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Santa Claus to Be Welcomed Here This Week

CHRISTMAS EVENTS PLANNED AT SCHOOL AND LODGE OPEN TO PUBLIC

Christmas will be appropriately welcomed to Gold Hill this week with the local organizations presenting their annual observances in honor of this occasion. Lodges, churches and the school have planned events to take place this week.

This (Thursday) evening the Methodist church and the Gold Hill Grange will join with the school in presenting a gay Christmas program and party at the school auditorium. Everyone is cordially invited to take part in this free entertainment.

A very interesting program consisting of songs, readings, a skit and an operetta will be presented during the evening. Santa Claus will also be present and will arrive with bags of candy, nuts and oranges for all of the children.

The Grange members will present a skit entitled, "We Three Kings of Orient Are", and the grade school will present an operetta, "When Santa Forgot the Browns".

The cast for the operetta is as follows: Mr. Bennett, Stanley Robbins; Mrs. Bennett, Mary McLarnen; Grandmother, Joyce Colvin; Sue, Katherine Hayes; Tommy, Marvin Throne; Maid, June Wilder; Tabby, the Cat, Sydney Parkhurst; Neighbor Cat, Barbara Nathan; Santa Claus, Barney Reames; Mr. Brown, Roy Cadden; Mrs. Brown, Laura Dungey.

Brown children, Allan Carr, Nadean Swindler, Denise Meunier, Barbara Smith, Lee Spencer, Janey Marsden, Jerry Eskew, Darlene Essman.

Smile children, Susan Miller, Ida Dusenberry, Gloria Kilgore, Carmen Ferguson, Orpha Martin, Miriam Miller, Bonita Smith, Joan Cameron.

School will be closed for the Christmas holidays from Friday noon until Tuesday, January 2.

On Christmas eve, Sunday night, December 24, the members of the IOOF lodge will entertain the children and residents of Gold Hill at their annual Christmas party. Everyone is invited to this event. The Rebekahs are in charge of the program this year which will consist of readings, songs and dances. Any child in Gold Hill who would like to take part in the program is asked to see Mrs. Paul Holderness, Odd Fellows in charge of the event are Lins Dorman, Art Gorham and Bill Ferguson.

Santa Claus will arrive at the close of the program with treats for all the "kids" who will be the honor guests during the event.

The lodge is sponsoring a dance in the hall here this Saturday night to help defray expenses of the party and everyone is urged to attend.

The Spy-Glass

JEWEL ROUTH singing "You're the only one I love", to a friend walking up the railroad track.

A Medford Santa Claus asking shoppers from Gold Hill if it was still dusty down here.

NELLIE EVANS caught out in the rain while carrying a cake, and stopping in to borrow an umbrella from a friend.

CREIGHTON THOMPSON talking about his Glendale "pen pal".

The teachers settling down to a serious evening of "jacks".

DENNIS McGUIRE asking a question, then accidentally giving the answer and Tom Henderson still not getting it correct on his paper.

BENEFIT DANCE AT HALL HERE SATURDAY

This Saturday evening, December 23, the I.O.O.F. lodge of Gold Hill is sponsoring their annual Christmas tree benefit dance in the local lodge hall. Music for the dance will be furnished by Merrill's Melody Makers of Medford, and a large crowd is expected to turn out and "step" to the music by this always popular band. Dancing from 9 till 2.

Funds raised at the dance will be used for the annual I.O.O.F. community Christmas tree which is open to the public.

FOOTS CREEK ITEMS (By Mrs. Marion Lance)

Misses Ruth and Evelyn King, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Earl King who formerly lived on Birds-eye creek were calling on friends in the community Saturday. Miss Evelyn and Mr. E. Tucker of Selma were married Monday and spent a short honeymoon at Crescent City, California.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morgan left Friday for the home at Fall City, Washington after spending some time visiting their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Baxter and Karen Ann near Riviera auto park.

John Ryan and housekeeper, Mrs. Elsie McMerrick and children Alice and George who formerly lived at Evans Valley near Wimer, where Mr. Ryan was employed at the Dredge moved recently to the former Walter Stephenson place on the left fork of Foots creek. Mr. Ryan is employed at the Black Channel mine where a new dredge is being built. Bedford Biles and Lester Boling who formerly worked for D. H. Ferry on Foots creek and Grave creek, are also employed at the Black Channel mine.

