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With a Few Less Rumors, Christmas Should Be Better

The air should be cleared somewhat of numerous rumors, mostly bad, about the unemployment outlook now that the sale of the W. A. Woodard Lumber Co. to the Weyerhaeuser Timber Co. has been announced. At least we have definite assurance that the Woodard facilities won't be junked and moved away and the community left without that particular payroll. In the long run the sale should help stabilize the economy of the community and assure continuation of industry. Fact is, the sale should eventually increase the employment.

One of the peculiar developments that is sometimes swept before a wave of pessimism, is that some seem to get quite a kick out of helping to spread the word that the local economy has gone to pot and that the local employment picture is bleak indeed. For our own satisfaction and as a matter of information we ran down a couple of rumors that two other mills of the area were closing until the price of lumber improved. In each case we found that the mills in question had planned a shut down period for repairs as they usually do near the end of the year and aside from dropping a shift of men, which was done sometime ago, neither mill planned a shut down period as has occurred in some sections of the northwest.

Those of us who lived through the 1932 depression learned first hand just how convincing some of the unfounded rumors could be and how easily they were believed and how far the general public was concerned. In looking back we realize now that at the time fear had its greatest grip we still had a major portion of our natural resources and that we had not lost anything except a will to go ahead.

We Can Stand the Smell

We doubt if there is a possibility of the establishment of a pulp mill here as has been rumored as result of the recent timber deal, but if there is a possibility, we'd like to go on record now as saying that the smell will be a welcome one, even though it might cause a little physical discomfort.

In conversation with "Smiley" Grable, the sprocket maker, the other day Smiley ventured the opinion that the town might start smelling anyway if a few more of the saw mills went out of business and that the odor of a pulp mill or similar industry would not be repugnant. And in this opinion we can agree with him.

This Is the Week

This is the week of office parties and holiday get-togethers and from experience officers and others we know it can also be a week of accidents, injuries and deaths.

The Oregon traffic safety commission tells us that last year when Christmas provided a three-day holiday week end, Oregon drivers were involved in 633 accidents in which 203 people were injured and seven were killed. There were 40 traffic accidents during all of December and seven of the deaths were attributed to a drinking driver or pedestrian.

The big job of preventing traffic accidents will depend on each individual. Officers have warned that "If you must drink at the holiday parties, use public transportation or ask a non-drinking friend to provide transportation home."

Another holiday hazard is fire which destroys 800 homes across the nation each day and kills at least 30 people. The hazard is increased during the holidays. In addition many people are horribly burned or maimed for life.

Last year at Christmas eve, 23 people were killed, most of them children, eagerly awaiting the Christmas celebration. This can happen here unless precaution is used with fire, with the tree and with toys.

Gifts Symbolize Christmas

by Larsana Nelson

Every Christmas there is much ranting and raving about the commercial, material side of the holiday. "Too much emphasis," people declare, "on giving and getting." It seems to me that if the first message of Christmas is the renewing of faith, the second is certainly sharing and giving and grateful receiving.

The practice of giving gifts at this time arose with the wise men from the East. They followed the star and "rejoiced with exceeding great joy."

"And when they were come into

the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts: gold, and frankincense, and myrrh."

They gave because they loved, and in the joy of their love. Their gifts were the treasures of the East, the precious metal and the resins of spicy fragrance.

The Bible tells also of the joy of the shepherds in the field that night.

"And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid."

"And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people."

"For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."

"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."

