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CHRISTMAS DOINGS

Santa Claus at Three Churches When Music Song and Good Cheer Will Be In Evidence.

Santa Claus and beautifully decorated Christmas trees will be seen at three churches at Athena to-night—Christmas eve.

On the whole the programs to be rendered at all three churches, will include music, song and good cheer, and no matter which church you attend this evening you are sure to be pleasantly entertained.

Methodist Church Program. Voluntary, and song by Choir. Invocation.

Recitation—"Greeting." Joy to the World—Congregation. Responsive Readings.

Recitation—"The Baby's World," Katherine Froome.

Recitation—Mildred Stanton. Song—Mrs. Worthington's Class.

Recitation—"A Present for the King," Edna Pinkerton.

Recitation—"Christmas Everywhere," Lighta Grant.

Song—"Silent Night," Choir.

Recitation—"We Have Seen His Star," Sylvester Crable.

Recitation—"Quite Like a Stocking," Hazel McFarland.

The Song in the Air—Congregation. Recitation—"Christmas Twice a Year," Rulon Smith.

Solo—"Christmas Carol," Mrs. A. O. Hammond.

Recitation—"Christmas Tide," Lillian Tompkins.

Recitation—"Mamie Weaver. Solo—"Better to Smile," Galdys Smith.

Recitation—"The Divine Child," Ruby Banister.

Recitation—"What Do Shepherds Think," Louis Stewart.

Song—"In the Land of Judea," School.

Distribution of Presents. At the Christian.

Song—"Coronation," Congregation. Scripture Reading.

Prayer. Selections from Sacred Cantata "Bethlehem"

(a) "A Savior, Christ The Lord," Chorus.

(b) Duet "When Jesus Was Born," Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Taylor and Chorus.

(c) Chorus—"Ring the Bells," Song—Willard Parker.

Recitation—Jeanette Miller. Song—Zola Keen.

Recitation—Lawson Booher. German Solo—Bertha Miller.

Recitation—Four Girls. Solo—Lucile Taylor.

Recitation—Hazel Brotherton. Solo—"In Old Judea," Merna DePeat.

Recitation—Savannah Smith. Song—"Star of Night," Mrs. Gerking's class.

Remarks—Supt. G. R. Gerking. Chorus—"Unto Us a Child is Born," Chas. H. Gabriel.

Baptist Church. Organ—Mrs. Ryder.

Song—"Hark! The Song of Gladness," Choir.

Opening Prayer. Scripture Reading.

Hymn—"Joy to the World," Congregation.

Recitation—"The Christ Child," Claude Coomans.

Recitation—"Christmas is Here," Mrs. Winship's class.

Recitation—"Christmas Stocking," Vernita Watts.

Recitation—"Jennie's Christmas," Lester Vaughn.

Quartet—Rev. and Mrs. Driver, Rev. and Mrs. Ryder.

Recitation—"The First Angelic Song to Men," Louise Knight.

Recitation—"My Dollies," Audrey Winship.

Recitation—"The Little Santa Claus," Kohler Betta.

Recitation—"Christmas Fun," Mattie Lee Case.

Recitation—"Legend of the Fir and

Poplar Trees," Helen Russell.

Recitation—"A King Come Down," Mildred Winship.

Song—"Bells of Christmas Tide," Choir.

Recitation—Selected, Jessie McEwen

Recitation—"Ten Little Light Bearers," Toled McFadden's class.

Recitation—"What the Star Saw," Thelma McEwen.

Address—Rev. Driver.

Distribution of presents from tree.

Song—"God Be With You Till We Meet Again."

Prayer—Rev. Ryder.

THE HALL-HYATT NUPTIALS

Prominent Young Couple of Weston Mountain are United.

On Sunday, December, 19 '09, a beautiful wedding ceremony occurred at the home of the brides parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hyatt, when their youngest daughter, Miss Jennie May was united in marriage to Wm. B. Hall, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Price, of Weston mountain. Rev. Payne of the U. B. church, Weston, officiating.

At high noon the beautiful strains of the wedding march were played by little Myrtle Hyatt. The happy couple marched in accompanied by Mr. L. B. Scribner of Condon, as the groom's best man, and Miss Nettie Hyatt, sister of the bride, as bridesmaid. Standing under an arch of white chrysanthemums and white wedding bells, Rev. Payne pronounced the solemn words that made them one for life.

