



THESE "CHEERY SINGING" BLUEBIRDS gave up their annual Christmas gift exchange to give to others. Each contributed the cost of a gift and the collected sum was used to buy fruit for the patients at the county infirmary. Members of the group, third graders from Shasta school, are clockwise: Ranell Kern, Judy Alexander, Helen Fraley, Sandra Brisco, Nancy Johnston, Karen Goen, Cheryl Willey, Sally Uerlings, Darla Rupert, Patricia Thibodeaux and Betty Lou Degerlamoe. Suzanne Phair and Diane Melum were absent.



MR. AND MRS. EUGENE LEWIS, who were married at the home of the bridegroom's parents, 1406 Ivory. Mrs. Lewis is the former Christina Nelson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Nelson, 2205 Union. Her husband is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul F. Lewis. Rev. Daniel B. Anderson of the Klamath Temple officiated at the ceremony. The couple is making their home in San Francisco.

—Photo by Evergreen



ON THEIR WAY HOME FOR CHRISTMAS after three weeks vacationing in a warmer climate, are Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Thomas of Tulalake. The camera caught them as they entered the Moana hotel, Honolulu. They sailed December 1 on the Lurline from San Francisco and report having a marvelous time on the ship and in the islands.

—Photo by Carters, Honolulu

Langell Valley

By CORA LEAVITT

The choir girls and boys of St. Barnabas church of Langell Valley met at the home of Sandra Lindsay on Wednesday evening December 12 for practice, and a Christmas party. Games and contests were enjoyed followed by delicious refreshments. The house was decorated with a nativity scene and lighted Christmas trees. Twelve attended the practice and party.

Bernice Hickey, daughter of Otis Hickey of Portland, and David A. House, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elliott House of Langell Valley were married December 12 at Reno, Nev. The bride wore a winter suit of navy blue with accessories of Kelly green and had a corsage of gardenias. Doris Hodges was her attendant, and wore a grey suit with red accessories and her corsage was of red carnations. Pete Hodges was the best man. Mrs. Elliott House mother of the groom wore grey and had a corsage of gardenias. After the ceremony the young couple left for a two weeks honeymoon trip to Arizona and California. They will make their home in Bly, Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Hodges and Coralee and Bruce of Tulalake, and Mr. and Mrs. David House of Bly were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Leavitt. Mr. and Mrs. House have just returned from a honeymoon trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Burnett and family spent Sunday in Klamath Falls with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Pinell. Richard Burnett returned home with them after spending the weekend in Klamath Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Morris and family of Merrill and Mr. and Mrs. Ross Clark and family of Redmond spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Wooten and family. The Clarks are here from Redmond visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hartley and other relatives and friends. Mrs. P. R. Monroe spent the weekend in Klamath Falls with Mrs. Theresa Teare and family.

Daryl Ross of Klamath Falls is spending this week with his grandparents, the Elliott Houses. Mrs. Mary J. Smith has returned to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Harry Frazier, after spending several days in Hillsdale hospital recovering from a severe cold.

Mrs. Louis Staller has returned home from McMinnville where she underwent major surgery. Her mother Mrs. Dick Holman of McMinnville returned home with her for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Dearborn entertained with a turkey dinner on December 12, in honor of their son, Henry, who was nine years old. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Burnett, Maria, Monte and Richard and Catherine, Frede, Bill and Henry Dearborn.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Urbach visited Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ted Schmiedl. They help put out a fire at the Charles Schmiedl home about 9:30 when

their oil stove exploded and set fire in the attic. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schmiedl and small daughter had just returned from a visit with the Louis Stallers when the accident happened.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Dearborn and children were dinner guests at the Leavitt home on Thursday evening.

Orville Schroeder took a load of Christmas trees to Los Angeles the first of the week.

Rev. and Mrs. J. Henry Thomas of Berkeley spent several days with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Thomas and family.



Of all the forms of art one sees at Christmastime, it seems to me that the old master paintings of the Madonnas and the Holy Family are the most significant and symbolic of the true spirit of Christmas. The adoration of the Madonna has prevailed throughout the Christian world for nearly two thousand years. Of the great masterpieces in churches and art galleries, some of the largest and most beautiful have reference to the Madonna, her character, her person, her history.

