

LABO students receive warm Morrow Co. welcome

Labo students arriving in Morrow County from Japan received a warm reception (weather-wise as well as by their host families) Tuesday afternoon at the Heppner City Park.

Posing left to right are (back row) Sono Yoshikawa, Atsuko Mori, Kazuko Harada and Masumi Nakagawa; (front row) Hiroshi Saki, Hidehiro Okumoto and Yasuhira Niita.

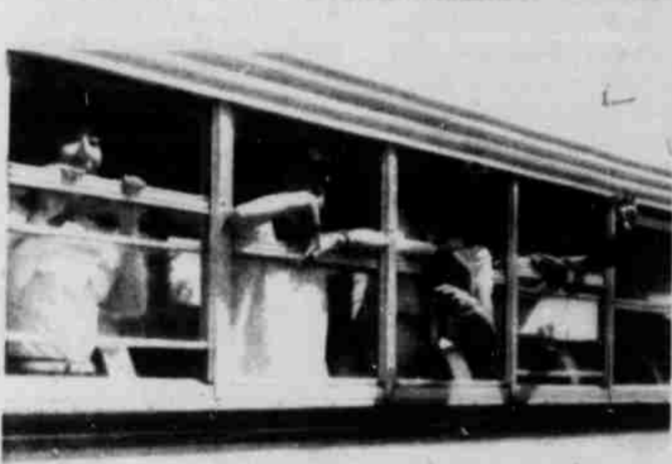
Sono, 13, of Tokyo, will be staying with the Kenneth and Judy Wright family in Heppner; Atsuko, 17 of Tokyo, with the Ned and Kathy Clark family; Kazuko, 12 of Aichi-Ken, with the Delbert and Phyllis Piper family of Lexington; Masumi, 14 of Hiroshima, with the Archie and Diana Ball family of Heppner; Hiroshi, 13 of Aichi-Ken, with the Roger and Shirley Palmer

family of Heppner; Hidehiro, 13 of Saitama-Ken, with the Robert and Bette McLaughlin family of Pilot Rock; and Yasuhira, 13, of Hokkaido, with the Bill and Joan Doherty family of Lexington.

Not pictured are: Toshikatsu Kori, 15 of Tokushima-Shi, who is staying with the Max and Marilyn Helberg family of Irrigon; Maskai Akiyama, 14, Jamanashi-Ken, who is staying with the Dave and

Marteau Seel family, Irrigon; Yoichi Sekine, 12 of Hokkaido, who is staying with the Bill and Joan Doherty family, Lexington, and Tomoko Takahashi, 16 of Saitama-Ken who is staying with the Pat and Darlene Bleakney family in Dallesport, Wash.

The students, who will be staying in Morrow County around a month will be honored at a picnic at the Irrigon Park this Sunday.



LABO students arrive in Heppner



Atsuko (center) with host family Sara, Jimmy, Kathy and Kathleen Clark

Spunky Martha VanSchoiack wins Heppner Gardening honors



Martha VanSchoiack and award-winning yard

By JUSTINE WEATHERFORD

When the members of the Heppner Garden Club's Best Yard Selection Committee chose to put the best yard marker in Martha VanSchoiack's yard as their second monthly winner, they didn't realize that she had just left town. She is a most unusual gardener; many folks have observed her working with her crutches beside her and even mowing the lawn with crutch support.

Martha's weed-free lawn shows lots of devotion. Asked about how she keeps the dandelions out she said "mostly with a butcher knife." A broad assortment of flowers surrounds every side of her small home and lines both the inside and outside of the yard's surrounding fence. Martha says she loves all flowers but maybe favors roses because "I like their permanency." Climbing beside her front porch are a honeysuckle vine on the south side and a purple clematis on the north.

At the back of her house she has established two fruit trees, an apple that has had some problems and a busy apricot. In her vegetable space she just has "a few tomatoes and cucumbers and a couple of other plants I just stuck in."

The cozy house on Chase Street was purchased by Martha from William Hinton about 20 years ago. Before Martha moved there she and her husband Clive built and lived in the home Wavel Wilkinson has now.

Martha Van Schoiack celebrated her 85th birthday Jan. 8. For a little over two weeks now she has been visiting with many family members in the valley. The Van Schoiack family's annual reunion was the second Sunday in July at McIver Park near Estacada. The next weekend Martha was in Ashland where her own family, the McHugills had their annual gathering.

