

# Gateway to The Oregon Caves

# Illinois Valley News

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## Truck Crash Seriously Injures One

One CCC boy was in a serious condition today and 10 others were being held at the Grants Pass hospital to determine extent of injuries sustained in an early morning truck accident on Hayes hill Thursday.

A truck loaded with more than a score of CCC boys bound for Medford where they were to entrain en route to their homes in the south, crashed over the embankment when it failed to negotiate a curve near the top of the hill at approximately 5 o'clock this morning.

Fourteen of the youths were taken to the hospital for observation and four were released later in the day. Others of the score were bruised and shaken as a result of the accident.

The boys were being discharged from the Gasquet CCC camp after having served out their enlistments.

The truck was badly damaged and from its appearance it was fortunate that none of the occupants were killed outright.

Early investigation failed to determine the exact cause of the crash; the driver is said to have told hospital attaches that he fell asleep at the wheel; rumors indicated that speed may have been a factor while others contend that the steering apparatus had failed or that the truck had encountered a slippery condition of the road, found frequently at that hour in the morning.

Those who suffered minor injuries and were dismissed after receiving treatment included:

P. P. Kinkade, Shelbyville, Miss. Marion Norwood, Pittsburg, N. C. Oscar Williams, Augusta, Georgia. Lavelle Todd, Caster, Louisiana.

Three doctors were working frantically throughout the day to determine injuries sustained by the other 14 boys. Extra nurses had been called to duty. The lad whose injuries are probably fatal was Ivan Lee Pursell, York, Tenn., who was reported to have sustained a broken back.

Those being examined for injury today were: Ollie Richardson, Ruston, Georgia; J. T. Wood, Jr., Maysville, Georgia; J. F. Williamson, Oak Park, Georgia; Ellis Stevens, Benton, Miss.; John W. Howard, Decatur, Tenn.; I. T. Flanagan, Eros, La.; T. J. Biddle, Itta Bena, La.; James P. Morton, Santa Fe, Tenn.; Irwin Hawks, Clinton, La.; Ivan Lee Pursell, York, Tenn., (probably fatal); Ed. Mason, Picayune, La.

Mr. and Mrs. Blake Miller have been at their ranch on Canyon creek the past few days returning to Kerby Monday.

## COMING EVENTS

Friday, March 22—Daffodil Tea at the home of Mrs. Effie Smith, Caves highway.

Sunday, March 22—Easter program at Cave Junction Community Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Everyone welcome.

Saturday, March 23 — Regular meeting of Belt lodge. Due to sickness Past Masters night and degree work postponed.

March 24—Easter Sunday. Illinois Valley Juvenile Grange meets first and third Saturdays of each month at 2 p. m.

Wednesday, March 27—Townsend social nite at the home of W. T. Sherman. Everyone welcome to these meetings.

Regular Legion and Auxiliary meeting the first and third Wednesday of every month.

Auxiliary sewing days every second and fourth Wednesday. Pot luck dinner at noon. Everyone is welcome.

Illinois Valley Chamber of Commerce meeting, every Monday evening, 8 p. m. Noon luncheon second Tuesday of every month.

## Kerby News Notes of General Interest

### MARILDA FLOYD

A kind friend and neighbor will be sadly missed with the passing of Mrs. Frank Floyd at her Kerby home, Sunday, March 17. Although she stayed quietly at home the children and grown-ups always knew they were welcome at her door and learned much from her gentle manner and the stories of her early days as a dentist and student at dental college. Her interest in the progress and the best things for the community was expressed many times, although she was unable to go or attend the affairs she was interested in.

Yes, another kind friend and neighbor will be missed in Kerby.

Mrs. Martin Sachse left this week for Los Angeles where she will visit her mother, Mrs. Park, who has been in poor health this winter and other relatives. Mrs. Park visited in Kerby last summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mills and daughter Varetta and two cousins of Forest Grove, spent last week end with Miss Rhoda Mills at Maple Court. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mills are the parents of Miss Mills.

Miss Effie Sweet spent the week end visiting friends at Ashland.

