

NU ACRES HAPPENINGS

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NU ACRES-Mrs. Omar Betts passed away at the Holy Rosary Hospital in Ontario on Saturday morning after an illness. She has been a resident of the Nu Acres Community for 29 years, having raised their family here. The members of the community mourn her loss greatly and extend their sympathy to Mr. Betts and the family.

The Nu-Acres 4-H Club met at the hall on Saturday evening with ten members present.

Officers elected were: Mark Nevill, president; John Pattee, vice-president; Leland Nevill, secretary; Steve Suter, reporter; Brad Russell, song leader. Monday after school the group are going to tour the Nyssa sugar factory. Mr. and Mrs. Glen Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Russell are the 4-H leaders.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Evans visited their daughter, the Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Cairns and family at Vale Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Payne were dinner guests of Mrs. Frank Scott in Ontario Sunday evening. Mrs. Ella Anderson was also a guest.

Mrs. Frances Cammann of Portland visited over the New Year's week end with her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Payne.

Mrs. Robert Shaw and Mrs. Ben Payne attended a Home-maker's Council meeting at the home of Mrs. Marilyn Kidder at Fruitland Tuesday afternoon. After the meeting they called on Mrs. Betts at the hospital in Ontario.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shaw, accompanied by her brother, Edgar Hite and son, John Bill of Prineville, recently visited with their sister, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Ward at Orland, Calif.

Word was received of the death of Mr. Archie Kersey of Boise, former resident of the Nu Acres community. He is the father of Arvin Kersey. Funeral services were held at Caldwell Monday afternoon. The com-

munity extends their heartfelt sympathy to the family.

Mr. Rolla Mills of Fruitland, former resident of this community, and father of Mrs. Richard Jinks, passed away last week at the Holy Rosary Hospital in Ontario. Our sympathy goes to his family in their sorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Sager, Jr. and family of Heppner, Kyle Sager of John Day, and Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Harris of Prairie City, came for the funeral of their grandmother and mother, Mrs. Iva Sager which was held in Nampa Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. W.H. Grasmick, Mrs. Ben Schuster, Mrs. Kenneth Willett, and Mrs. Herman Kohtz were hostesses at a bridal shower for Mrs. Kenneth Brumfield, former Cindy Lawre. The shower was held at the home of Mrs. Ben Schuster on Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Brumfield is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brecht. They were married in December.

Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Grasmick attended the wedding of Danny Huter and Judith Ann Swanson at the Franklin Church, east of Caldwell, Saturday evening. Danny is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Huter of Nampa, formerly of Fruitland. He is also the godson of Mr. and Mrs. Grasmick.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cover of Crescent City, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. Roy McKague of Caldwell, visited Tuesday with Cover's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Mike McKague.

Otley Brothers Help Ecology

A stroke for the preservation of environmental quality and natural beauty was made recently when Otley Brothers of Diamond, Oregon granted a scenic easement to the public on 1800.93 acres of land located in beautiful Kiger Gorge on Steens Mountain. In their concern for the perpetuation of the beauty of Steens Mountain, Otley Brothers are grantors of the easement have agreed in part NOT to: subdivide the land, build roads, trails or houses, or change the general topography or land surface.

Chris Vosler, in accepting the easement on behalf of the BLM, commended Otley Brothers Inc. for their foresight, cooperative attitude and generosity. He stated the easement is a "milestone" so far as action by a private concern, in assuring that the beauty and natural state of the Steens Mountain is preserved for generations to come.

Herb Sez ...

Of all of the things that have vanished in the swirl of modern day changes the one I miss the most is the steam locomotive. Sure they tossed plenty of cinders into the air and were noisy but the thrill of visible moving machinery has been replaced by the diesel engine. I know that ecologists will not agree with me but diesel fumes are a poor substitute for coal smoke. The diesel is a sure footed beast of burden. It never gives us that exciting moment when the wheels slip on the rails causing a horrendous roar to emit from the stack. The flashing drive rods were always fascinating to young and old alike, in the book the diesel just doesn't hold a candle to the old steamer when it comes to being romantic. The least the diesel could do is imitate the old lonesome whistle.

I have always been a railroad buff and preferred to travel across the country in the casual luxury of the train. Lounge observation and dining cars added to the ease of travel. At night I loved to listen to the clackety-clack of the wheels on the rail joints, it lulled me to sleep and gave me that delicious sensation of movement. The above paragraph is in the past tense. The railroads have finally made a believer out of me. They, as the rule, simply don't want me or anybody else to travel by rail. We still have nice trains such as the City of Portland but if you don't want to be insulted don't try finding good service east of Chicago. There may be a few decent passenger trains left but we found one several years ago that would have qualified as a cattle train. It was the New York Central from Chicago to Detroit. It must be that they weren't much better with the freight because after joining with the Pency, the Penn Central went broke. This passenger business is important to people and if people decided rails didn't want them they may have concluded they didn't want the freight business either.

