

Valley Briefs

Cloverdale — Cloverdale school will present its annual Christmas program at the school Wednesday night at 8:30 p. m. Lower grades will present the Christmas Toy Shop and the upper grades a pantomime of the Christmas Story.

Silverton — Music department of the Silverton schools will give a concert tonight, Dec. 21 at 8 p. m. in the high school auditorium featuring the Christmas theme. Special numbers in the free concert will include Kubik's Suite of Flute and Two Clarinets.

Hubbard — North Marion Union High School's annual Christmas program will be held Wednesday at 8 p. m. at the school. The program, sponsored by the band and chorus will include Sleigh Ride, Christmas Festival, Ave Maria and Serenade of Carols. The chorus will present a new story in music Christmas Crib.

Butteville — Christmas program of the Butteville Grade school is scheduled for Wednesday at 8 p. m. Added feature will be arrival of Santa Claus and treats for the kids.

Bethel — A Christmas tree and arrival of Santa are scheduled to highlight the annual yuletide program scheduled for Wednesday at 8 p. m. by Bethel school pupils. Mrs. Lois McDonough, teacher, will be in charge of the program at the school.

West Stayton — A Christmas party and the nativity scene will feature the annual Christmas program Tuesday night by students of West Stayton grade school. The program begins at 8 p. m.

Husbands Entertained At Salem Heights Club

SALEM HEIGHTS — The Friendly Neighbors Garden Club entertained their husbands at their annual Christmas dinner party on Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Gray on Bluff St.

The house was decorated with a Christmas motif, and on the decorating committee were Mrs. Helen Grabenhorst, Mrs. Roy Saggert and Mrs. A. A. Larson. Mrs. William Hall, program chairman, introduced Johnny Lewis, who showed films.

Following the program was a gift exchange for the members, with the husbands each receiving a comic gift.

South Hills Garden Club Slates Meeting

SALEM HEIGHTS — The South Hills Garden Club will have their annual Christmas party on Tuesday, Dec. 22, at 8:00 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Lyle Bayne on E. Madonna Ave.

The group will have a traveling party and visit various homes of the members that have decorated for Christmas, beginning at Mrs. Frank Dye on Ratcliff Drive. They will end at Baynes where they will have their party and a gift exchange for the members.

LYONS GIRL HOME

LYONS — Donna Huber, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Huber, is home from Dorenebecher Hospital after spending several days there under observation.

Valley Obituaries

Clifton Spurgeon — WILLAMINA — Funeral services were held Dec. 18 from the Willamina Church of Christ for Clifton Oscar Spurgeon, 46, who passed away at Grand Ronde as the result of a woods accident. Interment was in Green Crest Memorial Park in Sheridan.

He is survived by his wife, Carrie of Grand Ronde; a son, Gordon of Grand Ronde; two grandchildren, Kathy Ann and Connie Jean Spurgeon of Willamina; sisters, Zelma Norris of Bonners Ferry, Idaho; Jo Ann Struck of Monterey, Calif.; Lena Freeman of Rose Lodge; Glenna Spurgeon of Rose Lodge and Edith Spurgeon of Pendleton; brothers, Elbert of Pasco, Wash.; Donald of Salem; Howard of Germany and William Townsend of Vancouver, Wash.

To Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Butcher, 1016 Williams Ave., Woodburn, a daughter, December 16 at Woodburn Hospital.

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Albany Boy Succumbs Of Leukemia

ALBANY — Stephen Edward Fauth, age 6 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Fauth, died in the Albany General Hospital Friday night of leukemia. Funeral services will be held from the Fortmiller-Fredricksen Chapel at 2 p. m. Monday. Rev. Lester Jones will officiate. Burial will be in Willamette Memorial Park.

Stephen was born in Portland, August 4, 1947, and came to Albany with his parents a year ago. He was a first grade pupil in Maple School.

Surviving besides the parents are two brothers, Robert and Thomas Fauth and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Houser all of Albany, and his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fauth of Portland.

Many Arrive At Jefferson For Holidays

JEFFERSON — Arriving at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Wright for the Christmas holidays were Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Keller and Ann Louise of Maywood, Calif., and Miss Ann Wright of Oakland, Calif. Christmas day they will be joined by their six brothers and their families, making 31 in all at the parental home, 15 of them grandchildren of the John Wrights.

Leaving by motor car the Tuesday before Christmas for Sacramento, Calif., will be the Keith Allen family of Talbot. They will visit a son, Ronald Allen, and family.

At the December meeting of the Scraevell Hill Friendly Garden Club last Wednesday night at the home of Mrs. Mary Ammon, Mrs. Orrin Smith was elected president; Mrs. Donald Porter, vice president; Mrs. Francis Grenz, secretary-treasurer. Members voted to sponsor landscaping of the Scraevell Hill School grounds and a cooked food sale was planned for December 11. Mrs. Frank Kizer received the door prize.

Newton New Manager of Dallas Firm

DALLAS — The board of directors of Polk County Federal Savings & Loan Association advanced Thomas J. Newton to the position of secretary-manager at a meeting held this week. Newton has been bookkeeper and treasurer of the organization for the past two years.

