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Poison Rabbits By Thousands

Rabbits Die by Thousands in Poisoning Campaign—Weather Right For Best Results

R. W. Morse, County agent and A. W. Moore, of the U. S. Biological Survey, supervised the poisoning of rabbits in the West End on last Saturday and Sunday. A number of the farmers gathered at the Weston ranch, where the hay was cut with an ensilage cutter and Messrs Moore and Morse prepared the poison. About a thousand rabbits were killed on the bunch grass between the Westons and Marshalls. The Delano Brothers and Robt. Wilson reported that they have poisoned several thousand in their neighborhood and that several hundred were killed on the raw land north of Jenkins and Brices'. A. S. Tate and the Atterburys' report the killing of several thousand more in their neighborhood. The East Enders were also poisoning and report a large harvest of the long eared pests in that section of the Project.

Some of the range horses have also taken the poison and died according to reports.

Splendid Xmas Program Given

The Christmas tree at the Church was attended by a small crowd on Xmas eve because of the bitter cold weather. The program was especially good this year, the pantomime directed by Mrs. J. O. Russell was worthy of especial mention. It portrayed the mother Mary bending over the cradle of the Infant Jesus. The Angels, who sang, the shepherds in their skin costumes, with their crooks and the Three Wise Men who came bringing their gifts and bowed in worship, were all most realistic. Mr. Russell sang two selections during the pantomime accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Russell. There were several Christmas songs by the audience, the dialogues and recitations by the smaller folks were all well rendered and most entertaining. Mrs. Harry Warren spoke briefly on the Armenian question and then Santa Claus came with a treat for all.

LARGE INCREASE IN NOVEMBER EXPORTS

Washington, D. C.—A large increase in American exports during November was chiefly due to foreign taking of foodstuffs and raw materials. It was shown by commerce department figures giving a preliminary analysis of the month's foreign trade.

Total exports were \$493,597,000 against \$401,484,000 during the same month a year ago. The following export and import figures with comparisons for the corresponding totals for November, 1923, were issued:

Exports—Raw foodstuffs, \$58,599,000 against \$14,461,000; foodstuffs ready for consumption, \$54,800,000 against \$52,295,000; raw materials for use in manufacturing, \$196,385,000 against \$160,346,000; manufactured commodities, \$124,939,000 against \$118,668,000; partly manufactured foodstuffs, \$50,872,000 against \$48,955,000.

Imports—Raw foodstuffs, \$38,074,000 against \$40,134,000; foods ready for consumption, \$29,091,000 against \$35,590,000; raw materials for use in manufacturing, \$112,843,000 against \$97,814,000; manufactured commodities, \$61,463,000 against \$64,110,000; partly manufactured goods, \$52,931,000 against \$50,325,000.

GIANT DIVER IS LAUNCHED

New Submarine Can Go With Fleet in Any Weather.

Portsmouth, N. H.—A seagoing submarine, the V-2, which with her sister ship the V-1 can accompany a battleship into action and under any conditions the fleet can fight, was launched at the navy yard here.

The V-2 is a sister ship of the V-1, launched here last July. Twice as large as any ever previously constructed in the United States, they are the first of a group of nine submarines authorized by congress in 1916.

The V-2 is 341 feet six inches over all, and displaces 2164 tons on the surface. She is designed to cruise as a member of the fleet at sea in any weather. Four oil engines provide 6500 horsepower.

Thinking in Peace.

Alone on a desert island a man may think in peace, but he may not live long enough to do him any good.

A Prayer

By Rev. Alan Pressley Wilson
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O LORD, we beseech Thee to grant that Jesus the Christ may dwell in our hearts through faith to the end that we, being rooted and grounded in love, may be strong to apprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and the height and depth of the love of Christ.

Come into our hearts and lives and dominate our wills as we enter another New Year and grant that we may live all through this year in accordance with Thy divine plan for our lives.

This we ask in the Name and for the sake of our Savior, Jesus Christ.
Amen.

New Years Customs in Scotland

As in France, so in Scotland, New Years is the chief festival of the year. The eve of the day and the day itself are called "Daft Days," or crazy days. And the eve separated from its "daft" associate is called "Hog manny." But what this means, no one seems to know. The application of the term is in a custom of children to enrobe themselves in a sheet and go the rounds of houses on New Year's eve, knocking at the doors and crying "Hogmanay." In response they always get an oat cake.

Ho, Hum! Twelve Months Ahead



THE NEW YEAR



Boardman Locals and Personals

Mrs. Hopkins has accepted a position as housekeeper on the Tom E. Hendricks' farm.

