

# Jefferson May Get Flax Plant

Government Urges  
Santiam Growers;  
Officers Elected

JEFFERSON—Prospects of a flax plant being built at Jefferson are brightening each week. The government urged the Santiam Flax Growers' association to build, instead of the association seeking government interest, as last year. Fiber flax is much in demand, and the association seems to be further advanced in its plans for a plant than right now.

A. L. Page, Charles Hart, Douglas Bradley and E. B. Henningsen attended a meeting at Corvallis Tuesday night, meeting with Professors Hyslop and Price. The possibility of a flax plant under a new government plan was discussed. It undoubtedly is of much interest to local growers for immediate planting to flax.

Not long ago, the association met in the school, reelecting the present board: A. L. Page, chairman; Homer Davis, secretary; E. B. Henningsen, Charles Hart, Douglas Bradley, Albert Harnisch and Mr. Asbar.

W. E. Campbell went to Portland Friday to get his ten-year-old daughter, Bonnie Campbell, who underwent an eye operation last week at the Doernbecher hospital. This is the second operation since she underwent one on her eye in December.

Miss Donohue fell in her woodshed while getting wood at her home on Third street, breaking two ribs.

A meeting to discuss rural fire, will be held next Thursday night, March 25, at the city hall. Robert Rieder will be present to lead the discussion. Everyone interested is urged to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Jones now are living in Seattle, Wash., where Mr. Jones is attending the university, studying construction engineering. He worked as a civil engineer for six months on the new Alaska highway before locating in Seattle.

## Red Cross Reaps Double Proceeds

MIDDLE GROVE—Chairmen of the Red Cross roll call in this district, Mrs. Freeman Phipps and Mrs. Emory Goode, netted \$129 in the drive, more than twice the amount of last year. Assisting were Mrs. Dan Scharf, Covell Case, Harris Ault, John Case, John Van Laanen and John Blinkhorn, netted \$129 in the drive, more than twice the amount of last year.

Mrs. Anna Jess has taken up her residence with her daughter, Mrs. Clara Malm, since the sale of her Salem home.

Johnnie Wallen is out of school with measles.

Marvin Cage will return to school Monday after a ten day absence because of illness.

## Cronemiller Shows Forestry Films

MIDDLE GROVE—Mr. Cronemiller, assistant forester of Oregon, showed two reels of films on the lumber industry and a trip through Oregon at the Community club meeting Friday night.

Preceding the pictures, piano numbers were played by Mrs. Medora Hyatt and two of her music pupils, Alyce and Harold Koch.

April's program will consist of numbers from the Hollywood Merry-Go-Round club, Merry Minglers, Amite club, Union Sunday school and Boy Scouts, with Carol Snyder serving as general chairman. Refreshments are in charge of Thelma Scharf, Lillian Fromm and Phoebe Wagers.

## Basic Rule Violators Fined at West Salem

WEST SALEM—Infractions of traffic laws this week include: Lottie E. Brown, violation of basic rule, fined \$2.50; Paul Dickenson, violation of basic rule, fined \$5; Florence Stinette, passing in intersection, fined \$2; Kenneth Johnson, violation of basic rule, fined \$5; George Davenport, passing in intersection, fined \$2; A. J. Flint, parking on walk; Guy Beavers, violation of basic rule, fined \$5; Linnel F. Jones, violation basic rule, fined \$5; William O. Tool, violation of basic rule, fined \$5; Elmer Gurtzen, wrong parking, fined \$1; Lea Mildred Travis, reckless driving, fined \$25.

## Mrs. Walls Learns Of Mother's Death

JEFFERSON—Mrs. William Walls received word Tuesday of the death of her mother, Mrs. Maranda McNulty, 68, at her daughter's home at Abilene, Kan. She had been in failing health for some time. She is well known here, having spent a year or longer with her daughter several years ago. Mr. and Mrs. Walls visited there during the early part of last winter. Interment will be at Abilene. She is survived by seven children.

## Patterson Injures Knee

MISSION BOTTOM—Charles Patterson is spending a few days with his grandparents nursing an infected knee which he hurt playing basketball. His mother, Mrs. Hazel Patterson, is ill with the measles.

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## Rural Women Finish Sewing For Red Cross

WOODBURN—The Rural Women's club met Thursday at the home of Mrs. Della Pillsbury. The president, Mrs. Rudi, opened the meeting. Mrs. Breuninger read the scripture lesson. The flag salute was led by Mrs. Marie Rerick, who came to visit from Vancouver. Mrs. Lutz came from Hubbard.

