

## Feathers

from the Duster  
By The Over-time Editor

AN EXPERT geologist has released a news item, saying that the Cascades of Washington are due to have volcanic action in the future. The idea that Mt. Baker and other dormant or extinct volcanoes are through with such foolishness is discounted. He points out that one in Costa Rica erupted recently after being "dead" for 500 years. So keep a wary eye on Mt. Baker from now on. All of which makes the Chamber of Commerce a bit nervous that it might happen in tourist season.

THE BIG building project on our cabin was finished up over the weekend with the addition of a closet, complete with shelves, etc. After a long family discussion of what was to go in it, the problem is now solved nicely for the moment. It is full. I put all my tools in there.

THE EDITOR is now a full fledged pioneer, he thinks. We attended the Pioneer Picnic last Thursday and heard our name read as a candidate (the only one) for president of the organization for next year. However, they failed to hold the election and the program ended with the nominations unconfirmed. That means that we will have to attend next year to see if anyone else shows up for the job. If not, well, do it.

This year's crowd was quite large and everyone seemed to be having fun. Two old timers, Alfred Polson and Joshua Green, both 99, stole the longevity honors. Albert Callahan was the one who had lived on one place the longest in the county. Was born on the farm, lived there and worked it, never moved—83 years.

A preview of the Skagit County Museum at LaConner revealed a pleasant surprise for county residents. Still one wing to complete, but what is ready is a bright, refreshingly uncluttered building that will be a credit to the county, and to its historical past. Just a few of the hundreds of exhibits and pictures were put out for the Pioneer Picnic showing.

GUY FRANK was honored on his 80th birthday last Thursday with a cake at his son's store, Albert's Serve-U. Friends and relatives joined in wishing him many happy returns during the afternoon. Here for the occasion was a granddaughter, Mrs. Dan McMullen and daughters, Kathy and Kelly, of Auburn.

### WINS ART AWARD

Jackie Orr of Snoqualmie, a former Concrete resident, was awarded a "Jurors' choice" for her oil painting "Bouquet" at a recent Snoqualmie Valley Arts League Show. Her painting was chosen one of the seven best entries. Mrs. Orr won many ribbons on her work at Skagit County fairs and other shows during her residence here.

## Births

### MICHAEL RICHARD DAVIS

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Davis are the parents of a son, Michael Richard Davis, born at the Swedish Hospital in Seattle on July 20. He weighed in at 8 lbs. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Irving Olsen of Diablo and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Davis, also of Diablo.



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## CANDIDATES PILE UP FOR COMMISSIONER

Five candidates have filed for the two county commissioner positions for Districts 1 and 2, open in this coming general election.

District 3, which includes Skagit Valley, represented by incumbent Commissioner Howard Miller, is not up for election this year.

Incumbent Mel Halgren of Anacortes has filed for re-election as commissioner from District 1, as has Commissioner Jack Wylie of Fir Island for District 2. Both are Democrats.

Opposing Halgren for the District 1 position is W. H. Sullivan, Republican, from Bow. Sullivan is an employee of the Skagit County Road Department.

Filing for the District 2 commissioner's post in opposition to Wylie are Lenert Alstrand of Burlington, also a County Road Department employee, who is registered as a Democrat; and Arnold Hansen of rural Burlington, a Republican.

### NO OPPOSITION

Incumbents Don Eldridge and Duane Beretson are the only candidates to file for state representatives from the 40th District. Eldridge has filed for re-election for Position No. 1 and Beretson, a third-term legislator, has filed for Position No. 2. Both are Republicans.

Filing in opposition to State Senator Lowell Peterson of Concrete is Cecil Thomas of Anacortes who will run on the Republican ticket.

### CONGRESS CALLS

Candidates for representative to Congress from the Second District are incumbent Lloyd Meeds, Democrat; Ted McQuary, director of development at Western Washington State College, Democrat; Payson Peterson, mayor of Snohomish, Republican; Mike Odell of Bellingham, Republican; and Wally Turner of Everett, operator of the Bearing Supply & Parts Co., Republican.

Warren J. Gilbert Jr. has filed for District Court Judge of District 2. Gilbert was appointed to fill the unexpired term of the late Judge Clyde Fowler until the next general election.

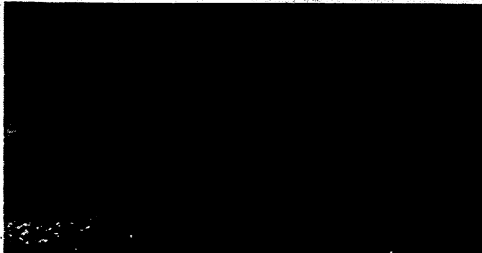
Superior Judges Charles F. Stafford and Walter J. Deierlein Jr. have filed for re-election.

## New Minister Coming To Marblemount

In another shift of pastors of local churches, the Rev. Paul Pearson has resigned his post at the Assembly of God church, effective this week.

He and his family are moving to Silverdale, Wash., where he will assume the pastorage of the Assembly of God church there. He has been with the church here the last two and a half years.

Replacing Rev. Pearson will be the Rev. C. D. Bauman who will take over as pastor here on Aug. 25. Rev. Bauman is a graduate of Northwest College, Kirkland, and comes to this area from a post in Montana. He and his wife and three children are moving to this community.



PIONEER POST OFFICE? Robt. Arrington of Marblemount recently brought in this photo of an old log cabin on the Jerry Peterson place on the Cascade which, according to the stories of old-timers, was once a mail stop for the Rockport post-office when all such traffic came by canoe up the river.

## Sen. Peterson To Seek Another Term

State Senator Lowell Peterson filed last week for re-election to the office of State Senator representing Skagit and San Juan counties.

