

Grass Valley

By Mrs. A. F. Balzer

Many parents, relatives and friends attended the Christmas program held at the school auditorium Thursday evening. The kindergarten opened the program by singing two numbers, "Trimming the Tree" and "Silver Bells" and the rhythm band played two numbers, "Willie Claus" and "Frosty the Snowman". Those taking part were Victor Rolfe, Steve Rolfe, Bobbie King, Robbie Brander, Ricky Cantrall, Pamela Ketter, Gloria Todd, Lou Ann Stark, Joy Ann Brady, Louise Eakin and Jerry Alberty with Mrs. Bertha Brinkert as director.

A play "Gifts for Santa" by the first and second grades, scene 1- a schoolroom before the Christmas assembly, scene 2- the same school room on day of assembly and scene 3- the true meaning of Christmas. Characters were as follows: Ellen, Derrie Peters; Grace, Melva Dean Alberty; Karen, Cathy von Borstel; Kay, Lorrie Alsip; John Ray Eakin; Betty, Sheri Rolfe; Jean, Kathleen King; announcer, John Johnson; Mary, Carol Todd; Joseph, Skeet Brander; Wisemen, Jimmy Payne, Eddie Eslinger and Mike Alsip; shepherds, Kenneth Smithce and Dave Sant, angels, Maureen Arrow, Sharyl Blagg, Jessie Brander and Carmen Johnson, light bearers, David Bayer and Harold Owens. Soloist, Sheri Rolfe.

A play "What is Christmas" by the second and third grades, songs "O Christmas Tree", "Jingle Bells", "Up On the House Top", "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen", "Deck the Halls", "Santa Claus is coming to Town", "Joy to the World", "O Little Town of Bethlehem", "Away in a Manger", and "Silent Night". Choral reading and chorus, Sally Sue Bibby, Joy von Borstel, Terry Eakin, Curt Blagg, Lorraine Stark, Michael Eslinger, David Eakin, Ruth Alley, Michael Arbow, Dean Ruggles, Kenneth Lemley, Robert Sant, Janice Lemley, Randy Lemley, Clifford Todd, Leonard Eakin, Linda Fix, Ann Brown, Don Pierce, Ronnie Eakin, Nancy Alberty, Sheri Rolfe and Dick Barnum.

A play "The Nativity" by the 4th, 5th, 6th 7th and 8th grades characters were Mary, Florene Crews; Joseph, Gene Eakin; big angel, Julia Bayer; little angels, Nancy Crews and Marjorie Riggs; shepherds, Jerry Kelly, Danny Martin and Gail Stradley, wisemen, Gene Schilling, Thomas Eakin, and John Sant; readers, John Eakin and Carol Owens; chorus, Patty Alsip, Patty Brown, Lois Payne, Byron Bayer, Victor Johnson, Kenneth Blagg, Lowell Smith, Curt Middleton, Virginia Todd, Katherine Reckman, Mona Eakin, Ardine Todd, Peggy Riggs, Michael Todd, Danny Rolfe, Malcolm Eslinger, Karen Freeze, James Duncan, John Duncan, Alfa Payne, Larry Middleton and Orville Blaylock.

Dinner guests at the Wallace May home Christmas day were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Busse and daughter, Vee, and Mrs. Grace Zevely of Moro and Mr. and Mrs. John Cook and son, Paul, from Bend.

Mrs. Bob King was hostess at a Christmas party at her home Tuesday afternoon when she invited the kindergarten and their teacher, Mrs. Bertha Brinkert and Mrs. Ivan Blagg and the children in her room. The house was beautifully decorated with Christmas greens and a lighted tree. After an exchange of gifts Mrs. King gave each one favors and served them cake, cookies and punch.

Tuesday evening the young people of the 6th, 7th and 8th grades went caroling in Grass Valley. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fritts, the Rev. Don Leach and Mrs. Bud Brinkert. Afterwards they went to the Brinkert home for refreshments.

