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### My Home on the Hill

By MRS. JANE R. HARTLEY

The following beautiful poem was written about ten years ago by Mrs. Jane R. Hartley upon the removal of herself and family from their old home in Grand Ronde valley. It was carefully preserved by one of her daughters and will be preserved in souvenir form by each one of her descendants.

Oh my old mountain home,  
Where the trees are ever green,  
And the spring with its waters pure and sweet;  
Where the wild roses bloom—  
And their fragrance fills the air—  
And the grass made a carpet for our feet.

Oh my home upon the mountain,  
Where the air is pure and sweet,  
There my thoughts love to linger all the day,  
Where we gathered 'round the table  
And our friends we loved to greet—  
But now we have wandered far away.

My thoughts love to roam  
To my old mountain home,  
While I listen for the patter of the feet  
Of the children that were small,  
But now have grown so tall—  
Some of them we nevermore may meet.

But old age came creeping on, and there  
Had to be a change—  
The stranger lives where once we used to dwell;  
In the Grand Ronde valley we have a little home,  
And we try to be content when all is well.

But in Grande Ronde valley,  
When the wind gets on a tear,  
And everyone is bracing for the fray;  
When all the windows rattle, and dust is in the air,  
'Tis then we wish that we were far away.

But when the sun is shining  
And we forget the storm,  
Of the days that have gone with their dust,  
And the time glides away,  
In the summer time so gay,  
For better days then humbly do we trust.

#### TROUTDALE

Mrs. R. E. Morse and child left last Thursday for her home in The Dalles, after a summer spent at Seaview, ending with a week's visit with her mother, Mrs. Frances Alford, at Troutdale.

Mrs. A. D. Kendall and daughters returned recently from a visit with relatives and friends in the middle states.

Miss Ada Thomas was a week-end guest of Mrs. C. I. Raker.

Miss Stella Hatfield returned last week from a visit with her sister, Mrs. Anderson, at Clatskanie. Mrs. Anderson came with her, and after a visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hatfield, they go on this week to Monmouth to attend the normal school.

Miss Sigrid Fredrickson, of Clatskanie, is making her home at present with Mrs. Hatfield.

Miss Della Zimmerman left on Wednesday of this week for The Dalles where she has a position to teach for the coming year.

Mrs. E. Gurney and two sons went home to Irvington Saturday, after a summer spent boarding at the W. P. Benedict farm.

Mr. and Mrs. James Burns have as their guests their daughter, Miss Nan Burns and niece, Miss Jessie McNair, both of Spokane.

Mrs. L. M. Kummer left last week for the hop fields at Aurora.

Richard Knarr, Jess Coons, Geo. Larson and his father left Saturday morning for a hunting and fishing trip in the mountains.

Miss Clara Wattenburg, of Monmouth, stopped off Monday to visit

Miss Della Zimmerman, going on Wednesday to Prineville, where she is to teach.

Clarence Parsons, Felton Murray, and the two Goode boys of Gresham went on a hunting trip Saturday, returning Monday.

Troutdale Ladies' Aid society meets this Wednesday with Mrs. L. A. Harlow. A full attendance is desired.

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A wire clip, to be screwed into a door frame, has been invented for holding milk bottles out of the reach of cats and dogs.

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#### BORING

Mrs. C. M. McClung of West Boring gave a lawn social to her Sunday school class, the primaries, last Saturday afternoon. The little girls and boys enjoyed themselves at various games until 4 p. m. when they were treated to ice cream and cake. When the time to return home arrived they expressed themselves as having had the "best time ever." Mrs. L. Gregson helped in entertaining. Those present were: Irene Schweitzer, Ethel Jonsrud, Lethia Childs, Emma Gregson, Gertrude Naas, Lynden Lunday, Johana Lunday, Marshall Brooks, Nanny Brooks and Juanita Adams. Two members being absent.

The Ladies' Social club met at the home of Mrs. Sarah Cross last Thursday afternoon. Thirteen members being present and the usual good time was enjoyed by all. Luncheon was served at 4:30 p. m.

The fourth quarterly conference of the Boring Pleasant Home charge of the Methodist church was held at Pleasant Home last Thursday afternoon, Rev. T. B. Ford, district superintendent in charge. The principal act in the business session was the dividing of the charge. Pleasant Home is again placed with Hiff and Boring with Bennett chapel. Rev. W. Hatch, newly appointed pastor of the Boring-Pleasant Home charge, will serve Boring and the new arrangements will take place.

Mr. and Mrs. P. K. Stone and children are visiting with O. H. McClung and family at Clatskanie for a few days.

Mrs. Myrtle Telford and children and Miss Iness Knox have returned from a two months' stay at Seaside.

#### PLEASANT HOME

Captain C. O. Branson, of Melrose, will preach at the M. E. church at this place Sunday evening, September 10. All are invited to attend the services.

Mrs. C. M. Brown and family left for Portland on Monday, from where they expect to sail for Anchorage, Alaska to join her husband. The good wishes of the friends here go with them.

Walter Hale is home from Prescott, Washington for a few days' visit.

The Methodist Aid society will meet Thursday afternoon instead of Wednesday of this week for work on the quilt. There will be no meeting during fair week.

#### MELROSE

A harvest moon social will be held at Hiff Methodist church next Saturday evening, September 9, for the benefit of the pastor, Rev. C. F. Zimmerman. Everyone is requested to attend and bring whatever they can in the line of groceries and vegetables. A short program of old fashioned hymns and songs and recitations will be given, after which a social time will be held and ice cream and cake will be on sale.

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