MAKE HOME HAPPY.

Do not bring ill humor into the home. It is our own fault if we are bad tempered, and it is easy by tact to turn aside the ill humor of others. Make home happy.

Bronze Casting.

The art of bronze casting was introduced into China by the Chinese in the eleventh century.

Made Dumas Retract.

The elder Dumas was once sued for stating in one of his novels, "La Route de Varennes," that the capture of Louis XVI and Marie Antoinette at Varennes by the revolutionaries was due to the action of the Chevalier de Prefontaine in shutting the door of his house on the fugitives.

A grandson of the chevalier considered this an aspersion on his ancestor's chivalry and proved in court that the statement was untrue.

An order was issued compelling Dumas' publisher to call in all copies of the novel and to issue within one month a fresh edition with a note that De Prefontaine placed his house at the disposal of the royal fugitives.

Russia's National Anthem.

The Russian national anthem is the only national hymn which was adopted as such in open competition. Until the time of the Emperor Nicholas I. the English "God Save the King" had served Russia, but Nicholas determined to institute a genuine and native Russian anthem. He announced a competition, open to all musicians, for an original national hymn. A musical committee reduced the thousands of entries to two, and between these, the works of Glinka and Lvoff, the czar himself decided. The highly martial character, with the drums and trumpets, of Lvoff's composition won the imperial verdict, and it was decreed as henceforth the Russian national anthem.

The Lightning-like Loon.

The loon is the quickest living creature. A loon that has had experience can dodge the flash of a gun. You see a loon on a lake, but long before you see him he sees you and has taken a mental inventory of you and your belongings. If you have no gun you may perhaps approach within 100 yards before he laughs at you with that horrid shriek which gives him his name and disappears under the water, but show a gun and he does not stop to laugh—he goes instanter. When in a sportive mood he sometimes waits until he sees you about ready to fire, when at the flash he dives, and you see the shot spatter the water where he has just gone down.—Exchange.

Reflection.

We are told, "Let not the sun go down on your wrath." This, of course, is best, but as it generally does I would add, "never act or write till it has done so." This rule has saved me from many an act of folly. It is wonderful what a different view we take of the same event a day after it has happened.—Sydney Smith.

The examination of fairly accurate records has convinced scientists that there has been no appreciable change in the climate or northern Europe in 1,800 years.

Tireless Wings.

The albatross has been known to follow a ship for two months without ever being seen to alight.

Labels on Metal Tops.

When putting up fruit in glasses and also in tin cans, says a writer in the Woman's Home Companion, "I found difficulty in making the labels stick to the metal tops. I used gummed labels, library paste and other sticky substances. Still some had to be pasted and repasted until time and patience were both well nigh exhausted. A friend, a druggist, came in and with a nail made a few scratches crisscross on the metal tops and put the labels on, to stay indefinitely."

Before marriage her lips are sweet as honey; afterward her tongue stings like the bee.

Uncle Sam's investments in forests are bringing direct returns, which are increasing every year.

His Limit.

"Did young Spender listen to you at all when you spoke to him about the bill he owes us?"

"Oh, yes! He paid close attention."

"Humph! That's all he ever will pay."—Exchange.

FREE ADVICE

Some newspapers are always giving advice about which way to vote, or trying to tell you that this or that must come to pass or the dickens will be to pay. The editor of the Mail has an idea that the average man knows about as much about general conditiong and their causes and effects as the average editor or, (beg your pardon) the average politician.

It is true that we are running republican plate, also some democrat plate, but our own position has been neutral. If you think that Wilson deserves another term, vote for him: If you think that Hughes would do better, vote for him.

As to the measures; get your pamphlet and study them out for yourself. If you cannot do that, you should not vote on them.

Register your own views, not those of some one else, as every American citizen should do and all will stand by the consequences, which we venture to predict, will not be so terrible whatever happens.

—The Editor.

School Notes

The first program given by the literary society last Friday afternoon was a complete success. Everyone on the program readily responded in their turn. Let us hope that the next one will be just such a success.

The Sophomores gave their first program also for opening exercises Wednesday morning. The Freshmen then began immediately preparing theirs for the coming Wednesday.

Arthur Kelly enrolled in the Freshman class Monday morning.

Henry Tate made a visit to the high school Tuesday morning.

The six week's tests are over, much to the satisfaction of all the students.

The 8th grade class is going to have a paper written by Max Kearns and Lowell Riggs. The rest of the class will aid them in securing information on current events, etiquette, grammatical errors in the room, historical events and daily attendance. This paper is to be written once a month and read before the class.

The 8th grade girls are preparing a special song for the program to be given at the Parent- Teachers' meeting Friday night.

All the teachers are patiently waiting for the pictures to arrive, that are to be used in picture study.

Okla Jackson of West Stayton, has enrolled in the 6th grade.

