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School Pageant, Singing, Cantata Among Plans for Yule Week Programs

Numerous programs, a community sing and Christmas cantata are among the events which will mark the week before Christmas in this community. The first event will be the community sing which is scheduled by the Lions club for Saturday night of this week at the lighted tree on Bridge street.

The singing will be led by members of the Teen Age club who have been asked by the Lions to appear that night for the occasion. Everyone is welcomed to the affair. President Lynn Thomas said Monday and a special invitation is extended to attend. The singing will start at 7:30.

On Wednesday evening of next week, December 22, the annual school Christmas program will be given at the Washington grade school auditorium. The presentation will be in the form of a pageant of good will entitled "Merry Christmas to the World." The pageant depicts the children of England, Italy, Spain, France, Mexico, China, Sweden and Holland who are coming to America to spend Christmas with the children of America. These foreign children are welcomed at the pier by Uncle Sam, Dick Gossar; Columbia, Faye Millis; Ann, an American girl, Catheryn Keasey; Billy, an American boy, Bertrum Woods; two clowns, Albert Fuller and Wayne Thomas and by a typically American Santa Claus, Jimmie Barker.

Christmas carols will be sung by these children representing the foreign countries. Both Lincoln and Washington children will participate. Vocal selections will be sung by Dane Brady, Ronald Anderberg, Jimmy Davis, Charlotte Welty, Carl Parker, James Stearns, Patricia Normand, Kathryn Leonard and Irene Weaver. Piano solos will be played by Stella Woolsey, Marjorie Reynolds, Karen Greene, Patricia Stiff, Frances Kasper and Ricky Bush. Leatha and Sharon Hamilton will sing a duet accompanied by Letha playing the guitar.

The Christmas, Evangelical U. B., Assembly of God, Nazarene and Seventh Day Adventist churches are to present the union Christmas cantata entitled, "The Lights of Christmas," at the Evangelical auditorium December 23. Rev. G. Wm. Anderson is directing the choir in which between 40 and 50 people are singing.

Dates for rehearsal are tonight at 7, Sunday at 3 and next Tues-

day at 7. Tickets are available now at no charge and may be obtained from any minister.

The Christmas program of the Nazarene Sunday school will be given Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. The program will consist of recitations, dialogues, exercises and songs. The public is cordially invited to attend.

At the First Christian church the junior choir will be featured in the special Christmas Sunday program in the morning service. A service of carols and candles has been arranged and the sanctuary will be filled with a beautiful array of Christmas candles and decorations.

The evening service will consist of a Christmas program of carols and the special features of the church school program. The closing feature will be a pageant with Juanita Falconbury and Bill Wells in speaking parts. Following the service the intermediate groups are to carol in the community and return to the church for a chili feed.

Two masses will be held at St. Mary's Catholic church Christmas day, one at 8 and the other at 9:30.

In place of the regular Evangelistic service, the Sunday school Christmas program will be held Sunday evening, December 19 at 7:30 p.m. at the Assembly of God church. You are cordially invited to attend this special service.

The First Baptist church will hold its Christmas program Monday evening, December 20 at 7:30. All are cordially invited to attend. The program will be put on by the boys and girls of the Sunday school under the direction of Mrs. Fred Lundgren. There will be treats for the children.

Vets Tally 3 Net Victories

Three wins in three successive games are tallied for the V.F.W. team since Tuesday of last week and in all three, Ralph Sturdevant led the scoring for the locals.

Against Banks Tuesday of last week the Vets won 42 to 31, the closest of the three, and Orenco came here last Thursday to lose 57 to 26. Both were played here.

Gaston also lost Monday there 47 to 26.

Runts and Coaches



SPECIAL credit for their work with 18 grade school boys this summer goes to Marvin Turner, Ralph Sturdevant and John Brown who coached a group of grade school boys in the fundamentals of both softball and football. Parents of the juniors believe the boys derived a lot of help from the work of the three coaches. Pictured are, back row: Turner, Sturdevant and Brown; 2nd row: Skeeter Gill, Speed Lusby, Francis Crowston, Buddy Fulton; front row: Bobby Crowston, Tommy Ralston, Wayne Thomas, Pat O'Brien, Henry Bass, and Denny Thomas. Not present for the shot were Jim Peters, Gail Gill, Albert Fuller, Michael Grady, Melvin Roland, Jack McLaughlin, Merlin Goodburne and LaVerne Goodburne. (Glen Justice Photo)

2 Groups Back 4-H Summer Scholarships

Vernonia Grange, Pythian Sisters To Aid Club Work

Two Vernonia groups have already given their support to the 4-H club movement to send two participants of club work to the summer school at Corvallis next year and additional help is being sought from other organizations and businesses in this region.

