

Correspondent for Newell Heights Reports Recent Activities in Area

By Dale Witt

NEWELL HEIGHTS—Mr. and Mrs. Bill Holdt and son, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Strong and baby were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Simpson.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorraine Christian of Prosser, Wash., arrived last Thursday and spent the night with Mrs. Marie Moore. They were returning home from a three-month stay on the coast.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Pratt were Sunday dinner guests of the R. D. McKinleys.

Bill Holdt and son visited Saturday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ullis Holdt at Parma.

Grooms Family Arrives

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Grooms and Darin of Prineville arrived Saturday to spend the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Borge. Saturday evening dinner guests in the Borge home were the Grooms couple, Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Eilers of Ontario, Dale Borge and Bill LaBounty of Big Bend.

John Downer of Taft, Calif., arrived Saturday afternoon and spent the evening in the M. L. and M. O. Judd homes. He left for his home Sunday morning by plane.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Simpson and family were Sunday dinner guests of the Lloyd Lewis family.

Attend Family Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Kurtz and family attended a recent family dinner at the home of Mrs. Dorothy Wilson and family in Nyssa. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Lester Kendall of Yakima, Wash. They are former residents of Sunset Valley. Also in attendance were Mrs. May Robbins of Aloha, Ore.; the Harold Wilson family of Homedale; the Red Wilson family, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Wilson and Mrs. Gladys Morfitt, all of Nyssa.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Witt were Sunday evening visitors at the W. C. Van DeWater home in Big Bend.

Gene Worden of Caldwell and his sister, Mrs. Fred Spence of Ontario, spent Sunday with their mother, Mrs. Frankie Worden.

Harvey McLaughlin of Nampa was a Sunday dinner guest of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Kurtz.

Join Class Members

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Kurtz visited last Friday with their aunt, Mrs. Ida Collins at the Presbyterian nursing home in Ontario. From there they went to Malheur Butte Baptist church where they dined with members of the Adult Bible class. Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Hurst are among class members. Later in the evening the Kurtz couple showed slides of Ethiopia.

Mmes. Dale Ashcraft, M. L. Judd and Marie Moore attended a Saturday meeting of the Treasure Valley Chrysanthemum chapter at the Moore hotel in Ontario. Mr. Vivian Davenport of Boise talked on growing and fertilizing mums.

Attend Ogden Services

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Farr and Dee spent the weekend of Nov. 5-6 in Ogden, Utah, where they attended a service blessing their 11th grandchild, Shauna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gale Aldred. While there they also visited another daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Van Dahl.

Mrs. Genevieve Cowan and family of Helix, Ore., spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Garner.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Pratt and family and Mrs. Anna Pratt were Sunday evening dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Farrell Jones in Nyssa.

Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Kurtz visited Saturday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Vern Wilson in Ontario.

Attends Student Meeting

Judy Pratt spent Friday and Saturday in Bend where she attended a college student council meeting.

Sunday dinner guests in the Carl Fenn home were Mrs. Wesley Walker and children, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Fenn and family and Mrs. Fenn's sister, Mrs. Dora Grunig of Albany.

Mrs. John Schoenwald of Ashland, Ore., and her daughter, Mrs. Robert Jacobson and children of Klamath Falls, arrived last Thursday evening to visit their daughter and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kurtz and family. They left for their homes Sunday morning. Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Kurtz were Saturday evening visitors in the Bob Kurtz residence.



THIS PICTURE will introduce the Arleigh Adams family, recent newcomers to Nyssa. Effective Oct. 28, Adams and Erling Johannessen of Emmett purchased the Chevrolet agency from Jack Swager and Adams became manager of the local firm. He and his wife, Joy; their 13-year-old daughter, Debra, and nine-year-old son, Kevin, are residing in the Swager home at 112 North Fifth street. The family came here from Nampa where Adams was a member of the Jaycee organization, Elks lodge and Optimist club. They are Methodists and Mrs. Adams is a past member of the Jay-C-ette organization. Debra is in the seventh grade and is in Elvin Ballou's homeroom. Kevin is a fourth grade student and is in Mrs. James (Patricia) Skeen's classroom.—Journal Photo.

Letter Dated in 1941 Praises Crew Providing Lines for Owyhee Project

(This letter, dated Dec. 29, 1941, was submitted for publication by Mrs. Tessie Clifford. It concerns construction of telephone and transmission lines on the Owyhee project. Oldtimers in the area will perhaps remember the work which was completed in 1928. Mrs. Clifford says she remembers the workmen using a mule to pull the lines through rough and rocky terrain.)

This item of correspondence, praising Mrs. Clifford's late husband and crew of workmen was written by F. A. Banks, supervising engineer, U. S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, Coulee Dam, Wash.)

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that the bearer, Laurance Clifford, was employed by Helt and O'Donnell for about sixty days, ending October 20, 1928, as foreman in the construction of a telephone and transmission line on the Owyhee Project near Nyssa, Oregon.

This line was a 66,000-volt line, 19.4 miles long, and the total amount of the construction of the transmission line and telephone line was about \$12,000.

Shortly after the construction

got under way it became known that the progress was slow, and Mr. Clifford, an experienced crew, then was brought in and finished the work through as rough and isolated country by a number of deep cuts.

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