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30 FOR THE ATHEYS

"30" in printing expressions, means the end—So we have come to the end of our connection with the Illinois Valley News. We are surrendering this promising country weekly newspaper to Mr. and Mrs. J. C. (Jack) Abernathy.

With the exception of about 11 months, the Atheys have published The News for the past 12 years, and you must believe us, it has been 12 years of real pleasure where we have made many of the finest friends. So it is not at all easy for us to throw down our editorial pen, even though it has not been very vitriolic, and say good bye to all you good people of this marvelous Illinois Valley.

In turning over The News to the new owners, we do so with the knowledge that you will have younger, more active and enterprising owners, and we take a keen delight in introducing "Jack and Emma" to you, knowing they will fulfill their desire to publish for you, a mighty fine paper.

In passing, we want to say that we have never lived among a more pleasing and intelligent class of business men and women and farmers and lumbering men than reside in the Illinois Valley, and hope that this is just adios, not good bye, and we sincerely hope you will give Jack and Emma Abernathy the same loyal patronage you have so generously given us.

MORNAY ATHEY.

LEGION DANCE ON NEW YEARS EVE

Glenn Morrison Post No. 70 of the American Legion will give a New Years eve dance at the Legion hall in Cave Junction Saturday, December 31.

Luncheon will be served by the Ladies of the Auxiliary at midnight.

Wild oats make a poor breakfast.



FRI., SAT., DEC. 30 and 31

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CHURCH NOTES

CAVE JUNCTION COMMUNITY CHURCH

George H. Gray, Pastor
Sunday School at 10 a. m.
Morning Worship at 11 a. m.

Sunday School attendance was less than usual on Christmas morning. Contest between the Blues and Reds closed with the Blues winners, so they will be entertained on New Years night with the moving picture, "The Rich Young Ruler". No admission.

Wedding anniversaries were observed for Rev. and Mrs. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Freeman, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Welsh, and birthday for Roberta England. Visitors were Mrs. O. W. Green, Loyal and Richard, Ashland; Mrs. Arlene Clark, Medford; Joanne and Kay Johnston, grand-children of Mr. and Mrs. John Dow; Mr. and Mrs. Merle Griffin, Phillip Merledene and Patty; Jimmy Reed; George Griffin, Grants Pass; Mr. and Mrs. Claude Bulla, Cave Junction; and Edmund Burton, home from bible school in Portland.

Rev. Gray used Luke 2:11 for his text "Christ Our Savior". The quartet sang "How Can I Help But Love Him". Following the services a gift was presented to the Grays by friends of the church.

Wednesday of last week, the Missionary Society met at the church for its annual Christmas party and gift exchange, with the O'Brien circle hostesses. New officers elected were: Vivian McDaniel, president; Evon Carothers, vice-president; Lee Carson, secretary; and Gertrude Martin, treasurer. The Kerby Circle meets Wednesday, January 4, at the church for insallation and transaction of other business.

O'BRIEN NEWS

By Ruby Thompson

The O'Brien school held its Christmas program Friday, with rooms decorated in festive effects. Donating trees and materials were Mr. Capps, John Campbell, Mr. Etherton. Mrs. Galland, Mrs. Burrows were in charge of the program presented.

Marshall and Norma Burrows and son Robert motored to Ojai, California, to spend Christmas with Betty and Leo Atcessor who now live on a ranch in that community.

Art and Julia Williams have gone to Tempe, Arizona, to visit the Gene Brown family.

Lela Cooke and Jessie Parsons were united in marriage December 21 in Grants Pass. The couple are at present at the Cooke home. Thursday night friends and neighbors gave them a charivari.

Vibert Kirke suffered severe burns while extinguishing burning waste.

Gertrude Hearing is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Hearing for an indefinite period.

WILLIAM RUSSELL HOWARD

William R. Howard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee O. Howard of Cave Junction, died December 13 in Stockton, California. Bill, as he was known to his friends, was a victim of polio. Services were held in Stockton, with interment in the Cherokee Memorial Park. He is survived by his widow and infant daughter, Linda.

Corn Acreage

American corn growers intend to plant 1.6 per cent less acreage than they planted last year. The difference amounts to 2,167 square miles, and an area equivalent to several Illinois counties, or double that of the entire state of Rhode Island.



The Scots have always made a big fuss over New Years, and no wonder. The wassail bowl goes 'round at New Year's time, filled with savory liquid and nostalgic memories.

Traditionally, the wassail bowl itself should be an ornament of graceful design; its contents should be warm and spicy—with sweetened wine, ale, sugar, and nutmeg.

Custom dictates that at the stroke of 12 on New Year's Eve, the head of the household should slip the mixture and then pass it among those present. A favorite custom of the Scots has been to pile into wagons or sleighs carrying kettles full of the wassail, cheese and buns. The party stops at various houses in the community and the refreshments go 'round at each stop without paying much attention to the approaching dawn.

"Open House" on New Year's Day was quite the vogue in the United States around the turn of the 20th century. Newspapers carried columns of 'at home' notices announcing the hours during which visitors would be received. And having duly received, hosts and hostesses closed their receptions and joined the procession of callers at other 'open houses.'

Human nature being what it is, receptions were often 'crashed' by strangers prompted by the accessibility of free punch, and a succession of several 'open houses' sometimes resulted in the most welcome guests arriving in excessively boisterous or mellow moods and contributed to the abandonment of the publicly announced 'open house.' But intimates still toast each other around a private wassail bowl and "drink a cup of kindness yet for Auld Lang Syne".



New Year's Day, aside from its festive connection, may not seem very momentous to the average citizen, but in the past it figured prominently in the making of history.

