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The community house idea just keeps moving and those loyal citizens who are giving their time for its advancement should be met with a smile and presented with a nice big check. Remember that for every dollar you give toward this worthy cause you enhance the value of your property and the desirability of Halsey as a community center and trading place.

Hal Hoss, one of the best known newspaper men in the state, has announced his candidacy for secretary of state. Mr. Hoss is one whose qualifications need no post graduate course and the Enterprise honestly believes the voters of the state could do no better than to support him at the coming primary election.

There is a deeply underlying issue involved in the selection of a president for the next four years. The country leans toward the man who is at least in close touch with the people of the rural districts of the land, a man who has kept himself free of politics and has no favors to bestow.

Long Beach has an exposition planned for this summer the dates having been set for July 27 to August 13. The tourist after sweltering down there for 15 days can drive up here and enjoy a month of comfort for about what it would cost for two days sweltering.

Forestry Week comes in April, about the time some of our presidential timber will be sadly in need of conservation measures.

Asked in court whether she was married or not, Miss Ada Calvert of St. Louis said: "No, but I am only 48 and still have hopes."

By judiciously choosing where to dig fish bait one may get a fair start toward the spring garden at the same time.

Better Farm Homes

Among the states in which the degree of Master Farmer was conferred last year, Oklahoma made a good showing with 18 outstanding farmers so honored. Naturally they were selected from those who not only had made farming profitable but had also given attention to means for improving conditions of farm life.

It was found that without exception these 18 men had given thought to their homes, as well as to the efficiency of their farming operations. In each case the farm home was equipped with a lighting system, running water, sanitary facilities and labor-saving equipment to lighten the burden of the housewife.

The extension of electricity to the farm is going forward rapidly in many states, and is enabling women of rural communities to enjoy most of the conveniences formerly confined to town and city. Any scheme for the betterment of country life is incomplete which does not seek to reduce the drudgery of the farm women and add to the comfort and attractiveness of the farm home.

Boys and Girls

Frank Tyree, aged 13, is an honorary colonel on the military staff of Governor Sampson of Kentucky. James Belden, a young lad of Newcastle, England, organized a crew of life-savers and rescued 22 sailors from a trawler wrecked on the coast.

Melba Sparks, 15-year old 4-H club girl of Carrollton, Ga., won first prize for the southeastern states in a recent essay contest, taking as her subject "The Marketing of Cotton in My Community."

SCHOOL NOTES

Edited By Wilma Wahl

(Held over from last week's issue)

At the regular student body meeting held Wednesday it was decided to give an "April Frolic" on April 6. The purpose of this is to raise money to pay the bills resulting from student athletic activities during the winter.

The student body has ordered samples of two plays, "The Road to the City," and "Aaron Boggs, Freshman" a three-act comedy. One of these will be selected and presented by the high school before the end of the term.

Bessie Reynolds and Francis Leeper gave very interesting talks on their trip to the educational exposition at Corvallis.

Margaret Smith has been absent from school this week. She is ill with appendicitis.

The boys' and girls' basketball teams went to Shedd Friday night and played their last games of the season. Both teams were defeated, the boys 21-14 and the girls 21-0.

The boys of the high school have been practicing baseball for some time. The girls expect to start practicing soon.

All grades are now averaged up for the first semester. The honor roll has been posted in the hall as follows: "A" average students: Nora Coldiron, Esther Seefeld; "B" average students: Ellsworth Gardner, Hope Hussey, Beverly Isom, Bessie Reynolds, Gertrude Robins, Mary Smith.

Bluford Moss is back in school again. He will be compelled to use crutches for some time.

The annual report has just been made and to the State Superintendent of Schools and Halsey ranks well in standardization.

The students of the Halsey high school have shown great interest in music. Of the 41 students enrolled nine are taking music as a part of their school course.

The French class, under the direction of Miss Nelson, have started making exhibits which will be shown on Achievement Day. The French II class is making French

primers, the I class French alphabets.

The grades for the first six weeks of the second semester have been posted. The honor roll is as follows:

"A" average students, Esther Seefeld, Nora Coldiron.

