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The Christmas Story

Now it came to pass in those days, that a decree went forth from Caesar Augustus that a census of the whole world should be taken. This first census took place while Cyrenus was governor of Syria. And all were going, each to his own town, to register.

And Joseph also went from Galilee out of the town of Nazareth into Judea to the town of David, which is called Bethlehem, being of the family and house of David, to register together with Mary his espoused wife who was with child.

And it came to pass while they were there, that the days for her to be delivered were fulfilled. And she brought forth her first-born son, wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were shepherds in the same district living in the fields and keeping watch over their flock by night. And behold, an angel of the Lord stood by them and the glory of God shone about them and they feared exceedingly.

And the angel said to them,

"Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which shall be to all people, for today, in the town of David, a Savior has been born to you who is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign to you; you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger."

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,

"Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men."—The Gospel According to St. Luke.

Can't Lay Problem to Bowling Alley

Looks like the Sentinel editorial writer some how or some where got in the wrong pasture in discussing the parking situation at the local post office and in blaming part of the difficulties on the bowling alley, a new recreational institution recently erected across the alley from the post office building. Mrs. Margaret Spriggs, bowling alley operator, says that her customers, mostly high school pupils, or people of high school age, have been instructed to use the parking facilities of the Short's Grocery, just off 6th street. Thus it seems, subsequent investigation has revealed, that the bowling alley is being blamed for something it is not guilty of.

In line with the policy of this newspaper never to knowingly hurt any individual in circumstances of this sort, we are glad to extend our apologies to Mrs. Spriggs and to others who may be interested in bowling at this place. Perhaps the chief factor in blaming the wrong individual or concern in this instance is that parking on either side of Fifth street in the vicinity of the post office has increased sharply in the past few months. It goes to show, we believe, how fast our parking worries are multiplying and how fast the automobile is literally choking us to death.

We understand there are still those who won't admit that there is now a parking problem or refuse to admit that perhaps the city stands to lose business from a situation of this kind or won't admit that there is even the remotest prospect that there will be a shortage of parking space in the future. Perhaps there are a few of the business group who ride to work and who park in the most convenient spot, whether it's under a meter where one must go out every hour or two and feed the meter or whether it's in a remote spot four blocks from Main. It is surprising to know the number of cars belonging to merchants and business people who park in the meter zone. Nobody walks to work any more, all of us ride and this is the chief cause of a shortage of parking space.

We can not see how anybody who wants to be fair about a municipal matter of this sort will continue to take up parking space which might bring more business into town if it were left to the shopper to use and at the same time oppose diversion of any parking meter funds to make easier parking. We know this has been done in the past. In probably less than a year from now, we will have a good highway running in both directions away from town. We are afraid people are going to start using the highway even more than now, if shopping here is made more difficult.

A Job Well Done

We know of one group who are probably glad to see the Christmas rush over with and this is a group of employees at the local post office. To give the public service that it demands means long hours of work; and careful hours as well. It's quite a task to move a mountain of mail such as faced the crew this Christmas and at the same time make a minimum of errors.

Most of us do not appreciate the fact that we get more service for the money invested in a postage stamp than anything we know of and it's often personal service. Whether you feel the foot-sore postman deserves a pat on the back for a little extra service, you must admit he works long and hard so your Christmas will be more complete.

Some Things Are Hard to Explain

Some things pretty near have to go without any explanation, that is unless one is familiar with the problems faced. One of the most difficult tasks is to try to give a plausible explanation to why the paper is late. One thing difficult to comprehend for the average reader who knows nothing of the mechanics of publishing a newspaper, is if the paper was out at 5 p.m. last week, why are you behind so this week?

There are a lot of factors involved in answering why the paper may be tardy. For one thing the advertising and newspaper may vary as much as 25 percent from issue to issue. We may have mechanical failures or even after the last run is on the press we may have a web break. Most newspapers now print from a roll of newsprint. There is about 70 feet of paper threaded through the press we operate. (And we used the word, "thread," the web) because that is really what the operation consists of by the time it leaves the roll until it comes out a printed paper. Thread in this instance is a good deal more complicated than threading a needle. At any rate by the time the press is operating properly there is not time left to make the necessary adjustments for a better print job and consequently some of the pictures we try to print look next to terrible. Our time limit is making the evening mail.

