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Holiday Visiting Features Boardman Life Past Week

By MRS. FLOSSIE COATS
Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Mallory and sons Gerry and Jimmie returned to their home in Seattle after spending Christmas with Mrs. Mallory's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Coats. Mrs. Coats returned home with them and stayed until Sunday.

New Year week-end guests at the R. A. Fortner home were their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Lindsay and family of Kinzua.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell DeMauro and daughter Anna Marie were guests of Mrs. DeMauro's parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. Skoubo.

Claud Carnegie of Portland was a guest the past week at the home of his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Briggs. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Campbell and family of Pullman, Wash. were Sunday dinner guests also at the Briggs home. Mrs. Campbell is Mrs. Briggs' daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Anderegg entertained at dinner Sunday. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wyss, Chas. Anderegg Sr. and Ralph Wasmer. Guests later in the evening were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Mulligan, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Zivney and family.

Sunday dinner guests at the Leo Root home were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Macomber and family, Arlington, Mr. and Mrs. Ver-

non Root and sons, Athena. The Roots remained until Monday evening.

Gene Allen who has spent the past 10 days visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Allen, returned to the navy base at San Diego, Calif., Sunday, his mother going as far as Los Angeles where she will visit her stepfather and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rordell.

Mrs. John Partlow is quite ill and was taken to the Mid-Columbia hospital at The Dalles.

Boardman Garden club met at the home of Mrs. Henry Zivney Monday afternoon. Assisting Mrs. Zivney was Mrs. Albert Ball (Chloe Barlow), who spent the holidays at the home of Ball's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ball, also other relatives and friends, returned to their home at DeLake, Sunday.

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guests of Mrs. Lena White. Their daughter, Virginia and granddaughter JoJean, came down from Seattle to spend Christmas with them.

A daughter, Kathy Rae, was born Saturday, December 31 to Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Moyer at the Corda Saling home in Heppner.

Mr. and Mrs. William F. Kennedy of Pendleton were in Heppner to attend the New Year's eve dance at the Elks.

The Past Matrons club entertained with a potluck dinner Wednesday evening at the Masonic hall honoring Mrs. Harley Anderson, incoming worthy matron of Ruth chapter No. 32, O. E. S. Mrs. W. O. Dix was in charge of arrangements.

Charles Flint departed Monday

for Ames, Iowa where he will continue his studies. Mr. Flint expects to finish school the end of March.

Archie Padberg, Jackson Holt and Wade Bothwell left Monday for Monmouth where they will re-enter the normal school. They were accompanied by Tom Hughes who is attending Linfield and Joe French who goes to the university of Oregon.

Miss Lella McLachlan left Monday for Spokane where she will attend business college. She has been employed for the past year and a half in the tax department at the court house.

The Junior Endeavor of the Church of Christ enjoyed a sleigh ride and chili party Wednesday evening after school.

Mr. and Mrs. N. N. McClaren and son Gregory of Hermiston were business visitors in Heppner Wednesday. Mr. McClaren represents a plumbing, heating and mill supplies company of Portland in this district.

Rev. Martin B. Clark of Ceres, Calif., former pastor of the Church of Christ, will be in Heppner on Sunday, January 8 and will conduct the morning and evening services. Rev. Clark is preparing to leave early in the spring for missionary work in Japan. The local church is contributing one-third of his support during his stay in Japan and an effort to raise the necessary funds will be made Sunday. Following the morning service a basket lunch

will be served in the church parlors.

CARD OF THANKS

May we take this method of thanking our neighbors and friends for their kind expressions of sympathy in our recent bereavement; for the many floral offerings, and the assistance of the beautiful Elks service and other kindnesses given in his memory. We are deeply grateful.

