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Kerby Rod & Gun Club Meeting

One of the most interesting meetings of the Kerby Rod & Gun club ever held was attended by a large crowd last Friday evening at the Ritz Tavern in Kerby.

After the business of the meeting, election of officers and the reading of a report by Secretary McLean, the meeting was turned over to E. P. Cliff, head of the Siskiyou National Forest.

Mr. Cliff in opening his remarks said that he was glad to have an opportunity to attend this meeting and hoped to become better acquainted with all the people here before he had to leave.

His topic was "Big Game Problems," and dealt mostly with the deer population of the state and particularly within the national forests. Showing several slides which depicted conditions over the state, Mr. Cliff showed the deplorable plight of thousands of head of deer in some sections where the grazing or food value of the forests, were about depleted. Many of the slides showed bitter brush one of the most valued foods for deer, dying and entirely grazed of its food value. Then he showed juniper trees and mountain mahogany, other food values for deer, that were entirely stripped of their leaves as far as the deer could reach. This condition was very impressive from the pictures and showed the condition of the grazing lands for deer better than any lecture could point out.

Mr. Cliff also had several maps and showed locations where the food conditions were alarming and the deer population must be decreased to allow the trees and plants to come back so there would be plenty of food for the large number of herds now on the forests. Many places are in bad condition and it will take years for them to improve. It is a problem for the State Game Commission, and the Oregon Wild Life Federation in cooperation with the Forest Service to handle, and he thought that all of them together with their individual knowledge of conditions would be able to work out a plan to maintain a reasonable large number of deer so the available food supply would keep them from starving.

His talk was both interesting and indeed educational and was greatly appreciated by those who heard him talk.

After the pictures, refreshments were served and friendly discussions of the sportsmens problems and wild life in general were indulged in until late hours.

The new officers of the club elected for the coming year were:

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COMING EVENTS

- Regular Legion and Auxiliary meeting the first and third Wednesday of every month.
- Auxiliary sewing days every second and fourth Wednesday. Pot luck dinner at noon. Everyone is welcome
- Wednesday, Dec. 20—Auxiliary Christmas party, 8 p. m., for all Legion and Auxiliary families.
- Monday, Dec. 25—Legion dance.
- Monday, Dec. 25—Christmas.
- Saturday, Dec. 30—New Years' dance, Grange Hall, Bridgeview.
- Monday, Jan. 1—New Years.
- Tuesday, January 9—Home Extension unit will meet at the home of Mrs. E. L. Opple, O'Brien.

Student Activities At Kerby High

By Eleanor Galeno

The Honor Roll for the Union High School at Kerby, 1939-40 season, first semester and the second 6-weeks period is as follows:

Freshmen	Average
BARBARA BYRNE	1
BOB WENDT	1.25
PAULA FOX	1.5
Sophomores	
MARGARET PRENTICE	1.25
EMOGENE ST. JOHN	1.25
Juniors	
CHARLOTTE BADDEN	1
BARBARA HENSLEY	1
JEANNE VILLAIR	1.4
VIVIAN PULLEN	1.5
Seniors	
ELEANOR GALENO	1

Honorable Mention (No grade below 2)

Sophomore
HEIDE SACHSE

Juniors
PAULINE ROBINSON
BERNICE ALLEN

Seniors
DOLLIE BRANHAM
JEAN BECK
RUTH WATTS

This week has been one full of happenings, especially in the sport line.

Last Friday Kerby played Crescent City at Crescent City. The score was in favor of Del Norte. The preliminary was also in Del Norte's favor.

Last Monday the girl's volleyball team played Tracey's Whippets. It was a hard fought game but the opponents were victorious 40 to 10.

The Oregon Caves CCC camp played Kerby Tuesday evening. The game was hard fought, and victory was almost certain, but the Badger's were unlucky, and the final score was 38 to 33. Tomorrow night the team will play Medford high at Medford. We sincerely hope for victory.

Friday afternoon the annual Christmas party will be held sponsored by the Girl's League and the Home Economics department. Games will be played and candy will be passed out. Everyone is looking forward with anticipation to a very enjoyable afternoon. After the party, school will be closed for the Christmas holidays and will reopen on January 2nd.

Two new pupils entered school this week. Helen Schaw from Oakland, Oregon and Lawrence Anderson, a former student from Lakeview, Oregon. Both students are sophomores, and we hope they will enjoy their year here.

Kerby High school takes this opportunity to wish you all a
MERRY CHRISTMAS
and a
HAPPY NEW YEAR



ANN RUTHERFORD
Mickey Rooney's girl friend in "The Hardys Ride High" at the Cave City theater Saturday and Sunday, December 23 and 24.

Garden Club Held Annual Party Dec. 15

The Illinois Valley Garden club held their annual Christmas party last Friday afternoon in Kerby at the I. O. O. F. hall.

