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By MARGARET BLAKE

More than ninety people were present at the district meeting of O. E. S. chapters held in the Masonic hall last Thursday evening. Mrs. Myrtle Peterson of Ontario, worthy grand matron of the grand chapter of Oregon, O. E. S., was present to inspect the work of the chapters represented at the meeting. Various parts of the ritualistic work were exemplified in turn by Locust chapter of Ione, Ruth chapter of Heppner and Jasmine chapter of Arlington. An interesting address by the worthy grand matron and short talks by visiting members were enjoyed. At the close of the meeting refreshments of chicken patties, salad, cake and coffee were served by Locust chapter, hosts for the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Misner of Thornton, Wash., were week-end guests of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Man-

kin. Mrs. A. Newlin, who has been a guest of her sister, Mrs. Paul O'Meara, for several weeks, was called to Seattle last Wednesday by the serious illness of her son-in-law, James McNamee, who died there Sunday. He was at one time employed by the Palace hotel at Heppner.

Laxton McMurray and Walter Roberts returned Sunday morning from Soap Lake, Wash., where they spent two weeks enjoying the curative effects of the waters of that well known health resort.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Long have returned from Oregon City where Mrs. Long was called by the serious illness of her father, R. S. Blackwell. While still very sick Mr. Blackwell has recovered somewhat from the attack which called his family to his side. His sons, Sherman and Blaine, remained to assist with his care.

Mrs. Ruth Gilliland of Hermiston drove over Friday and took her mother, Mrs. Roy Brown, to her home where she spent the week end.

Mrs. W. J. Blake has returned from Heppner where she has spent the past two weeks at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Blake.

The waffle supper given last Saturday evening by the Auxiliary in their rooms in the Legion hall was a success. It was well attended and a pleasant time was enjoyed by those present, and a nice sum was added to the treasury of the organization.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Callandra and son Donald returned to their home in Hood River Saturday after a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Haguewood.

Mrs. J. E. Swanson and daughter Eva, Mrs. C. W. Swanson, Mrs. Clel Rea and Mrs. Frank Lundell attend-

ed a birthday party in honor of Mrs. O. Lindstrom at her home near Morgan last Wednesday.

Mrs. Emily Clark who has been working for Mrs. Fred Monkin, has returned to her home in Portland.

Edison Morgan took Gene Grabill to The Dalles for medical examination Monday. The doctors were unable to diagnose his case at once and he will remain in the hospital there for observation for a time.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bergevin went to Gibbon Thursday to be there a week or so.

The Rietmann brothers have purchased a new Caterpillar tractor.

Mrs. Carl Feldman and Mrs. Ruth Mason attended a meeting of O. E. S. in Condon last Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Swanson are parents of a son born in Heppner Sunday, April 25.

Fred Pettyjohn and Clarence Warren have joined the ranks of new car owners.

Carl Linn visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Linn, Thursday on his way to Elgin.

Mrs. Clel Rea was hostess to the Past Noble Grand club at her home last Friday afternoon. The afternoon was spent in quilting. Refreshments were served.

The honor roll for last six weeks for the high school is as follows: Wallace Lundell and Mignonette Perry, seniors; Jane Huston and Anna Doherty, juniors; Lola Cannon and Katherine Griffith, sophomores, and Thelma Nelson, freshman.

Joe Engelman and Alexander McDonald drove to Goldendale, Wash., last Sunday where Mr. McDonald played second base with the Goldendale team in a game with Yakima.

RHEA CREEK

Grange will be held Sunday, May 2nd with a pot luck dinner at noon and a program in the afternoon featuring Mrs. Chris Brown as the speaker.

Mr. and Mrs. Anson Rugg and Melvin Gillespie of La Grande spent the week end with Anson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rugg.

Sunday guests at the Chas. Beckett home were Mr. and Mrs. Tyndal Robinson.

Miss Oleta Neill, teacher of the Eight Mile Center school, spent the week end in La Grande.

Mrs. Royal Driskell is spending a few days in Portland.

Francis Rugg motored to The Dalles Monday, taking down Mrs. Ada Cason who went to visit a brother who is ill with spotted fever in The Dalles hospital.

OPEN HIGHWAYS DANGEROUS.

More than 38 percent of all deaths due to automobile accidents in 1936 took place on open highways. Traffic experts credit this high toll to excessive speed and lack of pedestrian protection.

Soil Depleting Base Sent to Washington

New soil depleting county bases for the 1937 agricultural conservation program have been reviewed and compiled by the state AAA committee for Oregon and were forwarded to Washington for final approval late in April. In compiling the bases the committee worked with two representatives of the western regional AAA office, who, after completing the task in Oregon went on to Washington and Idaho to work with those state committees.

Comparatively minor changes were made in the totals submitted by the 36 county committees, according to N. E. Dodd, chairman of the state committee. County committees had made adjustments caused by changes in crop or practice classification before the listing sheets were submitted to the state committee.

Final approval of the new bases is

expected early in May and as soon as this is received the figures will be reported to the counties together with the adjustment in county productivity rates.

Vetch has been definitely included as one of the legume crops for the planting of which Oregon farmers may receive soil building payments under the 1937 agricultural conservation program. Uncertainty over this feature was settled recently through personal conferences between F. L. Ballard, vice-director of extension, and officials of the AAA in Washington, D. C. The inclusion of vetch will mean upwards of \$100,000 to Willamette valley farmers, according to estimates made by the state AAA committee.

While in Washington Mr. Ballard also obtained the correction of an error by which Wasco county farmers had been charged with \$26,000 in excess expenses in conducting the program in that county. While purely a clerical error, the mistake had

proved difficult to correct at long range.

Mr. Ballard while in the east also served on a special committee which called upon Secretary of Agriculture Wallace to discuss relationships between the extension service and other agencies of the department of agriculture.

TELLS HOW NOT TO LIVE.

Brakes are put on cars for a purpose. But any convenient tree, telephone pole, fence, ditch, or almost anything else will do as well," notes Dr. E. B. McDaniel, president of the Oregon State Motor association.

NEW LIGHTS SOLUTION.

Washington State replied to inquiring Oregon State Motor association traffic safety examiners that the sodium-vapor lights where installed in the northern state had cut the rate of automobile accidents in half.

THE CARELESS MOTORIST.

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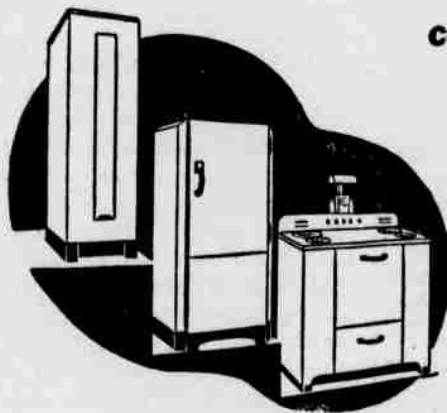
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