

CRESWELL

The annual meeting of the Presbyterian church was held December 22 and the following officers were elected: trustees, Mrs. K. C. Schwering, E. A. Green, M. O. Wicks, Forest Klingensmith, and Olaf Olson; elders, A. R. Land, Dale Ziniker, and Stanley Cameron; church musicians, Mrs. A. W. Bartel, and Mrs. Eva Rillatos; Sunday school musician, Mrs. Forest Klingensmith; superintendent, Mrs. Richard Campbell; secretary, Mrs. Klingensmith; treasurer, Mrs. Norman Skaggs; song leader, Mrs. A. J. Gabriel. The reports of the year were given and accepted.

Mrs. Willetta McDowell Gearhart passed away Saturday, Dec. 20, 1947, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. James Coleman of Creswell, at the age of 89. She was born in Curwensville, Pa. in 1858. Her husband, Alvin C. Gearhart, preceded her in death in 1942. Mrs. Gearhart was a member of the Methodist church in Pennsylvania. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Wesley Husted of Phillipsburg, Penn. and Mrs. James Coleman of Creswell; two sons, Lloyd L. of Greensburg, Penn. and Geo. Lester of Erie, Penn.; also many grandchildren. Funeral services were held on Tuesday, Dec. 23, 1947 at the Schwering & England Chapel with Rev. Joseph Knotts officiating and interment was in the Creswell cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Scott and daughter, Shirley, of North Bend spent Monday visiting with Mrs. Scott's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Schmitt.

Both the grade school and the high school students are enjoying a week and a half of vacation. School will resume both places January 5.

Creswell Masons and Eastern Star held joint installation Saturday evening, Dec. 27.

The Star theatre treated the children of the community to a free show Sunday afternoon. "Janie" was the main attraction.

Creswell Post Office has already exceeded the required \$8000 gross necessary to place this office in the second class status according to postmaster, W. W. Lower. This amount was almost reached last year.

The Vern McCluskey family is spending the holidays in Los Angeles with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Huston

and family are spending their vacation at Visalia, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Whitney of Pierre, S. D. are visiting with their son, L. A. Whitney and family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Carpenter and family went to Forest Grove Wednesday to spend the rest of the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Borchard.

Little Theater Club held a short business meeting at the IOOF hall Monday evening and set Jan. 2 and 30 as the dates for their play "Meet the Husband." Ten per cent of the proceeds of this play will go toward the Crippled Children's Hospital fund, 30% will go in the general fund of the club and 60% will go in the playground fund.

FL Club met Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Ted Mogstad; an exchange of gifts was held. Officers for the new year were elected as follows: president, Mrs. R. M. Carpenter; vice-president, Mrs. Loren Westrope; secretary, Mrs. Bob Sellers. A past presidents pin was presented to Mrs. Fred Nichols, the retiring president. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Westrope.

Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Smith spent the week end with their son Ralph at Empire. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Smith.

Miss Nelda Syphers, daughter of Mrs. Lela Syphers of Creswell and Martin Hartman, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Hartman of Creswell were married Saturday, Dec. 13 at Vancouver, Wash. The bride wore a gold color dress of wool crepe. The couple was attended by Mr. and Mrs. Burnell Jones. Mr. Jones is a cousin of the bride. The couple plan to make their home west of Creswell. The bride is a senior in the local high school.

Creswell grade school presented a very delightful Christmas program Friday evening. The first grade featured a rhythm band, the second and third grades presented a play, "O Come All Ye Faithful," the third and fourth grades enacted the nativity scene. The gymnasium was packed with parents and friends of the children.

The students of Creswell Union High school entertained a large number of patrons and friends at a talent show in the high school auditorium Tuesday night. Some very good talent was shown and better than \$100 was added to the student body treasury.

Mrs. W. O. Spencer spent the week end in Salem with her



laughter, Miss Alleyne Spencer, and attended the presentation of "The Messiah," by the Salem Oratorio society of which Miss Spencer is a member.

