

AROUND ABOUT

With Justine Weatherford

Last week we had a small article about Thanksgiving Day in the U.S., which concluded with the statement that by presidential proclamation the holiday was set on the last Thursday of November. Several readers noted that Nov. 22 was not the last Thursday of November.

The unfinished story is that in 1939 President Franklin Roosevelt set the holiday one week earlier, to help business by lengthening the shopping period before Christmas. Congress then ruled, that after 1941, the fourth Thursday of November would be observed as Thanksgiving Day and would be a legal federal holiday.

Incidentally, looking ahead on the calendar in the Yellow Pages of the telephone directory, covering the years 1776 to 2000, I note that November will not have more than four Thursdays again until 1984 and 1985, and then again in 1989 and 1990—so F.D.R.'s plan doesn't help the merchants too regularly.

How good it has been to see holiday visitors about town. Mary Foster came from Berkeley, Calif. for a nice visit with her mother Martha King. The Rev. Steve Tollefson, wife Vicki, and their three sons, Greg, Ben and Ted, were at the John Weygant-Young home and were especially greeted at an after-church coffee in the Methodist Church. Wendy Phegley, who now teaches in Bend, and her sisters Becky and Marilyn from Reedsport invited Jim Phegley and others for the occasion.

Madge and Jim Thomson were so happy to have their son Bruce, his wife Phyllis and children Stacey and Jeffrey James come from Portland, Charles Rawlins, Bend, and Carol R. Brewster, husband Bill and children Matt and Natalie came from Corvallis to brighten Jane and Bill Rawlins' home.

On Thursday Inez Erwin entertained her sister Wyoma Duckworth, Clarkston; sister Ruth and husband Leroy Lusk, Walla Walla; sister Lula and husband Willard Cameron, and their daughter Mariann and husband Jerry Bauman, and their infant son Nicki, also from Walla Walla.

Happy and Claude Graham's guests were their daughter Jean Marie Damon, her husband Bernard and their children from Eugene. Alma and Herman Green had the Lawrence Greens from Wasco in their home. Son Tom and his family stayed in son Clifford Green's home. Lee Wagonblast was pleased to have her sons John and Steve and their families with her.

I was delighted to have my first son, F. Ross Haberland, and second daughter, Karla W. Weaver and husband Rick, here from Thursday noon until early Sunday. At our turkey dinner, Friday afternoon, Marion and Leona Weatherford from Arlington and Inez Erwin and Wyoma Duckworth joined us.

When I was telling a neighbor how helpful the young people were—doing the leaf raking, wood sawing, helping in the house, etc., the neighbor blurted out "I'll bet they'll be mighty thankful to leave here!"

Theta Lowe, the prime mover behind the annual, community Thanksgiving dinners at the Episcopal Church, says that this year's attendance was the smallest in the seven years that the church has invited everyone to attend. Only 14 diners accepted the dinner invitation last Thursday.

Of course some Heppnerites went traveling over the holiday, including Amanda Duvall, who was in Portland with family members, and the E. E. Gontys who went to Seattle to join a four-generation gathering at their older son Ray's home. Freida Majeske was in Pendleton with part of her family. My "temporary granddaughter," Lela Breidenbach, spent the holiday with her family at Timber Lake, riding to Estacada and back with teacher Karen Howe who went home to Colton for the holidays.

Extra special traveling took Ralph Crum home to Ione from the Heppner hospital and brought Police Chief Dean Gilman back home from Walla Walla where he recently underwent surgery. Iva Booker is back in town after her hospitalization and is resting in the home of Randall and Marlene Peterson.

This weekend the many who are working to ready the Artifactory and the Christmas Greens Workshop hope that there will be a really good crowd coming to the Morrow County Fairgrounds on Saturday. The first small Artifactory was held in the lobby of the Heppner Hotel. Then several of the annual events were held in the Gilliam-Bisbee Building, where the Coast-to-Coast store is now. Recent Artifactories have been in the St. Patrick's Parish Hall on Jones Street, but now, because the last several Artifactories were so well patronized and became very crowded, the American Association of University Women determined to spread out the event in the Fair Pavilion Building.

The first daytime Greens Workshop will be next door to the Artifactory in the Fair Annex which is used for 4-H displays and demonstration during fair week.

Remember—free admission and free parking! Come meet Santa and Clown Cathy!