The Easter vacation has meant a holiday for the college students. Mabel Wittrock is at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Wittrock for the week. She is a student at O. S. C. at Corvallis. Grace Thrasher is having a few days vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Thrasher in Kerby. Grace is at

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## Student Activities At Kerby High

By Eleanor Galeno

Last Friday the Home Economics girls served the Home Extension Unit's banquet. Fourteen girls served and each was equipped with a white organdy apron and headpiece. They served almost 100 and the banquet was pronounced a decided success.

Monday evening the orchestra played for the Kerby Rod & Gun club. All the members were not present, but it still was enjoyed by all.

Wednesday afternoon movies were shown by Messrs. McLean, Baumberger and Bowerman, in charge of the local ranger station. The pictures were on wild life, antelope, badger and fish. Along with the pictures Mr. Bowerman gave interesting comments. After the pictures he talked about the preservation of wild life in our valley. After Mr. Bowerman Mr. McLean spoke of the contest being staged by the local Rod & Gun club. It is to be an essay on the conservation of wild life in the Illinois Valley. The prizes are very beautiful stamps books on wild life and worth trying for. Mr. Bowerman and Mr. Athey are to be the judges. He also told us that wild life stamps and wild life stamp books are to be on sale Friday and this is wild life week.

Thursday afternoon the girls' volley ball team will play Rogue River at Rogue River. We all hope the girls return home victoriously.

## New Ruling Restricts Shipping of Calves

Calves under six-months old cannot be shipped into Bang's disease free-area counties in Oregon, except under certain conditions, announces Dr. W. H. Lytle, chief of the division of animal industry of the state department of agriculture. An order to this end went into effect March 18. Five counties, Clatsop, Lane, Curry, Yamhill and Washington, and Bang's free-areas now, and other counties are in line for this rating.



RICHARD SABIN (Cut Ctsy. Grants Pass Courier)

## Richard Sabin New Manager Oregon Caves

At a recent meeting of the board of directors Oregon Caves Resort company, Richard Sabin was chosen to be the new manager of the company at the Oregon Caves.

Mr. Sabin was associated with his uncle, the late George Sabin, and is well qualified to take over the position. He plans to carry on in the same efficient manner his uncle used to make the Oregon Caves one of the best known resorts in the west.

The meeting scheduled for this coming Sunday evening, when Canadian pictures were to have been shown has been cancelled. The Caves will open for the coming season early next month. Anyone desiring to see the Caves, may do so at any time, but the regular scheduled trips through the Caves will begin next month.

## Keith Puts Newest Type Refrigerator in Market

Keith Owens, owner of Keith's Meat Market, has just installed one of the very latest refrigerators in his market on the Holland road, which gives him the very latest think in conservation of meat.

The refrigerator is guaranteed to keep meat 60 hours and can handle 10 head of beef at one time. The machine was purchased and installed by the Rigby Refrigerator Service company in Grants Pass, and Mr. Rigby said it was the last word in refrigeration.

Keith is always on the lookout for improving his business, and the new machine was made necessary on account of the large expanding business of his market.

## WILD ATLANTIC, GREAT PORTS FORM FILM BACKGROUND

Moviegoers who have seen the wild North Atlantic lashed by a gale, who have felt a stout ship shudder as white water broke over the streamlined bow of a modern steamship can well realize how much courage it must have taken for men to attempt crossing the Atlantic in a ship scarcely more than a hundred feet long, powered with an unproven steam engine.

Yet men with salt in their blood had the courage to do so. They did it just a little more than a hundred years ago, winning the first triumph of steam over sail. And now Frank Lloyd, master maker of motion pictures, has immortalized their story in "Rulers of the Sea," epic story of the first crossing of the Atlantic by steam, which will be presented to local audiences for the first time on Saturday and Sunday at the Cave City Theatre, with Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., Margaret Lockwood and Will Fyffe, the great Scottish character actor, in the leading roles.

