

## Museum Pieces

By Robb Wilson, Curator

Thur. 19 Nov. Went to sew at Mrs. Wards. Everett got pigs.

Sun 22 Nov. Everett & I went to church, Baker preached.

Sat 5 Dec. Everett made kitchen lounge. I cut Everetts hair & he cut Clydes. Marchion came for rubber boots went to preach at Pebble.

Mon 7 Dec. It turned cold in night had a bad storm, I read all day.

Sat 12 Dec. Baked, mopped, ironed & made Clyde a hat.

Thur 17 Dec. Baked, ironed, wrote to Ma & read. Rained.

These excerpts are taken from a diary kept by Mrs. E.E. Nickerson in 1891. The punctuation and spelling are as she wrote them.

At the close of our city's Centennial celebration, it seems appropriate to write about how people lived here 100 years ago. This little bit describes the day by day activity of those who lived here many years ago. It's really not so different from life today, as we go about our daily chores and work.

Mrs. Nickerson's diary covers her days' activities for a few years. It, plus a few other diaries of early valley folk, are here in the museum. They are interesting and fun to read.

The Oregon Council of Teachers of English is putting together a six volume anthology of Oregon literature. The museum has been asked to help with old diaries and letters that are interesting and have warm human content. If you have any letters or diaries that you would like to possibly have included in this project, contact me.

Sun 20 Dec. got ready for Sunday School, but stormed to bad. at home all day.

Mon 21 Dec. Comenced babys dress, Clyde went up to Minnie S. for sour milk no school this week.

Wed 23 Dec. finished baby's dress, Ida came to ask us to eat Christmas dinner there. Everett fixed closet door.

Fri 25 Dec. At Ida's to din-

ner, she gave me a set of sauce dishes & baby a rattle

Tue 29 Dec. worst storm known for years big boat gone to the ocean had all my clothes to wash over

Fri 1 Jan 1892 had a New Year dinner, Clyde came home from school to dinner had evening performance at hall in evening.

Sat 2 Jan. Clyde had a bad cold, home all day.

Museum hours are Friday and Saturday, 12 noon to 4:00 p.m., Sunday 1:00-4:00 p.m., and the first Saturday of the month from noon to 8:00 p.m. We will also open by appointment if you have visitors stopping by and you need something to do. It's free and if you have questions or need information, call 429-3713.

## AGAPE founder is guest speaker

Byron Kehler, founder and director of Agape Youth Ministries, will speak at the First Christian Church on Feb. 23 at the 11 a.m. worship hour. Kehler conducts workshops and seminars in colleges, high schools and churches in the Pacific northwest, on topics dealing with youth problems and parenting.

Agape Youth Ministries was started in 1980 to deal with youth problems of all kinds including substance abuse, alcoholism, sexual

abuse, alienation and run-aways, and gang violence.

The Milwaukie, Oregon, based organization has developed programs of prevention and education through camping, backpacking, rafting and other recreational and work opportunities. Counseling is available to youth and parents.

The public is invited to listen to the presentation.

## Benefit dinner aids heart monitor goal

The public is invited to attend a spaghetti dinner on Feb. 29, from 2 - 6 p.m. in the Natal Grange Hall, to help raise funds needed by the Mist-Birkenfeld Ambulance crew for a Dopler Heart Monitor.

The charge to adults will be \$5, children from 6 to 12 will be \$3; free for children under six.

## Warren church plans quilt show

The public is invited to enjoy a Quilt Show at Bethany Lutheran Church, the corner of Church and Morse Roads in Warren, on Friday, Feb. 14, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Old and new quilts and needlework will be accepted for display on Feb. 13.

A snack bar will feature soups, sandwiches, salads and baked goods for those who want to enjoy lunch before or after browsing at the fair.

For more information call Cathy Odenthal at 397-1337 or Mabel Ahlf at 397-0042.

## In Appreciation . . .

1981 was a very successful year in Real Estate for me, and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all who made it possible. It's been a pleasure to help make dreams come true!

My 25 years as a school employee in the community was very rewarding, to be able to start a new career and be successful has been a great bonus. As a long-time Vernonia resident (I still live on the street I was born on.), I have always been interested in the history, present times and future growth of Vernonia.

