

# GRANGE MEMBERS BRIGGS SUPPORTS OF SAMS VALLEY PROPOSED SURVEY TO HEAR SPEAKER OREGON MINERALS

SAMS VALLEY, Ore., Feb. 11.—(Special.)—Grange members and all friends of agriculture should keep in mind the date of the national Grange convention, Feb. 12-14, at Central Point and Medford, February 12. Mr. Farmer is noted as a splendid talker and he is lucky to have this opportunity of hearing him.

The news of the death of Mrs. Hurd Wednesday night was a shock to most of the community's residents, as few knew of her serious illness. Mrs. Hurd has made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Guy Vincent, for the past three months after being advised by doctors in her New York home that she had but a short time to live, in order to spend her last days near her two daughters.

Although her health was in an alarming condition, Mrs. Hurd did not confine herself to the home, she attended every entertainment given by the school after her arrival here, and she enjoyed these immensely, joining the children happily for their demonstrations. Deep sympathy is extended to the two daughters over their loss.

C. T. Spring, Grants town minister, visited several days last week with W. W. Killington.

The Cox family former residents of Sams Valley but now of Klamath county, visited Sunday with the Walter Scott family.

The Ladies' club was entertained Thursday by Mrs. Henney at her home. A good attendance was present. Mrs. Jay Pring was elected president for the ensuing year and Mrs. James Kneeland secretary. The year lacked a little of being completed and was probably due to the men doing too much work on the sumptuous dinner served.

Dick and Albert Straub have added six more head of Holstein cows to their present dairy herd. A milking machine was also added to the equipment last week.

The principal business transacted at the meeting of the Grange Saturday was the adoption of two resolutions, one of which favored the county court's consideration of the new short-cut road to Medford, and the second dealt with the matter of cigarette advertising and was as follows: Whereas, it has come to our attention that certain tobacco companies have become so bold with their advertising that they are inducing and suggesting to our young women the habitual use of their products by featuring attractive and healthy appearing women as the users of cigarettes, and whereas we believe the habitual use of such products leads to physical defects in our women, which renders our future mothers wholly unfit for the welfare of posterity, therefore, be it resolved, that we, the members of the Sams Valley Grange, in session this 7th day of February, 1929, do protest against such advertising matter being placed before the general public.

Names of committees were again read at Grange meeting and after the third reading will be published and everyone will be expected to fulfill his position.

Two more pupils were added the past week to the school enrollment. The pupils are Byron and Winifred Beckes and entered the intermediate room.

Mr. and Mrs. Beckes and children are moving from Medford and are located in the home vacated by the Genitz family.

Mrs. J. W. Jones left Saturday in company with her daughter, Mrs. Minnie Coleman, for Portland, where she will remain for several days under the care of a physician.

Little Agnes Marie Milkowski is the new baby girl born to Mr. and Mrs. Nate Milkowski, January 26.

The 22 local Grangers, consisting of the drill team and other members who attended the meeting on the Central Point grounds February 1, reported enjoying a very pleasant evening and one Granger remarked, "We had the good time we always have at Central Point Grange." The local drill team put on the first and second degrees for 17 new candidates in the Central Point Grange.

A bunch of turkeys were taken in by different poultrymen Friday and shipped by the Farm Exchange association.

SALEM, Feb. 11.—(Special.)—"I believe this bill will provide an opportunity to bring new wealth into the state," declared Representative Wm. M. Briggs of Ashland, speaking in behalf of a proposed bill of Eastern Oregon mining interests which seeks to provide for a mining survey in this state, the expenses for the same to be borne by an output tax. The proposed measure received the favorable recommendation of the house committee on mining at a meeting here today.

The proposed bill will now be admitted to the mining committee of the senate for its consideration. Should the proposition meet the approval of the senate committee, a bill will be introduced by the joint house and senate committees on mining.

During the hearing on the proposed bill several residents of Baker were heard in behalf of its measure. William Scott, secretary of the Baker chamber of commerce, declared that the last mining survey made in eastern Oregon was in 1901. "Every day we receive requests for information on the mineral resources of the state, but have not up-to-date answers. We have been promised a fund from the federal government, but need a state appropriation. The federal geological survey is ready to go ahead as soon as we can match its funds," he said.

"We are willing to pay a tax on our mineral output, so it would be no expense to the state for the survey," stated J. C. Brown, president of the Mining Association of Eastern Oregon, who also appeared before the committee in behalf of the proposed bill. "All we want is a chance to sell our state to big operating companies," he said.

