

Lodge Hosts Banquet for Boys

By EVA HAMLETT

IONE — The Ione Masonic Lodge held an athletic banquet on Wednesday, November 20, honoring the high school boys and men teachers.

Bert Akers, worshipful master, introduced Rev. Mike Luedde, who asked the blessing. Gene Rietmann, acting as master of ceremonies, introduced Principal Harold Beggs, who in turn introduced the teachers. Coach Gordon Meyers introduced the members of his football team. Herman Winter of Heppner was the speaker for the evening. The dinner program closed with the benediction given by Father Raymond Beard. The group then enjoyed a football film.

The Masonic Lodge held its regular meeting and was honored by an official visitation from Brother Harry Meyers, district deputy of the Grand Master, from Condon. Larry Cook and Howard Bryant were visiting guests from Heppner. Members of the Eastern Star chapter cooked and served the banquet.

Mrs. Herbert Ekstrom, Jr., was hostess for her bridge club last week. Mrs. Ray Boyce served the luncheon. Prizes were won by Mrs. Elden Padberg, high, and Mrs. Ray Boyce, second high, and Mrs. Rudy Bergstrom, low. The Lions Club met at the Masonic Hall last Monday for dinner and regular meeting. Films were shown on the Super Bowl football game and also the high school game between Ione and Crane. Members of the Topic Club served the dinner.

Members of the Oregon Education Association held a dinner at the cafeteria Monday evening. The "Choralettes" of the Ione High school provided the musical program. The Ione FTA served the dinner.

Monday, December 2, the Ione school bands will have a "Pop Concert" at 8:00 p.m., and will be composed of members from the 6th grade through the 12th grade.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Pettyjohn, Sr., and Darrel McLachlan of Heppner attended a business

meeting in Spokane, Wash., on November 12.

Friends gathered at the home of Kenneth Smouse on November 19, to help celebrate his birthday. Guests were Mrs. Roy Lindstrom, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Halvorsen, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Nelson, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Norman Nelson, and Mr. and Mrs. Marion Palmer.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Martin spent the first of last week at the home of their son, Melvin Martin, in Othello, Wash. On Thursday they drove to Portland where Martin attended a board meeting of the Church and Ministry Mission of Oregon of the United Church of Christ, and Mrs. Martin attended a board meeting of the Oregon State Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. Mr. Martin returned to Othello this week to help Melvin in some remodeling work on his home.

The American Legion Auxiliary sent over \$100 of merchandise to the Veteran's hospital gift shop last week. Veterans are allowed to choose gifts for their families at Christmas from this shop.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Eubanks and family, and Gary Sanders were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Eubanks, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Rodriguez and family of Hermiston also joined the rest of the family for the week-end.

Miss Sharlene Hamlett was initiated into the International Order of Job's Daughters, Bethel No. 44, at Hermiston on November 21. She was accompanied by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adon Hamlett.

The Bunchgrass Rebekah Lodge card party was held November 23. Prizes were won by Mrs. Everett Keithley, high, and Mrs. Sara Adkins, low, for the women; Frank Robinson, high, and Elmo McMillan, low, for the men; Everett Keithley won the 200 pinochle prize, and Mrs. Donald McElligott the door prize. Larry Prock of Heppner won the Afghan.

Mrs. John Eubanks and Mrs. Willard French will hold an op-

en house Tuesday, December 3, and Friday, December 5, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the T and C Building. Christmas arrangements and gift items will be on display. They will take orders on any items on display, until December 15. Everyone is cordially invited to attend and refreshments will be served.

Dave Wilson from Tacoma, Wash., was a week-end guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Crabtree.

Basketball season will start next week with a full schedule of games. The Junior High team will play at Heppner, December 6, at 2:00 p.m., and the following day will participate in a jamboree at Riverside, starting at 10 a.m. The High school jamboree will be held at Umatilla, starting at 6:30 p.m. on December 6 Saturday evening, December 7, Arlington will play at Ione, with the JV game starting at 6:30 p.m.

COMING EVENTS:
1—60th Anniversary for Mr. and Mrs. Waite Crawford, Church Basement, 2 to 5 p.m.
2—Pop Concert, High School, 8:00 p.m.
3—Open House, T and C Bldg, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
4—Garden Club, Swanson's residence
5—Open House, T and C Bldg, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
6—Jr. High basketball at Heppner, 2:00 p.m.
7—High School Jamboree at Umatilla, 6:30 p.m.
8—Jr. High Jamboree at Riverside, 10:00 a.m.
9—High School basketball, Arlington at Ione, 6:30 p.m.

Farm Bureau Agent Attends Convention
Mrs. Vesta Kilkenny, agent for Morrow and Umatilla counties for Oregon Farm Bureau Insurance Co., was among those attending the Farm Bureau convention held from November 17-20 in Salem. Mrs. Kilkenny had the honor of being named the organization's top insurance salesman for the month for the state of Oregon.

Among guest speakers who appeared on programs at the convention were Senator Mark Hatfield and Charles Schuman, national Farm Bureau president. Other notables included Pete Pifer, former OSU football star, now an agency manager with the company.

