

SCHOOL EVENTS

Dec. 21, School Christmas program.
Dec. 22, Christmas vacation begins, 3:00 p.m.
Jan. 2, School reopens after vacation.

You can't eat your cake — and diet too.



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Ancients Given Credit For Yule Tree Custom

Many believe that the Christmas tree custom may be traced to pagan celebrations of the winter solstice—the time when the sun ceases its seeming drift southward and begins moving back north.

The ancients knew great fear when the sun steadily moved away from them. They did not like the cold winds from the north, the shorter days, the disappearance of wildlife and the bare, shriveled appearance of trees and plants.

Accordingly, they designed ceremonies to lure the sun back. When the sun responded, in the natural course of time, they joyfully decorated their homes with evergreens, mistletoe, holly and ivy in celebration of the fact that warm weather would soon return.

Love is blind—but a diamond sparkler is sure an eye-opener.



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Safety Seat Belts Considered Most Effective Single Safety Equipment

The Oregon State Board of Health in the interest of saving lives and reducing injury urges every Oregon car owner to install and use safety seat belts.

Safety seat belts have been thoroughly tested and have already saved thousands of lives and reduced countless injuries. In

any collision, an automobile is stopped suddenly, but the people inside, unless restrained in some way, still have movement and are hurled into the steering wheel, dashboard, windshield, or worse, out of the car.

Persons thrown from accident vehicles are five times more likely to be injured fatally than those who stay inside, according to a nationwide study.

Seat belts should be fastened at all times when the car is in motion. Contrary to some notions, seat belts offer great protection at moderate speeds. More than half of the accidents causing injury or death involve speeds of less than 40 miles per hour. Figures also show that three out of four traffic deaths occur within 25 miles of home.

Less than one per cent of all injury-producing accidents involve fire or submersion. Seat belts greatly improve your chances of remaining conscious, so you can get clear of a submerged or burning car. A seat belt can be unfastened in an instant with one hand. Seat belts belong attached around each occupant when the car is in motion. This fact has been proven and supported by the Oregon traffic safety commission, Oregon state police, and the Oregon state board of health. You owe it to yourself and your family to install and use safety seat belts. The board of health urges the head of every household to buy some protection by giving his family seat belts for Christmas.

Safety Training Law Explained

The Oregon State Game Commission has issued a clarification concerning some misunderstandings of the hunter safety training law that will become effective January 1, 1962.

Contrary to published reports the Certificate of Competency in the safe handling of firearms does not have to be presented to obtain a hunting license nor does a person 18 years of age or older have to take the course of training. A person, 17 years of age or younger, is required to take the course of training regardless of whether or not he previously has been issued a hunting license.

Certificates issued by other states, provinces, or the National Rifle Association will satisfy requirements of the law.

The game commission also reminds hunters, 17 years of age or younger, that the Certificate of Competency must be carried with them whenever they are hunting with a firearm for any wild bird or animal, not just the game species. The only exception to this would be when a hunter in these age groups is hunting on his own land.

Courses of training are given by volunteer instructors in almost every community in the state. All prospective young hunters should avail themselves of the training as soon as possible.

Home is where you hang your head, any henpecked husband will tell you.

Sun Used for Keeping Time

Sweethearts may be more interested in the moon but for centuries calendar makers have devoted plenty of attention to the sun. In fact, the sun caused the year 46 B.C. to have 445 days—the longest year in calendar history.

The Roman Calendar, supposedly created by Numa Pompilius, in the seventh century B.C., was revised several times. Yet, when Julius Cæsar put his experts to work on the Julian calendar, they found the Roman calendar was two months behind the sun. This presented them with a problem: they had to catch up with the sun before the Julian calendar could take over as the official method of marking time.

They solved the problem by adding two extra months to the year 46 B.C., inserting them between the months of November and December.

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May your Christmas be the merriest ever and the New Year be filled with all that you desire is our wish to every one.

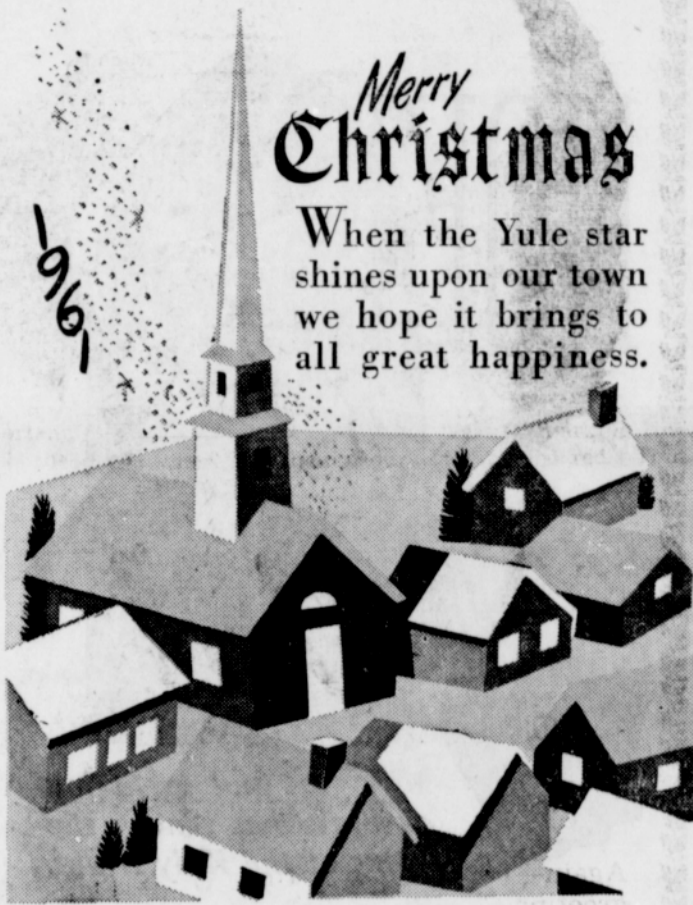
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Merry Christmas

When the Yule star shines upon our town we hope it brings to all great happiness.



Bob's Union Service

Bob Thompson and Family
Lester Shafer and Family



SEASONS GREETINGS

When Santa arrives we hope he brings you a happy holiday season. Many thanks for your fine friendship.

Hudson Insurance Service

HENRY & POLLY HUDSON & DEBBY

Greetings



It's our sincere wish that Santa brings you many packages of happiness and peace this Yule.

Standard Dairy

Peace and joy be yours this day and for all time to come.



Nehalem Service Station

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May the joy and peace of Christmas be with you all.

Knight's Beauty Shop



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ALL ABOARD FOR CHRISTMAS!

You don't have to tell an S. P. & S. conductor that Christmas is in the air. He has his passengers to remind him. The busy executive hurrying home to his family... the nice elderly couple with the pictures of the grandchildren they'll soon meet for the first time... the crewcut college youngster who will be reunited with mom, dad and the kid sister. Yes, your S. P. & S. conductor knows that Yuletide is here. He joins all of us at S. P. & S. in...

*Wishing You and Your Loved Ones
a Very Merry Christmas*

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