Senior Citizens

For many months the women who gather at the Heppner Neighborhood Center have been making a great assortment of decorative and useful articles to sell at the annual, Artifactory planned for Saturday.

The materials they have used were either donated by friends of the center or were purchased with money they have made from the sale of their efforts at the Sidewalk Bazaar or at last year's Artifactory.

Proceeds from the sale will go toward buying more material for their crafts at the center or for use on craft days at the Pioneer Memorial Hospital.

The menus for the Senior

Citizen Dinners at the three mealities in the county during the first week in December will be: Dec. 3 at Irrigon—tomato juice, macaroni and cheese with weiners, baked squash, tossed green salad, assorted relishes, sliced bread with butter and apple butter and St. Patrick ladies' dessert.

Dec. 4 at Heppner—boiled beef and noodles, buttered carrots, apple-pineapple molded salad, biscuits and jelly and raspberry poke cake.

Dec. 5 at Ione and Heppner—meat balls Espanol, mashed potatoes, buttered beets, molded vegetable salad, muffins and jam and apple crisp with topping.

Former publisher fills Adventist pulpit

Dan Adels was a Seventh Day Adventist assistant publishing director for 13 years before coming to Heppner seven weeks ago to become a pastor for the first time.

"It is something I always wanted to do," Adels said. "I was not in pastoral work before but I made it known that I was interested and I got a call."

Two others were interviewed for the job in Heppner but Adels was accepted. When he went to college at Columbia Union College in Takoma Park, Maryland, he took Theology hoping to become a pastor.

"Circumstances made it so I had to go into publishing," he said. "I enjoyed the publishing business for 13 years."

Adels and his wife, Elizabeth, will be moving into a home in Heppner Dec. 3. They are moving here from Atlanta, Ind. where he served as the assistant publishing director for the church there for two years. Before that, he held the same post in an Ohio city for five-and-one-half years. Prior to that job, he held the same type of position in Indiana for four-and-one-half years.

In his free time, Adels likes to run. He trains as a marathon runner at about 11 miles a day. He participated in the Portland Marathon, a 26-mile race, a few weeks ago. He said he likes to run up the hill five-and-one-half miles toward Condon and then come back. He averages about eight minutes a mile.

"It's relaxing," he said.



The Rev. Dan Adels

Adels is proud of his three sons and their achievements.

His oldest son, Dan, is 22 and a junior at Southern Missionary College in Collegedale, Tenn., which is a suburb of Chattanooga. He is taking physical therapy.

His middle son is David, who is 20 and a freshman at the same college. He is taking Theology.

Adels' youngest son is Duane, 18 and a sophomore at the Seventh Day Adventist Academy in Pendleton.

Despite moving such a long distance, Adels said he likes it in Heppner.

"I lived in small towns before," he said. "I like it here. The townspeople are friendly."

Advent, Yule highlight Methodist activities

The worship committee and the Rev. Mike Sheridan, pastor of the Heppner United Methodist Church, have released the following program of events which will be helpful to persons preparing to celebrate a meaningful Advent Season.

The program began Nov. 28, with a congregational potluck dinner at 6:30 after which everyone viewed the film, "I Will Take You to the Christ Child." Each family was presented a special gift booklet which will help in their celebration of Christmas. The church's Advent Wreath was constructed.

Ione man aids mission project

Frederick T. Martin of Ione, a corporate member of the United Church Board for World Ministries, helped to launch a "Partner Power" program between the 1.8 million-member United Church of Christ and churches overseas at the board's 170th annual meeting in Denver recently.

The Reverend Doctor David M. Stowe, New York, executive vice president of the board, said missionaries from the United Church of Christ are now sent overseas only at the invitation of the churches in the host countries. The United Church of Christ has experimented with having missionaries from Asia, Africa and Latin America work in the U.S. churches.

This activity now is to be expanded as the "Partner Power" program.

"Partnership as a style of mission and a source of strength for missions is rooted in our Christian understanding of the nature of power," Dr. Stowe said.

He pointed out that "no secular power can afford to go it alone. Just as the U.S. depends upon Arab oil, Russia on U.S. wheat and Japan on trading partners, Christians are interdependent and must realize that God's plan is unity and mutual dependence, sharing gifts and sharing burdens."

