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Mrs. D. F. Dean, of Shedd, spent Sunday in Halsey.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Davidson motored to Salem Saturday.

Mrs. L. V. Chance spent several days with relatives in Albany this week.

Homer Mornhinweg was a passenger for Eugene Saturday where he has enlisted in the ambulance corps.

Mrs. Clara Cross and sons left here Sunday for her homestead near Ashwood. The boys will return this fall in time for school. Mrs. Cross remaining for several weeks longer.

Mr. D. H. Talmadge, a well known newspaper man of Salem, and a friend of the editor, arrived here Monday and will spend the summer in Halsey, assisting The Enterprise.

Fred Robins and family motored to Lebanon Sunday and ate birthday dinner with Mr. Robin's father. They were accompanied by D. H. Sturtevant and family, the latter spending the day at the D. F. Sturtevant and Dr. J. C. Booth homes.

The Misses Leah Perkins, Stella Haan, Ruth Clark, Minnie Morrill and Clara Luther, who have spent the past year teaching in the Halsey school, departed for their respective homes Saturday and Sunday. Miss Perkins and Miss Morrill will return at the opening of school in the fall, but the three other teachers have accepted positions in other towns.

Miss Mildred Dryden, of Oregon City, arrived in Halsey Sunday and will spend the summer with her grandmother, Mrs. D. F. Dean, at Shedd, and her aunt, Mrs. C. P. Stafford, in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Penland and H. C. Davis motored to eastern Oregon last week to visit friends. Mr. Davis returned by train this morning.

Mr. Clay S. Taylor and Mr. Baker came over from Corvallis Monday and set up two tents on his farm east of Halsey. They are going to build a new barn, the old one having been burned some time ago. Mrs. Taylor and children accompany them.

RED CROSS MASS MEETING

At M. E. Church Friday Evening--Speakers from Albany

During the remaining days of this week the largest and most efficient organization ever formed in Linn county is to come into existence for the purpose of collecting the \$15,000 Red Cross war fund allotted to Linn county by the state organization.

Every population center in the county has an organization and a portion of the fund to raise. A committee has been named for each of the 53 voting precincts of the county. The committee on apportionment has not yet divided the \$15,000 and designated just how much each community is to raise.

But the work must be pushed as rapidly as possible. Meetings were held last night in several towns of the county for organization.

The Halsey meeting will be held at the M. E. church Friday night at 8 o'clock, and it is urged that everybody be present. The following Albany people will address the meeting: P. A. Young, Mrs. Young, Rev. and Mrs. Young, H. B. Cusick, Mrs. Cusick, Dr. F. E. Beauchamp.

Get your butter wrappers at the Enterprise office.

Mrs. Ida M. Cummings, county school superintendent, was present at the graduation exercises of the Halsey High School.

We have good farms at \$50 per acre; better call on us and make arrangements to get a piece of land. W. J. Moore & Son, Brownsville, Ore.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Warmoth, Mr. Ray Dean and family and Mr. and Mrs. James Drinkard spent Sunday fishing on the Calapooia.

Ferris Ward, who recently returned from California where he was employed by the Howard Motor Car Co., of Los Angeles, has accepted a position with the Albany Garage at Albany and departed for that city Tuesday.

To the Public

"I have been using Chamberlain's Tablets for indigestion for the past six months, and it affords me pleasure to say I have never used a remedy that did me so much good."—Mrs. C. E. Riley, Illion, N. Y. Chamberlain's Tablets are obtainable everywhere.

HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT

An enthusiastic and appreciative audience greeted the High School graduates on Friday evening at the M. E. Church where their exercises were given. Through the efforts of the juniors, assisted by other members of the High School, the setting was made a thing of beauty. A large American flag formed the center of the background with masses of Scotch broom at either side. The American beauty rose—the class flower—was also much in evidence.

The program was a varied one and especially interesting as each number was prepared by the graduates—the solo and poem being original as were the other numbers.

At the close of the exercises the young people received many beautiful flowers.

Clover hay for sale by W. L. Wells. \$6 per ton.

Black three-year old colt for sale. Worked through the spring work. W. A. Cummings, Potter

Hugh Cummings shipped a carload of sheep from Halsey to the Portland markets Tuesday, and McMahon & Frum and Patton & Falk followed with two cars each of sheep, cattle and hogs on Wednesday.

At the last meeting of the City Council, new cross walks were ordered built between the Halsey Confectionery and the Halsey Garage and the Blacksmith Shop and Sturtevant's Store. This is a much needed improvement as the old walks were in a deplorable condition.

Miss Laurel Inman, a teacher in the High School here two years ago, who has been teaching in Arizona since leaving here was a visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kirk on Tuesday, leaving later for Portland.

Wool brought a sensational price Monday when a pool composed of growers of Brownsville, Lebanon and Shedd, who are members of the Grange and Farmers Union, sold their clip, comprising nearly 3000 fleeces, at 63 1-2 cents, the Union Meat Co., of Portland, being the purchaser.

H. W. Chance & Son have this week traded their livery stables in this city to Herman Seifert, a merchant at Sodaville, for a 91 acre ranch 3 miles south east of Halsey, valued at \$7000. Mr. Seifert has arranged for an auction sale at the livery barn on Friday, June 29, to dispose of the horses, vehicles, etc. The barn will be for rent.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bond of Moscow, Idaho, arrived in Halsey this afternoon to spend the summer with her grandmother, Mrs. M. J. Quick, and her father, H. C. Davis.