The new manager succeeds Jack W. Graham, who resigned Dec. 1 to accept a position with the Washington County Federal Savings & Loan association. Mrs. Derril Sarff will continue in her present capacity and additional help will be secured to take over bookkeeping duties.

Newton was graduated from Linfield College where he was an accounting major. He is married and has a two-year-old daughter.

The savings and loan office moved into new quarters on Court Street early in September of this year. Dividends declared for the period ending Dec. 31 will be at the rate of 3 per cent per annum, or about \$28,000 for the past six months.

Assets in the association exceeded the \$2 million mark the past year and a new high was reached on first-mortgage loans.

TOO MUCH FINE — NORTH PLATTE, Neb. (AP) — Police Sgt. Harry Kelso had reason to wish the fine had been smaller in one police court case here. It was \$14.80, paid in pennies, and Kelso had to count them.

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WOODBURN — To Mr. and Mrs. John C. Haworth, 162 1/2 Grant St., Woodburn, a daughter, December 15 at Woodburn Hospital.

To Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Butcher, 1016 Williams Ave., Woodburn, a daughter, December 16 at Woodburn Hospital.

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The Toymakers Who Couldn't Stop Work

THE STORY SO FAR: While trying to figure out what to do with the extra toys he has this year, Santa has run across some mysterious happenings, including a note saying he, Steve and Nancy are going to receive a strange midnight visitor.

Chapter 9 Santa, Steve and Nancy stood looking at the note. It said, "I'll be back at midnight."

"Well, whatever it is that will be back at midnight, it probably will provide the answer to a lot of strange goings on around here," Santa said.

"I'm scared," said Nancy. "I don't know what of," Steve said. "So far nothing that has happened has hurt anyone."

"Well, I don't like anything I can't understand," Nancy replied. "I'll tell you what let's do," Santa said. "We'll hide in the closet at midnight and then we'll be able to peek out and see who it is that shows up."

"That's a good idea," Steve and Nancy said together.

Clock Ready to Strike The cuckoo clock in Santa's living room was just starting to think that soon it would be time to start out 12 loud "Bongs", its hardest job of the day, when Steve and Nancy silently opened the closet door and moved inside. Santa peeked around the top of the door and Steve and Nancy peeked around the bottom. They could hear the clock in the living room start to chime. All three held their breath. The room was dark except for a small lighted lamp on the other side. Except for the sound of the clock, everything was silent.

The last sounds of the clock's chimes faded away. Nothing had happened. Everything was still.

Terrible Sounds Suddenly from behind the trio in the closet came the awful racket you have ever heard. It sounded like a cat shrieking in the middle of the night and someone throwing a painful of rocks onto a tin roof.

Santa and the two children children jumped through the closet door, halfway across the room. Despite his size, Santa jumped the farthest. "What on earth was that?" he said, turning around.

Transparent Visitor And there, coming out of the closet door waving a noisemaker and a toy horn was something that looked like a white sheet, only you could see through it.

"Happy Halloween!" it shouted. "Why it's a ghost," Nancy stammered.

"Of course it is," the ghost replied. "What did you expect, the Easter bunny?" "Happy Halloween, kiddies," he added.

"Shall we tell him?" Steve whispered to Santa.

"It will probably disappoint him, but I suppose he has to know," Santa whispered back.

Halloween Past "Mr. Ghost, we hate to tell you this, but it is almost Christmas time. Halloween was two months ago."

"Oh, me," the ghost moaned. "I must have forgotten to wind my calendar again."

"I know what the trouble is," he sobbed. "It is these long nights here at the North Pole."

"Yes, that's right," said Santa, moving over to pat the sad ghost on the shoulder. "The nights are so long this time of year, it is mighty confusing." Santa put his arm around the ghost, only he couldn't feel anything there so he withdrew it quickly.

Steve Was Scared "Well, even if you are late, you certainly did scare us," Steve said.

"I did?" the ghost asked, sounding much happier. "You certainly did," Nancy said. "I'm still shaking."

"Well, how nice of you to shake," the ghost replied, quite happy now. "I guess it isn't so important when I scare people,

as long as I do a good job scaring them."

"Well, I won't be hanging your hats on the wall any more," he said. "I must be going now. BOO-o-o-o-o! Merry Christmas!"

"Merry Christmas, Mr. Ghost," the children replied.

Ghost Vanishes The ghost went into the closet, but when Santa opened the door to look, it was gone.

"What an amazing chap he was," Santa said. "I guess after that I won't try to impress you children with how much I know about magic."

"I guess we won't have to worry about strange happenings any more. I'll go and tell the toymakers the good news," Santa said.

They all went to the workshops, and there they found the little workmen still discussing the mysterious happenings.

"You don't need to be frightened any longer," Santa said. "It was a Halloween ghost that was causing the trouble and he has gone now."

"Oh, good," cried the tiny helpers. "Now we can get back to work."

"Oh, my," said Santa. "Here I've started them making toys again."

Tomorrow: Santa's problem is solved.

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