

# Open House Set to Honor Mrs. Searcy



MRS. THOMAS B. SEARCY of Hillsboro, mother of Mrs. Charles (Helen) Ruggles of Heppner, will be honored at open house in Portland Sunday, December 31, on the occasion of her 90th birthday.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Nagel for the past two months are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Nagel, Stockton, Iowa. They will remain until after Christmas.

Guests at the home of Mrs. Lucy Peterson this week were Mr. and Mrs. Sam Spittle of Benson, Arizona. Mr. Spittle is a brother to Mrs. Peterson.

Family and friends of Mrs. Thomas B. (Lena Shelton) Searcy of Hillsboro, mother of Mrs. Charles (Helen) Ruggles of Heppner will gather in Portland Sunday, December 31, to observe her 90th birthday. An open house will be held at the YWCA, 1111 S. W. 10th Ave., Portland, from 1 to 3 p. m. A sidelight of the occasion will be an exhibit of some of Mrs. Searcy's oil paintings, including pieces painted now and 60 to 75 years ago.

Young in spirit, the active and productive life of Mrs. Searcy today is a far cry from that usually depicted of our senior citizens.

From pioneer stock (her grandparents crossed the plains in a covered wagon) Mrs. Searcy graduated from McMinnville College (now Linfield) and taught in one room country schools near McMinnville and in Sherman county. She had as many as 40 pupils, all ages and grades, and received up to \$40 per month. Married in 1895 to Thomas B. Searcy, she and her husband homesteaded wheat land in Sherman county, and settled down to the full-time job of raising a family of eight children. It was 60 years later, while recuperating from a broken leg, that Mrs. Searcy found leisure time to resume one of her favorite girlhood activities . . . painting.

Since then, she has pursued this creative hobby, and her oil paintings of Oregon scenes and landscapes have appeared in art exhibits throughout Washington county. Of her own family, Mrs. Searcy has six children living: Mrs. Harry B. Pinkerton (Vina O.), Moro; Serai W., Portland; John L., Hillsboro; Owen L., Salem; Mrs. Charles A. Ruggles (Helen L.), Heppner; and Morris L., Portland. Deceased are Philip T. and Chester A.

Her devoted interest in painting and the above families, including 19 grandchildren and 34 great grandchildren, gives Mrs. Searcy more than enough to keep busy.

## Slate Of Officers Named At Meeting

Report of the nominating committee for new officers of the Degree of Honor Protective Association was accepted at the meeting Tuesday evening. Installation is planned for January 9, and a practice was announced for December 26.

Serving on the nominating committee were Mrs. Alice Soward, Mrs. Mary Bryant and Mrs. Prudy Casebeer.

Officers to be installed are Mrs. Eleanor Gonty, past president; Mrs. Joyce Townsend, president; Mrs. Rachel Marner, first vice president; Mrs. Lucille Parrish, second vice president; Mrs. Ida Farra, recording secretary; Mrs. Mary McMurry, treasurer; Mrs. Bernice Nash, usher; Mrs. Bryant, assistant usher; Mrs. Casebeer, inner watch; Mrs. Evelyn Hicks, outer watch; Miss Shirley Nash, pianist; Mrs. Bryant, drill captain; Mrs. Theta Stratton, trustee and ritual counselor.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Peck were in Portland over the week-end on business.

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**FRIDAY, Dec. 15**  
Basketball, Heppner vs. Ione at Ione, 8:30 p. m.  
Rebekahs, joint meeting with Mistletoe, lodge hall, 8:00 p. m.  
**SATURDAY, Dec. 16**  
Rebekah convention, Lexington, 1:00 p. m.  
Elks crab feed, Elks dining room, 5:30 p. m.  
Square Dance club, Wranglers building, 8:00 p. m.  
Free show for kids, Star Theater, 1:00 p. m.  
High school Christmas dance, Morrow County Gem and Mineral society, old Library building, 8:00 p. m.

**MONDAY, Dec. 18**  
Chamber of Commerce, Wagon Wheel noon  
Soroptimist club, Let's Humphreys home, 8:00 p. m.  
Rainbow for Girls, Lodge hall, 7:00 p. m.

**TUESDAY, Dec. 19**  
Heppner Lodge AF&AM, lodge hall, 8:00 p. m.  
American Legion Auxiliary, Hazel Hamlin home, 8:00 p. m.

**WEDNESDAY, Dec. 20**  
Primary grades' Christmas program, Multipurpose room, 1:30 p. m.  
Junior high and High school Christmas programs, school gym, 8:00 p. m.  
Odd Fellows, Lodge hall, 8:00 p. m.

**THURSDAY, Dec. 21**  
Frosh basketball, at Pilot Rock  
**FRIDAY, Dec. 22**  
School ends for Christmas vacation.

## Eastern Star Meet Postponed to Jan. 8

Don Turner will show the film "Communism On the Map" at the next Order of Eastern Star meeting January 8. The members voted at the December 11 meeting to cancel the regularly scheduled meeting on December 25 as it falls on Christmas Day.

A social hour followed the meeting with members taking part in the bridge and pinocle play. Mrs. C. C. Carmichael won high in bridge and Mrs. Don Turner won the traveling prize. Mrs. Martha Van Scholack won high in pinocle and Harold Becket won the traveling prize.

Mrs. Harold Becket, refreshment hostess, served sandwiches during the evening.

## Friends Visit Here

Dinner guests at the home of Mrs. Harry Duvall Saturday evening were Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hunt of The Dalles, and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Jackson of Hermiston. The couples were former Lexington residents, and were here to attend the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Warner Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunt stayed overnight and returned to The Dalles on Sunday afternoon, attending the Methodist church services here in the morning.

## Methodists' Coffee To Honor Richmonds

Members of the Methodist church and friends will honor Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Richmond and family at a coffee hour after morning services in the church Sunday.

The Richmonds plan to move December 28 to Rockford, Wn., near Spokane, where he has accepted a position as assistant manager of a grain and oil cooperative.

Ralph has been bookkeeper for Morrow County Grain Growers for several years. The family, which includes sons Larry and Stanley, plans to sell the home here.

Friends of the family are invited to join with the Methodists at the coffee hour shortly after noon Sunday.

## Rebekahs To Initiate On Friendship Night

Sans Souci Rebekah Lodge No. 33 will hold initiation Friday evening, December 15, at 8 p. m. Since the president of Rebekah Assembly of Oregon, Cleonna Dal'es on Sunday afternoon, will be making her official visit, Noble Grand Melba Quackenbush has p. m.

## Morrow Cowbells Hear State President

Mrs. Ewing Hynd, Ukiah, state Cowbelle president, was speaker at the Morrow county Cowbelle meeting and potluck luncheon held December 8 at the home of Mrs. Wavel Wilkinson, Mrs. Hynd, Morrow and Umatilla county Cowbelle member, was elected president early in December at the Oregon Cattleman's association meeting in Pendleton.

Plans were made for the Morrow county Livestock Growers association meeting in early January at the fair grounds at which time the Cowbells will elect new officers. Reports were given on the State Cowbelle's meeting in Pendleton.

Morrow county joined Umatilla and Grant counties as co-hosts of the state Cowbelle during the Pendleton meeting. They presented the guests with leather earring favors.

designated this as Friendship Night.

All Rebekahs are cordially invited to attend.

Members are also reminded of the District No. 20 convention of Rebekah Lodges at the Lexington IOOF hall on Saturday, December 16, beginning at 1:00

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