Mrs. Ruth Swick
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Swick and family
Mrs. Anna Bayless

NOTICE OF FINAL HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, as Administrator of the estate of ALBERT J. WESTHOFF, deceased, has filed its Final Account and report in the said estate with the Clerk of this Court, and that the Judge thereof has fixed Monday, the 6th day of February, 1950, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a. m., as the time, in the County Courtroom in the Courthouse in Heppner, Morrow County, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing objections to the said Final Account and the settlement thereof.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF PORTLAND, Administrator of the Estate of Albert J. Westhoff, deceased.
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Sunday shows continuous from 1 p. m. All evening shows start at 7:30 p. m., unless otherwise advertised

Thursday-Friday-Saturday, Jan. 5-6-7

MASSACRE RIVER

Guy Madison, Rory Calhoun, Cathy Downs, Carole Mathews, Johnny Sands, Steve Brodie, Iron Eyes Cody

A bang-up western with rugged scenic backgrounds filmed in sepia tone in the wastelands of northern Arizona, plus a youthful, enthusiastic cast.

Second Feature

MAKE MINE LAUGHS

Ray Bolger, Anne Shirley, Dennis Day, Joan Davis, Jack Haley, Leon Errol, Frances Langford, Gil Lamb

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Sunday-Monday, Jan. 8-9

PRINCE OF FOXES

Tyrone Power, Orson Welles, Wanda Hendrix, Marina Berti, Everett Sloane, Kathleen Paxinos

The screen version of Samuel Shellabarger's best-seller is notable for its magnificent production. It's an intriguing, swashbuckling saga of Italy during the heyday of Cesar's Borgia — with most scenes shot in their actual locales.

Tuesday-Wednesday, Jan. 10-11

MANHANDLED

Dorothy Lamour, Sterling Hayden, Dan Duryea, Irene Hervey, Philip Reed, Art Smith

Slick and tricky melodrama... well-plotted story with a surprise ending.



WHY TINKER WITH FARM PROGRAM

It is reported in the press and elsewhere that the Wheat League of Oregon, undertaking to speak for the wheat growers, contemplates urging the abandonment of its support of the present farm program and to support a new proposed measure which has to do with a two-price system and provision for the issuance of certificates from millers, dealers, etc.

The writer has not seen this proposed measure; his only information is from sketches which have appeared here and there. Before the wheat growers accept this new measure and permit the Wheat League to advocate it in behalf of the wheat growers, it would be well for each wheat grower to consider this new measure.

It has some of the features of the McNary-Haugen bill which passed Congress twice and was vetoed by two presidents upon the ground that it was unconstitutional. It has some features of the Grange Debuture measure which was never passed by Congress. It is thus apparent at the outset that the proposed bill is probably vulnerable because the courts would declare it unconstitutional.

But why should wheat growers be tinkering with the present measure and particularly, why should the wheat growers of Oregon be finding fault with it? A brief review of the efforts to secure a farm bill might be profitable. In 1923, a meeting of the wheat growers of Eastern Oregon was held at Arlington. All counties from Umatilla to Wasco, inclusive, were well represented. The writer had the honor of being chairman of that meeting. Some two-hundred wheat growers were in attendance. This was probably the first meeting in the United States of independent farmers seeking to have established a farm program that would put agriculture on a parity with industry and labor. Out of that meeting grew the foundation work for the McNary-Haugen bill. The result of the work of the committee appointed was submitted to Governor Walter M. Pierce, after his election, who in conjunction with President W. J. Kerr of Oregon State College, formulated the program as requested by the farmers and sent the same to Senator Charles McNary who later was the author of the McNary-Haugen bill which twice passed Congress and was twice vetoed because of its unconstitutionality. This bill provided for a domestic price fixed by law and an export price fixed by general market conditions and had other provisions.

The so-called farm board had theretofore been created by the national Congress with funds to stabilize the market. This had proved unsatisfactory and was abandoned. The Grange Debuture bill was urged in some parts of the United States.

The result of the failure of all these early programs was a bankrupt agriculture through the 1920's; the destruction of the buying power of agriculture which resulted in the collapse of the banks and industry all over the United States which led to the depression of the 1930's.

