

In the Social Realm

CLUB CALENDAR.

- Civic—Second and fourth Tuesdays.
- Auxiliary—Every alternate Monday evening.
- Junior High School Parent-Teacher—Third Tuesday.
- Hawthorne School Parent-Teacher—Third Tuesday.
- Sunshine—Second and fourth Thursdays.
- Wednesday Afternoon—Second and fourth Wednesdays.
- Trinity Guild—Second and fourth Thursdays.
- W. R. C.—First and third Saturdays.
- Monday Afternoon Study—Alternate Mondays.
- Chautauqua—Monday evening.
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- W. C. T. U.—Second and fourth Tuesdays.
- Home Guard—Monday evening.
- Eastern Star Embroidery—Second and fourth Tuesdays.
- Teacup—First Tuesday.
- Travelers—Second Tuesday.
- Rebekah Embroidery—Second and fourth Thursdays.
- Christian Aid—Second and fourth Thursdays.
- Choral Society—Every Tuesday evening.

Civic Improvement Club.

Disregarding the rain, the Civic Improvement Club and several visitors enjoyed a most enthusiastic patriotic program Tuesday afternoon at Auxiliary hall. Mrs. Gordon MacCracken's reading of "A Perfect Tribute," by Carrie S. Andrews, was most fitting for Lincoln day and most pleasingly presented. Miss Anderson, our instructor of music in the public schools, played two piano solos, graciously responding to an insistent encore. Miss Gertrude Engle sang "My Flag and Your Flag" to the music composed by Mrs. E. A. Wood. The music has a stirring, martial ring to it. Mrs. Wood accompanied, and the hearts of the women present beat time with renewed determination to do their bit for our flag.

The club gave a donation of \$5 to the Y. W. C. A. Arrangements for serving meals to soldiers were perfected. Women all over town are volunteering their services to assist in the serving of the meals, and is much appreciated, as personal serv-

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See at meal time is what is going to be most urgent. The ladies' accepted with regret Mrs. A. L. Lamb's resignation as treasurer, necessitated by illness. Mrs. F. H. Walker was elected by the executive board to the treasurership and Mrs. John Dill was elected corresponding secretary during Mrs. Emma Jack's absence. Mrs. W. M. Barber and Mrs. Bert R. Greer served steaming hot tea and wafers. A little bird whispered to us that the program committee has plans for a most unusual program next time. If it gets a certain somebody or something it is planning for.

Parent-Teachers' Meeting.

The Parent-Teacher Association will meet at the Junior High school next Tuesday promptly at 4 o'clock. A splendid program has been planned. Mrs. Felix Moore will tell us of the natural education as Mrs. Stoner has exemplified it with her daughter Winifred. Do you want your child educated in this manner? Come and hear it discussed.

Mrs. Charles Chaitin will discuss the Gary school system. Are you interested in it? Mrs. Hockett will sing and there will be light refreshments. Remember the day, Tuesday, February 19. 77-21

Wedding Announced.

The marriage of Miss Edna Ruth Hadley to George C. Wynne, which took place in San Francisco Saturday, February 2, has been announced. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Edna G. Hadley, a former well-known resident of Ashland.

G. A. R. Celebrate.

The G. A. R. post celebrated the 27th anniversary of their organization Saturday. A fine program was rendered at their meeting place in the armory as follows: Solo, Miss Janet Wilson; reading, Miss Evelyn Turner; solo, Mrs. Mills; reading, Dick Posey; reading, Miss Bonice Jennings; piano solo, Miss Yeo. P. L. Spencer of Talent gave an interesting talk with moving pictures of the big guns which our boys have to

handle. After the program a bountiful luncheon was served by the W. R. C.

Wednesday Afternoon Club.

The Wednesday Club of the Presbyterian church held its regular meeting at the home of Mrs. C. B. Lemkin on Oak street Wednesday afternoon. A large company assembled and spent the time devoted to the meeting to industriously making gun wipes for the soldiers. Mrs. Lamkin, assisted by Mrs. William Mitchell, Mrs. A. Morthland and Miss Mabel Russell, served refreshments before the guests adjourned.