John Brice had the misfortune to have a young calf freeze to death during the recent cold spell.

W. H. and Albert Mefford were doing Christmas shopping in Heppner the fore part of the week.

Oscar Kosar returned from Idaho last week where he has been for some time past.

Ellis Garrett was taken quite sick Monday night and Leo Root took him to Hermiston where he will be under the care of Dr. Hilsly for a few days. Mrs. Garrett is with him there.

Mike Marshall, Kathleen Marshall and Tom Brady motored to Portland last Friday to visit with Chas. Marshall who is employed in a garage there. Fred Malone of Bickleton, Washington, an old acquaintance of T. E. Hendricks, is to arrive this week to herd sheep for Mrs. H. C. Harrison.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Blakney and children of Echo spent Christmas with Mrs. Blakney's mother, Mrs. H. H. Weston.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Macomber of Arlington and the L. V. Root family were Christmas guests of the home folks at the W. H. Mefford home.

Miss Kathleen Marshall entertained some of her friends at a dance and

supper at the Marshall home on Xmas night.

Zoe Hadley and Beth Bleakmann were among those coming home for the holidays.

Bert Blankmans have moved to the Earl Cramer Place.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Warren had as guests at Christmas dinner, Mr. and Mrs. B. Bleakmann, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McDaniel, Zoe and Everett Hadley.

Earl Cramer and his uncle Hank drove up from Portland on Wednesday. The Messengers enjoyed a beautiful Christmas dinner at the Flickinger home.

Frank Dobel of Umatilla was also a guest at the Flickingers Christmas. The C. E. mailed out 75 Christmas handkerchiefs to the mission at Krypton, Ky. All those who so cheerfully and liberally contributed to this cause are extended thanks by the C. E.

J. C. Ballenger and family have returned from Waseo where they spent the Christmas.

Wm. Gorgor and son Joe enjoyed Christmas dinner at the Lee Mead home.

L. V. Woodard is here from The Dalles looking after the machinery at the Messner coal chutes during the cold weather.

Walter Cohoon and family of Pasco are visiting at the Ray Brown

A NEW YEAR VICTORY

By Katherine Edelman

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R. NORMAN TREVOR wore a tender smile as he emerged from the Carter hospital. A dry, blinding snow was falling and the morning was bitterly cold, but there was a warm glow around his heart that made him insensible for the moment to cold and chill.

Within his soul he felt the thrill of victory, a victory won over the greatest enemy the world knows. For, once more his hand had helped to avert the sword of the grim reaper—his skill and sureness of touch had brought back another soul from the brink. It had been an emergency call this time, a call that came just as the bells were tolling the birth of the New Year, with the chances 100 to 1 against winning the fight, but again science and skill had added another victory to its long list. George Hamilton would live; his family in the little cottage in Rover street would have him back with them before many days and, instead of mourning and sadness, there would be joy and happiness in the little home. "Thank God that I was able to do it," Doctor Trevor whispered to the skies as he got into his little car. "It seems like an omen of good to have this happen just as the year was born."

For this time he knew that he had won a double victory. For many years he had tried hard to interest the old and wealthy Mrs. Whiteside in the building of a new hospital for Carter, to be operated along new and up-to-date lines. It was sorely needed in the town and it had been the dream of Doctor Trevor's life since he had come there. Several times he had thought that Mrs. Whiteside was on the point of consenting, but always at the last she had fallen back on the oft-used argument that people were just as well off and got along just as well or better before all these new fundange ideas were known.

Then last night had come the call from the Hamilton home. For years the Hamilton family had been counted by Mrs. Whiteside as her own special protegee, and she had spoken her mind quite plainly to Doctor Trevor this time: "They say the case is almost hopeless—that there is not the equipment in the old hospital to handle such a case and that he cannot be moved to the city. Doctor Foster said there was a chance and you were the only one here that could take it. If you succeed, it means the new hospital within the year."

"And as Doctor Trevor drove to his home this early New Year morning, the big building, with all its modern equipment for helping humanity, loomed before him already—a dream building that would soon become a reality.

home during the holidays.

Mrs. Lee Mead and children will leave the middle of this week for a visit at The Dalles.

The program at the school on Tuesday evening December 23 was very good, altho on account of weather conditions the crowd was small. The orchestra and boys of the vestal choir gave the opening numbers which were most effective and appreciated. The efforts of the little folks were much appreciated and they were well trained. The intermediate grades gave a selection called an Old Time Xmas, which was very good. The Xmas at Sleepy Hollow given by the high school was a hit of the evening. It was full of fun and all the characters were good from Percy with the half sox to the prim maiden teacher.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Goodwin of Portland are here for a weeks visit at the Goodwin and Warner homes.