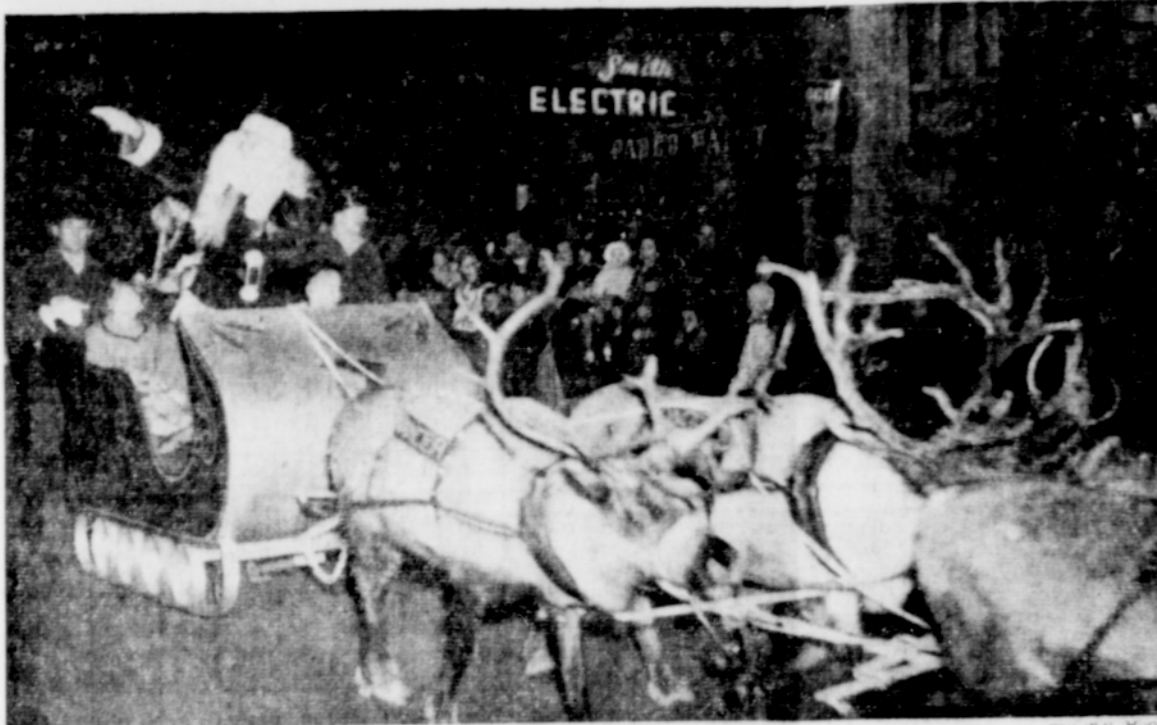
The angels sang in praise and gladness because the Son had been given to earth.

From the first Christmas has come the underlying meaning of all this commercialized Santa Claus and "only 12 more shopping days" rignmarole—giving and sharing to show love and friendship—to prove that the "good will toward men" is really there.

God gave His son, even knowing that He would be ill-received by many. Can't we then give what we can, without being accused of "losing the meaning"? I think so, if we also take time out from the bustle and fun to think of the first message, which is still the reverence and gratitude toward the Most High.

—Lions Roar

Charity is never lost; it may meet with ingratitude, or be of no service to those on whom it was bestowed, yet it ever does a work of beauty and grace upon the heart of the giver.



SANTA CLAUS AND FOUR OF HIS REINDEER came to town Friday evening to delight the children of the community. Four lucky children got the "thrill of their lives" when they rode with Santa through the downtown streets as winners in the essay contest conducted in the lower grades of local schools. Pictured here in the sleigh with the jolly friend of all children are Diana Lindsey, Adams school, and David Clochetti, Harrison school. They rode half of the way with Santa, lucky passengers the rest of the way was Cathy Bricher of the Catholic school and Bobby Palmer of Harrison.



THE HIGH SCHOOL BAND, mounted on a truck and directed by Charles Steele, lead the parade.

Christmas Program For Schools 20th

By Mrs. R. G. Conner

Phone 140M

LORANE—Lorane schools will present the annual Christmas program in the high school auditorium at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, December 20.

The Primary choir, consisting of the first three grades, will open the program with a group of Christmas songs, under the direction of Miss Elda Lowman.

"Light Shone Down," a pageant, will be presented by grades four through eight. It will tell the familiar Christmas story. Fifteen characters from the Old and New Testaments and two readers will take part with the rest of the grade school student body forming a choir for background music.

Characters are: Silver star angels, Barbara Warner and Theresa Foster; Gold star angel, Kay Drullinger; Moses, Wilfred Archer; David, Jimmie Wolley; Isaiah, Lynn Dillon; John the Baptist, Bill Foster; Mary, Linda Maley; Joseph, Robert Burns; the Angel Gabriel, Jimmy Suiter; Shepherds, Alvis Stuck, Billy Warner, and Don Drullinger; Wise Men, Billy Terrell, Larry Kast, and Bobby Warner.

Readers are Diane Dev and Bruce McDonald. Mrs. Phyllis Wilkerson is musician and other teachers are in charge of costumes and direction. The high school is in charge of lighting, staging and program.

Following the program, Santa in person will be on hand to give out treats which are provided by Lorane Parent Teachers Club.

4-H Clubs Formed

4-H work for the year was started Friday with 53 young people enrolled in three clubs at Lorane Grade school. Sewing, cooking and woodworking clubs were organized.

The largest club was a boys' woodworking group under the leadership of Briggie Maley and Martin Lee. Twenty-five boys are enrolled. They selected the name Lorane Carpenters for their club and the officers are Bill Sayles, president; Marvin Cunningham, vice president; Lynn Wegand, secretary; and Orlo Rothauge, song and yell leader.

