Florence Enjoys Holiday Season

FLORENCE—Christmas was a treasured day in this community with it being the first time in several years that many of the family circles have been complete. Christmas Eve, Santa Claus made the rounds, with some of those lucky enough to spy him at his work thinking him familiarly like Bill Shukle.

One of the most precious gifts came to Mr. and Mrs. E. O. (Pat) Reed—the final legal papers making the four-yearold, who has been at their home the many past months, their very own son, Billy Reed.

Christmas meant a big dinner and tree at the Lorn Herrings in Reedsport with his mother, Mrs. Lucy Herring, and the following of her family attending from Florence: Orn, Ion, and Arlo Herring, Mr. and Mrs. Remus Herring and children and Mr. and Mrs. William More and son.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hill were Christmas guests at the Salem home of their son and daughter-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Irvin Hill, and three sons, visiting during the day Governor and Mrs. Earl Snell, whose son Bill. accompanied by his wife and twin son and daughter, had arrived by plane from California to visit until Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Burgess of Harrisburg and three children spent Christmas with Mrs. Myra Hickox and sister, Mrs. Sally Copher.

Spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. William C. Mardock, are Cliona and Buddy, students at the Friends Academy, Greenleaf, Idaho.

Going to Depoe Bay for a wonderful time and grand Christmas dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Harris were Mrs. Emma Allen and son Bob, Mrs. Betty Gnau and four sons, and Mr. and Mrs. Chet Lee. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cornelius and daughters entertained her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Circle, and son Raymond, home from U. of O. Christmas. Home from OSC, Corvallis, for the holiday season are Lillian and Jimmy Kimble, visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kimble, and Gene of Cushman.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Copher returned from Cincinnati, Ohio, Christmas week with their household goods for their new home up the North Fork. They were accompanied by Clarence Evans, who expects to locate here with his wife and two sons of Cincinnati. They made the trip in six days, 3103 miles, coming by southern route.

Mrs. Adella Neff is a holiday visitor at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Elmo Kirkpatrick of Eugene.

Mr. and Mrs. George Nelson returned Christmas Eve from Eugene, where they visited their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Nelson, and sons. Holiday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ross and children include her mother, Mrs. M. G. Lewis, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Nelson and daughter Gay, all of Eugene, and Raymond Dahlin. All were dinner guests, Christmas Day, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ross. Miss Lois Jean Houghton, a student at Linfield College, McMinnville, is spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gib Houghton, at Sea Lion Caves.

Miss Phyllis Martin will return to Portland Sunday, after spending Christmas week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Millard Martin of Ada. Enjoying Christmas Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Ross and family were Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Boling, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lamm, Mrs. Grace Lamm, Walter Lamm, and Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Pierce, Patty and Phillip of North Bend.

Vida is "Active" On New Year's Eve

VIDA — The McKenzie River Active Club is sponsoring a New Year's Eve dance in the Vida Hall. Proceeds will be used for further improvement of the hall. The Lansberry Orchestra of Leaburg will play. Serving on the food committee are Mrs. John West, Mrs. Floyd Tharp, Mrs. Earl Friedly, and Mrs. Henry Christian. Cecil Beyerlin, Charles Giddings and Ernest Mills are the floor managers. Everyone is invited.

Among Vida residents who are taking trips over the holidays are. Mr. and Mrs. Dayton Thomson and son, Scott, and daughter, Corralie, who have gone to Pasadena for the New Year's football game. They plan to return soon after New Year's Day. Mr. and Mrs. Mike Reynolds and daughter, Gail, are in Los Angeles for a couple of weeks. Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. Collins are Mrs. Collins mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Price of Los Angeles.

Homes on the McKenzie are bulging with guests and good cheer over the holidays. Christmas Eve saw many going from home to home with greetings. The weather was very kind to McKenzie residents Christmas Day and the week preceding. Although the nights were cold and frosty, the sun shone brightly all day and not a drop of rain fell until the day after Christmas. Owners of many of the summer homes came up the river and opened up their homes to enjoy Christmas on the river, in the sunshine.

