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CHRISTMAS

The early Christians wisely took over and made their own the long celebrated winter solstice, the time when the sun ended its flight into the north and turned again southward.

From the many countries adhering to the Christian faith has come varied customs to become embodied in the celebration. Still remaining of earliest times is the giving of gifts, the spirit of friendliness and the good cheer. Pagans were made happy at the promises of longer days.

The promise of another growing season was translated by the Christians as belonging to faith in their Saviour and the holiday is now a Christian one the world over.

Because man needs some material things to make known his spiritual joy the season has become one of symbols. We have Christmas trees, Santa Claus, bells, cards, carols, all associated with Christmas and all with special meaning in some countries.

Through the medium of Christmas cards we hear from old friends we may not have met during the entire year; we make some happy with gifts. It is a time of joy and happiness we could not get along without, and woeful indeed is the one who cannot, or will not, enjoy the entire season that is Christmas.

WORLD FAIR

Whether Oregon celebrates the 100th anniversary of its admission to statehood with a world's fair or not depends more on the people of Oregon than on anything else. If they want it, or even placidly accept it, there will probably be a fair. If they oppose it, it cannot happen.

The idea is not so fanciful as it may sound to those who consider Oregon a small state far from the center of population and industry, and in no position to draw enough customers at the gate to pay for a fair. Oregon's economic isolation is a disadvantage, that is true, but it is to help cure that disadvantage the fair is being considered.

The northwest is the area in the nation where most electricity can be developed and naturally it is reasonable to presume that the new electronic industry might want to locate here. A properly conducted fair might convince the leaders of that industry to come.

The argument will not appeal to those Oregonians who have felt that an influx of new citizens will spoil the fishing. These people have not been successful in keeping new citizens away and probably they didn't really want to.

An investigation is being conducted by Stanford Research to determine whether a fair is possible or not. It is suspected that the report will be favorable to a fair as a means of celebration. If so, the people can decide the question, not, we hope, on their prejudices but on the evidence.

CHRISTMAS GOOSE

We have been wondering whatever became of Christmas goose. Years ago, it was considered proper in some circles with which we were familiar to have turkey on Thanksgiving and roast goose on Christmas. Now some enterprising grocer has advertised that it won't be Christmas without a turkey.

Now this is not to disparage the gobbling turkey that is the national bird of the youthful and the hungry. It is as good a substitute for roast beef as any fowl and does very well on days when one is not working.

But in the interest of variety the roasting of goose seemed desirable. The raising of geese seems to have fallen off or at least gotten into the hands of men who fail to make the public respond. A goose is a silly thing at best although of better disposition than a turkey. Feed him and he is happy and content. He is probably the least efficient of the animals of the barnyard so far as returning pounds of meat for pounds of feed. In these days when it is important to watch the material things it may be that the goose cannot compete.

Grass Valley

Home for the holidays from the various colleges are Janice Bly and Carolyn Lemley from the University of Oregon at Eugene, Rodney Rolfe from Linfield at McMinnville, Arden Peters and Doran Fritts from OTI at Klamath Falls, Scott Fritts and Dennis Andersen from OSC at Corvallis and Dorothy Kelley and Harry Hartley from EOC at LaGrande.

New officers elected for Sherman chapter No. 132 OES at its meeting December 7 were Mrs. Vernon Eakin, worthy matron; Wallace May, worthy patron; Mrs. Jack Adams, asso. matron and Owen Eakin, asso. patron; Mrs. Wallace May, secretary; D. L. Reynolds, treasurer; Mr. Harry Justesen, conductress and Mrs. Lester Wilson, asso. conductress.

Mrs. Alfred Kock and her daughter in law, Mrs. Bud Kock, left Sunday for Salinas, California where they will visit Bud Kock and other relatives over the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hatrup moved to Seattle Sunday where they will make their home while he is attending the University of Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Reynolds and family, Mr. and Mrs. Donald von Borstel and family and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Helyer and son went to The Dalles Sunday where they attended the Christmas program at St. Paul's Episcopal church.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Olds had as dinner guests last Tuesday honoring their son on his fourth birthday, Rev. and Mrs. Donald Leach and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Clair Balzer of Moro had as dinner guests Thursday evening his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Balzer honoring his mother on her birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arzell Lemley went to Gresham Monday to visit their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lemley planning to return Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Dugger and Mr. and Mrs. Oran Raven and son were dinner guests Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John

Rust.

Officers elected for the year 1955 for the Grass Valley Rebekah lodge No. 118 were Mrs. Don Smith, noble grand; Mrs. Kenneth Crews, vice grand; Mrs. M. Rolfe, secretary and Mrs. Claud Bayer, treasurer.

Danny Duncan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Slim Duncan, quit school at OTI and joined the navy to begin his training January 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Stark of Bend spent the weekend here visiting relatives.

Hans Bardenhagen brought his wife home from Portland Sunday after spending several weeks in the hospital following a car accident.

Mrs. Frank Ketter entertained the bridge club at her home last Tuesday evening with a luncheon followed by cards at three tables. Mrs. Ketter held high, Mrs. Alfred Kock second and Mrs. Don Smith low. Mrs. C. R. Andersen won the traveling prize. Others present were Mrs. Walter Davis, Mrs. Robert Schilling, Mrs. Harry Hooper, Mrs. Pearl Garrett, Mrs. John Rust, Mrs. Paul Syron, Mrs. Ted Kelly. As each guest arrived they placed a gift wrapped package in a fish pond to be fished out later in the evening. At the close of the party the hostess served fruit cake, cookies and coffee.