Mrs. Ed. Kuntze and children spent Xmas with the P. M. Smiths.

J. R. Johnson and family were among the guests at the Highway Inn for Christmas dinner.

Oscar Kosar and son Everett were dinner guests at the Klitz home on Xmas day, Mrs. Kosar was still in Pendleton with her little niece.

Arthur Olson and wife of Clatskanie arrived last week for a visit with the letters parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Blayden.

Jack Gorham and family were also dinner guests at the Blayden home.

Geo. Agee and Robt. Rayburn went to the valley to spend Christmas, Lem Agee the brother of George came from his home at Olex and stayed at the Rayburn home during the cold snap.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Mead and children were guests at the Herim home for dinner on Sunday evening.

J. C. Ballenger and family were en-

Irrigon Items

F. C. Fredericksen, rodent control Chairman of the Farm Bureau reports good success in the rabbit poisoning campaign begun a week ago on Monday. The dead rabbits are to be found everywhere. 100 pounds of the poison was used and more would have been put out if the weather had kept cold. Mr. Morse, the County Agent arrived on Tuesday after having covered several of the other districts in the county. W. T. Wright, committeeman from the Grange and Mr. Fredericksen lined everybody up on Sunday and lost no time beginning.

Sam Oldaker was a surprise visitor in Irrigon on Wednesday. He spent the time between trains with former friends Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Walpole. Mr. Oldaker will be remembered as one of the prominent residents of Hermiston and is with the Northern Pacific with offices at St. Paul. Stanley Anderson froze one of his little fingers on Monday morning as he was carrying a small sack of salt about two blocks. It all happened so quickly he did not realize it until he found the finger stiff and white.

Mrs. C. W. Benefiel who has been visiting her sister at Watta Walla for some time, returned home on Wednesday morning. J. P. Goebel had the misfortune to loose one of his best cows last week from bloat. The animal had just filled up on dry alfalfa and the water, being fresh from the well and warmed, it drank too much and died within a period of five or seven minutes, and before the owner could rush aid.

Wm Schull and son made a business trip to Pendleton the first of the week.

William Knight who has been at home during the cold spell, returned to his work with the Welding gang at The Dalles on Wednesday.

A. J. Abernathy went to Bend Monday to visit his brother William for a few days.

Miss Snow McCoy has been on the sick list and absent from the P. O. and store for a few days this week.

George Allen has written from Centralia saying that they are giving him rather rough treatment but he is in hopes they will cure his cancer.

Marshall Markham came home from Pendleton for Christmas and remained over until Monday morning.

retained at the Herim home at dinner Friday evening.

Carty's are feeding a large band of sheep at the Kristensen place on the East End.

Nate Macomber returned on Monday from Pilot Rock where he and family spent Christmas. Mrs. Macomber will return the later part of the week. During the absence of Mr. Macomber Chas Barnes looked after the school house. Some of the water pipes at the school froze and burst during the cold spell.

Wm Gorgor and son plan to leave about the first of the year. A son in law will come to take care of the ranch on the East End.

A most enjoyable evening was that spent at the W. O. King home on Xmas night when the Mead family, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Calkins and daughter Alice, Mr. Kristensen were guests for the evening. The children all enjoyed the tree and the evening passed rapidly with games and a general good time. Mrs. King served a delicious lunch in the later part of the evening.

Open Restaurant and Barber Shop

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Royer have opened a restaurant in the building formerly occupied by the Messengers and announce that they are ready to handle the business of the Project. Mr. Royer has also opened a tonorial parlor and has everything fixed up to handle the trade.

Boardman Poultryman Finishes Fine New Poultry House

W. A. Knauff has just finished the building of a modern two room plastered cottage for his poultry. The house is 26x30 feet, has a concrete floor, and shingled roof with running water and other conveniences.

Child Dies of Pneumonia

It was a sad Christmas for the Arthur Peterson family of Hermiston, Friday preceding Xmas. Mrs. Peterson left for his old home Kansas, with 5 of his children and the body of his wife who died on the 14th of pneumonia. Little Eileen aged 4, was left at St. Anthony's hospital at Pendleton suffering from the disease. She passed away about 2:30 a. m. Christmas morning, her aunt Mrs. Oscar Kosar of Boardman being at her bedside when death came. The little one was a lovable child and it seems sad indeed that she was called by death.

The 1925 Model