A very large crowd was expected to enjoy this much looked for event, but due to the unusual heavy rains only about 29 were present.

Too much credit cannot be given the untiring decorating committee and assistants who worked so hard to gather shrubs, trees, greenery etc., to give the hall such a gloriously looking Christmas atmosphere. Several attractive and cleverly arranged tables were displayed, wreaths, trimmings and mantle effects were outstanding.

Group singing of Christmas carols preceded the gift exchange. A very special remembrance for the occasion was sent to each member of the club by Mrs. Leo M. Martin, formerly living at Bridgeview but now a resident of Waldport, Oregon. Not to be outdone in this respect, Mrs. E. J. Wilber more than surprised her guests by bringing in a large piece of lattice work, loaded with stockings of different hues, lengths and widths, and each filled with gifts she had made herself, home made candy and hickory nuts coming from Michigan.

Later dainty refreshments were served by Mrs. Samuel Smith, Mrs. A. C. Barnes, Mrs. C. Y. Arnold, who were hostesses for this occasion.

The January meeting of the Garden club will be at the home of Mrs. George W. Martin on the Caves highway.

—Merry Christmas—

JUVENILE GRANGES TO INSTALL OFFICERS

A great deal of interest is being manifest with the Juvenile Granges on account of the forthcoming installation to be held at Deer Creek Grange hall when the Illinois Valley juniors will install the officers of the Deer Creek Juvenile Grange.

The installation will be held Saturday night and all interested are invited to attend. There will be a large delegation of Juvenile Granges from the Illinois Valley Grange at the installation.

—Merry Christmas—

GRANGES HOLD JOINT INSTALLATION

A delightful program was held last Thursday evening when Deer Creek and the Illinois Valley Granges held a joint installation of the elected officers for the coming year.

Mrs. Mildred Norman of Deer Creek acted as installing officer, assisted by Mrs. Laura Hogue, Mrs. Clarence Brooks and Mrs. Jennie Tuttle.

Preceding the meeting Harold Shogren, Grants Pass high school instructor and a class of boys demonstrated Red Cross first aid services. Mr. Shogren explained the benefit and necessity of first aid training and announced that those wishing to do so could still enroll in the class conducted at the union high school building at Kerby each Tuesday by Dr. S. B. Osgood.

Potluck refreshments were served at midnight. Guests from several other granges were present including Commissioner and Mrs. Richard McElligott, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Boehl, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. Ben W. Coutant.

—Merry Christmas—
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Cave Junction Drainage On Again

Good news for Cave Junction. The county court has notified F. E. Thompson, engineer in charge of WPA work for this district at Medford, that they would sponsor the Cave Junction drainage project which the WPA officials refused recently.

Mr. Thompson and R. A. Berry, operation superintendent for Josephine county were here recently looking the project over. On account of the change of hours in WPA working conditions, Mr. Thompson had to change the entire set up and there may be a slight delay on this account.

If everything goes well, it will only take about six weeks before word is received to go ahead with the project.

This will give a number of men work and it is hoped that there will be no further delay in getting it started. Mr. Thompson has done everything he could to speed up the work, and is assured that the sponsorship of the county will be accepted by the WPA officials at Washington.

—Merry Christmas—

Western Star Chapter Elects 1940 Officers

Election of officers featured the last Tuesday evening meeting of Western Star Chapter, O. E. S., when they met at the Masonic hall in Kerby.

Following the regular business meeting and balloting dispensed with, a short entertainment program was presented which all enjoyed.

A gift exchange for members was another happy feature, when all gathered around a brightly decorated Christmas tree which attracted a great deal of attention, and as their corresponding number was called they accepted their gift.

Later all adjourned to the dining room where delicious pie, ice-cream and coffee were served.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:
Sue Martin, Worthy Matron
Raphael Leonard, Worthy Patron.

Clara Hammer, Associate Matron.

George Thrasher, Associate Patron.

Cora Barnes, Conductress.

Francis Smith, Associate Conductress.

Jessie Leonard, Treasurer

Blanche Robinson, Secretary.

Myrtle Walton, Marshall.

Nona Coovert, Organist.

Effie Smith, Chaplain.

Letha Grizzell, Adah.

Anna Athey, Ruth.

Freda Messenger, Esther.

Martha to be supplied later.

Lucille Floyd, Electa.

Lola Peterson, Warder.

Frank Floyd, Sentinel.

—Merry Christmas—

Art Drews left for Portland early Thursday (today) morning where he will spend his Christmas holiday with his mither and other relatives and friends.

—Merry Christmas—

Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Logan left the first of the week for San Francisco and other California points, where Mr. Logan was called on business.

—Merry Christmas—

CHRISTMAS DANCE

Come to the Big Christmas Dance, American Legion hall, Monday, December 25th. Music by Glenn Hamilton's orchestra. Admission 75 cents.

