Engagements

Ficenec — Peck

Mr. and Mrs. Francis J. Ficenec announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary, to Robert W. Peck, son of G.W. and Kayrn Peck of Boardman.

An August 21 wedding is planned at the Gerald Peck home and garden in Boardman.

The bride-elect is a 1984 graduate of Pendleton High School and is currently a student at Blue Mt. Community College in Pendleton. She is employed part time at K-Mart.

The bridegroom-elect is a 1983 graduate of Riversidse High School, a student at Blue Mt. Community College, and is employed part time at Godfather's.

Descendants of Jay Dewitt Ball gather at Ione

By Eva Hamlett

Two hundred thirty descendants of Jay Dewitt Ball and Mary Ellen (Johnson) Ball gathered at the Ione Legion Hall on June 28, to renew acquaintances and love of family heritage.

J.D. and Mary Ball were early Morrow County pioneers, settling in the Ione-Gooseberry area in the late 1800s. He was born in 1856 and passed away in 1906. Mary was born in 1861 and died in 1906. Both are buried in Washington state where they lived before moving to the Ione area.

Family members came from Florida, Illinois, South Carolina, Arizona, California, Washington, Idaho and other areas of Oregon to join the members of this pioneer family who still reside in Morrow County.

Before the potluck dinner was served, Harry Owens, a son-in-law of the late Evelyn (Ball) Farrens gave the blessing.

Don Ball and Freda (Ball) Bates of Coarsegold, California, were co-master and mistress of the ceremonies.

During his welcome, the emcee honored the special honorees, who were seated at the head table with the speakers.

Mrs. George (Pearl Ball) Urlacker of Tacoma, Washington, who is the only surviving child of J.D. and Mary Ball, was presented a gift for being the oldest family member present. A special 86th birthday cake was presented to her as June 28 was her birthday. She remarked it made her real proud to be the only living member of the family of the 12 brothers and sisters which included, Matthew, Hester, Evelyn, Edgar, Ellen, Glenn, Elmer, Roy, Archie, Pearl, Lewis and Gladys. Seven of these children chose Morrow County as their permanent home, married and raised their families here.

Of the twelve children born to J.D. and Mary, family members from all but one were represented at the reunion.

Also honored were the only two living spouses. Anna (Mrs. Lewis) Ball and Doris (Mrs. Archie) Ball. All three honorees were presented corsages.

Gifts presented included Anna Ball for having the most grandchildren (12) present. Doris Ball fro the most great-grandchildren (17) present and Ellis Ball of Panama City, Florida, who traveled the farthest.

Freda gave a brief resume on the history of the Ball family. She and her husband Ed, have been very actively researching and traveling about the country gathering all the family history they could.

Documenting these facts, she knows the family originated in England and the first to migrate to American soil, was Francis Ball in 1643, settling in Massachutes. Eventually the family migrated to the west coast. Many interesting facts were discovered as she began tracing each generation, one of which she found a Major Libbeus Ball who was a Revalutionary War Soldier at one time a captain of the famous Minutemen at Concord. She has a copy of his original military papers from the U.S. Archives. Also, she discovered that among the famous descendants of Francis Ball were Sir Winston Churchill and President Grover Cleveland.

Freda and Ed are still working on the geneology of the family and will eventually have a publication printed so that the future family generations can have a permanent record to preserve.

Another interesting fact brought out in compiling the family statistics show that each generation is traditionally carrying out the name of Jay in the male members of the family.

Hester (Ball) Akers descendants had 65 members present for the reunion and the Archie Ball family had 48 of which most reside in Oregon.

The family agreed that in two years there should be another reunion, as they had such a good time visiting and brousing through family pictures and history, which were brought by different family members.

Organization of the Ball reunion was conducted by local family members, which included Mr. and Mrs. Leon Ball, Harriett Hall, Mildred Wright and Diana Ball of Heppner, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ball of Lexington, Mr. and Mrs. Berl Akers, Nancy Ekstrom, Marsha Ball, Fred Sherman and Mr. and Mrs. Don Ball of Ione.

