

Royal Neighbors Enjoy Annual Christmas Party

The annual Christmas party of the Royal Neighbors lodge was held last Thursday evening at the home of Belle Belloni. According to those attending, the party was a grand success and too much could not be said regarding the effectiveness of the decorations. Everything was done to contribute to a gorgeous decorative scheme. During the evening some played pinochle, some did fancy work but all spent an enjoyable evening. There was a drawing for the exchange of gifts, which proved interesting. The evening was finished off with the serving of Mrs. Belloni's famous Christmas pudding, which has become a tradition with this particular group.

The following attended: Mesdames Venita Baittey, Ruby Johnson, Reona Giles, Nellie Martindale, Kathrine Lemon, Hattie Gaffey, Blanche Shepard, Florence Hallock, Rilla Nosler, Agnes Schroeder, Larkie Benham, Katie Peart, May Ensele, Margaret Brockway, Laura Brandon, Jane Burch, Myrtle Jones, Jane Torrey, Mabel Kyle, Ann Montgomery and Ida Sherrard. Assisting her mother

was Miss Margaret Belloni.

Junior Class Pioneer Church Held Christmas Party Thursday

The Junior Class of the Pioneer Methodist Church held its Christmas party and exchange Friday at the church with their teacher, Mrs. Henry Ellis, assisting them. Parents of the children were invited and those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. George Kenney and Ruth, Mrs. Fred Wicker and Carol, Mrs. Albert Crussler and Dolores, Mrs. Raymond Crussler and Marveta, Mrs. Fred Christensen, Craig and Robert, Mrs. Ceever and Barbara, Mrs. Lonny Clark and Betty, Mrs. Chassin and Charlotte, Mrs. Irvin Larson and Sharon, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Perkins and Jerry, Mrs. George Taylor and Helen, Rev. and Mrs. Chas. Brown and Uncle Mack, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Brown and Jimmy, Mr. and Mrs. Leland Peart and Joan, Kay Simmons, Bonnylou Stormer, Caroline and Jack Purkey, Fritz Peterson, Jane Gould, Anna and Mary Ann Robinson.

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B. P. W. Annual Christmas Party

The Coquille Business and Professional Women's Club held its annual Christmas party in the Guild Hall last Monday evening. About thirty-six members attended and, despite war-time worries, the spirit of Christmas, pervaded throughout the evening. The decorations, combined the expression of a war-time Christmas, in a central grouping of three trees, trimmed individually, one in red, one in silver and the other in blue. As a background, the whole north wall was of cedar, holly and Christmas lights. An impressive moment was when the members sang, "Silent Night," with the light only from candles and the Christmas tree lights. Bobby Jean Harris, small granddaughter of Hattielee Holimon, delighted the group with singing, "Away in the Manger" and "Wind through the Autumn Leaves," accompanied on the piano by Mrs. M. O. Hawkins. Georgia Richmond gave a reading, "The Inn Keeper." Interpersed during the evening was Christmas carol singing, led by Ruth Beyers and with Inez Rover at the piano.

A freewill offering, taken at this meeting for the second year, was a collection toward a fund being raised to assist in training more Chinese nurses. Sixty dollars is the goal and about two-thirds this amount has now been secured. Part of the amount has come from the sale of junk jewelry recently. This jewelry had been donated to a committee for a purpose, later to find it was no longer to be used as it had been originally intended. These proceeds have materially boosted the fund. An additional eighteen dollars, or thereabouts, will be sufficient to assist in training two nurses.

A pleasant message was read from a card sent to the club by Natalie Burns, coast district chairman. An exchange of gifts was a feature of the evening. There was a holly corsage for each guest. Myrtle DeLong was honored for having secured the most new members. Leah and Inez Rover and Florence Barton were acknowledged by the president for faithful attendance during a six months' period. Bertha Smith, Bess Maury and Viola Newton had missed only one meeting each.

Dorothy Tuttle was appointed as Courtesy chairman. Two door prizes were awarded. One was a large bowl of fruit, beautifully ornamented, which went to Helen Thomas, as a new member. The second prize, a potted poinsettia, went to Mabel Johnson, also a recent new member.

Chairmen of the two committees in charge were Hattielee Holimon, Publicity, and Annie Robinson, Courtesy. Assisting committee members were Bess Maury, Edna Kern, Mabel Wernich, Gladys Gano, Belle Knife and Jennie Price.

Plywood Employees Enjoy Christmas Dinner and Dance

Members of the Plywood department at the Smith Wood-Products plant enjoyed a Christmas dinner at the Coquille Valley Country Club house last Saturday evening, arrangements for which were made by Stella Breuer and Norma Eggers. The club house was beautifully decorated with small Christmas trees, holly and mistletoe, while candles lighted the banquet table.

