UPPER VALLEY NEWS

IRRIGATING CO. ELECTS OFFICERS

The Middle Fork Irrigating Company held its annual meeting in McIsaac's Hall, Parkdale, last Satuaday and elected Ward Ireland Cornell, Douglas Gordon, Chester Walton, C. T. Rawson and Frank L. Keating, directors. The newly-elected directors organized and elected the following officers to serve for the ensuing year: Ward I. Cornell, president; C. T. Rawson, vice-president; Douglas Gordon, secretary and treasurer; Chester Walton, Manager.

ARMED TO TEETH HUNTERS HIT TRAIL

A hunting party led by Chet Walton and composed of John Cooper, Morris Walton, Orville Thompson and Alex J. Keating, Jr., started last Sunday evening on an expeditiou in quest of big game. Walton resembled an arsenal on the Mexican border—a brace of revolvers, a Winchester and 300 rounds of ammunition in his belt. Orville Thompson looked business-like with a repeater over his shoulder and a bowie knife between his teeth. John Cooper was dressed to kill—a red shirt and an axe, while Morris Walton and Keating brought up the rear armed with flint-lock, muzzle-loading 1776 models.

They soon struck a trail along the Lava Spring preserve which led to the turbulent Porteous stream across which they fearlessly forded, disregarding the many signs of warning posted. Upon their return they reported that game was plentiful but their peep sights failed to work and in consequence thereof they were able only to bag a grey digger and a chipmunk.

MCINTOSH NOT PRESENT BUT BETTER MAN'S THERE

While O. M. Boe, accompanied by C. E. McIntosh, was journeying to Parkdale over the picturesque Mt. Hood Railroad recently he had occasion to leave the train for a few moments at the town of Dee, and upon returning to the train he entered the wrong coach. Not seeing his friend he called out "Is McIntosh in here?" "No," responded a voice from the rear of the car, "but there's a McGregor and he can lick a McIntosh any day."

ENTERTAINMENT COURSE GETS GENEROUS SUPPORT

The committee which has in hand the entertainment course for the coming season have met with such generous support that they have decided to go ahead and expect to produce the first number early in October.

UPPER VALLEY NOTES

While on her way East from here Mrs. Walton A. Greene was suddenly taken ill with appendicitis in Seattle and on September 11 was operated on there by Dr. Willis of that city.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Power in Portland, of the firm of London & Power, on August 31 a boy named C. E., Jr.

Miss Mary Campbell of West Orange, New Jersey, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Sidney Babson. They are now in Portland for two or three weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tobey are spending a few days in Portland.

Jack Gordon has returned from his trip to the metropolis. It is reported that when Jack saw his first trolley car he considered discretion the better part of valor and accepted the arm of a blue-coated officer of the law to guide him across one of Portland's busy thoroughfares.

Miss Maitie Rose arrived last week from Minnesota to visit her brother, Leon H. Rose. Miss Rose expects to remain for the winter.

Edw. Shockley, who has been spending the summer with J. W. Simmon's family left Monday to assume charge of the gymnasium and indoor athletics at the University of Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Rogers left their home on China Hill last week and are now residing in Portland.

George Blodgett returned Wednesday from a business trip to Portland. Blodgettville is rather quiet now that most of its inhabitants have departed.

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ODELL

Mrs. Emil Schiller is visiting the Masikers.

Mr. and Mrs. Dane Kemp and daughter expect to leave for California the middle of next month.

Mr. and Mrs. Craw are up from Portland.

Will Kemp, who has been ill, is recovering.

Miss Ellen K. Shelley has gone to Forest Grove to attend the Pacific University.

Eunice Odell went to Portland Saturday, accompanied by his mother. He will attend school there, making his home with Mrs. Sarah E. Tonsey.

Mr. Rhodes, a Y. M. C. A. worker from Portland, will give a stereopticon lecture at the M. E. church next Sunday evening.

Thomas Lacey, road supervisor, has the rock crusher at Copple's and a crew of men at work graveling Tucker hill. Last week they worked on Crockett hill. Mr. Lacey is doing splendid work on the roads hereabouts.

A Parents-Teachers' Circle was organized at the schoolhouse Friday with 25 members. Miss Rush was elected president and Mrs. Folts secretary. The club is intended for all parents and is organized in the vital interests of all children.

