



Judy and Keith Rea, in charge of auction in Ione.

## Ione readies for auction, barbecue at Grange Hall

Community preparations are underway for the Ione United Church of Christ's 17th annual barbecue and auction at the Willows Grange Hall in Ione June 7.

Members of the church and community work periodically during the year to collect, repair and make items for the auction.

## Former Ione woman mother of baby boy

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sharp of Jamesville, Calif. are the parents of a seven pound, eight ounce boy born March 13 at Reno, Nevada.

They named him James Joseph.

Mrs. Sharp is the former Marianne Pettyjohn of Ione. Grandparents are Delbert and Jessie Sharp of Prineville and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Pettyjohn of Ione.

## Hospital Notes

Patients at Pioneer Memorial Hospital who have been admitted during the week April 21 to April 28 and who are still in the hospital are David Morgan and Bee Cox, both of Heppner.

Patients who have been discharged include James Campbell of Loneroak, Clarence McIntosh and Herman Havekost of Ione, Nella Britt of Lexington and Klara Kinzer, Walter Pilgrim and Carmel Lennon of Heppner.

## Exhausted pigeon lands in Ione

By Justine Weatherford  
Last week Dot and Lewis Halvorsen had an unusual, unexpected guest at their Ione home.

A tired, homing pigeon chose to stop there on spring's last rainy day. In its leg holder was the name and telephone number of its owner in Salem. Dot contacted him and learned that he had released

the bird from Prairie City the previous Sunday, expecting it to return to Salem.

The bird's owner explained that he was letting the bird try its maiden, long flight of about 100 miles. He asked Dot to please let it rest a couple of days and to feed it unpopped popcorn. She made friends with it and cared for it. Before she was ready to release it she

## 'Follies' opening on school stage

A musical-farce comedy play called "Frankenstein Follies" will be performed by members of Heppner High School May 1 and 2 at 8 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

Tickets cost \$2 for adults, \$1 for children and \$6 for a family.

The story is about a lost skiing party (consisting of Lisa Nix, Sherry Cowett, Dawna Devin and Vicki Smith) and their guide (John Bier).

They come upon an ancient castle and discover that its owner is Dr. Frankenstein (Duane Nieffer), who is a descendant of the original.

Dr. Frankenstein has an odd aunt (Michelle Portmann) and a peculiar butler (Andy Gorman) and his own monster (Dale Holland.)

When Dr. Frankenstein sings, "I believe in vivisection please advance in my direction," the audience knows it is in for an evening of terror plus musical fun.

Dr. Frankenstein's intentions are to create a bride for his monster by cutting the "spare parts" of the young ladies who had just found their way to the castle. His aunt volunteers for the operation believing it will make her young.

George Frankenstein, the brother and magician (Tim Jones), tries ineptly to help the lost group escape.

Adding to the fun are the monster's two old aunts (Karen Howe and Polly Fortenberry) and a group of college girls called the "Frankenstein Is Still Here Club" (consisting of Karen Kenny, Marti Baker, Margaret Kincaid, Debbie Borgens and Heather Winter) who want Dr. Frankenstein to speak at their school.

The play is filled with humorous lyrics to familiar music and includes special effects like screams, bats and trick closets.

The orchestra, directed by Bruce Martin, will include Sarena Panter, Steve Groce, Paula Palmer, Lottie Laughlin, Geneva Matthews, and Gene Sartain. Jojean Stevens will play the piano and Kitty Coon will direct the choir.

At a meeting at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, the Rev. Mr. Ross will discuss the church's "inventory of membership" with members of the congregation.

## Deaths by fire

Nearly 7,500 people die from fires each year in the United States.

took it to the Ione School and showed it to the children.

The pigeon hesitated about leaving Ione, but then took off.

From this pigeon's visit the Halvorsens, the Ione school children and a few others learned a little about homing pigeons. It seems that people believe these birds are guided by the position of the sun and may lose their way in cloudy, foggy or rainy weather, as this one apparently did.

According to the World Book, mature, experienced birds have flown as much as 600 miles in a day and they often perform in 500 mile races. History states that homing pigeons have been carrying messages for about 3,000 years, beginning with their training by ancient Egyptians and Persians.

