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LEW SEZ: Recently I read a quotation by Mae West that can be applied to the OOTFA. She said, "Too much of a good thing can be wonderful." Many good things are happening or are about to happen to the OOTFA. We have our convention in March, the contest/entertainment in Lincoln City in April, the State Contest in Lebanon in June, our summer fairs and campouts all over the state, and now we have an offer for another contest in September. Maybe I shouldn't even mention it yet because it is just a proposal. Maybe I shouldn't mention yet that Dist. 2 is working on reorganization. These are things that I have received exciting phone calls about this last month. Along with the contests at Burns and Canyonville, Oregon is an exciting state for fiddlers and for those who love fiddle music. Being president of OOTFA is an exciting job with many rewards. It is not too early to start thinking about who you want to elect for president next March. I will keep reminding you between now and then. At the State Meeting on Jan. 15th in Stayton I will appoint a nominating committee chairman to start the task of selecting those who would be willing to run for the various offices. Alice and I hope that all of you had a good Thanksgiving and extend our warmest wishes to all of you for the Christmas Holidays.

Lew Holt, President
Oregon Old Time Fiddlers Association

"And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to ALL people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."

Luke 2:10 & 11 (KJV)

DISTRICT 1:

CHAIRMAN-Lois Tucker; CO-CHAIRMAN-Johnny Gard; SEC/TREAS-Irene Ruddock

By the time this is printed we will have had our Christmas party. We extend Christmas wishes to everyone -- a Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year. Drive safely and our prayers go with you all.

We miss Don & Helen Fleming who are spending the winter at Indio, CA.

Our guests for the Nov. meeting were: Betty Chapman of Paisley, who yodeled and sang for us, Lloyd & Lola Hubbard from Auburn, OR and Lois Tucker's sister Edna Riley from Stockton, CA.

Our regular jam will be Dec. 18th at the usual time. If you attended the Christmas jam you heard where it will be. If you didn't, call Lois Tucker

or Irene Ruddock for info. on the place.

We will be playing at the Clairmont House on Dec. 22nd from 7:00-8:00. Nursing homes are cancelled on the 25th because of Christmas. play for the nursing homes was also announced at the Christmas jam.

Naomi Voss, reporter

DISTRICT 3:

SIL CHAIRMAN-Ches Fullerton; CO-CHAIRMAN-Bob Kitchen; SEC/TREAS-Betty O'Neal Our Christmas Jam is Sunday, Dec. 11th at the Bend Senior Center.

Winter is slipping in on us. Lots of snow for our Sunday jam. 35, which included 5 musicians. Everyone enjoyed the good music and dancing. Out or state visitors were from Long Beach, CA.

Tony Spatz has done it again. At Redding, CA, he won 1st place in the Jr. Jukebox div. and 1st place in the Jr.-Jr. div. Congratulations, Tony! Keep up the good work.

Welcome back Tom & Betty O'Neal. Tom has made a very fast recovery. was back playing guitar at the Sun. jam one month after his heart attack.

Bob Kitchens is recovering from surgery for an aneurysm in the abdomen, and by-pass in the left leg. Hope to have him home from the hospital by Thanks-

Happy Anniversary to Bob & Birdie Hawes--63 years, and Happy Birthdays to Verna Walters, Bernice Hanson and Ches Fullerton. Congratulations and

Hope everyone had a happy Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas coming up. God bless you all!

Billie Kitchens, Reporter

DISTRICT 4:

CHAIRMAN-Zelma Foote; CO-CHAIRMAN-Jim Winslow; SEC/TREAS-Mona Givens

Here I am back again--can't seem to get rid of this job! I do thank Doris Barkley and Zelma Foote for the great job while Dave and I had a wonderful trip to Florida and 19 other states--everything was beautiful including the weather. We still think Oregon is the greatest.

We now have some nice-looking plaques on our new PA system stating they were purchased from the fund and in memory of lifetime members Hank and Beulah Wobbe.

Our Nov. 6 jam at Grants Pass was a big success--lots of audience and musicians, too. Kind of short of people (but not food) for our potluck and meeting, but we all enjoyed it. We were happy to see Don & Helen Fleming from Dist. 1 and hope they come again soon.

Our Dec. 4 jam will be our Christmas party. The Dist. will furnish turkey and ham--everyone bring a favorite dish or dessert to make a festive dinner--also your own table service. We will eat at 12 0'clock and open to the public for the first time at two. Jam will be held at the Talent Community Hall.