The Grass Valley Rebekahs met at the IOOF hall Wednesday evening for a regular meeting. Mrs. Don Smith, noble grand, presided with 21 members present. Plans for installation were discussed and open installation will be held jointly with the Odd Fellows on Wednesday January 11. After the meeting a birthday anniversary and Christmas party was held, Mrs. T. M. Rolfe had a birthday, Mrs. Frank E. Bayer and Mrs. Jack Brady had anniversaries. After an exchange of gifts refreshments were served by Mrs. Archie Cantrall and Mrs. Robert Schilling.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Blagg and family left Saturday for Lebanon to spend the holiday weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Coyle, they returned Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Jenkins of Portland arrived Saturday and spent the holiday weekend with their daughter, Mrs. Donald von Borstel and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hattrup arrived Saturday from Seattle and spent Christmas here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ted von Borstel.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kock were dinner guests Christmas day at the Dean Pinkerton home at Moro.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted von Borstel had as dinner guests Christmas day Mr. and Mrs. Donald von Borstel and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Jenkins, Bill Pausch, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hattrup, Mr. and Mrs. Carl von Borstel and family, Mr. and Mrs. George von Borstel and the Misses Cassie and Mabel Holmes who came up from The Dalles Friday for the holiday weekend at the von Borstel home.

The Baptist Mission society held its Christmas party at the church Wednesday afternoon. After a short program and an exchange of gifts, refreshments of nut bread, salad and coffee were served. Those present were Mrs. Don Earl, Mrs. Don Leach, Mrs. Ed Fritts, Mrs. Amelia Peterson, Mrs. Vernon Eakin and Mrs. Sam Stark.

Mrs. Frances Mathews arrived Friday from Seattle to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. T. M. Rolfe. Miss Barbara Blaylock came up with her to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Boyce Blaylock.

Mrs. Harriett Wells arrived Sunday from Roseburg to spend to holidays with her mother, Mrs. T. M. Rolfe.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Perrigo and family arrived Friday night from Astoria and spent the holiday weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank T. Bayer.

Dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ted von Borstel Monday were Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kock, Mr. and Mrs. Carl von Borstel and daughter, the Misses Cassie and Mabel Holmes and Bill Pausch. The occasion was the birthday anniversaries of Mrs. Kock and Ted von Borstel. Mr. and Mrs. Frank von Borstel and Mrs. Frank von Borstel and the evening was spent playing cards and games.

Among the visitors in The Dalles Wednesday were Mr. and Mrs. Frank von Borstel, Mrs. Verne Mobley and son, Verne, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Clodfelter and son, Wendell and Mr. and Mrs. Arzell Lemley.

Mr. and Mrs. A. von Borstel and Fred were visitors in The Dalles Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Blagg went to The Dalles Tuesday to visit her brother, Ernest Eslinger who is ill at a hospital.

Mrs. A. A. Dunlap had Christmas dinner with her daughter, Mrs. Verne Mobley and family at Kent.

Dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Cantrall for Christmas day were Mr. and Mrs. Kendrick Dunlap and family and

her father, Jess Cantrall from Moro and Mr. and Mrs. Everett Cantrall and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Munsey and son arrived Friday from Hazelton, Idaho and spent the holiday week end with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hooper.

Frank von Borstel Jr. arrived Saturday from Roseburg to spend the holiday season with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Frank von Borstel.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank von Borstel and Frank Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Says and son Tony of Moro were dinner guests Christmas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. von Borstel.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Eakin had as dinner guests Christmas day Mr. and Mrs. Norris Gilkison, Mrs. John Engstrom and Jim Jones and his mother.

John Schadewitz arrived from Fort Ord, having completed his basic training, to visit his parents Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schadewitz.

Mr. and Mrs. A. von Borstel and Fred, were visitors Monday evening at the J. E. Norton home at Kent.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Brockway and family of The Dalles were over night guests Monday of her grandmother, Mrs. T. M. Rolfe. They left Tuesday morning for Prineville to visit his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rolfe and Ronald went to Portland and spent the holiday at the home of her brother in law and sister, Dr. and Mrs. John Larzell.

Mrs. Maude Garrett and Bill of Shaniko were visitors Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Riggs and in the evening all visited at the Don Smith home.

