

Irrigon Grade Students Present Plays

By MRS. ALBERT PARTLOW

Irrigon—The students of A. C. Houghton Elementary enjoyed Christmas parties in their rooms before being dismissed for the Christmas vacation.

A large audience attended the Christmas program presented by A. C. Houghton Elementary Wednesday evening. The program was held in the new multi-purpose room, the first four grades giving "The Old Woman Who Lived in a Shoe," and the 5th through 8th grades presenting the story of "The Littlest Angel." Santa arrived on the scene following the program, with "treats" for everyone.

Mrs. Earl Isom and Donna sponsored a caroling party for the junior and senior high school classes of the Assembly of God church. After the caroling, the classes met at Mrs. Isom's home for refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Stewart, Sharon and Tommy drove to La Grande Saturday and spent Christmas there with Mrs. Stewart's folks. Mr. and Mrs. Reeder.

Mr. and Mrs. James Mills, Steve, Ricky, Randy, Mrs. Albert Partlow and Sherrie and Mrs. Myrtle Markham drove to Portland Friday and returned home Saturday. While there, they visited Mrs. Markham's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Berry. The children visited the Alpenrose Storybook Lane at Lloyd Center.

Mrs. Robert L. Berry and daughter of Saulte St. Marie, Mich., are here visiting Mrs. Berry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brandt during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Isom attended the Union Pacific Old Timers Club No. 19 Christmas dinner at Hinkle Sunday afternoon. Business sessions were held following the potluck dinner. In lieu of exchanging gifts, the members donated towards the purchase of a piano. Mrs. Isom is vice-president of the Ladies Auxiliary, and Isom is secretary-treasurer of the men's group.

Etta Lou Christiansen spent a week in The Dalles with her sister's family, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Creighton and Vince. Umatilla grade school played

basketball against A. C. Houghton Elementary here Friday afternoon, with Umatilla's "A" team winning over A. C. Houghton by a score of 33-23, and A. C. Houghton topping Umatilla's "B" team 22 to 12.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Pummel, Anita, Donna Kay and Darrel spent Christmas day with Pummel's sister and family, the Obern Standerfers of Hermiston.

Mr. and Mrs. James Mills, Steve, Ricky, Randy and Miss Snow McCoy were Christmas dinner guests of the Albert Partlows.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stephens spent Monday and Tuesday in Pendleton, visiting Stephens' sister, Mrs. Mae McKinney.

Mr. and Mrs. John Califf are parents of a baby boy born December 14. The baby weighed 4 lbs. 10 1/2 oz., and has been named John Howard Califf, Jr. The baby's father, SK-3 John Califf is stationed in the Navy at Okinawa.

Seg. 2 and Mrs. Michael Califf drove from Stockton, Calif., where Califf has been stationed in the Navy, to be here for the holidays with Califf's folks, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Zehner and family, and Mrs. Califf's folks, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Snyder and family. From here, Califf will spend 6 weeks at Key West, Fla., taking specialized Sonar training. During this six weeks, Mrs. Califf will remain here with her folks, after which the couple will move to Centerplace, Calif., where Califf will be stationed at the Sonar base there.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben McCoy and Terry spent the week-end in Rufus visiting Mrs. McCoy's sister's family.

Warren Stewart of La Grande is here visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Ruth McCoy and other relatives.

Little Michael Ritzer, 10-month old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Ritzer, became suddenly ill at his home Saturday afternoon. When he seemed to have difficulty in breathing, he was given mouth-to-mouth respiration by his mother, and taken to the hospital where he was given oxygen, and kept overnight. The illness was due to tonsillitis.

Mr. and Mrs. Pantelis Vrontakis of Eugene arrived in Irrigon Monday night to spend Christmas with Mrs. Vrontakis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Warner. Vrontakis is attending the University of Oregon.

The Christmas Pageant "Unto Us" was presented at the Baptist church Sunday night to an audience of approximately 170 persons. Preceding the pageant were recitations and songs from the beginner and primary departments. Instrumental numbers were a flute solo by Susan McCoy, Star of the East, and a saxophone solo, Noel, played by Shirley Jackson. A vocal quartet composed of Elnora Eppenbach, Janice Marlow, Larry Marlow and Richard Gilpin also sang. Following the program, "treats" were given out to those attending.

Mrs. Avery Shoun is confined to her home with a bad cold.

Holiday Guests Visit Families

By JUNE CHRISTOPHERSON

Calendar of Events:
Willows Grange—3rd Sunday beginning with potluck dinner at noon.
Eastern Star—2nd Tuesday, 8 p. m. Masonic Hall.
Rainbow girls—1st and 3rd Tuesdays.
Ione Bridge Club—1st and 3rd Thursday nights
Ione Extension—1st Thursday at 10:30 a. m.

