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A Time To Remember

Another Christmas is nearly here. In the spirit of humility, the American people should count their blessings, the greatest of which is freedom, as they think of the slavery and helplessness of hundreds of millions of individuals in other parts of the world. It is time to remember some of the things that make life worth living here: The right to go to the church of your choice. The right to read any newspaper, magazine or book we choose. The right of choice in a free market. The right to congregate with our relatives and friends, without fear. The right to travel when and where we please

over 3 million square miles of country without asking anyone's permission. And countless other rights too numerous to mention. Last but not least we should be thankful for each Christmas day when the children gather 'round the Christmas tree with its pungent evergreen scent; the quiet and peacefulness of the outdoors compared with the rush of a business day; the sound of church bells in the distance; and the voices of friends wishing "Merry Christmas". Christmas in the United States is a leavening influence that draws families and citizens closer together. Peace on earth, good will to men should be the prayer of every person in the world on Christmas day 1956.

From The County Agent's Office

By N. C. Anderson

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Morrow County Livestock Growers Association held Tuesday evening plans were made for the annual meeting which will be held on January 11 and 12. While the complete program has not been definitely set together it will follow the pattern of past years with the first day devoted to subject matter discussion and demonstration which will be of interest to both livestock growers and their wives as well as the general public. Committee reports and other business will take most of the second day. The social get together will be sponsored by the Heppner Branch of the First National Bank of Portland and will be followed with the annual banquet, entertainment and dance. The Lexington Grange home economics committee will serve the banquet which will be open to the general public. Tickets are on sale at the First National Bank and the county agent's office. Among the business transacted at the executive committee meet-

ing was that of a report on the recent survey of trespassing and damage during the hunting season. Over 100 Morrow county ranchers reported damage from 10 fences cut, 62 gates left open, 1329 trespassing cases and 8 reports of property damage; 6 cattle lost, 5 cattle and one horse killed and 79 cattle estrayed. There were 4 cases of livestock theft reported involving 5 cattle. Miscellaneous reports were for gas stolen, baled hay stolen, chicken theft and windows broken from rifle bullets. The trend was toward more land being posted prohibiting hunting and fishing. Chairman John Graves reported on an executive committee meeting of the Oregon Cattlemen's Association with proposed legislation for amendments to the state law and amendment to the present Oregon state law concerning livestock districts, estrays and fencing. Meeting with the state executive committee were representatives of Oregon State Game Commission and the Isaac Walton League who are concerned with the state wide report of damage reported by livestock men from hunters this season.

Ralph Beamer, Balm Fork rancher called at the office early this week with a Nomad alfalfa root which he had pulled up while fencing a new seeding of Nomad alfalfa and Intermediate wheat grass. The root measured 24 inches long and showed heavy runner roots at the crown. It was impossible to get the entire length of the root so we do not

know how much longer it was however, the plant was well established for having been seeded only last April. This plant was from the 130 acre demonstration seeding made at Ralph's ranch with deep furrow drill seeding directly into the last year's barley stubble.

The seventh annual stockman short course held at Washington State college and attended by Eb Hughes and myself last week was a condensed course of livestock management, marketing, and general information for anyone and everyone interested in the livestock industry. The condensed short course provided more practical information in one week than can be gotten in several years of general college education. Adding immensely to the course was 15 hours of lecture and question and answer periods with F. B. Morrison, author of "Feeds and Feeding." Professor Morrison is known the world over as "MISTER Feeds and Feedings" and as the top authority in this subject. He discussed with the 270 farm and ranch owners, managers, foremen and herdsmen, county agents, vocational agricultural instructors, 4-H leaders, livestock judges, packers and livestock market specialists and what have you such items as newer developments in nutrition; including antibiotics hormones, etc., minerals for animals, vitamins for animals, balanced rations, and how to determine the best buy in feeds. I would recommend this short course as a "Must" for all Morrow county livestock men to attend sometime in the years to come.

Kenneth Smouse, Ione and Kenneth Peck, Lexington are the first Morrow county ranchers to bring in breeding stock of the newest swine breed, Palouse. This new breed was developed at the Washington State college from a cross between the breeds of Chester White and Landrace. The breed is an extreme meaty one

From Files of the Gazette Times December 23, 1926
Mr. and Mrs. George Sperry of this city will today celebrate at their home by a dinner party given their near relatives, their 53rd wedding anniversary.

At the meeting of the board of regents held in Salem on Monday, La Grande was chosen as the site for the location of the Eastern Oregon State Normal School.

Miss Evelyn Humphreys arrived home Sunday morning to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Humphreys.

James Thomson is home for the Christmas holidays, having arrived on Friday last from Eugene where he is a student this year at the University of Oregon.

Students arriving home for the Christmas vacation are Vawter Crawford, law student at University of Oregon; Miss Luola Bengt, student of University of Oregon; Phillip Mahoney, University of Washington; John Turner, University of Oregon; Miss Mary Clark, University of Oregon; Milton Smith, Hill Military academy and Miss Helen Wells, from normal school at Monmouth.

with a long side of bacon, smooth shoulder and a fully developed meaty ham. While the breed is still new it has consistently yielded a carcass with the highest percentage of primal cuts of any on the market. The breed is characterized by large litters and a high rate of gain. At Washington State college 85 gilts farrowed over the past few months averaged 9.2 pigs weaned. These pigs averaged over 200 pounds at five months of age. Kenneth Peck purchased one bred gilt while Kenneth Smouse obtained two gilts and a boar.

The County Agent's office wishes off of our farm families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous New Year.



STATE FAIR PAYS WAY

The Oregon State Fair will not ask the legislature for appropriations.

It never has during the past 25 years that Leo Spitzbart has been manager.

