

AROUND ABOUT

With Justine Weatherford

Quite a few south Morrow County grandmothers go flying about these days. Vern Batty and Mary Van Blokland have now returned from their Texas trip, where they enjoyed good weather and lots of family visiting. Each of them has a grandson named Ryan at Houston. The Batty grandson's parents are Gayle and Steve Renne. Mary's grandson Ryan has a brother Chad and their parents are Dale and Cathy Van Blokland.

Vern and daughter Gayle made a trip over to Lytle, very near San Antonio, to visit with Vern's Aunt Alice Hastings, who moved there from Heppner just about one year ago. Vern says Alice's heart still lies in Oregon and that she treasures all Heppner news and sends everyone a big "Hello."

Grandmother Martha King just flew off to visit in Nebraska, at Lincoln and at Filley. She will spend most of her time with her sister Ellen Hendricksen and will be attending an exciting reunion of her high school class.

Building may be at an almost "complete standstill" in the U.S. Well, Lexington, Oregon, is being overlooked. That community, which has a population of less than 300, is spotted with new houses.

The Orwick home southwest of the center of town is nearing completion; the Padberg home in the southeast is shaping up fast as is the Boyer residence on Airport Hill. A cluster of new homes just east of the baseball diamond, around Cleo Van Winkle's home, have not been occupied many months. The Pipers recently enlarged and remodeled their store and the less recent improvements at the V. and G. Tavern and other community businesses show that Lexington folks aren't at a complete standstill.

In Heppner the one larger construction project that is moving along is the addition to the east side (back) of the Pioneer Memorial Hospital. One rather small project is the Lions Club's beautification of the bleak, vacant lot between Cole's store and the Abrams-Kuhn and O'Donnell Building. Club volunteers went to work early last Saturday constructing the new, background fence there.

Unfortunately too many re-construction projects have been triggered by vandalistic acts in Heppner recently. The city's 24-hour police patrols and its alert citizens haven't witnessed the destruction of the sculpture at the high school or the breaking of windows around town. Last weekend some brave, too-accurate rock or bottle throwers broke three church windows on Gale Street. These old windows will be difficult and very expensive to replace.

Several months ago we ran some facts about the Burton-Riggs-Padberg families which were mailed to us by Pearl Padberg Krause. Soon we had a telephone call from Doris Palmateer Stratt, in Portland, saying she would like to share information about the seven-generation Palmateer family of Oregon and Morrow County.

Doris called just two weeks ago to say that the day she put her family history out in her mailbox she watched from her window as someone came along and stole her mail. She knew it was not the mail carrier and declared that there was considerable trouble in Portland with mail thievery.

She recopied the history, and it reached Heppner just as the news was printed of the birth of the newest member of the clan, Treve Joseph Palmateer.

Doris tells, "There are seven generations in Oregon, all but one in Morrow County, of the family of Minnie Palmateer Ely (H.O. Ely), and seven generations of Mattie Palmateer Morgan (Earl G. Morgan.)"

She lists those with the Palmateer name as Garrett R., his son John W., and his son William F. These first three men and their families began Oregon life in Garfield, Clackamas County. "Garrett R. and his wife and eleven children joined an Oregon wagon train in April, 1852, and reached Garfield in Nov. 1852. A twelfth child was born in Oregon."

It was William F., who moved his family to Morgan along Willow Creek in 1898 to a homestead farm. The fourth-generation father was Albert F. Palmateer who died at Morgan in 1943. The fifth-generation head is Ted Palmateer, grandson of William F., who now owns the homestead ranch at the lone address. Ted married Rosetta Healy in Heppner in 1949.

Their son, Ronald T. and his wife, the former Bonnie Schiller, are the parents of two seventh-generation young Palmateers, Tyson Robert born in 1979, and Treve Joseph born this month.

Doris's letter with the Palmateer history will be taken to the County Museum to be added to the constantly growing files of genealogical information there.