Married in Medford.

Mrs. Lillian Evert and L. V. Sepaugh, both of Ashland, were united in marriage in Medford last Saturday evening by Rev. A. A. J. Hogg at the Presbyterian manse, Monday evening a reception was given in their honor at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. M. F. Cavin, corner of Third and A streets. Mr. Sepaugh is an employe at the S. P. round-house.

Married in Pioche.

Miss H. Loleta Norton, daughter of Mrs. A. H. Norton of Ashland, and John H. Deck were united in marriage in Pioche, Nev., Tuesday evening. The bride has been a teacher at the latter place since the fall, and Mr. Deck is a business man of that town. They will reside in Pioche after March 1.

Auxiliary Club.

The Auxiliary Club will meet in regular session next Monday night at Auxiliary hall. Special entertainment will be provided. Each member is requested to bring her husband or a friend. The hostesses will be Mesdames J. R. Bowers, Henry Enders, George Kramer, Jack Dunn and Miss Lillian Patterson.

People's Forum

Lincoln's Boyhood Home.

Editor Tidings: Lincoln's birthday anniversary naturally calls up past history. In 1872 six of us went from North Vernon, Ind., down the Ohio to Rockport, 150 miles below Louisville, to do trestle and bridge work on what was called the Rockport & Lugoota railroad running north from Rockport. The road ran through the Lincoln farm, 18 miles out from the river and near Gentryville. We boarded for some time at old man Gentry's, who was a playmate of Abe's and about the same age. We were quite interested in the stories he told of Abe's boyhood the 13 years he lived there.

Lincoln's father moved from near Boonesborough, Ky., to Indiana in 1817, when Abe was 9 years old, and lived there until Abe was 21, when they moved to Illinois.

The log house put up by Lincoln's father was still standing in 1872 and was in pretty good preservation except the windows and doors were gone. When I was just a lad we children used to get off something like this: "A clabboard roof and a clabboard door, a wooden chimney and a puncheon floor," and I thought that a fitting epitaph for the now extinct edifice that once housed the Lincoln family. I cut a piece out of one of the oak logs between the front door and window and framed it in fancy shape, and still have it in my possession, kept among a few war-time relics.

Mrs. Lincoln died the next year and was buried about an eighth of a mile south of the cabin, in the woods. As I remember, it was under an oak. Mr. Gentry pointed out her grave. There were two graves about six feet apart. The soil was sunken so they could be easily marked, but Mr. Gentry could not say positively which was Mrs. Lincoln's. History tells us that in 1879 a friend of Lincoln's put an iron fence around the grave and a marble stone at the head, on which is inscribed "Nancy Hanks Lincoln, who died October 5, 1818, aged 35 years. Erected in 1879 by a friend of her martyred son." From what is said of her, she must have been an extraordinary woman, and goes to give force to the saying that God, when he wants to make a great man, first makes a great mother. And what she did for him in his early boyhood laid the foundation for his after life. On this foundation history attests he built wisely and left a record worthy of praise. And we feel like closing here with the lines given by Bancroft:

"The heights by great men reached and kept
Were not attained by sudden flight,
But they, while their companions slept,
Were toiling upward in the night."
D. L. GLENN.

Subscription Bargain.

For a short time the Ashland Tidings and Better Fruit one full year for \$25.0.

High School Notes

(By Dave Whittle.)

To add a little excitement to the routine of things the boys changed coats last Thursday noon—and were promptly kicked out of the assembly.

Friday morning thrift stamp and war savings stamp blanks were filled out by the student body. This will probably be done every month and the increase recorded. The rivalry between classes will be stimulated in this way.

The basketball boys received their red and white Sox last Friday morning and made quite a stir when they fled out on the gym floor to warm up for the game with Phoenix Friday night. The boys also ordered skull caps to match the Sox.

Coach King and Ray Clary hiked over to Ashland mine Sunday.

