

Viola Happenings

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(Too Late for Last Week)

The Viola Community Church Christmas program was held on the night of Dec. 22. The Sunday School children presented a lovely program under the direction of Mrs. Margie Mombert. Musical numbers were presented by rs Lolita Olsen and her son Harold, Jim and Esther Weston. The Adults Class presented a play "King of Bethlehem" under direction of Esther Weston & Maxine Renaud. The characters were Bonnie Brock as Ruth, a little blind child, LaFaye and Stanley Fouts as her parents; Ed and Ellen Hodgkiss as Joseph and Mary; Marvin Allen as a soldier; Juanita Georgi, the angel; Vernie Renaud and John Georgi as shepherds; Fred Riedel, Gary and Jim Fouts as wise men. At the close of the program treats were presented to all children under eighty. We have Miss Bernice Miller to thank for the beautiful decorations.

The Junior Choir of the Viola Community Church held a taffy pull at the home of Danny Fouts, during the Christmas holidays. Esther Weston usually makes the taffy for these parties but due to illness could not attend. Due to inexperienced taffy makers, the children had a lovely sticky party but a lot of fun. The hostess sincerely hopes in the future Esther will not be sick as her taffy always gets just right to pull. Games were played and refreshments of cookies and punch were served. Eleven of the choir members attended. Jerri Allen was unable to attend due to illness. The Viola Church is very proud of the Junior Choir and look forward to the specials they present on Sunday mornings.

The Viola Community Church Youth Group surprised Fred Riedel who was home for the holidays from Fort Ord, with a welcoming home party. His parents Mr. and Mrs. Verne Riedel were in on the surprise. The group with Rev. and Mrs. Verne Renaud met at Fischers Mill and came in a group. Games were played and a good time was had by all. Refreshments of broiled weiners and buns and lots of other goodies finished up the evening.

Both the Junior and Choir held caroling parties. The Junior Choir met at the church at 7 P.M. Dec. 20 and ended up at the home of Bonnie Brock, for refreshments.

The Youth Group met on the Saturday before Christmas and 15 members drove approximately 20 miles caroling. They ended up at the George Smith home for games and refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Lindburg received a call from their son Howard Christmas day from Albuquerque, N. M. Howard met his wife Betty while serving in the Air Force. They have made their home in Albuquerque, near her parents. They have a two-months old son Chris. The Lindburgs daughter, Janet, visited Howard and his wife, but Mr. and Mrs. Lindburg have not yet met their son's wife or seen their first grandson.

Christmas dinner guests were their daughter Janet who is working in Portland and her friend, Ray Brand.

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THIS WEEK'S NEWS

Viola Community Church is holding a shower at the Viola Community Club Saturday evening, Jan. 11 for Gary Vestal and Alice Bunnell. The young couple will be married in Ore-

gon City Jan. 19th. An evening of fun is planned and all who are interested are invited to attend.

Both of the young people attended Estacada High School and graduated last spring. They have bought a little house on the bluff on the Springwater highway where they will make their home. Gary Vestal is working for the telephone company at Estacada.

Rev. and Mrs. Verne Renaud and Kay Kawamoto drove to Hoquim, Wash., last Sunday afternoon to visit Rev. Landon, who is ill with cancer, and not expected to live more than a few days. He is staying with his daughter, Mrs. John McQuire. Rev. Landon was pastor of the Redland church for many years.

The Cascade Riders were hosts to the Clackamas County Riding Clubs for a New Years Eve party at their clubhouse. Square dancing, and games were played. As the old year departed and the new year made its appearance the 1957 president, Dick Wagner, turned the party and all activities for the new year over to the new pres. Jess Turner, who announced his first official act that "Supper was being served." The party was so well attended that next year the Cascade Riders will have to rent another hall or build onto their present one.

Mrs. Mary Larmer of Phoenix, Arizona, has been visiting with the McKenzies for the past two weeks. She is John McKenzie's aunt and left Monday to return to her home by bus.

Mr. and Mrs. John McKenzie were surprised and pleased the other day when the Clackamas County Agent visited them and presented them with a check for nine dollars and a white ribbon and told them they had won 3rd place in the State Corn Show at Canby.

Last Friday Jean Allen had a surprise visit from Delorus Mariman who is now Mrs. Arthur Kuhn of Vallejo, Calif. Mrs. Kuhn and her husband have been visiting her father, George Mariman of Estacada, this past week and will leave for Calif. Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hegar are the proud parents of a daughter Anna Marie who was born Dec. 28 and weighed 6 lbs 10 oz. The Hegars four year old daughter stayed with Jean Allen while her mother was in the hospital.

John McKenzie has made a New Year resolution to always look before he kicks his dog. John is ordinarily a mild tempered man, but last Friday when his pigs kept getting out of the pen, his dog got mixed up and kept chasing more out instead of helping John to get them back in. John made a pass at the dog, missed and kicked the barn door, which resulted in a very bad sprain. Xrays showed no bones broken, but John will walk carefully for sometime.

Fred Riedel, Steve Hinkson and Fred Gaylord returned to Fort Ord, Calif where they will complete their training in the Army Reserves. Their families were very happy to have them for the holidays.

