

News Notes of Pomona and Subordinate Grange Chapters Given by Official Reporters

Grange Calendar (For this week) Lake Creek, Thursday, Dec. 26, 8:20 a. m. Jacksonville, Thursday, Dec. 26, 8 p. m.

Merry Christmas.

We wish all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. The real joy of Christmas time comes from giving love to friends and to humanity.

Give ears to those who cry for sympathy.

Give hands to those who need a guide.

Give thought to what you best can do to cheer the heart and soothe the mind, and make the world seem good and kind to those less fortunate than you.

Give smiles to all whose weary load brings gloom and pain and gay despair and hands them low with life's steep road.

Give knowledge to the dull, insight for those whose eyes are not as clear as ours, and to those who do not know what with our Christ-mistle is fraught.

Give courage to the fearful hand that needs the clasp of friendly hand.

Give food to others and their need.

Give laughter, not the scornful snarl, but laughter that abounds with happy, wholesome, merry sounds.

Give joy to all—it may be bread for one, or just a smile.

Give praise to Him, that you may have many things, good friends and health—and life's long span.

And giving these you will have given that which He was ever giving to the lowly and the poor, comfort and strength and hope and rest and courage and faith— for of these things are the perfect Christmas gifts made.

Grange Motto. In essentials, unity. In non-essentials, liberty. In all things, charity.

Purpose. For our business interests we desire to bring producers and consumers, farmers and manufacturers into the most direct and friendly relations possible. Hence, we must dispense with a surplus of middlemen, not that we are unfriendly to them, but we do not need them. Their surplus and their exactions diminish our profits.

We wage no aggressive warfare against any other interest whatever. On the contrary, all our acts, and all our efforts, so far as business is concerned, are not only for the benefit of the producer and the consumer, but also for all other interests that tend to bring these two parties into speedy and equitable contact.

We acknowledge the broad principle that difference of opinion is a very large and healthy part of progress toward truth is made by difference of opinion, while the fault lies in bitterness of controversy.

Eagle Point Grange. Our regular meeting was held on Tuesday evening, December 17, with a very large attendance present, notwithstanding the very stormy weather.

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As one views the long line of officers marching into the room one is impressed with the varied decorations of Grange work and the instructions should prove a real inspiration for greater Grange activity, loyalty and usefulness on the part of officers and members alike.

The ceremony was conducted by Mrs. Gertrude Haak as installing officer, Mrs. Irma Seaman as marshaller, Mrs. Laella Hill as reader, and Dorothy White as singing soprano, with L. K. King in the chair.

After the installation they were short talks by the readers and post-masters of the Granges present in which was expressed a loyalty to the Grange and an appreciation of the Grange, particularly as a community builder.

The master of the Eagle Point Grange, A. C. Hildreth, appointed the following standing committees for the coming year:

Finance, Al Hildreth, J. C. Spencer, Charles Jackson, candidates, Otto Carter, Roy Smith, Charles Humphrey, ways and means, Mrs. Edith Carter, Mrs. S. K. Barnes, Wm. Miller, relief, Mrs. Violet Spencer, Mrs. Cora Morgan, Mrs. M. L. Pratt, R. W. Ward, Nick Seaman, publicity, Mrs. Gertrude Haak, home economics, Mrs. Ruby Bitterling, Mrs. Gene Bellows, Mrs. Jack Stowell, Mrs. Haskin, Mrs. Eugene Cowden, legislation, C. F. Davies, I. R. King, Mrs. Gertrude Haak, agriculture, George Stowell, C. L. Givans, Carl Esch, visiting, Mrs. Laella Hill, Mrs. Hildreth, Mrs. Rose Smith, Mrs. Thelma Lay, Gene Bellows, membership, Mrs. Edith Woodman, Mrs. W. C. Jack, Lawrence Lay, community projects, Mrs. Rosa Smith, W. L. Childers, Sam Coy, Mrs. Mary Esch, H. W. Ward, W. E. Hammel, roads, Wm. Perry, Fred Dutton, Wm. Marion, marketing, S. K. Barnes, R. T. Seaman, J. A. Bitterling, education, Mildred Bar, Mrs. Irma Seaman, Mrs. Sam Coy, music, Mrs. Laella Ward, Mrs. R.

