

OVER THE VALLEY

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To Teach at Enterprise—Miss Houlah Smith of near Island City has been elected as teacher of English and news writing in the Enterprise High school for next year.

Improves—Mrs. George Gray of lower Cove who has been in La Grande the last few weeks receiving medical attention has been obliged to keep in bed last week and this. She seems to be gaining some now which is good news to her friends.

Another Orchard—Vern Hug is another farmer of the valley who believes in cherries for this locality. Mr. Hug has just finished setting out 600 sweet cherry trees on his place on Pumpkin Ridge—land which is said to be favorably situated for orchard purposes.

Large Funeral—The funeral of the late John A. Holman of the valley was held yesterday afternoon with the service in charge of Rev. G. I. Hansen of the Island City Community church and Rev. Leif Aves of Zion Lutheran church of La Grande. The chapel at the Snodgrass and Zimmerman mortuary would not accommodate the large crowd of friends and neighbors who attended the services. Burial followed at the I. O. O. F. cemetery. Mr. Holman had lived in this valley for nearly half a century and was very widely known. His ill health had extended over the period of a good many years.

Chris Stuckland living near the Cove is reported as being ill at his home and an operation seems probable at the present time.

Improving Place—Mr. and Mrs. William Jasper are improving their farm on the side hill road on which they moved last year. At present new fences are being put in and other changes made. Mr. and Mrs. Jasper are quite happy in this location, and while not able, because of their years, to do all the arduous work, have excellent help in putting in and caring for the crop.

Trying Leghorns—Mrs. Jack Smith at her home in the Iowa district, is trying White Leghorns this year. Instead of Barred Rocks as has been her custom heretofore and has about 300 little fellows which are doing well and seemed to be enjoying the warmer weather yesterday. Mrs. Smith has had very good luck with chickens. She is expecting to have some Rhode Island Reds also this year which she expects about the first of next month.

Using Hot Caps—In a number of sections of the valley, gardeners are making use of the hot caps this spring, as protection for early plants, especially cabbages and tomatoes. The caps are of an oiled paper and not only protect the plants from too much heat from the sun, but also conserve moisture. It is said.

Now We are Two!—So says Miss Betty Ann Blokland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milo Blokland of Island City. And the day was very properly celebrated, too, at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Garrett Blokland, with all the grandparents and Clifford Blokland and Julia Parker being present. In addition to Betty Anne's daddy and mother, Mrs. Blokland served a lovely birthday dinner and the cake was beautiful with its decorations in two colors and the two little candles.

The Roads—The roads up around Summer-

vills which are included in this year's improvement program are having growing pains right now and while in some places they are not so pleasant for travel, they give wonderful promise and patrons of the various stretches are quite jubilant over the progress being made.

From Minnesota—Mrs. Harriet Reeves of Wilmar, Minnesota, has been visiting in the valley, a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hoy Baker and later Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Hartley of near the Cove. Mrs. Reeves had been spending the winter in California and stopped off here on her way home.

To Attend Grand Lodge—Mrs. Ruth Rollins and Mrs. Minnie Hardy have been elected as delegates to represent the Rebekah lodge of Summerville at the 1930 session of the Grand lodge to be held in Portland, May 20-22. A number of other members from this organization will also go to Portland, as the Summerville folks have been asked to put on some of the tableaux during the exemplification of the ritualistic work.

Observe Birthdays—Miss Vadis Slack of north of Summerville, had a birthday on Thursday of last week, on Sunday her father, Burr Slack had a birthday and Mrs. Slack, on Monday. In view of the three events the family enjoyed a turkey dinner together on Sunday. Leonard Waggoner being another guest at the dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Slack and their family have moved into the old house on their farm, their home having been destroyed by fire last fall. The house where they live now was built when the old mill stood on this place and was for one of the operator's of the mill. It will be used for their dwelling until they can erect a new home.

Have Quilting—A company of her old neighbors in the Alcee and Valeria districts drove over to the home of Mrs. Harry Fisher near Cove Wednesday and spent the afternoon helping Mrs. Fisher quilt her "Around the World" quilt. There was visiting, sewing and some excellent refreshments served by Mrs. Fisher, to fill in a very happy afternoon. Those who went over to Cove were Mrs. W. R. Leibelter, Mrs. Frank McKennon, Mrs. Carl Fuller, Mrs. Ray Fuller, Miss Mary

Taylor, Mrs. Tom Wallinger, Mrs. Gene Becker, Mrs. Frank Wright, Miss Emma McAnish, Mrs. Everett Wallinger and Mrs. Howell.

Hears From Daughter—Mrs. Lydia Lantz of Cove received interesting word from her daughter, Miss Mable who is teaching in a school in Alexandria, Egypt, last week. The letter made record time coming through in two weeks. Miss Lantz said that at the time it was written they had already entered the last term of school for this year.

To Give Party—The Three Links club of the I. O. O. F. of Summerville is giving an old time dancing party Saturday evening at the Masonic hall there, with music by the Spencer orchestra. The Odd Fellows of Summerville have recently purchased an undivided half interest in the hall where they meet and expect to start an extensive program of improvement in the near future.

Import New Sires—Under this heading, County Agriculturist Harry Avery reports the following importation of new stock in the valley.—E. H. DeLong recently bought a registered Jersey bull from the Eastern Oregon State hospital in Pendleton. This bull is sired by the senior herd sire at the state farm, an important bull.

thing of the size of the organizations, even in such a small community may be gathered from the fact that there were 22 cars parked about the hall Saturday evening and there are besides a goodly company who live right in town within walking distance.

