

Fast Chiefs View Slides of Scenery

The Past Chiefs Club met Monday evening, January 4, at the home of Faye Davis. Following the business session, delicious refreshments were served to 12 members present after which Mrs. Davis showed colored slides of Oregon scenery and views taken on their trip to South Carolina. The next meeting will be February 1, at the home of Edna Heenan, at which time new members will be initiated.

Public Invited To Installation

The Knights of Pythias and Pythian Sisters will hold a joint public installation of officers at the I.O.O.F. hall next Monday night at 8:00 p.m. Friends wishing to witness the ceremony are invited to attend. The Pythian Sisters will also meet again on Wednesday night for the first meeting with the new officers in the chairs.

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Man of the Hour

The man to sell on forestry in this hour of history is the small forest owner, particularly the farm woodlot owner. The small owner who is sold on the practice of forestry automatically becomes a star salesman of forestry practice himself. Invariably this man has been sold by virtue of market and use conditions and not by grand bureaucratic theory.

There's Stanley Baker of Graham, near Puyallup, for example. He makes one of the best forest practice talks, on both markets and methods, that ever hit my ears. He talks, not theories, but conditions. He speaks, not from the books, but from experience.

Father's Savings

In 1938 Mr. Baker took savings from his wages of years as a timber faller in the Douglas fir and invested it in 480 acres of cut-over land. In that year one might still buy up cutovers for a song, even land well heeled with the green gold of young growth.

At first the trees on the land were as unwelcome weeds in Stanley Baker's eyes. His only hope was to clear the old cutovers and build up rough pasture for livestock. But too much of the 480 acres was in Douglas fir 20 or more years old. Baker had no money to pay the high cost of clearing. He urgently needed buildings—a home, a barn, poultry house. A cruise revealed that much sawtimber and many shakes could be salvaged.

In 1939 and 1940 the market for light construction lumber grew mightily, through home building demand and the cantonment requirements for the new army. Mr. Baker made himself a sawmill out of scrap parts and began to produce for that market. Some of his logs were snag and windfall salvage. Some were from young trees that had outgrown their mates, reaching sizes

from which 2x4s could be sawed. They paid for tractor, truck, and other logging equipment.

A good market for products from Mr. Baker's woodland kept growing. He built roads for light logging and fire defense through his tract. He sawed his own timber to build his own home and barn. Outside sales yielded returns enough to start a dairy herd. The sawmill was made to cut 3,000 board feet a day.

Stanley Baker knew all that anybody needed to know about logging. He proceeded to teach himself forestry management on a Douglas fir farm woodland, with a modicum of professional advice. He became a tree grower and protector. And now he has made application for tree farm certification.

The Four Million

There are more than 4,000,000 other forest land owners in the United States that are rated as "small." Mainly they are farmers who by tradition and ingrained habits of thought consider the woodlot as the last part of the farm on which to expend time and money.

Most of them do need education on the values of good forest practice. The very first need is education on the markets for farm woodland products and how to make money from these markets. Nation-wide they have not been getting this kind of education but mostly theory and propaganda with socialized forestry the goal at the end of the trail.

The foresters of industry are still prone to play into the hands of the theorists by the practical exclusion of forest products and forest products marketing from professional consideration. They have something to learn from practical farm foresters like Stanley Baker, one-time timber faller.

Parents Announce Wedding of Couple

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Webb have announced the marriage of their daughter, Joanne, to Donald Wantland, son of Mrs. Marion Wantland. The ceremony took place at Stevenson, Washington December 11. Attending the ceremony were Mrs. Earl Wantland, Doris Wantland and Mrs. Wantland.

Mr. and Mrs. Wantland are at home at the Riverview cabins and he is employed at the mill. Mrs. Wantland, a senior at Vernonia high school, plans to finish school.

Employees Gather for Annual Holiday Party

The employees of West Oregon Electric cooperative gathered December 18 for their annual Christmas party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Striker where they were served a buffet turkey dinner.

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YESTERDAYS

FIVE YEARS AGO

From The Eagle, Dec. 30, 1948
A low temperature reading of 10 degrees was recorded at the cooperative weather station December 27 by Mrs. Helen Spoford, who makes the official weather readings for this vicinity.

Fifteen families in this region benefitted this Christmas from baskets prepared and paid for by funds from the community chest.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Baker opened a skating rink in a remodeled building at their home on Capitol hill.

TEN YEARS AGO

From The Eagle, Dec. 30, 1943
The civic committee of the Vernonia Study club and the CIO war chest committee met December 14 to appoint a permanent community chest committee. Those who will comprise the chest group are: Harry Hall, Otis Fuller, Tom Henderson, Isabel Culbertson, Olivia Brickel, Mary Fletcher and Evelyn Heath.

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

From The Eagle, Dec. 30, 1938
Officers installed for the Eastern Star for the coming year are: worthy matron, Mrs. Tom Crawford; worthy patron, Glen Hawkins; associate matron, Sarah Drobbaugh; secretary, Mrs. L. H. Dewey; treasurer, Mrs. Myrtle Brock; conductress, Mrs. Allie Dickson and associate conductress, Mrs. George Plumb. Howard Reicher displayed a steelhead caught Monday in the Wilson river. The fish weighed 19½ pounds.

PEO Chapter Schedules Date for Next Meeting

Chapter 28 of the PEO Sisterhood will meet Tuesday evening, January 12, at the home of Mrs. Wesley Bolmeier.

Car Wrecked on Seattle Trip

TREHARNE — Mr. and Mrs. Bert Tisdale had the misfortune to have their car wrecked Saturday evening at Longview when they started to Seattle to visit his mother for the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Beck and Mrs. Ruth Pierce made a business trip to Portland Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Buckley visited Mr. and Mrs. Byron Kirkbride and family Tuesday evening.

Visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Justice during the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Turner and Lloyd Stuve, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sturdevant, Mrs. Max Mellis and James Johnson. They all visited with Glenn Justice.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Beck, Susan and Mary, returned home following a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Tisdale and Ruth Pierce and Billy, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cox, and Carrol, enjoyed TV with the Tisdales Friday evening.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Justice was the scene of a birthday party Saturday night in honor of Mr. Justice and Emil Messing of Vernonia. Those present to help them celebrate were: Mr. and Mrs. Otto Goertzen of Clatskanie, Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Justice of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Justice and family and Mrs. Emil Messing of Vernonia, and Mrs. Charles Justice, hostess.

Golden Rule for safety with all farm machinery is: NEVER TRY TO CLEAN, OIL OR ADJUST A FARM MACHINE WHEN IT IS RUNNING.

Home Agent Married At Richmond, Virginia

Miss Helen Sellie, daughter of Conrad Sellie of Cathy, North Dakota, became the bride of Frank Hazard, son of Mrs. Etta Hazard at 2 p.m., December 28, at Epiphany Lutheran church in Richmond, Virginia.

The bride wore a suit of pastel blue wood with matching hat and dark blue accessories. She carried a prayer book with orchids. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Angus were the only attendants to the bride and groom.

After a reception at the home of the groom's sister, Mrs. N. A. Nelson, the couple left for a wedding trip to Williamsburg, Virginia. They will make their home on the groom's farm near Richmond.

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