

New Years Observed at Home, Away

By KATHERINE LINDSTROM

IONE—Mr. and Mrs. David Rietmann entertained her family on New Year's Day for dinner. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Swenson, Mrs. Roland Wade and Katherine, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Atkinson, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Swenson and daughters of Walla Walla, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Herschell and son of Kennewick, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest McCabe and family of Heppner, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Bristow and Don, Harold and Wayne Rietmann of Newport Beach, Calif., who has been spending her vacation here with her parents.

Mrs. Robert Rietmann had the misfortune to twist her knee and sprain her ankle while skiing on Arbutle Sunday.

Jodie Morrison and Lloyd Morgan drove to Corvallis Saturday to take their daughters Geraldine and Tass back to school. They also attended the Oregon State and Cincinnati game.

Ron Crabtree of Portland spent Saturday night and Sunday here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Crabtree. When he returned home, he took his son Scott, who has been visiting with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Palmer through the holidays.

New Year's Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Thorne were Mr. and Mrs. William Spohn, Mr. and Mrs. James Lindsay, and Mr. and Mrs. William Melena.

Holiday guests of the James Lindsays were their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pettyjohn and son Jim of The Dalles. Other guests on Christmas Day were their other son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Earl McCabe and Arleta and Mrs. Lindsay's mother, Mrs. Diantha Akers.

Leaving on Monday for the National Wheat League meetings in Amarilla, Tex., were

Milton Morgan, president of the Oregon Wheat League and Mrs. Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jepsen and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jacobs. Jacobs and Jepsen are both committee members of Oregon Wheat League.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Rietmann spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blake on the Hinton Creek ranch.

Kenneth Smouse took his son Kenny Lynn, back to his studies at Oregon State on Sunday. He returned Monday accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Anne Smouse, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Richard Baker and family.

Pierce Injured in Accident

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sherer spent the week-end at Redmond daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne visiting their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Pierce and family. Wayne was seriously injured on Thursday morning on his way to work, when his panel truck was hit by another vehicle and he was thrown through the window of the truck door. He received a concussion and severe lacerations, one on his shoulder which required nineteen stitches to close. He was released from the hospital on Saturday.

Oscar Lundell entered the hospital in Heppner on Sunday. His nephew, Garland Swanson, drove him up.

Mrs. Ella Bleakman, who has been quite ill, is staying with her daughter, Mrs. Hershal Townsend.

Mrs. Victor Lovgren left for Portland on Thursday with her son, Dean, who had surgery on Friday. She was accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Robert Peterson, and they returned on Sunday. Dean will be absent from school for ten days or two weeks.

Mrs. James Lindsay will entertain the Home Economics club on Thursday, January 16, for an all-day meeting. Members are to

bring salads or desserts for the potluck luncheon.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Ekstrom, Jr., and family went to Portland last Sunday and on Monday their daughter Jan underwent a tonsillectomy. They were guests at the home of Mrs. Ekstrom's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Steiger and family, while in the city. They returned home on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin McCabe and family spent the week-end in Ione at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Crabtree. They took their son, Kevin, home to Colfax, Wash., after a visit here with his grandparents and left Jimmie and Ashley to stay for a visit.

Celebrates Tenth Birthday

Cheri Carlson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Carlson, celebrated her tenth birthday with a party on Tuesday afternoon. Guests were Nancy Ashurst, Shirley Baker, Kathy Crum, Cathy Cannon, Shawna Bergstrom, Mary McElligott, and Carol Hausler. Julie Zinter and Ann McElligott sent gifts but were unable to attend. The girls roasted wieners and marshmallows over an outside bonfire at lunch time. They played games and had afternoon refreshments, when they were joined by Kristine and Jan Peterson.

Mrs. Herbert Ekstrom, Jr., was inadvertently left off the guest list of the bridal shower for Karen Lundell. Mrs. Roland Bergstrom, who was unable to attend, sent a gift.

Mr. and Mrs. Jodie Morrison and daughters, Tass and Merrie Jo, returned last Tuesday from attending the Far West Basketball Classic in Portland. Their daughter, Michelle, who was Queen of the Classic, awarded the trophies last Monday night and then stayed in the city for a party given by a sorority sister on Tuesday evening. She arrived home on Wednesday for a short vacation with her family before returning to Oregon State on Saturday.

Dick DeBisschop, a student at Oregon State, was guest at the Morrison home this week.

Guests this week at the home of Mrs. Edythe White were her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Anderson and nieces, Ina and Cathy Anderson, of Prosser, Wn., and her sister-in-law, Mrs. Guy Anderson and Mrs. Anderson's sister, Mrs. Ida May Spone of Yakima. They left for their homes on New Year's Day.

Les Matthews spent the holidays with his sister at Kuna, Ida.

The grade school basketball team, the Baby Cardinals, will play A and B team games in Heppner Friday afternoon at 1:30.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Bristow spent the week-end in Portland on business and also attended the Cincinnati, and Oregon State basketball game. They were accompanied by Julie Rietmann, who took a plane for Newport Beach, Calif.

