MIDLAND EMPIRE NEWS

Keno

Sam McKeen, son of Mrs. C. H. McKeen received his honorable discharge from the navy a short time ago and is now in Keno. Sam saw active service for many months in the Pacific waters. He lived in Keno most of his life and was a graduate of Keno high school.

A letter written from Camp Phillip Morris, France, by Sgt. Warren H. Foster on January 10, was received by his parents Mr. and Mrs. Joe H. Foster on January 22. The letter stated that Foster had hoped to sail for the States about the 5th, but was still at Camp Phillip Morris on the 10th and hoped to be sailing soon.

Sgt. Foster was awarded two Bronze Stars for service in combat areas in Germany and his platoon received the merit certificate, reading "For outstanding devotion to duty and untiring effort in maintaining radio communications thereby contributing materially to operations against the enemy in Germany from February 23, 1945 to May 15, 1945."

Foster has been in the service since October 1, 1942 and overseas since April, 1944. His older brother Walter S. Foster arrived from service in the Pacific, January 8 and received his discharge at Fort Lewis. The brothers were together last in December 1943, before Walter shipped for overseas duty on New Caledonia, New Hebrides and combat duty on Okinawa.

PFC. Kenneth L. (Bubb) Ramsey, Keno, arrived home from Okinawa for a 30-day furlough last week. Ramsey first trained as a paratrooper. A few months ago he was shipped out from the west coast for Okinawa, serving in the ordnance department. Ramsey will leave about the middle of February to be reassigned. He expects to be sent to the European area this time. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Ramsey.

T/5 William Bouska received his honorable discharge from the army early in December, arriving in Keno December 10, where he is visiting at the Walter Layton home. His sister is Mrs. Charles Hilkey, formerly of Keno. Bouska was overseas two years in combat service in Germany. He is reported to be wearing four battle stars and a special-award star for helping carry out wounded from the battle zone. Bouska entered army service three years ago. He lived in Keno before entering the service and was in the logging business.

Norman Lindahle and family of Oakland, Calif., are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Harris. The Lindahles lived in Keno a few years ago. The Harris family lived in Oakland a number of years, moving back to Keno around Christmas time. They purchased the W. L. Cochran place on the Worden road and are now living in their new home.

Sprague River

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Williams attended the dinner dance given by the Eagles in Klamath Falls the evening of January 15.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Runnels are the first in Sprague River to get a new car. It is a Dodge pickup.

Troy Story is here staying with a brother, Lindle, while employed by Ewauna company. He formerly lived at Springfield, Ore. Because of the recent high water work is closed down there.

Those from here attending the potluck dinner Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lahoda of Malin were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Passolt and Charlotte, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Pankey and Lee and Mrs. Anna Wolford.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Seright and Duane of Canby were in Sprague River a short time Saturday en route to Ashland to visit Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hoffman. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Welch and Wayne accompanied them. As they were returning home Sunday afternoon their car struck slick pavement on the Greensprings and was damaged. None of the passengers was injured. Mr. and Mrs. Welch came home on the bus. The Serights returned to Ashland to await repairs on the car.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Kelso have moved into the Rose Lawer property in the east part of town.

Toddy Lue, son of Mrs. Gaynel Kunz, was taken to the hospital Sunday evening to be treated for cuts received while on a skating party.

Maurice Chandler is recovering from a cut on his foot caused by an axe.

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New Pine Creek

NEW PINE CREEK — Ten new members were obligated at the East Side grange meeting held last Saturday evening and three more names were turned in to be voted on. It was an auspicious meeting with one of the largest turn-outs at a regular meeting seen in many months. Those receiving the obligations were, Mr. and Mrs. Rev. Albert E. Place of Lakeview, and son David, and Rev. Place's mother, Mrs. Henrietta Place, May and Elizabeth Benefiel, Leona Robnett, Giessner Blunt, Earl Rogers of Lakeview and Bob Murray of Willow Ranch.

