

**HILTS NEWS**

● A son weighing 8½ pounds was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Block Thursday at the Ashland hospital. His name is Robert Stanley. Mrs. Block's aunt, Mrs. W. A. Schwartz, of Portland, is caring for her daughter Shirley during her absence.

● Mrs. Charles Parker of Eatonville is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Ornan Lee.

● Iver Andersen is visiting his brother at Scotia.

● Mrs. L. D. Clark and daughters, Mrs. W. Tallis and Doris, and Mrs. Fred Bayliss returned Monday from Olympia, Wash., where they attended funeral services for Mr. Clark, who died here Tuesday of last week.

● Ernest Dutro, Donald Gero and Billy Bayliss returned home Sunday from a week at the Scout camp at Lake o' the Woods.

● Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kennedy are on a vacation trip down the coast to Santa Cruz. Howard Mayberry of Ashland is taking Mr. Kennedy's place during his absence.

● Mr. and Mrs. Del Black and son left Sunday for a month's trip east to visit relatives.

● Mrs. Ornan Lee entertained last Wednesday afternoon with a surprise birthday party for Mr. Lee's mother, Mrs. J. L. Cruse. Those present were Mesdames Joe Veiera, C. A. Cobb, Buster Cavin, M. M. Seif, Arthur Pedersen, Ted Quamme, Ed Wells and Charles Parker. Delicious refreshments were served. Mrs. Cruse received many lovely gifts.

● Mr. and Mrs. Don Ward drove to Medford Saturday.

● A large crowd attended the charivari of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bray at the State Line service station Saturday evening.

● Mrs. Grace Deter of Medford

and Oren Deter of Butte Falls were dinner guests at the C. A. Baumgartner home Sunday.

● Miss Desty Kleinegar of Klamath Falls visited in Hilt Sunday.

● Mrs. Elaine Capp of Oakland is visiting her daughter, Mrs. James Sawyer.

● Mr. and Mrs. B. Rossi and daughter Josephine of McCloud spent the week-end at the home of his brother, Louis Rossi and family.

● Del Bagley left Thursday evening for Sacramento to take a position in a store there.

**Prophets**

● According to ancient English legend, rain on St. Smith in's Day, July 15, means rain for 40 days. The folk lore of every country imbues animals, fowl and insects with the gift of foretelling rain. Here are a few of the more popular superstitions:



By EARL SNELL  
Secretary of State

Since the time Dr. Marcus Whitman drove the first horse-drawn vehicle across the plains and mountains to the Oregon country, the horse has played an important role in the development of Oregon, but the passing of the equestrian era is no more clearly shown than in traffic accident reports, Earl Snell, secretary of state, said today.

There have been but three fatalities from accidents involving horse-drawn vehicles in this state during the present decade. The last such accident occurred in Lane county in November, 1937, when a car crashed into the rear of a wagon, throwing the driver to the pavement. A year before that, in November, 1936, the driver of a junk wagon in Portland was killed when a car cut in too close in passing it and collided with the wagon. The other fatality was in 1931, details of which were not available at the secretary of state's office.

The sad plight of the horse, marooned in the advancing civilization to which he contributed so much, is illustrated in these accidents which were caused not by any fractiousness on the part of the animals, but by the modern conditions of automobile-crowded streets and highways, the secretary of state pointed out.

"At first, legislation was all in favor of the horse, but now it is the other way around," Snell remarked. "When the first automobiles started using the roads, the country hastened to pass laws protecting Old Dobbin from the snorting gas machines. Around 1900 Oregon passed a law providing that when any motor car encountered a team, the operator was to avoid frightening the animals, even to the extent of stopping if necessary and remaining stationary till the horses were safely under control of their drivers."

"Another law provided that no vehicle should be driven faster than eight miles an hour in the country when within one hundred yards of any vehicle drawn by horses." Incidentally, this same law set a speed limit of 'one mile in tow and one-half minutes' on any public road outside a city. At that time there were only about 200 motor cars in Oregon and the dictates of safety were well satisfied with regulations preventing frightening of horses."

**GERALD PATRICK HAAS**  
Funeral services for Gerald Patrick Haas, two-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Haas, who died July 29, were held July 31 at the Litwiler Funeral home with the Rev. J. P. Senter officiating. Interment was in the IOOF cemetery.

● Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Martin made a business trip to Medford Wednesday evening.



Despite meteorologists, many farmers here and elsewhere listen to the rooster's crowing for advance weather information. This superstition is based on the age-old couplet: 'If a cock crows when he goes to bed, he'll get up with a wet head.'



Another "sure-fire" indication of rainfall, fishermen to the contrary, is when "Through the clear streams the fishes rise, and nimbly catch incautious flies."



Government weather experts look upon kitty as nothing more than a household pet, but according to diehards, rain is a two-to-one bet when "Puss on the hearth, with velvet paws, sits licking o'er her whiskered jaws."



The not-too-particular housewife can disregard scientific prognostications, according to legend, because rain is definitely due when "The soot falls down, the spaniels sleep, and spiders from their cobwebs creep."



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SNOWDRIFT—3 pounds - - - - - 53c

COFFEE—White House - - - - - 23c

JELL-O - - - - - 5c

**BACON**, Kingan Sugar Cured..... 19c

**SUGAR**

C&H—100-pound sack - - - - - \$4.96

C&H—10 pound sack - - - - - 51c

BEET—100 pound sack - - - - - \$4.86

BEET—10 pound sack - - - - - 49c

MILK—Oregon - - - - - 6c

FISHER'S BLEND—49's - - - - - \$1.59

**ROYAL CLUB FINE FOOD PRODUCTS:**

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PEAS—Dainty Dimple No. 2 - - - - - 15c

CORN—Yellow No. 2, 2 for - - - - - 25c

PEACHES—No. 2½ - - - - - 16c

MECO CORN—303 Size, 3 for - - - - - 25c

MECO PEAS—303 Size, 3 for - - - - - 25c

GRAPEFRUIT JUICE—No. 2 - - - - - 10c

GRAPEFRUIT—No. 2 - - - - - 12c

**COFFEE** HILLS BROS. BLUE..... 20c  
HILLS BROS. RED..... 26c