Local Happenings

and Evelyn | plaster or sulfur is sometimes rec Humphreys and Roland Humph-ommended to guard against this ternoon from Hillsboro. Mr. Hum-in many instances. It is not encesphreys departed Wednesday night sary, however, according to experi-for Arlington where he took the ment station plant pathologists, as train for the east on his return to a more simple method will give New York city where he is a student at Columbia university. Miss Evelyn is not returning to school

the temperature is not lower than 55 degrees, for a couple of days be-Tom Craig was in from the ranch north of Ione Saturday. It has been fore planting. Cut potatoes under ome time since he was able to get such conditions will go through a process known as suberization by to Heppner owing to the wet roads, and the further fact that his car is out of commission. Lots of heavy out there during the past tects the potato piece almost as well as the original skin. week, but the fine moisture content of the soil is keeping the fields and hills looking green, and grain is

Troy McCraw, former Heppner boy and graduate of Heppner high school with the class of 1919, visit-ed with friends in the city for a ural moisture is enough for the healing process if the cut potatoes short time Saturday. Since his graduation from the University of Oregon, Mr. McCraw has been engaged in educational work and for the last four years has been head of the schools at Parkdale near Hood River, where he is now lo-

Leonard Carlson was a visitor in the city on Friday from his farm out Gooseberry way. While grain and grass are growing, Mr. Carlson expressed the wish that it might get a bit warmer, and a little less of the heavy wind from the northwest that prevailed during the past week, will be appreciated.

Richard Peterson came over from Kimberly the first of the week, spending Monday in Heppner while attending to business. He reports lots of high water in the John Day river following the melting of snow in the mountains, but no serious damage was done to bridges and highways.

Emil Johnson, sheepman of the lower Gooseberry section, was looking after business here Saturday. Grain is growing well and the range is good now, thanks to the splendid fall of moisture during the winter and spring months.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Shaver and daughter Virginia were guests Friday and Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Poulson. Mrs. Shaver is a sister of Mr. Poulson. They returned on Sunday to their home at Mollala, Oregon

Mr. and Mrs. George Schwartz came up from Portland Wednesday and will remain at Heppner for a time. Mrs. Schwartz was formerly Mrs. Ellen Buseick, and she Alpine. A good program is said to tion of the nation's youth and has property interests in Heppner be under way. It-will be sponsored manhood. requiring attention.

Wm. Beymer of Heppner was in town on business over the week end. Mr. Beymer reported that the highway between Kimberly and Condon had not been greatly af-fected by the high water.—John

Henry Rauch and wife were visitors here Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Rauch have a goodly bunch of hens that are busy producing cheap eggs these days. A supply of the "hen fruit" was disposed of here.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Reavis came over from their new home at home. The ladies of Alpine are Moro Saturday evening and visited until Sunday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Schwarz

T. J. Humphreys, who has been confined to his home by illness the past two weeks, is still unable to be out, though his condition is reported to be somewhat better.

Joe Batty was down from his farm near Hardman Saturday and reports better weather conditions in the foothills, with grass and grain coming along well.

Mr. and Mrs. Joel R. Benton and son Richard motored to Hillsboro Monday, going on from there to Salem for a short visit. They are expected home today.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Olden of night a number of the young peo-ple attended the dance at Rhea Rhea creek were visitors in Heppner Tuesday, spending a few hours here while shopping.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Drake of Ione at Heppner hospital Friday night, a 7 3-4-pound daughter.

Frank Farnsworth, local distributor of city dailies, is confined to a Heppner hospital by illness.

Tilman Hogue was a Gooseberry farmer looking after business in this city Saturday.

Anson, Ray and Walter Wright were McKinney creek stockmen in the city Saturday.

J. C. Harding, Watkins dealer, will be back on the job in a few

Earl W. Gordon, druggist, is in Portland this week on business.

Care of Seed Potatoes

Insures Better Stands

Low yields of potatoes are frequently caused by poor stands, and these in turn are often the result of improper handling of seed potatoes just before planting, according to specialists at Oregon State college. Most commercial potato growers know exactly how to handle seed stock to get best stands, but it is believed that hundreds of smaller growers could profitably follow a few simple precautions in this re-

spect.
Planting potatoes immediately after the pieces have been cut is one frequent cause of poor stands or weak hills because rotting may easily start on seed pieces put in passily start on seed pieces put in the ground before the cut surfaces take a chance to heal.