Guests were Mrs. J. F. Smythe of Canby, Mrs. Hammond and Mrs. Witham.

A letter was read from LeRoy Lutz thanking the club for a gift box.

New members of the club are Mrs. Lila Dunn, and Mrs. Clarence Gulliford.

Members have been meeting at least twice each month all winter but now will meet only on the second Thursday of each month. They have completed 23 night gowns, seven girls' blouses, a bed jacket, four knitted sweaters, two pairs of knitted gloves, five boys' shirts, seven snow suits, three girls' dresses, three women's dresses, two women's skirts.

Mrs. Jim Henry entertained members of the benefit card club of St. Mary's Episcopal guild at her home Tuesday night. Prizes were won by Mrs. Marshall Hicks and Mrs. Harold Ticknor. Mrs. Frank Bentley and Mrs. Harold Austin assisted in serving. Guests included Mrs. Gerald Smith, Mrs. Walter Miller, Mrs. Kenneth McGrath, Mrs. Austin, Mrs. Tom DeArmond, Mrs. Dean Bishoprick, Mrs. Henry Miller, Mrs. Hicks, Mrs. S. R. Kallak, Mrs. Merle Harwood, Mrs. Roy Claypoole, Mrs. Ellis Harper, Mrs. Floyd Mariele, Mrs. Burt Willejord, Mrs. Carol Foste and Mrs. Bentley.

## Scout Troop 42 Wins Merit Badges At Honor Court

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## Sidney School Program Given

The oral English program held Friday included: a story by Lois Boswell; English selections by Hope Evans; questions by John Todd; a story by Bill Marlett; a poem by Florence Marlett; a poem by Donna Wiederkehr; a choral reading by Betty Fish assisted by Melissa Robnett; an original story by Betty Wintermantel; a piano accordion solo by Dona Zehner; a poem by Jack Graves; a poem by Gloria Grenz; and abbreviations by Alfred McCann. Next week's chairman is Earl Aerni.

Guests Friday afternoon were Mrs. Ed Fish, Mrs. John Zehner, Mrs. M. Knight, Mrs. Forrest Evans, Mrs. Hampton, Mrs. William Boswell, Mrs. C. F. Johnson, Mrs. Lawrence Finlay, Mrs. Carl Aerni and Mrs. Nelson Gilmore.

The Happy Cookers of the Sidney school met at the home of Jeanette Gilmour with their leader, Donna Wiederkehr, in charge. The meeting was called to order by the president. Opening exercises followed. Roll call was "Good Combinations of Food." The discussion topic was how to "Make a Good Menu for a Breakfast or School Lunch." Jeanette Gilmour gave a demonstration. Later games were played and refreshments were served.

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## Places and People

By MRS. RITTIE KERBER

Pedee—"What's in a name?" may be the query first raised by Shakespeare, but in Pedee the name raises as many memories of early pioneer days and the settling of the fertile valley as "Mission Bottom" does Indian tales and Christian teachers.

The little spot on the map indicated as Pedee derived its name from Col. Cornelius Gilliam, who was paying tribute to the famous Pedee river running through North and South Carolina, his homeland, when he discovered the little creek 20 miles southeast of the present city of Monmouth. Gilliam came to Oregon in 1844 with a covered wagon immigration train and settled on the creek near the spot where it empties into the Big Kluckamute.

He took one of the first donation land claims in the district, moved an historical house from Fort Hoskins (one which had been used for officers' quarters during Gen. Grant's and Gen. Sheridan's wintering there amidst the Siletz Indians) to the claim and resided there until he was killed in a Cayuse war after the Witman massacre.

An settler came to the fertile valley, the stream was harnessed to produce power. Barney Morrison built the first sawmill on Pedee creek, now the Simpson mill. Troy Turner possesses one of the iron castings which held the wheel in place.

The first power sawmill, four miles above the Simpson place, was built by Paul and John Ronco, emigrants from Maine. The Roncos hauled lumber to Airline by horse and wagon; from there it was shipped out on a narrow gauge railroad. They sold their holdings to Condon and Shaffer of Pennsylvania, who still own timberland on Pedee.

The first store and post office was built by Dave Simpson, the mail being carried by horse from King's Valley. Simpson was responsible for the first telephone, connected with a switchboard at Airline operated by Nettie Hall.

The first school was built about 1864. Lewis Ritner, 86, only surviving scholar from the school, claims that the community was never without a Sunday school and that all church and community gatherings centered there. The second building was constructed in 1885 on the hill above the new high school. The old bell still rings, though now it hangs in the "new" high school, built in 1927.

