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From The County Agent's Office

By N. C. Anderson

This fall at the conclusion of the Columbia Basin wheat fertilizer trials the rain gauges provided cooperators of the trials were picked up to be returned to the U. S. Department of Agriculture. A number of farmers who had kept records over the past few years wished to continue this record. U. S. Weather Bureau rain gauges were ordered for some of these farmers. An extra one was ordered at the same time for someone who might be interested. It is available at this office at cost. Others who might want to order official U. S. weather gauges can do so. We have the cost and address at the office.

Some interesting reading was found in the production, price, and cost review published periodically by Oregon State college and the United States Department of Agriculture recently. Some may have read it; others may have not. It has to do with the census taken every five years and some of the facts and figures that the census reveals. The last census was taken in 1954. It was interesting to note that there were 4.7 million farms in the United States ranging from 1 acre in size to as much as 100,000 acres. Some have annual sales of \$200; others have "Paul Bunyan" operations with sales as high as \$1,000,000. Some farms raise a single product; others raise a number of products; some have an investment

of only a few thousand dollars; others may manage resources totalling more than a million dollars. Each of these farms has its own individual problems, yet they have many problems in common. They all have a common purpose: to supply our food. Each of us eats, on the average a little over four pounds of food a day—more than 1500 pounds a year, with about 170 million people in the United States today, we need some 250 billion pounds of food annually. Census figures show farms getting fewer and bigger. They show a decided shrink in the proportion of rural farm people in our country, but certainly no shrink in the significance of a farm in our present day economy. As the year draws near the end all of our farmers should become aware of the important place that they have and their contribution to every day living.

This is a good time of the year when conditions are right and time is more plentiful to control undesired brush and trees with winter sprays. Use the Ester formation of 2,4,5-T or mixtures of 2,4,5-T with 2,4-D in diesel or stove oils. Use what is commonly called basal spray. Spray the lower 30 inches of the plant following slashing. Use one gallon of chemical to each 25 gallons of oil. The same spray mixture will prevent stumps from sprouting. The treatment should be made immediately following. Apply enough spray to thoroughly cover sides of the stumps as well as the cut surface. By doing this now you will not have the problem of shoots and regrowth which will otherwise occur in the spring.

MONUMENT

Mrs. Fred Shank has returned from Fall River Mills, Calif. where she announced the engagement of her daughter, Miss Donna Porter to Harry Santon, the high school coach there. Miss Porter is employed in a utility company office there, and is a former Monument high school student. Mrs. Shank was accompanied by Bobby Porter and Georgia Stubblefield.

Miss Margie Batty of La Grande was visiting friends here last week.

For a MERRY MERRY CHRISTMAS, see SILK STOCKINGS, a great big, beautiful musical comedy. Star Theater, Wednesday and Thursday. NO FAMILY NIGHTS THIS WEEK!

TO THE EDITOR...

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS To Heppner, Oregon

When Christmas dawns in Heppner,
May the sun shine clear and bright.
May church bells ring glad tidings about the "Silent Night".
May children with rosy cheeks,
See Santa prancing down the streets.
May the tables be well loaded with turkey platters spread; and may their decorations glow, in Christmas green and red,
May the homes be filled with warmth and cheer and throngs of visitors from far and near, and all over the quiet town, as Peace and love descends.
May Christmas Joy preside there, and welcome all the friends, I cannot see this festive scene as I am far away.
But I am wishing them all "A Wonderful Christmas Day."
Nellie Smith
275 S. Jefferson
Colville, Washington

Christmas Program Held at Boardman

By Mary Lee Marlow

The community Christmas program was held Thursday night in the school gymnasium with a large crowd attending. The following program was given by the school: Beginners band played "Jingle Bells" and "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star."

"Santa's Lost Book" was presented by the 1st and 2nd grades with the following cast: Mrs. Santa Claus, Karen Gronquist; Mr. Santa Claus, Terry Waymire; Brownie Wee, Tom Turner; other Brownies were Jim Crouch, Guy Baker, Thomas Dixon, Bobby Skoubo, Mike Anderson and Woodrow Malone. A recitation spelling the word CHRISTMAS by Lana Turner, Cyndy Morlan, Kathy Mead, Teresa Thorpe, Lynda Tatone, Anna Obermeier, Teresa Ball, Kathy Getz and Nancy Morlan. A chorus including the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th grades sang "Upon the Housetop", "Jolly Old Saint Nicholas" and "Santa Claus is Comin' To Town."

A play by the 3rd and 4th grades "When Christmas Almost Was Not" included the following cast: Narrator, Johnnie Pierce; Jane, Elberta Carpenter; Dick, Alan Moore; Clown, Carina Malone; Santa, Ray Baker; Tree, Sandra McKenzie; Rudolph, Mike Partlow; Spot, David Skoubo; New Toys, Shirley Dixon, Jeanette Heigel; Old Doll, Rita Baker.

Round dances, "I Miss My Swiss" and "Santa Claus Stomp" by Mona Taylor, Jim Thorpe, Barbara Anderegg, Bob Taylor, Lorelei Hamilton, Nelson Cruthers, Wanda Forthman and Douglas Shattuck.