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Harrisburg's Streets Get Fast Repairs

HARRISBURG—The city's new tar pot, long on order, arrived this week and was immediately placed in service by a street repair crew. Deep holes in the macadam, developed by freezing following flood conditions, are receiving first attention.

Union services under the sponsorship of the WCTU will be held at the Methodist Church Sunday, Dec. 2, at 7:30 p.m. in accordance with the "fifth Sunday" custom. A cordial welcome is extended to all.

The cantata given last Sunday evening by the Church of Christ choir, directed by Mrs. William Siefke, was attended by a capacity audience.

Cub Scouts of dens one and two held a party at the E. L. Brown home in place of their regular meeting Thursday afternoon, enjoying a tree, gifts, and treats provided by the den mothers and assistant den mothers, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Anson Hubbard, Mrs. Melvin Gowey, Mrs. Mike Langdon and Mrs. Dale Burgess. A similar party was given by den three at the H. L. Skirvin home.

A new radio-phonograph combination, earned through the sale of magazine subscriptions, has just been received by the high school student body.

Almost every Harrisburg home has been entertaining holiday visitors, dinner guests or callers. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Church and children spent the Christmas time with Mrs. Church's parents, the Avery Murphys of Stayton. Mrs. W. W. Cook was with her daughter's family, the Roy Owens, of Brownsville. Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Sommerville and their children entertained the Bert Eaton family group of Noti and joined Miss Belle Wilson for the Christmas tree. Miss Wilson was among Christmas Day dinner guests at the C. A. Gilbert's, together with the Gilbert's son and family, the G. C. Gilberts of Shedd; and their daughter, Mrs. Fred Hansen, her husband, and their four sons from Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Elliott spent their day quietly at home, but entertained callers who came to extend greetings and express their congratulations to Elliott, now greatly improved from a recent serious illness.

The E. L. Brown home was bursting with relatives enjoying the holidays together. Coming from Sacramento were Mr. Brown's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Brown, and a nephew and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Brown. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Durrett and five children were also house guests for the holiday period, Mrs. Durrett being a daughter of the E. L. Browns. Another daughter, Mrs. Alva Brown, with her husband and two children of Salem spent several days with the family and visitors, and other relatives were Christmas Day guests.

Miss Bertie Rae Tweedt came from her studies at Oregon State to spend the vacation period with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Tweedt; and her roommate, Miss Marilyn McClain, was home with her parents at the Diamond K ranch. Herbert Koller and Bill Atkins are home on leave from the Navy for the holidays, and Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Smith are hoping to have their son, Harold, here for at least a few days before the New Year. Mr. and Mrs. Oral Davidson have their son, Hillis, here from Willamette University, and entertained their daughter, Mrs. Ira Harrington, their son-in-law and the Harrington children of Eugene Christmas Day.

Coming from Corbett to be with the Tom Sommervilles were the Tom Sommerville, Jr., family, and Mrs. Ina Kirshman, Mrs. Sommerville's sister, spent the holiday with them. Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Starr entertained the Herbert Lacey family at Christmas dinner. The E. W. Blehms and daughter, Marybelle, were with Mrs. Blehm's people, the C. T. Webbs for their tree and holiday meal. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Huston enjoyed two trees, Christmas Eve with her parents, the Joe Hayworths, and Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Huston, Mr. Huston's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sommerville and family and the Earl Brocks spent the day with C. O. Fry and his son, Willis.

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Creswell Offers Reward In Tree Vandalism Case

CRESWELL — Creswell Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4039 and local business men are offering $90 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for depredations of the Creswell Community Christmas tree the nights of Dec. 15 and 16.

Western Union Rate Boost Authorized

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The Federal Communications Commission Friday authorized the Western Union Telegraph Co. to increase its present message charges about 10 per cent.

It approved for an indefinite period an increase of 20 per cent above the rates effective last June 12 when a 10 per cent increase was granted.

Mathematically, that works out to an increase of slightly less than 10 per cent over the present charges. Western Union had asked for an increase of 15 per cent above existing rates.