Dorothy Wilson of Springfield arrived Saturday to spend the holidays visiting relatives.

James Hartley of Portland came Saturday and spent the Christmas holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Estel Hartley.

Howard Garland having completed his basic training at Parks air base in California arrived Wednesday to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Len Garland. He will leave January 2 for Kansas to report to an air base there.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Draga came up from Portland Saturday and spent the holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Ziegler, Miss Barbara Alley up with them for the holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Earl Olds.

John Alley arrived Thursday from Fort Ord, Calif. where he has finished his basic training, to spend his furlough with his wife and her parents Mr. and Mrs. Earl Olds and Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Alley.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Smith and son, Larry, were in The Dalles Monday to visit Charles Thrasher at the hospital and were dinner guests of Don's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Smith.

Mrs. C. R. Andersen had as dinner guests Christmas day her son, Dennis, Miss Shirley Gard of The Dalles and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilke of Bingen. The engagement of Miss Gard and Dennis was announced.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank T. Bayer had as dinner guests Christmas day the Charles Perrigos, the Scott Whitwoods, Frank E. Bayer and Claud Bayers.

Mr. and Mrs. James Earl had as holiday dinner guests Mr. and Mrs. Dick Earl and son, Greg of The Dalles and Mr. and Mrs. Don Earl and family.

Ross Norton of OSC in Corvallis came home for the holidays with his parents the J. E. Nortons at Kent.

Guests at the Harold Owens' home Christmas eve were Mr. and Mrs. Barnett and Keith, Mrs. W.

D. Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. Olan Stark and family and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Peters and Arden.

Mrs. T. M. Rolfe had as dinner guests Christmas day Mrs. Frances Mathews of Seattle, Mrs. Harriett Wells, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Rolfe and family and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rolfe and family.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Blaylock spent the holiday in The Dalles with their daughter, Mrs. Earl Sawtell and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Stradley and family spent the holiday in The Dalles with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stradley.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Briedwell left Tuesday for their home in Tacoma after spending the holiday with their daughter, Mrs. Joe Bibby and family.

Dinner guests at the Joe Bibby home Christmas day were Mr. and Mrs. Chester Briedwell, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Woolwine of The Dalles and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Woolwine of Corvallis.

Keith Barnett, Larry Smith, Doran Fritts, Bill Garrett, Frank McKay and Arthur Decker came home last Tuesday from Klamath Falls, where they are students at OTI, to spend the holidays with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Barnett and Keith and Mrs. O. N. Ruggles drove to Ione Sunday for Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Earl McKinney and family returning Monday.

Dinner guests at the Tommie Barnett home Christmas day were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Johnson and family and Mrs. Edgar Alley and Ruth.

Mrs. Ida Olds and son, Alton, were dinner guests Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Trimble.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Brinkert had as dinner guests Christmas day Oscar Lemley and daughter, Randy and Wesley Zimmerman.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Richards of Portland and Mr. and Mrs. Oran Raven and son of Longview, Wn., arrived Friday and spent the holiday weekend with the girl's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Rust, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Dugger were dinner guests Christmas day.

Mrs. Joe Hammond was hostess at a party for pre-school children at her home Wednesday afternoon. Those present were Mrs. Hans Bardenhagen and Vicki, Patricia and Kitt, Mrs. Everett Cantrall and Ricky, Christy and Wayne, Mrs. Ray Reeves and Frank, Mrs. Harry Stark and Lou Ann, Mrs. Willard Rolfe and Steve and Freddie, Mrs. Frank E. Bayer and Helen, Kim Bayer and Rita and Margaret Hammond. Games were played and later refreshments of cookies, punch and coffee were served by the hostess.

Dinner guests at the home of Mrs. A. A. Dunlap Christmas eve were Mr. and Mrs. Art Watkins, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cushman, Mr. and Mrs. Kendrick Dunlap and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hooper and Floyd and their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Munsey and son from Hazelton, Idaho.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Olds had as dinner guests Christmas day Miss Barbara Alley and Mr. and Mrs. John Alley.