The support of the two organizations, the Vernonia Grange and the Pythian Sisters, was announced Monday by Mrs. Frank Morris who said that each group is sponsoring a 4-H summer school scholarship. The scholarships will be awarded to two youths who carry on outstanding club work in the Vernonia district. The scholarship will provide for attendance at the school.

In addition to the two organizations who have already indicated their interest in the work, others are sought which will increase the number of 4-Hers who can attend the annual school. Business firms are also eligible for participation Mrs. Morris said. Those who wish to back the movement can obtain details by calling Mrs. Morris, telephone 83.

Honorary Group Adds Keasey Girl

Cora Mae Dusenberry of Keasey, a sophomore in business and technology at Oregon state was recently initiated by Alpha Lambda Delta, sophomore women's scholastic honor society. Fourteen new members were added at this time.

In order to be eligible for membership, women must have a 3.5 grade point average for one term or a 3.38 average for two terms. A 3.5 average indicates an equal number of "A" and "B" grades.

Peddlers Fined

Two men were brought into the city recorder's court Monday by police on a charge of selling from house to house without a city license and were fined \$10 for violation of the ordinance. The men were attempting to dispose of oranges brought from California. They sold the remainder of their merchandise outside the city limits. The oranges were reportedly partially spoiled.

Helicopter Seeds 1,000 Acres of Crown Zellerbach Land; Work Completed Tues.

New City Fire Truck to Be Here Soon

Vernonia's long-awaited new fire truck and modern fire fighting equipment is scheduled for delivery before the end of this year, Mayor George Johnson said Monday. He was notified of the possible delivery date that day by a representative of the Howard Cooper company, Portland, who was here to see city officials regarding the machinery.

The truck will be placed in the hands of the underwriters December 23 for testing and after this certification is received, the machine will be delivered here. A change at the city hall garage to enlarge the space available for the truck will be made as soon as measurements can be obtained after the truck's arrival.

A larger doorway will be necessary to permit the truck to be housed there.

Portland Wins Rifle Match

The Vernonia rifle team met Portland's No. 4 team there last Friday and also defeat at the hands of the sharpshooters in a sitting and off hand match. Vernonia dislikes the sitting position very much and as the score below shows, needs quite a bit of practice in this position.

Tod Bowerman, one of the regulars on the Vernonia team, was unable to make the trip.

Scores and totals were:
R. Aldrich 178 180 N. Orr
B. George 171 176 R. Wilkinson
M. Lamping 170 169 W. Knoff
H. Peterson 157 169 Vias
B. Lamping 154 163 Pete Free
Totals 830 857

Seal Sale Fund Coming Slowly

Funds from the annual Christmas Seal sale in Columbia county are coming in about as well as they did in 1946, but not quite so well as in 1947, according to Mrs. W. W. Collis, of St. Helens, chairman for the county Seal sale.

"We have not yet compiled the returns by cities," Mrs. Collis stated, "but will have that ready about the 15th of December." Mrs. Collis also urged that those who have not sent in their money do so very soon so that few, if any reminder cards need be sent.

4-H Goat Club Starts Work

A Rock creek 4-H Dairy Goat club was organized December 9 officers were elected and a start made on the year's program of activity. Each member owns a goat as a project in which strict cost and record sheets will reveal the degree of success.

Pictures of record milk producers were studied in J. F. Fetter's book, Stucker Saanens. Others who wish to join at the next meeting are asked to see Laura Mae Seibert.

Examiner to Come

A driver's license examiner will be on duty in Vernonia at the city hall between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Friday, December 24. People wishing licenses or permits can contact the examiner on that day.

Stores Plan Later Hours

Many retail stores plan later closing hours during the coming week, a survey of most of them indicated Monday of this week. The extended shopping time will start Saturday of this week and continue through next week until the night before Christmas.

The later closing hour will be 8 p.m. instead of 6 as usual in order to allow last minute shoppers to make gifts purchases.