R. L. Winniford's beautiful farm home was sold this week to D. Townes, of Stayton, who will take possession this week. The sale of this 80-acre farm was made through W. J. Moore & Son, of Brownsville. Mr. and Mrs. Winniford have not decided where they will locate.

Another farm sale of importance this week was made by W. J. Moore & Son, of Brownsville, when the Mills & Wood farm of 462 acres, northwest of Brownsville, was sold to Portland men for \$52,000. This is one of the most improved ranches in Linn county.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McCullough and daughter, of Albany, motored to Halsey this afternoon.

Three good homes for sale; \$100 cash, balance \$10 a month. No interest. Mrs. Ida M. Cummings.

FIRE

Works, Firecrackers, Flags and all kinds of Fourth of July goods at Dean's.

BRITISH EXPERT LAUDS RAILROADS OF UNITED STATES

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NO GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP

It Would Mean Political Control and Loss of Efficiency—Declares That Crisis Confronts Country on Account of Transportation Situation—Lowest Freight Rates to Be Found in United States.

Washington, D. C.—That the United States is face to face with a serious crisis in its commercial affairs, due to the conditions by which its transportation system is confronted, was the opinion expressed by W. M. Acworth, England's leading authority on railways, before the Newlands joint committee on interstate commerce at a special session held here to enable the committee to hear his views before his departure for London. Two steps are necessary, according to Mr. Acworth, to avert this crisis and to solve the threatening railroad problem confronting the country.

The first is to allow the railroads to charge freight rates sufficient to meet the great advance in operating expenses which is taking place and to enable them to command the credit necessary to provide the extensions and improvements needed to meet the growing demands of business. The second is to do away with the multiple and conflicting systems of regulation that now hamper railway operation and to provide one centralized regulatory agency with such local subdivisions as may be necessary.

Higher Rates a Public Necessity. Mr. Acworth's views on the transportation situation in the United States were expressed in answer to questions by members of the committee, who asked him to apply his knowledge of railway conditions throughout the world and of the experience of other countries with government ownership to the present problem before the United States.

"The fundamental factor in the situation is very simple," said Mr. Acworth. "It lies in the fact that you cannot get three-quarters of a cent's worth of work done for less than three-quarters of a cent, no matter whether the agency performing it is a government or private enterprise. Freight rates must advance when the cost of performing the service advances as it is doing at present, just as the price of bread or meat or any other commodity increases with increased cost of production."

In answer to a question Mr. Acworth said that he thought American freight rates had been at much too low a level for several years past, that they had reached this low point during the period of cutthroat competition among the roads and had since been held there by regulating bodies. Unless relief were afforded to the carriers very promptly, he said, the result would be a tremendous loss to the people of the whole country through insufficiency of transportation facilities.

Weakness of Government Ownership. On the subject of government ownership of railways Mr. Acworth said:

"It is impossible to obtain satisfactory results on government railways in a democratic state unless the management is cut loose from direct political control. Neither Australia nor any other country with a democratic constitution—perhaps an exception ought to be made of Switzerland—has succeeded in maintaining a permanent severance. In France, in Belgium, in Italy, parliamentary interference never has been abandoned for a moment. The facts show that government interference has meant running the railways not for the benefit of the people at large, but to satisfy local and sectional and even personal interests."

Prussia, Mr. Acworth said, was the best example of an efficient government railway system, and he pointed out that military considerations were treated as of paramount importance in the Prussian railway system. While American freight rates had been reduced nearly 40 per cent in thirty years, rates in Prussia were nearly as high as at the beginning of the period. While the charge for moving a ton of freight one mile in the United States was a trifle over three-quarters of a cent, the rate in Prussia was 1.41 cents.

As illustrating the difference in rates between government and private roads Mr. Acworth compared the railways of New South Wales, Australia, with those of Texas. While the amount of traffic to each mile of line was about the same in both cases, he pointed out, the Texas railways performed for the public four times as much service as the government owned roads of New South Wales. The charge in Texas for hauling a ton of freight one mile was less than 1 cent, while in the Australian state it was well over 2 cents.

"American railways lead the world," said Mr. Acworth. "Nowadays when men in any other part of the world want to know how to run a railway they come to the United States and study your railways here. The American railways are entirely the result of private enterprise, and I think they go a long way toward proving the case against government ownership."

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NOTICE

By order of the Common Council of the City of Halsey, notice is hereby given that pursuant to a petition to them presented by citizens and taxpayers of the City of Halsey praying for the improvement, consisting of grading and graveling of East "G" Street, from the intersection of East "G" Street and East "2nd" Street to the eastern limits of said City, that the Common Council of the City of Halsey has, and hereby does, grant the petitioners' request, and has and hereby does order the improvement, consisting of grading and graveling of East "G" Street from the intersection of East "G" Street and East "2nd" Street to the eastern limits of said city.

By order of the Common Council of the City of Halsey.
C. P. Stafford,
Recorder of the City of Halsey.
Dated this 14th day of June, 1917.

M. E. Church Notes

"Now hath Christ been raised from the dead, the first fruits of them that are asleep."—1 Cor. 15-20.

The Philathea class held their regular business meeting on Tuesday evening with Mona Bond. A profitable evening and a good time.

The Baracas held their meeting with Homer Mornhinweg. Thirteen were present and all had a pleasant time.

Thursday evening the efficiency campaign launched by the last general conference was thoroughly explained by the pastors from Turner, Jefferson and Shedd. A good meeting was the result and we hope to gain much in the workings of the new movement.

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