The bride was attired in white mesaline silk, trimmed in silk setting and fringe. The bridal veil was trimmed in orange blossoms and she wore orange blossoms in her hair. The groom wore the conventional black.

Only immediate relatives were present and after the ceremony all retired to the dining room where a long table was laden with appetizing fruit and vegetables that the famous Weston mountain farms are capable of producing. Mr. and Mrs. Hall were the recipients of many nice presents showing the high esteem they hold in the community.

Mr. Hall is a prosperous young farmer and after this week Mr. and Mrs. Hall will be at home to their many friends on what is known as the Bryson homestead.

ATHENA LOST TO COLUMBIA

Reception Held at Opera House After Spirited Game.

Columbia college, 32; Athena High School, 12.

That is the way the score read at the close of the basket ball game at the opera house, Saturday evening. The Columbia boys came up from Pendleton shrouded in gloom of defeat which they met at the County seat, and left the city bathed in smiles of victory won only on superior basket shooting. Again the home team did clever floor work, playing their heavy antagonists to a standstill, only to lose out by inability to toss the ball. Clever plays were made by both teams and only in the department mentioned did the Milton collegians have the edge on the home boys, Mr. Steel of Walla Walla refereed, and J. E. Keefe of Weston officiated as umpire.

After the game, the faculty and pupils of the high school tendered a reception to the visiting team. Refreshments provided by Prof. Case were daintily served, and interesting games were features of the evenings entertainment.

A Delightful Entertainment.

The Athena High School is to be congratulated for giving the public such delightful entertainment Friday evening, the occasion being the first appearance in this city of Mrs. Raymond C. Brooks. Mrs. Brooks cleverly entertained the large audience with her choice selection of recitations and songs. The program was skillfully prepared with appropriateness for the entertainment of both old and young. Mrs. Brooks imitation of children singing and reciting displayed rare talent. She was assisted by Miss Nellie Mulkey at the piano, and the high school chorus, led by Miss Zelma DePeat.

Whitman Coach Here.

Coach Blanchard, of the Whitman college athletic department has been engaged by Prof. Case to take the High school basket ball teams through a course of training. The coach is giving instructions to both the boys' and girls' teams, and every member of both teams is practicing diligently. The suits for the girls team and the boys of the second team have been received. Tuesday night a double header game will be played with Weston High School, when the boy's and girls' teams of the two schools meet for the first time in this city.

Sacrifice Does Not Save.

Reed Crews, who was terribly burned at Walla Walla October 23, by falling on the wires of the Northwestern corporation substation died Monday morning of his wounds. He made a great fight. Physicians grafted on 900 inches of skin donated by 350 persons.

Indians Get Money.

Between \$25,000 and \$30,000 rent money was distributed among the Indians at the agency, this week. The Indian is a good spender and of late years he is considered to be comparatively prompt in liquidating indebtedness contracted since previous pay day.

Join Boards is Plan.

Abolition of the State Board of Health and the office of state dairy and food commissioner and a consolidation of the functions of the two organizations will be proposed in an initiative measure which the members

WILD FREIGHT TRAIN

Engineless, it Gets Away From Trainers and Dashes Down Meacham Grade at Frightful Speed.

One of the most remarkable wrecks in the Western history of railroading transpired Monday a short distance this side of Meacham when a runaway freight train, without its engine, consisting of a caboose and 28 heavily loaded cars dashed down the canyon from the summit at Kamela. Five men, stock shippers, were in the caboose, and were unaware that the train was running away until they beheld cars leaping from the rails. The caboose and six carloads of livestock remained on the track and the only life lost was that of a cow. Two other men riding on different parts of the train, jumped and escaped serious injury.

The freight pulled into Kamela from LaGrande, where it met East bound passenger train No. 10. The freight engine was uncoupled and was at the bunkers for coal, when it is supposed the air escaped, allowing the brakes to release pressure. None of the train crew was about the train when the cars started noiselessly and swiftly down the track toward Pendleton.

With the journals smoking, the long train took the sharp curves and dashed through Meacham at the rate of 60 miles an hour; plunged through the tunnel below the station and on around a curve, where two cars in the middle of the train, leaped 50 feet to one side of the track, struck again 100 feet further down the hill and then rolled into the bottom of the canyon below.

