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From The County Agent's Office

By M. C. Anderson

At the recent annual meeting of the Oregon Wheat Growers League numerous reports were made on the current wheat supply and outlook. All during the meeting it was evident that the wheat promotion program which the Wheat League had vigorously entered into over the past few years was resulting in a great number of export contracts. Public Law 480 provided the means for the foreign program for more use of wheat to pay off. During the week ending December 14th export sales confirmed for that week totaled near 200,000 tons of wheat. Meanwhile the Commodity Credit Corporation continued to unload wheat from reserve fleet storage ships mainly as payment in-kind subsidy on export wheat. Twenty seven vessels had been emptied so far at that time. For the week ending December 21 India purchased 50,000 tons of white wheat and Japan bought 40,000 tons of white and 4600 4600 tons of hard winter. Paki-

stan, India Korea and Tunis were in the market as the week closed. During this same week wheat prices at Portland ranged from 1 to 4 cents higher than the week before.

These recent happenings clearly indicate that the money spent by the Oregon Wheat Commission and Oregon Wheat Growers League to develop the demands from foreign countries have been paying off lately.

Over the past several years farm sheep flocks have become quite popular with Morrow county farmers and ranchers until there are a great number of them throughout the county. Since some are getting started with this enterprise some management suggestions are pertinent at this time.

Since most of these farm flocks are confined to smaller areas, on irrigated pastures, many probably need a drench to reduce the load of internal parasites. A two ounce phenothiazine drench per ewe will keep the ewes in better condition through the winter months. Do not drench with phenothiazine if the ewes are to start lambing within the next four weeks. Ewes coming in from summer pastures are often very dirty behind, and the manure and urine stained wool should be removed. Tagging of the ewes makes for a more sanitary birth, offers the lamb a better chance for nursing and makes it easier to observe the udders on ewes making bag. Care should be taken to handle the ewes as gently as possible during tagging and not allow any rough treatment that could cause an abortion. It is during the latter part of pregnancy that proper feeding is very essential as the unborn lamb makes a larger percentage of its growth. It is not uncommon for a lamb to gain 3 pounds or more the last four weeks of pregnancy. With this rapid increase in size of the unborn lamb, the capacity of the ewe to consume large amounts of roughage is decreased. This means that it is necessary to increase the feeding of concentrates during this period of pregnancy. Feeding only roughage at this critical time very often will cause the ewe to develop pregnancy disease or twin lamb paralysis. This disease occurs about one to two weeks before lambing, when ewes are on a poor ration and carrying twins or triplets. The best prevention is to feed an adequate ration consisting of some concentrate plus same good quality hay, silage or pasture. The feeding of grain should be started 4 to 6 weeks before lambing and gradually increased until each ewe is receiving 3/4 to 1 pound of concentrate per day. The concentrate may be barley, oats, corn, wheat and peas or a combination of those mentioned. Many operators feed molasses during this critical 4 to 6 weeks period and it is to be recommended if at all possible. If molasses is fed free choice, the grain can be held to 1/2 to 2/4 lbs. per ewe per day. Make sure the ewes are not losing in flesh and do not make a sharp change in ration of the ewes during the last 4 weeks of preg-

TO THE EDITOR...

To the Editor:

I was very much interested in your article in the December 6th issue of the Gazette Times, telling about the old ledger book found in the attic of the Eric Bergstrom home. There should be a few Morrow county folks still living that would remember the names mentioned in the old book, such as Gene Noble. I am going to try for my own benefit, to remember the people that might still be living that would know about this. Some of those early day people mentioned, I personally knew when I was a lot younger than I am now. Then along came the Gazette, issue of December 13, telling about Mrs. Addie Conlee Binns whose name was listed on the ballot. Mrs. Binns is my only living teacher and I have just written her a letter reminding her of that. There are several people still living in Heppner and other places that went to school with Mrs. Binns as their teacher and my schoolmates. I am positive that Ralph Thompson, Len Gilliam and possibly Ona Gilliam were among those in my class or room at that time. I wonder if Sadie and Nina (Snyder) Garrigues weren't there too? I would be very grateful and happy to hear from any of my schoolmates that went to school to Miss Addie Conlee (Binns). I received a long letter yesterday from a former Heppner schoolmate, Paul V. Maris, who now lives in Arlington, Virginia. He said he was going to try to come out to Oregon next year and said he would drop off at Castle Rock to stay a few days with me, to talk over old times. Paul's brother, Dr. Ralph Maris lives in Portland.

My manuscript of the history of Morrow county and the cities and the people is at the publishers now, and I hope when it is finally published that most of the good people of my native county and town will like my effort of recording some of the early day stories of our wonderful pioneers of Morrow county.

O. M. Yeager,
Castle Rock, Wn.

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A GENTLEMAN UNAFRAID!



Many Christmas Programs Held In Boardman Area

By Mary Lee Marlow

The Christmas program was presented at the Community church Sunday night by the Sunday school pupils, with a large crowd attending. Mrs. Russell Miller, superintendent, was in charge, and Mrs. Lowell Shattuck, accompanist. Theme of the program was "The Three Gifts of Christmas", namely, "The Father's Gift—His Son", "The Son's Gift—Himself", and "My Heart". These were illustrated

members-elect of the legislature. GAS FIRM NOTE OKED

A request of the Cascade Natural Gas Corporation to issue \$1,600,000 of its 4 1/2 per cent notes was approved this week by Public Utilities Commissioner Charles H. Heltzel.

The proceeds will be used, company officials claim, to acquire property, finance construction and repay \$200,000 of short-term note obligations.

The "Cascade" company serves Baker, Pendleton, Pilot Rock, Eugene and Springfield.

