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Churches Present Xmas Pageants Sunday Evening

Christian and Evangelical Denominations Each Give Yule Program

A pageant, "Glorified Gifts," was given at the Christian church Sunday evening under the direction of Mrs. W. O. Livingstone. The cast was as follows: Joseph, Roy New; Mary, Joy Campbell; angels, Maxine Brady, Louise Craford and Hazel Ross; wise men, Ray Ross, Fritz Hausler and Harley Woodruff; shepherds, Robert Kilby and Cleon Woodruff; man of wealth, Jim Brady; a young couple, Floyd Rose and Doris Lindgren; two young women, Mrs. Herman Dickson and Marjorie Lange; poor woman and child, Mrs. Oscar George and daughter, Alice.

Music was rendered by the choir. White gifts were brought for local distribution, and the offering went to an old people's home supported by the Christian church.

The Christian Endeavor arranged the decorations for the auditorium.

A large attendance were present, standing room being at a premium.

"The Family Beautiful" Rendered

A short musical program preceded the presentation of the Christmas pageant, "The Family Beautiful" at the Evangelical church Sunday night.

The choir rendered two anthems under the direction of Amy Hughes. Mrs. L. H. Dewey sang "Star of the East" and the audience joined in a group of carols.

The story of the pageant told how the "spirit of family life" depicted by Mary Ann Childs, with the aid of her helpers, Understanding Love, Sacrifice and Devotion, played by Bernice Rose, Maxine John, Mildred Walters and Joan Nichols, changed a discordant quarrelsome family into a happy unit, working at the Christmas season.

Milton Nix was Discord and his "Janglers" were Sherman Nicar, Harvey Ridling, Erma Kent and Frances Childs.

Members of the family were Henry John, Mrs. George McKay, Dorothy Webb, Howard Davis, Milton Scheuerman, John Nix and Betty McKay.

The parts of Joseph and Mary in the vision of the manger scene which closed the pageant were taken by Robert Acord and Virgie Killian.

Mrs. Enoch Dumas directed the pageant with assistance by Mrs. Henry John, Willard Berg, Lenora Kizer and Amy Hughes.

Marguerite Laird is clerking in the Nehalem market.

MR. AND MRS. PORTERFIELD ARE PARENTS OF SON

A son, Robert Paul, was born Monday at Hood River to Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Porterfield. The boy's weight was 8½ pounds.

GORDON HIEBER VISITS PARENTS IN VERNONIA

Gordon Hieber, of Pittsburg, Pa., came Saturday evening for a visit over the Holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Hieber. He left Pittsburg Friday evening by airplane, arriving at Portland at 1 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

Another son, Glen Hieber, is expected from Klamath Falls Friday. The daughter, Mrs. D. F. DeCew, and her husband and infant son from Portland will also be here, so that, with Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Hieber of Vernonia the entire family will be together for Christmas day.

VERNONIA AUTO CO. DELIVERS CHEVROLET CARS

Owing to the longshoremen's strike and strike conditions in some parts of the plants local automobile dealers report considerable difficulty in getting cars. The Vernonia Auto Co., Chevrolet agents, delivered Wednesday a Chevrolet panel truck to K. Inouye of the Vernonia Laundry, a pick-up with 4 speed transmission to Pete Serafin, and recently a sedan to Joe Doyle.

25 Baskets to Be Distributed

About 25 Christmas baskets will be distributed to local families through the aid of the community chest and other organizations including the First Christian and Evangelical churches, the Union and several lodge groups.

In many cases the need is very great said Mrs. E. S. Thompson, chest chairman. Some families are left almost destitute because of sickness or through the loss of jobs, she said.

High School Gives Christmas Program

A Christmas program was given Wednesday afternoon in the high school assembly room. Included in the numbers were a reading by Dick Lewis, solo by Doris Lindgren with guitar accompaniment by Leo Ludwig and Floyd Rose, and presentation of \$25 by the senior class to the student body. Ralph Condit, president of the seniors, made the presentation to Paul Adams, president of the student body.

Besides the singing of Christmas songs there was a Christmas tree and exchange of gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Richards left Monday for eastern Oregon to spend Christmas with Mrs. Richards' parents.

THEATRE ENTERTAINS AT CHRISTMAS MATINEE

The Joy theatre gave a free Christmas matinee for school children Wednesday afternoon. Gene Audrey was presented in "The Singing Cowboy."

