

### Snowberry Is Familiar Valley Shrub

Most of us are familiar, I suppose, with the snowberry bush. Still there are quite a few, especially strangers in the valley, or tourists, who wonder about the little shrub with the attractive white berries seen growing at scattered intervals along the highways and by-roads. It is Common Snowberry, or Waxberry.

There are three species of snowberry growing in our area. One, the round-leaved snowberry, grows only at very high altitudes. Creeping snowberry, another species, grows at lower levels but is seldom found down in the valley. It is a low, sprawling shrub while the other two species are upright. The more familiar Common Snowberry is a low-altitude shrub and is scattered all about the valley.

From an esthetic standpoint Common Snowberry is one of our most valuable shrubs. In the spring and early summer its holiday grab is strikingly attractive even to the uncritical eye. An erect shrub two to four feet high, it is dressed in pretty paired leaves, dark green and smooth above, lighter and usually smooth beneath, sometimes slightly hairy. The leaves are especially attractive because of their variability—some are almost round, others are oval or elliptic; some are smooth-edged, many are somewhat lobed or wavy. The small pink bell-shaped flowers grow in clusters in the axils of the leaves and at the ends of the branches. They are quite woody inside.

Berries in Outer

In late summer and all through the fall the pretty, little flowers are replaced by usually tight-packed clusters of the snow-white or yellowish-tinted berries. These are, if not more attractive, at least more conspicuous than the flowers that preceded them. We may see a number of other flowers that somewhat resemble those of the snowberry, but there is no other plant in the area that produces fruit that is comparable to its compact clusters of white berries.

Snowberry belongs to the honeysuckle family. Its scientific name is Symphoricarpos albus. Like most botanical names this one is descriptive of the plant in question, and just about as imposing in appearance. The name is of Greek origin, Symphoricarpos meaning close-packed fruit, and albus being just another way of saying white.

There is a peculiar and very interesting fact concerning this snowy fruit. The berry, sometimes half an inch in diameter,

### Society

#### Rangers Announce Program Plans; Yule Party Held

Rogue Rangers, riding group for young people of the valley, has outlined plans for programs during the coming year. The club plans to ask veterinarians and authorities on different phases of horses and horsemanship to speak at meetings during the year.

The Rangers held a Christmas party December 18 at the home of Miss Gail Prentice. Two new members, Lynne Parsons and Jackie Mee, were introduced. Dancing, games and refreshments completed the party.

#### Air Cadet Here To Visit Parents

Jerry C. Neill has arrived in Medford to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Neill, 1415 West Eighth street. The young man is an air cadet in training with the United States Navy at Pensacola, Fla., and will return to duty January 2.

Cadet Neill, a graduate of Medford High school, attended Oregon State college and Southern Oregon college before entering the Navy.

#### Cobleighs Plan Open House Sunday

Phoenix—Open house will be held by Mr. and Mrs. Guy Cobleigh at their home in Phoenix on Sunday, December 30, in celebration of their 45th wedding anniversary.

Friends are invited to call between the hours of two and five o'clock in the afternoon.

always contains just two viable seeds. There are four seed chambers, but for some strange reason only two opposite chambers bear fertile seeds, one to each cell. The remaining alternate cells bear incipient seeds that never mature.

For stock growers snowberry has been found to be useful as well as ornamental. In some parts of the west it is considered an important browse plant for both cattle and sheep.

Because of the fact that this plant provides a pleasing and variable beauty through so long a season it is often domesticated as an odd and striking ornamental. It is hardy and will grow from transplanted root or cuttings.

Due to the snowy appearance of its berries and their persistence into the holiday season, even though they may be gone, or mostly gone, by Christmas-time, they are looked upon by many as friendly harbingers of the yule season.

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#### Altrusans to Hold Holiday Luncheon

Medford Altrusa club has planned a no-host holiday luncheon meeting at the Medford Elks club Saturday, December 29. Members may take guests to the meeting according to the hostesses, Mrs. Anne Finley and Mrs. Frances Grant. Reservations should be made with one of the hostesses not later than Friday evening, it is stated.