# OLDEST AND YOUNGEST AT AIR MEET GOLD HILL BEATS JACKSONVILLE BY ONE-SIDED SCORE



The oldest and youngest aviators met in Miami, Fla., at the all-American air meet when Charles Dickinson of Chicago, oldest licensed pilot in the world, and Donald Macintosh, 6-year-old son of R. L. Macintosh of California, who has flown more than 30,000 miles, met and "talked things over." Donald is believed to hold the junior record of air hours.

GOLD HILL, Ore., Feb. 11.—(Special.)—The Gold Hill high school basketball team, both boys and girls, played the Jacksonville high school at Jacksonville in their gymnasium on Friday evening, February 8. The boys' game was fairly fast, the score ending up 21 to 10 in favor of the Gold Hill boys at the first part of the game the score was practically even. The score for the first half ended 8 to 1 in favor of the Gold Hill quint.

Few fouls were made by either team. Gray, the fast forward on the Gold Hill team, was able to be back again on the lineup and that was a great help in filling up the score. The boys formerly defeated the Jacksonville five on their floor about two weeks ago and this is the second victory over Jacksonville by Gold Hill.

A feature of the game was a basket by one of the Gold Hill players, Lavonne Garmon, Garmon dribbled to the center of the floor and shot. The ball went nearly to the roof, covered a distance of about 10 feet, went completely over two sets of rafters in the building and scored two points.

The Jacksonville girls defeated the Gold Hill five by a score of 22 to 2. The Gold Hill girls scored only one point, by Lucille Hittle, in the first part of the game.

After the game the teams, both boys and girls, were served refreshments in the high school building.

Ruth Dufur is able to be out again after her recent attack of the flu. She will return to school as soon as possible.

Sam Chisholm, a former resident of Gold Hill who attended high school in recent years, has returned to this city from Oakland, Cal. Mr. Chisholm will visit in this city with relatives for several days, after which he will go to Klamath Falls, where he will be employed.

A. A. Kiddle attended the dance at the hall owned by him in Canyonville on Saturday evening, February 9. He was accompanied by Ivey Thompson.

There is a move on in this city to organize another Boy Scout Troop. A number who have previously been Boy Scouts have agreed to enroll if the organization can be promoted here. The first meeting will be held on Tuesday evening. A number of boys are expected to attend.

Sam Padgett, a resident of the Sams Valley district, was a business visitor to Gold Hill last Saturday evening.

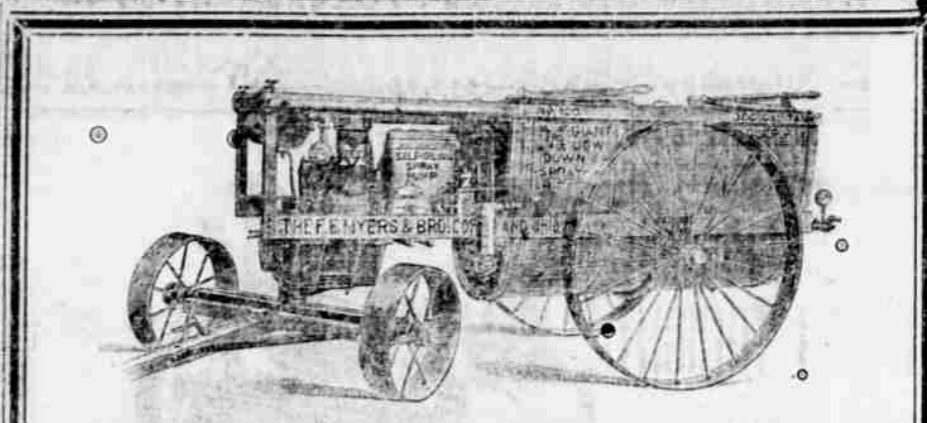
Dick Adams has now returned to his work at Medford at the Southern Oregon Electric.

Darwell Hendrickson has been ill for the past week on account of a slight attack of the flu. Fortunately it was not necessary for him to discontinue working for the Reinking Trucking service.

Wm. Martinson has recently purchased a new Chrysler Plymouth.

Among the recent visitors to Medford from this city were Mrs. George Hamman, Mrs. Merrill Morrison and Mrs. Paul Thompson.

Ernest Bailey is now staying with his father in this city. He is from Pasadena, Cal., and will enroll in the Gold Hill high school some time.



