



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SINGERS entertained during the pancake feed Friday evening. They were directed and accompanied by Gary Condon, left, school choral director, and Nancy Looney (back to camera), student assistant.

An instrumental group under the direction of band leader Don Neufeld also entertained.

NEWS FROM BIG BEND

BY GOLDIE ROBERTS

There will be a community party at the Big Bend Grange Hall Monday evening honoring all the new residents of Big Bend. Everyone is asked to come and get acquainted.

Mrs. Theda George of Los Angeles is visiting her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Bennett and family.

Mrs. John Packwood called on Mr. and Mrs. Harry Packwood in Nampa Monday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyce Van De Water, Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Van De Water and Kent, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Clucas and family, Mr. and Mrs. Varner Hopkins, and Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Knapp attended a potluck dinner and dedication of recreation area at the Roswell Baptist Church Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Bennett called on Mrs. Anna Hamilton in Caldwell Tuesday afternoon.

The Adrian Garden Club held their Christmas dinner and gift exchange at the home of Mrs. Varner Hopkins Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Dyre Roberts, Mrs. Edythe Prosser and Mrs. Clyde Riggs of Parma were luncheon guests of Mrs. Sharon Krause in Ontario at the Eastside Cafe, Thursday. Later Mrs. Riggs visited her husband in the Holy Rosary Hospital.

The Jolly Janes Club will hold their Christmas dinner and gift exchange at the home of Mrs. Ernest Seuell next Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Van De Water and Kent helped Mrs. Carl Begeman of Kingman Kolony celebrate her birthday Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Musgrove

L.B. Day Will Leave DEQ First of Year

L.B. Day confirmed today that he is leaving the Department of Environmental Quality January 1.

"I want some time to spend with my family," he said. In the fifteen months he has headed Oregon's environmental programs, Day has averaged ten to twelve hours a day in his Portland office, plus commuting to his home in Salem.

Although he has been known for toughness in enforcing environmental laws, Day denied there had been any influence on the decision other than his own desire to return to private life.

"I've had plenty of pressure," he said, "but it's all been directed at getting me to stay, not toward getting rid of me."

Day's original commitment to the Environmental Quality Commission who appointed him Director of DEQ was for one year. He took the position September 9, 1971, the effective date of a new law permitting a non-engineer to head the Department.

Since then, Oregon has gained a world-wide reputation for its environment programs. A July 1, 1972 deadline for secondary treatment of industrial wastes entering Oregon rivers was firmly enforced, with strong backing from Governor McCall. A unique one-stop permit

system was established by agreement with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency which now has staff working right in DEQ offices. Agreements were also set up with the U.S. Forest Service and the Army Corps of Engineers to assure enforcement of DEQ standards.

In air quality, Oregon led the Nation in including a non-degradation clause in its Clean Air Implementation Plan. Other states will have to follow this approach, now required by the courts as a result of a Sierra Club lawsuit.

Under Day's leadership, Oregon has relied heavily on citizen involvement. Some 200 Oregonians have served on advisory committees dealing with such diverse problems as traffic control, protecting scenic areas, and productive use of solid wastes.

Enforcement has added new incentives on the positive side with the Oregon CUP program set up to reward industry for outstanding environmental achievement.

"I think my job is finished," Day said. "Now I want to go home."

He has been on a three-year leave of absence from the Teamsters Union and is expected to return there. He took the leave in 1969 to become the Secretary of Interior's Northwest Coordinator.

Christmas Trees Drink Lots of Water

How much water can a Christmas tree drink? Plenty, says Gary Sander, Oregon State University extension forestry specialist. And you'd be wise to make sure it can quench its thirst.

A six foot tree can easily soak up a quart of water a day for the first two or three days, Sander says. If it isn't drinking that much, check to see if its pores have sealed shut. If so, it's not getting adequate moisture to keep it at its freshest possible state.

Keeping the tree well watered not only helps with the freshness of the evergreen, but makes the entire room more comfortable for the family by acting as a room humidifier, Sander points out. The trunk soaks up the water, pulls it up through the branches, out into the needles and eventually on out into the room.

So the first thing to do when you get your Christmas tree is to make sure it has a way of getting plenty of water into its trunk. To be assured of this, Sander advises making a fresh sawing diagonally clear across the trunk. In other words, make a fresh cut across the butt of the tree. This opens up new pores. The diagonal cut provides more surface for soaking up water than a straight cut. Suppose your tree has already been decorated and up for awhile and it's no longer drinking up the water. What then? Sander suggests using the tip of your saw to cut some diagonal slits into the base of the trunk to open up new routes for water absorption. Cuts should go through the bark and about a quarter inch into the wood.

So for a fresher, safer Christmas tree, be sure it has plenty of water to drink. Check the water level daily.



ORDER OF EASTERN STAR

Golden Rule Chapter #131 OES met at the Masonic Hall December 4. Worthy Matron Lois Cartwright presided. Under good of the order Marie Holmes had charge of the fall birthday party. Thirteen members present were wished happy birthday in song and given a small gift. All joined in a sing-along.

Next meeting, December 18 at the Masonic Hall will be a Christmas party and gift exchange. Hostesses were Mr. and Mrs. Foy Sasser and Eva Chadwick.



ROSY SHERRY PUNCH

1 bottle fino (dry)
Sherry from Spain
1 six-ounce can frozen orange juice concentrate
1 pint cranberry juice
2 small navel oranges
1 large bottle club soda

Reconstitute orange juice, combine with Sherry and cranberry juice; chill thoroughly. Cut oranges into very thin slices to use as garnish. Just before serving, add Sherry mixture to block of ice in punch bowl, or to ice cubes in a large pitcher (using only one-half the ingredients at a time). Add soda and orange slices when ready to serve. Makes 36 punch cup servings.

Snowmobile Enthusiasts Must Comply With Law

With the winter sports season about to begin, the Oregon Motor Vehicles Division has issued a reminder to snowmobile enthusiasts to make sure they are complying with the state's snowmobile laws.

Snowmobile operators must have a driver's license or a certificate indicating they are qualified to operate a snowmobile. Certificates are issued after completion of a snowmobile safety course. The fee for the certificate is \$2.

The agency has certified more than 100 snowmobile instructors throughout the state. Those who need to take the course can obtain the name of a certified instructor by writing to the Motor Vehicles Division, Salem, or by getting in touch with a snowmobile club in their area.

The law, which took effect this year, also requires snowmobiles to be registered by the Motor Vehicles Division before they can operate any place in the state. Only snowmobiles operated exclusively on the owner's property, those owned and operated by government agencies, or those owned by residents of other states where registration is also required do not have to be registered.

The fee for two years is \$12. A non-resident registration permit, valid for 60 days, may be issued to a snowmobile owner where registration is not required. The fee is \$2.

The agency says it has licensed more than 4,100 snowmobiles since the law took effect.

Oregon Nears New Traffic Death Toll

Oregon's march toward a new record for traffic deaths continued in November with 57 people killed in 50 reported fatal crashes.

The Motor Vehicles Division says the state's 11 month traffic death toll stood at 690, up 6.3 per cent over the same period last year.

At least 29 of those killed last month were reported by police to have had seat belts in their vehicles but the belts were not in use at the time of the fatal crashes.

The November victims included nine pedestrians. Winter months usually are especially hazardous to pedestrians because of early hours of darkness and reduce visibility due to bad weather.

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