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CHRISTMAS EXERCISES IN THE SCHOOLS HEAR SERMON ACCEPTABLE CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Programs That Will Be Carried Out by Several Grades on Friday Afternoon at Barclay, Parkplace and West Oregon City

Christmas exercises will be held in the city schools Friday afternoon.

At the Barclay, the three primary grades will hold their exercises together in Miss Cochran's room which is being prettily decorated for the occasion. Following is the program:

Song—Bethlehem Babe— School
Recitation—Why Do Bells for Christmas Ring Raymond Parks
Song—Merry Christmas, First Grade
Recitation—If I Should See Santa Claus George Roos
Song—Patter Patter Go the Reindeer Geneva Parks, Mary Green, Hazel Walling.
Song—Bring Back Old Santa to Me School
Recitation—A Hunt for Santa Claus Herbert Harris
Recitation—Three Little Maids Aletha Oglesby
Recitation—A Christmas Tree Harriet Parker
(Written especially for her.)
Finger Play—Santa Claus Joke First Grade
Recitation—Little Mollie Naomi Armstrong
Song—Dear Old Santa School
Recitation—Santa Claus Sol Rosenstein, Jack Booker, Grace Dambach, Carry Cross.
A magic lantern show with a graphophone concert will conclude the exercises.
The exercises are for the children, as there will be no room for visitors.

Parkplace School.

The following program of recitations, dialogues, drills, songs and instrumental music will be given by the Mothers' club and the school at Parkplace, Friday evening, December 21, beginning at 8 o'clock:
Dialogue—Twentieth Century Christmas Tree—26 pupils from Primary room; Miss Smith.
Dialogue—The Real Santa Clause—23 pupils, Intermediate department; Miss McNulty.
Drill—Christmas Bell Drill—10 girls advance department; Miss Armstrong.
Uncle Nathan's Indian—4 boys Miss Armstrong's
Recitation—The Johnstown Flood—Rena Tyeer, Hazel Tooz.
Indian Dance Around the Camp Fire—16 boys, Intermediate, Miss Wilson
Recitation—While Shepherds Watch Their Flocks at Night Mabel Slevers.
Reading—The Three Lovers High School L. A. Read
Quartet—Come Sail With Me, Mr. Lucas, Mrs. Bruner, Mr. Clyde, Mrs. Hamilton.
Solo—(a)—"Dearie"
(b)—The Broken Pitcher, Mrs. Holmes.
Solo—"If Adam hadn't seen the apple tree" Mr. Lucas
Solo—"The good old U. S. A." Victor Gault
At the conclusion of the program refreshments consisting of coffee, cake

candy, popcorn, etc., will be served, and a bazaar will be held. An admission fee of 10 cents will be charged.

West Oregon City.

Program of Christmas exercises to be held at West Oregon City schools, Friday, December 21st at 1:15 p. m.:
Song—Xmas Greeting.
Recitation—Just 'Fore Christmas, by Floyd Blackburn.
Song—Sleep Baby, Sleep
Recitation—My Stocking, by Joseph Armstrong.
Recitation—The Stocking's Christmas by Emma Hanson.
Song—Mary Fournal
Recitation—The Shiniest Dime, by Louise Robinson.
Song—Christmas Song
Recitation—The Telegram, by Ruby Kerr.
Song—Welcome to Kris Kringle.
Recitation—Annie's and Willie's Prayer, by Grace Osborn.
Recitation—Carmen Schmidt
Song—Santa Claus.
Recitation—Christmas Gifts, by Olive Oliver.
Song—The Old Year and the New
Song—The Wondrous Advent, by Olive Mosier.
Dialogue—A Slight Misunderstanding, by Earnest Mosier and Erma Draper
Song—by Blanche Kendall.
Exercises will also be held at the Bolton school at the same time. Persons interested in the schools, especially the parents, are cordially invited to attend.

BY DOCTOR KIMBALL

DEAN OF THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL DELIVERS SCHOLARLY ADDRESS TO PASTORS.

Much Interest Manifested in Sessions of East Portland District M. E. Ministers' Association.

The second day's sessions of the East Portland district M. E. Ministers' association, was opened Wednesday morning by devotional exercises conducted by J. J. Patton of Viola. The minutes were read and approved and with some preliminary business the program of the morning was taken up. Pastoral work in a country charge was the theme of a short talk by J. J. Patton.

Prayer meeting, its relation to the spiritual life of the church, E. Gittins, Leslie church, Salem. An interesting discussion followed this paper that was of a very practical and helpful nature.
Is the Prayer Meeting and Epworth League a substitute for the class meeting? was the subject of a short address by T. J. Anthony of Canby. Drs. Ford and Sellick also H. A. Ward, president of the Walla Walla District Epworth League, spoke briefly upon this subject.
The Epworth League as a soul saving institution, by W. E. Ingalls.

Yesterday's Sessions.