The taxpayer can give the fair an approving smile. It is one highly beneficial state activity for which he will not have to dig.

This year's fair showed a net operating profit of \$52,774, plus a capital improvement investment of \$18,112. It now has a reserve operating fund of \$207,483 for a rainy day—or week.

TO THE EDITOR...

To The Editor:
I have read the item covering early day history of the Gooseberry Section. I knew every man listed and as to the 1894 election will state that Wm. Morrow, Geo. Harrington and Anna Balsiger were elected. Miss Addie Conlee married Al Binns of Heppner and she is now a patient in Morrow County Memorial hospital.

I am quite sure that Sam Esteb of Ione was of voting age at that date. He was a son of I. R. Esteb.
Yours truly,
BERT MASON
Portland, Oregon.



"Thy mercy, O Lord, endureth forever."

PSALMS 138:8

Christmas Blessings

Once more we pause to welcome to our hearts this blessed season. May it renew the great warmth of reverent love in the hearts of all men, and may this Christmas day herald the fulfillment of all our prayers for joy and peace to all. May your Holiday season be filled with outstanding happiness.

HUMPHREYS DRUG CO.
THE RECALL STORE

It is one, possibly the only, state activity that pays its own way and keeps expanding with the growing state, and keeps prices down.

In expressing his pleasure at the report during the annual December meeting Dr. E. B. Stewart Roseburg, chairman of the commission, said that it is the policy of the commission to hold all prices at the lowest possible level so as many people as possible can enjoy the fair and at the same time the fair can pay all operating costs and make as many capital improvements as possible.

EXECUTION STAYED

The execution of George F. Sack was stayed Wednesday by the State Supreme Court pending disposition of appeal to the United States Supreme Court.

Sack was under death sentence to die in the lethal gas chamber in the state penitentiary early Friday, December 15.

He was convicted of first-degree murder in Multnomah County Circuit Court for slaying his wife, Goldie, in Portland in February, 1954. The Supreme Court confirmed the conviction and a motion for a new trial subsequently was denied.

TRUCK, BUS TAXES SWELL

Receipts in the first 11 months this year from truck and bus tax collections totaled 312,110,350, and the year's final total will go over the 13 million mark to set an all time record. Charles H. Helze predicted this week.

The 1955 total for the entire year was 712,024,255. Collections now are double what they were in 1950.

MEDICAL AID NEEDED

The Oregon State Civil Service Commission has issued a bulletin asking for applicants interested in professional medical positions with state hospitals.

Examinations will consist solely of an evaluation of the applicant's experience and training as indicated on his application form. There is no written test.

Salary ranges for dentists range from \$500-\$685; physicians from \$625-\$915; physicians (Surgical) \$715-\$990; physicians (Tuberculosis) \$655-\$810; physicians (Physiatric) \$715-\$890.

Veterans honorably discharged from any of the wars of the United States are granted five points preference. Veterans with a 10 per cent or more disability rating are granted ten points preference.

Contact State Civil Service Commission, 102 Public Service Bldg., Salem or 304 State Office Bldg., Portland.

SEED TILLAMOOK BURN

When the current project of seeding 3000 acres of the Tillamook burn is completed in February there will be a total of 8318 acres of potential forest land that have been seeded for reforestation this winter under the

state forest rehabilitation scheme. The project will require 2250 pounds of Douglas fir seed which with the cost of aerial seeding was let for a bid of \$25,421.40 to John B. Wood and son, Inc.

The seed will be sown by helicopter for better seed dissemination.

With the exception of 345 acres seeded in Clatsop county, the entire project was in the Tillamook burn.

BUILDING COSTS ZOOM

A 23 per cent increase in estimated costs will have to be used

in approaching state budget balancing if bids opened by the state recently are a pattern that will prevail in 1957.

Low base bids for state construction opened since August have been 23 per cent higher than estimates made by the 1955 legislature.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Dick and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Smith attended the Standard Oil Company dinner at The Dalles, Friday, December 7.

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SPECIALS THIS WEEK—
FRUIT CAKES... \$1.10 to \$3.75
COOKIES... 60c to \$1.20 Doz.
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STAR THEATER
HEPPNER
Thurs., Fri., Sat., Dec. 20-21-22
The Yearling
Gregory Peck & Jane Wyman
Sat., Dec. 22
Free Christmas Show
Starting at 1:30 p. m. Candy will be given away by the Elks Lodge. All kids welcome.
Sun., Dec. 23
Northwest Passage
With Spencer Tracy, Robert Young. Sunday shows 4, 6:30, 9
NO SHOW MON., DEC. 24
Tues., Wed., Dec. 25-26
The Solid Gold Cadillac
With Judy Holliday, Paul Douglas, John Williams plus
Champagne Music of Lawrence Welk
Christmas day shows 7 and 9

Merry Christmas

To our patrons and friends. We wish you everything good in 1957. We thank you for your friendship and patronage, and we renew our resolution to bring you the finest entertainment available at all times.
Elaine, Kit and David George
STAR THEATER

It was the night before Christmas, and all through the bank, the tellers were asking just whom they should thank, for making their year one of pleasure and joy, while meeting and greeting each man, girl or boy.
When out in the lobby, loan officers came... and typists and clerks, their question the same. From offices, vaults, and from every compartment... bookkeepers, guards... and the whole trust department.
In seventy-four branches the managers knew, that they had a message to carry to you. And so they all sang in tones loud and clear, "Merry Christmas to all... and a Happy New Year!"
Or, to put it another way, the people of the 74 statewide banking offices of The First National Bank of Portland wish you and yours a very merry Christmas and a happy, prosperous New Year!
HEPPNER BRANCH
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF PORTLAND
"LET'S BUILD OREGON TOGETHER"