In Greece, pigeons carried news of early Olympic games victories to the different cities. Romans used them to send military messages. During the Franco-Prussian War, the French used homing pigeons, and the Germans trained hawks to catch them.

Pigeons served the United States Signal Corps in World Wars I and II and in the Korean War. One bird carried a message about 24 miles in 25 minutes arriving with one leg shot off and its breast injured by a bullet. In 1956 the U.S. Army sold the last of its birds as they were replaced by electronic devices.



Young musicians of Ione Elementary School who performed recently in a music festival at Blue Mountain Community College.

## Ione's beginning band performs in festival

The Ione beginning band recently participated in the Blue Mountain Community College "Large Group Festival."

The festival required the performance of three contrasting pieces.

Ione beginners played "Royal March", "Festival of

Eternal Lights" and "Blue Rock."

All three judges gave the fourth and fifth grade band a superior (1) rating.

The Ione band was the youngest and only beginning group in the competition. The others were junior high and high school.

## District garden clubs hold meeting in Echo

Members of the 12 clubs of Blue Mountain District No. 10 of the Oregon State Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. of the Pacific Region of the National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc., met at Echo April 26.

Four women from Morrow County who attended were Helen Martin of the Ione Club and Theta Lowe, Julia Hill and Justine Weatherford from the Heppner Club. Several members from the club at Boardman also attended.

District Director Rachel Jackson of Hermiston presided as many state and district officers were introduced and gave reports. Several certificates of honor were awarded to members and to a non-member. A representative from each club gave a two-minute summary of her club's activities.

Helen Martin, the district membership chairman, rewarded clubs and members who had recruited new members with "I Got One" buttons which the national council is using this year to stimulate member recruitment.

About 100 persons attended

## Gov. Atiyeh to address women's clubs

Gov. Vic Atiyeh will be the 80th anniversary keynote speaker at the Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs (OFWC) state convention in Pendleton, May 13 to 16, at the Red Lion Motor Inn.

Mary Elizabeth Quint of Washington, D.C., president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, which is the largest organization of women volunteers in the world, will be the Wednesday evening banquet speaker.

Oregon President Latha Schroeder of Portland expects 300 delegates representing over 2,000 members in the state to be in attendance.

the morning business session, the luncheon and the afternoon program. The meeting's theme was "You Light Up My Life With Flowers." The final feature of the program was the showing of bird slides accompanied by the taped songs of the birds which was presented by Hermiston's Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Lund. (The Lunds will be at the Home-maker's Day in Heppner today repeating their showing.)

After the activities concluded at the schoolhouse, all who attended were invited to visit the restored Oscar Fitzallen Thomson home. This large, historic dwelling is familiar to Morrow County people as the home built by the parents of the late Phebe Thomson Bartholomew. The Echo Garden Club is helping its new owners with its landscaping.

The lower Butter Creek property from which the home was moved into Echo last fall is currently being farmed by the Oscar Thomson's great-grandson, Jerry E. Myers of Morrow County.

Meeting set by Wheathearts  
There will be a Wheathearts meeting May 8 at 1:30 and 7:30 p.m. in the Morrow County Grain Growers Board room in Lexington.

The speaker will be Riley Munkers, Morrow County Grain Growers, speaking on "Basics of Marketing." "As we will be going to Portland on a marketing tour in early June, this will be a good topic to listen to, so bring your friends and come to the meeting," said Janet Tucker, president of the Morrow County Wheathearts.

\$40 billion spent  
Federal expenditures for Vietnam Era veterans have totalled more than \$40 billion.

## Extension Topics

# Deadline nears for Mini-College

By Birdine Tullis  
Morrow Extension Service  
Mini-College 1980

This is a chance to get away from everyday cares, stretch your mind, make new friends, and sample campus life at Oregon State University. Registrations for the state event are due June 1!

If you haven't been to Mini-College before, you find an exciting experience attending classes of your choice, ranging from energy topics to personal development, leisure time skills and everything in between. More than 60 topics are offered this year.

Participants will live in Bloss and Finley Halls, which are two of the newer buildings at OSU. Meals are included in the registration fee, and are served at Arnold dining room, which adjoins Bloss. If you want to attend only one day, Thursday is the day to go, as there are special events and class offerings that day. Cost for the full mini-college, June 16-20 is \$92 (double room occupancy). If you prefer a single room, cost is \$12 extra.

