

## Rufus News

(By Mrs. George L. Fox)

The Rufus high school boys lost a game of basketball with the St. Mary's boys at The Dalles Wednesday night. St. Mary's boys played off two ties to get the extra point.

The Rufus Wolves went to Condon Friday night to take part in the jamboree. The Rufus boys tied with first place, but when they played off the tie they lost, so were awarded second place.

Miss Arlene Maenab came Friday to spend the weekend visiting Mr. and Mrs. William O'Brien. Arlene's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Maenab spent the weekend in Portland visiting their daughter Kay.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Nolan and son of Nyssa spent the week end visiting and hunting with Rufus friends. Sunday they were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Don Maenab. Mr. Nolan taught Don basketball when he was in high school at Rufus.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Fox were their son in law and daughter Dr. and Mrs. Wilson Foote of Corvallis. While here they all attended the Rufus grange dance Saturday night. Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Earl Weatherford of Arlington were dinner guests of the Foxes.

The Rufus grange dance came out alright financially Saturday night despite a school dance at Wasco the same night. The next grange dance will be January 10.

Those from Rufus attending the Odell grange Visitation Thursday night were Mr. and Mrs. Rolland Johnson, Mrs. Joe Drinkard, Mrs. Andy Engberg, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Brock, Mr. and Mrs. Harland McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Walt Morris, Mr. and Mrs. George Fox, Mr. and Mrs. Will Huck and Mrs. Ritchie Dingle.

Jack Steward who went to Missouri and Texas with Mr. and Mrs. Archie Brand a few weeks ago, returned via bus to Rufus last week. The Brands and their son Buzz plan on a longer visit with relatives.

The Rufus church Christmas program will be at the church Sunday evening December 21 at 8:00 o'clock. Parts have been given out and practice has started in earnest.

Missionary prayer meeting was held at the church last Wednesday night. Topics discussed were Christmas customs of other nations and countries. Some of the peoples were the Chinese, Africans, American Indians and several South American countries.

The primary class at the Rufus Sunday school has been re-organized into a beginners class and a primary class. Mrs. James Tate is still the teacher of the primary class and Marie Blake is the new teacher for the beginners. Rev. Adrian Rohbits made the classes a low table and they are fixing pictures for their walls, making their room look real attractive.

This week the Home Ec club of the Rufus grange will work at the grange hall to get it ready for their coming bazaar which is Saturday December 13. The bazaar will be open for business at 2:30 that day with a turkey dinner to be served at 6:30 in the evening. Club members will bring their bazaar articles to the hall Friday.

The Rufus school presented the show "Sahara" starring Humphrey Bogart at the school gym Thursday night.

The Rufus high school girls volleyball team defeated St. Paint, Barney's G. V.

at the Civic Auditorium in The Dalles Wednesday night. The score ended 44 to 20 in favor of Rufus.

### INTENDED FOR LAST WEEK

On the Rufus school honor roll for the first nine weeks were Donna Wilson a senior, Phyllis Rivard and George Fox, Jr. juniors; Dottie Steward and Marie Blake, sophomores; Wally Morris, freshman. Vaneta Peck was the only one having perfect attendance. George Fox, Jr. Arrowhead editor of Rufus school paper, announced plans for a contest designed to change the name of the school paper. Editor Fox has received several suggestions but as of this date the ideal name has yet to be submitted. In order to stimulate interest in this project a contest has been announced whereby the student body will provide a prize of \$2 for the best name selected by a group of judges composed of the high school faculty.

Students take cabinet positions for the next few weeks in U. S. History class at Rufus school. Paul Blackburne will be the attorney general; Donna Wilson, secretary of state; Gayle Eaton secretary of interior and Water Pipe, Barney's G. V.

a host of other students simulating a cabinet meeting in the Eisenhower administration. Problems confronting this board of strategy will be presented each day for a ten-minute period and the cabinet will draw assignments for research on the problems. Suffice it to say the class will exchange their knowledge of this important body and also stimulate interest in the historical significance of such a body.

The first of December started off with a white blanket of snow. This came after several weeks of cold freezing weather, with the thermometer going down to 20 degrees above at night.

The Rufus PTA met Monday evening with William O'Brien, president opening the business meeting. The matter of a school arship was discussed. It was decided to table it for now and work on raising more money towards the score board. The \$100 which was put aside for a score board last year is to be put in a savings account, so it won't be spent in the general fund. Donal Brislain announced the Christmas vacation would include all Christmas week and January first and second. The Christmas program will be December 18. On the refreshment

committee for next meeting will be Mrs. Robert Byrd, Mrs. Harvey Hansen, Mrs. Joe Morris, and Mrs. William O'Brien. Mr. Brislain announced the high school boys basketball team will go to The Dalles Wednesday night to play St. Mary's. Friday night Rufus will go to Condon to take part in a jamboree. County Judge Curt Tom gave a talk on the first school in Rufus and how they got along. Tom said for the teachers wages each family paid \$2 a month. School was held three months of the year. He also cited the advantages the students of today enjoy. Dick Smith had his upper grade room do the "Texas Star" and "Duck for the Oyster" square dance. The music was furnished by the record player with Mr. Smith doing the calling. Refreshments of cup cakes and coffee were served by Mr. and Mrs. Dick Smith at the end of the meeting.

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