Well I'm feeling better about rail roads today because I read in this morning's paper that the Government is going to try to do something about passenger service. Travel by plane and bus is O.K. but I still love the comfort of the train. We'll never have the old steamer again but half a loaf is better than none.

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Siempre Adelante Gives Scholarships

Prudencio Escobedo, president of the Siempre Adelante Organization announced today that the Siempre Adelante Organization has presented a \$100 scholarship to Rosa Vandrell to be used to further her education at the University of Oregon in Eugene. He also stated that the organization will present a \$50 scholarship to a student to be used at TVCC in Ontario.

Celebrates Birthday

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Flinders and family were waffle supper guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Elwood Flinders Jan. 7. The occasion being Mrs. Flinders' birthday anniversary.

Others wishing her happy birthday via telephone were her daughters, Gail Johnson of Denver; Carole Wilson of Burns; Cleo Saunders of Meridian; a sister Helen Olsen of Morgan, Utah and brother Arvel Child of Quincy, Wash.

AHS CALENDAR

JAN. 14 - Father - Daughter Tramp Jump, Elementary Gym, 7:30 p.m.
JAN. 15 - 7th & 8th Basketball, Nampa-Christian, here, 1 p.m.
JAN. 15 - Basketball, Melba, there, 8 p.m.
JAN. 16 - Basketball, Notus, here, 8 p.m.
JAN. 18 - TVCC Senior visit.
JAN. 19 - Senior Aptitude Test - Army - 8:30 a.m.

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U.S. National Bank Shows Gain For 1970

U.S. Bancorp, including its wholly-owned subsidiaries, United States National Bank of Oregon and Commerce Mortgage Company, reports consolidated income after taxes, and before security gains and losses, of \$12,656,970 or \$3.10 per share for the year ended December 31, 1970. The comparable figures for 1969 were \$12,480,257, or \$3.08 per share. This represented an increase of \$176,713, or 1.42%. Average number of shares outstanding was 4,077,956, compared to 4,057,352, for the previous year.

Income after security gains and losses was \$12,833,109 for 1970, compared to \$10,709,556 for 1969, an increase of 19.83%. LeRoy B. Staver, chairman of U.S. Bancorp, expressed satisfaction that the bank holding company's consolidated income before security gains and losses showed a gain of 1.42% over 1969, notwithstanding the general economic slowdown of the year and other retarding influences.

"Our management is particularly gratified with the result which was achieved in the face of inflation-driven increases in business expenses, plus the interruption of the growth trend

of our bank," Staver said. He pointed out that governmental monetary policy brought about a sizable exodus of deposits and the consequent reduction in 1970 of the average loan and security holdings which constitute the principal source of bank earnings.

Net income after security gains and losses showed an even stronger increase, being up 19.8% over 1969, when income was penalized by security losses accepted by the bank as securities were liquidated to meet customer loan needs, and for reinvestment purposes.

Staver also reported consolidated deposits as of December 31, 1970, stood at \$1,536,550,323, compared to \$1,446,521,658 at the end of 1969, a gain of \$90,028,665, or 6.22%. Consolidated total resources were \$1,759,387,791, compared to \$1,703,144,057 a year ago. Consolidated loans and discounts were \$998,162,282 compared to \$1,042,318,493 at the end of 1969.

At the Nyssa Branch of U.S. National, on December 31, 1970, deposits were \$1,622,938, according to Don Young, Manager. He also reported loans on the same date were \$679,431.

High Schools To Interview Students

Principals and counselors from Oregon high schools have been invited to Oregon State University, Monday, March 1, for interviews with former students who are now attending the university.

The interview program is designed to provide a continuing evaluation of both high school and OSU academic advising programs, according to Waldo Bowers, assistant director of admissions and chairman of the program.

After morning briefings on new OSU programs and procedures that are of importance to high schools and prospective university students, the principals and counselors will have individual interviews with their graduates in the afternoon.

Talks will center around the adequacy of the high school's college preparatory program, student progress and problems at OSU, and student suggestions for improvements in both the high school and university teaching and counseling programs.

The interview program began in 1952 with eight schools. Now schools across the state are invited and at least 125 are expected to participate this year, Bowers indicated.

Anthropologist-Explorer Will Speak At C of I

A 25-year old anthropologist and explorer, who is credited with having discovered the oldest evidences of pre-history man to date, will speak at convocation at 9:30 a.m. Jan. 29 in Jewett Auditorium of the College of Idaho.

He is Richard E. Leakey, administrative director of the National Museum of Kenya. He resides in Nairobi, Kenya.

