

For What It's Worth.

By CLIFFORD P. ROWE

Trains have always held a fascination for me ever since my parents brought me west in 1914 via covered Pullman. The ordeal of sleeping three in a berth, for there were six of us, should have given me enough rail travel to last a life-time. Youth, however, soon forgets such minor discomforts, and so a train whistle in the night was always certain to set me dreaming of future travels.



Then when I was sixteen, my first job of manual labor was as a member of a section gang for the Great Northern railway which ran between Portland and Seattle.

I can still remember the thrill I experience when the boss would yell to clear the tracks for a passenger train pulling through. Of course, the brief respite from working that it offered was a pleasure in itself, but that feeling was nothing in comparison to the awe which enveloped me as the big train thundered by.

For there, as in another world, I could see the well-dressed people as they sat in the spacious diners eating their meals from tables covered with snowy white tablecloths. And on each table was a crimson flower nodding in a cry vase. How wonderful I thought it would be if I were only rich and could ride in such a car.

That was many years ago. But just last week I took a train trip from Portland to Seattle over the very tracks which as a lad I had helped maintain. And I sat in the diner; and I ate at a table with a snowy white tablecloth; and a red carnation nodded in its crystal vase.

There was a youthful dream realized; but I wasn't thrilled. For I saw the prices on menu and I wasn't rich.

LANGLOIS NEWS

By Marion Brooks

As you read your papers this week-end, Christmas has come and gone, taking many of our friends and loved ones back to their homes. The spirit of peace and happiness lingers on and we live over again many of the happy hours spent with them. As we look ahead the New Year is peeping around the corner and we are faced with all the responsibilities that come with it. May it be a year of peace and happiness to all mankind.

Langlois schools recessed on Dec. 22 until Jan. 7. Many of the teachers left for their homes in different parts of the state. Miss Evelyn Carter went to Portland to meet her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carter, and they will spend the holidays together at Scap-

poose. Miss Hughes went to Portland to meet her brother who is home from the navy, and together they went to Stanfield, Ore., to spend Christmas with their parents. Elizabeth Livermore and Florence Jones are in Hillsboro at their old home and Mrs. Kellogg Snow is at Portland with her son-in-law and daughter. Mrs. Ruth Murphy is staying at Langlois expecting a visit from a relative.

Tuesday, Mr. & Mrs. A. W. Britton went to Eugene to do shopping. They returned Wednesday, bringing their daughter, Bertie, and Nancy Moore home to spend the holidays. Roger Moore is also at home.

Mrs. F. Swingle and Mrs. Norma Howard, mother and sister of Mrs. James Masoropolito, are expected to spend the holidays at the Mastropolito home.

Mrs. Ruby Morris, mother of Mrs. Ruby Rundberg and Allen Wilson, an uncle, arrived Sunday from Oakland for the holidays. With them was a brother-in-law and sister of Mrs. Rundberg, of San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave McKenzie of Eureka are moving into the guest house at the Henry Adolphson ranch. They will be there, possibly all winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sweet of Sixes are spending the holidays at Ashland with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Noble left Sunday morning for Seattle to spend the holidays. During their absence Mr. and Mrs. James Brooks and Sandy will care for the stock. They will return the latter part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Krause of Denmark went to Seattle this week to visit friends and relatives for the week. Carl Britton is looking after the auto court while they are gone.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Gardner and sons of Glenwood, Ore., are visiting old friends and relatives in the Denmark area over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Britton of Denmark went to Myrtle Point Saturday evening to see their daughter, Mrs. Imogene Powerie installed as Matron of the Order of Eastern Star.

Wylie Hale, in training at Camp Roberts, is home on furlough over the holidays. Ken Krueter, in the air corps, is also expected home.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Englehart and Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm McWhorter spent Saturday night with the John Donaldson family. They were on their way from California to Corvallis and Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Duff McDaniels of Swifts Cheese plant at Sixes, are at Portland this week with their daughter-in-law. Their son is in the armed forces in Korea.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hines and Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Blair attended Eastern Star installation at Bandon Saturday night.

Frank Morris of Sixes returned home Saturday after 14 months in the army. He was given his leave a month ago and has been visiting relatives in Texas since then. He is happy to be home and his friends welcome him home.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Berger and Darrell Price purchased the R. Pomeroy place on New Lake road and expect to move there Jan. 1.

Miss Virginia Sypher arrived home Saturday from Seattle where she is attending school. Rose, who is working at Portland, and Dorothy of Coos Bay, were home Monday for a visit with their mother, Mrs. Audrey Sypher.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Moore left Friday for Tigard to spend the holidays with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thetford and family have gone to Hoquiam, Wash., to spend the holidays with his parents.

Sixes Grange met in regular session Saturday night. Six members of Sixes Juvenile Grange were graduated into the Subordinate Grange with the pretty cere-

mony. Mr. and Mrs. Bert Wheeling and Mr. and Mrs. John Bruchler were presented with gifts in token of appreciation for their work and loyalty to the Grange. Both families soon will leave the community. A gift exchange was enjoyed, with treats for the juveniles. The Juveniles presented a candlelight ceremony.

There was special Christmas service at the Langlois Community church, Sunday. Charles Jensen brought his electric organ to church and he and Wilbur played a duet. He also played medley of Christmas songs. Mrs. Vera Cadman sang "Star of the East." The members of the junior class had short recitations, and the primary class sang "Away in the Manger." Sunday evening Elders Blehm & Wyman of the Adventist church presented a special Christmas program. This is the last of a series of meetings held by the Seventh-Day Adventists in the Community church.

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