carmine, who lives in Santa Cruz and is registrar at Bethany Bible College there.

Although cold weather has been no stranger to residents of the area the past couple of weeks it was accentuated, if not downright intensified for two young Irrigon men on New Year's Eve.

While some were ushering in Baby New Year with nostalgia and revelry within the confines of warm surroundings, Tracy Johnson and Dan Gordanier chose to meet it head-on by plunging into the icy waters of the Columbia River at the stroke of twelve.

Plunging through the slush-ice that lined the shore was not new to Johnson who performed the feat last year, but for Gordanier it was a chilly first. With chattering teeth and frozen hair in the minus five degree weather they declared it should be a yearly event and solicited volunteers for the session one year hence.

Florence McDaniel was taken by ambulance to the Heppner hospital one day last week.

Glady's Van Winkle has returned home from a trip to California, where she spent

the holidays with her daughter, Linda, in Santa Monica, where Linda is teaching. They took several sightseeing trips before Mrs. Van Winkle returned to Lexington.

Glenda Kay Brodd flew to Oklahoma City to spend the holidays with her husband, Tom, who is attending school there. Mrs. Brodd has been a patient in a hospital in that city since Christmas.

Holly Rebekah Lodge met at the Jones home on Thursday,

instead of the IOOF Hall, due to weather conditions. Plans were started for the visit of State President Helen Gottman on March 1, and for the installation of 1979 officers. Refreshments were served, and Virginia Peck won the door prize.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Yocom drove to Pendleton Tuesday morning, taking their son Jack. Jack will fly to the east coast, departing from there for his base in Germany,

where he will be stationed with the U.S. Army for some time.

Mrs. Dale Jones and daughters from Salem spent the holidays with Mrs. Jones' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Yocom.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Kane and son Patrick spent the holidays with Mike's parents and other relatives in Denver, Colo.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Jones are the parents of a son,

Kenneth Christopher, born at Pioneer Memorial Hospital on Dec. 31. He joins a brother, Michael, at home. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Starks of Heppner and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Jones and Florence McMillan of Lexington.

Kimberlee Whitney returned home Tuesday via Amtrak from Hermiston. She has been visiting at the C.C. Jones home. Other visitors over the

holidays included the Stuart Smith family, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Breeding and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bowen, all of Hermiston; Mr. and Mrs. G.E. Ervin of Irrigon; Charlene Whitney and Frank Wilcox of Portland, and Mr. and Mrs. Victor L. Greshens of Heppner.

Mr. and Mrs. George Kruger are spending a few days in Portland visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Wagon-

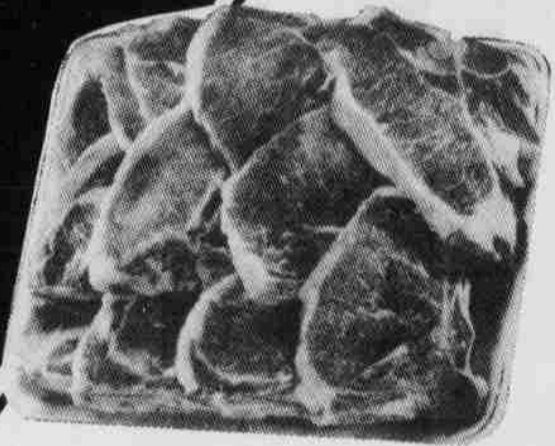
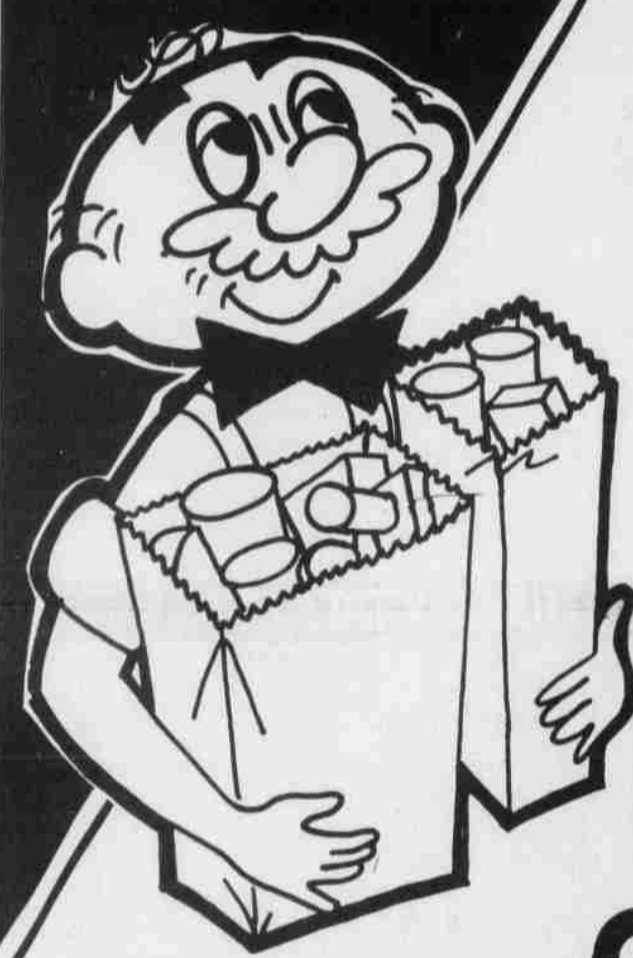
blast spent New Years in The Dalles with friends.

Congratulations to Grandma and Grandpa Munkers on the arrival of a granddaughter—the first baby of the new year in Umatilla County. The new arrival is the daughter of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Barry Bunkers.

Walt Gorley was taken to Pioneer Memorial Hospital one day last week by ambulance.

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