Leading an expedition in 1969 along the eastern shores of Lake Rudolph in northern Kenya, near Ethiopia, young Leakey came upon the fossil remains of a skull now described as an Australopithecus -- a primitive creature with physical characteristics of both ape and man, which lived 2.6 million years ago.

The discovery was not far from where his father, world-famous anthropologist Dr. Louis S.B. Leakey, some 10 years earlier had made a similar skull find in the Olduvai Gorge of the Rift Valley. The difference in the findings, however, is that the skull found by Richard

Leakey is virtually intact and predates the age of the skull found by the elder Leakey by thousands of years.

Tools found by the younger Leakey are now determined to be 850,000 years older than the skull and artifacts uncovered by his father.

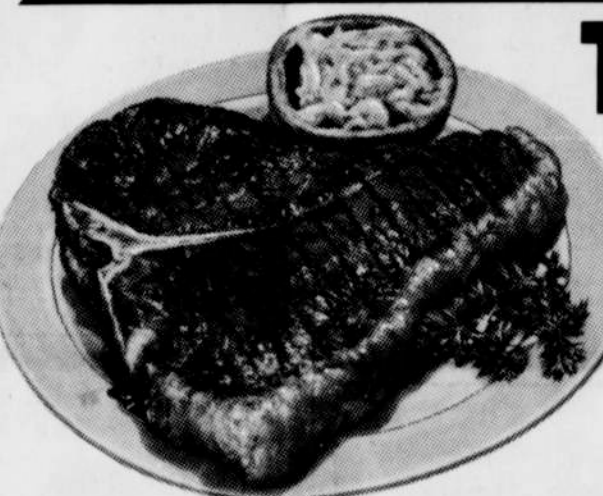
Richard Leakey's lecture, entitled "The Search for Man's Origin," will include a 50-minute color film which traces the work of both father and son in their various explorations throughout the Olduvai Gorge, Lake Rudolph and Rift Valley area. Mr. Leakey will narrate the film.

A no-host luncheon for Leakey at 12 noon the same day will take place in the Borah Room of the Student Union Building. He will speak again at 4 p.m. in the biology laboratory of the Boone Science Center for the regularly scheduled "Biology at 4" program. Both lectures are open to the public with no charge, according to Prof. Alvin Buzzard, convocations chairman.

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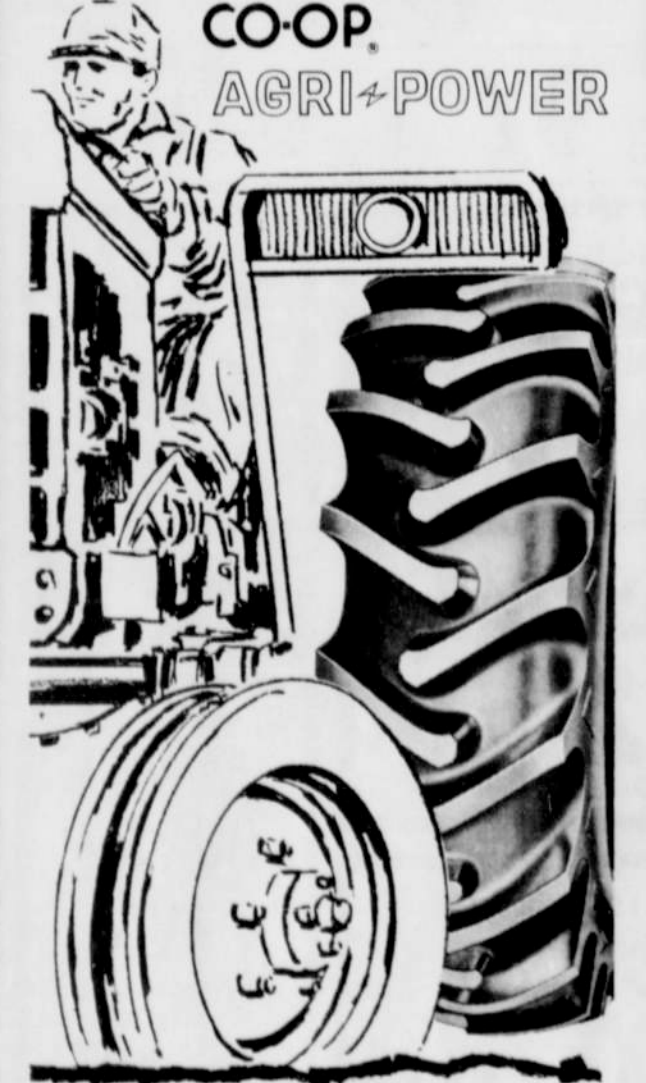
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