

**SAGE OF NU ACRES**

BY LYN DOHNER

Two ladies have called about my organ, both with seven hundred dollar pianos. To trade. And what's an antique organ worth, anyhow? All intricately put together by hand. And a hundred years old. We'll see.

Alice Nishitani, the Valley's top piano instructor, says it is quite valuable. Perhaps she would take it in exchange for piano lessons! One can always buy a piano, but it's hard to get on her list of pupils. One has to make certain promises about practicing. And there is the inevitable recital. She said you can't get out of that. But how wonderful to really learn to play!

George says I can't tell you about the dirty trick they played on our cow, Dolly. Oh, yes, she'll be having another calf next spring. The veterinarian said it will be easier on her this time. And on George!

The part of me that likes birthdays never grew up and I had to have a cake. Tried to forget it. But Thursday found me measuring, sifting, happily assembling a chocolate-applesauce cake from scratch. Had seen that applesauce brownie recipe in the paper so put applesauce in mine just for fun. It was rich, moist, delicious. Forget the candles!

We've got us a come-in-the-house cat, all at once. We were down to one barn-type cat, very independent and a little wild. When two poodles think they own you, you've hardly room for a house cat. A couple of mouse traps will do.

But recently this large,

gaunt, homely feline came sneaking around our garden area, pecking out hungrily; and us with all that milk. Still!

I called her. She came. Now she's in every time the door opens, swigging up milk like a vacuum cleaner, then, sides bulging, comes singing to rub against my leg, the door jamb, or anything handy. And out in the shed, George has heard the tiny mew of hidden baby kittens!

The Mama cat isn't homely any more. Her flashy coat of many colors, little white slippers and black mask clothe a form that's not quite so lean, the usually, hungry still!

Wee Cody Weaver was the star attraction at the recent meeting of the Farmerette Club held at the Dave Weaver home. He has those large, long, almost oriental shaped eyes, but blue, with incredibly long eyelashes, like the Weaver's other boys. And he is so cuddly and darling, everyone wanted to hold him.

The meeting was a fun one with everyone having a visiting good time and a general sharing of things one can do with "mixes" besides following the given instructions. These meetings seem to be the one time all these old friends get together this way. And yours truly did pick up a few news items, here included.

Mr. and Mrs. Omar Betts had a surprise visit by Mr.

and Mrs. Cecil Burns of Grass Valley, California, who were enroute to Expo '74 in Spokane.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Weaver enjoyed a four-day visit from Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hamlow of Eugene, Oregon.

Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Bill Newell of Nampa were dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Payne. On Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Owen Wilkerson and daughter Kim visited the Paynes.

Terry Conner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Conner, recently came down from Spokane for a visit with his folks.

This weird story is going the rounds again. Fellow who told me he said it happened to a friend of his. He was driving along and picked up a hitch-hiker. And they were driving along and the fellow said to him, "Jesus is coming soon." The driver turned to him, but he wasn't there. At 50 miles an hour, no stop, no door opening, he'd vanished.

Petrified with fear, the driver pulled into a gas station and related his tale to the attendant. And that man, pale and shaken, said he was the third man to stop with that same story.

This same story was going

**NEWS FROM BIG BEND**

\*\*\*\*\* BY GOLDIE ROBERTS \*\*\*\*\*

**BIG BEND** - Mrs. Louise Bailey left last Sunday for her home in Murray, Utah after a ten-day visit with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Don Roberts and family.

Mrs. Winnifred Bennett stayed with Mrs. Cora Strong in Parma the past two weeks.

Mrs. Noel Tuppeny attended Extension Alumni at the home of Mrs. Osie Porter in Payette Wednesday afternoon.

A Smith family reunion was recently held at the C. K. Smith home. Special guests were his brother, Mr. and

the rounds back in the 1940's and people said Jesus could not come that soon.

First, they said, the Jews had to go back to Palestine and be a nation again. Also, a great increase of knowledge had been forecast for the last days, and a tremendous growth in world wide travel, and such a communications system that the whole world would have heard the Gospel by that time. Now none of that was developed yet in the forties. But what about in the seventies? I'm getting excited! Aren't you?

Mr. and Mrs. Don Roberts entertained with supper for Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Roberts and Mrs. Louise Bailey last Saturday evening. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Dyre Roberts, Mary and Beck Carroll and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Riggs of Parma. Calling later were Mr. and Mrs. Joey Olenik and daughters of Parma and Jim and Susan and Darlene Carroll of Sunset Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Smith were Saturday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ricks Gale in Boise.

Mr. and Mrs. Dyre Roberts called on Mrs. Marie Douglas and Mrs. Florence Henderlinder last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyce Van DeWater called on Mr. and Mrs. Bill Van DeWater and their guests from Greeley, Colo., Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Davis and Mr. and Mrs. James McGinnis attended the wedding of Danny McGinnis in Nyssa Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Freitag announce the arrival of a new daughter, Connie Denise, born at Holy Rosary Hospital in Ontario, September 18, 1974. She weighed nine-pounds and twelve

ounces. The young miss is the couple's first child. Proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jim Phifer and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Freitag all of Nyssa. Beaming great-grandparents are Mrs. Bernice Toombs, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bowers all of Nyssa and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Platt of Bandon, Oregon.

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Grandparents of the new arrival are Mrs. Muri Burns of Nyssa and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Boatwright of Ketchikan

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. W. L. McPartland of Nyssa and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gallo of Brookline, Massachusetts.

Mrs. W. L. McPartland spent some time in the Gallo home last week helping to care for the new arrival.



**HELLO WORLD!**

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Davis of Route 2, Nyssa, are the proud parents of a baby boy, Jason Kenneth. He was born September 12, 1974 and weighed seven-pounds and two-ounces.

