

THE HOEDOWNER

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FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT

While Bill and Edna Yohey are down in Mexico, the land of tortillas, tarantulas, and tequila, the printing and publishing of this month's Hoedowner is in the good hands of Verneda Weber. We are glad the Yohey's can basque in the hot sun down South, while we poor webfoot fiddlers up here must swim and swash through mud and slush. Si, Senor?

May the New Year we are just entering into bring all of our fiddlers and families a brighter and better year than ever before. At the beginning of this new year, we can all forget our little troubles of the past and go ahead with a new spirit of good will and comradeship toward our fellow man. With renewed enthusiasm, we can push ahead and really bring old-time fiddling to its deserved position in the day and age when people are looking for something different and better. I, for one, am glad for the good that all of you people have done this past year. I know we have all gotten a little tiny bit better on the fiddle, brought its meaning to many shut-ins and senior citizens, and made some advance in the promotion of our great American heritage, Old-time fiddling. HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU.

And, on the subject of FELLOWSHIP - - - Several of our members have not been attending our monthly jam sessions. We do hope you can make a special effort to be present at our meetings during the coming year. We always miss anyone who does not show up for the meetings. Our membership is growing and more people are attending than ever before. The number of fiddlers coming to these sessions is increasing, and we are happy about that. But even if you don't fiddle, come and enjoy the day with us.

- MARSHALL JACKSON -

JAM SESSION

The December jam session was held at the American Legion Hall in Sherwood on December 13. The usual potluck and social hour was held at 12 noon, after which the fiddlers started tuning up for an almost three-hour show of talent.

The program was started off with some lively music on the harmonica played by Wally Weaver and accompanied by Nell Turner on the piano. Other variety numbers included vocal selections by Ron Gimm, and Christmas songs by Annette Gimm. Charley Johnson strayed from the old-time fiddle tunes by favoring the listeners with some good lively Christmas "mood music," and Cliff Buker dedicated his often-rendered "After the Ball" to our good members Mr. and Mrs. Lee Reynolds from Corvallis, Oregon, who were celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. Larry Modrell acted as Master of Ceremonies.

Other fiddlers participating in the program were:

Wayne Murray
Melvin Yaden
Cliff Buker
Fred Hilcebrandt
Elmo Hardebeck
Walter Martin
Shorty Wymer
Bill Weber
Guy Syron

Shorty Allen
George Cieloha
Wayne Holmes
Wes Brunson
Ray Abbey
Sally White & daughter
Walt Larson
Joe Moreland
Don Haynes

Guy Kyler
Valdemar Nelson
Mary & Susan Walker
Bill Yohey
Charlie Johnson
Fred Virtue
Marshall Jackson
Clarence Greenland
Bill Anderson

