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BOARDMAN LOCALS

(Too late for last week.)

Janet Gorham has the measles.

O/H. Warner and Mr. Shell were Umatilla visitors Monday.

Ralph Davis and family were Hermiston visitors Sunday.

M. E. Root and family and Mr. and Mrs. Franklin were down from Hermiston Sunday.

Mrs. V. Bullock of Pendleton is expected for a visit at the Sam Shell home.

G. H. Storey, who has been at the Harrison ranch for a long time left last week for Idaho.

George McDuffee was a Boardman visitor Thursday. He is sheriff of Heppner as everyone knows.

Mrs. Royal Mands is enjoying a visit from her mother, Mrs. Hiatt of Freewater.

J. R. Johnson's family are enjoying a visit from his brother and family of Wasco, who came Wednesday.

Henry Casteel of Pendleton, visited for a short time Friday morning with his nephew, Nate Macomber.

Hal Stewart and family attended the ball game at Umatilla Sunday. Hermiston and Umatilla played with Umatilla winning 4 to 2.

John Fisher and wife, of Apple Valley, Idaho, visited over night Wednesday, at the George Blayden home on their way to Portland.

Mrs. O. H. Warner was hostess to the teachers on Monday night at a beautiful dinner. The teacher have boarded there most of the school year.

Mrs. Oscar Beck and daughter, Thelma and Thyra are the latest victims of the measles. The two girls are eighth grade graduates and will be unable to attend the exercises.

Jess Lower's sister, Mrs. McKean and family, and Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Halley were up Sunday from Wasco. William Lower returned with them Sunday evening for a few days' visit. He is now home again.

On Sunday Walter Cahoon and family expect to leave for Pasco, to make their home. Mr. Cahoon has been there working for some time and his family will go now that school has closed.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Frick and baby were Boardman visitors on Wednesday on their way to Pendleton. Mr. Frick owned the lumber yard here before J. C. Ballenger purchased it.

Mrs. Craven of Joseph, Ore., who visited her daughter, Mrs. Gladys Bird, returned home Sunday. Mrs. Bird has moved into the room back of the cream station and will make here home there.

Henry Harrison and wife returned last week from Hot Lake, where they went for Mr. Harrison's benefit. He is somewhat improved. Dr. Pyle pronounced his illness as sugar diabetes. The Harrisons plan to go to Seaside shortly for Mr. Harrison's health.

The teachers are planning to leave this week-end. Miss Wolff goes to her home at Oreno, Miss Hixon to Portland, Mrs. Degendorffer goes to her husband at Kellogg, Idaho, Miss Sears will go with her sisters to Kirksville, Missouri for a month. The Mulkeys go to Monmouth in about two weeks. Mr. Griggs will return to his home.

It was thought that the dread alfalfa weevil had been found on the project. On Monday the county agent, Mr. Morse and Mr. Dean came down from Hermiston and examined the alfalfa minutely and found that what was thought to be weevils was an insect or worm which fed on the aphids. There seems to be a greater amount of alfalfa than usual this year. Everyone was delighted to hear this news because alfalfa is the main crop in the country.

The Martys who were Boardman residents for a time, conducting the cheese factory are asking those who are willing to sell milk to sign up and if 2500 pounds daily are obtainable they will return and open the factory. There are enough cows on the project so that this could be done. It apparently lacks cooperation on the part of the people. It would be of great assistance to the farmers' wives as it eliminates washing of separators and so many milk utensils. It is hoped that enough farmers will sign up to make it possible for the factory to reopen.

Another word of praise for the school in general and Mrs. Mulkey in particular. Again she brought all her eighth graders through with flying colors. Last year she took every eighth grader through without a failure and this year with a class of 15 not one failed, which is indeed a record and more in two subjects every pupil received a grade of 100 and not one average was less than 93. It is as a result of two years of hard work, persistent drilling and unlimited amount of work on the part of Mrs. Mulkey that the class was able to achieve such unusual success. It is nothing short of misfortune that the Mulkeys are not to return next year.

