

Society News

Christmas Period Causes Pause In Social Affairs

The hurly-burly rush of Christmas shopping is now entering its peak period — the time when the early shoppers are just finishing, and the "medium" ones, just in the midst, and the late ones just beginning. Virtually everybody is buying now.

So much precious time is devoted to getting ready for Santa Claus and Christmas, that fewer parties are being held, and many of the clubs are postponing their meetings until the new year.

Holiday week will soon arrive with its holly, fir boughs, and mistletoe and multitude of gifts wrapped in gay colored papers. Members of the younger set will arrive home for Christmas; then the social winds will start and the whirl will be even greater than it has been this fall.

Several lodges and similar organizations, as well as the churches are planning Christmas trees with Santa Claus to visit the younger set and dinners and dances for the adults.

Order of Rainbow Holds Initiation

The Order of Rainbow girls initiated two girls, Chela Harvey and Virginia Glass, into membership at the regular meeting Saturday afternoon in the Masonic hall. Due to the absence of the mother advisor the order will not meet again until January, when election of officers will be held. It was also decided by popular vote to have a joint installation with the De Mosa organization for the public.

A report was made by La Velle Bleyer of a recent meeting of the group when tea towels were made for the Masonic lodge, about 26 of which have been completed. The forming of a Fidelity club to sew for the Children's Masonic home at Forest Grove was discussed.

A short talk, during which the children's home was mentioned, was presented by C. M. Humphrey.

First of Series Of Dinners Held

A delightful affair, the first of a series of dinners to be given by the individual members of the Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist church, took place yesterday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood Williams on Washington avenue, with Mrs. Williams and Mrs. B. P. Tyler as hostesses.

On this occasion, the group consisted of members of the choir and their families, with covers for 37. At 2 o'clock, a delicious two-course dinner was served at one long

Mohawk Bridge Club Entertained

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. McClure were host and hostess to the Mohawk Bridge club Saturday evening with four tables at play. Mrs. Joel Richardson and Fred Hoover were awarded prizes for high tally.

The next meeting of the club will be with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Oliver, after the holidays.

Hostess at Dinner, Social Evening

A pleasant dinner and social evening was enjoyed Saturday when Miss Mabel Morton was hostess at her home in the Melville apartments, with Miss Alice Klippel assisting as hostess, with four girls of the Observer office as guests.

The delicious three-course dinner was served at a table attractively appointed with pink and red tablecloths, with favors and place cards in a Christmas theme. Following dinner an enjoyable evening was spent listening to the radio, and in delightful social hours.

Juveniles Meet At K. P. Hall

The juveniles of the Neighbors of Woodcraft met Saturday afternoon with Mrs. Arthur Dahl in the K. P. hall for regular session, following which refreshments were served.

The refreshment committee consisted of Mrs. S. W. Gallagher, Mrs. E. M. Lewis and Walter Dahl. Mrs. Henry Yeske and Mrs. Paul Hansen assisted in serving.

Announcements

The Community Women's Bible class will meet tomorrow at 2:15 in the gold room of the La Grande hotel. Subject: Mark 6, lead by Mrs. J. D. Smith, "Deeper Light on the Christmas Story," by J. Patterson Smythe with round table discussion of "The World Beyond."

The teachers in La Grande schools and members of the La Grande Neighborhood club with their respective families are invited to a special presentation of a "Pioneer Day" program at the La Grande hotel this evening at 7:45. This program was presented at the

club meeting last Tuesday, and was well received.

The Bible teacher's class of the Presbyterian church will have a Christmas party in the community room of the church Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock with Mrs. Harry Turner, Mrs. Chris Miller, Mrs. William Barclay, and Mrs. S. S. Nye as hostesses.

The L. S. of B. of L. F. and E. will meet Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock in the K. P. hall when the losing side in the attendance contest will serve a dinner in honor of the winners, Mrs. Ida Charlton is leader for the winning side, and Mrs. J. O. Stitzinger for losers.

The Loyal Sisters Aid of the Christian church will meet at the home of Mrs. J. D. Smith, 1706 First street, at 2:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

Use Airplane In Search For Couple

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 16. (AP)—Search continued today for E. H. Scarberg and R. H. Dehn, St. Helens, Ore., business men, who disappeared in the Sitouan Creek wilderness over a week ago while on a mining inspection trip. An airplane and more than 700 men are aiding in the search. A group of Hood River Craig Rafts, a mountain climbing organization, traced the last known trail of the two wandering men from the spot where Saturday wet wood and burned matches were found. Dehn's automobile was found during the week where it had been abandoned.