Western Union was authorized to increase its interstate C. N. D. (Commercial News Department) service charges by 15 per cent and its interstate money order premium charges by an average of 4.3 per cent.

The commission estimated that the rate increases would produce additional annual revenues of $8,500,000.

Creswell News

CRESWELL—The Eastern Star was hostess for the joint installation of Eastern Star and Masons Saturday evening, Dec. 21.

Monday: 7 p.m. Boy Scouts at the grade school.

Tuesday: Civic Club.

Thursday: Sisterhood at the home of Mrs. Ellis Johnson.

4 p.m. Girl Scouts at Methodist Annex.

4 p.m. Cub Scouts at Grange Hall.

7 p.m. Theta Rho.

8 p.m. Meeting of the Eastern Star.

Friday: Mothers Club at grade school.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cornelius of Eugene were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Roberts Christmas Day. Mrs. Cornelius is a sister of Mr. Roberts. Other guests for the holidays were their son Raymond and wife of Seattle, daughters Miss Elva Roberts of Portland and Mrs. Esther Bishop, husband and children of Eugene. Miss Carolyn Land is spending a few days at Dunsmuir, Calif., with her cousin Betty Lou Land. Holiday guests at the H. L. Stott home were their daughters, Mrs. A. E. Rood of Seattle, Mrs. Harold Plank, husband and daughter, Donna and Mrs. Stott's nephew, Fred Jackson of Seneca, Oregon.

Mrs. Antoinette Welding received a Christmas gift of lovely cut flowers from her daughter, Miss Marie Welding of Honolulu. The flowers, which were Birds of Paradise and Antihirums, were sent by airmail, special delivery and arrived in perfect condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Pratt and children are spending the holidays in San Diego, Calif., with his mother and two sisters and their families. Mr. and Mrs. H. G. DeVaux of North Hollywood, Calif., and Mrs. Mary Smith of North Liberty, Indiana, were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Shoop. Mr. and Mrs. DeVaux are Mrs. Shoop's parents and Mrs. Smith is a distant cousin. They also had as dinner guests Christmas Day Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ferguson and small son from Los Angeles. Ferguson has been transferred to Eugene as traffic manager for the Missouri Pacific.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Westlake Dec. 21. The baby has been named David Eugene.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nichols went to Pasadena, Calif., to spend the holidays with his mother.

MOHAWK ENTERTAINS

MOHAWK—Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Bruce, Earle and Ray, left Thursday for a three weeks visit with relatives in Southern California. Mr. and Mrs. Sherm Fields of Springfield are taking care of their place while they are away.

Mr. and Mrs. George Calvert and Mrs. Margaretta Baugh had all their children and their families at a Christmas dinner at the Mohawk-McKenzie Grange Hall. Present were Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Kerst and five children, Otis, Colorado; Mr. and Mrs. Merle Calvert and two children, Barrego, California; Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Calvert and two children, Kent, Washington; Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Calvert and four children, Lebanon, Oregon; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Baugh and two children and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Hufstader and two children of Mohawk. Miss Ida McAlister, Portland, a guest of Mrs. Arthur Baugh, Mrs. Belle Spores, and Miss Wealtha Barrett were also present.

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FALL CREEK—The Home Extension Unit meets with Mrs. Erma Morris Jan. 16, when Miss Nellie Lyle, County Home Demonstration Agent, will present demonstration on "Selection of Home Furnishings." Co-hostesses with Mrs. Morris will be Mrs. Irene Hake and Mrs. Vita Pitcher.

The Girl Scouts of Fall Creek met recently with Janet Palmer. The special reason being the birthday of their former leader, Mrs. Young.

CLOVERDALE HAS NEW YEAR'S PARTY

CLOVERDALE—The Tri-Community Club meets Tuesday, Dec. 31 6:30 p.m. for a potluck supper. A watch party will follow with each family contributing a number toward the program.

AT WALTERVILLE

WALTERVILLE—The annual telephone meeting of McKenzie Valley Farmers telephone lines is set for Jan. 6 at the Deerhorn School, 8 p. m. Reminder notices have been sent out this week by the secretary.

