

# The Concrete Herald

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## Feathers

from the Duster

By The Over-time Editor

IN THE GREAT push to change present ways of doing things, we feel the innovators are becoming confused. So much so that the innovations are repetition of what has been done in the past, many years ago. So men wear hair long in face and head, dress with ruffles on their shirts and are being crowded into clothes of bright colors and exotic fabrics. So girls, who have been crowded as close to nudity as mother will permit, are now starting at the other extreme with floor length garb from the 1800s. All the latest thing?

That is not all that is reaching the point in which the process turns the full circle. Note that deodorants that started with all kinds of fragrance have now hit in a bright idea—no odor at all. One more small step to perfect formula will be inject the alkali odor of sweat. Then we in not sweat, yet smell like we do. Another big step forward for cosmetic science. The same objective was somehow mishandled in "praying", stocking a few years to when you could look like you were wearing them and still be bare legged. We do hope the people in charge of deodorants can hold their cool and not panic when someone decides to bug out and really sweat.

Those suffering most from this trend toward doing what comes naturally, artificially are the old folks who remember back a few years. Raised on the theory that what grandpa and grandma wore and did was old fashioned, the habit of looking for something new and better is ingrained so deeply to be rooted out. Only then we are offered a bottle of ointment that will bring back all those internal energies without making us look like juveniles will they have something on the shelf or us.

Even then there will be quite a few who feel that a new engine in the old chassis would only speed the eventual collapse.

THIS WEEK the Herald features one of the annual "get to know" editions with write-ups on the various firms in Burlington and Sedro-Woolley who have services to offer our readers. This is prepared and sold by an outside agency especially for the Herald. The edition is a handy reference guide for valley residents not too familiar with lower valley firms. Mount Vernon will be featured in next week's edition.

## Births

### JONATHAN WELBORN POOL

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert T. Pool are the parents of their first child, a son, Jonathan Welborn, born January 15 at the United General Hospital. The baby weighed 4 lbs., 10 oz., and was 19 inches in length at birth.

## Long-Time Resident, Ethel McDaniel, Passes

Mrs. Ethel McDaniel, a resident of Concrete for nearly 85 years, died early last Saturday morning at the United General Hospital following several years of poor health. She would have been 83 next month.

Mrs. McDaniel was born Ethel Huestis, Feb. 23, 1887, in Northfield, Minn., and came to Concrete as a young lady to teach school here. She married L. Berle McDaniel, a chemist at Superior Portland Cement Co., in 1912 but continued to teach in the local grade school until after the birth of the couple's only child, Wendell McDaniel.

Mr. McDaniel died Aug. 3, 1943. Mrs. McDaniel continued to maintain the family home in East Concrete and became city librarian, a position she kept until she retired from ill health in 1968. The last year she had been at Burton's Nursing Home in Burlington.

She is survived by her son, Wendell, and two grandchildren, Wendelyn and Marc, all of Concrete; a sister, Miss Myra Huestis of Seattle, also a former teacher in Concrete; and a brother, Wayne Huestis of Florida.

Private services were held yesterday, Jan. 20, from the Lemley Mortuary in Sedro-Woolley with the Rev. William Copeland of the Episcopal church officiating. Pallbearers were Isala Cugini, Gilbert Martin, William Cupples, Jack Hoover, Harold Lynch, Allen Gardiner. Honorary pallbearers were H. H. Hoover and Thadeus Stokes.

Interment was in the Sedro-Woolley cemetery.

## Former Teacher Named To Oregon College Staff

Michael Finnigan, formerly of Concrete, has been named administrative assistant at Mt. Hood Community College, Ore. Finnigan has been on the Mt. Hood faculty since 1967, teaching composition and literature.

He received his bachelor's degree in 1961 and his master's in 1964 from Central Washington State College and continued with graduate work at Portland State University and Fresno State College. Besides his teaching responsibilities, he is a student at Northwestern School of Law at Lewis and Clark College.

He, his wife, Lynda, and two children, make their home in Gresham, Ore.

## CHUCK DRAKE LEAVES FOR VIET NAM DUTY

Chuck Drake, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Drake of Newhalem, left last week for duty in Viet Nam, following a leave with his parents over the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Drake took him to the McChord AFB terminal Saturday before last. He was joined there by his sister, Neva, Seattle, and Kathleen Young and Dave Craft, both students at Western Washington State College, who came to see him off. His address is A/1 Charles Drake, 538-54-2040, 35 CMBT, SPT, GP (PACAF), A.P.O. San Francisco 96321 (PAS PRR HYK).



## Mabel Culbertson Buys Local Real Estate Firm

The Walston Realty in Concrete has been purchased by Mabel Culbertson, who has been with the firm since April of last year. Final details of the transfer of ownership were completed yesterday with confirmation from Olympia of the change of license.

Mrs. Culbertson is the wife of Fred Culbertson, superintendent of the Concrete School District.

The local real estate agency will be known by its former name of Two Rivers Realty. It was opened and operated two years ago this spring by Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Walton, who sold last year to their son, Bob Walston of Bellingham. At that time the name was changed to bring it under his real estate business of the same name. The sale to Mrs. Culbertson was made when it was found that the offices were too far apart to be operated efficiently. Mrs. Culbertson had been in charge locally during the period.

Virg Walston and wife Helen will retain connection with the office as associate broker and part time salesman.