New Legal Ruling Gives Break To Husbands in Family Credit



Justice Charles H. Robb (left) has decreed that Rep. George Huddleston of Alabama (right) is not liable for a debt of \$245 incurred by his wife.

By L. A. Brophy. (AP Feature Service Writer) WASHINGTON—(AP)—Another legal precedent has been established, upholding a husband as the captain of his credit so far as his wife is concerned.

To a long line of English and American court opinions giving a break to the man who shuffles a sheet of land from the first of most months, the District of Columbia court of appeals has added the affirmative voice.

The opinion was rendered by Justice Charles H. Robb, and he cleared Rep. George Huddleston of Alabama for liability for a debt of \$245 for a fur coat Mrs. Huddleston purchased.

Mr. Huddleston set forth that he gave his wife \$75 a month in cash for clothing and told her not to purchase on his credit. He asserted he knew nothing of the fur coat purchase, until it was legally brought to his attention.

The case of the case, said the court, was this:

No evidence of acts or conduct on the part of Mr. Huddleston conferring upon his wife an apparent authority to pledge his credit.

Down through the years, the opinion cited the opinions of other courts, in England and in America, which held substantially that when a husband has once performed the duty to provide for his wife, he may not be compelled to a court of law to do so again.

Justice Robb said, furthermore, it does not require the discernment of a Solomon to appreciate that the unauthorized purchase of goods by a wife whose husband has adequately provided for her inevitably will have a tendency to disturb and possibly disrupt their conjugal relations.

It was as long ago as 1898 that a Maryland court set up a bar to the wife's remedy. "Charles H. Robb," that is legal terminology, was the case of James W. Guttman.

The court held when husband and wife are living together and he is properly maintained she has no implied authority in law to pledge her husband's credit.

Whether she has actual authority depends on the facts of the particular case.

The opinion of an English court in a case technically known as July v. Rose, 15 C. L. N. S. 428, was cited by the Maryland tribunal. In thorough British fashion that particular case was revived and the principle affirmed in the house of lords.

The British court laid down the law like this:

"The husband sustains the liability for all debts; he should therefore have the power to regulate the expenditure for which he is responsible, by his own discretion according to his own means."

The district of Columbia opinion is by way of being a local climax to the husband's victories on the right of stopping his pocketbook. The only appeal from his voice in the United States supreme court.

Mr. Noy, known as the old Alford state.

JACKSONVILLE

JACKSONVILLE, Ore., Dec. 24.—(AP)—Omae Carter, of Atlanta, Ga., was called to the bedside of her aged mother, who is still bedridden at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James M. Cartwright.

Mr. and Mrs. George Maxwell had as their dinner guests Saturday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Hatfield of Grants Pass and Mr. and Mrs. H. Cleveland of Medford.

Mr. and Mrs. V. N. Smith and their daughter, Virginia from Portland, and Mrs. V. N. Smith, who is still bedridden at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James M. Cartwright.

Miss Virginia Felt is assisting Mrs. Alice Hoops at the postoffice during the Christmas rush.

Homer Hartman, arrived home Tuesday night from U. S. C. He and his brother, Wm. and Lester Hartman left Saturday morning by automobile for California and Mexico.

Mrs. C. A. Moore and daughter, Elaine returned from Portland the last of the week. Mrs. Moore recently underwent an operation in Portland and is recovering nicely.

Fred Hansen is home from his work at Owen-Grange Camp. J. Lawrence Burt, the news boy, closed down for the holidays. War will begin there again on January 4th.

Mrs. George Truitt from Camp Davis, Pa., is spending a few days visiting her sister, Mrs. Fred Bitterling.

City Miller of Pendleton arrived Wednesday to spend the holidays with his father, W. H. G. Miller.

T. O. Nourse, spending the Christmas vacation with his wife, who is staying with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Patterson of Atlanta.

Mrs. M. A. Finney returned to Jacksonville Sunday after having spent several days with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Holm, on the Appleton.