Our Jan. 8th jam (this is the 2nd Sun. due to New Year's on the 1st) will be at Grants Pass Vitality Center at 4th & L Sts. Doors will open at 10 for a/learning session until approximately 11:30 or 11:45. We will try this instead of using another Sunday of the month. (Potluck at 12, open to public at 1.)

Feb. 5th jam will be at Central Point Grange hall. Doors open at 10 for learning session. Potluck at noon. Open to public at one.

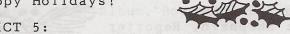
Mar. 5th jam and election of officers will be in Grants Pass vitality Center, centrally located for all of Dist. 4 to attend!

Howard Blair is home recuperating nicely from knee replacement. and keep well to everyone. -2DISTRICT 4 (cont.):

Our sympathy goes to the Jonas Cox family and the Warren Baker family. Both were long-time members of Dist. 4. Jonas was one of the foundations of Dist. 4, and we still thought of him as one of ours. Our hearts go out to Mae and John Baldwin whose great-granddaughter (8 years old) was kidnapped and murdered in Texas.

We will play Dec. 3rd at Grants Pass downtown Safeway store from 9:30-12 noon for KAGI radio for Help to Feed the Hungry.

Happy Holidays!



Dorene Winkelman, reporter



DISTRICT 5:

CHAIRMAN-Roy Zeigler; CO-CHAIRMAN-Russ Hall; SEC/TREAS-Dorothy Settle

Our Nov. 12 jam was packed with 136 people playing, listening, and dancing to some very good music. We thank the players from outside our dist. for joining us for a lovely afternoon.

FIDDLER OF THE MONTH FOR DISTRICT 5: ROY ZEIGLER

Our chairman, Roy Zeigler, born in Esbon, Kansas, Nov. 13, 1919, started his musical career at age 11 when his father bought a guitar and 10 lessons for \$10.00.

Roy's father was a fiddler, and in those days people got together in homes for dances. "The fiddlers taught me I had to keep time." When he was 16, the family moved ato Langlois where they played for home dances alot.

Roy traveled to Colorado in 1940 where the old "Uncle Sam" caught up with him. Moving back to Langlois in '45, Roy had an old recording "King" guitar

that he played at dances, backing up the singers. He also sang then.

Roy & Grace were married in '46 and settled at McKinley where they raised their family and played music. Roy met Fred Virtue that summer and started a group they called "The Deep Blue River Boys" which played on Coquille radio every Saturday night and Sunday. The band consisted of Bud Clinton on fiddle, Bud Ryan on banjo, Fred Virtue on mandolin and Roy Zeigler on the guitar.

Roy joined the OOTFA in 1971 at a time when the state was not divided into districts. The musicians traveled the state for many contests. To quote Roy today, "There are many new faces now, but always good music."

Our condolences to Merle McDaniel, Sr., of Powers at the loss of his wife Mildred (Bid) who passed away Nov. lst. Also to Keith Shaffar who was her brother.

Warren Baker passed away Nov. 9th. He will always be remembered in Dist. 5 for his beautiful fiddling. He will be greatly missed.

We enjoyed our Thanksgiving dinner and jam on Nov. 19 at Reedsport. Dec. 10th at noon will be our Christmas jam. (no gift exchange.) It will be held at Greenacres Grange. Come join us for the fun!

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Birthdays for Dec. are--Tom Stewart, the 3rd and Gene Gosney, the 29th.
Happy Birthday, fellas!

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL FROM DISTRICT 5!

P.S. Jan. 14th will be our next meeting and jam at Greenacres Grange.



Linda Carver, Reporter

DISTRICT 6:

CHAIRMAN-Mark Carmickle; CO-CHAIRMAN-Jim Lockard; SEC/TREAS-Ila Mae Weber
News has it that they have been fattening up the Thanksgiving turkey for us,
but I think it may be the other way around, as we keep playing here and there
for big Thanksgiving potlucks & luncheons and dinners!! Our big Nov. Jam
at the Willamalane Senior Center in Springfield played to a record crowd of
dancers and listeners. Many thanks go to those who so graciously prepared
the hams, turkeys and the "fixin's" and all the other great food for our potluck.
Also to those who helped out with the kitchen, and setting up & taking down
the chairs and tables. Welcome to other district members who were our guests.
We always love to see you. I heard several comments about the program that
I would like to pass on to our officers: people especially liked (1) the
blessing before lunch, (2) the moment of silence for our departed members,
(3) opening the program with the beautiful rendition of the "Star Spangled
Banner," and (4) the large board with the performer list so we could see when

DISTRICT 6 (cont.):

our turn was coming up.

