

## Around About By Justine Weatherford

Unfortunately the very cold weather last Friday kept many persons from gathering around the lovely blue spruce Christmas Tree given to the community by Ernest and Roberta Garrison. However those who were there enjoyed the singing and rather quickly consumed the good, hot spiced-cider that Margo Sherer, Eleanor Gonty and Joyce Hughes dispensed for the helpful Soroptimists. Tree-lover Orville Cutsforth was given the honor of flipping the switch to turn on the Christmas tree lights. Charles W. Hutchinson, Jr., "Hutch" acted as master-of-ceremonies, introducing the various segments of the program.

The silent auctions and opening of the Christmas gift shopping season by the merchants were also slowed somewhat by the coldness. I hear. Also, because many families left town over the weekend, the number of folks on Main Street was lower than hoped for. However, a good crowd greeted Santa and Mrs. Santa when they arrived on a firetruck. At other times of the year this very popular Christmas couple uses the names of Albert Connor and Marlene Gray.

Long before the tree-lighting program was arranged, I planned on a Thanksgiving visit to the Cheney-Spokane area, where the world is white, and playing in the snow is being enjoyed by children and adults. Ida Farra traveled with me through the brisk coldness to my daughter's rural location where a cheery wood fire kept the family warm between excursions into Spokane and outside activities under the snow-laden, long-needed pine trees which surround the Chenhall family home.

After a restful, traditional Thursday, the six of us (two from each of three generations) took the 12-mile drive into the heart of Spokane to observe the big day of the Christmas Opening there. We enjoyed traveling around the skywalk through the city's largest stores and admiring the lovely decorations and displays. Grandson Thomas and his younger sister, Pearl, were really thrilled with a huge animated display. It shows Santa's Workshop where dozens of little elves are busy making wonderful toys for lucky girls and boys.

We saw many beautifully decorated trees—the one which pleased me the most was a "Peace Tree" which was completely decorated with lovely white doves. My son-in-law, who was our chauffeur, found the city's largest parking garage almost entirely filled during what is always one of its busiest days. This parking structure, which must hold several thousand cars, borders the popular Riverside Park, which became a most attractive civic center after it was used as a World's Fair site.

After walking several miles through the skywalk area and along the streets, we had an early noon meal in a popular eatery and then walked into the snow-covered Riverside Park, across the bridge where we watched some ducks swimming in the frigid water from the Spokane River, and past the park's ice skating arena into a theater in time for the 1 p.m. showing of "Genesis" and a preliminary program featuring wonderful pictures of the eruption of Mt. St. Helens.

"Genesis," which has had quite a long run in Spokane, is a tremendous, huge-screen production of the re-creation on film of the beginning of our solar system, of the formation of the earth, of its land masses and of their spectacular movements—their separation and, in some cases, their joining together. The theater full of viewers felt like they were traveling in a plane as aerial photographers filmed some of the great geological changes that have taken place and are still taking place in the world. As we seemed to fly quickly across Iceland, over Africa and the Mediterranean, over the Alps and above central California, some of us felt a touch of airsickness.

In the spacious entranceway of the theater there was an exhibition a large collection of needlecraft items made by southeast Asian women. About a dozen women were there hoping to sell their work; beautiful embroidery, weaving, quilting and bead work. It was all so very colorful and so very carefully created. I purchased a booklet which describes the unusual needlework and explains some of their principal patterns which symbolize things of importance in Asian cultures, such as the elephant's foot, the tiger's foot, the snail and the spider's web. Favorite patterns are repeated often in the stylized designs.

I was given a flyer that announces that the Spokane Lao Family Community is inviting the public to a holiday dinner and program which will feature traditional foods, authentic music and displays of native costumes and handicraft. The Laotian refugees are working together to "promote and preserve their cultural and handicraft traditions."

Heppner's Laotian family, the Thongdys, have many advantages here and they realize that they are being given much help by generous, thoughtful persons, but they surely miss fellowship with others of their own culture and traditions. It is so rare that they can talk to anyone outside their immediate family in their native language. I wish that somehow they could go to this Lao Community event in Spokane.

As I drove northeasterly and returned home, it seemed that much of the population of Oregon and Washington was traveling, too. The highways were not quite as crowded on Wednesday afternoon as they were on Saturday p.m. and they may have seen even more use on Sunday, which was the ending of what was a four-day holiday for many.

One of the first things I always do when I return from a trip is read my hometown newspaper. One of the news stories in last week's G-T which pleased me most was Birdine Tullis' report of the many new 4-H clubs being organized. How good it is to know about the fine new group leaders, all of whom deserve cheers. It is especially pleasing to have Al and Jean Brazell both willing to share their talents as leaders now that they are closer to the county's population centers.

Next week promises unusual excitements. On Tuesday, Nov. 30 and Thursday, Dec. 2, everyone will want to go see Heppner High's Drama Club presentation "Gift of Murder!" The next weekend's special attractions should be bringing folks to Heppner. The annual Artfactory, which begins at 10 a.m. along with the Christmas Greens Workshop and the sale of Morrow Artists, should attract a real crowd. Also the appearance of champion bowler Ernie Schlegel at the Heppner Bowl, twice on Saturday and twice on Sunday will bring a crowd of admirers and serious students of bowling to watch him, meet him and even bowl against him.

It seems that nowadays a holiday is often just a day on which people lay aside their ordinary duties and cares. Historically holidays honored some sacred event or a holy person. Of course Christmas, the next holiday on our calendar, honors both a sacred, world-changing event and a most holy person, facts that have become partly submerged in commercialization. It is good to know that the persons working with the churches of our county are striving vigorously to keep the true reasons for the "love feast" of Christmas and understood.

## Lone woman to serve on USDA task force

Betty Carlson of Ione has been selected to serve on a national United States Department of Agriculture task force concerned with "Agriculture in the Classroom." It was reported in the "Oregon Wheat," an Oregon Wheat Growers League publication, Carlson will be representing a specific commodity group as

## D.M.V. schedule

The Heppner field office of the Department of Motor Vehicles will be open Mondays through Fridays, 8 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 5 p.m. through the month of December except for the following days: the afternoon of December 3, all day December 15, December 24 for the Christmas holiday and December 31, New Years Eve.

well as the Pacific Northwest. "Oregon Wheat" states that the purpose of the task force is to study available material telling about farming in schools and either changing, adding or developing new materials so school children will have an accurate picture of how their food is developed.

## Wranglers plan Christmas party

A Wranglers Christmas Party is scheduled for Sunday, Dec. 5, in the annex building at the fairgrounds. A potluck dinner with meat furnished

## Gun Club plans shoot

The Morrow County Gun Club will hold a shoot and organizational meeting on Sunday, Dec. 5, at 10 a.m. The club is located near Lexington at Cutsforth's Corner behind Lexington Grange Hall.

## G.E.O.D.C. to receive funding

The Greater Eastern Oregon Development Commission is to receive \$5,000 in funding from the Oregon Economic Action Council. John Elorriaga, chairman of the council recently announced. After reviewing over 80 proposals for state economic development the council funded 18 programs totalling \$123,500.

Elorriaga said.

The Greater Eastern Oregon Development Commission funds are to be used for assistance in creation and expansion of small businesses in Morrow, Gilliam, Wheeler, Grant and Umatilla counties.

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