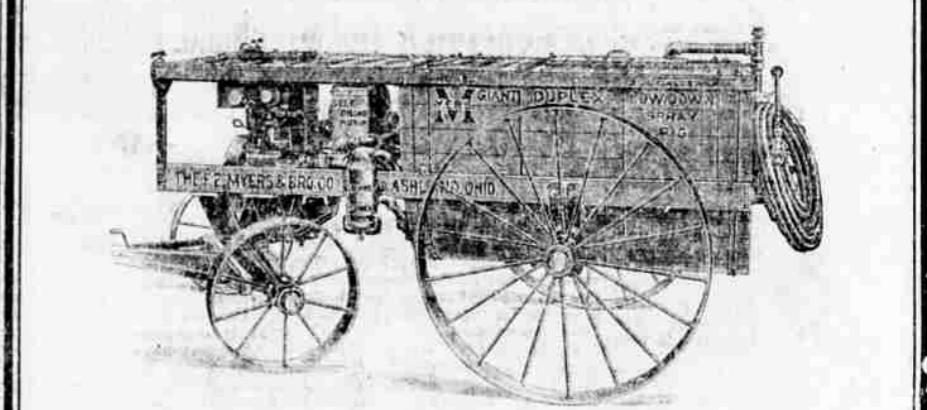
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The following excerpts are taken from the book.

**Chopping Wood Lincoln's First Memory**

"When I was along fryin size, we never did get enough fire to keep warm. First memory I've got is of chopping up the splinters with ma's chopping knife. They stuck an axe into my hand quick's I could carry it without chopping my fingers. My last memory will be chopping splinters too."

**Stepmother Borrows Books From Him**

"My step-ma was a mighty smart woman. Course we were poor, but whenever new settlers came along you could depend on ma to get over to their cabin and take something along for well-earned pay. She'd hang around and watch to see if they were the kind of folks that owned books, then she'd say real polite: 'I've got a boy at home that's plum cracked over books.' And time and again she'd come home carrying maybe one book, maybe three or four, and tucked to pieces."

**Man Who Inspired Lincoln**

"It was ma's doing that I met the two men that counted most to me. One was an old booker, a town school teacher who had set down in an abandoned cabin right up the hill from Anderson's ferry. I was working on the ferry then. He lent me all the books he had. I could tell you the name of every one and most every word that was in them—and talks to me now. One night I was thithered out on the beach reading 'Plutarch's Lives' and he said: 'Abe what's your handle?' Picked it out yet? All this reading you're doing, in the end, what are you doing it for? Good books are good to, but every good tool has got to have a handle. And I said: 'You mean when I've got my head stuffed full of book-learning how am I going to use it?' And he nodded.

Lincoln States His Creed

"He was right. The man who gives you food, who shelters you from the cold, he's a good friend to you. But the man who gives you a handle to your tools, a grip on what learning you've got, a handle to your own self—he's the grandest friend you've got or ever will have."

The Fifteenth Annual Banquet of the Jackson County Lincoln club will be held at Ashland next Tuesday evening, February 12, with a rousing good program. Secure your tickets now for the occasion.

**A Dog Tale**

HENDERSONVILLE, N. C.—(Special.)—Possibly this is where bulldog hock got its name. Two watchdogs were "contaminated" by federal raiders as material on hand for illegal manufacture of liquor.

## Banner Cannery Year Outlined in State Chamber of Commerce Publication by Ralph E. Koozer

The 1928 fruit and vegetable pack consisted of \$160,745 cases for the three states of Oregon, Washington and Idaho. This represents an increase of 48 per cent over the 1927 pack and 23 per cent above the record pack of 1925. Oregon produced nearly one-half of the total output, or 4,137,291 cases. Canneries have had an important part in the development of the Rogue River valley and the following information concerning the origin and progress of one of these institutions.

The Bagley Canning company, the pioneer cannery of the Rogue River valley, in Southern Oregon, processed over 70,000 cases of fruits and vegetables in 1928, using a total of 1,174,366 cans. In putting up this pack 2665 tons of orchard and farm products were used, or an equivalent of about 150 carloads on a basis of 15 tons per car.

**Founded in Talent.**

The Bagley Canning company was founded at Talent about 15 years ago. The business, while reorganized and conveyed to new ownership in 1916, has retained its original name and continued under the same management and organization. In 1924 the business was removed to Ashland, its present location and later took over the plant and business of the Ashland Preserving company, at that place, and additional improvements have been made until it is now one of the best equipped and arranged canneries of its kind in the northwest.

The featured products of this concern are the famous Rogue River valley pears, tomatoes, Royal Anne cherries and apples, although a number of other products, including beans, beets, berries, etc., are canned.

The company in the future, intends to centralize more upon peaches, cherries, tomatoes and apples, the production of which are all gaining prominence in this valley. The quality and world-wide reputation of the Rogue River valley pears being packed here grown, justifies considerable expansion of this product.