As you will note above, we have had a change in our slate of officers. We would like to thank Addie for her service so far, and know she will continue to serve her district as much as she can.

At this printing we will have had our Christmas Jam at the Moose in Lebanon, and will have news of it in the January Hoedowner.

Our Jan. 15th jam will be held at the Eagles Lodge in Albany. More on this later. . .

A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to Everyone!

Thelma Shephard, Reporter



TO THE MEMBERS OF DISTRICT #6:

I have decided to resign as Co-chairman as of Nov. 1st, 1988.

When I took this office I did not realize that I was putting too much strain on my already tight schedule.

I feel that my family and my business plus the many other functions that I am involved in are enough for me at this time.

I do not want anyone to feel that my decision came hastily or that it involves anyone personally.

I am especially grateful to Mark Carmickle and Ila Mae Weber and to all my many friends for their support and understanding about my decision. Also, to Jim Lockard for agreeing to finish the term for me.

I will continue to be active in the OLD TIME FIDDLERS and will help whenever I am needed for things but do not want any long-term commitments.

THANKS TO ALL.

ADDIE GONSHOROWSKI

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DISTRICT 7:

CHAIRMAN-Penny Walter; CO-CHAIRMAN-Caroll Finley; SEC/TREAS-Myrtle Arnold Our Jam, Nov. 6th at Beaverton was very nice. Thanks to all who made it so. We are sad to report the death of one of our very special oldtime fiddlers, Jonas Cox. He will be greatly missed by all. We also extend our deepest sympathy to Wayne and Mike Walter who lost their brother, Levi while he was visiting here from Branson, Mo. Levi was also a very fine oldtime fiddler.

Our Christmas party this year will be at Canby Adult Center, Dec. 11th. It is located at 1250 S. Ivy St. in Canby. If you're traveling south on 99E, you turn left at the first stop light in Canby. Look for the Center on the left about a mile down. Doors will open around 10:00 AM, potluck at 12:00, program at 1:00. The fiddlers will furnish turkey and dressing, ham, mashed potatoes and gravy. So bring vegetables, salads or desserts and your table service. I think someone said Santa would be dropping by. We will be giving away our pretty "ducky" quilt.

Our Jan. jam will be at Hillsboro Senior Center on the 22nd. The address

is 759 SW Washington in Hillsboro.

DON'T FORGET--your 1989 membership dues are due.

Dulcie Fast, reporter

DISTRICT 8:

CHAIRMAN-Les Johnson; CO-CHAIRMAN-Lee Jones; SEC/TREAS-Faythe Maahs Scheduled Jams: Christmas Dinner & Jam: Dec. 18th at McMinnville Grange

You wouldn't believe the people who turned out for our Thanksgiving Jam at Woodburn on Nov. 20th. We fed 115 people and several arrived after dinner. We had 44 entertainers signed up. Some excellent talent came from Washington, Portland and from south of us. To my knowledge, no one came from over the mountain, but due to the snow that is understandable. We are thrilled and excited to have so many of our out of district friends come and join us. Come back and see us anytime.

During the jam we were asked to come to Salem and perform at the Salvation Army Dinner for the needy on Thanksgiving and Christmas. We asked for signups, but without too much success. Too many people are committed on Holidays. However, we did get five people to sign up, so will try to go with that. Others may join us after checking their holiday schedules.

We are sorry to hear of the passing of Jonas Cox, one of our REAL old time fiddlers and as excellent showman. Our condolences to Margaret and family.



Silver Lake Blues

Pased on LP Album, "Bob Wills For The Last Time".

Notation by W Colebank



DISTRICT 8 (cont.):

Leonard and Faythe Maahs have returned from an extended trip to the Midwest-Iowa or thereabouts. They enjoyed the trip, but are glad to be back and we are glad to have them back. We missed them.

Our next jam at McMinnville on the 18th of Dec. will be our Christmas Dinner and the same cooks will cook the dinner again. This time we will plan on a larger crowd and perhaps will buy one more turkey. The last few through the line at Woodburn had to settle for ham, but I didn't mind and hope no one else did. When I MC sometimes I joke about the Dist. 8 cooks, but will publicly admit that they are the GREATEST. Once again, the district will furnish the turkey, ham, rolls, dressing & gravy. Members bring some more of that great salad and dessert!