During the dinner hour Master of Ceremonies Jack McLarrin introduced John Harding, who played two piano selections, "Moonlight Sonata" and a composition of his own. Stella Breuer, Ardith Newton and Marian Bingham sang two numbers, "Put Your Arms Around Me, Honey" and "Jingle Bells." Group singing was led by the girls, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Neideigh of Bum Gartin's orchestra.

Corsages of gardenias and flowers to match their dress were presented to the girls on the entertainment committee by the members of the Plywood union.

Larry Lundquist gave a short talk and a gift exchange was enjoyed by all.

After dinner an evening of dancing was pleasurablely spent, with the music furnished by Bum Gartin's orchestra.

Roy Mothers' Club

Mrs. Katie Detlefsen was hostess last Tuesday to members of the Roy Mothers Club. Plans were completed for the Christmas party to be held Thursday night at the school. At that time the plaque, recently completed, which records the names of boys who are now in the service from the school will be displayed. Robah Robinson, who has two sons in the service from that school, did the painting. Mrs. Mackey will entertain the club at the next meeting at the teacherage.

Members present were: Mesdames Ray Green, Earl Cross, Cora Mackey, Frances Detlefsen, Irene Martindale, Huldah Ellingson and Muriel Anderson.

St. James' Church To Observe Sacrament Christmas Eve

On Christmas Eve, at 11:30 p. m. St. James' Episcopal Church will observe the anniversary of the birth of the Saviour of the world, in its celebration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The Junior Choir, under the leadership of Mrs. Harold Stromquist and Mr. Wayne A. Smith, will sing Simper's Communion Service in E flat. The Choir will also lead the congregation in singing the traditional Christmas carols.

In a world at war, with heartache laying a pall over many homes, the question is not, how can we be joyful at Christmas, but how can we fail to turn once again to Him in Whom alone can true peace be found. Those who feel that it is in allegiance to Jesus Christ that real and lasting joy and peace are to be gained are most cordially welcome to follow the star.

Assembly of God Young People To Present Pageant

The young people of the Assembly of God Church will present a pageant entitled, "God's Gift of Peace," written and directed by Margaret Swanson, on Friday evening at eight o'clock.

The scenes depict in tableaux the life of Christ, from the Manger to the Ascension, and will have a musical accompaniment presented by the choir, under the direction of Aileen Wilson, assisted at the piano by Bobby Burns.

There will be a full evening of entertainment for the children and grown folks alike and the public is cordially invited to attend.

We are requesting all who attend and wish to do so to bring a small gift wrapped in white, and labelled for either "A Boy" or "A Girl." These gifts will be gathered during the evening and sent to the orphans of the Corvallis Children's Farm Home.

Christmas Program At The Christian Church Sunday Eve

The young people and children of the Christian Church Bible School will present their annual Christmas program at the Sunday evening service at 7:30 p. m. The program will feature the candlelight singing of carols by the young people, several numbers by the choir, and the presentation of "The White Gift" by the congregation. The White Gifts which are brought will be sent to White Swan Mission and Northwestern

Christian Home. One member from each class will bring a White Gift to the foot of a lighted Cross as a token of all gifts brought by that class. The public is invited to attend this impressive program.

Coquille Grange To Hold Christmas Party Friday

Members of the Coquille Grange are looking forward to their Christmas party, which will be held Dec. 22 at the Grange Hall. The party will begin at 8:00 p. m. following the business session. There will be a Christmas tree and a gift exchange, program numbers and games. Gifts intended for children should be marked with their names for they will not go into the adult exchange.

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The Tom Drakes Attend Son's Wedding At Monterey

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Drake and daughter, Wilma, left for Monterey Sunday of last week to attend the wedding of their son, Tom. Upon their arrival they were met by their daughter, Edith, and her husband, George, whom they hadn't seen for a year. George and Edith drove from Brownwood, Texas, arriving the same day Tom, Jr., arrived from Illinois, and it was a happy reunion for all.

After the wedding the remainder of the week was spent visiting Tom Sr.'s mother, sisters and brothers. The Drake and Menken families, including the newlyweds, left for Coquille Saturday morning.

Tom and his bride visited friends here till Thursday morning and then returned to Monterey for a few days. Tom must report back to Scott Field Dec. 21. Ann, his bride, will accompany him and they will make their home there.

George Menken had to leave Saturday morning to return to Camp Bowie, Texas. Edith did not go back with her husband as he will not remain in the States long.

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