Because the story of the picture is set in at least four major locales in the period of 1836-1838, the ship building town of Green-

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## Legionnaires Entertain Spanish Vets

Last Wednesday night Glen Morrison Post No. 70, entertained members of the Spanish American War veterans. Through some mix up only three of the latter were at the meeting, J. E. Franklyn, Perley E. Lewis and Ted Athey.

The Legion members discussed the possibility of getting a physician for the Illinois Valley and decided that if one would not come out here any other way that a group of members be appointed to call on each family in the valley and get them to sign up to pay so much a month, thus guaranteeing a sure salary.

Of course the members realize the medical association would be against that as they do not like "socialized medicine," but it is being carried on successfully in several communities and even in large cities.

The plan would be for all members of the family to be treated by the physician for, say \$2.00 per month. With 100 families this would make a salary of \$200 per month, and it is believed that a physician could be secured for this amount.

Consensus of opinion was that a doctor must be secured as the nearest one is now 30 miles away and they charge \$1.00 a mile to make a call to the Illinois valley.

After the meeting the members adjourned to the Auxiliary room for refreshments and entertainment.

## Distinguished O.E.S. Officer Is Guest Here

Last Saturday evening Western Star Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star entertained at a 7 o'clock dinner, Mrs. Dora Stipe, Worthy Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Oregon, on the occasion of her official visit to the local chapter.

The tables in the dining room were beautifully decorated with giant blooms of daffodils and greenery, in the chapter room baskets of colorful Japanese quince.

Following an instructive and interesting talk on work of the chapter by Mrs. Stipe, a gift was presented to her from the local members, by Mrs. Maude Hogue.

Mrs. Stipe was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Martin on the Caves highway during her brief visit here.

## SPECIAL NOTICE

Past Masters' night at Belt lodge has been postponed indefinitely on account of sickness. However, there will be the regular monthly meeting of the lodge on Saturday, night, March 23. No degree work will be taken up at this meeting.

## ALMANAC



"Many go out for wool and come home shorn."

- MARCH
- 26—Japan resigned from League of Nations, 1935.
- 27—\$27,000,000 voted for navy shore bases, 1935.
- 28—Senate passed government reorganization bill, 1938.
- 29—U. S. and Villa fought minor skirmish, 1916.
- 30—American clipper completed San Francisco-New Zealand flight, 1937.
- 31—U. S. Treasury building burned, 1933.
- APRIL
- 1—All Fools Day.

## COPCO Pays Large Sum in County Tax

In 1940 Oregon State and County Taxes amounting to \$387,205.63 have just been paid by the California-Oregon Power Company, according to an announcement made by Hance H. Cleland, president of the company. This sum takes into consideration the 3 per cent discount for prompt payment amounting to \$11,946.51. Of the entire total, \$39,644,334 went to Josephine county. This shows an increase of 6.72 per cent over the amount paid in 1939.

Copco's construction program for 1940 has budgeted expenditures of \$1,014,000.00 and is now well under way and of this sum, \$150,000 will be expended in this county, resulting in an improved facilities for serving the company's customers in this area.

## Extension Group Hosts At Banquet

Members of the Illinois Valley Extension Unit sponsored a banquet at the Grange Hall, Bridgeview, on the evening of Friday, March 15, with approximately 88 in attendance, besides the high school girls who served.

The husbands were guests of special guests as follows: Mrs. Azalea Sager, State Home Demonstration Leader; Mrs. J. R. Keith, chairman of the County Committee; Mrs. J. A. Manful, Mrs. Guy Carns; Mrs. Harry O. Smith; County Committee members. Also Miss Nola A. Welch, Home Demonstration Agent.

The evening opened with the singing of the Extension song, and a very delicious dinner served by members of the Kerby high school Home Economics class under the supervision of Mrs. Thelma Wilson, their teacher.

Mr. Ted Athey, master of ceremonies, presented the different numbers on the program. Mrs. William Armstrong, chairman of the unit, introduced all of her committee chairmen and others who had assisted with the banquet. Howard Anderson, Kerby high school student, gave two accordion numbers which were thoroughly enjoyed by all present. Miss Nola Welch introduced her County Committee members and gave a brief history of Home Demonstration work in Josephine County. Mrs. Azalea Sager, who is in charge of demonstration work in the state, then gave a very interesting talk about the place of the home as a unit in democratic society.