Dusting the cut seed with land there may be no increase in the the seed with land there may be no increase in the the seed with land there may be no increase in the the seed with land there may be no increase in the the seed with land there may be no increase in the seed with land the see the ground before the cut surfaces

have a chance to heal.

possibly some decrease in the Panorthwest, but the supply might be somewhat larger because the average yield of potatoes has been low for three years, because of

This method is merely to make

sure that cut seed is kept fairly

moist and in a dark place where

which a corky layer is formed just beneath the cut surface which pro-

One might think that drying off

the cut surfaces quickly would be the best way to protect them from

rotting, but just the opposite is true, as drying cracks the surface,

allowing the rot organisms to get to the interior. Ordinarily the nat-

to add enough water to make sure

they stay damp.
Other precautions in cutting po-

tion when cut. Careful growers use

ALPINE

MARGARET HOWARD

friend who was a neighbor of Mr. Conrad in Wallowa county.

The spelling entrants, Bruce Sen-

ter and Reitha Howard, from the

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Bowker mo-

ored to Heppner Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kilkenny

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rauch and family spent Sunday at the Ru-

friends of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Neill

of Butter creek, Gertrude Tichen-

or, Margaret Shearer, Mrs. Mel

ville, Mrs. Marie Clary and chil-dren, Dale Bundy, E. H. Ebsen and

Mrs. Moore, Audrey, Naomi and Johnnie Moore, all motored to Pine City Wednesday evening to visit

recipes to give to Mrs. Neill. Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Klinger

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Morehead and family visited at the home of

John Kilkenny spent last week at the Kilkenny ranch on Hinton

Mr. and Mrs. Irl Clary and chil-

dren drove to Heppner Saturday.

Mrs. Rose Sanbourne of Butter

creek was visiting Saturday with

A surprise Easter egg hunt was

given by Miss Rosella Doherty who

prepared a quantity of painted Easter eggs Monday. All the pu-

pils took part in the egg hunt.

After the contest on Saturday

Joe Kilkenny has been steadily improving and is to return to his

Bill Deherty who spent last week

at Pendleton and North Powder re-turned Sunday. B. P. Doherty who

has been in Pendleton some time,

Oregon State College, Corvallis.

March 30.-Another moderate in-

crease in the Oregon corn acreage.

more turkeys, but no increase in

acreage of late potatoes or num-ber of pullets to be raised, are in

were indicated by intentions-to-pro-

duce surveys made by the U. S. de-

partment of agriculture, with sup-

plemental information gathered by

The corn outlook is relatively fa-

vorable, according to the report

which says "the demand for corn in Oregon during the 1932-33 mar-

keting season, as usual, may be ex-

pected to exceed the supply of home-grown corn." The surveys

indicated that growers intend to

increase the acreage about 15 per

cent, with somewhat greater in-creases indicated in the central

Willamette valley and in Malheur

county. Prices for corn in Oregon

shipping corn in from other states,

the extension service.

country.

ome some time this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay Friday.

Mrs. Frank Kilkenny.

creek and Lexington.

returned with Bill.

dolph Klinger home

making a book

lleton Thursday.

A number of Alpine

est Saturday

A survey by the college extension service indicates that about the same number of pullets will be raised on Oregon farms this year, but

A government survey of growers' intentions to plant spring wheat indicates that the acreage will be about the same as planted in 1931, but around 50 per cent more than There will be a pot luck dinner at was harvested last year when drouth caused heavy abandonment noon and a program in the afternoon. of spring wheat acreage.

Washington's BALANCE OF CHARACTER

(Editor's Note-This essay won econd place in the county division of the state Washington Bicenten-nial Essay contest.