During his term in office he has served as chairman of the Senate Committee on Natural Resources, Parks, Fisheries and Game Fish for the past two regular and special sessions of the Legislature. He also has served on the Insurance, Banks, Education, Public Institutions, Agriculture, Cities, Towns and Counties Committees and the Joint Committee on Highways. Senator Peterson is presently chairman of the Subcommittee on Extensions of the Submittive Joint Highway.

## Most Of Class of 1958 Here For Reunion

Twenty-six out of the 31 graduates of the Concrete High School Class of 1958 gathered here last weekend for their tenth anniversary reunion.

Memories of days past and news of happenings during the last 10-years were the order of the reunion dinner Saturday evening in the Catholic Center, attended by 46. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wilcox of Sedro-Woolley were special guests. Mr. Wilcox, eighth-grade teacher of the class and now in the insurance business, spoke during the program which followed the dinner.

Master of ceremonies was Bill Gerrits, now of Ellensburg.

A reunion brochure, containing up-to-date information on each class member, his present occupation and family, was compiled and dedicated to the three deceased members: Dale Gardner, Raymond Mathis, and Dick Hornbeck. Copies were sent to families of each.

An after-dinner party was held at the Legion Club and a family picnic the next day at the high school grounds. A hundred members of the graduates' families turned out for the barbecue prepared by Mrs. Mildred Kinley.

In charge of arrangements for the reunion were Blanche Kloes, Lois Coonc, Conrad Claybo, and Robert Hooper.

### New Subscribers—

New subscribers to the Concrete Herald the last week are Haddon Valentine of Seattle; Fred Culbertson, Route 1, Concrete; and W. G. (Slim) Barkdoll of Sauk.

## Council Studies Money Needs

Finances, or lack of them, concerned the Town Council at their regular meeting Monday evening. Efforts were made to advance a number of projects now under planning and the major item of discussion in each was the appropriation of funds.

One of the principal items was the completion of the paving of Limestone Street and the connecting street to Main. This was started last year with funds limiting the work done. In order to get the job started during the next month the engineer will be contacted to prepare the specifications and then bids will be called.

Another project that must be completed before winter is the ditch cleaning along Cedar St. This drainage ditch periodically has to be cleared of silt in order to keep it from flooding the area. About 300 feet will have to be dug out. Councilman Coonc was delegated to secure bids from local men who have the equipment to do the work.

A statement was received from Nelson Motor Co. for the chassis of the fire truck now being built for the town in the east. A check of the bid showed that the \$6,000 payment was to be made when the chassis was accepted and approved by the fire equipment company. The truck had been delivered, but so far no notification of acceptance has been received.

### SEEK NEW MARSHAL

The hopes of securing a new marshal from the applicants on (Continued on page 4)

## Action Again Put Off On Cascade Park Bill

Final action on the North Cascades national park bill has been deferred by the House Interior Committee until Congress reconvenes Sept. 4 after its political convention recess.

The bill will be one of the committee's first items of business said Wayne N. Aspinall of Colorado, committee chairman. It has already been passed by the Senate.

## Dusters Lose Close One At Sedro-Woolley

Errors beat the Concrete Dusters in a heart-breaker last Thursday evening when the local team was barely nosed out by Tom's Texaco team at Sedro-Woolley, 12-11.

The Texaco girls piled up 9 runs in the first inning to the Dusters' three. From then on, the local girls held the Sedro-Woolley team to only three runs. Concrete scored one in the second, six in the third, and one in the fifth. The two teams were tied 10-10 in the third inning to make the game a neck-to-neck race to the finish.

Concrete Dusters snowed the Oki-Hi girls at Sedro-Woolley Monday night with everyone on the local team scoring in the 23 to 13 league softball tilt.

Donna Macomber and Kathleen Hurn both knocked out home runs. Winning pitcher was Lois Coonc.

Beth LaDue, the Dusters' regular shortstop, has been on the sidelines during the last four games with pulled ligaments suffered in the game with the Skagit Lakers. Alene Cloer has been filling in for Beth.

The local girls' team will wind up the season tomorrow night (Thursday) on the home field against the Moosettes of Mount Vernon. Game time is 7 p.m.

## Farewell Party Given For The Don Mills

Mr. and Mrs. Don Mills were feted by 24 of their friends at a farewell affair last Friday evening at the Legion Club. A potluck dinner was arranged and a money tree presented to the Mills who are moving this weekend to Seattle. Mr. Mill, who has been an instructor in the Concrete school system the last seven years, has registered for the fall semester at the University of Washington where he will take graduate work.

## Pioneer Picnic Draws Large Attendance

Members of the Skagit County Pioneer Association named Charles M. Dweley, Concrete Herald publisher, as the new president of the organization for the 1968-69 term of office.

Mr. Dweley, who served as vice president last year, is a member of a pioneer Skagit County family. His grandfather, Joseph Dweley, homesteaded on the site of the town of Mount Vernon about 1870 and later moved to LaConner where he held many civic offices. His father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Dweley, were long-time Anacortes residents. He, himself, was born in a house located on the present site of the Mount Vernon Court House. Both his grandfather and father served as presidents of the association and his mother held the position of secretary for many years.

Chosen vice president of the association was Chester Nelson, a pioneer resident of the Harmony district. Other officers, all re-elected, are Veda Faller, secretary; W. F. McCormick, treasurer; and John F. Conrad, historian.

Some 400 turned out for the annual Pioneer Picnic in the LaConner park last Thursday, Aug. 1. Paul N. Luvers, retired Anacortes grocer and former state senator, was featured speaker on totem poles.