Perhaps some day we can learn to beat the delays. In the meantime we need the patience of the public.

Mud In Dick's Eyes

Looks to us as though Dick Neuberger, Oregon's junior senator, got a little mud in the eye from the hearing on



"WHOSE LITTLE BOY IS THIS?" asks Santa Claus on his recent trip through Cottage Grove.



"THANK YOU, SANTA," says a little boy to Santa Claus as he receives some candy, with his sister looking on. A blundering photographer neglected to get the names of the children.

the proposed chipwood plant at Crescent Lake. From what we heard the senator turned sorter white because he felt that he had been wrongfully accused. Most of us are probably aware there has been a lot of mud thrown in connection with the alleged give away program of the national administration. We have always heard that it is pretty hard to throw mud without getting a little soiled yourself.

Washington Calling

My Visit to the Holt Family

(A report from Maurine Neuberger)

My first impression of the eight little Hols was like that of kittens pouring out of a basket. They seemed to never stop coming from every door in the house. Each one knew his or her own high chair at the dinner table—perhaps because the chairs were of different colors. They opened their mouths like baby robins to get their "tonic" from a syringe, squirted by one of the older Holt girls.

They ate voraciously. At first, Mr. Holt told me, they wanted mainly rice. Now they hardly eat rice at all! American foods evidently are tastier. I held Helen on my lap, perhaps because she was the new comer whom Dick carried down the steps from the Pan-American plane when it landed at Portland airport in October.

Harry Holt and his lovely wife have an attractive home in Creswell, and the laundering equipment in the utility room is in operation constantly to take care of eight sets of diapers. Mrs. Holt told me that they had to do some washing on Sunday, "but no ironing," she added. The children still talk the Korean language. For a moment, I had to remind myself that they had not learned this laboriously. I forgot they had not been born in English, like the rest of us.

I never saw eight children before who were so well-behaved. I wondered if it was the suffering they endured before Harry Holt adopted them, or whether their Oriental background produced more placid dispositions. I only wish Dick could have been with me, but he was sitting with the Senate timber committee in Eugene. Did any bill ever do as much good as the one which allowed the Hols to bring these eight tots to safety in America?

Some day, when we go to Creswell, I know that we shall see the eight Korean children grown to manhood and womanhood, living useful and happy lives. The Holt family must take great satisfaction from this marvelous good deed!

We are spending approximately \$800,000,000 a year for flowered night, so the dews of His grace and seeds as more and more Amer-icans go in for gardening.

A. B. Stimpson

IN HOMETOWN AMERICA

CHRISTMAS PREPARATIONS —



Two Loranites Are Injured in Auto Mishaps Past Week

By Mrs. R. G. Conner
Phone 140M

LORANE—Mrs. Ross Dey was painfully injured Wednesday morning as she was on her way to her classes at the University of Oregon. Her car struck a patch of ice on Stony Point north of Loran and went out of control. The front of the car skidded into a large boulder against the bank then bounced back and the rear of the car swung around against the rock.

Mrs. Dey received severe mouth cuts when her face struck the steering wheel and also cuts on her knee as well as general bruises.

She was taken home by a truck driver who was passing. A number of stitches were required to close the wounds.

She was able to return to her classes at the end of the week. The car was badly damaged.

In another accident the same day Mrs. Rowena Briggs Adams was hospitalized when the car in which she was riding was sideswiped by a truck trailer south of Cottage Grove.

She received facial cuts and a dislocated jaw. She was still in the hospital Monday.

Fire Destroys Service Station
On Friday evening the store and service station and combined living quarters of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tew at Gillespie Corners was destroyed by a fire of unknown origin.

At the time the fire started the family was at Loran watching a ball game.

