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A Very Merry Christmas to All—

We want to wish you all a Very Merry Christmas, a safe and happy holiday. We think a great deal of all our subscribers and the business people who support this little newspaper with their ads and job printing. Without you the Gazette-Times would not be able to exist. So we owe each and every one a big thank you. We appreciate all you've done.

We would like to add that we are continually impressed with the good people of Morrow County. As a little example of this, we've never before lived in an area where so many folks will stop and let us cross the street. Such kindness and courtesy are impressive in this great age of hurry and scurry!

Thank you and God Bless you everyone.
Dorothy & Charlie — Arnold
— Reggie — Ann — Susan — Matt — Valerie.

Gene Pierce who had hoped for some time to win the pot at the Chamber of Commerce luncheons was finally a winner. He on Monday was presented a genuine, miniature fur-lined Chamber of Commerce!

From Rupert, Idaho comes an Associated Press item about an ad in the Minidoka County News offering a cow for sale for a price between \$100 and \$200.

But, the ad said, that was just the cow's basic list price. It said the animal's two-tone exterior would cost an additional \$59; with the dispensing device (four spigots at \$10) coming to \$40.

Other extras listed in the ad were: extra stomach, \$40; product storage compartment, \$60; genuine cowhide upholstery, \$45; automatic fly swatter, \$35; and dual horns, \$20.

Total value of the cow was listed at \$370-\$450.

The ad was placed in the small Southern Idaho weekly by a rancher who declined to identify himself.

Some folks who laugh out loud at the family album look in a mirror and never crack a smile.

The world changes so fast you couldn't be wrong all the time if you tried.

Tourist: "I got up at dawn to see the sun rise."

Native: "You couldn't have picked a better time."

Friend of ours shaved off his beard because it made him look too young!

Someday a magazine editor is going to become famous by publishing stories as interesting as the ads.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To one and all:

Here I thought I would spend an ordinary Christmas but friends! Aren't they wonderful?

Here on a Friday eve came Anabel Allison and Mary White laden with gold, frankincense & myrrh. Well not really, but they did have a beautiful hand made candle arrangement and some keen pink slippers for cold nights. We had a nice evening and a good time was had by all.

Then the next day came a package addressed to Josephine Mahoney and I got it o.k. It is from those lovely nieces, the Bell Sisters (Laurel, Harriet, Eileen, Beth and Nancy). Isn't that sweet? Naturally I'm dying to know what's inside but they would kill me no doubt if I should look in ahead of schedule. So I wait.

Me? I haven't got off a card. I keep thinking I'll do it tomorrow but I have to exercise and take two walks a day; cook (I'm living high on the hog these days) and not much else but the day is done.

Holiday Greetings
Josephine Mahoney Baker
Terwilliger Plaza, Apt. 525,
Portland, Oregon 97201

To the Editors,
Heppner Gazette-Times:

My, the surprises and joys of the Holiday Season. Fancy getting a card and note from Claudien and Dick Wightman which says in part "Hope this isn't too much of a shock for you but we have kept tab of you through the Gazette-Times. Dick and I have returned from the Islands where we have lived in Honolulu for 5 years. Dick has retired and so have I. We are spending part of our time in our home here. Very small community but very beautiful. We have so enjoyed your letters



FIVE GENERATIONS—from left: Mrs. Juanita Matlock Ignowski, the grandmother. She was born in Heppner and attended schools in Lexington and The Dalles. Michael Ignowski holding his 6 month old son Mark. Both father and son were born in The Dalles. Michael attended schools in The Dalles, and is now living in Forest Grove, where he is a Jr. at Pacific University. Mrs. Lulu Munkers Wright, the great-great grandmother. Mrs. Wright was born in Scio, Oregon and moved to Morrow County, with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Riley Munkers, in 1882 at the age of 5. Mrs. Wm. Fred (Dellie Wright) Matlock, the great grandmother. Mrs. Matlock was born in Monument and went to school in Heppner.

Pioneer Ponderings



By W. S. CAVERHILL

A CONVENIENT WORD

Occasionally, a word comes into our vocabulary that is given unusual employment. "ecology" is such a word. It is the relation of things to people. If an individual stagnates, is frustrated, or has an inferior complex, blame it on his ecology. If a writer or speaker is hazy on the subjects of social or economic import, he can always bunch them under a generality, "ecology". If mountains annoy you, floods terrify and riots disturb you, your "ecology" is to blame. If you are a social misfit it is not your fault. It is your "ecology". We used to call it environment.

Believe it or not Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wright have a Hereford cow that had twin calves, one of them Charolais and the other an Angus. Mother and twins are doing very well.

They started calving the first of December and have about 75 baby calves already. Their two-year olds will start calving late in December.

CHRISTMAS A Sense of Worth

What are you worth? That question nearly always brings an answer in terms of dollars and cents. We balance our assets against our debts. What's left over (if anything) is our worth.

It is unfortunate we think in such terms. We are horribly discounting our real value. Our worth is to be found in those things on which a price can not be placed. Our sense of beauty, our instinct of right and wrong, our ability to reason and respond to life around us, our ability to love and to be loved, these things which make us man, what price do we place on them?

If we continue in the dollars and cents vein, then to be sure life has merely a dollar value and this season becomes an opportunity to increase my assets. Therefore, it will be a Merry Xmas only if I have a good time with the bulk of the packages under the tree. It cannot be otherwise because I am looking at life purely on a money scheme. In the process life, people, (even I) become things to be bought and sold for the enjoyment of the moment. I become value-less, bankrupt.

