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PEOPLE ENJOY USING NEW P. O. AT MOOREVILLE

Barren Valley Ranchers in Easy Access of Place to Mail Letters and Receive Mail; Snow Rapidly Disappearing on the Desert; May Quit Feeding Soon

MOOREVILLE, Or., Feb. 15.—The new postoffice at Mooreville is now fully established, and it is convenient to a majority of the Barren Valley people.

Well, the groundhog saw his shadow but so far the old sign has failed, for we have had fine weather and the snow is gone; what is left is mostly ice.

Mooreville people and surrounding neighbors gave Mr. and Mrs. James Embody a surprise party Friday night. Jim Young is clearing off sagebrush, since the snow has left.

Mr. and Mrs. Ever Mica, of Rye Grass, have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Q. V. Blaney. Mr. Mica reports the snow gone from the desert.

Q. V. Blaney is busy cutting cordwood for Sam Sutton. Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Sutton gave a party Friday evening, Feb. 7.

If the fine weather continues, nearly everybody will quit feeding. Jack McCumsey's teams are still hulling hay from Turnbull lake.

The Seaward boys, Ben and Winford, gave a dance Jan. 31. All who went report a good time.

GARDEN WORK RECOMMENDED FOR CHILDREN

SALEM, Or., Feb. 8.—In response to a request for a donation for the School Children's Industrial Contest, Superintendent Alderman's office received the subjoined letter from one of the most successful farmers and stockmen of the State, a man who landed in this country with no capital except his knowledge of how to farm. The fact that he has made a financial success and is now the owner of more than one good farm, is splendid evidence of the value of early instruction in agriculture, such as he tells about getting when a small lad. It contains so much good, common sense and suggestions worthy of consideration of every parent that Mr. Alderman thought they should have the benefit of it. N. C. MARIS.

The letter follows: "In reference to children growing gardens, I have taken particular pains to note how parents act in my neighborhood toward teaching their children how to plant, cultivate and care for gardens. I find they are so busy with their spring farming that the garden for the home is neglected until seeding is over, and then I never see the children giving any assistance. In short, the parents never give their children any instruction nor encourage them to produce anything to exhibit. Being statistical crop correspondent I take special notice of this fact. How different when I was a boy back in Scotland, where gardening was considered very important on the farm. Men made a business of going from farm to farm to 'delve' (dig or spade over) the farmer's garden. Father would have us (4) boys viewing the man with a short handled spade, pushing in the manure ahead and turning each spadeful as level and even as a plow. Then we would be taken to a corner and by actual experience make garden of our own. This old man that came year after year to our farm to make garden was instructed to show us boys how to mound up the seed beds, how to sow the seeds with two fingers and thumb in drills, how to use the rake in covering; in short how to make garden from start to finish. Father trained us for armers; how to sow seed with the two hands, how to mow, to hoe potatoes, to 'single' turnips, etc. He just devoted all his time to our farm education when we were not in school. This early training was worth a great deal to me when I came to this country. Then mother trained the girls in dairying and everything pertaining to woman's work on the farm. Father and mother looked at this matter as a duty toward their children, and we enjoyed the work. Now, unless parents give their children instruction and encouragement it will be uphill business for you. Many farmers do not know how to make a good garden. I know this to be a fact, as very few can furnish even new potatoes for the table at threshing time. I strive to have new potatoes by May 24th, when the average farmer is beginning to make garden. What is to be the remedy? The children have to get their instructions from some other source. In rural districts it could be possible to get these instructions along with their book. For example, take my school district (Enterprise). There is a new school house close to the county road. The children use the road for a play ground. There is an acre of fine land lying idle—yes, worse than idle—growing weeds, briars, etc. Why could it not be possible to stake out lots for all the children, letting boys grow vegetables and the girls flowers. If the teacher is not capable to give instructions let the directors of the school district take turns Saturday or other days, or if this is not convenient let them appoint someone to give instructions in garden work at stated times, and instead of plowing a larger garden I would start with a square rod or more and get the child to make it from start to finish, cultivation and all, and as they get interested in plant life, increase the space. I give these suggestions for your consideration along with a \$20.00 Collie pup for the children, the same as I gave last year." Yours truly, C. D. NAIRN.