The only things saved were a refrigerator, washing machine and dinette set. The lockers at the back of the store were damaged but the food stored in them was practically all saved and moved to other lockers for storage.

The buildings were insured. The family is staying temporarily with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Mitchell.

Christmas Program
Loran grade school will present its annual Christmas program in the high school auditorium at 8 p.m. Thursday, December 29.

Opening the program will be the primary choir who will sing "The Angels are Singing, God's Little Candles," "Little Son of Mary," "I Love You," "Dear Little Stranger," and "O! Come Little Children."

Grades four through eight will present a pageant "Light Shone Down." It will tell the Christmas Story in song and reading. Fifteen principal characters from the Old and New Testament and two readers will take part with the rest of the students forming a musical background.

Characters are Silver Star Angels, Marcia Burnham and Barbara Warner; Moses, Ricky Hausotter; David, Ernie Hayes; Isaiah, Arlo Rothauge; John the Baptist, Nolan Gagner; Mary, Linda Kotz; Joseph, Don Terrell; the Angel Gabriel, Robert Burns; Gold Star Angel, Suzanne Conner; Shepherds, Billy Sayles, Marvin Cunningham, and Jack Woolery; Wise men, Lynn Weigand, Walter Michaels, and Bobby Warner. Readers are Diane Dey and Bruce MacDonald. Santa will be on hand to pass out treats at the end of the program.

All grade school teachers are helping with different parts of the pageant. Mrs. Arvid Rothauge is pianist.

Children from the fourth grades down presented a short program at Loran Church last Christmas Sunday morning. The Christmas Story was read from the Bible and appropriate Christmas songs were sung while each small child hung an ornament on the Christmas tree. The group joined in singing "Happy Birthdays to a Year" and the program closed with a prayer.

At 8 p.m. Sunday evening the Christian Endeavor group of young people presented a play "The Inn at Bethlehem."

A large crowd went out to see the play despite the storm. Treats were given to everyone by the Ladies Aid following the play.

There are several new babies in Loran recently. On November 17, Mr. and Mrs. Alec Johnson became the parents of a new daughter. The little lady is called Rhonda Mildred.

On November 21, Mr. and Mrs. Milo Carpenter became the parents of a daughter, Dale Jean. They also have a boy and a girl.

On December 11 a new little brother, Scotty Rex, came to join the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Keep for a new playmate, and on December 13, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Suiter became the parents of their sixth child, a little girl named Lillie Louise.

Two other recent new babies are of interest here. Former residents, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Imman, of Eugene have a new son born December 10, and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Davis of Corvallis are parents of a son. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Oscar McAllister and great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Davis.

Mrs. and Mrs. Chet Adams spent Friday night with Mrs. Adams' sister, Mrs. Marion Purdy, and family. On Saturday evening the Purdy's had as overnight guests Mr. and Mrs. Jim Fields and son, Benny, of Vermilion who were on their way to Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Verne Armitage and children, Albert and Trena, left Sunday evening for Arkansas to spend Christmas with Mr. Armitage's parents.

School buses will run one hour late Friday, December 23, so the small fry may sleep later the morning following the Christmas program. The day will be mostly devoted to Christmas parties.

Buses will leave for the home trips at 2:30 p.m. in the afternoon.

JET PLANES ON FORESTAL
The largest of three rudders which will guide the aircraft carrier USS Forrestal weighs 45 tons and equals the floor area of a two-bedroom house. The carrier has a complement of more than 100 fighters and bombers, many of them jet powered. The new ship was commissioned on October 1, 1955.



SANTA CLAUS IS SURROUNDED by eager children in a local store, during his visit to Cottage Grove last Saturday. Santa has given all the kids peppermint sticks, while asking them what they want for Christmas.

Public Records

MUNICIPAL COURT:

Allan L. Harrington forfeited \$10 bail for violation of the basic rule October 23.

Elmer S. Martin forfeited \$10 bail for violation of the basic rule October 29.

Glenn L. Miller fined \$10 for violation of the basic rule October 31.

Vera E. Strickland fined \$2.50 for no operators license October 31.