A rousing serpentine was gathered together and paraded through the business part of town after school Friday to advertise the game with Phoenix last night. This game was not scheduled to be played here until the morning of the day it was played.

Harvey Watt refereed the preliminary game between the Boy Scouts and the second team Friday night. The second team did not have the "walk-away" they had anticipated. This is the week for the Junior Red Cross drive, but the work has been delayed.

On Tuesday afternoon, Lincoln's birthday, all the classes were called into the assembly at 2:30. After singing "America" Mr. Edwards made an address on the life of Lincoln, ending with a plea for the young people to get behind the government and help boost. School was dismissed after the lecture for the rest of the day.

Ashland high has lost another student to the call of the government. Lloyd Turner left Tuesday of last week for Washington, where he has enlisted as stenographer in the quartermaster's department. Lloyd is one of the most popular men in school and one of the best debaters the school has ever had.

Edwin Fraser has been obliged to give up basketball, at least for the present. A slight affection of the lung is the cause of the trouble.

MANY YOUNGSTERS

LEARNING TO FLY

At the San Francisco exposition two years ago we had thrilled to the hum of Art Smith's aeroplane. We had seen it go singing up into the air at the call of the siren to a height of 5,000 feet. Our hearts had quickened and our breaths had stilled as he looped loop after loop until his plane hung low over the Marina.

What Art Smith did at the exposition was not a patch upon what that plane of Uncle Sam's, far up there in the Texan sky, was doing. Like a swallow, it careened and swayed and swooped. It stood still for an instant. So did our breaths. Straight down toward the earth it fell, twisting helplessly on the way. We were too terrified to cry out. We just stood and prayed as best we might.

A laugh rang out from a group of young aviators nearby. We uncovered our eyes and looked up again. The speck stood still again, or seemed to, and then sailed on at right angles for another trip over the top of the southern horizon. Shortly it returned and began to tie bowknots in the blue stuff of the sky. Tired of this, it played dead leaf, twisting and turning in the heavy autumn air on its way to the ground. A thousand feet from earth, it righted itself, turned upside down and curved upward into the air. After which it pointed its nose downward and dived back to Kelly Field, a few feet from where we stood and directly in front of the hangar. The two brave lads of the sky, flushed and laughing, escaped toward their squadron quarters across the road.

What these boys did is not unusual most any hour at Kelly Field these days, where 15,000 youngsters—90 per cent of them are under 24—are learning to fly so that they may level the Prussian pride of power. From early morning until long after dark comes on, the sleepy old town of San Antonio, drowsing its way through the centuries under the smile of a sun which seldom hides its head except when it goes to bed at night, is awake to the buzz of the aeroplane. By the dozens these flying machines swirl low over the cotton fields and mesquite lands, high over the city's patchwork spread of faded red and yellow brick buildings squared here and there with an odd new pile, and up over the white and green residence district. At night, like fireflies, they dart through the darkness, one after the other, as if in pursuit of some far shooting star.—Jean Yoell in February Sunset.

Wheatless and meatless days at home mean defeatless days for our boys abroad.

Central Point

Has Service Flag

An occasion of more than ordinary interest was the unveiling of a service flag at the M. E. church on Sunday, February 10, at 11 o'clock, containing 32 stars, for the boys who have answered our country's call.

Long before the hour arrived the seats in the church were all occupied and standing room was at a premium, a number not being able to get farther than the door.

The pastor, Rev. Belknap, opened the service as usual, and the patriotic feelings of the assembly were aroused by the singing of "America" by the congregation, after which the Epworth League girls of the High School Glee Club, under the direction of Miss Reid, with Miss Lester as organist, marched in, singing "Onward, Christian Soldier," after which they rendered a selection which won much applause, at the close of which the flag was unveiled by J. J. Grim, a Civil War veteran, and Mayor W. A. Cowley. The latter then made the presentation address, during which there were many tear-dimmed eyes in the audience. Rev. Belknap gave the response in a very touching and inspiring manner. Clarence Meeker of Medford rendered two appropriate selections during the service, which were much appreciated.