Miss Anna Lee Kyle who is attending high school at Grants Pass spent the week end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Kyle. Mr. and Mrs. Al Lunbeck, who came here from Los Angeles, California, bought property and built a house near Riviera, moved into their new home last week.

Jay B. Kingery and brother, W. Kingery who are working the Bertha quartz mine on the left fork, spent several days at their home at Eugene returning Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Boling and children Wallace, Shirley and Georgie from Camp Joy five miles north of Grants Pass were calling on friends in the community Sunday afternoon.

ROY CAMERON INJURED WHILE WORKING AT MINE

Roy Cameron of Gold Hill was painfully injured last Sunday while working at the Al Serena mine near Butte creek. He was bending over a large rock when another rock fell, striking him on the side. He was taken to the Community hospital at Medford and it is believed he has several cracked ribs.

J. W. Livingston of Ashland visited several friends here this week.

TEANEYS SUBDUED IN MEDFORD TEAM MATCH

Before a packed house in the Medford Armory Monday night, King Kong Clayton and Bobby Chick completely surpassed Sgt. Bob Kenaston and Paul Bozell in a sparring team match to draw the final curtain for Promoter Mack Lillard's 1939 wrestling program. It was announced from the ring that January 8th will bring the next wrestling card to the Medford ring.

Clara Mortensen, the world's lightweight champion wrestler, defeated her challenger, Gladys Nolan, in two straight falls, using a body press for both.

In the opener Eddie Rodgers was awarded the decisive tumble from Leo Mortensen on a foul, when the Glendale man repeatedly used the ropes for armbreakers on Rodgers.

Local Happenings

Richard MacKay who has been working in Klamath Falls came this week to stay with his mother Mrs. Lillie MacKay.

Floyd Lance of Trinity Center, California visited friends and relatives here Wednesday. His daughter Ruth returned with him to spend the holidays in California.

Mrs. Gertrude Rosecrans has been quite ill this week and is staying at the home of her sister Mrs. Ray Ettinger and family in Medford.

C. J. Van Zile of Portland came Tuesday to spend some time here on mining business. He is at the Gold Hill Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lewis and family visited Wednesday with Mrs. Lewis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Musty of Central Point.

W. B. Patterson of Tulsa, Oklahoma came Thursday to spend some time here on business. He is staying at the Gold Hill Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Richmond of Roseburg were week end guests of Mrs. Richmond's brother in law and sister Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lewis and family.

Mrs. Wm. Puhl, Max Schmidt and Mrs. C. W. Martin spent Wednesday shopping in Medford.

Mike Tepovac and Vonnice Tepovac have been quite ill recently with flu.

Mrs. George Dorman and Helen spent Wednesday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Archie Bains and family of near Central Point.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hedgpeth of Crater Lake left Monday after spending several days here visiting Mr. Hedgpeth's mother Mrs. Bertha Hedgpeth.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Biles and daughter Barbara Jean of Long Beach California, came Saturday to spend the holidays visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Biles and his sister and brother in law, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Ward and family.

Mrs. Leslie Carr of Foots Creek visited friends in Gold Hill Wednesday.

John Tepovac was confined in the Community hospital from Saturday until Tuesday suffering from a sprained back.

Ray Kenaston of Oakland, California, came Friday to spend the holidays here with his parents Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Kenaston. Sgt. Bob Kenaston also arrived Sunday to spend the Christmas holidays here.

Kerney Robinson of Dayton, Oregon spent Tuesday and Wednesday here visiting his brother, Wesley Robinson and his sister Mrs. Bert Evans and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Biles of Rogue River were Monday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Richardson.

Zane Becker of South Umpqua spent the week end here visiting his father Abe Becker.

Mrs. Babe Smith arrived last week for an extended visit with parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Evans. Mrs. Smith is from San Francisco, Calif.

Among those from here who attended the wrestling matches in Medford Monday evening were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Chisholm, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Snyder, Mrs. Asher, Seth Coy, Jim Sale, Harry Parkhurst & Miss Clara Andrews.

Misses Jill Martin, Ruth Lance & Maxine Cook bicycled to the home of Miss Lance's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Lance of Foots Creek Sunday.

Superstitious Villagers Fear Year of Bad Luck If Candles Die on Tree

LONDON.—Early Christmas traditions still endure among English Yule celebrants.

No Christmas tree is considered complete in rural areas unless it is bedecked with little candles of different colors. Many people count it an ill sign if once lit the candles go out or are snuffed out before they have burned to their ends. In old days the candle was made such a size that it would burn from the time it was lit until midnight. If it went out before that, evil was portended to the family for the coming year.