Much interest was aroused at the meeting held at the Union church Sunday, when the subject of Christian co-operation was discussed. It is expected that the interest will crystallize in two weeks.

M. D. Odell led the Christian Endeavor Sunday evening. Fine music was rendered by Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Young. Miss Gertrude Crosby and Don Crosby. Miss Gladys was accompanist. These evening meetings are well attended and very interesting. Mrs. Connoway leads next week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Masiker will live in the Pierce cottage this winter. However, they have not sold their place. Mrs. Masiker's aunt is visiting at Roy's.

J. M. Shelley has had a phone installed at his cottage.

There was something new on our roads Friday night—an automobile running by candle light. The driver leaving town hastily found when ready to return that his head lamps had been damaged. Being of Yankee descent he wired some tallow candles, which his old-fashioned host provided, to his lamps and made the trip to town without fear of the law.

Roe Gates narrowly escaped death one day last week. He climbed into a pine tree near the schoolhouse and grasped a live wire. He was severely shocked and thrown to the ground. His hand was badly burned and other injuries were sustained, but none serious. Mr. and Mrs. Gates lost a child last year by a sudden death.

Millinery opening Thursday, Friday and Saturday, September 19, 20, 21. Miss M. B. Lamb. 1t

CASCADE LOCKS

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Olin of St. Johns spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Olin.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Haggeblom and son Lloyd of St. Johns spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Haggeblom.

W. V. Hutchinson is spending a couple of months in Independence.

A dance was given Saturday night at the K. of P. Hall. The Washougal Band furnished the music.

O. O. Adams, Jr., of Underwood attended the dance here Saturday night.

Charles L. Coke, who is employed in the office of The Dalles Optimist, spent Sunday at his home here.

Rev. and Mrs. M. C. Newell arrived Wednesday. Mr. Newell is our new pastor.

Mrs. A. G. Hall was pleasantly surprised Saturday afternoon by a number of ladies in honor of her 80th birthday.

A number of ladies spent Friday afternoon with Mrs. Edna Belville. All had an enjoyable time.

Mrs. Alice Hewitt and daughter, Wretha, are visiting in Portland.

BARRETT

Mr. and Mrs. Cays, who have both been ill, are improving.

Mrs. Paddock and daughter of Portland are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Paddock.

Herman Cauller of Portland recently arrived to spend several months with his brother, W. E. Cauller.

The McCabe children are ill with scarletina.

Little Nellie Nesbit has been ill the past week.

Dr. M. F. Shaw is remodeling the house on his ranch. He intends making it his home for the present.

The Christian Sunday School will have a Rally Day Sunday, Sept. 29. Everyone is cordially invited to be present.

Miss Bertha Powell, who has been visiting her sisters, Mrs. Myers and Mrs. Murphy, returned to her home in Salem on Wednesday.

E. Lane of Eugene was the guest of his aunts, Mrs. Myers and Mrs. Murphy, a few days last week.

BELMONT

Mrs. Forden's mother, Mrs. Nottingham, from Portland, is spending a few weeks at the Forden home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Forden Spent Sunday as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sutherly at White Salmon.

The monthly tea of the Ladies' Aid will be held at the home of Mrs. C. M. Rugg by Mrs. Oxborrow and Mrs. E. E. Rugg and daughter, Jessie, on Friday evening, Sept. 20, instead of on Friday afternoon as stated in last week's paper.

Miss Pearl Eby departed for California last week, going by the water route. She boarded the Bailey Gatzert at Hood River, stayed over night at Portland, spent two days at Frisco and finally landed safely at Los Angeles without any unpleasant experiences. She will spend the winter there.

J. H. Strohm of Hermiston is tho guest of his sister, Mrs. Isbell.

Roy Eastman recently received a severe wound in the leg by a sharp instrument used for the purpose of catching timbers coming down the flume at the planer.

Miss Erma Regnell was among those present at the musicale and reception given at the home of Mrs. Oxborrow.

Steve Eby is suffering with appendicitis, but is reported to be improving.

MANY FROM HERE ATTEND THE O. A. C.

As the general exodus for schools and colleges begins the increased number from Hood River who are planning to attend the O. A. C. is most noticeable.