Again, thanks to my many customers who made Vernonia their new home in 1991 and to the customers who entrusted me with the listing of their properties.

If you or someone you know has a move on their agenda for 1992, don't hesitate to call me at Vernonia Realty & Insurance Center, 429-6203. May 1992 bring joy to all of you!



Sincerely,  
Nancy Dailey

## Home & Garden Show set in March

At this time of year people start thinking about spring. With those thoughts come visions of gardening, landscaping and remodeling.

What better place to turn your visions into reality than at the Columbia County Home & Garden Show to be held Friday and Saturday, March 13 and 14.

A special feature of the show will be the return of the Scarecrow contest. The contest is open to all ages and all scarecrows must be self-supported. The winning entry will receive a special dinner for two from a local area restaurant.

For more information or to secure display space, call the fair office at 397-4231.

### Cards of Thanks

How fortunate we are to live in an area where friends and neighbors care about each other. We want to thank everyone who called, visited and sent cards and flowers.

A very special thanks to our ambulance crew and also to the ladies who took time out of a busy holiday season to send food and prepare a dinner after the funeral.

We are grateful beyond words and appreciate each and every kindness extended to us.

Bud and Jeri Hemeon  
Bill and Barbara Schlehuber  
Walt and Millie Gibson  
Steve and Katie Hemeon  
John and Vicki Weller & Family  
Larry and Phyllis Hemeon & Family

We wish to thank our friends for the outpouring of love and support in our moment of sorrow; for cards, flowers, calls, food and memorial donations to St. Vincent Hospital.

Dorris Krieger  
Jim and Carolyn Monroe  
Jim and Janet Sullivan  
Darrin Kreiger  
Ralph and Evelyn Kreiger

Thank you to our many friends for prayers, flowers and cards in the recent loss of our mother. A special thanks to the ladies who furnished food.

Mary Ann Lumm  
Irene Childs  
Frances Hershey

Where one has friends, he/she has everything. Thanks, my friends, for caring and believing in me.

Marcia

## Crafters invited to exhibit wares

Crafters are being offered the opportunity to display and sell their craft creations at this year's Columbia County Fair, July 22 - 25, in the "Fair Marketplace." A \$30 fee will secure a 10'x10' space; sellers must provide their own booths. All types of crafts will be accepted.

The theme for the 1992 Columbia County Fair will be "Fair-y Tales Come True."

For more information and an application form, contact the fair office at 397-4231. Space is limited so all space will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

### Cards of Thanks

We would like to thank our friends and the community for all their cards, gifts, prayers and support during my recent illness.

Cammie & Richard Waddell  
and Family

We would like to thank everyone for all of their kindness to our family since Brady's accident in October. Thank you for all of your thoughts, cares and concerns, phone calls, visits to the hospital, cards, flowers, food, looking after our house and animals, but most of all for your prayers.

Brady is home now and is steadily improving. It will be a long road, but we were blessed with the time to walk it.

The Remsen Family

We wish to express our gratitude and thanks for cards, visits, flowers and phone calls during LaRoy's stay in the hospital. Special thanks to our granddaughters and daughter-in-law, who took us to and from the hospital.

All your kind deeds were very much appreciated.

LaRoy & Jinette Hepler

We would like to express our sincere thanks to each and every one who helped during the time of our sorrow. I especially want to thank those who brought food, and also the ladies from the churches for preparing the food for the reception at the Senior Center, for Clarence B. Blackburn.

Ethel Blackburn  
Gordon Blackburn

We would like to thank all those special people who helped in every way during our recent and past losses. Some specifics for Lottie Titus: the Evangelical Bible Church, Gordon Crowston and Washington Grade School staff. Jim Titus: Senior Center, Gerald Russell, Dean Julian, the ladies of the Mormon Church and WGS who provided food. Roberta Titus Brown: Dean Julian, Senior Center, the ladies of the Mormon Church and WGS who provided food again.

Last, but not least, for all the nice cards, prayers and thoughtfulness.

Sincerely,  
The Titus Family