To attend Thursday only, cost is \$20 for the classes, lunch and banquet. You may prefer to stay overnight on campus Wednesday and Thursday nights. If you are driving a distance, total cost for two nights room, meals, and classes is \$39.00.

Mini-college is sponsored by Oregon State University and Oregon Extension Homemakers Council. Anyone may attend. In past years the attendance by both men and women has increased, with many choosing to make the event a "learning vacation." Mini-college 1980 will be the seventh year for the event. Deadline to enter is June 1 and it is wise to get your registration in as early as possible in order to get your first choice class selections. Classes are filled on a first come basis.

Time to Garden  
If you missed the program on backyard gardening given last week in the two-county area by Ray McNeilan, you may want to check with your nearest extension office for the bulletin "Home and Farm Vegetable Garden: EC 871." This handy bulletin tells you all about planning the right size garden for your family, dates suggested for planting each vegetable, soil prepara-

tion, recommended varieties, and other needed facts for successful gardening.

Many other helpful bulletins or fact sheets are available, not only for vegetable gardening, but for those who are planning their flower gardens. Pruning Ornamentals, Pruning the Home Orchard, and Spray Schedules for Apple and Pear trees, Stone Fruit and Cane Fruit are now available. Bulletins are also available on the culture of individual flowers such as dahlias, mums pansies, or you name it! All bulletins are free, and available at all extension office.

An Enjoyable Tour  
Extension Program Development and Advisory Committees from Morrow and Umatilla counties visited the Milton-Freewater area last week, enjoying a look at the business areas of the two towns, and a number of unusual homes. Charlie and Dorothy Heard's home on Peach Island is especially interesting, as they have remodeled a stable to make a delightful home, with a beautiful view of the river just a few feet away.

The fireplace wall recalls their happy days in Morrow County with the rock for the fireplace from the mountains above Heppner. The small island was in bloom, with fruit trees and flowering ornamentals making it especially lovely at this time of year. Both Charlie and Dorothy send regards to their many friends in this area.

Another interesting renovation is Debbie Lee's home near Milton, which was an abandoned farm house. Debbie and husband John have spent many hours restoring the gracious old brick house, which was 100-years-old last year, to very much like original condition. The tour was planned as the final meeting of the two committees for the year, as all extension homemaker groups and committees take a summer recess.

An Invitation  
Umatilla County Homemaker's Day will be spotlighting the cultural heritage of that area this year with folk art displays as a special feature of the event scheduled for May 24, at the Community Hall in Weston. Events for the day start at 9:30 and will continue through a potluck luncheon, a fashion show, and a slide presentation of long ago days in the Athena-Weston area. Molly Saul, extension agent, and the sponsoring groups invite all interested to attend. Registration or reservations are not necessary.

## Mary Martin



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**To Show Films**  
Two films will be shown at the Irrigon Assembly of God at 6 p.m. Sunday, May 4. They are titled "The Thief in the Night" and "The Distant Thunder." There will be a short break between the two films. Pastor Allen Godanier extends a welcome to all.

**Smoke Damage**  
Mr. and Mrs. Dale Montgomery experienced a fire in their new home on Ninth Street in Irrigon. While the fire was contained to the kitchen area, there was a good deal of smoke damage to other rooms of the house.

**Successful Garage Sale**  
The Irrigon Home Extension group had a successful

garage sale with \$775 earned. This will be donated to the Irrigon Rural Fire Department for Air Packs. The Air Packs are used to prevent smoke inhalation when entering a burning building.

**House Burglary**  
The Harvey Warner home was entered Sunday night and \$50 stolen. The door had been pried open with a crow bar. Their rooms were ransacked with drawers emptied out. A radio, two pairs of binoculars, and a large flashlight also were stolen. The State Police were notified.

The Warners were at church on Sunday night. As they customarily attend it was thought the burglars may have known this.

## John Mollahan

### Democratic Candidate for Morrow County Judge

Experience—12 years' public service as sheriff and city policeman.  
Education—Heppner Public Schools and law course at Blue Mountain Community College.

Morrow County is at a point where leadership is required. Innovation in delivery of services is needed to cut costs. Cooperation with other elected officials is pledged. The duties of Juvenile Judge will be handled with compassion and fairness.

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