Life is more than this! The value of life is to be measured in terms of relationships to others. This means that our worth can only be seen in relationship to the ultimate authority. This ultimate authority is the creator and sustainer of the universe, God. So then, what is our worth? We are worth His life! Not silver, nor gold, but God's life. We are of ultimate value, priceless.

That's what this season is all about. God entered upon the stage of history in human clothes in order that we might receive the gift of life! If the manger is thrown aside, God's entrance ignored, this season will be an exercise in futility. We will strive for a Merry Xmas that will be as fleeting as steam on a dry summer day. The tree, the gifts, the friends may cheer us, but to lasting measure, for our measure will be of things gained, rather than a life given.

Man's worth, man's life is not the total of things alone, but a living relationship to God in Christ Jesus! Thus, replace the living God in the center of the season's activities and you will have a satisfying fruitful life along with a Merry Christmas. The gifts around the tree will warm the heart as they remind us of God's love for us in the gift of life through His son.

That's what the display in the window down town is trying to say. Set the scene right. Put the living Lord in your heart. You will not have a Merry Xmas, but a Merry Christmas. The festivities of the season and the years ahead will be blessed with the benediction of the living God, because your values are right!

(Ed. Note: The above was composed and submitted by members of the Cashmere Ministerial association. Its meaning, eloquent yet simple, requires little introduction, but offers a great deal to think about.)

Stamp Saving

Did you know that saving stamps (ordinarily discarded on envelopes) can be turned to cash to provide food for hungry children in other lands?

- Stamps to save are:
- Commemorative or memorial stamps
 - Special Delivery stamps
 - Air Mail stamps
 - Foreign stamps
 - Any stamps 6c and over
 - Special 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5c stamps
 - Common 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6c stamps

IMPORTANT NOTE: Leave stamp glued to the paper. Cut or tear corner from envelope, leaving a narrow rim of paper around stamp. **BE VERY CAREFUL NOT TO CUT, TEAR, OR INJURE STAMPS.** Cannot be used if even one perforation point is missing.

P. S. This is a good use of all those Christmas card stamps you receive.

Take your stamps to the Morrow County Extension office or to the next Home Extension meeting.

Jan. 18 Deadline for 4-H Scholarship Application

Several sizeable scholarships are again available for high school graduating seniors in 4-H both state-wide and here in the county. For example: Standard Oil Company's is \$400, Sperry-Hutchinson's \$300, Oregon Wheat Commission \$300, and Union Pacific \$400. Each eligible member will receive a letter explaining the details.

Applications are due January 18, 1971. Some years there are few applications. Each will need at least the following items:

- National Report Form
- Project records with pictures
- 4-H Story
- Head and shoulder photograph—preferably 3" x 5"

Christmas Trips

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Richards went to Seattle Sunday to visit their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Barker.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Chapin left Wednesday for Camas where they will visit until after the New Year with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Slyter.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Siewert will spend the holidays in Seattle visiting their daughters, Barbara, Jean and Paula.

Rev. and Mrs. Rudy Mensch enjoyed an early Christmas with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Weitz, in Milton-Freewater. They spent Mon-

day with them and then Monday evening had their exchange of gifts. They returned home Tuesday.

Christmas Day they will be home and Sunday after they will go to Seattle to visit until after New Years with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mensch.

CHRISTMAS AT WOLFFS

Bill Wolff arrived home from Gonzaga the first of the week. He will vacation until Jan. 12. He is the son of Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Wolff. Also coming to spend the holidays with the Wolffs is Mrs. Wolff's sister, Sister Mary Salvator from Fairbault, Minn. She is the high school guidance director.

Wheat Growers Slate Meeting

The National Association of Wheat Growers will hold their annual meeting in Portland Jan. 5-9, at the Sheraton Hotel, announced Harold Kerr, County Extension Agent.

Highlights of the week's program include an address by Rep. Al Ullman on Farm Organization & Government Policy, at 10:30 Jan. 7.

The same day following a talk by Governor McCall, a panel discussion on IGA moderated by Dick Baum will be held.

January 8, a new film on the wheat industry will be shown; and Kirby Brumfield will present his popular program "Understanding Youth".

In the afternoon topics include: "Wheat Export Outlook"; "Engineered Foods: A New Image for Wheat Products"; and "Farm Programs and Policy". Speakers are all from Washington, D. C.

The annual banquet will be Friday evening at 7:00 p.m.

More complete details on the program are available at the County Extension Office 676-9642.

COMMUNITY BILLBOARD

DEC. 27
Princess Tryouts at Fairgrounds, 2:00 p.m.

DEC. 28
Movie — "Backtrack", 7:00 p.m., HHS Auditorium
Admission 1.00 adults, 75c students
Sponsored by Yearbook Class

DEC. 29
Heppner Basketball!
Grant Union at Heppner

DEC. 31
New Years Eve Party at Elks Club
Crab Feed, 6:30 p.m., Dance 9:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m.
Music by "Shadows" of Portland

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Wish You A
Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year

AND WISH TO EXPRESS THEIR APPRECIATION TO THE BUSINESSMEN AND THE COMMUNITY FOR THE FINE COOPERATION AND SUPPORT GIVEN THEIR PROJECTS IN THE PAST.

Merry Christmas

and a Happy New Year

MARY ANN GREENUP, 7th GRADE

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