The Just So Sewing Club was reorganized with Mrs. R. G. Conner again leading. This is the fifth year this club has been led by Mrs. Conner. As yet no one is helping and volunteers would be greatly appreciated. Five girls are beginning sewing, five are in second year, three in third, two in fourth, and one in fifth year work. Officers elected were Linda Maley, president; Patty Maley, vice president; Barbara Lackey, secretary; Ann Howell and Sue Suiter, song and yell leaders and Mrs. Conner, reporter.

Since all the groups are unusually large this year if anyone has time to give an hour every two weeks to the work it would be most helpful to both the leaders and children since it is impossible for a leader to give the individual help needed when the group is too large.

The first meeting will be on January 4 and every two weeks thereafter throughout the school year.

Lorane CE Youth group will go

carolling Saturday evening and meet at the church kitchen for a chili feed afterwards. They would especially like to visit anyone who is ill or a shut-in if their names are given to either Martin Lee or Mrs. Stanley Purdy.

Last Thursday evening the intermediate class of Lorane Christian church Sunday school and their teacher, Martin Lee, met at the church for a spaghetti supper and party. The main course had been prepared by Mrs. Lee and class members furnished the salad and dessert. All the members of the seventh and eighth grades were invited guests.

After dinner the group divided into small groups and called throughout the neighborhood inviting everyone to attend the Christmas program on December 22 and to come to Sunday school.

The staff for the Lorane High school annual "The Lorane Hi-Tattler" staff has been selected and was announced by Supt. William A. Bleker. JoAnne Nease will serve as editor for the 1957 edition; assistant editor will be Lloyd Paseman; business manager, Floyd Paseman; layout manager, Karen Lobok; assistant layout manager, Jack Moore; senior class editor, Darlene Malcolm; junior class, Floyd Diess; sophomore class, Russell Mitchell; freshman class, Hazel Williamson; girls' sports, Marie Milford; boys' sports, Bill Alford.

Mrs. Jack Chambers is home after spending several days in Cottage Grove hospital where she had surgery following an attack of appendicitis.

Mrs. Dora Allen is again a patient in the U. of O. Medical school hospital at Portland.

A short Christmas program will be presented by the primary children at the Sunday school opening exercises next Sunday at Lorane Christian church. In the evening a motion picture "The Guiding Star" will be shown and treats given out following the services. The entire community is invited.

A man's character is the reality of himself. His reputation is the opinion others have formed of him. Character is in him; reputation is from other people—that is the substance, this is the shadow.—H. W. Beecher.

Jefferson Cubs Win Cage Opener

The Jefferson cubs opened the basketball season Friday with a 38 to 14 win over the 8th graders of Creswell at the Jefferson gym. The regulars, consisting of about 11 men, played about half the game. Considering the fact that Friday's game was early in the season, the boys did well. They spotted openings for passes and moved well in holding defensive positions. However, much work is still needed in shooting and on rebound work if the quintet progresses with the season.

Next game will be December 21 at Oakridge, beginning at 6:30 p.m. with girls' volleyball and 7th and 8th grade basketball. This is a makeup on December 7 game which was postponed on account of icy roads.

The Summary:
 Jeff. (38) Cres. (14)
 Magnuson 8 Hodges 0
 Pauley 0 Bailey 0
 Gibson 9 Dunaway 0
 Henningsgaard 4 Vaughn 0
 Pulley 8 Towle 4

Subs: Jefferson: Miller, 2; Johnson, 4; Sparks, 2; Beach, 1; Richards, Ellsworth, Creswell: Marivette, 3; Birdsong, 3; Parker, Miller.

Grove 7th grade cage team won the opening cage game Friday from Creswell 26-20. The starting lineup included Mike Ester and Wayne Nelson, forwards, David Weinkauf and Gary Kronberger, guards and Dean McGuire, center.

The Groves got off to a good start by rolling up a 12 to 7 point lead in the first quarter. Creswell counted for the lone score in the second quarter. Bob Benson, Jim Thwing and Harvey Carlson relieved the guards and center in the second half.

High point man was Gary Kronberger of the Grove team with 10. Anderson led Creswell scoring with seven points.

United Nations Essays Wanted

The Oddfellows of Lane County are again sending one student from the county to the United Nations meeting in New York in July.

Any interested Sophomore or Junior who will be sixteen by July is eligible for this contest. The candidate representing each school will submit an essay and a short speech for the final judging. All essays must be submitted to the school by February 4.

The subject of the essay this year will be "The Problems Facing the United Nations Today." The length should be between 900 and 1000 words.

The speech, to be presented at the final judging, should be on the subject, "Why I would like to see the United Nations in Action." There is a time limit of five minutes.

All essays and speeches must be original. For additional information see Miss Rice.

Character is a diamond that scratches every other stone.—Bar-tol.

