

Kindergarteners perform in the center ring



A full circus, complete with clowns, trapeze artists, and lovely ballerinas performed for family and friends last Friday in Cherry Webber's kindergarten class at Heppner Elementary.



photo by Mary Ann Cerullo

Historical Society members return from weekend trip

By DELPHA JONES

Thirty-four members of the Morrow County Historical Society boarded a bus last Saturday and started on an interesting and fun filled week-end to Central Washington. Their destination was Grand Coulee Dam. The group visited the Sullivan Dam and Pot-hole Park, which must be a fisherman's paradise. A large crowd was fishing from boats and off the shore. A campground is situated there as well as a lovely park with picnic area. After enjoying coffee and homemade cinnamon rolls the group started out again, to the designated points of interest.

The stop at the airport at Moses Lake was very educational, where they saw the Boeing 747 planes practising for landings. This is a training area for American & Japanese pilots. Also there is a Japanese Airline office and many of the pilots and others attend the College at Moses Lake where other foreign student groups study languages and other classes. This is the Big Bend Community College with an enrollment of 2800 full time students. They offer a two-year accredited program. Many of the planes coming in for the practise work, landings etc, come from McChord Airforce Base. This Moses Lake Airbase was chosen as an alternate sight for space craft shuttle landings.

The group settled into the Travelodge ate lunch, and were then escorted by Ann McCall a representative of the Chamber of Commerce to the sights of interest, which included the Museum. The museum has articles dating before 1909 when Grant County was still a part of Douglas County.

From the Museum the group was escorted by two fine guides to the Village, which consisted of a saloon, Barber Shop, Shoe Shop, printing shop, old fashioned school, and an early Catholic Church which had been moved into the sight, and a bank complete with a "hold-up" scene. There is a complete homestead, with barn, chicken house, outhouse (with green vines growing on the outside), cabin, and a clothesline with the traditional red longjohns.

The group enjoyed a fine dinner then retired early to rest for a big day Sunday, which started at 8:30 a.m. The group tasted the mineral water of the noted Soap Lake. The white man first heard of this Lake from the Indians which called it Smokain, or "Healing Waters." There are sixteen kinds of chemicals which make up this water and they effect the body in such a way that the solution of many rheumatic and skin troubles arthritis, lumbago, muscular pains and nervousness can be found by bathing in the water. Drinking the water seems to help with digestive problems.

Dry Falls was indeed an interesting stop over with all members who had cameras

really having an enjoyable time, the weather was beautiful and hopefully all the camera bugs will be delighted with their pictures.

A tour of the Grand Coulee Dam was enjoyed with most of the group going into the dam by way of an elevator. This dam is the Largest cement made structure in the world. Other points of interest enroute were Banks Lake, Blue Lake, Steamboat Park, and enroute home, Summer Falls, which are a man made falls and lake draining the irrigation canals from the dams into an area for ditching and irrigating the Quincy area. There are six of the world's largest pumps that irrigate more than half a million acres of cropland in the Columbia Basin. There are about 2300 miles of canals and laterals that distribute the water to over 6000 farms.

(Each person was presented a car litter bag containing pencils, note pads, combs etc. from the Ephrata Chamber of Commerce.)

A tired but happy bunch started home, arriving back in our area about 8 p.m.

The M.C.H.S. sponsors a tour each year, and attempts to go to a different area of interest each May. We issue an invitation to anyone who would like to join the group. Plans are underway for a four day trip this fall to the Victoria B.C. points of interest, if interested call Ruth McCabe or Delpha Jones.

Those going to Grande Coulee Dam were Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Vinson, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bloodworth, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hays, Mr. and Mrs. C.C. Jones, Mr and Mrs. Frank Connors, Dennis Warren, Kim Warren, Evelyn Warren, Eula Bloodworth, Vera Rietmann, Lucile Rietmann, Helen McCabe, Ruth McCabe, Geneva Palmer, Norma Rea, Millie Evans, Grace Buschke, Verna Brinda, Mildred Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Smouse, Freida Slocum, Lee Palmer, Helen Currin, and Marion Brosnan.

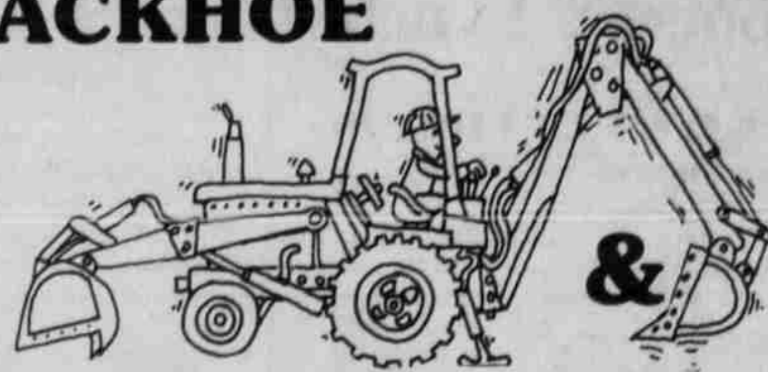
Births

Rikki Lynn Phillips - a daughter Rikki Lynn was born to Rebecca Elaine and Jeffrey Phillips of Lone Rock at Pioneer Memorial Hospital on May 8, 1984. She weighed 7 lbs. 10 1/2 ozs.

Grandparents are Donna & Gene Triplett of Clarkston, Washington and Jane McKay of Lewiston, Idaho.

Jennifer Dawn Welborn - a daughter, Jennifer Dawn was born to Leslie and Kenneth Welburn of Heppner at Pioneer Memorial Hospital May 8, 1984. She weighed 7 lbs. 10 ozs. Grandparents are Betty and Lowell Welburn of Pheonix Oregon; Pollyann Timberman, Hood River, Oregon; and Charles and June Timberman, Grenada, California. Jennifer joins a brother Joseph 2 1/2 years

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