Student Taken By Death Friday

MIST — Sudden and unexpected death came to the C. L. Waddell home Friday night, taking their daughter, Margaret. She had attended high school in Vernonia that day and had complained of a headache on her arrival home after school.

Her mother advised relief for the pain, but she was unable to stand and became violently ill. She was taken to Clatskanie for medical attention, but to no avail and passed away shortly after reaching there. Cause of the death was a brain hemorrhage.

Services were held at Mist yesterday, Wednesday, afternoon and interment was at Vernonia.

Margaret Waddell had spent her life in the valley. She was 14 years of age and had graduated from grade school last year. Left to mourn her passing are her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Waddell; one sister, Ethel; two brothers, her grandparents and many other relatives and friends.

Culbertson Edits Joke Magazine

Released for reader consumption last week at Pacific university in Forest Grove was the first edition of the P. U. Stinker a joke magazine edited by Doug Culbertson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Culbertson.

The magazine, as it describes itself, "is half ads and half wit, hence—the half wit magazine." Culbertson was instrumental in writing most of the advertising and editorial matter appearing in the magazine and has received considerable publicity, both by radio and the newspapers, for his efforts.

Trap Club Sets Next Shoot Date

Another shoot is scheduled for next Sunday, December 19, by the Vernonia Trap club President Bill Heath said Tuesday when competition will be open for turkeys, chickens, hams and merchandise. The affair will take place at the O-A ball park and will feature both 22 rifles and trap shooting.

Free Show for Students Dated

Students in the grade and high schools are scheduled to view a free matinee at the Joy Theatre on the afternoon of December 23 Manager Jay Taggart said early this week. The picture is timed to start at 1:30.

Transportation for those students who reside out of town will be provided by busses as usual through arrangements made with the schools so that the trip home can be made after the show.

Planting by Hand Also Being Planned

The 1948-49 reforestation program of Crown Zellerbach corporation is now underway in Washington and Oregon, with a total of 4500 acres to be restocked by helicopter seeding, hand planting and hand seeding. Due to the successful results from seeding last winter by helicopter, this same method will be used to restock 3500 acres on four of the company's eight tree farms in Oregon and Washington this season. Last year was the first time that tree seeding had been attempted by helicopter, and the initial check of several areas shows satisfactory germination.

The restocking program is on land serving pulp and paper mills of Crown Zellerbach at Camas, Washington, West Linn and Lebanon, Oregon, and is one phase of the company's action program to attain true sustained yield for its Pacific Northwest tree farms totaling some one-half million acres.

The helicopter seeding of 1,000 acres on the Columbia Tree Farm was completed on December 14. The seed sown consisted of a mixture of Port Orford cedar, western hemlock, Douglas fir and Grand fir and was dispersed at the rate of approximately 25,000 seeds per acre. The area is located south of the Camp 9 crossing on the old St. Helens road.

The Central aircraft company of Yakima has again been hired for the helicopter seeding job. This company has flown for Crown Zellerbach several years, first in "dusting" a looper-infected area in Clatsop county, next in airplane dispersal of tree seed over logged areas, and last year on the helicopter seeding project. The reforestation program will be carried out under direction of George Schroeder, assistant chief forester of Crown Zellerbach corporation.

The helicopter is equipped with a special seed dispersal unit and is able to fly consistently at a very low level above the areas being seeded. Uniform seed distribution plus ideal weather conditions of the past eleven months are credited with producing good germination and survival from last year's seeding.

The hand planting program for the Columbia Farm will include 70,000 low elevation Douglas fir, 10,000 Monterey pine plus the experimental plantings.

The restocking program was made possible this year only by the most exhaustive search and procurement of seed from British Columbia to southern Oregon. In the spring indications were for an adequate seed crop, but wet weather and failure of pollenization added up to one of the poorest seed crops in Pacific Coast history.

Cones were purchased from local people in these spots or were harvested by the company's own men. A total of 12,400 pounds of fir cones and 5400 pounds of Western Hemlock cones were taken on the Columbia and Clatsop Tree Farms in Oregon, and 3700 pounds of Hemlock cones were picked on the Cathlamet tree farm in Washington, and varying amounts from British Columbia, Lake Tahkenitch, Neah Bay and other places, including some spruce and Port Orford cedar. The cones were hauled to Salem, where a private seed operator extracted the seed for delivery to Crown Zellerbach.