The eighth grade graduation exercises were held Thursday evening, May 15, at the auditorium. Because of the illness of three of the graduates some substitutions had to be made, but even so the program was splendid and appreciated by the audience. The program was as follows:

March—Miss Wolff.
Chorus—Class.
Class Introduction—Don Klages Salutation—Violet Gilbreth.
Class Statistics—Robert Berger.
Piano Solo—Rachel Johnson.
Class History—Sophia Mefford.
Edna Wilson, Esther Imus, Edna Reinhardt, Noel Klitz, Edward Klages.
Class Prophecy—Helen Chaffee.
Rachel Johnson, the latter substituted for Thelma Beck.
Class Grouch—Edward Klages.
Class Optimalist—Russell Mefford.
Chorus—Class.
Valedictory—Violet Gilbreth, substituted for Mabel Brown.
Presentation of Diplomas—Mr. Chas. Dillon.
Farewell song—class.
The largest eighth grade class ever graduated from the Boardman schools and the class with not a failure from "The everlastin' bell of every bloomin' soul", as Kipling puts it.

On Friday evening at the church a farewell reception for the teachers was given. It was a very informal affair and so was thoroughly enjoyed by the large number present. A short program was given consisting of a violin selection by Frank Doble of Umatilla, accompanied by Miss Wolff on the piano. Mrs. Boardman gave a short talk, thanking Mr. Mulkey and his teachers for the splendid work done and very aptly said that this year's work was the most successful in the history of the school. Wahnona Rands and Gladys Klages and Gloria Wicklander gave a little motion picture. Mr. Mulkey gave a short talk. After the program it was suggested that the teachers each tell the funniest thing that had happened in their school work and funny incidents, were some of the things told. This broke the ice and almost everyone told a yarn, but probably the best of the evening was that told by Charles Wicklander. Delicious punch and tea cakes were served. The mothers of the high school graduates, the Mesdames F. F. Klitz, Chas. McDaniels, R. Rands and E. Messenger were patronesses of the evening.

THIS WEEK'S LOCALS

Opal Wagner is enjoying a visit from his mother.

Harry Warren and wife left Monday for Portland.

Col. Callahan returned Monday from Portland and California, where he has been for some time.

J. C. Ballenger and wife returned Tuesday from a trip to Wasco and Eagle Creek.

Mrs. Nick Callia went to The Dalles on Tuesday to consult her physician. She returned that night.

A. L. Blayden, who has been at the Blayden home the past winter, left Monday for Portland.

Lauren Cummins and Juanita Wolff motored to Portland on Sunday. Miss Barbara Hixon left Sunday night on No. 23.

Mrs. John Bries returned last week from the Valley where she has been for some time under the doctor's care.

Claude Myers was the delegate elected from the Boardman I. O. O. F., to represent them at Grand Lodge in Hood River. He left today.

Mrs. W. H. Mefford, daughter Ida, Mrs. Nate Macomber and Albert Macomber motored to Pendleton Saturday on a shopping tour. Mrs. Macomber had an ulcerated tooth extracted.

Mrs. J. T. Healey enjoyed a visit from her mother, Mrs. Saldern and sister, Mrs. Packard and niece, Florine, who left for the Portland home last Wednesday after a few days' visit at the Healey ranch.

J. R. Johnson left Friday night for Grand Rapids, Mich., where he will represent this presbytery at the general assembly. Rev. Schnable of Stanfield, is also a delegate to this meeting.

Miss Louise Sears left Saturday morning in her coupe for Pocatello, Idaho. She takes the train from there for Missouri. On her return she will attend summer school at Monmouth.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hollander of Portland, were overnight visitors at the J. C. Ballenger home on Tuesday. They are on their way to Idaho on a motor trip. Mrs. Hollander is an old school mate of Mrs. Ballenger's.

Mrs. Jennie Degendorffer left on Friday night for Kellogg, Idaho, where she will spend the summer with her recently acquired husband Mr. Degendorffer is a mining engineer and is doing research work at Kellogg. She plans to return in September.

T. W. Cutsforth and wife of Lexington, old friends of the Klitz family, motored to Boardman Saturday and visited at the F. F. Klitz home. Mr. Klitz had come up from Arlington on Friday to attend the high school Commencement exercises and remained home over Sunday.

La Von Hopkins, the 13-year-old son of H. Hopkins, has been quite ill. Mr. and Mrs. Bailey took him to the doctor at Arlington, who pronounced it appendicitis.

Clay Warren and family returned last week from a two-weeks vacation at Portland and Eugene.

Mrs. Hal Stewart and son Ray left Tuesday for Fossil, Ore., where they will visit Mrs. Stewart's parents. Later the Stewarts will move to Pendleton where Mr. Stewart will work for the highway department.

Frances Blayden left Sunday for Langley, Wash., where she will visit at the Chas. Paine home. Her niece, Gladys Paine, graduates from the Longview high school this week. Gladys will be remembered by many Boardman people as the Paine formerly lived here.