By FRANCIS B. NICKERSON, Heppner

are protected from sun or wind, but sometimes it may be necessary Anniversaries such as the occa sion of this bi-centennial of the birthday of George Washington, the first and greatest of the Presidents of our beloved Country, lead us tatoes are to make the cuts squarely across rather than slanting, so as to have a minimum of cut surhappily along the channels of new thrills of biographical pursuit. Our face, and to discard any tubers that interest in the moving events and show signs of disease or discolorahistory possible, leads us back to the origin of our national birth.

two knives, keeping one in a bucket of formaldehyde solution at all The patriot, the leader of our struggle with the oppressive hand times, and then changing knives beyond the seas, the Virginian genwhenever a discolored potato is cut tleman and agriculturist, the states-man, the commander-in-chief of a depleted and inadequate but finally victorious army; the victor of Ridge schoolhouse. Two of the war turned into the man of peace and leadership is George Washing. er was bad so we were unable to Arden Minch of Portland visited ton. The very mention of this great at the home of George Conrad on Saturday. Mr. Minch is an old of the deepest admiration and pride into our hearts and souls; and when ing light of time, this great man's life is truly astonishing for the long ter and Bruce Lindsay, from the lower grades, and Rhuey Ann Senlist of victories and achievements accorded it.

upper grades, all made a fairly good showing at the spelling con-It has been said that when Washington's earthly days were ended his glory and influence were in their infancy. That influence has grown until at the present time it has spread nation wide and is a livr., and Peggy Kilkenny visited at ing, vital and potent power in the nation he helped to create.

the B. P. Doherty home Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Lindsay mo-There are few books indeed on tored to Pendleton on business Fripatriotism, history or biography which do not record George Wash-Mrs, Margaret Peddicord, Mrs. Bert Senter and Mrs. Bert Michel ington as a model whose example we should endeavor to emulate. No were shopping in Hermiston Thursschoolroom is complete without at least one portrait, bust or other meday. Saturday evening, April 2, will be morial of Washington. He is emthe next Farm Bureau meeting at blematic of our ideals, the inspiraby the Heppner Lions club. There is also to be a candy sale.

We observe many anniversaries, but to us this anniversary of the birth of Washington is the most precious to the American people, or it prings to mind the advent of the foremost man in our history.

That Washington's character was listinctive from other men is a matter of recorded fact. He rose su-perior to them all; he looked down upon thm from this elevated eminence in compassion, understanding tolerance and solemn dignity. He was from early youth subjected to with them. A great many useful the severest tests: his trials at an and lovely gifts were brought to help the Neils in refurnishing their line of civilization with rod and compass; the early campaigns of the vast unexplored wilderness; his trials and privations and those of his suffering men who comprised and Doris were shopping in Penhis distressed army; the picture of Washington kneeling in humble supplication and prayer on the snow covered ground in frigid temperature at Valley Forge seeking divine deliverance for his scantily clad and famished army brings to mind a true conception of Washington, the man. His leadership in the successful

accomplishment of his country's independence; his purity of purpose in all things connected with the nation's well being; his patriotic devotion under all conditions amid the trials and disappointments of strife, of the triumph of victory, add to the halo of Washington, which is a halo of ideals that should well be emulated in the Courts, professions, commercial and industrial activities of this great land and of which it can be truthfully said, is Washington's heritage to his people. His sense of sacrificial and patriotic duty to his Country and its people impelled him to again take up the yoke entailing the cares and responsibilities of govrnment after having brought to fruition his plans Oregon Farmers Planning for the American people, turning chaos into order, embodying new untried principles of government More Corn, Turks in 1932 on a firm foundation, emphasizing his great personality and ideals in the sacred documents which are the institutions of that government, and gently but firmly bringing to actual pulsing life a new national unity and being which established the principle and illustrated the prac prospect this year, according to a tice of a true Federal form of govreport just released by the college extension service. These trends ernment. As Americans we glow with pride and reverence at the mere mention of the name of Washington and resolve solemnly within ourselves, with determined resolu-tion to keep alive the ideals and principles which are Washington's

great gift to us. Corvallis - The high producing dairy herd of the state for the past month was owned by G. H. Fullen-wider of the Yamhill-Washington dairy herd improvement association, according to the official record just compiled by R. W. Morse, extension specialist in dairying. A purebred Jersey owned by Allen Tupper of the same association, was the high producing cow, with are adjusted largely by the cost of 1872 pounds of milk containing 97.3 shipping corn in from other states, thus the farm price ranges well above the average of the whole country.