**Irrigation Aids.**

Irrigation and more scientific methods of culture are greatly increasing the production here. The past year there were over two carloads of pears shipped to the outside markets, as compared to less than 3000 cases, the highest of any previous season. This, of course, includes all varieties of peaches that are grown here, and about one-third of the output is represented by varieties, the only variety which is commercially canned.

As an example of the increase in production being realized a 25-acre huckleberry orchard that yielded gross returns of \$176 at \$42.50 per ton in 1918, brought its owner \$2000 in 1928 at \$33 per ton or an increase of over four-fold in just 10 years, notwithstanding a decrease of \$750 per ton in the price of fruit. And the grower claims that he did not get a full crop in 1928. Local pear growers generally are coming to realize that they will have to increase their yields from more scientific horticultural methods rather than by expecting the higher prices that have prevailed generally the past several years.

**Should Seek Advice.**

Growers are seriously urged to consult with the cannery management before making any new plantings. Extreme care should be used in the selection of varieties suitable for canning purposes. Most all varieties of new fruits suitable for canning are also well adapted to the fresh fruit market, but in a good many cases, varieties that are suitable for the fresh fruit market are entirely unfit for canning purposes.

The complaint is frequently heard that the canners will not buy certain products from the farmers, which condition is largely due to the fact that they have some particular variety of products not suitable for canning purposes. Therefore, it behooves the grower to co-operate and work closely

## More Cherries Needed

Growers are being encouraged to increase their cherry acreage of Royal Anne for canning and also the black and red varieties for fresh fruit markets. The superior quality and time of maturing cherries warrants considerably increased production of this popular fruit in this district.

Tomatoes are another prominent canning product of this climate of sunshine. Both yields and quality are comparatively satisfactory. A normal production of tomatoes here is about 15 tons per acre, although in some cases as much as 25 tons have been secured. The cannery is doing considerable work in assisting its tomato growers in an effort to work out the most profitable varieties for the district, as well as fertilizers and principles of irrigation for the betterment of both quality and yields.

**To Increase Pack.**

The Bagley Canning company expects to increase its pack to about double last year's output, expanding this gradually in keeping with its marketing facilities. The company is incorporated under the laws of the state of Oregon, and the personnel of officers consists of Ralph E. Koozer, president and manager; W. J. Forns, vice-president and superintendent; E. H. Johnson, secretary-treasurer, who, with J. W. McCoy and E. F. Whittle, of Ashland, constitute the board of directors—Oregon Business.

## PATSY SHORT HAS BIRTHDAY PARTY AT BUTTE FALLS

BUTTE FALLS, Ore., Feb. 11.—(Special.)—Mrs. Arthur Short entertained with a delightful party Friday afternoon in honor of her daughter, Patsy's eighth birthday. The house was beautifully decorated in Valentine colors. Games were played, then followed delicious refreshments served to the eight little girls, Freda Roberts, Jean Pease, Maxine Jackson, Dorothy Baker, Roberta and Wilma Jean Flemming, Edna Critzer and the hostess, Patsy Short.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Jackson returned home Wednesday from Tishland, California.

The Woodmen are giving a Valentine to the Woodman ball Friday, February 11.

Helen Simmerly returned to school at the southern Oregon Normal Monday, after spending Claude Mill returned to his Sunday with her parents here. He had spent several days here, due to illness.

Mrs. Cal Thomason was a Medford visitor Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hoag and children spent the week-end visiting relatives in Jacksonville.

## MT PITT DRIFTS

Weather

It has been very cold in the Mt. Pitt district. It was zero outside and ten above zero in the schoolhouse. There is still quite a bit of snow on the ground and at night it freezes hard enough that the school children can walk on top of the snow without it breaking.

**Return of Pupils**

Frank Platt returned to the Mt. Pitt school the 21st of January. He had been going to the Medford Junior high school for the past six weeks.—Hazel McCabe, 6th grade.

Miss Nanning came back to the Mt. Pitt school Wednesday the 13th, after an illness of several days. The spinal nerve in her leg was the cause of her trouble. We bated to see her leave, and are glad to see her return.—Warren Coffins, 6th grade.

**The Party**

William Pickens's birthday was Tuesday, Feb. 5th. William came to school with his father. They brought cake, sandwiches, and fruit salad. The cake was a very elaborate one. It had fourteen pink candles on it. Dessert

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Workmen in Contempt

MEADVILLE, Pa.—(Special.)—A warning from a politician-oid judge did not impress workmen who arrived early to lay a sower across the judge's land. Now the judge is suing town officials.

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