Eighty-five children and some of the parents attended the Christmas party sponsored by the American Legion auxiliary held at the Kent Legion hall Saturday night. The Kent school band entertained with several Christmas numbers. Santa Claus appeared

on the scene and gave each child present a bag of candy. At the close refreshments of Christmas cookies, punch and coffee were served.

The Grass Valley Rebekah lodge No. 118 met at the IOOF hall Wednesday evening for its regular meeting. Mrs. Earl Olds, past noble grand, presided in place of Mrs. John Rust. After the regular session a birthday party was held for members with birthdays in December. Mrs. T. M. Rolfe was the honor guest. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Alfred Payne and Mrs. James Easter.

The Kent Community church held its Christmas program at the church Sunday evening, the program consisted of group singing, recitations and piano solos. At the close of the service each child received a bag of candy.

A safe Christmas is a Merry Christmas. Check all wires and

connections for home decorations to see that they are in good condition. Don't plug too many cords into one outlet. Never leave tree lights burning when no one is home or when everyone has retired for the night.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
All persons having claims against the Estate of Charles J. Bullard, deceased, are hereby notified to present them, with the proper vouchers and duly verified, to the undersigned, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Executrix of the Estate of Charles J. Bullard, deceased, at the office of T. Lester Johnson, attorney at law, Moro, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice, to-wit: December 24, 1954.
Lucetta Adlard
Executrix

T. Lester Johnson
Attorney for Executrix 8-11c

CALL FOR BIDS

Bids will be received until January 10, 1955 at 8 p. m. by School District No. 23, Grass Valley, Oregon for insulation of the school house ceiling with a four inch blanket of approved insulation material and install ventilation louvers. For further information see a board member. The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.
Eva Cantrill, Clerk

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Bethlehem Chapter No. 72. O.E.S.
Meets every second and fourth Thursday in each month; visiting members invited. Moro, Oregon.
Betty Christianson, W.M.
Elsie Jones, Secretary

Eureka Lodge No. 121 A.F. & A.M.
Meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday evenings each month. Visiting members cordially invited to meet with us.
Howard Ross, W. M.
H. B. Pinkerton, Secretary

Lupine Rebekah Lodge No. 116
Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month. Visiting members welcome.
Althea Burnett N.G.
Elen Martin, Sec'y

Moro Lodge No. 113 I.O.O.F.
Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays in I.O.O.F. hall. Transient and visiting brothers are cordially invited.
C. O. Burnett, N.G.
Leo Watkins, Secretary

YOUR SAVINGS needed to earn over 5 PERCENT to keep even with the pace of higher living costs the past 10 years. Most likely than not, the trend of prices, living costs and taxes will be upward in coming years. High grade common stocks and mutual funds, legal investments or churches, colleges and savings banks, offer MANY benefits in planning for financial security. Why not look over the facts right away? Write or call or phone JOSEPH W. DODD, Tygh Valley, Ore. Eastern Oregon Mgr., Wm. J. Collins & Co. Complete investment service, U. S. and Canada. Tax exempt school bonds, nationwide. 8c tfn

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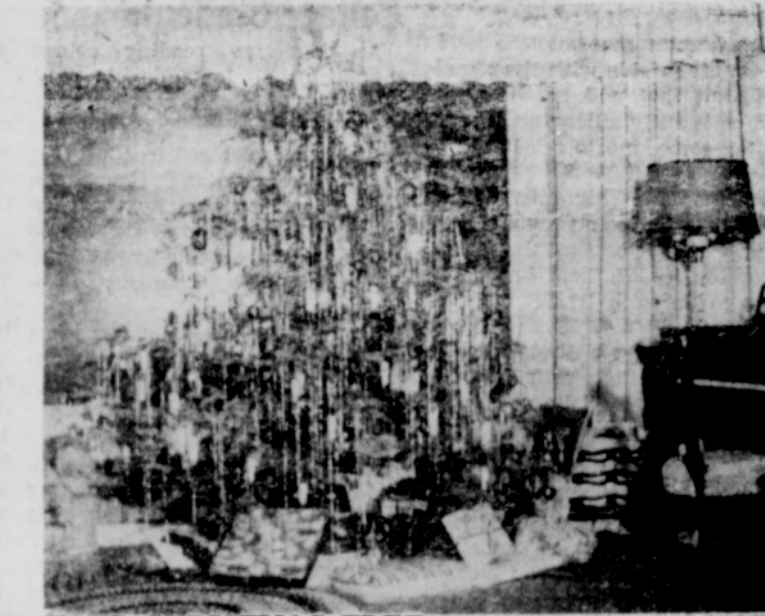
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Merry Christmas
1954
Keith McDonald

Remembered Holiday
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Douma's Grocery & Market

Outdoor telephone booths get new look

Here's the kind of telephone booth you'll see us using in many outdoor installations from now on. And we think you'll like it a lot. Instead of wood, it has a silvery-white aluminum frame, with big glass panels that will give you better lighting. You'll also find it roomier and better ventilated than the wooden models. These handsome new booths cost less to take care of, too... and last longer. They help us bring you more and better telephone service at low cost. Pacific Telephone works to make your telephone a bigger value every day.



YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE AND MINE

Here is a picture of my Christmas tree—it is very much like yours with glittering ornaments and soft glowing lights. It is beautiful; it conveys the spirit of giving and is a symbol of hope, peace and good will. To youth, Christmas is a joyous occasion. To adults it brings back fond childhood memories and pleasant family ties. Speaking of family ties there will be many instances where sons, daughters and parents are separated by distances making it impossible to be home for Christmas. Ties can be kept intact not only at Christmas but throughout the year by long distance telephone. Yes, hearing the voice is the next best thing to being home! All of us here at Pacific Telephone sincerely wish that this Christmas will bring you and yours contentment, the traditional joys of the holiday season, and a world at peace.

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