Russell L. Denker fined \$5 for defective muffler November 1.

Dale E. Dawson fined \$10 for violation of the basic rule November 2.

Victor G. Smith fined \$5 for non-stop November 3.

Herbert L. Garrett fined \$250 and had driver's license suspended for 90 days for driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor November 27.

Lawrence E. Roberts fined \$5 for defective muffler and defective tail light December 5.

Roy D. Virgil forfeited \$250 bail and had license suspended for 90 days for driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor December 10.

Dale E. Dawson fined \$10 for violation of the basic rule December 12.

JUSTICE COURT:
Harold S. Eller fined \$9.50 for failing to stop at stop sign December 7.

Barbara L. Savage fined \$14.50 for violation of the basic rule December 9.

Grover C. Smith fined \$4.50 for failure to signal December 10.

Grover C. Smith fined \$9.50 for no vehicle license December 10.

John H. Young fined \$9.50 for defective hand brake December 10.

Leonard Layng fined \$9.50 for operating unsafe equipment December 10.

Strayer E. Pittman fined \$9.50 for violation of the basic rule December 10.

Philip M. Gourley fined \$29.50 for insufficient passing clearance December 10.

John B. Tilley fined \$9.50 for defective lights December 12.

Archie F. Pardee fined \$4.50 for improper turn December 12.

John H. Young fined \$40.00 for dumping garbage at improper place December 13.

Howard E. Duley fined \$6.50 for defective muffler December 13.

Howard E. Duley fined \$9.50 for no oversize permit December 13.

Clarence D. Peronto fined \$7.50 for failure to obey traffic signals December 13.

Charles McCarton fined \$7.50 for truck speeding December 13.

Amos M. Wright, Jr. fined \$4.50 for overwidth December 14.

William M. Norris fined \$62.50 for overweight December 15.

Cloys N. Smith fined \$19.50 for no retail fish dealers license October 16.

Marshall H. Butterfield, Jr. fined \$14.50 for hunting ducks with an unplugged gun October 17.

Norman H. Johnston fined \$9.50 for defective muffler and fined \$9.50 for truck speeding October 19.

A. L. Woodard

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ber of years he farmed in Illinois, Iowa and Nebraska, finally moving to Wheaton, Ill. Here, although he had a wife and seven children to support, he attended Wheaton College for seven years.

Youngest child, Juliette (Mrs. Albert Hull), was born at Wheaton, Ill.

Mr. Woodard was married 11 years ago to Ida S. Winifred of Garden Valley in Douglas County. They reside on South Fourth street.

Last Sunday Mr. Woodard's children, and their husbands or wives, were invited to a dinner in his honor at the home of Mrs. Charles (Sue) Wood. The living children in order of their ages are: John, Oscar, Mrs. Wood, Walter, A. Albert, Mrs. John (Ruth) McCall, Mrs. Albert (Juliette) Hull.

By Phyl Varley

In the midst of an unquiet world we find ourselves again celebrating the Christmas season. Despite the fears and worries of the past and future, we are caught up by the spirit of Yuletide. Even the most selfish among us is touched and uplifted by the different feeling that's in the air...

...a feeling that makes us more aware of the importance of the people around us.

Lights and tinsel twinkling in homes and stores and streets, the familiar music of Christmas carols, bright cards of greeting, odd-shaped packages in fancy wrappings... all these are part of the Christmas scene.

But the essence of Christmas lies not in the things we see, but in the feelings we have and share. We are increasingly concerned with other people... more so than at any other time of the year. We hurry about to buy presents for friends and family...

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The spirit of Christmas is a good thing to see on the faces of people... and the longer we can experience it, the better it will be for ourselves, our community and the entire world. We wish you all a Happy and Memorable Christmas.

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MEMORY Lane
Remember when every pupil in school awaited with breathless expectancy for the "treat" which teacher always provided the day before Christmas vacation? And the school tree was beautifully adorned with strings of popcorn and dripping candles leaping precariously from tin holders—and fire extinguishers still unheeded?

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