Tuesday afternoon: The devotions were conducted by J. W. McDougal of Albany, who read the Scripture. The prayer was offered by Dr. Ford of Sunnyside. The first address for the afternoon was on the subject of the Pacific Christian Advocate by Mr. Hughes. The needs and the welfare of the paper were well presented. The address revealed the difficulties under which the paper is published, and made it clearly evident why the publishing agents have withdrawn from the typographical union. Unionism came in for some sharp criticism. One brother made the sharp comment that "when a man gets into the grip of unionism he became worthless."

The work of the Oregon conference Laymen's association was presented by T. S. McDaniel and Prof. Boyer also presented the claims of Willamette University.

Dr. H. D. Kimball, Dean of the Kimball school of Theology, next spoke on behalf of that school. He spoke fittingly of the purpose of the school and its influence upon the welfare of the church. The subject of the next paper was The Most Effective Methods of Church Work, by Rev. W. H. Sellick. He said in part: That the power of work depends upon the exercise of energy. Work is force exercised toward the accomplishment of a certain end. Church work is represented by the activity of the regenerated life directed toward a certain purpose. The efficiency of church work depends upon our union with Christ. The church is to do the redemption work of Christ. All other things are incidental. A church that is not a working church must have a poor quality of preaching. Organization is necessary to the welfare of the church. It has to do with the advancement of the Kingdom. If the spirit dominates the church the methods will take care of themselves.

On Tuesday night the ministers listened to a very helpful and thoughtful sermon by Dr. H. D. Kimball. Dr. Kimball used as his text the words of 1 Tim. 6:20: "Oh Timothy keep that which is committed to thy trust." Timothy was to keep his faith pure, unadulterated, free from sophistry and from the delusions and snares of science falsely so called. He was to work that faith into the practical relations of life and illustrate it by the life that he lived. That faith was not to be lost through union with error or was it to be known by great names.

The same trust of truth is committed to every disciple. That same faith is to be kept for its practical benefit and help to our life. By his voice he is to teach and defend it. By his life he is to live it. No man is sufficient for that trust save as the spirit moves and blesses.
That we may keep this trust, two

Things That If Found In the Civic Stocking Would Help the Town And Promote the General Interests of All

Linn E. Jones Suggests A Municipal Electric Plant.

When seen on the subject of the best thing to be placed in Oregon City's Christmas stocking, Linn E. Jones, of the Howell & Jones drug firm, said:

"In order that the business men of Oregon City may work for the best interests of this city and vicinity, an organization should be brought about which would place them together in such a way that all the petty business feelings would be obliterated when there is a public spirited move to be considered. There have been so many good propositions lately before the public and all have been downed by the knockers."

Mr. Jones went on to say that he seconded the thought and sentiment of T. L. Charman, printed in the Star a few evenings ago. "What we need in Oregon City is less people who are always ready to down the propositions that are headed by public-spirited men for the good of this city."

A new phase was also brought out by Mr. Jones, "The subject of electric lights," he went on to discuss, "is one that all should be interested in—this means better lights. We have waited all this time for the improvement of our electric light system and the only remedy in my mind is the operation of a plant owned and operated by the city. All would be interested in such a proposition and the cost of our lights could be reduced and better service be given. The lights would give more even service

than at present and less damage would be done to the lamps."

C. H. Dye on Public Spirit.

"A double portion of Public Spirit" said the president of the Oregon City board of trade, "is the one thing that the business men of this city need. The board of trade has often discussed movements for the direct benefit of this town—movements in civic improvements that always demand the aid of all the business men. In many cases when these have been proposed to the people, some one class has invariably come forward to oppose them. Or, if affairs have gone wrong, a great deal of howling has been heard. Any one can readily see that such actions will produce only one result—and that one result will be just in the opposite direction, that the persons who were public-spirited enough to lead the movement, intended that it should be.

"The library, the McLoughlin and the Chautauqua movements have been downed by that class who only look to the dollar of the present time."

The president of the board of trade endorsed the very things that have already appeared in the pages of the Star, from the minds of other business men, concerning the switching facilities. He advocated that the people stand together and demand the improvement of the switching problem from the Southern Pacific company, and also the improvement of the O. W. P. & R. company's track on Main street.

BEST CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR OREGON CITY'S STOCKING

Dr. Carl on Switching Facilities and Commission Houses.

Dr. W. E. Carl, of the Oregon City board of trade, who is a member of the committee that was appointed a short time ago to see concerning the transportation and proper switching facilities of the Southern Pacific company says:

"Oregon City is at present greatly handicapped as to her switching facilities and this problem has caused a good deal of worry to the board of trade, as well as to a number of Oregon City's busiest merchants."

Dr. Carl has looked into the situation and his solutions of the problem he has made known to the Star representative. Of course it will be up to the business men of Oregon City whether this solution is brought about.

"In order to secure the proper switching facilities the city ought to donate to the Southern Pacific company the right to the use of the railroad street or the alley along the company's tract or turn the same over in any manner that seems reasonable, and practical. Then the company would be able to run their track and switch down to that street. There it would be possible for the teams to get within reach of the cars, and make the loading or unloading problem an easy one. At present the loading or unloading of the cars is a very expensive one."

The doctor also spoke of another solution which really seems more reasonable and would convey more mutual benefit to all of the business men of this city.

