

SMITH RIVER

The Smith River union school presented its Christmas program on Wednesday evening at the Community hall. The hall was packed with parents and friends who came to witness the affair, under direction of Principal, Mrs. Helen Tracy, and the staff. The pageant, "Story of the Birth of Christ Child," was presented by pupils of the entire school. A chorus of those above the third grades sang Christmas carols at times during the program. The beautiful lighting of the stage



We wish you well this season.



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SEASON'S BEST



A truly Merry Christmas to our good friends and neighbors.



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made a pretty setting for the pageant. At the close, while the school sang Jingle Bells, Santa arrived and greeted the children and passed out candy canes to all. The candy was provided by the P.-T. A. Mrs. Tracy thanked all who aided in making the costumes, decorating and other arrangements.

Smith River Sunday school presented its Christmas program at the church Sunday evening at 7:30 under direction of Mrs. Ida Hall. Kay Westbrook announced the numbers, which consisted of recitations, songs, a religious drama, "The Legend of Christmas" by a group from the Sunday school. At the close of the program Santa appeared and gave candy to every child.

The many homes of the valley and business places are presenting a lovely appearance with Christmas decorations, and lighted Christmas trees showing out of many windows. On Christmas day many family re-unions will be held at the many homes.

Christmas day services at the local church will be the Christmas Cantata, with Mrs. B. J. Slater in charge. It will be held from 10:30 to 11:30. Members of the choir will take part. There will be no Sunday school. All are invited. The Sunday school program of the Gushchu church is to be held Christmas eve at 7:30 at the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Vance Bolick of Valley View court left the first of the week for Bakersfield to spend Christmas with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Busby. They plan to attend the Rose Tournament at Pasadena, New Years Day.

Mr. and Mrs. George Raymond left for Canada where they will spend the holidays at Vancouver and Victoria.

Among the students who have arrived home to spend Christmas with parents are Henry Westbrook from OSC, Corvallis; Robert Westbrook from San Fafael, George Jacobson from San Ma-

teo; Betty Tyler and Billie Hall from Humboldt State, Arcata.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Goldberg left for Los Angeles to spend the holidays with their son, John, and Mrs. Goldberg will undergo a medical check-up with her doctor in the southern part of the state.

Farmers Happier Than City People

According to the American Institute of Public Opinion, city people and farmers are in agreement on the answer to the question, "Who is Happier—the man living on a farm or the man living in the city?"

Two-thirds of all city people quizzed said that they believe the farmer is happier and only 21 per cent of them said that the city man is happier in their opinion. Even most of the farmers, 73 per cent, said they believe the farmer is happier than his city cousin. Only 15 per cent said that they though the city man is happier.

Ask which is better off today, 73 per cent of the city people said the farmer is and 83 per cent of the farmers agreed with them. Over one-half of the city people said they would like to live on the farm, if it were possible, while only 41 per cent said they would not.

It would be interesting to have results of a similar survey if one had been made 15 years ago when few farmers had the modern conveniences which electricity has brought.

Card Of Thanks

To the people of this area: I would like to thank you for assisting me in the "Stars of 1960" program. I would also like to thank Norine Harvey, my teacher. Pasty Cook.

Mr. and Mrs. Les Thornton have just returned to this area, after having been gone since last July to work on their mining claims in eastern Oregon. Mr. Thornton is seeking income tax return work.

MERRY CHRISTMAS, ALL!

OUR WARM AND SINCEREST GREETINGS GO OUT TO YOU AT THIS HAPPIEST SEASON OF THE YEAR.

MAY THERE ALWAYS BE A SONG IN YOUR HEART AS YOU MEET EACH SUCCEEDING DAY OF THE NEW YEAR.

Karl Ostenberg
Templar Hotel Building

Don't Let The "Ads" Deceive YOU!

Many of the Popular Magazines have recently run full-page "Ads" depicting typical scenes of life in "The Home-Loving Land of Our" and trying to make us believe that "BEER BELONGS." It DOES Belong and Just WHERE is indicated by the following poem:

"BEER BELONGS"

I saw a liquor ad one day
Deceive the madding throng.
It showed a home—the modern way—
And said that "Beer Belongs."
It showed the sweetest family scene,
With children singing songs;
The mother kept the home so clean,
The ad said, "Beer Belongs."
But when I saw that liquor ad
My heart defied such wrongs,
For I recalled my drunken dad
Who thought that "Beer Belongs."
And I recalled my mother's tears
Soul-seared with iron tongs,
The family fortunes plagued with fears,
Because—well—"Beer Belongs."
Oh! beer belongs where sin is rife,
The heart of crime and wrongs,
Behind the scene in family strife,
In jail—yes, "Beer Belongs."
—Adlai A. Esteb.



... Make this Truly a Merry Christmas for your Family, Your Friends and Community by Leaving Beer and other Alcoholic beverages off your shopping list. AFTER ALL THEY DON'T REALLY BELONG!

Brookings Temperance Society



Here's success in doing what you have to do and a sincere wish for a Happy New Year.

Taylor's Grocery

Homer & Gladys Taylor
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