

### People Are Nice

One of the finest sights I have seen is the great stretch of family gardens on the bottom ground below Amy and Ernie's. Each plot explains concisely the habits of its gardeners. Some folks are a bit slow about getting started, while others start early and demand meticulous neatness. All the plots tell a story of industry and thrift. While I was admiring them I saw a giant of a man with white hair patiently plodding back and forth the length of a garden dragging a small float behind him to smooth the surface. For a moment I was appalled at the thought this man lent his body's strength to prepare a bed for the next rows of vegetables-to-come, while I drove a fine team and crossed and recrossed the great plots of plowed ground on the farm with specially adapted machinery. I had been thinking that driving a team hours on end was no snap, but as I watched those feet stepping slowly along, I was pleased with my own sense of strength. While others do things the hard way, I can stumble over the ground behind a team of horses, letting them do the work. When the soil is ready for the float, I can sit on the thing on a sack of feed and the whole family can ride with me to add as much weight as possible. When the earth is ready to receive the rows upon rows of seed, and when they

are planted, I view the work accomplished by the horses, mop my brow, and think of what a fine thing it is to be able to do things in a big way. No slaving with a shovel for me. Ahem. Who invented the blamed old harrow and float, anyway? They are enough to send you down the road talking to yourself.

Foolishness aside, there is something fine about a family garden. Oh yes, it offers much for the table, but have you ever thought of the other values it offers? Unhuh. I don't mean exercise. I mean the renewal of faith by the old, old story that is always new about the miracle of a tiny, dried up seed springing to life and growth when it is hidden in the moist warmth of the earth.

People's characters are like that. Take a hard, dried up character and tend it with loving kindness. The new life and warmth and growth will often amaze you. Of course, a few bad ones never respond to treatment, but the ones that do will more than repay your effort. Do try it. You know, anyone can be a skeptic, just as anyone can drift with a crowd. The extent of your ability to keep alert and pliable mentally is the measure of your moral strength and progressiveness.

I just saw a drunken old fellow bothering a little girl on the street, and I thought, "Now, there is a character that could stand some attention—I don't mean loving kindness, either." However, I found by watching a few moments that he was offering her a lovely bouquet of choice roses. It is like that almost every time. In some ways, even the worst are nice people. As ever, Pat.

#### Celebrated 29th Anniversary And Mrs. Kern's Birthday

Mrs. Clifford Kern and her daughters, Mrs. Fred Marinneau and Frances Ann Kern, left yesterday to spend a few days in Eugene, where she will visit another daughter, Mrs. Geo. Alder.

Mr. and Mrs. Kern observed their twenty-ninth wedding anniversary with a family dinner Sunday, June 10. Since Mrs. Kern married on her birthday, it was also a birthday dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Marinneau were here for the dinner.

#### Guests At The Home Of Mrs. Pearl Cardwell

Mrs. Pearl Cardwell and her daughter, Mrs. Ione Billings, enjoyed a three days' visit from their son and brother, Dan Cardwell, who arrived from his home in Portland Sunday. He came down to get his wife and son, Ricky, who had been visiting at the Cardwell home the past two weeks. Dan was a C.H.S. graduate with the class of 1940.

Also a guest at Mrs. Cardwell's home is her grandson, Milt, whose home is in Hillsboro. He is the son of Wm. G. Cardwell, who is a member of the Seabees and is at present in the Marianas Islands.

#### Beef, Veal, Lamb Must Be Graded By Government Official

According to a new regulation announced this week, all beef, veal and lamb going into cold storage lockers must be graded by a government grader, who will be at the local plant at regular intervals. All meat that is "cooled out" must also be graded. It is thought this regulation will help to control the black market by establishing definite grades which are to be sold at ceiling prices if they are sold. The charge will be about fifty cents per carcass and will be figured on a pro rata basis from information received by the plant owners from the central headquarters where the grader makes his report.

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### July 29th The Date Of Pioneer Picnic

An important business meeting of the Coos-Curry County Pioneer Historical Association, was called to order last Saturday at 1:00 o'clock by President A. H. Bender in the Coquille City Hall, with a full quorum present.

After the reading of the minutes by Mrs. Friez R. Chase, secretary, the meeting settled down to the real earnest work of appointing necessary committees, and while the meeting lingered until late in the afternoon, a great deal was accomplished. O. C. Sanford was present to report on the corporate papers, which are progressing nicely, and it seemed nice to all present to see the Association round out into a reality. Among the committees appointed were: Finance, L. H. Hazard, J. P. Beyers, J. Albert Matson; general committee for annual assembly, J. P. Beyers, Chas. Stauff; special committees for annual meeting; reception Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Nosler, W. H. Schroeder, Clyde Gage, Walter Laird, J. E. Norton, Chas. Stauff, J. D. Clinton, Z. C. Strang, Mrs. Mary Randleman, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Bender, all of which are to serve July 29, along with: grove—Hode Caughell, chrm.; K. P. Lawrence, P. W. Culver; Iris Elrod; hall—O. L. Wood, chm.; Geo. Burr, Frank Schram, program—Miss Inez Rover, chairman; Mrs. J. P. Beyers, Mrs. Chas. Stauff; registration—Mrs. D. Mason, Mrs. Fred True; publicity—R. M. Harrison; nominations—J. E. Norton, chairman, Chas. Stauff, J. D. Clinton; display of relics—Mrs. Mary Randleman, Mrs. Mary Gage, W. H. Schroeder.