State Conservation Award Scheduled
The 1968 Conservation Man of the Year Award, sponsored by the John Deere Company and the Oregon Wheat League, will be announced at the annual banquet during the League's state meeting in Portland Tuesday, December 10, at the Sheraton Hotel.

John Deere will present each county winner with a plaque and also a rotating plaque to the state winner. County winners competing are: Bob Scharf of McMinnville, representing the Willamette Valley; Jim Johnson of Wasco county; Paul Alley of Sherman county; George Eaton of Gilliam county; Peterson Brothers of Morrow county; Gilbert & Son of Umatilla county; and Creston Shaw of Union county.

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Cattlemen Ready For Fight Against Grazing Fee Hike

The 2,600 member Oregon Cattlemen's Association is gearing up for a "fight to the finish," bitterly opposing the Government proposal to raise cattle grazing fees by as much as 400% on public lands, stated Denny Jones, president.

Speaking before the annual meeting of the Western Oregon Livestock Association in Roseburg, Jones said, "This kind of bureaucratic action cannot be tolerated and if these increased fees are implemented, it would not only cripple a great segment of the United States, but consumers would eventually be the losers through enforced higher prices of beef."

Jones also called upon all communities in Oregon and other western states to unite in what he termed a "last ditch fight to save the range cattle industry."

He also called on Chamber of Commerce and other service organizations to rally their resources now or forever witness a downturn in their communities which no amount of taxpayer money could erase.

The Cattlemen's Association also called a meeting with Senator Mark Hatfield in Salem. Attending the meeting were Jones; Jim Brooks, chairman, Oregon Beef Council; and Donald C. Ottensoe, executive vice-president of the OCA. Hatfield said his office in Washington is presently looking into this matter to see what immediate help and action he could give to Oregon cattlemen.

The Senator also stated, "The cattlemen of Oregon and all western states deserve a congressional hearing on these proposed increased grazing fees. The grazing states involved must put up a united front against such arbitrary proposals!" The Oregon Senator also urged help from the entire state's congressional delegation.

Representative Al Ullman, when contacted in his office in Washington, D. C., said he is already looking into this matter and has pledged his full support in assisting the Oregon cattle industry.

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Irrigon Couples Visit Relatives

By FRANCES ROSE WILSON

IRRIGON—Mr. and Mrs. Warren McCoy have returned from a vacation trip in California and on the Oregon coast. In Long Beach, Calif., they visited McCoy's brothers, Chase and Mac McCoy. They also spent four days with their son, Mike, who is stationed near there in the Navy. They visited Universal Studios in Hollywood and Hearst Castle, which is an important landmark and point of interest about five miles from Hollywood.

On their return trip they spent three days in San Francisco and when returning up the Oregon coast, stopped to visit Mrs. McCoy's sister, Mrs. A. W. Cameron.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Warner traveled to Springfield, Mo., where they will visit their daughters and families. Mr. and Mrs. Cyril McClellan and Mr. and Mrs. Arlan Pember, over the Thanksgiving holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Stewart, Sharon and Tom, visited her brother and sister and families. Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Reeder, Mr. and Mrs. Dave McClellan, in Portland. Mrs. Stewart's mother, Mrs. Ellen Reeder, accompanied them on the trip.

Out of town visitors who attended the J. A. Shoun funeral at the Community Baptist church last Thursday were: Mr. and Mrs. Jim Shoun, Mr. and Mrs. Walt Bryant and Bernice Wheeler of Pendleton; Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Shoun, Mr. and Mrs. Steven Shoun and Mrs. Judy Ferrence of Walla Walla, Wash.; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Asher of Coulee City, Wash.; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Asher and Mr. and Mrs. Erving Wilson of Fossil; Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Asher and Ellen, Mrs. Sharon Simmons, Vernie Anderson and Cora Burnside of Spray; Mrs. Grace O'Brien of Longview, Wash., and Charlotte Newman and K. C. Dack of Hermiston.

The Irrigon Assembly of God Youth group is making plans for a Hawaiian luau to be at the A. C. Houghton cafeteria on

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Thursday evening, December 5, at 6:30 p.m. Charges will be \$1.00 for adults, 75¢ for grades 1 through 6, and 50¢ for preschoolers. Following the meal, colored slides of Hawaii will be shown. The young people are sponsoring the luau as a missionary project.

The Irrigon Assembly of God Junior-High girls had a slumber party at the parsonage basement Saturday evening, accompanied by Mrs. LaVelle Partlow. The group listened to the music of Gary Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Don Parks, former Grand Ole Opry stars, earlier in the evening. The musicians now travel, singing country-western gospel music. Rev. Bob Baggett brought a gospel message. The young people spent the remainder of the evening playing games. The next morning they attended Sunday school, before returning to their homes.

Gene Gollyhorn walked away from his totally demolished Cutlass convertible and called an ambulance for himself following an accident in Umatilla last Thursday morning. Gollyhorn is a student at Blue Mountain Community College and had worked all night at the Safeway Store. In the dense, early morning fog he ran into the back of a truck loaded with lumber and a timber pierced the windshield, narrowly missing his head. It required 47 stitches to close the cuts in his head, but all were clean and no scars are expected to result. A small bone beside his eye was broken, but otherwise he was not seriously injured. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gollyhorn, expected him to be released from the Umatilla hospital on Tuesday.

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