"The city ought to give the Southern Pacific company the right of way in the north part of town, somewhere in Green Point, which would enable the placing of a switch which would run to the Oregon City Lumber mill and then south on Water street as far as the Woolen mills. Should the company be given such a franchise and the track placed on Water street, there would be ideal places along the

track for several commission houses. Commission houses are really the one thing that this city is in dire need of at the present moment. The business of Oregon City warrants it. The merchants ought to stand back of the enterprise. It would retain much of the business that is now going to the city of Portland. Men who would enter the commission business at this point would within a few years have a tremendous business. Portland prices can be paid here as easily as any place along the river."

G. A. Harding on Street Improvements

Geo. A. Harding, who has grown up with the town, is one of Oregon City's most prominent men. The good roads proposition came to his mind—that is especially alleys of the business section and the improvement of Water street. "Our alleys are now in bad condition, but with little work could be improved. Our alleys ought to be macadamized and sidewalks ought to be placed along them. Water street needs this improvement badly on account of heavy loads which are being hauled at all times."

Manager Miller of P. G. E. Co., Tells of the General Appearance of Store Signs.

Manager Miller of the local branch of the Portland General Electric company, says:

"Oregon City's business district needs signs designating the different business firms—electric signs, not because we are in the lighting business but because of the general appearance they give the streets. A city which has electric signs takes on the appearance of a busy center, the streets seem to have life—and strangers and visitors always have a good report to make of such a city."

Some of our business houses already have such signs and they have been a great boon to the different firms, as well as casting a bright light into the streets.

UNCLAIMED LETTERS.

Letters remaining unclaimed for in Oregon City postoffice for week ending December 19.

Cohen, Miss Bessie L.; Lamb, Mrs. J. B.; Lewis, Mrs. Roxie; Moore, Miss Elsie. Brawner, Edgar; Brown Charles; Collins, M.; Howard, Claude; Kennedy, C. F.; Macey, Edward; Rambo, C. S.; Stalsfeldt, Mr.; Tardiff, Aime; Erickson, Fred, (package).

WHO HAS A NAME FOR A FINE FARM?

GEORGE DEKUM WOULD GLADLY RECEIVE SUGGESTIONS FROM STAR READERS.

One of the handsomest farms in Clackamas county is owned by Geo. O. Dekum on the Pudding river, near Aurora, planted principally with walnuts and devoted to the raising of fancy breeds of poultry, swine and sheep. Mr. Dekum wants a name for his place. Indian name preferred and invited readers of this paper to make suggestions. He would call the place Walnut Manor or Walnut Grange were that not so common, several others having already made use of the name walnut.

There is a beautiful lone fir in front of the house, also maples, willows, dogwood and cedar abound on the place, and beaver.

Residents of that section pronounce the Dekum place one of the finest in the country. Who has a name? Perhaps Mr. Dekum will reward the lucky suggestion with a sample of his toothsome white pullets.

MOTHER SHIPTON'S FAMOUS PROPHECIES

Mrs. E. Warner of this city is in possession of a poem printed on a card, although reprinted in later years at the shop of W. F. Taylor, Windsor, was originally discovered in the British Museum, A. D. 1448. The poem is called "Mother Shipton's Prophecies." Although written so many years ago many of the prophecies have since come to pass:

"Carriages without horses shall go, And accidents fill the world with woe;
Primrose Hill in London shall be, And in its center a Bishop's See."
"Around the world thoughts shall fly
In the twinkling of an eye."
The above prophecies and a good many others, that we cannot print on account of limited space seem to have come to pass, but the last the good woman seems to have failed in, or at least it has not happened that we know of:
"The world then to an end shall come
In Eighteen hundred and Eighty-one."

ROAD LEVY MEET AT SPRINGWATER

Commissioners Lewellen Will Attend Voters' Gathering At His Old Home.

County Commissioner Lewellen has gone to Springwater in the place of County Judge Dimick, who was unable to attend on account of business at home. A meeting of the farmers of that district will be held in that place Thursday evening for the purpose of levying a special road tax. Mr. Lewellen formerly lived in that district and knows all of the citizens and is duly qualified to meet the demands of the occasion.

County Judge Dimick will go to Oswego on Monday for the purpose of a special road levy in that vicinity. On the 27th a meeting will be held at Barton and on the 29th a similar one will be called at New Era.

Long Tennessee Fight.
For twenty years W. L. Rawls, of Bells, Tenn., fought nasal catarrh. He writes: "The swelling and soreness inside my nose was fearful, till I began applying Bucklen's Arnica Salve to the sore surface; this caused the soreness and swelling to disappear, never to return." Best salve in existence. 25 cents at Howell & Jones, druggists.

The local branch of the Portland General Electric company has made use of a Christmas tree to display its goods.
3 pkg. raisins 25c—RED FRONT.

Some Water.
O. A. Cheney reports the rainfall as three inches during the last week; 2½ inches in the last 24 hours.

Avoid alum and alum phosphate baking powders. The label law requires that all the ingredients be named on the labels. Look out for the alum compounds.

NOTE.—Safety lies in buying only Royal Baking Powder, which is a pure, cream of tartar baking powder, and the best that can be made.