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Mrs Letha Stalnaker of Corvallis, is visiting her parents, Mr and Mrs T P Patton.

C E Gulliford left last week for two months on his farm at Suntext in eastern Oregon.

W J Ribelin left last week for Prineville to visit his son. He returned Wednesday.

Mrs Clara Cross and her sons Kenneth and George left last Saturday for Hillsboro.

Mrs Nerna James of Grass Valley, visited with her uncle and aunt, John and Mary La Rue last Sunday.

Mrs Quick still continues quite poorly. She had to have one of her ears lanced one day this week.

Quincy Drinkard from Washington, is here to attend the Pioneer picnic and to visit relatives.

F M Maxwell and family from Coburg, visited Friday and Saturday with the J M Porter and Karl C Bramwell families.

Bert Clark has installed a new soda fountain with marble top counter. In the fixtures there are receptacles for ten kinds of syrups, two cans of ice cream, and one place to keep milk and other things that need to be kept cool. There are also four jars for crushed nuts, and Sundae material, and two sinks for washing glasses and ice cream dishes etc. It is a very up-to-date arrangement for a small town like this.

Shedd Items.

E W Shedd was an Albany caller last Thursday.

Rev Stanley Van Winkle o Seattle, preached the baccalaureate sermon to the High School students last Sunday night.

Mr Tate, our barber, spent Tuesday evening in Halsey.

Ed Zimmerman was a Halsey caller Wednesday.

C H Davidson and wife attended the McCullough-Dawson wedding in Albany Tuesday.

The Harmonica Mystery.

Oakes laughed tolerantly. "Oh, that was all moonshine. I never really believed that truck. I put it in to fill up. I hadn't begun to think about the case then—not really think."

"No?"

"No. I was just looking around it—giving it the once over."

"And having given it the once over—"

"Why, I took my coat off and waded in."

"You weren't long about it."

Mr. Snyder extended his cigar-caso. "Light up and tell me all about it."

"Well, I won't say I haven't earned this," said Oakes, puffing smoke.

"Shall I begin at the beginning?"

"Sure. But tell me first, who was it that did it? Was it one of the boarders?"

"No."

"Somebody from outside, then?"

Oakes smiled quietly.

"Yes, you might call it somebody from outside. But I had better trace my reasoning from the start."

"That's right. It spoils a story knowing the finish. Go to it."

Oakes let the ash of his cigar fall delicately to the floor, another action which seemed significant to his employer. As a rule, his assistants, unless particularly pleased with themselves, used the ash-tray.

"My first act on arriving," he said, "was to have a talk with Mrs. Pickett. A very dull old woman."

"Curious. She struck me as rather intelligent."

"Not on your life. She doesn't know beans from buttermilk. She gave me no assistance whatsoever."

"I then examined the room where the death had taken place. It was much as you had described it. Locked door. Window high up. No chimney. I'm bound to say that, at first sight, it looked fairly unpromising."

"Then I had a chat with some of the other boarders. They had nothing to tell me that was of the least use. Most of them simply gibbered."

"I then gave up trying to get help from outside, and resolved to rely on my own intelligence."

He smiled complacently. "It is a theory of mine, Mr. Snyder, which I have found valuable, that in nine cases out of ten, remarkable things don't happen."

(To be continued.)

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Fourth of July Preliminaries.

At a meeting Wednesday evening it was decided that Halsey should celebrate the Fourth of July on Monday, July 5th at the Suddell grove. Everybody is invited to come and bring their friends and plenty of good things to eat.

Committees were appointed to look after the various arrangements as follows:

Finance; Chris Falk, Frank Kirk, Frank Hadley, C C Jackson, Jas Drinkard, and J Moore.

Entertainment; Mrs Frank Porter, Mrs T I Marks, Mrs Geo Hayes, Mrs Edith Robnett, Elbert Isom, Frank Isom and W C Sherling.

Sport; George Hayes, Charles Mornhinweg, Roll Templeton, Will Kirk, J F Salash, Jas Drinkard and Dr Garnjobst.

Bert Clark was appointed as chairman of the Goddess of Liberty contest committee and was authorized to appoint his own helpers.

Red Pearl was appointed as chairman of the grounds committee.

The next meeting will be Monday night and all who are interested, and especially those appointed on committees should make it a point to be present.

Halsey Items.

D S McWilliams and family went to Albany Tuesday to attend the wedding of Miss Aletha McCullough and Mr Wayne Dawson. The bride is well known to the Halsey people.

The farmers are busy now with their crops.

Quite a few of the Halsey people attended the Pioneer Picnic.

The moving picture show has been discontinued until after the busy season is over.

Mrs K N Mitchell of Trinidad Colo is spending a few days at the Collins farm north of Halsey.

Nine cars left Halsey on last Sunday conveying about fifty people to Brownsville to witness the baptismal service conducted by C H Phillips and Evangelist Stivers. Nine candidates were immersed in the river there.

On Monday, June 21, at 2:00 p m, will be held the annual school election for the purpose of electing one school director, and to vote on a special tax for raising the requisite funds for the school year. Amount estimated as needed to be raised by special tax is \$4,640.30.

Most every body has noticed a bright sunny smile on Ess Bass' face lately and some are wondering why. So now let us tell you the reason and that is this. The stork visited their home last Thursday June 10 and left them a fine baby boy which weighed about 8 1-2 pounds. Both the mother and baby are getting along very nicely. Now can any one wonder why he has a smile on his face?

W E Garrett and wife of Grass Valley, visited last week with John and Mary La Rue. Mrs Garrett is their sister.