Dec. 23 a very special slide presentation featuring some local performers will begin the morning worship. The fourth banner will be presented and the fourth Advent Candle will be lighted.

Dec. 24, Christmas Eve, everyone is invited to the traditional Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 11 p.m. The central Advent Candle will be lighted.

As Christmas is one of the highest points of the year for all Christians the church worship committee and the pastor cordially invite general attendance and participation in this year's program of pre-Christmas events.

EXCHANGE PROGRAM Japanese student revisits local family

By Birdine Tullis
Morrow Extension Service

Friendships started years ago through Oregon 4-H—Japan Labor program go on and on. One of the first Labo exchanges to Morrow County has now returned to renew friendships.

Reiko Ito, now a student at Depauw College in Green Castle, Ind. spent this Thanksgiving vacation with her "Oregon-Morrow County family", Butch, Judie, Lottie, and Shane Laughlin. Reiko, now 22 years old and a senior in college, was 16 when she first found her "Oregon-Morrow County family." She is attending college in the USA on a Rotary scholarship, majoring in languages, with a goal of teaching as a career.

When Reiko returned to Japan after spending the summer here six years ago, she wrote a story of her "family" and experiences which was published and widely used as a promotional item for the popular exchange program. Her story told of the love and friendships established during her visit and the understanding of America she gained, as well as her hope to return.

IFYE Returnee Coming to County

Blanche Grover, International Four-H Youth Exchange (IFYE) to Finland, will be

reporting in Morrow County Dec. 2 to 5. Blanche is a former Curry County 4-H member where she excelled in the horse program. Her host family for her Morrow County visit will be the Timms family of Irrigon. She will be visiting schools in the area to report on her experiences living with families in Finland.

Any group wishing to arrange for a report during her stay may call 676-9642.

Christmas and Toys

The season brings stores full of exciting colorful toys that attract adults as well as children. Buying toys is fun but choose toys wisely for a Merry Christmas and a long time after. According to Extension Human Development specialist Marcelle Straatman, the most satisfactory toys have qualities that stimulate creativity and are durable, versatile, and safe.

Creative toys are those that stimulate the child's imagination. Wind-up toys are soon boring.

Durability is an important factor. Children can be rough with toys. The toy should be able to take this treatment. Versatility is another aspect, how many things can the toy do, or how many ways can a child use the toy in creative play?

Safety is important. Toys for small children should not have sharp edges or have small

parts that might come off to be swallowed. Look at toys for the small ones very carefully from the standpoint of safety. Choose toys wisely for Christmas to provide happy times all year long.

Cookery with Whole Grains Program Scheduled

Plans are now underway for special programs on cooking

Family sets reception for son, bride at West of Willow

Bob and Suzanne Jepsen of Heppner announce the wedding reception for their son Bill and his wife, Nancy, for Dec. 2 at the West of Willow Restaurant from 3 to 5 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jepsen were married in Ocheyden, Iowa Nov. 24 and the couple will be on a honeymoon in Oregon so Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jepsen are planning a reception so everyone can meet them.

Bill Jepsen was graduated from Heppner High School and he is currently a senior at an Iowa veterinarian school.

He is planning on moving back to Oregon in May, after he has graduated, to start a practice, according to Suzanne Jepsen.

or baking with whole grain products, including goodies for the Christmas season. Identical programs will be offered in Morrow and Umatilla counties, just before the holiday season. Included will be grinding grains, yeast cookery with cracked wheat, use of whole oats, and a very special program on baking Christmas goodies from a basic dough. The Oregon Wheat Commission will be cooperating with Extension to provide the program, recipes and door prizes for the special event.

The Morrow County program will be Dec. 13.

4-H Reminded of Dairy Tour

All 4-H members, leaders, and parents are reminded of the tour planned for Gantenbein's new modern dairy Dec. 1. Current plans call for all those interested to meet at the Gantenbein Dairy on Wilson Road in Boardman at 1 p.m. for a guided tour. The tour is for all 4-H members, not specifically for those in livestock programs.

39 million serve

Since the Revolutionary War, nearly 39 million men and women have served in the U.S. military during periods of armed hostilities.

Class on grain cereal cookery scheduled

Persons interested in learning how to cook with whole-grain cereals may attend the "Goodies with Grains" program Dec. 6 in Pendleton and Dec. 13 in Irrigon.