Justice Court

Morrow County Justice Court at the Morrow County Courthouse in Heppner reports handling the following business during the past week:

Terry Lee Blakey, Pilot Rock - Truck Speeding (63 mph in a 55 mph zone), $48 fine.

Russell Tibbs, Hermiston - Violation of a Road Closure, Driver, $35 fine.

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Around About

By Justine Weatherford

Now we are in our second week of summer and a few folks are complaining about the hot days we have had. Seems like less than three months ago they were crying "Will it ever warm up here?" The weather hasn't done the best it could for many, farmers especially, who depend on it.

Maybe you read or heard about neighboring Condon's brave advertising campaign to bring 10 new families into that community. The story was picked up by quite a few publications across the U.S. I happen to listen to the nightly talk time and news over San Francisco's Radio KGO pretty regularly. One night the story was read and the host asked if someone would please call in and tell a little more about Condon. Before long the Condon Chief of Police responded and willingly told the hundreds of thousands of listeners about Condon's charms. The radio host asked him several questions. "Is there much crime in Condon? How many officers work with you?" The chief said there is very little crime and that he is the entire police force. Asked what people do in Condon, he told of the good schools, the golf course, the park and swimming pool, the county fair, the churches and lodges and the assortment of businesses there. He mentioned the little library and spent some minutes telling about the hunting and fishing in the mountains south and east of town.

Has anyone learned if the advertising brought new families to Condon? If the plan worked, it might be good if Heppner tried a similar idea.

Just what are the charms of Heppner? Many folks say that it is an ideal, pleasant and safe place to bring up children. Others declare that it is a friendly, helpful place for retirement. The community has doctors and hospital care available. This care has grown more helpful in several ways since the Pioneer Memorial Hospital has become affiliated with Pendleton's St. Anthony Hospital. We know that our schools are very good. We surely find all the merchants very friendly and always helpful.

If everyone here really enthusiastically supported the merchants and at the various community activities this town could prosper. Look forward to a super summer Sidewalk Sale soon! Every person should take sincere pride in keeping the streets, homes and businesses looking attractive. Then perhaps more folks would be attracted to Heppner. We don't forsee any important industrial growth here, but nothing is impossible if people feel positive about themselves and their community and work together for better growth.

Having the Fillies bring home a state basketball championship surely brought good publicity. The graduates of the county high schools seem to be gaining more scholarships than ever. The recent back door beautification efforts of several Main Street businesses are much admired. The latest is the very interesting miniature western theme display behind the Wagon Wheel. You need to take time to admire the old wood and artistic collection of western desert items.

Morrow County's Fair is just a month and a-half away. It's theme is "To Morrow, Today". Let's all support this all-county happening. Let's be proud of the activities and displays there. The Rodeo performances and the parade are expected to draw more participants and more spectators this year. The many special contests need more contestants.

Join the Heppner Chamber of Commerce, the Heppner Economic Development Corp, the Heppner Merchants Committee and the Heppner Garden Club and get busy working together in promoting this town. Only by cooperating, by demonstrating enthusiasm and pride will we all help make Heppner shine and attract others here.

Blue Mt. lists honor roll

Several local students were among those listed on the Blue Mountain Community College honor roll and dean's list.

To earn a spot on either list, a student must be carrying a full-time load of classes which translates to 12 graded credit hours. Students may not have received an F in any class to be so honored nor does a pass grade count in the 12 graded hours necessary to be included on either list.

Students receiving a 3.5 or better are eligible for the college honor roll and those with a 3.0 to 3.5 earn a place on the dean's list.

Local student are listed below by hometown:

Boardman: Rhonda Hilliker-4.00, Melissa Shamp-4.00, and Terry Shasteen.

Heppner: Michael Bergstrom.

Lexington: Mark Wright 4.00.

Dean's List

Boardman: Marsha Richmond.

Heppner: Marti Baker, Steve Currin, Tony Currin, Claudia Huston, Diane Kilkenny, Jodi Mattison, and Joni Mitchell.

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