The earlier forms of Madonna paintings have been found on the walls of the catacombs painted when the early Christian religion was first found. During the eleventh century the Italian painters started decorating the walls of their churches with paintings of the Madonna and other religious subjects. Painting in Italy flowered during the renaissance and most of the famous art in the world came into existence during that period.

During the nineteenth and twentieth centuries there have been no great contributions to religious art. However, at the present time there is a French Dominican Monk, Father Courtier, who is the originator and main force of the present French movement to bring back to the church the creative vitality of early Christian art. It has been through his efforts that two wonderful new churches have been built in France which are designed and decorated by living French artists. One is in Assy in the French Alps and the other is the newly dedicated chapel of the Rosary in Venice in southern France. This chapel is considered one of the greatest achievements in Modern Christian art. It was designed and decorated in its entirety by Pierre Matisse one of France's greatest living artists. The Madonna painting in this church is of very simple black line painted on pure white tiles.

As I look at a sensitive, beautiful painting of a Madonna, I always feel that no greater tribute to motherhood has ever been conceived than the master paintings of the Madonnas.

Santa Visits BPW Yule Party

Gay Christmas decor, a lighted tree, a charming Santa who looked suspiciously like Dena Backas, exchange of gifts and a large attendance added to the holiday gaiety at the annual Christmas party for Business and Professional Women, December 16 at the Willard hotel.

During the brief business session it was reported that the ticket committee headed by Anna Stroutheers topped all others selling 93 tickets to the Dranna Guild series.

Gifts arranged for by Blanche Petroff and her committee will go Christmas Day to men and women at the infirmary.

Isabelle Brixner gave plans for the state BPW convention to be held here May 8-11 which will include the official opening and dinner Friday, the breakfast for presidents elect, Saturday, fun night with Dena Backas as chairman, a banquet Saturday night and breakfast for delegates Sunday morning. Edna Albrecht, local president reported on the state board meet held recently in Portland and Charles Edwards was announced as the new vocation chairman.

Ruth Lobauha was in charge of the Christmas program which included selections by the Fremont school girl's chorus under the direction of Harriett Mueller, a delightful skating pantomime by second graders of Mills school; trio selections by Helene Honrby, Margaret Jolly and Ruth Lobauha; a reading from St. Luke by Barbara Blanchard and Joan Campbella and Christmas carols by the audience.

Members of the decorating committee were Dorothy Schupp, Polly Schroeder, Della Records, Mary Glenn, Edna Russell, Larry Fish, Elda Fletcher and Isabelle Jackson.

The next meeting will be January 7 with Rita DePew as chairman.

Tom and Jerries were by courtesy of the Willard hotel and places were marked for 97 members and guests.

ORIONS PARTY

Orions met for a Christmas party Tuesday night, December 11, at the home of Mrs. Charles Carlson, 2080 Portland.

"The Christmas Tree," her own composition was read by Mrs. Charles Newton.

After games and the gift exchange, carols were sung by the group. Refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs. John Weber, Mrs. Charles Carlson, Mrs. Charles Newton and Mrs. Charles McFarlan.

Others attending were: Mrs. K. F. Samson, Mrs. Gene Woods, Mrs. Charles M. Larson, Mrs. John Heydon, Mrs. Keith Henry, Mrs. Charles Cummings, Mrs. W. D. Elliott, Mrs. J. V. Wachter, Mrs. Ray E. Williams, Mrs. Preston J. Card, Mrs. Fred Behn, Mrs. E. L. Putnam, Mrs. C. E. Dunlap, Mrs. Arthur Wiggins, Mrs. Paul Deller, Mrs. Frank S. Braman, Mrs. Marion Lehman, Mrs. Gib Walters, Mrs. C. A. Baker, Mrs. Samuel Thomson and Mrs. R. E. Teater.



THREE MERRY MORTONS are Susan, five, Barbara, three, and Mike, two, attractive children of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Morton. Their parents have lived in the Klamath basin since 1944 when Mr. Morton was stationed here with the marines. At present they are ranching in Bonanza. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Whitaker of Moberly, Missouri, maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. F. D. O'Connor, Oak Park Illinois.