Mrs. J. H. Johnson, J. R. Johnson's mother, and Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Johnson of Wasco, visited a few days at the J. R. Johnson home. C. W. Johnson and three children of The Dalles, also visited last week.

Miss Juanita Wolff has sent her resignation to the school board having been offered a position at Eugene in departmental work. Boardman is indeed sorry to lose her as she has added so much to the community life with her singing and playing and her splendid direction of the music work at the school. Her pupils idolized her and hushed their tears when she left on Friday when she told her pupils she would no return. It will be difficult to replace Miss Wolff.

Rev. and Mrs. B. S. Hughes and daughter Constance attended the commencement exercises at Boardman Friday night. They returned Friday from Union, Oregon, where Constance has been attending school. She graduated on Thursday evening with a class of 39. She leaves soon for Monmouth where she will take summer work at normal school.

Mrs. Bert Haneline and son Herbert, of Hermiston, motored down to attend the graduating exercises. They are friends of the Rands. Raymond Crowder came with them and Mrs. Crowder went back to Hermiston on their return.

A most unfortunate thing occurred this week when Bob Mitchell lost his purse which contained a count road \$40 warrant and \$10 in cash. It was a misfortune to Mr. Mitchell to lose this money but the result of it was even greater as it was found by one of the high school boys, to whom the temptation proved too great and he and one of his friends started to Portland. It seems that he tried to cash this warrant but was unable to do so. It was discovered who the finder was and Mr. Gorham went to Hood River after him. His father was sent for and his mother and step-father gave bond for him. This was indeed a grievous happening but since it was his first offense and although a boy of pleasant personality, still he has no criminal tendencies, so perhaps it has been a lesson to him without the case being carried any further. The motive in the lad spending that money when he knew to whom it belonged, is hard to fathom. Perhaps it was a lack of spending money. Perhaps the spirit of the going. But whatever it was the deed is done and we trust the lesson is learned.

The Commencement program of

the Boardman high school is as follows:

Music—Orchestra.
Invocation—Mr. Beattie.
Vocal Solo—Wahnona Rands.
Class History—Zoe Hadley.
Piano Solo—Wahnona Rands.
Address—Prof. W. G. Beattie, State Normal School.
Music—Orchestra.
Presentation of Diplomas.
Class Song—Orchestra.
Music—Orchestra.

The program was very good and the hall was decorated very beautifully in the class colors. If an criticism is to be made, it is the fact that only two graduates took part in the program.

Can any eighth grade in the county beat this, we wish to ask. Who but Mrs. Mulkey could take an eighth grade class through with such a record as this?

Rachel Johnson—agriculture, 95; arithmetic, 91; civil government, 100; history, 100; language, 92; reading, 91; spelling, 94; writing, 91. Average, 94.5.

Violet Gilbreth—agriculture, 96; arithmetic, 100; civil government, 100; history, 100; language, 92; reading, 93; spelling, 93; writing, 94. Average, 96.4.

Edna Reinhardt—agriculture, 97; arithmetic, 91; civil government, 100; history, 100; language, 93; reading, 96; spelling, 93; writing, 93. Average, 95.8.

Robert Berger—agriculture, 95; arithmetic, 94; civil government, 100; history, 100; language, 93; reading, 94; spelling, 93; writing, 93. Average, 95.4.

Esther Imus—agriculture, 96; arithmetic, 100; civil government, 100; history, 100; language, 93; reading, 94; spelling, 93; writing, 93. Average, 95.4.

Helen Chaffee—agriculture, 96; arithmetic, 93; civil government, 100; history, 100; language, 93; reading, 91; spelling, 93; writing, 93. Average, 95.4.

Sophia Mefford—agriculture, 93; arithmetic, 92; civil government, 100; history, 100; language, 90; reading, 91; spelling, 92; writing, 93. Average, 95.4.

Thyra Beck—agriculture, 96; arithmetic, 100; civil government, 100; history, 100; language, 94; reading, 92; spelling, 94; writing, 93. Average, 95.8.

Mabel Brown—agriculture, 97; arithmetic, 96; civil government, 100; history, 100; language, 96; reading, 91; spelling, 93; writing, 93. Average, 96.5.

Donald Klages—agriculture, 96; arithmetic, 95; civil government, 100; history, 100; language, 93; reading, 93; spelling, 93; writing, 93. Average, 95.

Thelma Beck—agriculture, 95; arithmetic, 100; civil government, 100; history, 100; language, 97; reading, 96; spelling, 96; writing, 93. Average, 97.3.