## Lions Lose Close Games To Meridian, Blaine

Concrete Lions dropped a heart-breaker to Meridian last Friday and another neck-to-neck race with Blaine the next night. The game with Meridian ended 57-51 while Blaine won by only three points, 55-52.

In the Friday night game Concrete was down by 13 at halftime but rallied to within 4 points during the second half.

Mike Kelly tossed in 16 points, more than any player on either team. Scott Culbertson was second-high scorer for the Lions with 12 points and Craig Knechtel piled up 10. Rob Johnson made 6 points, Tim Evans, 5, and Jeff Thompson, 2.

In the Blaine game Concrete led by 3 points at the end of the first quarter, was down by 7 at halftime, but came back during the final period to lead by one point at one time. The lead changed hands several times right up to the final buzzer.

Evans was high scorer with 18, Kelly was next with 13. Robert Holbrook had 7, Knechtel, 5, Rob Johnson, 4, Dennis Brown, 3, and Thompson, 2.

Concrete will play at Darrington this coming Saturday, Jan. 24.

## Repair Of Heating System At High School Set At \$110,000

Updating of the heating plant in the Concrete High School will necessitate a heat-ventilation system costing in the neighborhood of \$110,000, Architect William Johnson of Everett told members of the Upper Skagit school board at last Tuesday's meeting.

Change-over to the new system will mean that the old pipes will be cut off and the new installation started at the boiler.

A heat-ventilation system would comply with the new state code which requires each classroom to have ventilation. At present there are no vents or ventilation in the school's locker rooms or cafeteria areas.

Mr. Johnson and his associates, Gordon Bartells, Tom Hazen, and Harold Danielson, also showed a graphic display of different types of up-to-date buildings for grade schools.

Suggestions to bring the school plant up to standard, which were discussed at the meeting, included removal of the seventh and eighth grades from the high school building, moving the library into the multi-purpose room and making the library into an art room. Supt. Fred Culbertson said that extra room is needed for such subjects as speech and drama and also space for a student lounge.

In other business approved by the board, Richard Riehl has accepted the assignment as activity coordinator to be on duty two nights a week for students staying for after-school activities.

## Robin Buller Alternate In Wrestling Event

Robin Buller, Concrete's nominee for the Northwest High School wrestling team, was selected as an alternate in the 143-lb. class on the team which will compete this Saturday against a Japanese National team.

The match will be Jan. 24 in the Mount Vernon gymnasium at 7:30 p.m. Net proceeds will help finance a return trip to Japan by Washington State wrestlers this summer.

## ● IN HOSPITAL

C. C. Baughman is seriously ill in the Bellingham hospital, having been taken there a week ago Saturday for treatment of a heart condition.

## Robert Novy Of Fremont National Forest To Be New District Ranger For Baker River Station

Mr. Robert Novy, presently District Ranger on the Paisley District, Fremont National Forest, has been selected to fill the position of District Ranger on the Baker River District of the Mt. Baker National Forest at Concrete, H. C. Chriswell, Forest Supervisor, announced this week. Mr. Novy's transfer will be effective February 8.

Mr. Novy started with the Forest Service in 1955 on the Gifford Pinchot National Forest and moved to the Fremont in 1960. He has been a District Ranger since 1963. The Paisley District has an allowable timber cut of 36 million

board feet; a large reforestation program; a minor recreation load; and a number of grazing allotments presently used by cattle. The Baker River District has about the same timber cut, reforestation load, and a much larger summer recreation use in the Baker Lake area.

The new Ranger and his wife Mary have three sons: Steven, 15; Robert, 9; and Richard, 5. The family's hobbies are fishing and camping. Mr. Novy has been quite active in the Boy Scouts, acting as chairman of his local Scout committee for the past three years.

Harry Martin, Ken Balzar, and Sue Coffell were appointed members of the board's negotiating committee to serve with Supt. Culbertson on matters dealing with both certified and non-certified school employees.

No action was taken on the question about seniors who will complete graduation requirements by the end of the second quarter, March 5. Permission has been applied for by such students who wish to enter college or accept jobs before graduation. The matter was tabled for further investigation.

The board approved the transfer of monies from the district's bond redemption fund and investment fund to the general fund.

Reactivation of the Citizen's Advisory Committee was discussed.

Superintendent Culbertson reported that the federal government is cutting back on Public Lands 874 funds going to school districts.

Next school board meeting will be on Monday, Feb. 9, instead of the regular Tuesday date.

## SPECIAL BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD TONIGHT

A special meeting of the Upper Skagit School District board of education has been called for tonight, Wednesday, at 7:30 p.m. in the Concrete High School. School building plans will be discussed.

## ED POLICE CHAIRMAN OF LOCAL HEART DRIVE

Edward Pulice, Concrete, will be the city chairman for the coming Heart Fund Drive to be held in the month of February.

Others serving as city chairman are: Paul Wilcox, Newhalem; Mrs. C. G. Meyers, Lyman; Mrs. Homer Wyatt, Hamilton; Donald Ringhouse, Clear Lake; Michael Dawson, Mount Vernon; Jerry Riggs, Sedro-Woolley and Claude Wilbur, Anacortes.

Dan McLennan, Sedro-Woolley, is the head for volunteers of Skagit County; Dr. Harold Clure, Anacortes, is district chairman; and the regional head is Bob Ranger, Mount Vernon.

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