A play by the 5th and 6th grades, "The Cowboys Best Christmas" Jim Partlow, Ray Obermeier, Dennis Gronquist, Steve Partlow, Dennis Anderson, Victor Taylor, Roger Zivney, and Dick Skoubo, playing the cowboys; Anna Mae McQuaw was Miss Melody

and Dewena West was the Spirit of Christmas.

A choral reading was presented by the 9th and 10 grades conducted by William Taylor.

A pageant, "Green Leaves" accompanied by the school band with the following cast: Green-sleeves, Jim Partlow; Shepherds, Steve Partlow, Roy Obermeier, Dennis Anderson, Dennis Gronquist, Victor Taylor, Roger Zivney, and Dick Skoubo. The 3 Kings, Partlow, Keith Gronquist and Richard Watts. Attendants Max Moore Bill Baker, Ted Hoffman; Angels: Ruth Rupe, Donna Cruthers, Irene Potts, Anna Mae McQuaw, Dewena West and Gwen Russell. Readers, Pat Miller, Chloe McQuaw, Tim and Dane Malone and Jack Taylor, Mary, Karen Anderson; Joseph, Jim Brothers.

Santa Claus arrived down the chimney with treats for all children up through the 4th grade.

The drawing of the Tillicum club doll was won by Alice Tatone.

Wanda Forthman was honored on her birthday Sunday by a surprise birthday party at the Saddle Room. Those who were there were Bill Aardapell, Dean King, Teresa Obermier, Nelson Cruthers, Linda Tatone, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tatone Larry West, Kurt Gantenbein, Doug Shattuck, Lloyd Baker, Carolyn Baker, Jim Miller, Dick Walker Jody Tatone, Gary Moore, and Bob Taylor. The afternoon was spent playing bingo, the gifts being won by Wanda Forthman, Nelson Cruthers, Bill Getz and Larry West.

Guests at the Ray Gronquist home last Friday was Pat Healy and daughter Debra of Portland. Mr. Healy is a brother of Mrs. Gronquist.

Mr. and Mrs. John Walker and son Dick of Pendleton visited at the Dewey West home last Sunday.

Evelyn Black, Jerry Gronquist, and Jeanie West spent Monday in Pendleton Christmas shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Beck of Arlington visited Tuesday at the home of their daughter Mrs. Jeanie West.

Zoe Billings visited Saturday and Sunday with her mother, Mrs. McDaniels who was confined to the Hermiston hospital. Mrs. McDaniels returned to her home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Marlow and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Marlow attended the funeral of Ernest Zerba in Walla Walla Tuesday. Mr. Zerba was Frank Marlow's uncle.

Home extension met at the home of Mrs. Ruth Hoffman on Tuesday afternoon. Each member brought Christmas cookies or candy which were served as refreshments. There was a display of Christmas ornaments which were also made by the members. There was an exchange of Christmas gifts and a discussion of Christmas ideas that could easily be put to use. Those present beside the hostess were: Gracia Stewart, and Randy; Faye Anderson, Erna Heigel and two sons, Annie Skoubo, Mildred McQuaw, Madge Bishop, Phoebe Hayes, Margaret Thorpe, Mary David, Jeanie West, Mabel Allen, Mabel Watts, Jessie Warden, Laura Waymire, Jerry Gronquist, and Mrs. Healy.

The revealing party for the Mystery Sisters was held at the grange hall Wednesday afternoon Rita Baker.

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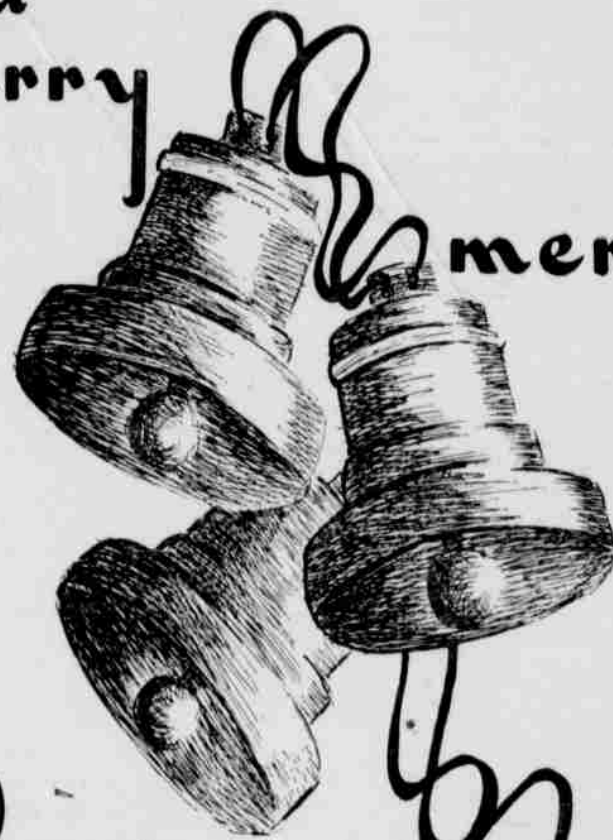
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