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## High School Dormitory Made Permanent Dept

Last October, the Crook County High School Board, upon the urgent request of the present faculty of Crook County High School, established a dormitory for girls, renting Stewart's hall for the purpose. The demand for such a place came from out-of-town parents who did not wish their girls to board with strangers nor keep house by themselves. The plan of running the dormitory is co-operative—the students paying the actual cost of living expenses. Each girl cares for her own room, and assists with the dishes, sweeping and dusting. The house matron has charge of the marketing, menu-planning and cooking. The dean has charge of the conduct of the girls, the social activities at the hall, and the account books.

Such an institution was imperative to the continued growth and progress of Crook County High School. The tax-payers out of town who help support the high school have a right to its advantages for their children at home cost, and the dormitory enables them to secure such advantages with minds free from worry in regard to the social and moral welfare of their children. So successful has the present year been that the High School Board at their last regular meeting made

the dormitory a regular department of Crook County High School and are evolving a plan to care for the boys also. It means a big thing for the boys and girls of Crook county—it means a practical education in the largest, most up-to-date departmental high school in Oregon at no more than home cost. It means that boys and girls will be under the direct supervision of the faculty and so will not stumble into the pitfalls that beset unwary young feet. It means also that the men who have charge of Crook County High School at present know the value and necessity of a well regulated dormitory and have the keen business sense to use a plan that will not add to the tax roll, for under the co-operative plan the dormitory pays for itself, building and all running expenses.

The girls at the Hall during the winter felt that the hall should be named and during the absence of the dean voted to name the hall in honor of her, and had a sign painted to proclaim the name to all who could read. It was placed above the door and the girls waited patiently one cold winter evening to enjoy the surprise that would be the dean's when she saw the hall's new name. Alas, she came long after dark and the girls had to take a lantern, attach it to a pole and so show the new name—Walker Hall—by its dim light, but the name, the hall and the girls form a part of the biggest portion of Crook County High School's big future.

## Death Caused by Spotted Fever

Mrs. W. R. Stacks of Lamonta died of spotted fever last Friday morning, aged 41 years. She was buried at Grey Butte cemetery Sunday. Mrs. Stacks was born in Kansas in 1873. She came to Oregon six years ago. Three years ago she was married to W. R. Stacks and since that time has lived on the Lamonta ranch. Besides a husband, she is survived by a daughter, Miss Beulah Barker.

This is the third fatal case of spotted fever that has happened in this part of Central Oregon. Two last year and this case which was especially virulent. The sage tick bit the woman on the breast, near the nipple, and the poison was taken directly into the blood. The symptoms became alarming from the very first. Medical aid was called but little could be done. She became delirious in about ten days and four days after that her death ensued. She did not regain consciousness. Her body was covered with dark purple spots varying in size from a pea to the end of your thumb.

Little is known of the disease. Dr. Belknap has been familiar with it in this country for 25 or 30 years. He wrote up the symptoms of a number of his early cases and had the article published in an Eastern medical journal in the hope of getting some enlightenment on the subject but could learn nothing.

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## Woman Accidentally Shot Near Roberts

Mrs. Arthur E. Quen, who lives with her husband four miles north of Roberts, accidentally shot herself Monday afternoon.

She was about to hang up a 25-35 rifle on the wall, but before doing so decided to make assurance doubly sure by extracting the cartridge from the chamber. She evidently overlooked the fact that when the mechanism was assembled again another bullet would take the place of the one removed. And so it happened. The rifle was more dangerous now than in the first place. The weapon had a hair trigger and when the chamber was emptied the gun was left cocked. Mrs. Quen went to place it on the floor and when the butt end touched it the jar released the hammer and off it went. The bullet struck the woman under the arm, coming out at the back of the shoulder. Luckily no bones were touched. Dr. Edwards was called but it was Tuesday afternoon before he could reach the scene of the accident. He made a hasty examination of the wounds and decided to have the woman removed to Prineville for better care. The doctor said it was a little early to make any predictions as to the extent of the injury.

### Lost

950 pound bay saddle horse, branded H bar on shoulder, white star on forehead. Finder please notify Homer Ross, Forest Supervisor, and receive reward. 5-14 1m

## Summer Session of High School Well Attended

Monday five more teachers registered for the summer session of Crook County High School. This makes the attendance, including students who are doing extra work, about forty in number. The teachers are doing good work. That they are progressive is shown by the fact that they asked for classes in methods and handwork, though such classes made extra work for them. Most of them are preparing for the June examinations, but a number are attending simply for the help they will receive in bettering themselves for their profession.

The summer school is a part of the normal department of the high school which is a strong one. there

being 42 regular students in this department which was reorganized last fall after a lapse of one year. The graduates of this department have secured and held some of the best schools in this and adjacent counties. The seniors of this year are successfully teaching in some of the classes of the summer school and are gaining the approval of those they instruct by their practical methods and clear presentation of their work.

The summer school is a regular part of the high school course and the good work done this year assures a large attendance next year. The term will close the day before the examination begins.

## Horsethieves Active.

Sheriff Elkins left yesterday for Crescent in an effort to head off some horsethieves who are wanted in Lake county. Buck Lindsey is at the head of the gang. They have ten head from Lake and it is thought the same bunch has stolen horses from Geo. Millican. Sheriff Snyder of Lake is calling upon neighboring officers to be on the lookout for the thieves, who are supposed to be trying to get across the mountains into the Willamette valley.

## Girl Breaks Her Arm

Casey Beck, the twelve-year-old daughter of Lewis Beck, who is visiting the Knoxes, while out riding Monday morning on Newsom creek, had the misfortune to break her arm. Her horse became unmanageable and ran under a juniper tree. She was knocked from the saddle and in falling broke her left arm just above the wrist. Dr. Edwards attended her injuries.

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