The twice a month Rebekah club dance will be held Saturday evening, Dec. 28, at their hall.

Anderson Memorial Sunday school presented their Christmas cantata, with pageantry, Christmas eve at the Presbyterian Church before a crowded house.

Sunday evening the congregation at the Community Church presented their Christmas entertainment.

Mrs. O. L. Stacy and daughter, Ellen and Mr. and Mrs. Jason Cowles all of Redmond motored over the Willamette Pass Wednesday to spend the holidays with relatives here and in Eugene. Wednesday they were among the guests at the Irvin Reunion which was held in the VFW hall east of Springfield. Others at the reunion were Mr. and Mrs. Will Irvin, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Eaton, Gail Easton, George Tipton, all of Walterville; Mr. and Mrs. John Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smith and baby, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Holmes and Baby, Mr. and Mrs. James Holmes and three children; Marlyn Benston, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Morrietz, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rust, Winston Janice, and Norma Rust, Everett Christian, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Irvin, George Irvin and sons Billy and Don, Mildred Ziolkoski, Mr. and Mrs. Duane McNum, Mary Stallings, all from Walterville, Eugene and Springfield; Mrs. Kate Stang, Connie Stang from Seattle.

Mrs. Bula Steen and sons Walter and Cecil were hosts Christmas Day and evening for Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller and son Jerry and Mrs. Gussie Brasfield all of Cottage Grove, Oregon. Mr. and Mrs. Milton Ashley were hosts Christmas Day for their grandson Dennis, Mrs. N. S. Quimby, Gertie Hunt, all of Cottage Grove; Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Hunt of Ranier, Wash.; Ted Ashley of Walterville; and George Knowles of Tranquillity, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Alexander and family had for breakfast guests, Dec. 25, Mr. and Mrs. George Willian, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Page of Walterville; Mr. and Mrs. Guy Hills and daughters of Vallejo, California, who have spent the holiday week with relatives here. Mr. and Mrs. Leo Weaver of Thurston called during the morning. Mrs. Elizabeth Page was hostess for Christmas dinner for Mrs. Z. Prosser and Mr. and Mr. Frank Page. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Campbell and son, Earl, drove down, Dec. 24, from Seattle to spend Christmas with Mrs. A. A. Campbell and family.

The Lloyd Currant family held their Christmas festivities Christmas evening at the Rebekah lodge hall.

Mr. and Mrs. George Willian were hosts Christmas Day for dinner for Mr. and Mrs. Robert Willian of Eugene, their daughters Janice and Margaret and Mr. and Mrs. Guy Hills and daughters of Vallejo, California.

LORANE FESTIVITIES

LORANE — Mr. and Mrs. Harlow Hayes came Wednesday evening via plane from Astoria to spend the holidays with their parents, the Jos. Kempston and Bert Hayes families.

Ed, Jake and Gene Mitchell are spending the holidays with their father T. B. Mitchell at Goldendale, Wash.

Lorane Christian Church will hold their annual meeting New Year's Eve, to be followed with games and refreshments, then a devotional period before 1947 is ushered in.

A family dinner was held at the Jos. Kempston home Christmas Day. Present: Mr. and Mrs. Joe R. Kempston, Patricia, Judith, and Joey, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Skoglund, Roy Jr. and Diane, Miss Virginia Kempston of Eugene, Mr. and Mrs. Harlow Hayes of Astoria, and Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Hayes, Margaret, Walter and Ernest.

NOTI PERSONALS

NOTI—Mr. and Mrs John A. Stone, and son Michael, will leave Thursday evening for California for a holiday visit with relatives. Stone is pastor of the Noti Church of Christ. Arlo Bristow, evangelist, will speak Sunday in his place.

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Holiday visitors at the Scott home are Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Wilson and three children of Grants Pass.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Montgomery and children are visiting Mrs. Montgomery's parents, at Dexter.

The Noble Wheeler's are expected home Thursday from Grants Pass, where they visited for a few days.

While some may have preferred a white Christmas, surely no one could complain of the glorious sunshine we have experienced this glad Christmas day.