Services at Valley Lutheran church will be held at 11:00 this Sunday with Sunday School at 9:45. Following church services a potluck dinner will be held and the annual business meeting.

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Memorial Services Pay Respect to Della Corson

IONE—This community lost one of its oldest citizens with the death of Mrs. Della M. Corson, 90, on Tuesday, December 31, at Pioneer Memorial hospital, where she had been a patient for 2½ months.

Mrs. Corson was born in Missouri on September 8, 1873, and came to Arlington on the train with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reed, when a young girl of ten. The family homesteaded in the Ella district, north of Ione, where she attended school and later taught. She was graduated from Heppner high school and taught in Ione in a one room school located near the present city park on the Rietmann lot. She later served as clerk on the Ione School Board for many years.

She was married to William Corson and to this union one son, Eldred, was born.

Mrs. Corson began work for the Bell Telephone Company in 1915 as a manual switchboard operator and in 1925 was promoted to agency manager. She was retired on September 30, 1938, after 23 years and two months of service. Much of this time she was on 24-hour duty. The telephone company considered her a "loyal employee, extremely devoted to her work, and highly respected by other operators with whom she had frequent contacts."

Citizens of this community also remember her for her wit, her many kindnesses and services beyond her regular duties. She was collection agent for the company until her death. She was a member of the Pioneer

Telephone Operators Association. She was one of the first persons in the United States to receive Social Security.

Mrs. Corson was a 65-year member of Bunchgrass Rebekah Lodge, a Past Noble Grand and over 50 years ago was a delegate to the convention in Roseburg. She was guest in the home of a wealthy family. The home later became the public library of Roseburg.

She was a charter member of the Arlington Methodist church and a member of the Heppner Methodist church since 1893. She was a devoted worker in the Ione United Church of Christ, having been a Sunday school teacher for the adult Bible class many years.

Mrs. Corson was an ardent knitter and won many blue ribbons at the county fair, winning some this year. She loved to travel and attended the World's Fair when she was 89 years old.

Funeral services were held for Mrs. Corson at the Ione United Church of Christ on Tuesday afternoon with burial in the Arlington cemetery. Rev. Walter Crowell conducted the services and the church choir sang "Be Still My Soul" Von Scheel. Pallbearers were Roy W. Lindstrom, Omar Rietmann, Don Bristow, Ralph Crum, Ray Barnett, and Wallace Matthews.

Present for the funeral were her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Eldred Corson, of Victorville, Calif.; one of twin nephews and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Corson of Portland, a niece, Mrs. Florence Swanson of Portland, and a nephew and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Blair Corson and daughter of Lyle, Wn.

Builders Club Meets

Boardman 4-H Builders club met in Mrs. Miller's garage. We painted bread boards and used liquid plastic on them. We also started working on our broom racks. The garage was heated by Vern Minnick's cookstove. Several sanded on their broom racks, then we had sandwiches and hot cocoa.

Ron Baker, reporter

Club Chooses Name

Our meeting was called to order in regular form, with three members present. Our new 4-H club name is called "Lively Five plus Two." We will have our next meeting on January 25 at Jeannine Hunt's home.

Christine Munkers, reporter

Area Bank Debts Down in November

Bank debts for the Pendleton area including Morrow, Umatilla counties decreased in November, 1963, compared to November, 1962, the University of Oregon Bureau of Business Research has reported.

Debts for November, 1963, totaled \$37,687,404. For October, 1963, the total was \$42,367,396, and for November, 1962, the total was \$40,562,395.

Oregon, with 266 banks reporting had a decrease in bank debts in November, 1963 of 5.8 per cent as compared with October, 1963 and an increase of 6.6 per cent as compared with November, 1962.

Total debts for Oregon in November, 1963, came to \$2,601,955,624, and for October, 1963, the total was \$2,762,573,152. For November, 1962, the total came to \$2,441,298,008.

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County Schools To Receive Tine Testing Program

A Tine tuberculin testing program has been set for Morrow county schools, grades 1, 7 and 12, for the month of January. The program is sponsored by the Morrow County TB and Health Association and administered through the Morrow County Health Department.

Tine testing is the newest development of skin testing for tuberculosis and is a simple, almost painless test. A reading is made several days later to determine the reaction to the test. If positive, a chest x-ray is recommended as a further check. This can be done either through the patient's physician or through the x-ray facility at Pioneer Memorial hospital on the first Wednesday of each month, which is also made available through funds from the Morrow County TB and Health Association.

Following is the proposed schedule:

January 14 at Heppner schools, January 21 at Irrigon and Boardman schools.

January 28 at Ione and Lexington schools.

Consent slips have been distributed to the children through their schools. A signed consent slip from the parent or guardian is necessary before the test can be given. Parents are urged to take advantage of this program being given through the schools.

Club Makes Halters

Members of the Hoof and Horn 4-H livestock club were shown how to make rope halters at their last meeting. It was held December 15 at Don Greenup's home. Each of the members who attended made rope halters. They also planned goals for their future. If a club completes 18 of 23 goals it will receive an award. The next meeting is scheduled for January 22 at 7:30 p.m. at the Everett Harshman home.

Larry Pettyjohn, reporter

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