Owing to a slight misunderstanding in the plans, the tablet containing the names of the boys had to be omitted for the time, but will be put up during the week.

Fruit and Farm

Don't Plant Fruit Trees Early.

Fall planting of fruit trees should be delayed to late November or early December, advises the United States Department of Agriculture.

A pomologist of the department writes in reply to a New Jersey inquirer he would hesitate to advise planting in any section as early as October because of probable injury to the trees. In sections of the north where cold weather prohibits planting in November or December, he says, it is usually better to plant in the spring. Appletrees can be planted with safety in the fall farther north than peach trees and other less hardy kinds.

At the Missouri experiment station it recently has been shown that little or no root action takes place with fall-planted trees until the surface of the ground has begun to freeze, and the trees planted early in the fall may lose considerable vitality before they begin root action.

Don't Sell the Family Cow.

This might appear to many to be a good time to sell the family cow or the family dairy herd, because prices for cows are high and it is easy to sell. But suppose you do sell? What is gained? Prices of milk and butter are high—seem higher when you buy than when you sell. Perhaps we are crossing the "stream" referred to by Abraham Lincoln when he advised against swapping horses while crossing a stream. In any case, will it not be better if the family cow and the family dairy are kept by those who know how to make them most productive?

Wintering Ewes.

Sheep can be successfully wintered with a smaller use of grain than is needed for other livestock. If in good condition at the beginning of winter and given the right kind of hay they can be carried through the

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winter without grain unless the lambs are to be dropped before going to pasture. All depends upon the kind of hay or other roughage used.

Legume hays stand at the forefront as a roughage for sheep. No other roughages approach them in feeding values. The coarse-stemmed hays like timothy, red top and bluegrass have very few leaves and therefore are poor sheep feeds. Hays having a large amount of timothy in them also are undesirable. Not only is timothy unpalatable to the sheep, but it causes serious cases of constipation. The dry timothy heads work into the wool, causing irritation to the skin, lessening the value of the clip and making shearing difficult. When timothy or other coarse-stemmed hay is fed to sheep in winter quarters it becomes necessary to use some supplementary feed to keep the sheep in condition.

Weed Out Poor Milkers.

Weeding out poor milkers from the dairy herd is no longer a theory in Oregon, but is a fact, and has been especially profitable in this period of high-priced feeds. "The cow tester is aiding in food production by sifting out the most efficient food-producing machine in the country—the good dairy cow," says O. D. Center, director of the O. A. C. Extension Service.

Apple Scald.

Apple scald of green and ripe fruit in storage can be entirely and easily prevented by an occasional renewal of the air of the storage room, according to a discovery of the United States Department of Agriculture, just reported by Charles Brooks and J. S. Cooley in the department's Journal of Agricultural Research. The basis of the discovery is the fact that apples are living organisms which breathe and, like other living things, have ventilation requirements which if not met lead to smothering. The report states that accumulations

of carbon dioxide (carbonic acid gas) produced by the apples in storage, the lack of air movement in the storage rooms, and the depositing of moisture on the fruit are all factors that may play a part in the production of scald. Well-aerated apples remained free from scald, while in all cases poorly aerated ones, handled in the same way from the time they left the tree throughout storage, became badly scalded.

Shell Seed Corn By Hand.

Seed corn should always be shelled by hand, says the United States Department of Agriculture, which advises care in every step connected with seed selection.

After seed corn has been selected from the most productive stalks as they stand in the field in competition with other surrounding stalks, and stored in a dry place free from insects and rodents, the job is only half done. Shelling is one of the most important of the tasks.

Seed ears should first be nubbed and the kernels from tip and butt should be discarded from the seed supply. The small kernels from the tips are less productive than the other kernels on the ear; the blunt, thick, rounded kernels from the butts are just as productive as any of the rest, but because of their shape and size they do not plant uniformly when used in a corn planter with other kernels.

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