After these reunions she visited with various relatives and was waiting in Portland with her daughter Helen to come home with her son, Bob, and granddaughter, Ann, on Monday night, July 27. Bob had taken Ann to Corvallis to enroll as a freshman in agriculture at O.S.U. where her sister Marie will return as a sophomore majoring in veterinary science. While Martha was away, granddaughter Patricia, who is employed at Pioneer Memorial Hospital, watered and mowed Martha's yard.

Besides brothers and sisters and in-laws, Martha's family includes three sons and two daughters, 21 grandchildren and almost 30 great-grandchildren. Her sons are Cecil, Sid, and Bob and her sisters are Erma Darrin and Helen Karlson. The oldest Van Schoiack son, Andy, died in 1967.

At Martha's 1981 birthday party her son Bob labeled her "spunky." Everyone who views her neat home and yard surely admires her spunk and energy and keenness. She explains that she has used one crutch for years because of painful arthritis in her knees. Last winter she fell and cracked one kneecap and must now use two crutches. But these aids don't slow Martha or cause her to neglect her gardening.

Her joy besides her great family and her home and yard is playing cards most every Tuesday morning with her friends, Erma and Helen Keithley, Emma Drake, Marjorie Worden, Gladys Connor, Ola Ruggles, and Esther Bergstrom.

On Tuesday, July 28, Martha was a guest of honor at the meeting of the Heppner Chamber of Commerce whose Community Activities Committee chaired by John Edmundson planted the award sign in Martha's yard on July 15. Her family had informed her of this honor, and she came home prepared to be interviewed and feted.

DMV schedule

The Motor Vehicles Division at 278 Main Street in Heppner will be open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 12 noon and 2 to 5 p.m. except for the following days:

Wed., Aug. 19 - Heppner office closed; Condon office open, County Courthouse, 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon, 1 to 3:30 p.m.

Mon., Aug. 31 through Fri., Sept. 4, - Heppner office closed for a statewide manager's conference.

Mon., Sept. 7 - Heppner office closed, holiday.

Wed., Sept. 16 - Heppner office closed; Fossil office open, courthouse, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, 1 to 3 p.m.

CCC offers corn for sale

Farmers and other interested persons will be eligible to purchase corn from the Commodity Credit Corporation starting July 27.

Judy Buschke, county executive director for the Morrow County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee, said the Commodity Credit Corporation will offer corn for unrestricted use sale at market prices, but not less than the formula price which is 115 percent of the county loan rate for corn where stored plus 54 cents per bushel carrying charges.

"The minimum quantity that will be considered for acceptance is 1,000 bushels," Mrs. Buschke said.

According to Mrs. Buschke, offers will be received and sales will be made on a first come, first served basis.

Interested persons should contact the county ASCS office as soon as possible for further details. The office is located at Room 4, Gilliam & Bisbee Bldg., May & Main Street, Heppner, Oregon, phone 676-9152.

AROUND ABOUT

with Justine Weatherford

Heppner looked quite festive last Saturday—a bit like a Mexican fiesta. It was a good idea to have a theme for the day and to see the merchants and the helpers wearing gay sombreros. I wondered why nobody had recordings of south-of-the-border music going—not really blaring—just adding to the fiesta theme?

Several sales persons told me that the sale went well. There was a good variety of merchandise available and great assortments of hard-to-resist edibles. Several booths either sold out or were discouraged by the afternoon temperature. I noted, when I made a late look-around.

It is a fact of life that Saturdays have really changed as the years have passed. Back when farmers made coming to town a big event, maybe every Saturday or on occasional Saturdays, all the stores would stay open until folks had what they wanted.

The families would enjoy the excitement of visiting with other families as all carefully checked items off their shopping lists and ran various errands. Spring, Summer and Fall Saturdays were much nicer than winter's colder, shorter days when none felt so much like lingering about. Then, of course, it was important to get home to stoke the stove—just as many folks are doing again these days.

So many business houses are closed on Saturdays now, and some of those that stay open have found that this day is quite often the poorest business day of the entire week. Part of the change in family shopping habits is due to the attractive recreational spots that have been developed with rather short distances from town. Many folks have summer cabins that they like to enjoy each weekend. They ask friends to join them there. Often they are busily improving or enlarging their vacation homes, and the yearly maintenance is important and time consuming. Folks without cabins enjoy the forest or river parks.

Last week Ron Forrar's summer art class completed its final session. The classmates have learned quite a bit about using water colors. Several nice, new pictures are now enhancing local homes. Several women who never got out of the mudpie-playing stage, are eagerly awaiting to see how the pottery they fashioned will turn out.

We glazed out pieces last Wednesday evening and teacher Forrar is firing them for us. I was fascinated by the colors and labels on the glazes. A soft green mixture was labeled "brown" and a pinkish mixture was labeled "blue." There will be some real surprises when these items come out of the kiln.