In 1933 the AAA farm bill was passed by Congress and seemed a start in stabilizing agriculture when a year or two later it was, by a divided opinion, declared unconstitutional by the United States Supreme Court.

Then was enacted substantially the program which is now in force. Its constitutionality has been accepted, the basic act has been re-enacted and amended from time to time, but the program has stood for some fifteen years as the farm policy of the United States. Walter M. Pierce, congressman from Oregon and then a member of the Agriculture Committee of the House of Representatives, informed me that this measure passed that committee by only one vote. Hence, it was difficult at that time to secure the passage of the present farm bill. Since then it has been sustained by Congress by close majorities in many instances.

The present bill has become a part of the national economy. It not only has maintained a reasonable and parity price for wheat but it has done the same, among other things, for corn and cotton. After World War I, there was a depression which lasted, so far as the wheat grower was concerned, from 1920 to 1940. This resulted in the loss of farms, delinquent taxes, and bankruptcy everywhere. After World War II, the prices of all farm commodities have been maintained. It would be a bold and reckless person who would say that these prices have not been sustained by the present farm program. Agriculture is the most prosperous it has been in the memory of living persons. Why tinker with a program that has maintained the nation and brought prosperity to all during the readjusting period after World War II?

Is it wise for the wheat growers of Eastern Oregon to now condemn this program and seek an untried probably unconstitutional program which will be turning back the clock to the year 1924? Why abandon all the good that has been achieved and start again experimenting with an untried measure which in all probability if passed would be declared unconstitutional and leave the country without any farm program? This would be the first step towards another era of bankruptcy for wheat farmers. Why should the wheat growers of Eastern Oregon, who took the lead and pioneered for a farm program in 1923 be the first to upset the applecart and bring about bankruptcy and ruin upon themselves and upon the nation? Do the individual wheat growers of Eastern Oregon desire the Wheat League of Oregon to say that they are empowered to represent them in taking this new course?

We must not forget that the present program covers cotton in the South. Some may ask, why does that concern the farmers of Oregon? Prosperous cotton growers of the South mean a market for the seed crops of the Willamette Valley and some sections of Eastern Oregon. The present farm program has brought prosperity to all the farmers of Oregon and the farmers of the entire nation. Why tinker with a program well established and satisfactory to all concerned?

It is necessary to sustain the present price of wheat. The cost of farm equipment, including tractors, drills, plows, combines, and what-not, is known to every farmer. This high cost of equipment is brought about by the high cost of steel and high wages. The present wheat price is now on a parity with these high prices. The national economy is geared and functioning well to this high standard of living for all. Why should the wheat growers of Eastern Oregon tinker with a situation which is so satisfactory to them?

An injury to the farm program would of necessity destroy the farmers' buying power and cause the entire economic system to collapse. Why should the Wheat League of Oregon undertake to say that the individual wheat growers are in favor of a proposed new and untried program that could bring disaster not only to the farmers but to the whole country? Why tinker?

It is suggested that those in favor of maintaining the present program sign the attached request and send it to the President of the Wheat League, Ione, Oregon. This article may not reach everyone and opportunity is made on the request for more than one to sign by writing his name. Those farmers who favor the program here suggested could get their neighbors to sign the same and send to the president of the Wheat League. The proposed move could be a most dangerous move for the farm program. Opponents of the farm measures in Congress could get much comfort from the fact that the wheat growers themselves had condemned the program that brought them prosperity. It is not safe for a single wheat grower to let the Wheat League undertake to state that the farmers are not satisfied with the present program and desire the proposed experimental change. Sign and get others to sign the following request and send it to the President of the Wheat League at Ione, Oregon.

MARK V. WEATHERFORD,
Wheat Grower of Arlington, Oregon.

REQUEST

I oppose the proposed certificate wheat program and favor the present farm program.