Mrs. Elmer Tohlen entertained forty members of the Home Economics club of Creswell Grange at a Christmas party at her home Tuesday. Guests were Mrs. H. L. Stott, Mrs. Walter Polson and Mrs. Amy Quigley. A pot luck dinner was served at noon and gifts were distributed and Pollyannas revealed. Mrs. E. E. Allen was installed as chairman of the club; Mrs. Tohlen as vice-chairman; Mrs. H. A. Howe as secretary and Mrs. F. E. Vick as treasurer. Mrs. J. W. Smith, retiring chairman, installed the new officers. A gift was presented to Mrs. Smith and to Mrs. Delbert Walkey.

The IOOF and Rebekah lodges held their joint Christmas party Wednesday evening at the IOOF hall. A program was given and gifts were exchanged. Refreshments were served downstairs. Out of town members present were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth McCoy and son of Jefferson.

VFW met Monday evening and adopted new bylaws. The erection of a VFW hall was discussed and it was decided to build a structure 100 by 54 feet which will face the street east known as Butte Road. A social time with auxiliary was held following the meeting.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Harrold at the Sacred Heart hospital Dec. 14.

R. C. Bruce returned home Monday night from the veterans hospital at Vancouver, Wash., and is feeling much better.

Herb Miller of the Camas Swale district has purchased a 450 acre modern dairy ranch in the Gillespie Corners community and will take possession the first of the year. The place now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Miller has been sold and will soon be a part of the government reserve plan of the Camas Swale district.

WCS of the Methodist church met at the annex Dec. 17th and enjoyed a covered dish luncheon and business meeting. A Christmas program in charge of Mrs. F. W. Ogram was presented. Food contributions were received for the Methodist Home in Salem and a donation of cash was voted to the Lane County Children's Hospital School. A case of canned goods for the Mercy Train will be purchased by the group.

Officers for the new year were elected at the meeting of the Presbyterian Ladies Aid Wednesday. Mrs. Wm. Thomson will again be president; Mmes. R. M. Carpenter, vice-president; Conan Olson, secretary; A. J. Gabriel, treasurer. A potluck dinner was enjoyed at the home of Mrs. Gabriel and gifts were exchanged. Twenty-six members were present and the following guests: Mmes. Flora Booth, L. E. Ziniker, Gertrude Walker, W. P. Rees, H. W. Bryden and Ella Long. Mrs. Rees became a new member. The January 21 meeting will be held at the Civic Club house with Mrs. W. B. Gillespie and Mrs. George Gwyther as hostesses.

Carol Joanne Fox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Fox, and Robert E. Flowerday, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Flowerday, were married at the Methodist parsonage Friday evening, Dec. 19, with the Rev. Joseph Knotts officiating. Mrs. O. V. Wilmont, sister of the bride, and Herbert Flowerday, brother of the groom, attended the couple. The bride wore a gold crepe dress with black accessories. The couple plans to live at Creswell. The bride is a junior in the local high school.

Members of the Eastern Star and Masor, and their families held their Christmas party Thursday evening. A number of members from Oakridge attended. A program and gift exchange was enjoyed.

The Girl Scouts held their annual tea Thursday afternoon at the Methodist Church annex. Investiture services were held for eight new members with Jill Waldblast acting as chairman. Awards were given for swimming, life saving, leathercraft, hostess, campcraft, housekeeping and second class. A number of parents and friends attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Reynolds are moving to Corvallis where he is connected with the ROTC.

Creswell Grange met Friday evening and a program of music, recitations, and a pageant depicting the Nativity scene was presented. At the business meeting a discussion relative to the sale of the county farm was held and

the group voted to oppose the sale. Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Polson were elected to membership by initiation. The committee for the next meeting will be Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Sears, Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn Bales, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Powell, and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Rasmussen. Santa Claus paid a visit and a number of gifts were given out.

