

ROCK HOUNDS CORNER

By BETTY WAGNER

After a few weeks' silence we are back again. No meeting was held in October due to many conflicting engagements; but the evening of November 26 found our group at the Heppner Hotel with several guests present also. Refreshments were served by the Walter Edgers.

The yearly election of officers will be held at our next meeting. Other plans for this meeting were discussed and are as follows:

Time—this Saturday night, Dec. 10, at 7:30. Place — the old City Library building.

Special Feature — Richard Clem, professor of geology at Whitman College, will show colored slides of the Rocky mountains and of the results of the 1959 earthquake at Hebgen Dam and Yellowstone National Park. You won't want to miss this feature!

In a recent letter to the Edgers from Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sanders, Stockton, Calif., and formerly of Heppner, was included a very interesting newspaper article regarding an ancient gem deposit found in Cascade Canyon near Upland, Calif.

Two men and three boys are now having the thrill and work of packing out on their backs a semi-precious deep blue gemstone flecked with gold from a hard-to-get-at vein high in the walls of the canyon. Over 200 pounds of material have been packed out this year.

The history of the gemstone, lapis lazuli, dates back to Bible times and is known as the "sapphire of the ancients." If this deposit proves to be of commercial value, it will be the fourth in the world and the first in the United States.

The find was not by chance. The presence of lapis in the South Fork of the Cascade Canyon has been known for over a century, but it took some determined men and boys and many trips into the area over several years time with lots of panning and climbing before this deposit was located in the North Fork of the Canyon.

Our hats are off to these men and boys. That's what we call real "rock-hounding!"

Angus Sale Makes Club Project Animals Available

The third annual "Holiday Sale" sponsored by the Oregon Aberdeen Angus Association will be held at the Pacific International building at north Portland on Dec. 10, 1960, at 12:30 p.m., according to Joe Hay, county extension agent.

The sale is designed to make top quality breeding female and project steer calves available to 4-H and FFA members at a moderate price. This year 40 bred heifers, 20 project heifers, 15 project steers and five herd sire prospect bulls will be offered for sale.

All animals will be on exhibit from Friday afternoon till sale time. Judging will start Saturday morning at 8:30 a.m.

A feeding and care clinic will be held by expert feeders to answer questions for anyone wishing to attend. New owners can most probably arrange free transportation for their animals to central points such as Pendleton if they so desire.

Anyone wishing further information may contact the county extension office.

Boardman News

By MARY LEE MARLOW

GRANGE OFFICERS INSTALLED

Forty-five persons attended the potluck dinner held at the Greenfield Grange hall Sunday following church services. Members of the grange attended Boardman Community Church as a group in commemoration of Grange Sunday.

As part of the program at the grange hall two trumpet solos were played by Sandra Thorpe and Patty Miller. Kenneth Wooten, pastor of Community Church, was guest speaker.

Following dinner installation of grange officers was held, with Roy Means, state grange deputy, Redmond, as installing officer. Ronald Black was marshal, Arthur Allen, regalia bearer; and Mrs. Arthur Allen, emblem bearer. Mrs. Earl Briggs was acting master. Singers were Mrs. Zeorl Gillespie, Mrs. John Summers, Mrs. Kenneth Wooten and Richard Summers. Officers installed were: Master, Nathan Thorpe; overseer, Clyde Tannehill; lecturer, Hazel Miller; steward, George Zeimer; assistant steward, Jim Thorpe; Minnie Skiles, chaplain; Margaret Hamilton, treasurer; Flossie Coats, secretary; Andrew Skiles, gate keeper; Florence Root, Ceres; Hazel Carpenter; Ruth Ferguson, executive committee. Other executive committee members, Elvin Ely and Earl Briggs, were unable to attend.

Following the installation Roy Means gave a short talk on the early history of the Grange and what it can mean to a community in the way of service.

The Stylish Stitches, sewing IV 4-H club, met at the home of their leader, Mrs. Nathan Thorpe, last week to discuss materials for better dresses. This was their second meeting since organizing.

Officers of the club are: President, Chloe McQuaw; vice-president, Dorothy Rash; secretary, Sandra Thorpe; song leader, Patty Miller; reporter, Linda Daniels.

Robert Strutz, Riverside high school coach, was in Portland Friday and Saturday as a delegate from Morrow county to the representative council of the Oregon Education Association, held at the Lincoln high school.

Mrs. Earl Briggs, county committee member of the County Extension Unit, was hostess for a meeting of the committee at her home last week. Those present included Esther Kirmis, county extension agent, and Mrs. Paul Warren of Heppner, Mrs. Willard French of Pine City, and Mrs. Warren McCoy of Irrigon.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Carpenter of La Grande were Sunday visitors at the home of Mrs. Carpenter's mother, Mrs. Russell Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Ely and daughter Eileen went to Richland, Wash. Sunday to visit at the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Newell Vaught.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Messenger, Jr., of Hermiston were Sunday visitors at the homes of Messenger's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Zeorl Gillespie, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Coats, and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Messenger.

Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Seehafer were Seehafer's sister-in-law, Mrs. Emil Seehafer, Clatskanie, and her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Seehafer, who were returning from Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis LeTrace of Echo were Sunday visitors at the home of Mrs. LeTrace's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hayes.

Mrs. Rollin Bishop went to Portland by train Sunday where she will have a medical check-up.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Marlow went to Pendleton Saturday where they were dinner guests at the home of Marlow's nephew, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Thurman.

Among the first troops to land in Japan when Com. M. C. Perry arrived at Tokyo Bay were 100 United States Marines. On March 6, 1854 Private Robert Williams who died aboard the USS Mississippi became the first Marine to be buried in Japanese soil at Yokohama.

On December 1, 1947, the first Marine helicopter squadron, IMX-1, was commissioned at MCS, Quantico, Va.

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Tim, Mr. and Mrs. Art Vance of Heppner and Rev. and Mrs. Bud MacKenzie and Kathryn, John Harold gave some first-hand accounts of the work of the missions in Africa, using tape recordings and slides.

The study of the Bible was begun by the Bible Study group Dec. 5 in the parsonage of the Ione Community church. Anyone who wishes may attend the studies.

At the Naomi Circle meeting Dec. 1 at the home of Mrs. Arnie Hedman, Mrs. Fred Nelson showed slides of Passion Play from their recent European trip.

The Deaconesses are sponsoring a song-fest of Christmas caroling at the Ione Community church, Sunday, Dec. 11 at 5 p.m. A light supper will be served. Mrs. Milton Morgan asked guests to bring cake or sandwiches. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nelson will show slides of their European trip taken this summer.

E. E. Meyers and son, Ronald, of Salem, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Leo Crabtree and family.



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