

ON THE STROKE OF TWELVE



THIS NEW YEAR OF OUR LORD.

Let bygones be bygones,
Wha's huffed at anither
Dinna clout the auld days
And the new anes thegither;
Wi' the fauts and the failing
O' past years be dune,
Wi' a grip o' fresh freen'ship
A New Year begin.

So sang a Scot. Beneath the burr of his Highland tongue the meaning of some of the words may be obscured, but the meaning of the verse as a whole is plain enough.

Let bygones be bygones. The year of 1926 goes to join in history the years that have gone before. Throw away the hatchet along with the 1926 calendar.

With the faults and the failings of past years be done. This is another year. Begin it with a grip of fresh friendship.

Local Happenings

Miss Frances Parker, teacher of Horricane school near Joseph, Oregon, arrived home Saturday evening to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Parker. A blockade of the highway between Minam and Elgin caused trouble which delayed the arrival of Miss Parker a day. There has been a very heavy fall of snow in that part of the state and the highway crews are busy keeping the road in shape so that the traffic can move without serious delay.

Mr. and Mrs. John Clouston drove down from their home at Pomeroy, Wash., on Friday, and were guests until Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Clouston's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Devin. In getting to Heppner they were somewhat delayed by heavy snowdrifts on the highway between Weston and Athena, otherwise the trip was quite pleasant.

Mrs. A. M. Phelps, who was recently called to Marion, Iowa, by the illness of a sister, Miss Marshall, arrived home Friday morning in time to be with her family for the Christmas season. Mrs. Phelps reports that her sister passed away within an hour or so after she arrived at her bedside.

Mr. and Mrs. Emery Gentry came over from Pendleton to enjoy the Christmas season with Mr. Gentry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Gentry. Emery is a salesman for the Ford agency at Pendleton.

Roland Humphreys, who is taking some advanced work at the University of Oregon, as well as being an assistant on the faculty of that institution, came home for the Christmas holidays the end of the week. He was compelled to return to his work on Tuesday, after enjoying several days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Humphreys.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Huston took advantage of the Christmas holiday and traveled to Portland, where they spent the day with their daughter, Miss Elizabeth, who is confined in a sanitarium there. They report a pleasant day, and that Miss Elizabeth is steadily improving in health. Mr. and Mrs. Huston arrived home Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. I. A. Mather of Prairie City were guests at the home of Mrs. Mather's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Mahoney, in this city for the holidays. Mr. Mather, who has been quite ill, is much improved and will be able to take up his duties as head of the Prairie City schools when the holidays are over.

Mrs. Frank Rasmus, who is a patient at the Hot Lake sanatorium, underwent an operation on Friday morning for the removal of gall stones. Report received by Mr. Rasmus is to the effect that she is doing well and rapidly recovering from the effects of the ordeal.

Miss Gladys Bengie is spending the holiday season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eph Eskelson, having arrived from Walla Walla on Friday. Miss Bengie is a student at Whitman college.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Hayes of Joseph who spent Christmas at the home of Mrs. Hayes' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vawter Crawford, departed on Monday for their home.

LEXINGTON.

Son Recommended for Appointment.

Mrs. Ola Ward is in receipt of word from O. A. C. stating that her son, Dallas Ward, has been recommended for appointment to West Point military academy by Senator Stanfield. This news, coming at the holiday season filled Mrs. Ward with just pride, and this feeling is shared by Morrow county people at large, who are glad to know that a native son

has been thus honored. Dallas has been making his own way at college, and his college standing is high. He also ranks high among the athletes of the Northwest, and has but recently been appointed to the highest military position on the campus at O. A. C., that of cadet colonel, and is vice-president of the student body. Miss Velle Ward, his sister, is also a student at O. A. C. this year, majoring in commerce.

School Gives Christmas Program.

On last Thursday afternoon the Lexington school gave a very appropriate Christmas program in the high school auditorium. The most attractive feature was a skit put on by Miss Vail's first grade in which Billie Burdell, Keith Gentry, Freddie Wade and Kenneth Thornburg sang in costume representing respectively Old Uncle Ned of the South, Mr. Cortez of Spain, Harry Lauder of Scotland, and Mr. Brown, society dude, of New York. The little fellows received a

hearty applause after which they sang and danced "Oh We Are Jolly Good Fellows."

Superintendent and Mrs. Johnston departed Thursday evening for their home at Aurora; Mr. Mauney left for the Willamette valley; the Misses Vail and Alexander for Baker and Mrs. Gerald White for Hermiston. Mrs. Turner is with her family in Heppner. School will begin again January 3rd. Lexington is indeed fortunate in having such a capable high school force, and with the addition of the music department this year the school is equal to any of its size.

Mae Gentry has been spending the fore part of the holiday week with Jeanette and Anabel Turner in Heppner.

Among our young people who are home from college for the holidays are Maxine Gentry, Opal and Wilma Leach, Glen Shearer, James Keller, Laurence Beach, Frieda McMillan,

Dallas and Velle Ward and Alice Palmer.

The teachers of the Lexington school wish to take this means of thanking Leach Bros. for the box of oranges they presented the school for a Christmas treat, and likewise M. L. Case for the box of lovely apples he presented at the same time.

Young People to Give Play.

The senior class of the Congregational Sunday school are preparing to present a comedy-drama in three acts, entitled "Lighthouse Nan." The performance will be given in the high

school auditorium on the evening of Wednesday, January 5th, at 8 o'clock with the following cast:

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| Hon. John Enlow | Marion Palmer |
| Ned Blake | Elmo Nolan |
| Ichabod Bayzer | Elmer Palmer |
| Sir Arthur Choke | Ben Miller |
| Jan Jim | Harold Sherer |
| Nan | Doris Wilcox |
| Moll Bayzer | Eva Wilcox |
| Hon. Sarah Chumley Choke | |
| Hortense Enlow | Helen Valentine |
| Erma Duvall | |
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