Hardman Clubs Active.

The Hardman Foresters have

and Delsie Bleakman demonstrated how to make pop-overs. They de-their next assignments. The sew-They decided to give a demonstration Apr. table," Neva Bleakman; "Setting a breakfast table," Neva Bleakman; "Setting a dinner table," Dolly Farrens; "Serving a meal," Loye Johnson; "Making French toast," Lois Adams and Annie Johnson; "Making ams and Annie Johnson; "Making cocoa," Lily Johnson and Charlotte Adams; "Making custard," Lois of the Jolly Six. The next meeting Ashbaugh and Nellie Bleakman; "Slicing bread," Lois Stevens and Muri Farrens; "Making popovers," Arleta Ashbaugh and Delsie Bleakman, and the standard which is the served by Mrs. Young, leader of the Jolly Six. The next meeting will be held at the Hail Ridge schoolhouse on March cm hrdlnnu schoolhouse on April 18. We hope to have better weather conditions by then.

A rabbit club has been organized with Neal Knighten as leader. They plan to meet every Thursday at Mr. Knighten's. Officers were elected as follows: Claude Hastings, president; Roland Farrens, vice president; Lowell Ashbaugh, secretary.-Club Reporter.

Meet.

On March 22 the Jolly Six and Handi Seven clubs met at the Hail have the club meeting March 18, as leader and American sends a thrill planned. The meeting was opened with yells led by Buel Harshman, yell leader of Handi Seven club. viewed through the calm penetrat. After the business meeting the clubs went to their own divisions where discussions followed, pertaining to the work. The meeting closed by singing the song "The More We Get Together." Games

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were played. The next meeting stott and Joe Stephens gave a dem-will be held April 1 at the Eight onstration on the blackboard on history of pins. We learned to Mile schoolhouse. The Eight Mile how to darn stockings. Mrs. Steschool journeyed to Hail Ridge for phens gave a talk n sewing which ola. We stencilled our table covers Mile schoolh the club meeting behind a team of Mr. Redding's trusty mules, as they were considered safer than cars to et over the washed out roads and

Hail Ridge and Eight Mile Clubs

On March 4 the members of the postponed their tree planting until April 8, Arbor day. They will deliver the dedication the same day. There will be a not have discovered the conditions. Owing to weather conditions the conditions of the members of ther conditions the Hail Ridge club members and leader had to come The Come Into the Kitchen club meeting opened with yells led by met at Mrs. Knighten's on Wednesday. Charlotte Adams and Lois Ashbaugh demonstrated how to make muffins. Arleta Ashbaugh their respective leaders to and Delsie Plantage. on horseback to the meeting. The ing club is working on the subject of becoming colors. The Handi Seven described articles they had made. The meeting closed singing "Style All the While." Games were played and a very pleasant after-noon ended when refreshments

Sewing, Cooking Clubs Meet,

The Golden West Cookery club vas called to order March 25 by Joan Wright, vice president. Anice Lieuallen, Doris Allstott, Edna Stephens and Joan Wright all brought cookies, which were judged by Mrs. Huston and the boys. All the cookies proved to be very good. The club has \$1.10 in the treasury. The mount charged for dues to five cents a month.

The Busy Bee Sewing club was called to order by Edna Stephens, vice president. All members except





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all the children enjoyed very much. and cupboard curtains. We sent in

Handieraft Club Organized. In January a Handieraft club was organized at Davis school un-

our first two club report cards.

Surprise, A delightful surprise greeted the "Wee Six Cooks" club members der the leadership of Miss Audrey
Friday at their last meeting. RhuBeymer. The officers elected were ey Ann Senter made a cookie dem-Barbara Wagner, president; Ver- onstration and also served each one non Christopherson, vice-president; with a cup of rich cocoa. There Donald McElligott, secretary and were several visitors present who pronounced the demonstration a At our last meeting members re- very successful one,

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