Lee Jones, reporter

OREGON OLDTIME FIDDLERS ASSOCIATION FINANCIAL REPORT

| | For Sept 30,1988 | to Oct 31, 1988 |
|--|-----------------------|--|
| CASH ON HAND AS OF Sept 30, 1988 | <u>\$4878.79</u> | |
| FUNDS RECEIVED 20% District 6 20% District 7 | 4.00 12.49 | Cash on Hand |
| TOTAL RECIVED | \$ 16.49 | Plus total received \$4895.28 |
| FUNDS DISBURSED | | |
| Commercial Mailing Service | 557.95 | |
| Printing of new Member ship cards Telephone | 68.50 6.59 | Cashon Hend Plus total disbursed \$4895.28 |
| TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS CASH ON HAND AS OF Oct 31, 1988 | \$633.04 \$4262,24 | |

Silent fiddles

Mildred (Bid) McDaniel, wife of Merle McDaniel, Sr., or Powers passed away Nov. 1st. Condolences to her husband and her brother Keith Shaffar.

Warren Baker passed away Nov. 9th. Heartfelt sympathy goes to his wife Sherry and the family. We will all miss him and his

sweet and wonderful fiddling.

We are also sorry to hear of the passing of Jonas Cox, one of our real old time fiddlers; a past vice-president of OOTFA and a great showman.

THIRD ANNUAL REDWOOD COUNTRY OPEN FIDDLE CONTEST---Crescent City, California, Del Norte County Fairgrounds (Highway 101 North)
\$3,000 in cash prizes and trophies

Judges to be announced. For more info. contact: Carol Cleveland, POB 63, Gasquet, CA 95543, PH (707)457-3345, or Dorothy Cory, 900 Elk Valley Rd., Crescent City, CA 95531, PH (707)464-2487.

MERRY CHRISTMAS--1988, from Helen Inks
When Christmas comes to your house, in this year of eighty-eight,
May it bring a host of blessings, from a whole year that was great.
For Christmas is that special time, When all reflect on the real reason,
We celebrate the Christ-child's birth, as that is the theme of the season.
When all of the gifts we share, come friendship, trust and love,
They are the ones that are lasting, and are blessed from heaven up above.
It's the time of year for children, and can help their faith to grow,
So when they are older,--it will be easier for them to know-That they, like that special baby, born in a manger on Christmas night,
Have an important place in the world, to shine like stars, big and bright.
So let's keep the season a time of joy, to care and reach out to each other,
By building a world of peace and love, and doing what's best for our brother.



ANOTHER MERRY CHRISTMAS--from Bonnie Hohman (my neighbor--DB) Said the old time fiddler with a twinkle in his eye-"Christmas is a comin' with many a surprise!
All the Christmas goodies--cookies, cakes, and pies-Bringing lots of happiness, and also lots of cheer.
Have a happy Christmas, and a wonderful New Year!"



PLEASE WELCOME THESE NEW MEMBERS:

Gene and Lorene Morrison, 3567 Midway Ave., Grants Pass, OR 97527 Doug and Jacquie Shuster, 58 Shady Loop, Springfield, OR 97477 James and Gladys Simmons, 3500 Pioneer Lane, Redding, CA 96001

4 Lynn Smith, 7365 Blackwell Rd. Central Point, OR 97502 5 Tom and Claire Triplett, HC52 Box 232, Coos Bay, OR 97420

ELECTOR DONG BONGS

Joy To The World Isaac Watts/George F. Handel

OY to the world! the Lord has come:
Let earth receive her King;
Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room,
And heav'n and nature sing
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.

Joy to the world! the Savior reigns:
Let men their songs employ,
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sin and sorrow grow,
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found
Far as, far as the curse is found.

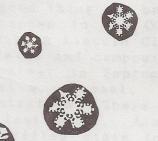
He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the nation prove The glories of His righteousness And wonders of His love, And wonders of His love, And wonders, wonders of His love.



HOLY night the stars are brightly shining,
It is the night of the dear Savior's birth Long lay the world in sin and error pining,
Till He appeared and the soul felt its worth.
A thrill of hope the weary soul rejoices,
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn;
Fall on your knees, Oh, hear the angel voices!
O night divine, O night when Christ was born
O night, O holy night, O night divine!

Led by the light of faith serenely beaming, With glowing hearts by His cradle we stand; So led by light of a star sweetly gleaming Here came the wise men from Orient land. The King of kings lay thus in lowly manger, In all our trials born to be our friend; He knows our need, Our weakness is no strang Behold your King, before Him lowly bend! Behold your King, before Him lowly bend!

Truly He taught us to love one another, His law is love, and His gospel is peace; Chains shall He break for the slave is our broth And in His name all oppression shall cease. Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise v Let all within us praise His holy name; Christ is the Lord, Oh, praise His name forev His pow'r and glory evermore proclaim! His pow'r and glory evermore proclaim!





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