It saw the unfurling of the first American flag by George Washington, and the emancipation of Negro slaves.

Here is a list of important events that have occurred on New Year's day throughout the ages:

January 1
38 B. C. The era of the Caesars began.

1349 A. D. Edward III, king of England, defeated the French before Calais with great slaughter.

1735 Paul Revere born.

1757 Calcutta, India, captured by the British.

1776 First Union flag of 13 stripes unfurled by George Washington.

1792 Kentucky admitted to the Union.

1801 Union of Ireland with Britain.

1814 American dragoons attacked the British who had seized Buffalo, N. Y.

1815 General Jackson repelled British when they attacked New Orleans.

1825 Great Britain acknowledged independence of South American republics.

1863 Emancipation of Negro slaves became effective by proclamation of President Abraham Lincoln.

1907 U. S. pure food law put into effect.

1913 Parcel post system inaugurated.

1919 New Year's day declared a legal holiday throughout the country except in Massachusetts and Washington, D. C.

"Squaring the Circle"

Squaring the circle was a famous problem of the ancient Greeks. It was to draw a square having the same area as a given circle, using nothing beside the pencil but a compass and an unmarked straightedge. Though never solved, it was not until 1882 that it was proved impossible.

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New Year Resolutions Silly

So Say Psychiatrists

In the opinion of some of the nation's leading psychiatrists, the practice of making New Year resolutions is "silly."

They believe that any person going around making resolutions and informing all and sundry of his decision is something of an exhibitionist and, in addition, is being childish.

The experts add that these persons, "probably never carry out the resolutions anyway."

Some agree that New Year resolutions have little value. They feel that resolutions aren't the best way of curbing difficulties and correcting one's self. They point out that, instead, the best method is giving thought to what causes trouble and trying rationally to correct these faults.

Children especially, the experts argue, should not be encouraged in "making resolutions." They contend a "child should be taught to do the best he can at all times and not save his difficulties for any particular time, and attempt to tear them all up by one superhuman effort that is almost sure to fail."

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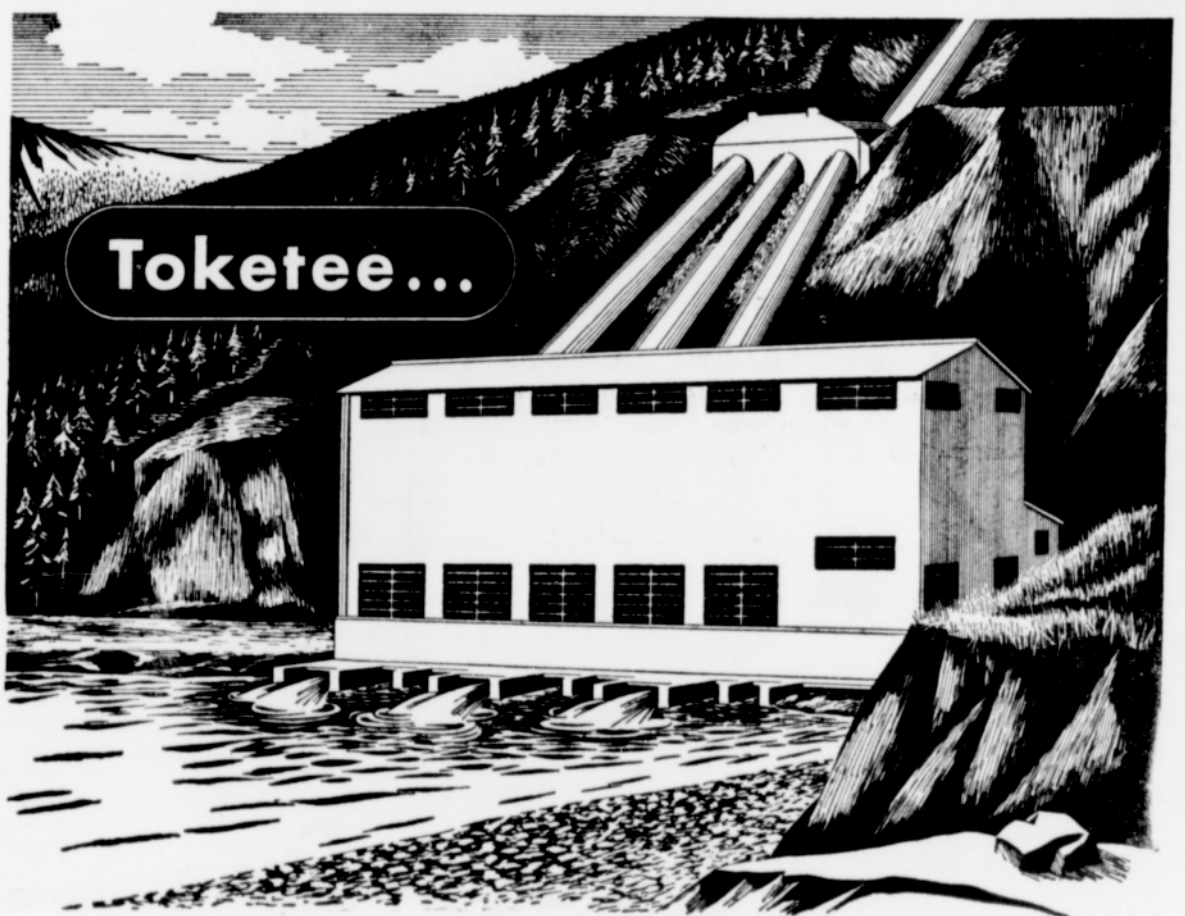
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