IONE—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Drake, from Berkeley, Calif., are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Rod Mackenzie, and her family during the holidays. They will also celebrate their grandson's birthday on December 27. Mrs. Della Corson was also a Christmas Day guest with the Mackenzies.

The public is reminded of Student Recognition Sunday, on Sunday, December 30, at the Ione Community church, with college students who are home for vacations conducting the service.

Fortieth Anniversary Observed

Mr. and Mrs. Omar Rietmann held open house at their home in Ione, in honor of their 40th wedding anniversary on Sunday afternoon, December 16, from 2 to 5 p. m. Mr. and Mrs. Gene Rietmann and Larry were in charge. Cake, coffee and punch were served to about 65 people. Mr. and Mrs. Throchmartin, photographers from Pendleton, took pictures of the festivities.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Christopherson and girls of Rock Creek, Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Aldrich and daughters of Ione and Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Christopherson and family of Ione are spending the Christmas holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Christopherson in Donald. Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Christopherson are former residents of Ione.

Rock Club Has Movies

On Saturday, December 15, the 4-H Golden Rock club met with the adult rock club at the old public library.

We had 45 minutes of movies on rocks of Utah. Billy Stockard led us in the 4-H flag pledge. After that Mrs. Harnett gave us refreshments.

Bobby Peck, reporter

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MEL COUNTS, Oregon State University's sensational seven-foot All-American, is leading the Beavers into the Far West Basketball Classic this year in quest of their seventh consecutive title. The 1962 classic, sponsored by the University of Oregon and held in Portland's Memorial Coliseum, started December 25. The line up of universities represented includes Iowa, Arizona, California, Seattle, Washington State, Idaho, Oregon and Oregon State.

Links Club Plans Project

By DELPHA JONES

(Held over from last week)
LEXINGTON — Three Links club met at the Cecil Jones home on Thursday of last week. This was the regular meeting with chairman LaVerne Henderson presiding. A project for the year 1963 was discussed and it was decided to build a small park at the side of the hall between the Henderson Garage and the IOOF building. Plans were discussed for lawn and a few trees.

It was also decided to have an exchange of Secret Sister gifts at lodge next meeting on Friday, December 21. Refreshments were served to Bernice Wilton, Dimple Munkers, Cora Warner, Catie Padberg, Annie Keene, LaVerne Henderson, Bertha Hunt Myrtle Marshall, Freda Majeske, June Field, Hilda Yocum and Florence McMillan. A birthday cake honoring Delpha Jones on her birthday was brought by June Field. Door prize was won by Catie Padberg.

The Lexington Garden club met last Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Earl Warner. A Christmas party was held with an exchange of gifts. There were 12 members present and 2 visitors. Refreshments were served later in the afternoon.

Mrs. Bertha Hunt is spending the holidays with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hunt at Westminster, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Messenger of Boardman were callers in Lexington on Tuesday.

Be-Liters Install Officers
The Be-Liters held their annual party and gift exchange at the Vernon Munkers home on Tuesday. There was also an installation of officers with Mrs. Bill B. Marquardt as leader; Mrs. Walter Smith, co-leader; Mrs. Vernon Munkers, secretary; Mrs. H. S. Huber, treasurer; Mrs. L. E. Ruhl, weight recorder, and Mrs. Homer Hughes, news reporter. Refreshments were the "tasting of Christmas goodies" that the ladies had made for the holidays. The next meeting is scheduled for January 7.

Mrs. Lola Breeding and daughter, Mrs. Floyd Smith and son Oscar returned home this week from several days in Portland.

The Women's Fellowship of the Christian church met at the C. C. Jones home on Tuesday afternoon. At this meeting Secret Sisters were disclosed and names drawn for 1963. Door prize was won by Mrs. Roy Campbell. Refreshments were served to June Fields, Mrs. Floyd Smith, Mrs. Wm. C. Van Winkle, Mrs. Lola Breeding, Mrs. Art Keene, Mrs.

Roy Campbell, Mrs. Earl Warner, Mrs. Gerry Messenger, Mrs. Florence McMillan, Mrs. Carl Marquardt and Mrs. Bill B. Marquardt.

Miss Linda Van Winkle who is a student at the University is spending the vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Van Winkle.

Lexington Bridge club met for their regular meeting at the Johnnie Ledbetter home. Those present were Lucia Cutsforth, Lois Hunt, Gene Leonard, Velma Glass, Elsie Cole, Eileen Padberg, Mildred Davidson and the hostess Lorine Ledbetter. Winning prizes were Eileen Padberg, high; Gene Leonard, second high, and Mildred Davidson, low.

Mrs. Dean Hunt and her mother, Mrs. Opal Key of Heppner, were Pendleton visitors one day this week.