Kerby News Notes of General Interest

Dave Bour who is quite ill at his home in Kerby, is somewhat better but unable to leave home. Mrs. Lillian White and his brother George are caring for him.

Friends of Mrs. Frank Floyd are sorry to hear of her illness which came upon her quite suddenly Tuesday morning; a nurse is staying with Mrs. Floyd and she is rapidly improving; no company is permitted as quiet and rest are ordered for more rapid recovery.

Mrs. Pearl Horn left Saturday for Portland to visit a son and daughter and to seek medical treatment. Mrs. Horn is the mother of George Horn who owns Maple Court auto camp.

Mrs. Leo Hassler received word from her daughter, Mrs. June Caza, who is employed at Klamath Falls, that she had fallen in front of her apartment and had broken her leg. She is in a Klamath Falls hospital. An icy pavement is blamed for the accident.

Dave White returned Sunday to Kerby after spending several weeks visiting in southern California.

Don Morrison returned Sunday after a business trip to southern California.

—Merry Christmas—

"THE HARDYS RIDE HIGH" SAT. AND SUN.

The screen saga of a family against the world, yet with it and distinctly a part of it, continues in "The Hardys Ride High," which comes to the Cave City theater Saturday and Sunday, December 23 and 24.

Successful primarily because of their human qualities, none of the Hardy pictures which have gone before, had more of human nature in it. Here, the Hardy family acquires riches. Every normal family has dreamed of wealth and what they would do with it. Not many have actually acquired it. The Hardys leave their little town of Carvel for a mansion in Detroit. Their charge account is unlimited and only the Hardy conscience is their guide.

Lewis Stone as always the philosophical Judge Hardy, keeps his feet on the ground when the Hardy ride highest. So, too, does Fay Holden as Emily Hardy, the wife and mother. When the fortune eventually dissolves her sole loot is an old fashioned iron frying pan which she has always wanted. The Judge has a new silk hat which she bought for him but which he doesn't want and for which he has no use back in Carvel.

Mickey Rooney, swept by the sudden turn of events, becomes a young man about town for one night only, and his acting in this sequence alone qualifies him for the stardom which he recently rated.

"Tiny Troubles" and News of the Day complete the program.

—Merry Christmas—

Newspaper Publisher Locates In Valley

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Mallery and niece, Helen Schow, arrived in Cave Junction last Sunday from Oakland, Oregon, and will make their home in the Ashby Fulk house on the Bridgeview road. Mrs. Mallery has been publishing a weekly newspaper at Oakland and Mr. Mallery is educational advisor at the Oregon Caves CCC camp.

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Contract Let For Bridge Over Illinois

After a frightfully long delay, the State Highway Commission finally let the contract over again to J. F. Johnson of Newberg, to build the bridge over the Illinois river near Takilma. The bid was for \$12,928.

The contract calls for construction of a bridge over the east fork of the Illinois river on the county road. Eight bids were submitted, and they were opened June 22.

The letting of the contract follows the longest delay of its kind in memory of state highway department employes. A few weeks ago the contract was let and immediately recalled. At that time the record for delay already had been broken.

The Grants Pass Courier says that because winter is well advanced it is unlikely that construction of the bridge will start until next spring.

If this is the case, high water may take out the present structure and considerable annoyance and delay in transportation and mail delivery will result.

LATER REPORT SAYS CONSTRUCTION TO START

The following report from the Grants Pass Courier indicates that construction will start this winter:

Immediate construction is expected of the Happy Camp road bridge over the east fork of the Illinois river, according to a letter received Wednesday by County Judge Johnson from Secretary H. B. Glaisyer of the state highway commission, informing him that the \$12,928 contract has been awarded to a Newberg firm.

Because winter has already begun it was thought unlikely that work would begin until next spring but Glaisyer wrote that "it is my understanding that construction operations will begin immediately."

For once County Engineer H. B. Brown admits that he has plenty of road labor. He announced Wednesday that there are now 190 WPA workers employed in improving the roads in this county, 20 having been added this week.

Never before have there been more than 120 WPA men employed on the roads, he said. Those being developed are the Golf Course, Upper River, Murphy-New Hope and Happy Camp roads, with 52 men working on each of the first three named and 34 on the Happy Camp job.

—Merry Christmas—

WHAT THE LEGION AUXILIARY IS DOING

The following is a report of the activities of Glenn Morrison unit Kerby for work from September 1 to December 21st:

We are very proud to say that we now have our quota for 1940.

Officers were installed; outgoing president was presented with past president's pin. A presidents pin was presented to the unit by Mrs. Pearl Martindale.

Music work was started with organization of a sextette which has sung at two entertainments.

A study of the constitution was made at a sewing meeting. Check-a-month of \$1.00 a month was paid for the year.

Nineteen cards were sent to teachers asking them to stress "safety first" in the schools.

Entertained the Beaver Boys

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Merry Christmas To All