

At Christmas Time

At Christmas-tide when winter's night has settled dark
Upon the earth, and all the trees are dull and stark,
And cheer has fled away from Mother Nature's face,
And white the snow-flakes fall, descending out of space—
The holly berries are red and warm hearts glow with love.

At Christmas-tide when round the hearthstone gather near
The heart's own kin, and all the place is filled with cheer,
While stately stands the tree with gifts against the green,
No spot on earth presents a brighter, happier scene—
For holly berries are red and warm hearts glow with love.

At Christmas-tide the thoughts stray far o'er land and sea;
The earth grows small as hearts enlarge with charity
For those who sit in cheerless homes, or, pinched with cold,
Press close the shivering forms of babes their arm enfold—
Yet holly berries are red and hearts are moved with love.
H. L. ST. CLAIR.

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FAIRVIEW

A large number of friends of Lilian Heslin gathered at her home on Saturday afternoon and evening to help her celebrate her twelfth birthday. The afternoon was spent in games. Later refreshments were served by Mrs. Heslin. Those present were Melvin Moller, Cecil and Earnest Green, Malcolm Morrill, Donald Grant, Edward Anderson, Gerald Anderson, Glen Burlingame, Gilbert Wagner, Cris Grassley, Marjorie Moller, Emily Jonas, Clara Brooks, Cora Anderson, Aileen Dixon, Dorothy Woods, Margaret Cady, Enid and Virginia Thompson.

Ira Brooks has moved his family into the place on Cedar street, which he recently purchased. Mr. Brooks intends to build a new house in the spring.

Mr. Carney and Mrs. Walrath teachers of the grade school here, report the largest attendance of pupils Fairview school has had for a number of years. The attendance is between 60 and 70 pupils.

Mrs. Hattie Jenkins Moore has the remodeling of her house nearly completed.

Mrs. Dora Zimmerman, who recently underwent an operation for appendicitis in The Dalles hospital, is able to be out and is visiting at the

homes of James Burlingame and Ira Brooks. Mrs. Zimmerman is a teacher and taught near The Dalles.

POWELL VALLEY

Five o'clock services will be held in the Lutheran church Christmas morning. The pastor, Rev. J. Truesdell, will be in charge of the services to which all are invited. The Christmas tree and program will be held on Sunday evening at 7:30. The regular preaching services will be held Sunday morning.

The annual business meeting of Lutheran church will be held January 10th 1929.

Rev. Chas. Asplund of Tacoma, Mrs. Bodin and son, Mrs. Erickson and Mrs. Richard Gustafson of Portland, and Mrs. Frank Gustafson of Powell Valley were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Pamblad, Tuesday. The occasion was in honor of Rev. Mr. Asplund, who was pastor of the Swedish Baptist church in Portland twenty years ago.

Miss Martha Hagberg has been in charge of the primary room the past few days during the absence of Miss Lindberg, who is taking the teachers' examinations in Portland.

The Bank of Gresham pays 5 per cent interest on time deposits.—Adv.

TROUTDALE

At the meeting of the Parent-Teacher association last Friday the idea was originated to have a community Christmas tree Thursday evening, December 23. The city council, the Ladies' Aid society, and the school have been asked to help in making it a successful affair. It is planned to have it in Columbia Highway hall and the school children are having rehearsals already for their part of the program. Each organization is expected to share in the expenses and in the program.

PLEASANT HOME

The Rev. Jesse E. Brown will preach at the Baptist church Sunday evening, December 19, at 8 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend.

Rev. M. B. Paroungian will preach at the Methodist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. A cordial invitation to attend is extended to all.

Rev. Earl B. Cotton had as his guest from Wednesday evening until Thursday evening, his father Geo. W. Cotton of Salem.

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SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED FOR STEREOPTICON LECTURES

Plans are complete for the stereopticon lectures which will be held during the holidays. This month seventy-two slides illustrating "Ben Hur" will be given. Rev. Earl B. Cotton gives the lectures, the first one of which will be held at Cliff church Monday, December 20.

Tuesday, December 21, the pictures will be shown at Kelso.

Christmas week the first lecture will be held at Sandy on Tuesday, December 23 and at Troutdale on Wednesday, December 23.

Friday evening the pictures will be shown at Pleasant Home. The lecture which lasts about an hour will be followed by a short program, refreshments, and then a watch night party and service. A cordial invitation to attend these various meetings is extended to all.

CORBETT

Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Clark and children from Pendleton visited Mrs. Clark's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Letsinger, several days recently.

The bazaar given by the ladies of the community for the benefit of the church Saturday evening was very well attended, notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather. The proceeds amounted to about \$170.

W. Brown was in Portland Monday replenishing his stock of merchandise.

W. R. Knight has secured the post-office which was moved from W. E. Metzger's residence to Knight's store Monday.

Mrs. W. E. Metzger, formerly of Summit, but now of Portland was here on business connected with the postoffice, Sunday.

Mrs. Lela Lasley Thompson, field secretary for Northwest Unitarian church, with headquarters at San Francisco, visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Lasley Thursday and Friday. She visited Miss Ruby McKay in Portland Saturday and conducted services at the Unitarian church Sunday, leaving for points in the northwest Monday. Mrs. Thompson expects to make a longer visit here during the holiday season.

Mrs. C. E. Smith, Fred C. Reed and Geo. Knieriem attended Pomona grange at Lents, Wednesday.

PLEASANT VALLEY

W. U. Moore made a trip to Seattle on business last Saturday.

Quite a number of Pleasant Valley grangers attended Pomona grange at Lents, Wednesday.

J. S. Raney and Fred Vanderberg, of Lents, were Valley visitors, Thursday.

Miss Mabel Stevens is getting material on the ground preparatory to building an addition to her house.

C. A. Nelson has his new house well under way and expects to have it ready to move into soon after the first of the year.

On account of the fourth Saturday falling on Christmas day, Pleasant Valley grange will hold its regular meeting on the third Saturday, the eighteenth.

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