Have Fine Herd—Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Frizzell have on their place in the Pleasant Grove neighborhood a fine herd of Jersey cows, 13 head in all and some younger stock coming on. The Frizzells have belonged to the Cow Testing association this year and have been very much pleased with the results, their cows having been proven not to be "boarders." The new calf shed and a large machine shed are some of the recent improvements on the Frizzell farm.

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TODAY IS OREGON DAY

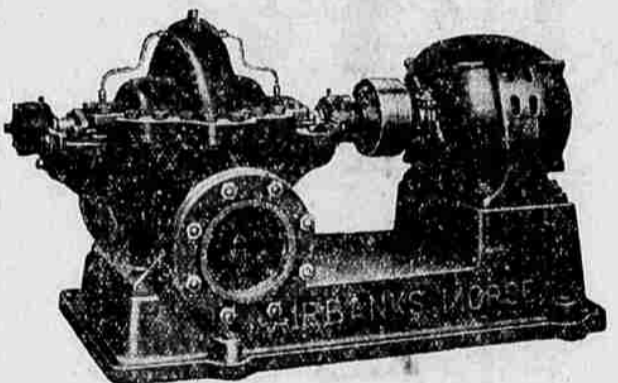
Cooperating with a program going to school today out in the which is state wide, in its scope, the schools of Union county and especially the rural schools in our valley are today giving programs honoring "Oregon Day." Parents are

AN OREGON CREED

Oregon is My Home; I believe in the brightness of her sunshine, the warmth of her showers and the greenness of her trees, for they bring comfort to those who dwell among her hills. I believe in the beauty of her streams, the majesty of her mountains and the glory of her sunsets, for they cause the soul of man to expand. I believe in her history, for it is the stirring epic of a heroic people. I believe in her men and women, for they have the courage of the pioneer and fear not to try new things. I believe in her children, for they are the sons and daughters of those who followed the rugged westward trail to the land of their dreams. I believe in her schools, for they are not dead with tradition but are close to the life of the people. I believe in the courage and fortitude of her pioneers, and in the ultimate fulfillment of the destiny that they visioned. Oregon is My Home.

CHARLES A. HOWARD

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COMMISSION MAY INCREASE RATES ON LIVESTOCK

Arthur M. Geary, attorney for a number of livestock shipping organizations in Eastern Oregon recently and conferring, while at Baker, with officers of the Oregon Cattle and Horse Raisers association and other organizations, expressed it as his opinion that the Interstate Commerce commission was about to increase livestock freight rates when a decrease was being hoped for by shippers of the northwest. In his interview while at Baker, Mr. Geary gave the following information and opinion: "The final decision in the livestock freight rate investigation that was initiated by the commission under the Hoch-Smith resolution," Mr. Geary stated before returning to Portland, "is now several months past due. It will be remembered that in 1924, as a result of cases brought by the Oregon Cattle and Horse Raisers association, when William Polman was president, and joined in by a number of livestock and farm organizations, substantial reductions were obtained in the livestock freight rates, both eastbound to Missouri river markets and Chicago and westbound to Portland and Puget Sound. In view of the tremendous efforts being put forward by corn belt packing interests to increase relatively the rates on livestock on other than extremely short hauls, with corresponding reductions upon dressed meats and packing house products, livestock shippers of the Mountain-Pacific northwest may find that the investigation initiated under the Hoch Smith resolution is a boomerang. Instead of resulting in lower rates it is quite possible to result in substantially increased rates on livestock. "Throughout the numerous hearings held in the middle west and far west adverse packing and market interests and those associated with them occupied much of the time assigned to taking testimony. "The hope of protection of the Mountain-Pacific northwest in livestock freight cases, as in other cases, lies in continued unity among cattle and sheep associa-

tions, farm bureaus, farmer unions and granges and state commissions.

Although the outlook from the general investigation is not good, the situation is far from hopeless in view of the express intention of congress that the Hoch-Smith resolution should give relief to agriculture, including livestock, and not add further freight rate handicaps.

"The final report in the general investigation of wheat rates is likely to appear before the final decision in the livestock investigation. Examiners Mackley and Hall proposed a scale, which, although considered unreasonably high would reduce the rates upon wheat from Baker to Portland about 2 cents per hundred pounds.

"The farm rate council, composed of the heads of the state granges, farm bureaus and farmer unions of Washington, Oregon and Idaho, should become an important factor in defense of mountain Pacific northwest interests in matters relating to transportation.

"At the time the Panama Canal was built the people of the Mississippi valley became much alarmed over the disadvantages that they through would be theirs as compared with the Atlantic and Pacific coasts. They undertook, through the Mississippi Valley association to open the Mississippi-

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Study Shows Need Of All Oregon Soils

The findings of Oregon soil and soil water investigations are having practical applications in the development, utilization and conservation of soil and water resources. It is much easier to maintain productivity than to restore fertility to exhausted lands, according to soil specialists at Oregon State college in charge of the development program in various sections of Oregon.

Soil surveys give an invoice of the agricultural resources, form a basis for the introduction of new crops, aid in the selection of land for reclamation projects, help soil scientists or county agents in advising farmers and are of value in helping new settlers to select suitable lands.

Facts Before Farmer—Soil maps are being used more and more to help take the guess work out of agriculture. Chemical analyses are made of samples from each different type of soil. This idea together with the soil maps enables the farmer to learn

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