These warm spring weekends encourage many nongardening activities, such as house and garage cleaning, which in turn, lead to a fine crop of garage and yard sales. Most of the sales are arranged by one or more families, however, two larger sales being arranged by church groups are coming up soon—so plan ahead.

The Heppner Methodist congregation, which has not had one of its lawn sales for several years, is now at work collecting items to present on their paragon lawn on the first Saturday in May. The ladies also will sell home-baked goodies and serve pie and coffee, tea or punch. Beth Bryant and Ida Farra are among the leaders of this whole-church effort.

Folks at Lone's United Church of Christ are getting set for their annual, first-Saturday-in-June Auction and Country Store. Keith and Judy Rea are this year's general chairmen and Katherine Lindstrom and Birdine Tullis will supervise the Country Store.

So if you are interested unusual bargains in household furnishings, tools, toys, clothing—"you name it"—take yourself and a few dollars and a big empty box along to these super sales.

Kindergarten sign-ups continuing in Heppner

Registration for Kindergarten classes at the Heppner Grade School will take place today, April 24.

Instructor Donna Weed will talk to parents of prospective students from 1 to 4 p.m. and again from 5 to 8 p.m. in the kindergarten room in the

lower floor of the junior high building.

The spring registration allows for the school to plan classes for next year. Parents will also receive information on items such as supplies that are needed for next year for the first-year students.



Michelle Portmann (left) threatens a frightened Lisa Nix with a butcher knife in a scene from Heppner High School's upcoming play "Frankenstein Follies."

Heppner drama club to stage musical comedy

Heppner High School students and faculty will be performing the musical play "Frankenstein Follies" May 1 and 2 at 8 p.m. at the high school cafeteria.

The story is about some skiers lost on a mountain side. They come upon a castle that just happens to belong to the descendants of Frankenstein and that is when the fun begins.

A chorus, piano and orchestra provide the music for the play.

John Bier will play Jimmy. Lisa Nix plays Rita. Melanie Sietz will be Carol and Vicki Smith plays Barbara. Dawna Devin is Kelly. Sherri Cowett is Jill. Bonnie Arrington is Amber and Dale Holland will play Mike.

The character of Frank Frankenstein will be played by teacher Duane Neiffer and counselor Michelle Portman is

Elizabeth Frankenstein and George Frankenstein is played by Tim Jones.

Hugo is played by Andy Gorman. Polly Fortenberry plays the part of Sara. Karen Howe is Olive. Martha Baker is Judy. Heather Winter is Prudence. Karen Kenny is Mandy. Margaret Kincaid is Debbie and Debbie Borgens plays Freda.

JoJean Stevens will be the pianist. Directors are Kitty Coon, Bruce Martin and Jane Rawlins. Mardell James is the stage manager. Kevin Chick the lighting director. Shawn Cowett in charge of sound. Alice Abrams is in charge of costumes and Jackie Gentry is at the box office.

The Art Department, under the instruction of Ron Forrar, is building a two-level stage set for the play. Bonnie Nix is the head design artist and Tim Hedman her assistant.

Obituaries

Kasey James Bloodsworth and Karissa Joy Bloodsworth

Graveside services took place Monday for Kasey James Bloodsworth and his unborn sister, Karissa Joy, at the Lexington IOOF Cemetery.

Both died Friday after an automobile accident near Echo.

Kasey was born June 25, 1979 in Pendleton.

Survivors include their parents and sister: James and Carlita Bloodsworth, formerly

of Lexington and now of Pendleton and Danika of Helix; grandparents: Mr. and Mrs. Carl Marquardt of Lexington, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Bloodsworth of Heppner and Mr. and Mrs. Elwayne Bergstrom of Heppner; great grandparents: Mr. and Mrs. Truman E. Messenger; and great grandmother: Eula Bloodsworth of Lexington. Burns Mortuary was in charge of arrangements.