SPECIALLY MADE RAYON TAKES DIFFERENT DYES

WILMINGTON, Del. (AP)—Rayon making has advanced to where it is possible to put a piece successively into two dyes and have some threads take one color while the remaining fibers take only the other.

This cannot be done with any piece of rayon, but only with that specially woven.

The color selectively is due, says a report of the research department of the Du Pont Company, to development of varied methods of making rayon, particularly one which employs acetic acid, the substance which causes fiber to turn to vinegar.

The acetate variety takes certain dyes which other threads resist, so that by weaving two kinds of rayon threads unusual dye tricks can be performed.

FRENCH MUSEUMS GET GIFTS FROM AMERICANS

PARIS (AP)—American gifts continue to enrich the famous museums of France.

A bust of Marshal Foch by Jo Davidson, the American sculptor, the gift of the artist, was accepted by the Council of National Museums and ordered placed in the Versailles palace.

James Hazen Hyde gave seven painted doors and two sculptured panels from the home of Adolphe Yvon to the Compiegne museum.

Russian Sights Change British Miners' Views

By Wade L. Werner (Associated Press Staff Writer)

LYTHORNE, England (AP)—A new method of combatting communist propaganda in mining districts has been discovered by Thimden Smith, managing director of the Tilmanstone collieries here.

Smith's method does its work without the arrest of a single soapbox orator, or the expenditure of public funds in the prosecution of criminal syndicalism cases. It also has the supreme virtue of converting hitherto angry agitators into helpful friends.

The colliery had its share of grief from the gloomy coal situation in England, and this was increased by a growing belief among the miners that under communistic conditions in Russia things must be much better.

So Smith offered to send two miners to Russia on condition they stay there if things looked better than at home, and on the further condition that if they didn't like the Russian system they would come back and tell their fellow workers why.

J. Crane and W. Roone, took him up. They returned from Russia full of hard words.

Miners in Russia, they found, were indeed different from English miners. Of the Barovskoy mine in the Donetz Basin, Crane said: "It was just a hole in the side of a hill. Our interminer refused to go in with us. We went down by sliding on our backs from prop to prop. We told them British miners wouldn't work three hours in such a place?"

In Moscow the British miners were horrified by high prices, pestered by flies and beggars, and revolted by the sight of "clothes and jewels which only the rich could buy" displayed in shops not far from where "thousands of workers stood in bread queues to obtain their daily ration."

Smith had his little joke at the meeting addressed by Crane and Roone. He posted near the door the following notice:

"Booking office for free outward passage to Russia. Application can be made here after the meeting by Tilmanstone miners desirous of proceeding to Russia with their families to take an employment arranged by their delegates in accordance with the conditions of their tour."

No one asked for a ticket.

PUNCH AND JUDY FORM NEW LEAGUE OF NATIONS

PARIS (AP)—Punch and Judy have organized a League of Nations. Those who operate the puppet shows of many countries, meeting here for their first congress, created "Unimna," which is short for International Union of Puppets.

Tony Sarg of the United States and those who animate the puppets in France, England, Belgium, Italy, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Germany, Switzerland and Japan, are on the governing committee. The members propose to study the use of the puppet show in education.

Schools already utilize them in Prague. Punch, who is "Guignol" in France, took part in the health campaign organized in Lyons by the American army during the war. Moscow is using "Petrouchka" for communist propaganda and marionettes portray fascism in Italy.

WHITES RADIO BOOK BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (AP)—Dr. R. R. Ramsey of the Indiana university physics department has completed another book on radio.

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Woman's Club At Cove Is Active; Work Is Planned

By Mrs. A. G. Conklin (Observer Correspondent)

COVE, Ore. (Special)—The Woman's club held its regular meeting at the L. D. S. community hall Thursday. About 20 members and two visitors were present. One new member was added to the roll, Mrs. J. E. Dean. Mrs. W. A. Winters and Miss Ethna Hansen were visitors.

During the business meeting a proposal was made that the club members sew for one of the baby homes in Portland and the work will be done after Christmas. Several of the women promised to make candy for the Camp Fire Girls candy sale. The first number of the program was a piano solo, "March of the Slaves" (Ardie Munnin), by Mrs. Kenneth LaViolette. A paper entitled "Music" was read by Mrs. W. A. Winters, solo "Lullaby" by Mrs. L. J. Chadwick, accompanied by Mrs. Winters. "Music in the Home" by Mrs. L. J. Chadwick; vocal duet "In the Evening," Mrs. Chadwick and Mrs. Winters. Mrs. Chadwick was chairman of the program and her efforts were very much appreciated. Mrs. T. C. Heffy was elected to represent the club at the Union county library league and Mrs. Jack Fleicher was elected alternate.