Enough about amateurs, about beginners. It was so pleasing to see the pictures and jewelry that "real" artists had on display under the trees of the Heppner Main Street Park last Saturday. Although there wasn't much traffic through the display when I took my look during the morning, I hope that more folks came later to see what some of the fine talent in this county produces. The oil paintings are sensational; the beautifully crafted silver work is thrilling. I had thought that some of the tremendous toile painting done by the Lexington Art Group and others would be on display. We will have to wait just over three more weeks to feast our eyes on that and other outstanding craft work at our Morrow County Fair.

Well, this week was wedding week in London. Our TVs and print media certainly tried to cover every aspect of this historic, romantic event. How fortunate I feel that I was able to actually walk through most of the places that were featured in the coverage. In late April 1979, Inez Erwin and I had our exciting ten days in London and southern England. Marsha Lovgren (now Mrs. Bill Shannon) directed our viewing so that we really hit all the high spots.

We had such good looks at the outside of Buckingham Palace where we viewed the changing of the guard and probably admired some of the same beautiful horses that took part in the wedding processions. We took a very good look through St. Paul's Cathedral, the masterpiece of the greatest architect of the Renaissance, Sir Christopher Wren.

When we stood in front of Buckingham Palace, we were on the base of Victoria Monument, which is constantly photographed. At the great West Door of St. Paul's we took photographs of one another against the statue of Queen Anne in whose reign the present cathedral was built.

Tourists in the United Kingdom and Europe seem to find that they view one magnificent cathedral after another. Inez and I walked through many of the great ones. Of course we loved Westminster and were thrilled by Salisbury and Canterbury. On the continent we felt breathless in Notre Dame and were especially delighted by the great, high-spired cathedral at Ulm on the Danube. Inez, who has clocked many more miles in Europe than I have, has seen many more awe-inspiring sights.

However, St. Paul's of London is among the most special of buildings. We heard its minor bells toll; however, its largest bell, Great Paul, the greatest in England at 17 tons, pealed out this week to celebrate the wedding.

The present cathedral is only 306 years old; it is the fifth church erected on that same site, and its dome with the cross reaching skyward for 365 feet dominates London's skyline. I checked on the definition of "cathedral." The word comes from the Greek word "kathedra" meaning seat or bench. A cathedral is the main church of a bishop's domain—his throne (seat or bench) is in this great church.

Medieval cathedrals have great sculptures and magnificent wood carvings which present church teachings in pictorial form for the many people who could not read. Their gorgeous stained-glass windows also feature Biblical characters and teachings. Surely no one can stand surrounded by the magnificent work done by devoted, skillful artisans many centuries ago and not be terribly impressed with the lasting beauty they created.

Degree of Honor holds picnic, honors president

By JUSTINE WEATHERFORD

On Monday evening, July 21, the Heppner Degree of Honor Lodge members and their families and guests gathered in the yard of Bernice and Lincoln Nash to enjoy a summer picnic-party.

After a very brief business meeting following dinner, all attention was focused on the lodge president, Mary Bryant, who will retire on July 31 from her career as office manager of the Abrams-Kuhn law firm.

Mary was presented with a lovely birthday cake to take home and share with family and friends. The membership gave her an attractive mug and special canisters of tea and coffee, which she will now have more leisurely time to enjoy.

Little League teams compete

Area little league players were included in competition at the district All Star Tournament held in Boardman August 22-25. Ten teams were involved in the tournament including Willow Creek, which includes players from Heppner, Lexington, Ione, Condon and Fossil.

In the first game, August 22, Willow Creek edged Deschutes, 17-16 when Scott Miller scored the winning run. Will Homer drove in seven runs

with a three-run homer in the second and two doubles for Willow Creek. John Moffit knocked in three more with a double and a single and Steve Miller also had two hits for the winning team.

In the second game, played July 23, Willow Creek defeated Sisters 4-2. The win against Sisters enabled Willow Creek to compete in the semifinals which were played Friday, July 24.

In the first game of the

semifinals Willow Creek lost to Hood River, 13-1 with Willow Creek's only run by Will Homer.

The Willow Creek team played their last game Saturday, July 25 and were defeated by The Dalles Western 4-0. Coach Ted Toll said the last game against The Dalles Western was a "tough game."

The Boardman tournament ended the little league season for 1981.

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- ✓ LOCAL TALENT
- ✓ FOOD CONCESSIONS
- ✓ INDIVIDUAL EXHIBITS