

GATES

Betty Kelle

Thursday, Jan. 18, at 7:30 p.m. will be the regular city council meeting at which time the new mayor, J. Howard Jenks, will take the oath of office.

The planning commission meeting that was regularly scheduled for last Tuesday was postponed until this week due to uncertain weather conditions.

Thursday, Jan. 11, was home extension and the talk on Herbs and Spices was given by Sharon Harrison. She also gave a few tips on "Calorie Sense and Non-sense." Those present were Jessie Caryl, Sue Gillenwater, Velma Harrison, Sharon Harrison, Lola Hennessy, Faye Moore, Dorothy Newberg, Shirley Swaim, Fern Thompson, Mabel Wood, Hannah Ditter, Dorothy Morgan, Ruth Hurst, Josephine Murphy and Leonora Custforth.

Next months talk will be by Faye Moore and Hannah Ditter on "What Your Tax Dollar Buys."

Walter Thomas received word that his brother-in-law, Charles Claude Donaldson of Seattle, passed away Saturday night. The funeral and interment will be at Hood River, Thursday, Jan. 18.

Walter and Toni Thomas visited in Albany at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Martir and their son, Mike, who is home on leave from his army base in Maryland. Mike will be leaving this Wednesday for a tour of duty in Korea.

Gwen Schaer, Royal and Johnny have recently returned from a trip to Bel Voir, Va., where they visited with Gwen's son Rodney and grandchildren Kris and Laura. They just missed Rodney's wife Kathy as she left for Oregon the day they arrived, due to the death of her mother, and returned just after Gwen came home.

They got to do a lot of sight seeing while there, toured the White House, the Smithsonian Institute, Lincoln, Jefferson and Washington Memorials and Mt. Vernon. They also went to Gettysburg, Pa. and visited the zoo in Washington, D.C. Rod was a good guide and he and his family often pack a lunch and tour Washington, D.C. and the surrounding country.

Best part of the trip for Gwen was getting to spend so much time with grandchildren, Kris and Laura.

Sunday afternoon visitors at the home of Mary Stafford were Mr. and Mrs. Marlon Kent of Enchanted Forest, Ore. Other recent visitors were Mrs. Louise Case, daughter Tari and a friend, Susan Jeeter, of Beaverton.

The hot water heater and plumbing at the Gates Church are now completed.

The World War 1 Vets and Auxillary met Saturday at the Community Club House with 35 present.

The January Bunco Party, hosted by Wyoma Baechler, but held at the home of Sharon Harrison because of snowy parking problems, was on Wednesday, Jan. 10. Those present were Judy Holman, Velma Harrison, Glenda Rotten, Alice Moore, Leonora Custforth, Betty Kelle, Sharon and Wyoma. Most Bunco's were won by Velma, who also won roving Bunco, most games, Betty, least games, Glenda, and door prize Judy.

Dave Barnhardt was taken to Salem Memorial Hospital on Saturday with a suspected heart attack which turned out not to be the case. He has been undergoing tests to try and determine the cause of his attack but at this time they haven't found the answer. Carmen hopes before this comes to press he will be home again.

Linn County Announces Great Decisions Prog.

Citizens, both as individuals and as members of local organizations and groups will take part in national discussions of key issues in U. S. foreign policy beginning February 11, it was announced here by county extension agent John K. Frizzell.

"Great Decisions" is a nationwide annual review by American citizens of current key foreign policy issues facing the nation and people.

"Great Decisions . . . 1973" is sponsored by the Oregon Great Decisions Council in cooperation with the OSU Extension Service.

The first key issue to be discussed is "The Sino-Soviet-American Triangle."

During eight weeks of community-wide study and discussion, individual participants in the program will be able to

express their opinions on each of the issues through an opinion ballot. Tabulated results of the balloting will be published locally. Local ballot summaries will be forwarded to congress and to the state department in Washington, D. C.

Interested citizens who wish to participate should contact the Linn County Extension Office, Albany, phone 928-9323 or 926-5896, immediately.

Motor Violations Up In Oregon

Oregon courts reported nearly \$70,000 traffic violation convictions to the motor vehicle division in 1972.