The banquet was closed with singing and the group stayed for a half hour of informal visiting.

## Farmers Sign Up For Conservation Plan

An agricultural conservation farm plan and estimate sheet sign-up day was held in Cave Junction Wednesday. Assistant County Agent Chet Otis was at the chamber of commerce building from 9 a. m. until 6 p. m. to help the farmers with their papers.

"While there will be no more sign-up days for the Illinois Valley district, anyone who wishes to receive a conservation payment for 1940, and who hasn't yet signed his farm plan and estimate sheet, may go to the county agent's office in the court house at Grants Pass, and sign there," said Mr. Otis.

"However," he further stated, "the deadline is drawing near and these sign-ups should be taken care of as soon as possible."

## NOTICE

Josephine County Tax Payers League will meet at the Chamber of Commerce in Cave Junction on Tuesday, March 26, at 8:00 p. m. All members and district representatives from O'Brien, Selma, Kerby and Holland are urged to be present at this meeting. County officers will be present.

## Many Enjoy Rod and Gun Box Social

It is getting to be a habit of the Kerby Rod & Gun club to take the cake for holding interesting meetings that the public and members enjoy. Last Monday evening, in the I. O. F. hall, Kerby, the club held a big meeting which was supposed to be an old fashioned box social with other interesting features, but most of the good ladies forgot to bring a box, so there were only six boxes, one box was "snatched" from an automobile before the owners had a chance to get it inside.

But the six boxes were auctioned off and Mrs. Ralph Baumberger's basket brought \$2.50, and other over \$2.00 and none of them went under \$1.50. Fred Linkhart was the auctioneer and had no mercy on anyone, he just let 'em go and the sky was the limit.

Beginning the evening there was a short business session held where considerable discussion was engaged on screens for irrigation ditches. After the business session, tables were arranged and games were played until nearly midnight. The club had prepared plenty to eat, even if there were not enough boxes to go around.

During the evening some of the high school students entertained with some extra fine music which was greatly enjoyed. Ralph Baumberger showed some moving pictures of wild life which the state commission loan the club for the evening. The pictures were entertaining as well as educational.

The club is giving a card party Friday evening, March 29th in the I. O. F. hall at Kerby, and all are cordially invited to attend.

## Community Church Program Easter Sunday

The Easter program of the Cave Junction Community Sunday school will be presented at 9:45 a. m.

There will be a floral procession by the girls depicting "Easter Then and Now." Then will follow a play entitled "The Heart of the Cross" by other members of the Sunday school. Immediately following the program the pastor, Rev. Geo. Gray, will deliver the Easter message. We welcome you to attend these services.

## WHAT THE LEGION AUXILIARY IS DOING

Sandwiches, cake and coffee were served to the Legionnaires and their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis, James Franklin and Ted Athey, who are Spanish American War veterans. The delegation from Grants Pass was unable to be present.

After refreshments were served, Nat Woolley was accused of wilful destruction of a deck of pinocle cards belonging to Pearl Martindale. Jim Franklin acted as prosecuting attorney and Elwood Hussey as defense attorney. Ted Athey as judge was a stickler for order and caused some worry to the Auxiliary for the safety of their gavel; however, it was returned to them intact. After the hearing of much testimony, the jury stated they could not come to an agreement, since some witnesses insisted that the defendant was teaching a class in Sunday school at the time this act of destruction was supposed to have taken place. The prisoner insisted the cards in question were an old deck which he had, himself, purchased at a second hand store for the sum of 2 1/2 cents. This did not change the judge's opinion, however, and he was sentenced to buy the plaintiff a new deck of cards.

An Easter egg hunt will be given by the American Legion Auxiliary for children of members at their meeting room on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Mothers are asked to come and enjoy a good visit while the children hunt for eggs. Bring cooked and colored eggs.