Ronnie Carnes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Carnes is having allergy trouble and will have to stay home from school for sometime until the doctors can find the cause and aid in clearing up the resulting cough.

Clarence Cross left for Colorado in time to be there for New Years and will be back about the middle of the month.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hinkson

spent last week end in Eugene visiting relatives. Linda stayed with Ila Skinner and Marjorie visited at the Andersons. Mike Minto son of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Minto has the chicken pox.

The 4H club under the leadership of Ila Skinner held their meeting at the home of Lee Anne Barclay Saturday. Due to the lovely weather some of the members rode to the meeting. They discussed the care of horses and equipment. Next meeting will be another field trip and they will learn about the American Saddle Bred horses and the meeting will be at the home of Linda Hinkson.

Mr. and Mrs. John Georgi visited at the Stanely Fouts home last Thursday.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bennett last Sunday were Miss Susie Wanda and Afelia Lieb of Oak Grove, Herbert Brown of Alaska. Mr. Brown is Miss Lieb's brother-in-law and has been visiting her for several weeks. Miss Catherine Thompson and Miss Anna Leverman of Portland. The dinner was in honor of the birthdays of Mr. Bennett, Miss Mandas and Miss Leverman. After dinner Miss Bernice Miller and Mrs. Esther Weston showed the films they had taken on a recent trip to Hawaii on which the Bennetts had also gone.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kirchem and Mr. and Mrs. Tyce Kirchem spent New Years at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Schwartz, Gladstone. Other guests included Mrs. Nan Robbins, Mrs. Bess Rittenoun and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bigelow of Webster Road, Mrs. Jean Cannon of Oregon City and Larry and Edna Mainard of Gladstone.

Ray Miller has been quite ill for the last two weeks. He has a bad cold and is confined to the house. He is now able to be about and take a little nourishment.

Esther Weston and John McKenzie have also been having a bout with the flu.

Mrs. Wm. Sanderson spent the better part of the week in the Oregon City Hospital with pneumonia. She is home now and reported doing better.

LESS PRODUCTION SAID MAJOR HOPE FOR FIRMER LUMBER MARKET IN '58

Crow's Lumber Market News Service said today that the prospect of curtailed production is the major hope for a firmer lumber market in early 1958. If the mills which have announced plans for shutdowns of over a month carry out these schedules, the loss of output could strengthen prices unless demand slumps disproportionately, Crow's said.

Activity has been understandably slow during the holiday but there has been a slight flurry of orders for mills willing to suit customers' convenience by billing them after the first of the year. Prices have held fairly steady.

The prospect of a 2 percent rise in freight rates February 1 is a tough one, Crow's said, for mills are not in a position to absorb this cost. The scheduled boost will be opposed by western lumbermen in protests to the Interstate Commerce Commission.

The increase affects all products taking the lumber rate, including plywood, veneer, poles and piling. Logs are scheduled for a 10 percent hike with a maximum of 3 cents per 100 lbs. Increased charges are also slated for other services such as stopping in transit to complete loading or to partially unload, for diverting cars and for changes in destination. Unless suspended the new rates take effect February 1.

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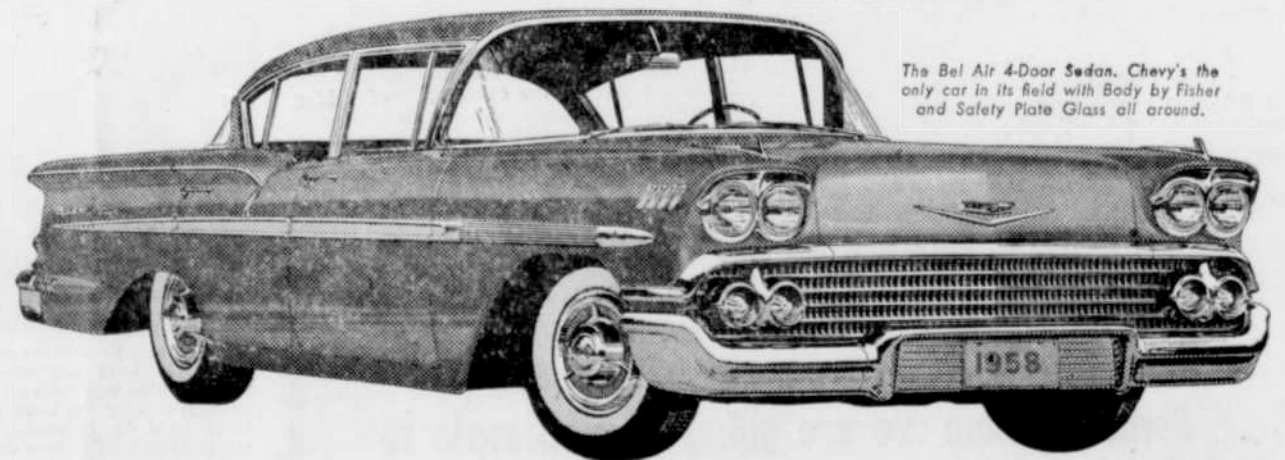


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