Miss Lois Kelley from Pendleton and Miss Dorothy Kelley from La Grande are spending the holidays with their mother, Mrs. Fern Kelley.

Mr. and Mrs. Dell Olds spent Christmas holiday in Stevenson, Wn., with their son in law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Crews and son, Donald.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Cox spent Christmas weekend with their son and daughter in law, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Morgan and family at Condon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Blagg and



General Motors has built and successfully tested this new experimental gas turbine-powered passenger car, Firebird II. To be shown publicly for the first time at the General Motors Motorama of 1956 in New York, Miami, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Boston, the Firebird II is designed as a four-passenger family car for highway use. General Motors has no plans, however, to put it into production.

Columbia Basin Com. Makes Final Report

There's need for a continuation of coordinated efforts on planning to harness waters in eastern Oregon for irrigation, flood control and power, according to the Upper Columbia Basin Commission's final report submitted to Governor Paul L. Patterson and members of the Oregon legislature.

For that reason the Commission has sponsored formation of the Upper Columbia River Basin Projects committee of Oregon, which completed its organization at a Pendleton meeting December 15.

This voluntary water resources committee with county units throughout eastern Oregon will collaborate with the new State Water Resources Board in an advisory capacity on water development needs of the many Oregon tributary basins of the Columbia river system east of the Cascades.

Semi-official stature and recognition is gained through the appointment of county chairmen by the county judge in each county, with the overall committee chairman to be appointed by the Governor. This organizational structure follows that of the Willamette Basin Project committee which has collaborated so successfully for many years with the official Willamette River Basin Commission.

The 1955 Oregon legislature abolished the Upper Columbia and Willamette Basin commission effective January 1, 1956, and transferred its functions to the newly created Water Resources Board with its broad coverage over the waters of Oregon for all uses.

During its efforts in assistance to the people of the Upper Columbia river basin area of Oregon, the commission has found a number of instances where the reclamation limiting of deliveries of water to ownerships not exceeding 160-acres would handicap the development of needed supplemental irrigation supplies in higher valleys of limited but definitely formed livestock economy.

With reclamation development in the easier and cheaper locations now completed, the commission found needs for aid in the repayment of construction costs on economically feasible irrigation projects remaining to be built.

Gary Schilling from the University of Oregon at Eugene came home last Tuesday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Schilling. Harold Duncan of the university is also spending the holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Duncan.

Arthur and Gertrude Buether, students at OSC at Corvallis came home to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Buether.

Miss Natalie Wassmiller arrived from Portland to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Lydia Wassmiller.

School was dismissed Friday afternoon, the teachers leaving for the holidays to return for school Jan. 3. Dean Wood went to Idaho to visit his parents, Mrs. Rhoda West went to Spokane to visit her daughter and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald von Borstel had as dinner guests Christmas eve Mr. and Mrs. John Jenkins of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kock and Bill Pausch.

Mr. and Mrs. George von Borstel had as dinner guests Monday her brother, Bill Johnson and family of Dufur.

Miss Martha Bardenhagen arrived Friday from Portland and spent the holiday weekend with her mother, Mrs. Marie Bardenhagen. Christmas day they and Bill Bardenhagen were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hans Bardenhagen.

Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Barnum were Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Barnum, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Barnum, Mr. and Mrs. Giles French, Mrs. Maggie Barnum, Mrs. Ora Peetz and Mrs. Echo Barlett.

Protein Wheat Takes Small Price Drop

Ordinary protein spring wheat dropped 6 cents per bushel while the higher protein wheat declined 2-3 cents reflecting the slow demand. White wheat prices were unchanged to 2 cents per bushel above a week ago at Portland due to the limited offerings. Durum wheat declined 2-5 cents per bushel at Minneapolis. Rye prices advanced 3-4 cents per bushel with the trading limited. Despite the limited offerings corn dropped 4-5 cents per bushel at Chicago and Minneapolis, but advanced 1-2 at Kansas City where the demand was active. Oats prices were mostly unchanged to 1 cent per bushel lower. Barley was unchanged at Kansas City and unchanged to 2 cents per bushel higher at Minneapolis due to the limited offerings.

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