"Little Orphan Annie" is being studied by the pupils in the 6th grade. Mary Tate is preparing to recite it at the Parent Teacher's meeting.

The 5th grade is studying the northeastern states. They will be glad to receive any outside information that will aid them in their study.

George and John Hewitt are back in school after a weeks illness.

The 4th grade is much interested in the study of the formation of the soil.

Gertrude and Earl Shepherd have dropped out of the 3rd grade, having left Stayton to make their home in Mill City. Claytie Shepherd also left out of the 1st grade.

Crane Jackson from West Stayton, enrolled in Miss Pratt's room.

Some of Miss Hollister's pupils are to give the "Indian Cradle Song" in costume, at the Parent-Teachers meeting.

The Girls Glee Club are also going to give a selection Friday night for the Parent-Teachers meeting.

The students who are taking up the A. N. Palmer course are sending out their first papers for correction today.

Mt. Pleasant

Miss Mabel Thayer of Scio spent the week-end visiting with her sister. Mrs. Floyd Shelton.

Mr. and Mrs. John Huber and Ed Smith spent Sunday at the H. R. Shank home.

B. F. Lambert called on Mr. and Mrs. Linn Lambert Sunday.

Miss Verna Shank visited with Gladys Downing Sunday.

Miss Anna Miles spent the week-end visiting home folks at Salem.

Elmer Ray and Ramie Jungwirth were very pleasantly entained at the J. H. Kloer home Sunday.

A large crowd from Mt. Plesant attended the dance at Bilyeu Den Tuesday eve and a very enjoyable time was had by all.

Joe Pietrok was a Sunday visitor at the Ed Smith home.

Roy Brenner called at the P. H. Lambert home Sunday.

The Farmers' Union met Saturday and transacted several important business matters.

Miss Mamie Laux called on Mrs. Joe Senz Monday.

Union Hill

C. W. Geer and and daughter, Iza, have gone to Southern Oregon on a visit. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Carter are looking after the farm during their absence.

Miss Dora Rabens has been visiting relatives and friends in Stayton the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mollett and daughter, Ethel motored to Corvallis Sunday to be gone several days.

J. Tefft of Union Hill and J. Lincoln of near Woodburn have traded farms. Each is to take possession as soon as possible.

Miss Emma Peters is working for Mrs. John Kimsey of Silver Creek Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Tate and son, Asahel, spent a few hours at W. D. Hurt's Thursday.

Mrs. W. H. Tate and daughter Edna, are visiting in Portland.

Geo. Scott sold his big grey team this week.

Mrs. H. A. Thomas and son, Charles made a business trip to Stayton Monday.

Victor Point

The Hallow'een dance given Saturday night at the W. O. W. Hall by the Idle Hour Club was well attended and it is reported a splendid success. The hall was beautifully decorated with autumn leaves while ghosts and jack o' lanterns were everywhere.

Misses Inez Fischer and Lola Jones who are attending school in Silverton, spend Saturday and Sunday at their homes here.

Miss Anna Doerfler is spending a few days with friends in Portland.

Harry Humphreys, Arnott King and Frank Caspell were among those who enjoyed the dance at Howell Saturday night.

Mrs. Benj. Hostetter and son Roy of Silverton, Misses Leona King and Ava Darby of Victor Point, were guests at the P. Fischer home Sunday.

Mrs. T. Y. McClellan of West Stayton, accompanied by her granddaughter, little Merle Martin, spent the latter part of the week with relatives and friends here.

Miss Margaret Stabb of Stayton, is visiting at the Jos. Doerfler home.

Mrs. A. W. Humphreys, Miss Ethel King of Triumph, spent Sunday at the J. King home.

Miss Zelma and Jasper King have gone to Salem where they will attend the Capital Business College the coming winter.

Everyone enjoyed the "Dry" Campaign meeting at the school house Thbrsdap evening.

Kingston Kinks

Mr. Scott and two sons from Idaho are visiting at the Ed. Chrisman home this week. One of the sons is a son-in-law of Mr. Chrisman.

J. T. Follis was a Stayton visitor Monday.

Robt. Cole of Mission Bottom was a caller at the Curtis Cole home Friday evening. He was on his way to Bilyeu Den where he will spend a few days visiting with his parents.

Omar Cole sold his place near Kingston last week.

Lloyd Chrisman was a business visitor at the C. F. Harold home Tuesday.

Titus Archer was an Albany visitor last week.

Mrs. S. B. Cole of Jordan was a visitor at the Curtis Cole home Sunday.

Scott Bros. of Idaho were looking over Curtis Cole's Shorthorn herd last Tuesday.

Mrs. Henkle and Mrs. P. P. Crabtree returned from Portland Monday.

Arthur McKenzie was a Stayton visitor Monday.

D. I. Caldwell is suffering with blood-poisoning in his hand.