The figure represents a six percent increase over 1971, according to Chester W. Ott, administrator of the agency.

Ott said the figure includes 10,847 convictions for driving

under the influence of liquor, the highest number of convictions for that charge in the state's history, a 29 percent increase over 1971.

During the year, Ott said the motor vehicles division suspended the licenses of almost 50,000 Oregon drivers. There were 42,152 suspensions issued under mandatory provisions of the law, including the more than 10,000 for driving under the influence, and 6,896 suspensions issued under discretionary authority of the law.

Total suspensions last year decreased about 7 1/2 percent from 1971. The decrease, despite the higher number of convictions, was due to changes in law that took effect midway through 1971.

Ott also noted that as a result of increasing enforcement pressure against drinking drivers the number of licenses suspended for refusal to submit to a chemical test increased 62 percent last year over 1971.

Santiam Ripples

By Debbie McLain

Over Christmas vacation the Junior Varsity and the Varsity Basketball teams did an outstanding job and thus brought home two first place trophies from the Detroit Tournament.

Friday, due to the snow and ice on the roads, school was dismissed early. This allowed the kids enough time to get home, change and be back outside to play in the snow before evening fell upon them.

Saturday night, Harrisburg ventured to Santiam for a basketball game. The Wolverines really let the Eagles have it. The final score was 59-50 for the junior varsity and 88-56 for the varsity.

Thursday night after school the junior varsity and the varsity rally girls held a small surprise birthday party for their advisor, Jane Pumphrey. Mrs. Pumphrey was surprised,

but not surprised enough to reveal her age!

Friday afternoon, school was out early, but this time it was not due to bad roads. During noon, someone phoned in a bomb threat, so, to be safe, school was dismissed. That makes two extra days this spring kids!

Saturday evening Santiam ventured to Harrisburg for a basketball game. The Wolverines socked it to the Eagles again, only this time, the scores were a little closer. The final scores were 74-72 for the junior varsity and 82-72 for the varsity.

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Days are colder, nights are longer, and your family is spending more time indoors. So you're using more electricity. For heating and lighting. For cooking. For all kinds of household chores. That's why, especially this time of year, it's so nice to know that electricity is always there behind the switch, ready to help out whenever you need it. Of course, how much electricity you use depends entirely on you—on the size of your family and on how you want to live. Our job is to plan ahead so we can build new power plants as they're needed. And to make sure those new plants fit in with the "livability" of this region.

Here's how to get the most from your electricity this winter:



Keep the cold air out
Check your doors and windows for drafts. Weather stripping, storm windows and doors and insulating glass all help reduce heat loss.

Check your heating system
Make sure it's in good working order. If you have a central heating system, flues should be cleaned, belts checked and adjusted, and motors and pumps lubricated.

Check your furnace filters
They should be cleaned or replaced periodically during the heating season.

No matter what fuel your automatic central heating system uses, it still requires electricity to run the fan motors that make warm air flow through your home. If filters are dirty or clogged, these motors work overtime, which causes unnecessary wear and uses more electricity.

Draw your drapes at night
They help insulate your windows, and your house, from the cold night air.

Keep your thermostat at a comfortable setting
Turning it up won't help heat your home any faster. It only wastes heat as the temperature rises above the normal comfort level. It is suggested that the thermostat setting be turned down during sleeping hours.

Close fireplace damper when fire is out
Be sure there are no embers still smoldering, then close fireplace damper. Heat can easily escape up the chimney when damper is open. Glass doors on your fireplace can also help reduce heat loss.

Check your water heater temperature setting
With a recommended setting around 150° you'll get water hot enough for all your household needs. And you'll have a better chance of keeping your water heater working at maximum efficiency and economy. Higher temperature settings may cause faucet washers to wear out faster.

Fix leaky faucets
A leaky hot water faucet makes your water heater work overtime. So you waste gallons of hot water, and electricity, too.

Use electricity wisely
Remember to turn off lights in rooms you're not using. Turn off the TV, radio and stereo when nobody's paying attention to them.

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