Mrs. Lillian Schwering received word Tuesday of the death of her sister, Clara Hager of Long Beach, California. She passed away at Long Beach Tuesday, December 16, 1947 at the age of 74. She was born Nov. 19, 1873 at Creswell. She moved to Long Beach 25 years ago. Besides Mrs. Schwering she is survived by two nieces and one nephew. Funeral services were held Sunday, Dec. 21, 1947 in the Schwering & England Chapel, with Rev. Ronald Osborn officiating and interment was in the Creswell cemetery.

A number of town people were on hand Saturday evening to enjoy the community program around the Christmas tree down town and sponsored by the VFW. Recitations and songs made up the program and Santa Claus passed out treats for everyone.

Creswell high school has a new electric timer and score board in the gymnasium which are used for ball games.

Creswell has finally received word that traffic lights will be installed at the intersection of Oregon Avenue and Front Street. This has long been recognized as a very dangerous corner and blinker lights should eliminate some of the hazard.

The Valley Furniture Company will open for business the first of the year according to announcement of the proprietors, C. Bush and Harold Marcotte.

Several members of Gilfry lodge IOOF attended a meeting of the Cottage Grove lodge Thursday evening, J. M. Bennett, grand patriarch of the grand lodge of Oregon was a guest speaker.

E. W. Malone was taken suddenly ill Saturday and was taken to a Eugene hospital.

Lightships' Water
U. S. lightships are being installed with a "still" that provides drinking water from salt water. The stills made of monel blows off one gallon of brine for every gallon of fresh water it turns out.

First Lead Pencil
It has been said that a manuscript of Theophilus shows signs of having been ruled with a black lead pencil, but the first distinct allusion to the pencil was made by Conrad Gesner in 1565 in a treatise on fossils.

DORENA

Miss Francie Bridenstine was entertained Dec. 17th with a party in honor of her sixth birthday anniversary at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Bridenstine. Games were played and gifts given her by her many little friends and cousins, after which her mother served cake and jello.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bales and Guy Hancock were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Powers of Eugene.

All telephones on Rat Creek and Row River were out of commission this week on account of lines being damaged by heavy blasting by workmen on the new water line above the Dorena school house.

The Dorena ladies met Tuesday afternoon at the school house to sack the candy and nuts for the community Christmas entertainment which was given Friday evening, sponsored by the teachers, Mr. Clark, Mrs. Taylor and Mr. Campbell. The entertainment was extra good and enjoyed by a large crowd. Later in the evening a special meeting of the board of directors was held.

Mrs. Ruth Wilson, Mrs. Jo Thoreby and Mrs. U. S. Bales attended a Stanley demonstration party at the home of Mrs. Giles Wednesday afternoon, Mrs. May

Smith was hostess. The next party of this kind will be at the home of Mrs. U. S. Bales, the afternoon of January 7, 1948. All ladies are invited.

Mr. and Mrs. U. S. Bales were very pleasantly surprised Saturday evening when their neighbors gathered at their home for a social evening. Cards were played until a late hour when cake and sandwiches were served.

Christmas carols were sung Sunday night under neighbors windows, by the Dorena choir.

Found Blind Spots

The famous French physicist, Edme Mariotte, first discovered the blind spot in the eye, says Better Vision institute. Mariotte conducted extensive studies on the nature of light and color.

First Copper Mine

The Slimsbury mine at East Branch, Conn., was the first copper mine worked in the United States. It was worked intermittently from 1707 on, and was granted the first mining charter in America.

Resolutions . . .

are hard to keep unless they are sensible and easy. Resolve right now to make this a flower year for the one you love.

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Since so many local people are interested in the progress of our Cottage Grove Hospital fund raising campaign, we are using this medium of advising everyone of the present standing of our hospital drive. Below is a report from the treasurer of Cottage Grove Hospital as of December 23, 1947.

Cash received to date	\$ 75,001.34
Pledge cards signed and on hand	27,067.67
Total	\$102,069.01

We have word from a number of subscribers who expect to make their contribution before the year's end. However, many supporters of Cottage Grove Hospital have not been heard from and as we desire to publish the names of all subscribers as of January 15, 1948, we urge those who have not made their subscription to please do so by January 15 so these names will be included.

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