Old students are returning with a renewed interest to assume the responsibilities of upper classmen. Ray Nickelsen, Carl Berry and Floyd Nunamaker are returning to take up Sophomore work in agriculture. Roberta Friday and Edythe Brunquist will continue their work in domestic science. Mary Erwin and Joy Mason will enter on junior work in Commerce. Robert Shinn, after an absence of two years, will re-enter as a junior in Agriculture. Freeman Mason, who has spent his summer in the valley will return to begin his work as an associate editor on "The Orange," the Junior's annual book.

The new students who will enter the agricultural course are Waldo Arens, Almont Ferguson, Culvert Page, Harry Coshow and Forest Moe. Earl Franz will take up work in business management in the commercial course. Gladys Clark, Addis Freeman and Helen Cox will register in domestic science.

In the last two years many new buildings have been erected at a great cost to the state, and with the many new instructors added to the faculty one of the fullest and most successful years that O. A. C. has ever enjoyed is predicted.

The green campus and the many new improvements will make for the returning students a happy welcome and to the "Rooks" it will soon become as dear as to the graduates.

Measuring Nature.

Nature is not benevolent. Nature is just, gives pound for pound, measure for measure, makes no exceptions, never tempers her decrees with mercy or winks at any infringement of her laws. And in the end is not this best? Could the universe be run as a charity or a benevolent institution or as a poorhouse of the most approved pattern? Without this merciless justice this irrefragible law, where would we have brought up long ago? It is a hard gospel, but rocks are hard, too, yet they form the foundations of the hills. Man introduces benevolence, mercy, altruism, into the world, and he pays the price in his added burdens, and he reaps his reward in the vast social and civic organizations that were impossible without these things.—John Burroughs in Century.

THE OFFICIAL RECIPE.

We have heard a good deal in days gone by about Boston baked beans, and a good many of us have had beans from cans bearing this label that were as hard and tasteless as bullets. Apparently for the purpose of rectifying some of these wrong impressions Mayor Fitzgerald of the "bean city" has recently given out the official recipe for Boston baked beans. Perhaps some of the good wives and mothers who read this department will be interested in fixing a batch as per directions for the purpose of determining whether they are "as good as mother used to make." It may be bad manners to make the suggestion, but the writer is inclined to believe that the beans would better be left in that second water instead of pouring it off just after the skins burst. However, the official formula is as follows: Pick one quart of beans, cover with cold water and let soak over night. In the morning drain, cover with fresh water, heat slowly and cook on back of range until skins burst. Then drain water off. Scald three-fourths of a pound of fat pork, place in beans, then mix one tablespoonful each of salt, molasses, sugar and one teaspoonful of mustard. Mix in a quart of boiling water and add to beans. Bake slowly from six to eight hours. Uncover during last hour and add water as needed.

A REMINISCENCE.

The writer had an experience with a balky horse a couple of years ago that he is able to appreciate the value of in retrospect in fuller measure than at the time the broncho was acting up. Usually there was a spell each morning that had to be eased off a bit by letting the team trot twenty or thirty rods hooked to the riding cultivator. And even after this spin the pressure had to be put on gradually, first one set of shovels being let down, then the other. Usually things would go all right after this preliminary, but it makes the writer smile to think of the amusement furnished the neighbors by the matutinal spin across the ranch. This team—both were more or less inclined to contrariness—could not be surpassed on the road, would blink an automobile off the highway and would not break a lively trot for miles. But they went into other hands, and some fellow—pity on him!—is trying to work 'em and maintain his church standing. Speaking from experience, we are inclined to think he has a job of considerable size on his hands.

A GOOD FALL FEED.

Unless the price of beef cattle should slump sharply from present high levels—and the word of those well posted on the cattle situation is to the effect they will not—the coming months would seem to be particularly favorable for feeding cattle for a future market. Not only are unheard of prices being paid for the best grades of steers on central markets, but feeders, while higher than usual, can be bought in thin flesh for about $5.50. The two factors mentioned, coupled with a bumper corn crop which will likely give a price of between 40 and 45 cents a bushel, would seem to make the prospect excellent for realizing a good return on the money invested in the enterprise in the shape of feeders and feed.

PLOW EARLY.

There is no sure way of getting entirely rid of worm and insect pests, but it is well for the husbandman to remember that plowing his fields as soon as possible after the grain or other crop is removed tends to break up the nests and thus expose to birds and other enemies, as well as to the elements, all worms and insects that seek a fall and winter shelter in the surface soil. This fact was commented upon in these notes some weeks ago, but it is worth repeating.