The Yule log, which many hold should be lit by a brandy preserved from the previous year's stock, should be blown into a blaze by the maids, but these must have clean faces and hands or the log will not light easily. In the north of England it was once customary to let the servants have free drink so long as the log burned.

Ex-Detroit Paper Boys Aid 65,000 at Christmas

DETROIT.—Twenty-five years ago the late James Brady conceived the idea of raising funds to insure needy children a merry Christmas by organizing a group of men who as boys had sold newspapers in the city. The idea was for them to return to their old corners at a stated period and sell papers to all who passed. Last year this organization of oldtimers raised about \$150,000.

MRS. HOOD HONORED AT LAYETTE SHOWER FRIDAY

Mrs. Melford Hood was honored at a lovely layette shower given Friday at the home of her sister, Mrs. John Chisholm. Hostesses were Mrs. Joe Lewis, Mrs. Darrel Hendrickson, and Mrs. Chisholm.

Those enjoying the affair were Mesdames Veltie Biles, Harry Newham, Clyde Kell, Ray Wyatt, Delos Walker, Wilmer Bailey, Derwin Maple, Logan Gardner, Ralph Bornaman, Frank Jones and Miss Janet Chisholm.

LOCAL ITEMS

Mrs. Ella Patrick and Mrs. Jane Cook returned home this week from Klamath Falls where they had visited for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. George Brown of Medford are the proud parents of a baby daughter born Friday morning at a Medford hospital. The young lady weighed 8 pounds, 10 ounces. Mrs. Brown is the former Zella Smith and the young lady is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Dusenberry and Donald and Mrs. George Smith and Geneva visited Sunday with the Joe Dusenberry family in Sams Valley.

Jack Martin arrived home from Oregon State college Thursday to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Martin and Jill.

Don and Nona Dungey motored to Wilderville Sunday afternoon where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ham and family.

For Sale: 200 heavy ore sacks, drill steel, picks, shovels, sledges, wedges, saws, etc.; also apples, beans and feed, I. G. Neevel, Feed Store, Gold Hill

FOUND: a gold necklace, a week ago Sunday morning. Owner can have same by describing it to R. G. Wigle.

Furs Wanted. We also buy scrap iron and all kinds of metal, hides, and wool.

GRANTS PASS BARGAIN HOUSE 624 - 626 S. 6th St Grants Pass

NOTICE

When you get up on these cold mornings and sit on the stove for an hour or so trying to get warm, don't blame me, for I have bundled kindling to start that fire with. Kindling, 6 bundles, 25c; 30 bundles, \$1.00; also mill blocks and slab wood. Ray Chamberlin, Sand Gravel and Driveway Materials, General Dump Trucking, Phone Gold Hill 231.

Judge Chisholm Tries Several December Cases

Several cases have been tried in the local court by Justice of the Peace John Chisholm since the first of the month.

On December 1 Harry Leroy Oliver of Trail entered a plea of guilty before Judge Chisholm on a charge of possessing game birds out of season. He was fined \$25 and costs. Officer was Ed Walker.

John Woodrow Bratton of Sutherlin appeared on December 8 on a charge of speeding a truck. Upon pleading guilty he was fined \$7.50 and costs. Officers were F. J. Beers and A. E. Stoehr.

On December 11 William Grant Cummings of Rogue River entered a plea of guilty to angling by prohibited methods. He was fined \$25 and costs. On that same day Arthur Lusk of Central Point also entered a plea of guilty to possessing a valid operators license. He was fined \$25 and costs. Officers were A. E. Stoehr and Clark Johnson. A complaint was also filed against Harley Glenn Cummings for operating a motor vehicle with no operators license, but he has failed to appear.

Harold Helmley Wilson of Sams Valley appeared on December 12 on a charge of operating a motor vehicle with four adult persons in the drivers seat. He entered a plea of guilty and was fined \$2.50 and costs.

On December 18, James Lon Beatty of Fort Lewis, Washington entered a plea of guilty to operation of a motor vehicle with one head light. He was fined \$2.50 and costs and the fine was suspended. Officers were F. J. Beers and Jack H. Beers.

ENJOY ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY AT CLEMENT HOME

A group of friends enjoyed their annual Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Jim Clement Wednesday afternoon when they gathered to enjoy music and visiting in the good old fashioned way. During the afternoon gifts were exchanged and refreshments of cookies, cake, coffee and lemonade were served.