Mrs. R. E. Johnson and son, James of Portland arrived Sunday evening to spend the holidays with her brother, E. K. Sorenson and family of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Williams of Portland spent Saturday night with their sister, Mrs. Fred Fick and family here. They were en route to San Francisco and Los Angeles, where they will spend the holidays.

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Harry May and M. Higgins called at Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Parker Sunday at home in Ashland from North Bend, where they were employed as instructors in the schools of that city.

William Kamborg and Lester Hart of this city are employed by the Wood Lumber company at Wood, Cal.

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PHOENIX

PHOENIX, Ore., Dec. 24.—(AP)—The Christmas music given by the

The Secret of Mohawk Pond

By Natalie Sumner Lincoln

SYNOPSIS: In the enigmatic phrase of Herbert Prescott and his wife, Peggy seeks a clue to the missing million dollar fortune and finally makes another search of the basement. From an old newspaper she took the letters Jim, Obadiah Evans' station whom she knew, in Jameson Sinclair. The clue that Jim had over her since last, Edgar Stanton was killed at Yew Lodge is lifted when she learns the bullet she fired did not find its human mark—someone else killed the mysterious intruder. Jim returns from a visit to Yew Lodge to find she is locked out of Yew Lodge. She had left Peggy inside.

Chapter 22 SIGN OF THE ARROW

Totally unconscious of the passing time, Peggy Prescott remained in the living room after Sheriff Beach's departure.

Stunned by the statement that Edgar Stanton had been killed by a .35 caliber bullet fired from an automatic pistol with the brand of the U. S. navy upon it, and staggered and confused by her earlier discovery that Jim was in fact Jameson Sinclair, a commander in the navy, she had sat staring into vacancy, the gathering shadows of the closing day no darker than her turning thoughts.

Sheriff Beach's information made it clear that she had not killed Stanton; therefore, there was no blood guilt upon her soul. Her peace of mind did not come with the consciousness that she had been the innocent victim of another's crime. Was not that other Jim?

Intense by nature, loyal in every fiber of her being, the realization that her trust was misplaced, her love bestowed upon a man unworthy, seared like a white-hot brand, Peggy bowed her head and scattering tears trickled through her fingers. The storm passed and she grew calmer.

Gathering herself together, Peggy strove to reason out the situation. There was motive enough for the crime; a brother's hatred of the man who had ruthlessly wrecked his sister's home, the man who had not betrayed, then forsaken her.

He might have had access to Yew Lodge; perhaps her uncle had applied him with a key, or Obadiah Evans might have had one; what were likely when he and his stepsons were her uncle's nearest neighbors and on friendly, if not intimate, terms with the owner of Yew Lodge.

Peggy drew in her breath sharply. How Jim had contrived an entrance into Yew Lodge was a detail for further investigation. The last remained that he had entered a time to shoot Edgar Stanton as he latter crept through the front door; feeling he had returned later with Obadiah Evans and Sheriff Beach. Seeing her automatic pistol on the floor, Jim had pocketed it by mistake for his own. That he had found it some hours later in his overcoat pocket was a curious coincidence of fate. By such narrow margins were criminals detected.

But, oh, that Jim had sheltered himself behind her, and let the slum of call rest upon her! Never loathing that she had shot Edgar Stanton fatally, Peggy had proclaimed that fact in Jim's presence, and later, also, in his presence Obadiah Evans had assured her she would be charged only with excusable homicide.

If Jim had in stand trial it would be for deliberate, premeditated murder—and the punishment for that was the electric chair!

Peggy pushed her hair off her forehead, aching forehead. Was Jim's presentation of love but a shield? Was it but another trick to safeguard his own life? He had surprised that they face the trial—trial—as man and wife. Was it not written in common law that a husband could not testify against his wife?

Adventurous awaits Peggy now the garnered clue of the secret. Continue the story Thursday.



Peggy pressed firmly on the arrow—a door in the wall swung open.



Merry Christmas! To all our friends and customers we wish a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. It is our hope that the happiness and the good will of the Christmas spirit will prevail—not only for the holiday season but throughout the year as well. Again we say "Merry Christmas" First National Bank Medford, Oregon

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