### Gilloolys Leave After Visit Here

Pvt. and Mrs. Edward Gillooly left Tuesday for Berkeley, Calif., after spending part of the holiday season here with Mrs. Gillooly's mother, Mrs. Charles H. Thurston Jr., and Mr. Thurston, 1641 Ridgeway. Mrs. Gillooly is the former Miss Patricia Hampson.

Private Gillooly is stationed at Ft. Lewis, Wash., with the Army and will return to the base New Year's day.

The Thurston's daughter, Miss Mikell Thurston, flew to Brookings, Ore., Christmas day to join her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Howard, Klamath Falls, for a winter vacation there. The Howards and Miss Thurston will return here New Year's day.

### Hanleys To Leave After Visit Here

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Hanley will leave tomorrow for their home in Seattle after spending Christmas with Mr. Hanley's mother, Mrs. E. B. Hanley Sr., and his sister, Mrs. Hanley Heffernan, Ross lane.

Also here for the holidays is Mrs. Heffernan's son, Robert D. Heffernan, Jr. He will return to Salem later this week to continue his law studies at Willamette university.



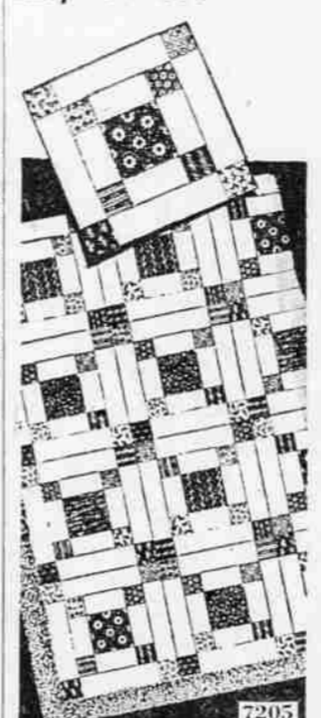
New rainwear idea by John Derro of Main Street—black and white water-repellent cotton cut back to back. Huge patch pockets, cotton knit collar add points of interest.

### Miss Kaye Durno Returns to City From New Zealand

Miss Kaye Durno arrived home Saturday to spend the holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Edwin R. Durno. For the past several weeks Miss Durno had been in Christchurch, New Zealand, as a guest of her brother-in-law and sister, Dr. and Mrs. Brian Stringer.

Miss Durno made the trip to New Zealand by air in the company of friends. The four made stops in Honolulu, the Fiji islands and at Auckland before arriving in Christchurch.

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### Unit to Meet

Applegate—Upper Applegate Extension unit will meet Wednesday, January 2, at the home of Mrs. Ray Widner, C. B. Cordy, county extension agent, will talk on "Pest Control."

### CALENDAR

Calendar notices and news for the society section of The Mail Tribune must be submitted in writing and deadline for the Sunday edition is 1 p.m. Friday. Deadline for the weekly calendar is 4 p.m. of the day of publication and for news do news is 5 p.m. the day before publication.

Thursday 6:30 p.m.—Y Knot Twirlers, potluck dinner and dance at YMCA.

Use festive balloons as place cards when there's a party for the small fry. With red finger-nail polish, paint each child's name on an inflated balloon and tie with a bright ribbon to his chair. Or, cut fabric triangles and stitch straight sides for party hats, and tie the balloons to the top of each hat.

Finely shredded carrot and well-drained canned fruit cocktail combine tastefully in a molded salad. Make a lemon gelatin base adding a little grated lemon rind and fresh lemon juice to sharpen the flavors.

There's old-fashioned spicy goodness in a tomato soup cake accented with plump raisins. Treat your family to one soon and spread it thickly with a cream cheese frosting.

Have you read a good book lately? There are many excellent novels and non-fiction books waiting for you at your Medford Public Library.

To keep fresh cranberries, remove any over-ripe or poor quality berries before storing.

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