A very entertaining program followed the meeting. An operational skit put on by the Patrick Hallinan family was a screamcaller. Immaculately dressed to fit the professional illusion, Pat, the doctor and Frances, his nurse, mercilessly hammered, sawed, and chissled upon the patient, Mrs. Hallinan and foreign obstacles of the most grotesque shapes were removed bloodlessly from her anatomy. She still lives—that is the miracle—and can best tell the tale. A piano duet was played by Mrs. Earl Sanford and her daughter, Helen; and several movie shorts were shown by Lee Sanford.

Mrs. Fannie Fisher acted as lecturer in charge of the program, pinch-hitting for Mrs. Roy Partin who was unable to attend.

Charles Wicklander, state grange organizer, will be here at the next regular grange meeting on February 2 to organize a juvenile grange, it was learned through a responsible source.

All children between the ages of 5 and 14, whose parents are grange members, are urged to be present so they may become charter members.

Several visitors were present from neighboring granges who received a cordial welcome from local grangers. Among the visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bussey from the West Side, Mr. and Mrs. Hunt from Thomas Creek and Mr. and Mrs. Clemenger of Lakeview.

The Shamrock cafe re-opens under the able management of Mr. and Mrs. Ruben V. Anderson of Alturas. Mr. Anderson, since being discharged from the service, has been chef in the Nile hotel cafe and other restaurants in Alturas and has had plenty of experience at putting out good eats. He is specializing in short orders and as he opened up last Saturday, reports that business has been very good.

The Home Ec club met last Thursday at the grange hall with 13 members present and seven children. Mrs. Ethel Deter was hostess and served chocolate-cake with whipped-cream, jello and coffee.

Mrs. Louise Miller will be president of the club for the year since Mrs. Lillian Reid cannot serve. Mrs. Mary Milsap was elected vice president, filling Mrs. Miller's office. Four sets of dish towels were distributed among members, so they may be completed for use in the grange.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Newman and Mr. John Newman Sr., father of John, Harry and Con Newman, are busy visiting the latter and their families, from Hi-Hat, Ky. Also Diamond Newman and family from Vancouver, Wash., have been here visiting relatives since Christmas off and on. He plans to move over on the West Side soon where he has recently purchased a farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Andrews of Burns, Ore., visited a few days the first of the week with Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Lightle and family. Mr. Andrews, a brother to Mrs. Lightle, was a former resident of New Pine Creek about two years ago. After living here a short time the family moved to Lakeview where Andrews took a job with the county. About a year ago he purchased a saw mill near Burns, which he has just lately sold. They will return to Burns for the present but in the spring plan to go to Texas for a time to visit relatives.

Ed Benefiel and family were motored to Ft. Bidwell last Saturday to attend the funeral of Billie Stroeder, an aged miner, who was a former owner of the Klondike mine now owned by Benefiel.

The sewing club met at the home of Mrs. Allie Hammersley last Wednesday. Old clothes were remodeled and re-designed to look like new. Not a bad idea the way the clothes question stands.

Major Donald F. Menefee and wife, arrived here last Saturday, the major coming from San Pedro, point of debarkation, after serving overseas duty, while Mrs. Menefee met her husband at Pacific Grove and came on up here to visit for about a week with his sister, Mrs. Martin J. Hammersley and family. They will leave the latter part of the week for Phoenix, Ariz., to visit Menefee's parents. The major is enjoying a vacation of accummulated leaves after which he thinks he will probably be discharged. He has been in the service five years, the first part of which was spent in a training center in Florida training men and the latter in defensive activities in the South Pacific and central Pacific islands.

Mr. Menefee is well known here in New Pine Creek having graduated from high school here in '29. When making his residence here he lived with his parents in the Fan Dango area where they were ranching.

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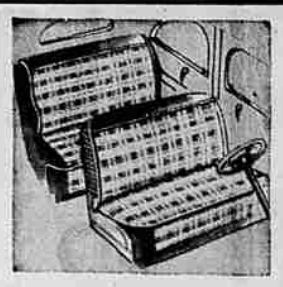

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