Baptist missionaries in Heppner Sunday

Douglas Custer and his wife, who are missionaries for the Conservative Baptist Foreign Mission Society of Wheaton, Ill., will speak in Heppner Sunday at services of the Friendship Baptist Church, meeting in the multipurpose room of the grade school at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

The Custers will tell of church "planting" in Austria. The mission society sent its first couple to Vienna in 1964, when the International Baptist

Chapel was established to minister to the English-speaking people of the city. Later, other missionaries spread their work to the German-speaking population through visitation, films and musical evenings.

Custer graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in Bible from the International College in Honolulu and master of divinity degree from the Western Conservative Baptist Seminary in Portland.

While attending college in Hawaii, Custer and his wife worked to "plant" churches on the neighboring islands of Maui and Kauai.

Aglow dinner set April 29

Women's Aglow will meet for dinner on Tuesday, April 29, starting at 6:30 p.m. at the All Saints Episcopal Church parish hall in Heppner. Cost of the dinner is \$2 per person.

Couples are invited. The program, at 7:30 p.m., will be presented by Don and Suzie Schumacker of Kennewick, Wash.

Senior citizen news

Because Pat Brindle, director of the Heppner Neighborhood Center, is confined to the Pioneer Memorial Hospital, her experienced volunteer helpers are keeping the center operating until she is able to return to her job.

The only senior meeting coming during the next week is the five-county Area Agency on Aging Council meeting April 29 at Fossil. Paul Jones of Heppner is the chairman of this council, and he will preside.

Menus for the senior dinners in the county next week will be—at Irrigon April 28—tomato juice, meatballs with mushroom gravy, mashed potatoes, creamed carrots, relishes including artichokes and carrot sticks, tossed green salad, bread, butter and apple jelly and St. Patrick's dessert.

At Heppner April 29—orange juice, turkey supreme with dressing, baked potatoes, Harvard beets, Honolulu slaw,

Squares visit Olympia

Eight members of the local Grand Squares dance club traveled to Olympia, Wash. April 19 to return a visit to the Grand Squares dance club there.

The Washington club came

Gardeners listen to Oregonian columnist

Many county gardeners gathered last Monday at the county fairgrounds for the Extension Service program featuring Ray A. McNeilan, O.S.U. extension agent and Gresham garden writer whose Sunday column appears regularly in the Oregonian's Northwest Section.

The Heppner Garden Club, which meets on the second Monday of each month, consolidated its April meeting with the all-county program. Birdine Tullis introduced McNeilan as "the answer to a gardener's prayer." He gave information about varieties of seeds to plant, about nourishing the plants and caring for them during growth. McNeilan fielded many questions about various problems encountered in this area. After his lecture he showed slides including pictures of beautiful roses.

President Eva Griffith presided at the Heppner Garden Club meeting just before the McNeilan lecture. She re-

Meeting planned

A planning session for the United Church of Christ "country store" will be held today (Thursday) at 7:30 p.m. in the church basement.

The country store will be a part of the church auction scheduled for the first Saturday in June.

minded the nominating committee—Irene Swanson, Irene Nolan and Justine Weatherford that they need to present a slate for next year's club officers. The matter of caring for the plants in the entrance hall at the hospital was discussed and Jo Huston volunteered to take charge of that club project for the next month.

Three Heppner Club members are to attend the Blue Mountain, District 10, Spring Meeting at Echo this Saturday. They will report on the Heppner club's activities during the year. This meeting and luncheon will be in Echo High School with District Director Rachel Jackson of Hermiston, presiding. Reservations were sent for Thieta Lowe, Julia

Hill and Justine Weatherford. Jane Rawlins, who had been pre-scheduled as April hostess for the Garden Club, prepared and served a collection of finger desserts during the coffee break between McNeilan's lecture and the showing of his pictures. County Agents Harold Kerr and John Nordheim assisted with the evening's program.

Coming, Saturday, May 3
starting at 9 a.m.

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