MARTYRS OF G. O. P. GRACE JUDGE'S WALL

There's the first and last of our republican presidents," remarked George W. McKnight, county judge, pointing with pride and sorrow to the west wall of the courtroom one day this week; "Lincoln and Taft."

"Nor is that all" he added; "for I'm going to put up pictures of the rest of the martyred presidents."

His Honor's observations were occasioned by receiving a letter from Woodrow Wilson, democratic governor of New Jersey, and next president of the United States.

"No," continued Judge McKnight; "Don't say what the letter contained; just tell them, if you like, that the county court has endorsed Will R. King for Secretary of the Interior."

Mayor van Gilse of Nyssa paid a business visit to the Vale yard again this week.

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MEN OF VALE FOSTER RISING SUN

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The sergeant-at-arms shall keep order, and carry out such commissions as the society shall desire.

Any member of this society who infringes the rules shall be first warned privately by the sergeant-at-arms, and if he continues to break the rules shall be expelled by a majority vote of those present.

Absence of a member at the Friday evening meeting of the society shall be punishable by a fine of 5 cents.

Money needed by the society in excess of money raised by dues shall be raised by assessments.

All amendments, additions or changes in the constitution and by-laws shall be made only after two weeks' notice and then on a two-thirds vote of all members present.

Men Will Help Boys

It was pointed out by Mr. Cook, in presenting the plea of the boys, that their primal objects were for better bodies; that they had the privilege of meeting in the lecture room of the Christian church, but that this place was proving too small and inadequate for their sessions; that the boys were looking forward with hungry eyes and hearts to the privilege of the comfortable rooms of the Chamber of Commerce, with books, magazines and papers; with good heat and electric lights; with fire tables, he said, the boys agreed to keep the place clean, to protect the furniture from damage, and to do janitor service for all meetings both of their own and those held by the Chamber of Commerce and the Civic Improvement Club. Talks commencing the proposition were made by nearly every man present, notably by Mr. Cook, C. C. Mueller, T. T. Nelsen, John Rigby, Leo Schmidt, H. E. Young, T. W. Davidson and Colonel Wheeler.

Precedent in Kansas.

Olathe, Kan., years ago, established the precedent of thus caring for its growing sons. The boys of Olathe were given a place to meet, and stayed with until men grown. One result has been that Olathe, small town in itself, has furnished the nation with not less than four governors: Governor Haines, of Idaho; Governor Hadley, of Missouri, and Governors St. John and Hodges, both of Kansas. Olathe is popularly known as the "Mother of Governors."

SCOTT AND COMRADES PERISH IN ANTARCTIC

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not involve all of the party of 66, but probably only Scott himself and four others selected by him for the final dash to the Pole. These are supposed to be Dr. E. A. Wilson, chief scientific staff; Captain L. E. G. Oates, of the Inneskilling Dragoons; Lieutenant H. Bowers, of the Royal Indian marine, and E. E. Evans.

Captain Scott's party reached the exact spot where Amundsen planted the Norwegian flag at the South Pole. He found a hut constructed and left behind by the Amundsen party. These facts were recorded in documents found on the bodies of the explorers.

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BOND ELECTION WINS IN ONTARIO 222 TO 55

By a vote of more than four to one, the citizens of Ontario on Feb. 7 carried the special election called to bond that city for \$17,000 in excess of the present indebtedness of \$48,000 for the purpose of building a city hall and installing a drainage system to care for the surplus water which now stands in the streets in the lower part of town at certain seasons of the year. The vote stood 222 to 55, with three spoiled ballots.

Judge G. L. King on Thursday filed a foreclosure suit at the court house, appearing as his own attorney. Although Judge King was admitted to the practice of law back in Nebraska some 30 years ago, this is the first case he has ever filed in Malheur county, Oregon.

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Old Alaskans may be interested in the fact that Key Pitman of Nevada, formerly of Dawson and Nome, has become a senator of the United States from the State of Nevada.

The Episcopal Guild will hold a cooked food sale at the Vale Trading Co., Saturday afternoon, Feb. 15. Brown and white bread, nut bread, baked beans, cakes, cookies, and doughnuts will be offered for sale. Subscribe for the Malheur Enterprise \$2.00 per year.

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