A quarter of a mile further on, the speed of the runaway train had become terrific and other cars were hurled alongside the rightofway. Another quarter of a mile and the front cars buckled up, stopping further progress and leaving the caboose and six stock cars, surrounded by wreckage, undamaged.

Sixteen cars were totally destroyed. The loss will amount up into the thousands of dollars for in addition to the actual loss sustained by the railroad company, many of the wrecked cars were loaded with high class merchandise.

With the Y. M. C. A. The Press is honored with an invitation to attend the opening exercises of the new Y. M. C. A. building at Portland, for which it extends thanks to its young friend Clarence Zerba. Mr. Zerba is one of the three assistant educational directors of the institution, R. C. French formerly president of the Eastern Oregon State Normal school being at the head of the educational department. The splendid new home of the Y. M. C. A. cost \$466,000.

Helix Farm Union Elects. The meeting of the farmers' union and warehouse company at Helix was attended by 25 farmers and their families. Union officers elected were: C. C. Conner, president; J. H. Day, vice-president; Eugene McCulley, secretary; F. M. Benson, conductor; G. E. Rees, D. K.; Mrs. G. E. Rees, chaplain. Stockholders of the warehouse company voted to increase the capacity for next year.

Annual Meeting. The regular annual school board convention will meet in Pendleton on Saturday, January 8, and the meeting will be held at the court house. J. H. Ackerman, state superintendent of public instruction, will be there from Salem and will be the principal speaker of the occasion and a representative from every school district in the county is required to be present.

Hermiston Herald Sold. The Hermiston Herald has been sold by C. E. Baker to F. R. Reeves, late of the American Typefounders company. Mr. Reeves is a newspaper man of experience and will give the people of Hermiston a good paper. Mr. Baker will devote his attention to diversified farming.

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of the State Board of Health will submit to the voters of the state at the next general election in November, 1910. Through a reorganization of the state board with the office of the Dairy and Food Commissioner, it is asserted by the friends of the proposed measure, that all possibility of friction will be removed and efforts better to protect the public health will be promoted.

K. P. District Convention. Plans are being formed for holding the district convention of the Knights of Pythias. Milton will probably be the place selected for holding the convention, and the time will be some date in February.

AWFUL EPIDEMIC AT SALEM

Fifty New Cases Reported in Three Weeks, Making Total of 159.

There has been an increase of 50 cases of typhoid fever at Salem in the last three weeks. Up to November 27 there had been 109 cases reported to the City Health Officer. Since that time there have been 27 cases reported from the city and one from the country south of town.

Dr. J. N. Smith has ten cases not yet reported to the health officer. Dr. W. H. Byrd six, and Dr. Frank E. Smith seven. This brings the total up to 159 since the beginning of the epidemic in October. It is probable there are many more cases in the hands of physicians that have not yet been reported, but it is difficult to determine this point as Dr. Miles is reticent in giving out details.

Up to the first of this month there had been nine deaths reported to the City Health Officer. Dr. Miles says he thinks there have been from ten to 14 deaths but other well informed and less reticent number of deaths. The exact number be known untary, when the Health Officer report to the Court.

Dr. Miles, while declining to give out details of the epidemic, makes an examination records in the case exceeding venient, to say the least, by his books at his home for weeks at a time.

The hospitals are filled with typhoid patients and there are scores of cases in private homes.

Dr. W. B. Morse, a member of the State Health Board, in a public announcement, warns the people to cook all vegetables, keep out the flies and disinfect all vaults and barns. Dr. Miles confided to a newspaper reporter that all but one or two physicians in the city are convinced that the city water is unfit for use without boiling.

However, he has issued no public warning to boil the water or to take any precautions whatsoever against the contraction or spread of the disease, and even intimates that many of the cases that have been reported as typhoid are not typhoid in reality.

The epidemic has aroused the city as nothing has done for a long time and there is every indication that the proposal to build a mountain water system will be carried by a large majority if submitted before the people have a chance to forget the present scourge.

WALLA WALLA WET; 622 VOTES

Campaign Stirs Up Feud Between Garden City and Pendleton.

The local option campaign closed at Walla Walla Monday, when the Garden city voted to remain "wet" by a majority of 622 votes.

The business men's league promise reform and a reduction in number of saloons from 37 to 20 or one saloon to every 1000 estimated population. The local option forces have organized a civic league for the purpose of law enforcement, and while taking defeat tranquilly, say the local option fight will be renewed next election.

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