—Photo by Guderian

Election of OES Officers in Malin

Election of officers was held at the meeting of Prosperity chapter 160 Order of the Eastern Star, Thursday evening, December 13.

Elected to serve the chapter as matron for the coming year was Mrs. Hazel Bowman, of Merrill. Elective officers to serve with Mrs. Bowman will be, patron, Eugene Beasley; associate matron, Eva Bowman; associate patron, A. E. Street; secretary, Ann Fruits; treasurer, Leah Street; conductress, Doris Smith; and associate conductress, Emma Wilde.

Presiding for their last time at this meeting were Ann Payr, worthy matron and Charles Hamilton, worthy patron. As a way of bidding her officers farewell, the worthy matron read a very cleverly written poem of her own composition. In it she reviewed, in verse, the highlights and happenings of Prosperity chapter during her term of office, and thanked the officers for their cooperation and friendship.

At the close of the chapter session the members gathered in the dining room. Upon entering the room they were each handed a slip of paper with a word on it which they had to match to words printed on wrapped packages

which lay on the tables. In this way their places at the table were found as well as the gift they were to receive. This very clever system for the gift exchange was provided by Florence Wilson and proved very successful.

Ethel Hamilton and Nell Retherford were responsible for the decorated tables, which were adorned with sprays of evergreen boughs, cones and Santa Claus and his sleigh in a snow scene. Also to these two ladies goes credit for the delicious cakes served to all. Installation of officers will be held on the next regular meeting night January 10.

Ace Hi Pinochle Club

MALIN—Members of the Ace Hi Pinochle club held the annual Christmas party and gift exchange at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Halousek Wednesday evening, December 2.

Cards were enjoyed before the gifts were opened with prizes being and Mervyn Wild, traveling.

Members present were: Mrs. and Mrs. Louis Kalina, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Stasny, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Tofell, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rajnus, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Petrusek, and Mr. and Mrs. Mervyn Wilde.

BRIDGE PARTY

MERRILL—Five tables of bridge were in play when the library Bridge club was entertained by Mrs. E. Webb Bowen and Mrs. Mrs. John Beer December 13, at the home of the former. A Christmas party and gift exchange were enjoyed by those present.

Prizes went to Mrs. T. W. Chaburn Sr., for high, and to Mrs. Mervyn Shuck, for 2nd high. Out of town guests were Mrs. A. R. James, Mrs. L. S. Carter and Mrs. G. C. Lorenz all of Klamath Falls.

Gienger-Rodgers Rehearsal Party

CHILQUIN—Norma Lee Gienger and James Rodgers were honored at a before rehearsal buffet dinner on Friday evening, December 14. The party preceded their marriage by just twenty-four hours. Hostesses were Mrs. Dwight Kitcher, Mrs. Glen Kitcher, and Mrs. Gerald Wolff, at whose home the dinner was held.

Following the baked ham dinner, the wedding party left for the church for rehearsal, and later joined the others for refreshments and visiting.

Invited for the evening were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Donohue and daughter Mary Rodgers, of Alameda, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. Kellei Haysan of Seattle, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Rubard and son Donnie of Grants Pass, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Doak and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wolff of Williamson River, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gienger, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Whitting, Mr. and Mrs. Forest Freid, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Marsh of Sacramento, Rev. and Mrs. Ellery Echlin, Leroy Gienger Jr., Mrs. Glen Kitcher, Elda DeBortoli, and the three Wolf children, Cherry, Micki Jo, and Gerry.

STORK SHOWER

Mrs. W. L. Carter was guest of honor at a stork shower at her home, 2418 Vine, December 15 with Mrs. J. A. Ustick as hostess for the affair.

Refreshments were served after games were played and the gifts were opened.

Invited guests were: Mrs. Frank Nunley, Katie Lundgren, Mrs. Clarence Garrett, Mrs. Dan Morgan, Miss Della Records, Mrs. J. H. Williams, Mrs. Bill Helman, Mrs. Truman Hall, Mrs. Bob Henry, Mrs. Lowell Dunn, Priscilla McDonald, Mrs. Jack Brown, Mrs. Marion Quigley, Arlene Stanbery, Olla Stanbery, Jo Nell Dunson and Mrs. W. L. Carter Sr.



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