Johnnie Ledbetter and Dean Hunt have set up the Lexington community Christmas tree in the parking lot at Gene's Chevron Station. The tree adds much to the center of town at the holiday season.

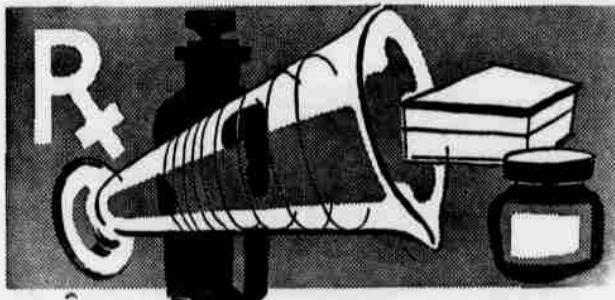
Kenny Jones entertained the high school Sunday school class with a pre-Christmas dinner at his home on Tuesday night. The table was set in the holiday motif with red and silver as the predominating colors. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Marquardt, Miss Theresa Munkers, Miss Jeanette Ledbetter, Miss Joyce Peck, Billy Klinger and the host Kenny Jones. Another member of the class Dick Wallace was unable to be present. Following the dinner the group met at the church where they practiced for the Christmas program for Sunday night at 7:30.

Councilmen Named For Hope Lutheran

The annual meeting of Hope Lutheran church was held on Sunday, Dec. 16 followed by a fellowship dinner. The budget for 1963 was approved, various reports given on the women's and Sunday School work plus a general pastor's report.

New councilmen elected are Lyle Cox, Bud Peck, Wes Marlatt, Elmer Holtz, and Gene Cutsforth. Those remaining from 1961 are Gene Majeske, Gerald Jonason and Irvin Rauch.

Retiring from the council are Orval Matheny, Don Evans, Ray Heimigener, and Elmer Schmidt.



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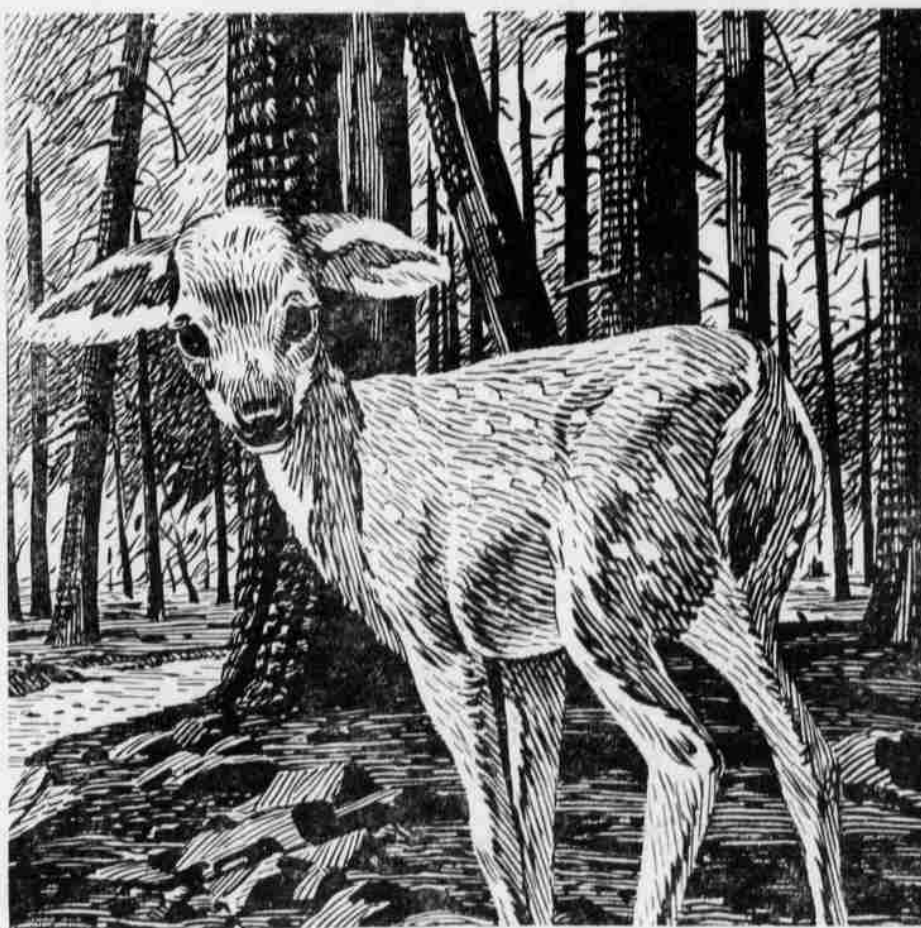
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