Those enjoying the afternoon were Mrs. Sam Kuikman, Mrs. Paul Holderness, Mrs. Roy Centers, Mrs. Carl Routh, Mrs. Sam Routh, Mrs. Tom Robinson and Mrs. Babe Smith.

CHISHOLM NAMED CHAIRMAN OF FUND CAMPAIGN

Justice of the Peace, John A. Chisholm, received appointment this week as chairman of the annual President's birthday celebration which is held each year to carry on a fight against infantile paralysis. Mr. Chisholm received the appointment for the Gold Hill and Sams Valley districts.

He will in turn appoint a committee to assist him in this work and he and the committee will decide on what means will be used in this section to raise funds. The President's birthday, January 30, is celebrated each year as a time to raise money to combat infantile paralysis.

WRC MEMBERS MEET

The members of the Women's Relief Corps met December 13 in the Corps rooms for their regular meeting. They made plans for the election of officers and Christmas party to be held December 27.

MANY ATTEND SERVICES AT METHODIST CHURCH

Twenty-eight residents of this section attended the regular services at the Methodist church last Sunday morning when Loren Messinger preached a very interesting sermon on "The Unknown God". Members of the Epworth League choir sang "The Old Rugged Cross" during the morning services. Attendance at Sunday school was also doubled on that day. Forty-two gifts were received to be sent to the Children's home at Corvallis.

Sunday school is held at 10:00 each Sunday and church at 11 a. m.

Beavers Win From Glendale, Lose 2 Games

Carrying out a stiff three-game schedule for the past week the Gold Hill high school basketball team won a thrilling contest on the home boards from the Glendale cagers Friday evening, dropped a game to the tall Prospect five Saturday evening and lost to Grants Pass Tuesday evening in the Climate city.

In the close Gold Hill-Glendale game a packed gym saw the Beavers take an early lead which they held throughout the game. At half time the locals were leading the Loggers by 4 tallies and the final score was 13 to 19 in favor of Gold Hill.

The following evening the Beavers traveled to Prospect where they met defeat at the hands of the Prospect quintet to the tune of 31 to 18. It was reported that the Prospect boys each ranged well above six feet.

Tuesday of this week the local boys also played away from home when they met the Grants Pass team on their floor. The final score of this game stood 31 to 21 in favor of the Climate city squad. The score at half time was 5 to 12 in favor of Grants Pass.

The Gold Hill seconds played on the same evenings as the first team and followed in their footsteps by winning from Glendale and losing to both Prospect and Grants Pass reserves.

The local teams will play their next game following the holidays when they open their conference season with Central Point on the local boards January 5.

METHODIST YOUNG PEOPLE ENJOY CHRISTMAS PARTY

The members of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church enjoyed a Christmas party in the church here Sunday afternoon. They served a pot-luck dinner at noon and gathered around a Christmas tree in the afternoon to exchange gifts.

PAST NOBLE GRANDS CLUB ENJOYS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The members of the Past Noble Grands Club of Gold Hill met in the lodge hall Thursday, December 14 for their annual Christmas party. Amethyst friends exchanged gifts during the afternoon and new names were drawn for the coming year.

Those attending the meeting included Mesdames Frank Carter, Charles Gray, George Dorman, Charles Kell, Bob Cook, William Hittle, Mary Chisholm, L. Whitsett, A. A. Walker, William Ferguson, Paul Thompson, H. D. Force, Earle Moore, Tom Henderson, Wilbur Martin, George Haff, Jim Clement, Joe Lewis, William Puhl, and Darrel Hendrickson.

The next meeting of the club will also be held at the lodge hall on December 28 with Mrs. Jim Clement acting as hostess.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT AT GOLD HILL HOTEL

A pageant "The Coming of the Christmas Spirit", in which 32 children and young people will take part will be presented next Sunday evening, December 24, at 7:30, at the Gold Hill Hotel. Mr. Voiles, the pastor and director of the pageant assures all who attend a most inspirational evening and a hearty welcome.

The Bible School session is at 9:45 and morning worship at 11. There were 30 present last Lord's Day morning and 40 in the evening. Prayer meetings are held regularly every Tuesday and Thursday nights at 7:30.

Plans for a "Watch Night" service are under way and announcement concerning it will appear next week. K. Earl Voiles, Missionary; Evangelist.