

BREVITIES

Lewis Scholl and family of Pendleton were week end guests of the R. L. Reynolds.

Miss Elsie O'Harra is assisting Mrs. Geo. B. Carmichael during the rush of fall work.

Master Egbert Scrimsher of Pendleton was a recent visitor at the M. C. Eagleton home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Woods spent the Thanksgiving holidays with friends in Walla Walla.

Misses Eileen and Patricia Eagleton were week end guests at the home of Edgar Simpson.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Price entertained the W. S. Price family at a bountiful dinner on Thanksgiving day.

Miss Velma Gerking is ill at her home this week, having undergone an operation Saturday for the removal of her tonsils.

Miss Frank Harris Davis has secured apartments at the E. W. Achilles residence and is now comfortably located there.

R. F. Johnson of Fairview Farm returned Monday from Pendleton with his wife and youngest daughter, who have been under treatment there for several weeks. Pronounced improvement is reported in their condition.

J. E. Jones, Uncle Sam's faithful representative, started out Monday to follow his new mail route for the first time. He goes direct now from Tamarack school house to Basket mountain, leaving out his trip to the sawmill. He thus avoids already about a foot of snow.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Van Winkle were hosts at a merry dinner party on the national Feast Day. Guests were: Mrs. Martha Van Winkle, Mrs. Kittie Ray, Miss Ruby Brodison of Walla Walla, Miss Irene Banister, Miss Lola Key, Miss Gertrude Van Winkle, Lewis and William Van Winkle.

The Eastern Star banquet which took place last Friday evening was a most happy event. Guests from Pendleton in attendance were: Mesdames Winn Johnson, A. A. Kimball, Leota Brown, Minerva Morse, Will Wyrick; Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Avison. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McRae motored over from Walla Walla to participate in the festivities.

L. H. Dowd and family have moved to Washtucna, Wash., where Mr. Dowd will farm 750 acres of wheat land. A large company of neighbors and friends assembled at their home on Weston mountain, where they have lived eleven years, for a farewell party. Coffee, cake, sandwiches and chicken were served, and barring mutual regret over the parting an evening of pleasure and festivity was enjoyed.

On Saturday afternoon, December 13, the ladies of the M. E. Church, South, of this city will hold a Christmas bazaar and cafeteria supper at Memorial hall. Many appropriate and useful articles suitable for gifts are being made and will be on sale at that date. A cooked food booth will also be a leading feature. Supper will be served at 5:30. A cordial invitation is extended to everyone to attend.

Swan-Te-Ka Campfire held its regular semi-monthly meeting with the Guardian, Mrs. J. H. Roland, the afternoon of November 29. All the members but one responded to roll-call. Homecraft honors were awarded to Bertha Starmer, Alice Powell, Aileen Eagleton, Blanche Thorsen and Charlotte Hass. The afternoon was spent in fashioning articles for the Christmas bazaar to be held December 13.

It is announced that an old-time gospel meeting begins in the Baptist church next Sunday evening, December 7, under the management of the pastor, who will be assisted in every way possible by other pastors of the town. Pastor Storms extends the following invitation: "All people of the town and community, far and near, are cordially invited to attend and assist in every way possible, as the only intention of this meeting is to build up the Kingdom of God and to promote the moral welfare of the community."

Roast duck was the piece de resistance of a Thanksgiving feast held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ronzy York. Jokes and happy reminiscence added much to the pleasure of the event, and the day was one long to be remembered by those present. Invited guests were: Mr. and Mrs. J. N. York, Miss Winnie York, Grant and Dillard York, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse York, Mr. and Mrs. John Beamer, Miss Arvilla Beamer, Arthur Beamer, Juanita Beamer, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Day and children, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Boamer, Pratt Mayberry, Miss Florence Banks, Miss Lois Mayberry, Irvin Mayberry, Miss Lillian Jennings and Miss Lola Gasebell.

The Silver Thaw

Last Saturday afternoon this locality experienced one of those singular visitations of King Winter known as a silver thaw. All morning the weather was "soft," as the Scots say, an Oregon mist prevailing. Suddenly the lower air turned cold and every wet object found itself abruptly encased with ice.

Sunday morning the people awoke to look out upon a world transformed into clearest crystal. Every shrub and tree was a miracle of frostwork; the slightest breeze produced a crisp rattling of icicles as the frozen twigs snapped at its passing.

All through Saturday night the continued noise of cracking branches, breaking poles and snapping wires reminded one of the roar of an approaching tornado. Sunday morning when the sun came out and sufficiently melted the ice so that dropping globules merrily pelted Mother Earth, the scene was quite similar to corn popping from an old-fashioned skillet onto the kitchen floor.

The electric light and telephone systems suffered. Lights went out about ten o'clock Saturday night by reason of many broken wires, and the towns of Athena and Weston were in darkness gloomy and unwelcome until the following Sunday evening. How existence was endured at night by the pioneer residents of these two places until Edison came to their relief with his great illuminant, approached the status of a mystery to the present-day populace.

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Mrs. Payne Entertains Club

Mrs. W. S. Payne was hostess to the Saturday Afternoon Club at her home, on November 29. In spite of the inclement weather a majority of the members were present. Reports of the Thanksgiving market and the recent Civic club luncheon held at Pendleton were entertaining features of the business session. Miss Ella May Harmon, county demonstration agent, came up from Pendleton to attend the meeting. The following program numbers were given:

Song, Auld Lang Syne—the Club. Paper—Ayr and its Environs—Mrs. H. Goodwin.

Reading, "A Man's a Man for a That"—Mrs. E. M. Smith.

Violin solo—Mrs. Pinkerton, accompanied by Mrs. Joseph Wurzer at the piano.

The guests then proceeded to the dining room, where tables laid with snowy napery were most pleasing to the eye. Refreshments consisting of ice cream, cake, coffee and opera stick candy were served by Mrs. J. Harl Williams and Mrs. A. J. McIntyre. Mrs. R. W. Brown was a guest of the club at this meeting, and made a few remarks in happy vein.

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