The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Dorwin Powell of Roseburg, Oregon and Mr. and Mrs. Geza Mahalozki of Nyssa. Mrs. Powell has spent the past week helping with her new grandson. She returned to Roseburg Thursday, September 19.

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**Favorite Recipes**

There are plenty of green tomatoes on the vines now and this is a good recipe for tomato pickles.

We make pickles out of peaches, plums, watermelon and cantalope, so why not tomatoes.

**Green Tomato Pickles**

Slice 7 lbs. green tomatoes Cover with two gallons cool water, mix with 2 cups lime and let stand 24 hours. Rinse and cover with cold water; let stand three hours. Drain and cover with the following ingredients:  
2 qts. vinegar  
9 cups sugar  
1 teasp. celery seed  
1 teasp. clove  
1 tbsp. whole pickling spice  
1 teasp. salt  
Add enough cold water to cover. The following morning heat slowly. Boil for 35 minutes. Add 1 cup raisins; cook 5 minutes more. Can while hot.

Have you made a Custard pie using apples? Here's a good one to tempt the whole family.

Apples, by the time you receive this paper, will be ripe for harvest.

Apples are so easily stored in a cool place, we can have them handy for the coming winter months.

Remember the old saying "an apple a day keeps the doctor away?"

**APPLE CUSTARD PIE**

1-10 inch unbaked pie shell  
1 1/2 cups tart apples, grated  
3 egg yolks  
1 cup sugar  
1 teaspoon cornstarch  
1 1/2 cup cream (half & half)  
Butter  
Nutmeg or cinnamon  
Beat egg yolks. Mix sugar and cornstarch and add to egg yolks. Beat with Nutmeg and dot with butter. Bake in a 325 degree oven for 60-75 minutes. Serves 6.

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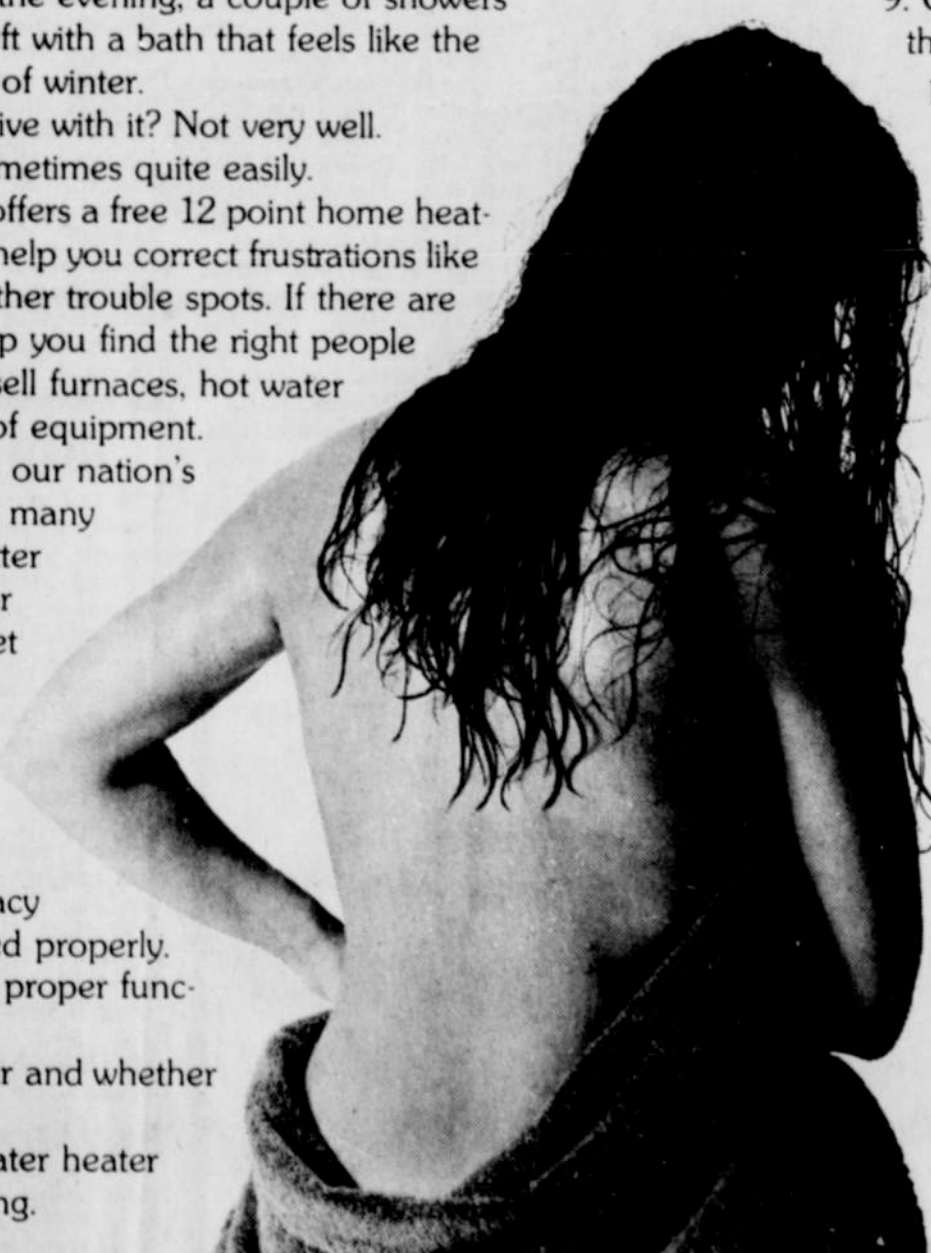
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