

Ione news

• Eva Hamlett • 422-7557

Mr. and Mrs. Gary George and family spent Thanksgiving at the home of Mrs. Helen McCabe and Mr. and Mrs. Keith Peck were at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Morgan.

The Ione United Church of Christ Jr. High Youth Group spent last weekend in Portland and Vancouver, Wash. The young people had earned the money through projects for the trip. They left early Saturday morning and on arriving in Portland attended the "Star of Bethlehem" program at OMSI.

Saturday evening they attended the Ice Capades, staying over night at the First Congregational Church in Vancouver, Wash., and also attended the church services Sunday morning. Before services they went on a tour of Fort Vancouver. Those going to Portland were Roger Childers, Jim Jepson, Ann and John Murray, Cathy Cheney, Jeff Hams, Mary Kincaid, Anita Palmer, Kris Pettyjohn, Corby Sullivan, Sandy Thompson, Chris Reitmann, Diann Morter, and Sharon Crowell. They were accompanied by their leaders, Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Nelson, and Mr. and Mrs. Eric Anderson.

Others joining the group were Mr. and Mrs. Lee Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. John Jepson, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Crowell, Laurie and Marilyn Childers, Gordon White, and Diana Kincaid.

Mrs. Anderson's mother, Mrs. Antionette Agerton of Vancouver joined them at the Ice Capades.

As a note of interest the First Congregational Church at Vancouver is the Church that Rev. Bill Graham was Minister to before coming to Ione.

John Sr. spent Thursday until Saturday in Portland.

About 80 people attended the Pomona and all Granges in the county installation held last Sunday at the Willows Grange Hall. A team from Umatilla County, under the direction of Morton Wolverson of Stanfield installed the

officers. After the installation refreshments were served in the basement, which was decorated in a Christmas theme.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Pettyjohn Sr. spent Monday, Dec. 12, at Columbia Center where they met Rev. and Mrs. Bill Arthur, who recently moved to Ritzville, Wash.

Ken Lemley and Louise Schmidt were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Peterson, Monday evening Dec. 12.

The Ione City TV Co-op held a meeting Monday evening, Dec. 12 at the Ione High School Library. The purpose of the meeting was to get opinions on the new TV line before final acceptance. Three new stations have been added. Channel 7 is channel 10 out of Portland and is the educational channel; 9 is channel 2 out of Portland, and 11 is channel 6 out of Portland.

The Rainbow Girls Christmas party will be held Monday, Dec. 19, at the Masonic Hall. The Rainbow meeting will be held at 7 p.m. followed by the party which the parents are invited to attend. Each girl is to bring cookies and a number for the program.

The Ione School Christmas program will be held Dec. 22 at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria. Along with the elementary program the 5th and 6th grade band, and the Jr-hi and High School combined bands will perform, along with the High

School chorus. Santa will make an appearance with his treats. School will be dismissed at 1:30 p.m. Dec. 23 and will resume on January 2, 1978.

The United Church of Christ Christmas program will be held Dec. 18 at 5 p.m. after which there will be a potluck supper. Following the supper, a truck will be provided for those who wish to go caroling.

The candle-light communion service will be held Saturday, Dec. 24, at 7:30 p.m. at the church.

Irrigon news

• Francis Rose Wilson • 922-3352

The Irrigon Assembly of God will present a Christmas program Sunday, Dec. 18, at 7 p.m. The theme of the program is "Shepherds Led the Way" and will be presented in narration, pantomime and song.

On Christmas Sunday morning, the young people's choir and orchestra will sing and play Christmas carols.

Pastor Allen Gordanier extends a welcome to all.

The Joe Stephens family of Gresham, former Irrigon residents, have had a special

interest in Costa Rica for a number of years. Stephens and his son, Richard, and Marco Zeledon of Costa Rica were recent visitors at the home of Stephens' mother, Mary Stephens, in Irrigon.

Richard has been to Costa Rica three times as an exchange student. Zeledon was an exchange student from Costa Rica, the first time they met and lived with the Joe Stephens family. Zeledon is now counselor for 32 exchange students 16 to 18 years of age, scattered through several Oregon towns.

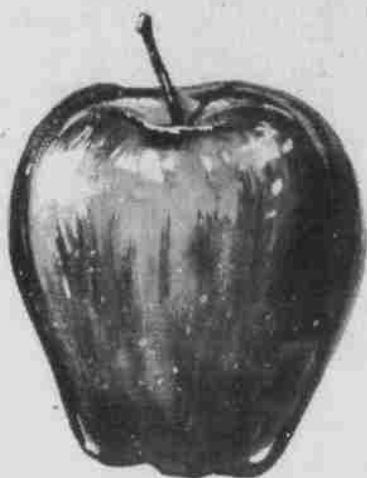
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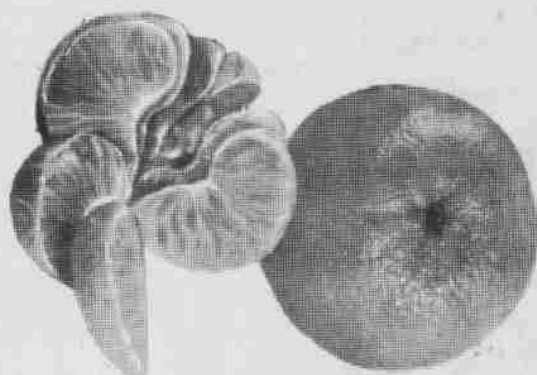


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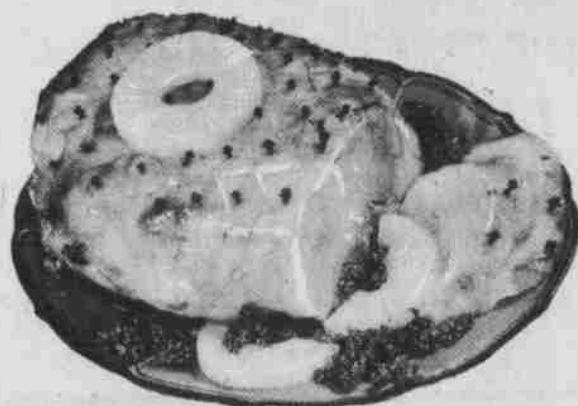
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