The date of the Annual Picnic is set for July 29 this year and a large crowd is expected, which means that all hands are to get busy and make it a day of real pleasure, as well as something to be proud of in the years to come.

R. M. Harrison, Publicity Com.

#### Bride and Groom-to-Be Honored At Church Monday

The Church of Christ social hall was charmingly decorated with an abundance of flowers, a bridal bouquet and, gorgeous lace table cloths Monday night when a social evening was enjoyed honoring Mrs. Martha Mulkey and Bruce R. Purdy, who are to be married June 18. County School Superintendent Mulkey is also church school superintendent of the Church of Christ. The evening was spent in making books from magazine ads telling the future of the couple. The guests of honor were presented with a beautiful floor lamp.

#### Mrs. Mulkey Presented With Wedding Gift At Salem

County School Superintendent Martha Mulkey returned Saturday, June 9, from the annual conference of county superintendents at Salem. On June 4, she met with the Records and Forms committee and members of the Board of Education presented Mrs. Mulkey with a solid walnut coffee table and tray and a mural, in recognition of her forthcoming marriage. Mrs. Mulkey has made many friends in the twenty years she has attended these annual meetings.

#### Ray Taylor Married June 2 To Oakland Young Lady

Alfred Taylor of this city announces the marriage of his son, Ray Taylor, to Elsie Cramer of Oakland, Calif., down there on Saturday, June 2.

They have come north and expect to make their home here for the present. This is Mrs. Taylor's first visit to Oregon and she says, "I think I will like Coquille a lot and hope it likes me as well."

#### Dorothy Newton To Teach At Newberg This Fall

Dorothy Newton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Newton, graduated from Linfield College June 2, and went to Chehalis, Washington, to attend the wedding of a friend before coming home Saturday, June 9. Mrs. Newton plans to spend the summer with Mrs. Elden Brodie in Myrtle Point but will go to Newberg, Ore., this fall, where she will teach Home Ec. in the high school.

#### Mrs. Hawkins Presents Pupils In Piano Recital

Mrs. M. O. Hawkins presented Joanne Savage and Nancy Price in piano recital last Saturday afternoon at her home. They each played two groups of three numbers for the pleasure of their parents and friends. The compositions played were by Bach, Grieg, Rimsky, Horsakoff, Bizet, Koelling, Dvork and Gershwin. The girls were assisted by Marion Moore, flutist.

Calling cards, 50 for \$1.00.

### Mamie Rebekah Lodge Notes

Mamie Rebekah Lodge was opened in regular session Tuesday evening and a letter was read from Grand Lodge, to the effect that there are, and have been, many fictitious lodge rituals. No member is to be in possession of any of these documents, by order of this lodge.

Kathrine Homsayk, Mae Holbrook and Doris Smith will be admitted to the lodge by initiation. All of the new candidates will be initiated at the Bandon lodge county convention. All of our drill team is to be present in formal and instructions will be given later to all of those who are interested. "Installation" will be a private affair held on the first lodge night in July.

Iola Moore, Grace Stone and Eita McPherson have been elected as the next "feed committee." Four reels of movie film of world war two pictures will be shown Friday night at Odd Fellows and families and friends are invited.

Don Chase, son of Gena Chase, is home on furlough. He has been a German prisoner of war since January, 1945. Margaret Wolgamott Simson wishes to hear from anyone who cares to write.—Elsie Travis, Press Cor.

#### Royal Neighbors Initiate Three New Members

The Royal Neighbors lodge met last Wednesday evening with Mrs. Belle Belloni, oracle in charge. Three initiations were conducted: Mrs. Muriel Dee Ardath, Mrs. Elma Copeland and Mrs. Edith Gardiner. Officers of the organization wore watonias and blue lupins carrying out the society's colors.

There were several substitutes. Anne Montgomery filled the office of past oracle. Mrs. Bernice Stevens filled the office of Faith.

Twenty persons were served to refreshments at a table decorated with Cecile Brunner roses and forget-me-nots.

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#### Going To Southern California To Visit Old Coquille Friends

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Potter, Mrs. Rosie Goodpaster, Shirle Van Fleet and Carl Marney left for Santa Barbara, Calif., last Sunday. They will visit with John Potter, who is to be shipped overseas soon, and they also expect to visit former Coquille residents, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Berkel, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Wofford, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Church and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Duey. Mrs. Goodpaster and Shirle also intend to visit Mr. and Mrs. Jess Goodpaster and daughter, Alpha Jean, in Los Angeles before returning home. Shirle and Alpha Jean were schoolmates in the first grade and have not seen each other since that time.

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#### Seven and One-Half Pound Boy Born To The Arrells

A baby boy was born here on May 29, to the wife of a well-known Coquille young man, Lt. V. H. Arrell. The child weighed seven pounds, 7½ ounces. Both mother and babe are doing nicely.

Mrs. Arrell's mother, Mrs. C. W. Neely, daughter Charlene and son Bobby, are here from El Paso, Texas, and are visiting at the T. A. Henderson home.

#### Card of Thanks

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to our friends and neighbors for their cards, flowers and expressions of sympathy during our recent bereavement at the passing of our mother and wife.

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