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-BOWLING-

HIT & MISS LEAGUE

Cottage Bowl #2	40 1/2	15 1/2
Red & White	32	24
Russ Mobil	31	25
Cottage Bowl #1	30 1/2	25 1/2
Mills	28	28 1/2
OK Welders	27 1/2	28 1/2
Russell Wl. Drg.	26	30
Moore #2	22 1/2	33 1/2
Gas Flames	22	34
Varley's	20	36

Audrey Zosel's accurate rolling enabled Red & White to roll by Russell's Well Drilling 3-1, when she scored a high game and series of 182-514.

Russ Mobil won a 3-1 decision over Gas Flames with Bert Augard of the winners hitting a 172 score for high game and Martha Olsson of Gas Flames a high series of 428.

June Nighswonger rolled high game and series, 199-551, for Cottage Bowl #1 and blanked OK Rubber Welders, 4-0.

Sally McCarty rolled the highest score, 190-498 to enable Cottage Bowl #2 to down Moore #2, 3-1.

JR TV rolled past Mills 3-1 with Afton Ray coping the high scoring honors, 162-437.

Varley's Rexall Drugs downed Perry's 3-1 with Shirle Hess of Varley's rolling high game, 189 and Lillian McAlpine of Perry's high series, 440.

CITY LEAGUE

Grove Maid	37	15
Hamlow's	35	17
Kimwood Mach.	34	18
CG Lumber	33	19
McCoy Motors	33	19
Moore Lodge	30	22
B&H Feed	23	29
Thrifty Stations	22	30
Eagles Lodge	18	34
Knights Columbus	17	35
Hoyer Aet.	17	35
Phone Lines	13	39

Grove Maid Dairy, league leading team, lost ground to the Thrifty Stations when the latter won a 3-1 decision despite the high game and series of Charles True, 198-548.

CG Lumber did not fare too well either in tying last place Phone Lines 2-2 with Keith Stiff and Vern Hess of the former getting scoring honors, 185-485.

Eagles lodge rolled by McCoy Motors, 3-1, with Lester Gates of the losers, coping the scoring honors, 227-570.

Kimwood Machine squeezed by Knights of Columbus, 3-1, with Vince Bricher and Lou Iacarella of the winners rolling high scores, Bricher, 218-517, Iacarella, 217.

Moore lodge split 2-2 with Hoyer Accounting, Glen Jenkins of the winners took high game 209 and Bruce Bush of the losers, high series, 521.

Hamlow's Market rolled by B&H Feed 3-1. Wilmer Long rolled high series for the winners, 545 and Forrest Woods 199 for the losers, 199.

RACK & ROLL LEAGUE

Roberts & Drury	39	17
Aracade Theater	38	18
Hammond Piling	34	20
Fitzgerald	33 1/2	22 1/2
Githens, Inc.	32	24
CG Sand & Gravel	31 1/2	24 1/2
McDole's	30	28
Moore #1	22	34
Gen. Pet.	22	34
1st Nat. Bank	18 1/2	37 1/2
Rickini Lbr.	17 1/2	37 1/2

Roberts & Drury split 2-2 with CG Sand and Gravel with Pat Ward of Fitzgerald taking high game and series, 179-465.

MJR rolled by General Petroleum 3-1 with Midge Johnson of the winners rolling a 184-515.

McDole's Dairy Queen took the measure of First National Bank 3-1 with Dorothy Shepherd and L. Flemming of the winners scoring a 158-414.

Rickini Lumber decided Hammond Piling, 3-1 with Frances Hunter rolling a 184-475 for the Piling Co.

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GRADE SCHOOL MIXED LEAGUE

McCoy Motors	25	8
Jalopy Assn.	18	13
K-C Drugs	15	18
Chambers	15	18
Jr. Chamber	13	20
Wolffards	13	20

Team high 2 games: McCoy Motors, 1367. Team high single game: McCoy Motors, 725.

Ind. high 2 games: Harold Burkeen, 270. Ind. high single game, Harold Burkeen, 163.

We should give as we would receive, cheerfully, quickly, and without hesitation, for there is no grace in a benefit that sticks to the fingers.—Seneca.



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Whether you're young or merely young in heart, the coming of Kris Kringle brings a thrill not equalled by any other holiday! Dad and Mother are busy for weeks ahead... holding secret conferences and planning what each loved one will get on Christmas morning. Yet Christmas means infinitely more than the exchanging of gifts. It commemorates the first chapter of the Greatest Story Ever Told... and it should be a time of rejoicing, for it is the anniversary of Christendom. So a Merry Christmas to you all... and may your wishes be abundantly fulfilled this year and every year!

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... in irritation at himself for not having come to Ed's in the first place and saving himself unnecessary running around!