SENIOR "LEAP YEAR" DANCE BEGINS HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES OF YOUNGER SET

Taking advantage of the last thirteen days in the leap year the Senior dance Saturday night proved itself interesting entertainment for all who attended.

Music furnished by Richard Mikkelssen's "Star Melodians", an excellent floor and the fact that leap year was so near its end seemed to bring about a feeling of holiday gaiety and fun.

The crowd was largely made up of students, teachers, alumni, and a number of out of town visitors. A large Christmas tree added to the holiday spirit and for once the girls had the opportunity of requesting while the fellows had that of accepting or finding feasible excuses, as it were.

School Squad To Go on Trip

The high school basketball squad consisting of eight men will leave Monday on a trip to Rickreall, Monmouth and Independence, where they will play the high school teams in each place. The squad will include Adams, Condit, Story, McDonald, Jarvis and Schalock and one other to be decided later.

The boys dropped a hard fought game with Forest Grove Friday night on the Forest Grove floor. The Loggers led all the way until the last three minutes, when Forest Grove came out from under. The final score was 32 to 27.

The first league game here after the Holidays will be with Tigard Jan. 5.

COUNTY JUDGE SPIKES RESIGNATION RUMOR

(St. Helens Sentinel-Mist)
County Judge J. B. Wilkerson yesterday denied the report being circulated in this district that he was considering resignation Jan. 1.

Unless he is offered a position which pays a better salary the judge is not considering resigning. He said that while the salary was quite small he was not going to ask for an increase.

"There are some phases of my work which might be termed as unpleasant and trying," the judge said, "but I have sought to handle the office to the best of my ability."

Judge Wilkerson receives a salary of \$100 a month which is reported as being considerably less than the wage paid in other counties for the office.

License Renewals Recommended by City Council

Chamber of Commerce Committee Inquires about Money for Dam

Recommendation for renewal of licenses to sell beer was voted Monday night by the city council in favor of Ray Seif of Bush's cafe, Myrtle Layer of the Shamrock, August Greenfeld of Dad's Sandwich shop and Mrs. Ada Curtis of the Terminal cafe. The application of Jack Lindsay of Skinny's card room was approved at a meeting two weeks earlier.

A committee from the chamber of commerce consisting of Tom Crawford, J. W. Nichols and Ed Bollinger appeared before the council to ask what could be expected next year from the city in paying the debt on the construction of the swimming pool dam. They were informed that \$150 would be available after the first of the year.

MASONIC LODGE INSTALLS OFFICERS

Vernonia lodge 189, A. F. & A. M. held its installation of officers December 17. Besides T. M. Crawford, master, and the other elective officers, listed last week, Roland Treharne was installed as senior deacon, Harold Shipley as junior deacon, Grant Layer and C. O. Anderson as stewards, Earl Smith as tiler, C. L. Brock as marshal and J. E. Tapp as chaplain.

STAMP TRADE JOURNAL ISSUED FROM EAGLE PRESS

The December number of The Stamp Wholesaler, a monthly journal for dealers in postage stamps, was issued Monday from the Vernonia Eagle press. The journal was purchased recently by Ray D. Fisher, who will publish it from now on.

Feathers . . . and . . . Talons

SEEN AND HEARD

Store windows gay with Christmas trees, snow scenes, colored lights . . . The Oregon Gas and Electric Christmas tree decorated in blue lights against a background of blue sky and stars . . . A gaily lit live tree in the W. F. Manthey yard . . . The waters of Rock creek boiling down over the new dam . . . An old Portland-Vancouver street car on its way to join its mates in an Elsie logging camp . . . Streets and sidewalks near the Washington school jammed Wednesday night with people bound for the Christmas program.

Christmas

Nearly two thousand years ago, on the first Christmas Eve, the holy Star of Bethlehem gleamed as the symbol of the most sublime event in history. Watching and waiting that night those Three Wise Men of the East had Faith in their hearts—faith serene, invincible

Every worthwhile human achievement since has been in some measure based upon faith. The professional man, the captain of finance and industry, the artist, the craftsman at his task—all need faith to carry on successfully

Thus the true spirit of the Christmas Season is best evidenced by the expression of faith in our fellow-men, and in the many worthwhile things which have helped in our development