"B" average students, Ernestine Coleman, Herman Koontz, Bessie Reynolds, Gertrude Robins, Wanda Veatch, Beverly Isom.

The pupils of Mrs. Coleman's room presented the following program Wednesday:

Song—"Wearing of the Green" Assembly.

Reading—"What I Have Learned" Kenneth Workinger.

Piano Solo—Frederick Robins.

Reading—"Jonah and the Whale" Eloise Smith.

Vocal Duet—Linden Bramwell and Fern Rossman.

Dialogue—"The Tea Party" Vivian Frum, Fern Rossman, Billie Kirk, Reine Alford, Frederick Robins and Harry Chance.

Piano Solo—Reine Alford.

Reading—"The Diskivity of America" Leila Gansle.

Dance—Fern Rossman and Linden Bramwell.

Prentice Isom injured his foot last week and is now going on crutches.

Esther Seefeld,
Assistant Reporter.

Information On University Life

Students in the Halsey high school, and in schools all over the state of Oregon, will be given first hand information on university life by members of the Greater Oregon committee of the University of Oregon during the coming spring vacation, March 18-24. Final appointments to committees in 12 districts of Oregon was made by Ronald Hubbs, Silverton, chairman of the group, at a recent meeting. In many cities programs and exhibitions will be staged for the students while full information on what the university has to offer will be made available.

High school principals throughout the state have shown a willingness to cooperate in the work and are arranging dates and details for student speakers and programs. Wayne Veatch is a member of the committee working in the 9th district, which is composed of Linn, Lane and Benton counties.

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GARDENS

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK
Dean of Men, University of Illinois.

I HAD never seen Mrs. Dixon's garden until last spring. We had met her up in Wisconsin where Nancy and I were spending the summer, and had found a community of interest in discussing the subject of gardens. She knew a lot about flowers, and apparently found a source of the keenest enjoyment in their cultivation. Mrs. Dixon herself was a very talkative little woman and rather a showy one. Her talk was fluent rather than well organized. She rushed from one subject to another without announcement or reason, and yet she always made a good effect. Her reading had been wide but a little shallow, but she could always make a showing of what she knew. Her dress always carried a flash of color. Even when she wore black she would have a scarlet flower at her waistline or her shoulder, or a bright-colored scarf thrown over her shoulders, or an ornament glittering in her hair. She always stood out in a crowd.

When I saw her garden I recognized at once how very much she and it were alike. It covered a wide expanse with opportunity for great variety of planting, and everywhere there was color. There had been great masses of daffodils and crocuses in the earlier spring, but now that these were gone, poppies ran riot, purple verbenas flashed their color in your face, wide borders of petunias and giant zinnias were blooming luxuriantly. But there was no order, no plan apparent; things were growing as Mrs. Dixon talked—without regard for order or coherence. The garden was like the woman who created it, as children are like their parents. I

should have been sure it was hers if I had been taken to it blindfolded, and the blind taken off without my knowing where I was.

Rowe's hobby is his garden, and Rowe is a bachelor who wears spats and carries a cane and gloves, and sees the world through eyeglasses which are attached to a wide ribbon that hangs over his ears. There is nothing out of order in Rowe's garden. Everything is in its place. There is no crowding, no clashing of colors, no mixture of flowers which do not get on well together. No weed would dare to find its way into Rowe's garden, and even a human being uninvited would feel out of place and embarrassed lest he disturb the meticulous orderliness of the place. A plucked flower might disarrange the plan. It is a beautiful garden, but not a friendly, comfortable one like Mrs. Dixon's.

Mrs. Sweet's ancestors, so she alleges, came over on the Mayflower with that horde of adventurers of whom we read so much in our school histories. She belongs to the Daughters of the American Revolution and she traces her ancestry back almost to Adam. She, too, has a garden. Nothing mongrel comes into it. She examines carefully the ancestry of every seed or plant before it finds a place in her garden. Blood and breeding are of great moment with her, and she will have none of it, if a flower cannot present an acceptable genealogy.

All of which suggests that gardens take on the character of those who till them.

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