

100 persons attend Morrow County queen coronation

By Justine Weatherford

About 100 persons helped launch the 1980 Morrow County Fair and Rodeo Season last Saturday night.

Queen Lori Edwards of Lexington and her Princesses Lottie Laughlin of Heppner

and Nancy Miller of Lexington were feted at a community potluck dinner and program arranged by the Morrow County Fair and Rodeo Boards and the Lexington Grange in the grange hall north of Lexington.

This year's season opening was a switch from the outdoor, fairground coronation programs in Heppner in recent years.

Hospital News

Patients at Pioneer Memorial Hospital admitted within the past week ending April 21 and still in the hospital Monday afternoon were Patricia Brindle and Clara Cox, both of Heppner.

Dismissed patients within the last week include Lloyd Morgan and Sandra Holtz of Ione, James Campbell of Condon, Randy Osborn and Richard Cox of Heppner.

AAUW deadline announced for scholarships

Women interested in applying for the \$200 scholarship from the American Association of University Women, Heppner branch have until May 1, scholarship committee member Marion Abrams announced Monday.

The scholarship is available to any women interested in furthering her education at a college, vocational school or any other type of school beyond high school.

The winner of the scholarship will be announced May 8. Applications may be obtained by writing AAUW Scholarship at Box 428 in Heppner.

Navy Airman in California

Navy Air Traffic Controller Airman Apprentice Derek D. Blanchard, son of Rogena M. Wagner of P.O. Box 131, Boardman, Ore., has reported for duty at Naval Air Station, Alameda, Calif.

A 1979 graduate of Umattilla High School in Umattilla he joined the Navy in August 1979.

Interstate 80N changes name to I-84

Effective May 1, the route designation Interstate 80N will cease to exist, and the new designation will be Interstate 84 said Fred Klabeo, director of Oregon's Department of Transportation.

The change was directed by the Federal Highway Administration to clarify the Interstate numbering system for motorists, and make it consistent throughout the nation. Policy calls for the elimination of direction designations such as N (North) or S (South) in all federal route numbering.

Fair board member Gary Grieb served as the evening's master of ceremonies. The royal court members were somewhat disappointed not to have their official dress costumes arrive before the party but they were attractive in their "work outfits." Four official pennant bearers: Andrea Ball of Heppner, Cammy Papineau of Lexington, Sylvia Ladd of Ione, and Lori Fetsch of Ione, and the court director, Fay Seitz of Heppner, looked charming as they served and protected the royalty (sort of like the President's secret service).

Queen Lori was ceremoniously crowned by last year's

Aging council slates meeting

The Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council will meet at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, April 30, at the Methodist Church in Fossil.

The group will review the fiscal year '81 Area Plan, said Paul Jones, chairman. The Nutrition Project Council will meet at the same time at the Masonic Hall in Fossil.

queen, Debra Palmer of Ione. Silver belt buckles bearing each girl's name and the year of her reign were presented. Queen Lori's buckle was a gift of the Bank of Eastern Oregon. Princess Lottie's buckle was presented by the First National Bank and Princess Nancy's buckle was a gift from Lexington Lumber and Lexington Chevron.

The stage, where the crowning and the presentations and the program took place, was decorated in a western theme. The evening's entertainment included a special song dedicated to the queen which was written and sung by Ella Mae Green of Lexington. Frances Smouse of Ione, violinist and five petite, pre-school tumblers and tap dancers from Ione, costumed in yellow, also performed.

The royal court with its four pennant bearers and the court director, along with the girl's seven well-trained horses, will be going to Arlington May 3, for their first away-from-home official appearance at the Arlington Rodeo and Parade. They will be compared with other courts and

judged and rated at this and each subsequent appearance they make during the spring, summer and early fall.

This year's Morrow County Fair is scheduled to run from Sunay, August 17, through Wednesday, August 20, in Heppner. The Morrow County Rodeo will begin Friday, August 22, and will end Sunday, August 24.

Johnsons have baby girl

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Theodore Johnson of Ione had a baby girl, Angela Ann, April 14 at 6:40 p.m. at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner.

She weighed seven pounds and three and one half ounces and joins a sister, Becky, at home.

Grandparents are Myrna Johnston of Ione and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Engle of Tenino, Wash.

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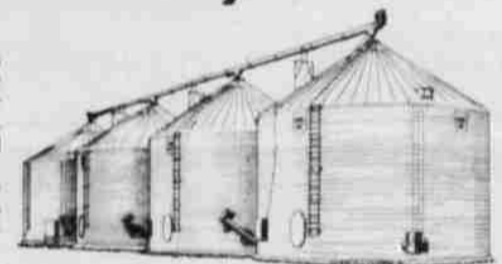
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Rose bush presented to honor Ione woman

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"My first garden," says Mrs. Nichoson, "was bird bills, yellow bells and fillaree brought from the nearby hillsides, and the bur oaks that still stand in the Marion Palmer pasture were planted

by my parents." Mrs. Nichoson's love for flowers has increased through the years and her yard is tended with exceptional expertise, bringing a parade of beauty from spring crocus time until frost browns the last chrysanthemums.

Mrs. Nichoson is the last remaining charter member of the Ione Garden Club started in 1949. Through the years she has shared thousands of bulbs, perennials, seedlings and blossoms. Many of the plants available at the club's Thursday sale are from her garden.

Acreage reports taken

The Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS) is currently accepting acreage reports for the 1980 feed grain, and wheat.

Judy Buschke, executive director of the Morrow County ASCS office, said there is no set-aside requirement and all farmers who file an accurate acreage report will be eligible for program benefits.

Farmers may also indicate their intentions to participate in the 1980 program when they report their fall-seeded crops.

"Some farmers will have seeded spring crops which they can report," she added.

Farmers have until May 15 to report the sizes and intended uses of their wheat, barley, oats, and tye crops. Buschke said the report should be as accurate as possible. The more accurate the report, the less trouble the farmer has to qualify for program benefits.

ASCS will randomly check farms to verify that acreage reports are accurate and also make aerial photographs available for farmers to identify their fields.

According to Buschke, the entire farm must be certified correctly before a program participant can receive the benefits of price support, disaster and deficiency payments.

"This year it is important for all farmers to report their crops. With no set-aside provisions, everyone who reports will be eligible for any payments made, regardless of planted acres and normal crop acreage."

Farmers who have not certified their fall-seeded crops are urged to do so as soon as possible. The Morrow County ASCS office is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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