Local persons will demonstrate a variety of ways to use whole-grain wheat, oats and corn. The event is sponsored by the Oregon State University Extension Service, Oregon Wheat Commission, Oregon Wheat League and Umatilla and Morrow County Wheathearts.

Helen and Fred Nelson of Ione will demonstrate home grinding of wheat, and ways to use the whole wheat. Mary Lou Fletcher from Pendleton will demonstrate how to make whole-wheat pastry. Christmas ideas using basic whole-wheat yeast dough will be shown by Francine Evans in Irrigon, and Roberta Townsend in Pendleton. Suzanne Coppock, Adams, chairman of the Oregon Wheathearts, will demonstrate how to make and shape cracked-wheat yeast

bread. Beverly Daniels, Pilot Rock, will demonstrate a variety of ways to use toasted, whole oats—in such things as breads, cookies, salads and sandwiches.

Louise Forth, Pendleton, will discuss basic mixes. In addition to the usual basic mix, she will discuss the more unusual mixes, such as whole wheat, granola, tortilla, oat and white sauce.

There will be door prizes and recipe folders for all who attend. Admission is free.

The Pendleton program will be Thursday Dec. 6, 7:30 p.m. at the Hawthorne School Multi-Purpose Room. The Irrigon program will be Dec. 13, 7:30 p.m. at the A.C. Houghton School. The programs are identical.

Members of the committee planning the event are Molly Saul, Extension home economist; Birdine Tullis, Extension Service, Morrow County; Helene Holcomb, Oregon Wheat Commission; Suzanne Coppock, Oregon Wheathearts; Kathi Hendrix, Weston, chairman, Umatilla County Wheathearts; Lou Ann Wolfe, Hermiston, public relations chairman, Oregon Wheat Growers League.

Molly Saul invites all interested persons to attend.

Sharing program planned by Christian club

The December meeting of the Heppner Christian Women's Club will be a sharing of homemade Christmas "goodies" at West of Willow Restaurant, Dec. 3 at 6:45 p.m.

The meeting theme is "Traditions, Past and Present." Special feature will be a sharing of Christmas traditions. Doris Thomas of Bend will be the speaker. Special music will be presented by a high school singing group.

All area women are cordially invited to attend. Punch and coffee will be served. Tickets will be \$1.25. Reservations may be made by calling Lynda Crane at 676-5175. Baby sitting is provided.

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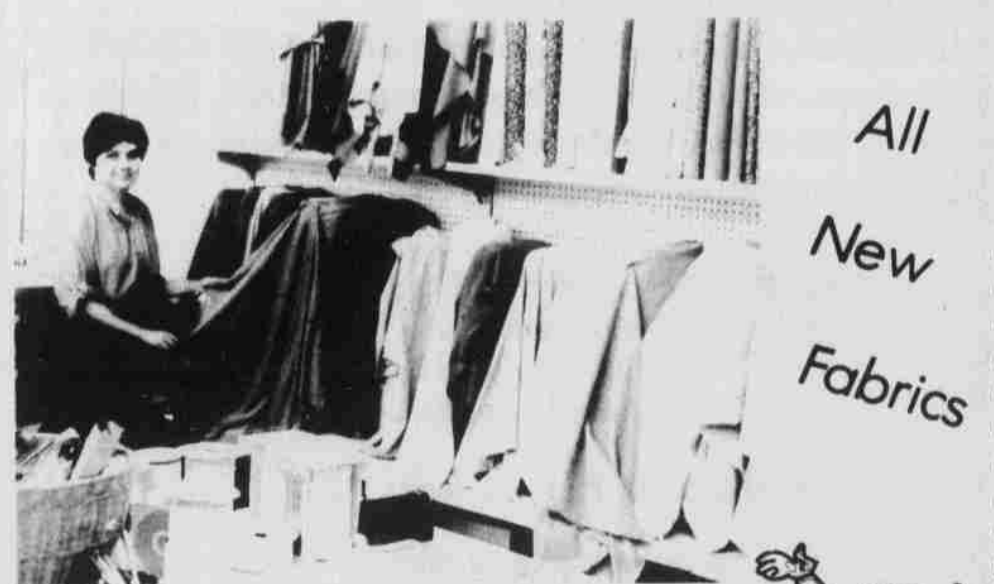
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