Eldon Wilson—agriculture, 95; arithmetic, 92; civil government, 100; history, 98; language, 90; reading, 96; spelling, 96; writing, 91. Average, 94.4.

Edward Klages—agriculture, 94; arithmetic, 100; civil government, 100; history, 100; language, 98; reading, 93; spelling, 93; writing, 93. Average, 97.3.

Russell Mefford—agriculture, 94; arithmetic, 96; civil government, 100; history, 100; language, 92; reading, 92; spelling, 96; writing, 90. Average, 95.

Noel Klitz—agriculture, 93; arithmetic, 92; civil government, 100; history, 100; language, 95; reading, 92; spelling, 91; writing, 93. Average, 94.4.

ALFALFA WEEVIL PRESENT IN MORROW COUNTY

A reported infestation of alfalfa weevil at Boardman was investigated Monday by County Agent Morse and Mr. H. K. Dean, of the Hermiston Experiment Station. The worm hatched to be a weevil proved to be a green worm, much larger than a weevil. On close observation it was found to be eating aphids, which were present in the fields in large numbers. In no place was the worm eating alfalfa leaves at all. The nearest known infestation of alfalfa weevil in Oregon is in Baker county. The starting or repeating of rumors of infestation of dangerous pests or diseases is harmful, and might cause much needless damage to your community.

Sheep dip in a two per cent solution is a good disinfectant for the incubator before storing it away until next year. Thoroughly cleaning and disinfecting the inside of the machine, and washing up the trays is time well spent. Draining the water from the pipes prevents rusting.

Cabbage plants recently transplanted are likely to be injured by the attacks of green worms and aphids. A lead arsenate nicotine dust applied soon after transplanting is regarded by the experiment station as the best preparation for the control of these insects.

Let us print those butter wrappers.

THE CALL OF HOME
By Miles Cannon, Director of Farm Economics, U. S. Bureau of Reclamation.

The home builders of the present day, of course, do not have to undergo the hardships which the pioneer was unable to avoid. While we may at times feel poverty stricken, the fact still remains that it is not poverty so much as it is excessive wealth that retards progress. In other words, there seems to be an absence of necessity which to some extent impairs our energy and subdues the spirit of industry.

It is quite noticeable in these days of advanced civilization that there is an apparent disposition to engage in the pursuit of pleasure rather than labor; to repose in the lap of ease rather than to buck up against the problems of life. The same degree of frugality, industry and determination as that which distinguished the Pioneer Fathers in their efforts, notwithstanding the present unexcelled industrial condition, would achieve great wealth today.

Success in life in the attainment of a relative term and the question of what really is embraced in the expression as applied to the activities of man is an interesting one. To achieve that which one sets out to accomplish is in itself a success. To achieve a home independent of debt; to live a life free from dependence upon the mercy of an employer in a measure at least, success.

To be assured of a place of abode; to sit at a home table and observe a family of children growing up into manhood and womanhood; to strive to establish and maintain a reputation in the community; to become a factor in the affairs of state; likewise combine in a demonstration of success. Surely these features, as the fruit of one's toil, form an achievement worthy the ambition of any man. To accomplish these things is to possess that which no amount of money may purchase and the dividends available every day and hour surpass in value those of the most stupendous fortunes.

During its existence of 146 years, the people of this country have had to contend with many baffling problems, but so far as we are concerned, the most successful manner. Some of them at the expense of much blood and treasure, to be sure, but nevertheless they have been solved, and it is not to be assumed that the capacity for solving great problems has been buried in the subconscious of those who have gone before us.

The love of home, it may safely be assumed, still predominates. The opportunities of success still abound. The spirit of our people is still unsubdued. Agriculture is yet the support of civilization. Now, as always, commerce, transportation and national solidarity essentially are dependent upon the results of the farmer's efforts.

The call of the home clutches the heart as never before. The time is opportune for a forward movement. It is time to get from under a cloud of gloom and take courage in the dawn of a new day, for the hour is at hand. The government has advanced, to the present time, approximately one hundred and thirty-eight million dollars to stimulate and make practical home building throughout the great mountain regions of the West. Such a record is unparalleled in history. Opportunities abound and the spirit of the pioneer still survives.

FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE

Many rumors have been going around in the county regarding foot and mouth disease outbreaks in Eastern Oregon. To date, there is no foot and mouth disease in Oregon. County Agent Morse investigated a reported outbreak in this county, and found no indication of the disease. Everything possible is being done by the State Livestock Sanitary Board to protect Oregon against the dreaded disease. Much headway is being made in California and the latest reports from there indicate that it is under control. Inauthentic rumors have been causing much nervousness among the people of Eastern Oregon. If you wish to be of service in keeping the disease out of the state, don't start or repeat rumors. If it breaks out in Oregon, it will be in your daily papers. Do not employ laborers unless you know where they come from. California laborers should have a certificate from the State Veterinarian showing disinfection.

Report any cases of sore mouth or feet in cattle, sheep, or hogs to the county agent. He is co-operating with the State Veterinarian and has been placed in charge of precautionary measures taken by the County Court. There is no occasion at this time to become excited over the possibilities of this disease gaining a foothold in Oregon, but on every occasion be careful.

Broody hens will come back into production more quickly if well fed and handled humanely than if abused and roughly treated.

SAVING HEALTH, MONEY AND MORALS

Thousands of dollars were saved through the few hundred dollars invested in a health and recreation service on the Eola Ranch between Salem and Independence, during the September, 1923, hop harvest.

This unique experiment succeeded in holding more than a thousand workers on the job until the end of the harvest, in contrast to the experience in 1922, when the force dropped from 1,000 to less than 300 at the end of the first ten days. This continuous service of the large number of workers reduced the period of harvest from a month to twenty-two days, saved a perishable crop and cut the cost of harvesting by eliminating eight days overhead. One ranch in the neighborhood of Eola abandoned the picking of a large acreage because of its difficulty in holding workers.

The health service furnished at the welfare headquarters in each camp, first aid for oak and hop poisons, burns, cuts and bruises, and supplied calls on patients suffering from dysentery or other disorders incident to unripe fruit and hastily prepared food. Suggestion in the daily paper which was mimeographed on the ranch, induced campers to choose a wholesome combination. The grocery stores on the ranch received fresh supplies daily and milk was delivered from an accredited dairy.

Out of the seventeen injured during the harvest, only one man lost any time from work. Cases needing a physician or dentist were taken to the neighboring town in a car belonging to the welfare workers, or medical attendance was brought to them. Many of the cases of illness in other years which had broken the morale of the working staff were among the children who were either taken to the fields in the forenoon or left in camp to take care of themselves. Whatever they might find. Much of this trouble was prevented this year by the day nurseries which cared for the children too young to help their parents. For the tiny babes there were pallets of straw, and for the older children, simply playground apparatus, games and stories. The ranch provided free milk for these children each day. The food left for the children's lunch by their parents was given them by the attendants at the proper time.

The program of the evening recreation around the camp fire proved so attractive to the hundreds of workers who assembled night after night that one of the two dance halls built by the management did not justify the cost of an orchestra and was closed. The other dance hall was open only five nights a week.

A printed circular sent out weeks before the season opened, to the addresses of former employes, and to auto camps and other assembling places of migrant workers, had asked them to bring musical instruments and theatrical make-up and to be prepared to use any gifts they might possess for entertaining. Among those who came were musicians, story-tellers, dramatic readers, tumblers, dancers and a slack rope walker, and one family which had been on the vaudeville stage, and which coached the members of its own camp in a seven-act performance were frequently asked to repeat an act for another camp. Boxing, volleyball, horseshoes and other athletic events gave an outlet for surplus energy.

Conversation in the field dealt with the performance of the night before and plans for coming events. This crowded out the usual arguments with check bosses and scraps among the workers. The ranch management announces a similar program for 1924, with the addition of a school for the children.

POTATO BUGS

The Colorado Potato Beetle, or common potato bug, is starting its work on potato plants in this season of the year. The easiest time to control it is to get it early. The insect passes the winter in the soil as the adult striped beetle. They appear in the Spring just as the potatoes are coming up and feed on the tender leaves of the plants, and after a few days begin depositing eggs. The eggs are laid in masses under the surface of the leaves. The larvae are slug-like, deep reddish in color and feed upon the leaves of the plant. These bugs are easy to control and immediate steps should be taken by all farmers to eradicate them. Spray made by mixing four pounds of powdered calcium or lead arsenate to one hundred gallons of water, will kill them. Paris green, mixed at the rate of three pounds to one hundred gallons of water, will also control them, but is liable to damage or burn the plant. Another method is to mix one part of powdered calcium or lead arsenate by weight, to nine parts of air-slacked lime and apply as a dust. This can be done by putting the mixture in a sack and shaking it over the plant.