Much satisfaction is felt over the removal of the flag pole on the middle of the street. It was rattling off and had long been leaning over and was felt to be a menace to the buildings and to the people. It was cut down by Leonard Towle and Thomas Towle and thereupon everyone drew a sigh of relief. It fell between Towle's garage and the library.

Billy Duncan has been out of school for a few days because of illness.

Boy Bird Lovers

A bird sanctuary having been provided near the ruins of the Norman keep at Duffield, Ireland, boys of the village school handed together and with their own tools in spare time after school hours equipped the place with bird shelter and nesting boxes.

As the gloomy Christmas season approaches, congress isn't the only place where there is lobbying being done.

Marcelle Conley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Royal Conley, was out of school all last week because of chicken pox.

Basketball practice will begin this week. The school board has rented the Macabee hall to be used as a gymnasium for basketball practice.

Kenneth LaViolette and his boy rangers went out Saturday for a long hike over the hills. The rangers are boys of 10 or 12 but they enjoy hiking as well as the older fellows. Those who went out Saturday were Lewis and Arnold Hallmark, Milton Harris, Delmar Richards, Clinton Alexander and Gale Mill.

The Daughters of the King will hold a regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. T. C. Heffy Tuesday afternoon.

Archer Antles who was ill Sunday with an attack of appendicitis is able to be out again.

Henry Henderson of Brittain Beach, B. C., is a guest of his cousin Mrs. Keith McCool.

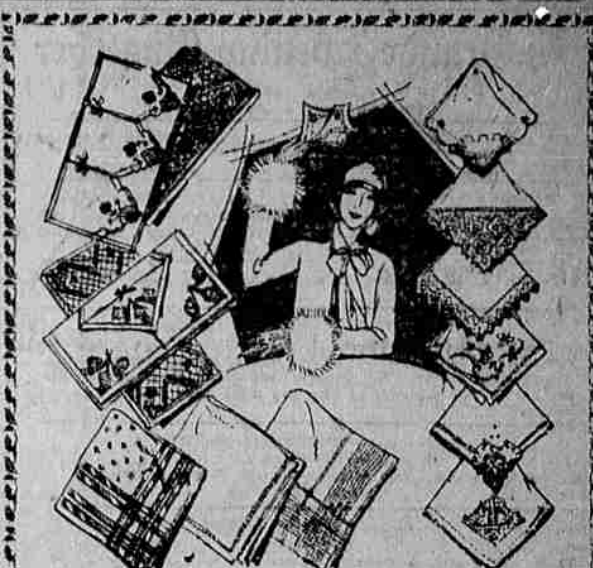
Thomas Towle left early Thursday with a load of apples which he is taking to the orland and Vancouver markets. He will be away until Monday.

A letter to the Woman's club from Mrs. J. R. Price, of Crane, was read Thursday afternoon at the club meeting. In it she mentioned a brief visit to Cove last month where she only saw the outside of the houses of her friends here, that she had to visit her beloved home at Camp Yew Bay and carry back to her family the news about each beloved child and still in their place. She writes that she is attending school each half day studying bookkeeping and typing. She expresses herself as being anxious for her return to Cove, but her friends here are even more anxious to see her.

The Camp Fire Girls under the direction of their leader, Mrs. Kenneth LaViolette, will present a program of novelties including a one-act play at the L. D. S. community hall Wednesday evening. They will also hold a candy sale.

Miss Helen Cowgill, state club leader from the Oregon State college, visited the Cove schools in the interest of club work. She told the children what club workers in the other parts of the state were doing and the plans for the coming year in club work and urged them to start their club work at the beginning of the year. Miss Cowgill was accompanied by E. A. Sayre, county superintendent.

The Rt. Rev. W. P. Remington visited the Cove library early in



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the week and discovered how hard a public institution and its books the Women's club is working to go into every home in Cove and all raise the money for the yearly budget and out of the kindness of his heart, wrote the club that he would personally give a check for \$25 to help carry on this cultural and educational work. It is needless to say that the few women who carry on the heavy burden are most appreciative. The library is safe arrival.

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