TAX RECEIPTS DOUBLE

Collections of the Oregon tax commission from all sources during the fiscal year through November 30, 1956, totaled \$45,638,699.75 as compared with total receipts during a similar period in 1955, of \$21,844,297.01.

Personal income tax collections during the present fiscal year total \$36,879,051.71 as compared to \$15,512,674.16, an unheard of increase of \$23,794,402.74.

Total tax law also increased materially, the total for 1956 fiscal period was \$8,193,879.06 as compared to \$5,809,538.30 in the same period in 1955.

STATE FINANCES

State Treasurer Sig Unander reports in his biennial summary that the net indebtedness of the state of Oregon, after deduction of sinking funds, from July 1, 1954 to July 1, 1956, totaled \$14,339,530 compared with \$125,543,866, or a reduction in net indebtedness of \$11,204,366. Gross indebtedness increased from \$406,972,237 in 1954 to \$435,579,225 in 1956. After reductions of sinking funds the net indebtedness was \$363,906,886 as compared with \$335,075,875 in 1954.

with covered boxes in purple, green and blue, in pyramid fashion on the stage. As each gift was portrayed it was uncovered by Douglas Shattuck.

The children marched in to the strains of "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing", and the "Welcome" was recited by four primary pupils.

Readers were Donna Watts and Lorelei Hamilton.

Portraying "The Father's Gift", a recitation by the beginners, and a solo, "Thank you, Dear Father," by Patty Miller, junior class. The story "God's Gold Star," was told by Bobby Taylor, an intermediate. A saxophone solo, "There's A Song in the Air," was played by Connie Baker, high school class. Next was the recitation "The Message of the Christmas Star," by seven juniors, and a song "For God So Loved the World."

Portraying "The Son's Gift" with the recitation "The Cost of His Gift" was given by nine juniors and intermediates. Donna Watts and Wanda Hug, high school class, sang a duet "Jesus, Wonderful Lord". The recitation "The Value of His Gift" was given by the juniors and intermediates. Carolyn Baker, sang "Ivory Palaces", with the others joining in the chorus.

The last gift "My Gift" was portrayed by a high school girl, Wanda Hugg and six others of the class representing Knowledge, Wealth, Pleasure, Social Service, Fame and Christian. Final number was a solo, "What Shall I Give Thee, Master?" by Martin Shattuck.

The school Christmas program was presented in the gymnasium last Thursday. Program was as follows:

"Christmas Fantasy", operetta by the grade school. Characters were: Page—Albert Rogers, Jack Frost—Larry West, Santa Claus—Bobby Taylor, Merry Christmas—Shirley Earwood, White Christmas—Rosina Jones, Jack in the Box—Bill Getz, Cat—Jim Miller, Mouse—Steve Partlow, Sugar Plum—Shirley Sonyers, Waltzing Doll—Patty Miller. The rest of the cast was Little Girls, Snow-Flakes, Brownies, Trees, Angels, Candles, Candy Sticks and Soldiers.

Grade school band played Christmas music under the direction of Marion Morlan.

Barbara Gantenbein played an accordion solo, "Silver Bells" and "White Christmas".

A skit, "Rudolph, the Red-Nosed Reindeer" was presented by the senior class. Bill Thorpe was

THIRTY YEARS AGO

From Files of the Gazette Times
December 30, 1926

Miss Leta Humphreys, head of the laboratory department of the Christian hospital in Eugene, was able to be released from her duties long enough to spend Christmas at Heppner with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Humphreys.

Bryon Johnson, graduate of Heppner high school, who some months ago went to Chicago where he entered a school of electrical engineering, is making good.

More than 250 kiddies were treated at the community Christmas tree sponsored by the churches and fraternal organizations of the city.

Miss Frances Parker, teacher of Hurricane school near Joseph, Oregon, arrived home Saturday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Parker.

Mrs. Claude Sigsbee and Miss Linea Troedson of Ione were visitors in Heppner on Tuesday.

Rudolph, and reindeer were Connie Baker, Wanda Hug, Susan Partlow, Lorena Coder, Lorena Shannon, Janice Cruthers, Lorelei Hamilton and Maxine Sicard.

Martin Shattuck played a trombone solo, "Christmas Selections". Barbara Gantenbein and Donna Watts sang a duet "Winter Wonderland."

Sandra Thorpe and Toni Taylor played a trumpet duet, "Deck the Halls with Holly" and "Away in a Manger".

Mrs. Frank Farmer was winner of the doll in the Tillicum club drawing.

Mrs. Joe Tatone and Sgt. Coleman of Hermiston presented the Ground Observer Corps awards to those working 25 hours. Receiving

them were Mrs. Tatone, Mrs. Ronald Black, Mrs. William Garner, Mrs. Dewey West, Mrs. Ray Gronquist, Mrs. Gunnar Skoubo and Joe Lavorata.

Mrs. Glenn Mills was winner of the turkey.

Last number on the program was the appearance of Jolly Old St. Nicholas, with Donna Cruthers, Max Moore, Kathy Mead, singing a trio.

As everyone left they were given a sack of candy.

The annual Mystery Sister party of the Home Economics club and the Ladies Aid society of the Community church was held last Wednesday at the church with the Ladies Aid as hostesses. Exchange of gifts was held and new names were drawn for next year.

The program included a trombone solo by Martin Shattuck, accompanied by Mrs. Lowell Shattuck, "The Holy City", the scripture lesson by Mrs. Anrin Hug, Mrs. Elvin Ely, Mrs. Russell Miller and Mrs. Margaret Klitz; and a duet by Miss Jean Scott and Miss Zelma Cowan, "Wonderful Birth."

Miss Zelma Cowan left last Thursday for Riverside, Calif., to spend Christmas vacation at her home there.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Anderegg and daughter Barbara left last week for San Jose, Calif. to spend Christmas with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Continued on Page 5

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