## Amity Honors Champ Team At Banquet

AMITY—A bouquet in honor of the grade school basketball team was held Friday night at the Amity grade school building. The Amity team won the championship at the Yamhill county tournament recently by defeating the Sheridan, Dayton and McMinnville teams. All of the players, their parents, team manager and school faculty were guests.

Those present included Jimmie and Billy Lee, Richard, Fred and Bobby Johnson, Frank Osborn, Lyle McKee, Jay Davis, Richard McKee, Bobby Burns, Marvin Deereave, Kenneth Meeker, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Osburn, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. McKee, Mr. and Mrs. Alf Dereave, Mr. and Mrs. Peery Smith, Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Newman, Mrs. Christine Reynolds, the Misses Ella S. Thomas and Verda Crooks, Messrs. Joe Burns and W. H. Gerrard.

A short program of music and readings was presented. Mrs. Lottie Tallman, who serves the daily hot lunches at the school, had charge of arrangements.

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## Auburn Pupils Elect Officers, Hear Speakers

AUBURN—The eighth grade has elected Ross Morrow president and Pauline Miller secretary of the class. Plans are getting underway for graduation.

R. N. Payne talked to Auburn students Thursday on the Alcan highway. Mr. Payne has been home on leave from White Horse, Alaska.

Mrs. Antoine Feskens entertained with a birthday party for her daughter, Mary Lou, Thursday. The guests played games and enjoyed refreshments. Those present were Glenna Dodson, Shirley Medill, Virginia Payne, Dorothy Englehart, Mayetta Sutter, Pauline Miller, Lorene Palmateer, Shirley Utting, Donna Fisher, Patricia Thompson, Claralyn Lee, Lynn Woodward and Dorothy Feskens.

Amos Bierly, Marion county 4H club leader, spoke to the Auburn school's three Victory Garden club members. Mr. Bierly said 1,500,000 4H club members in the United States produced 3,000,000 bushels of food stuffs, which would feed 150,000 soldiers. He explained the keeping of the record books and gave advice. In the seventh and eighth grades 22 have signed up for victory gardens.

## Mrs. Mary Denny Marks 90th Year

JEFFERSON—Mrs. Mary Denny celebrated her 90th birthday anniversary March 13 at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Funk, where she has made her home for some time. Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Richardson were dinner guests. A lovely birthday cake was baked by Mrs. Robert Kelly with nine candles, a candle for each ten years of her life. The honor guest also received 63 birthday cards and several gifts which she enjoyed.

Mrs. Denny crossed the plains with her parents, William and Regina Goin, at the age of 11 years; coming to Oregon from Missouri and settling on a farm in the Greens Bridge district. She was married to Fielding J. Denny in 1881, moving to an adjoining farm where she has lived since. Mr. Denny passed away some years ago.

Mrs. Denny has been active and keenly interested in world and local events of late years and spends much of her leisure time in crocheting rugs.

## Labish Students To Give Program

LAKE LABISH—The spring program of Lake Labish school will be given Thursday night at 8 o'clock, according to Mrs. Avon Mayfield, teacher.

Numbers include: playlets, Play-Play Hookey, Marketing, At the Restaurant, Tired of Church, At the Postoffice, The Big Hat and Counting Eggs; special music by the Mathews orchestra.

The afghan knitted in blocks by eight students from the second to seventh grades will be placed on display. The 48 blocks are combined in a wheel chair robe for an army or navy hospital patient and will be turned over to the Junior American Red Cross. Those who knitted were Claudine Hahn, Delores Girod, Billie Perkins, Dorothy Friede, Allagene Friede, Barbara Batchelor, Marjorie Gundersen and Dorothy Baxter.

All members of the community are invited to attend.

## Auxiliary Gives \$100 to Legion

Presentation Made At West Salem On Founder's Day

WEST SALEM—The anniversary of the founding of the American Legion was observed Thursday night by Kingwood post and its auxiliary with approximately 80 members in attendance. Dinner was served with the auxiliary as hostess preceding a program, which featured motion pictures by Glen Lewis. During the dinner hour Mrs. E. J. Deitz, president of the auxiliary, presented the organization's annual gift of \$100 to the post. Albert Bouffier, commander, expressed the legion's appreciation for the gift.

Committee members arranging the dinner were Mrs. E. J. Deitz, Mrs. Lucille Hunt, Mrs. Lillian Williams, Mrs. William Swartz, Mrs. Floyd White, Mrs. Fanny Smith and Mrs. Verne Axelson.

WEST SALEM—Mr. and Mrs. Glen Adams and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Glaze of Brush College attended the Monmouth grange Friday night. Mr. Adams was the principal speaker. His topic was the grange, its accomplishments and its future in the post war adjustment. A white elephant sale was a feature of the program. The proceeds are to pay the expenses of a student to the 4H summer school at Corvallis. The sale netted enough for this expense with a small surplus.

Mr. Adams, who is state grange treasurer and Polk county grange deputy, reports that the granges are in a thriving condition throughout the county and state.

Robert Chambers, son of Mrs. O. M. Chambers, a graduate of Monmouth high school last May, is a hospital patient again undergoing operations on his left leg and right hand Tuesday morning. He was seriously injured while working at Hill Sand and Gravel plant in Independence last June, and was released from the hospital in December. The leg, having been broken twice below the hip, had failed to heal properly, making another operation necessary. The hand was rebuilt in a final effort to try to give him some use of the forefinger and thumb; the other three fingers were amputated.

Mrs. William Knowler, Polk county Christmas seal chairman, reports that proceeds from this year's drive were approximately \$330 in excess of last year's total through the drive. Polk county citizens contributed nearly \$2000 toward the fight to combat tuberculosis.

Mrs. Eugene Krebs entertained Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Vosburg and their son, Loren, at dinner last week.

Mrs. Mona Mack, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Vosburg, flew from Portland to Santa Ana to visit her husband, who is in the air corps.

## Amity Families Have Visitors

AMITY—Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Brown of Salem were recent callers at the home of his mother, Mrs. M. E. Brown. Mrs. Brown spent Tuesday and Wednesday of this week in McMinnville with relatives and friends.

Miss Pauline Rossner of Dayton was a guest at the home of Mrs. Margaret Morrison and other Amity friends for several days recently. Miss Rossner for many years was a teacher in the Portland school but retired last year.

Rev. William I. Morse, pastor of the Amity Christian church, is able to be out again after a two weeks illness with influenza.

Wayne Walker, a former Amity resident, was calling on old friends here Friday. He now is a druggist in Portland.

Mrs. Helen Gibbs of Amity now is employed at Lipman-Wolfe in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. William L. Graham of DeLake were callers Wednesday at the home of their aunts, Mrs. J. A. Breeding and Mrs. F. S. Thomas.

## Relatives Are Turner Guests; Rays Move to Portland

TURNER—Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ray and children moved to Portland this week where he has employment in the shipyards. Since coming to Turner two months ago from West Stayton, the Ray family had resided in the Barr house. Four of the children were pupils in the Turner grade school.

## Road Proposed From Highway West to Pedee

PEDEE—A road meeting was held Wednesday night at the Pedee high school at which a committee was named to meet with state highway officials and Governor Earl Snell to discuss building a road east from Pedee to the West Pacific highway 99. On the committee are Gus Nyman, Elmer Barnhart, Pete Ritner, Sidney Howard, and H. B. Vickers. Attending the meeting were J. Hart of the Ford Motor company, A. L. Thomas, hardware dealer and editor of the Enterprise and E. L. Gray from the chamber of commerce all of Independence.

Mrs. Florence Howard has organized a 4H sewing club of 12 girls. Members include: first division, Lorna Lea Vandendob, Glenna Mattison and Lois Blankenbaker; second division, Marlene Condon, Jessie Talley, Nancy Truax and Mildred Maddux; third division, Pat Burbank, Evelyn Burbank and Karen Vandendob; fourth division, Helen Burbank and Margaret Howard. Helen Burbank is president; Evelyn Burbank, vice president; Mildred Maddock, secretary and Margaret Howard, reporter.

The Albany branch of Swift and company sent representatives to the Pedee district last Wednesday to lay eggs. Merchants were the Kings Valley store, Pedee store and Fritz Kerber.

John McGee and Ray Tetters each bought a cow from Mr. Fisher at Independence.

## Valley Births

PLEASANTDALE—Mr. and Mrs. William Maxwell are the parents of a five pound, two ounce son born Thursday at a McMinnville hospital. This is their first child, and not yet named. The baby was born on his father's 24th birthday. The boy is the first grandchild of the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lundershausen, and second grandchild of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Maxwell.

## Rumple Moves

WEST SALEM—Albert Rumple of 1167 Elm street is moving to Hayesville cottages. He works in a Portland shipyard.

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