

SCHOOL NEWS

Oak Grove School

The first grades have been active making Valentine mail boxes. They also have their blackboard bordered with snowmen—Loren Cramer.

The second grade finished painting their winter scenes. They used white paint on dark paper. Now we are working on our books about Lincoln and Valentines.

The children who are reading "More Friends and Neighbors," made up a play from one of their stories, "The Little Engine," and gave it to the rest of the class. Ann Soballe, Jerry Rasmussen, Dan Gleason, Martha Lamb, Terri Eppinger, Karen Charley, Mike Herrin, Bob Hubbard, Craig Bryant, and Linda Brill were included in the cast.

We made up some tunes for poems and Bob Hubbard's was voted the best. In science we are studying friction. Skating on ice is an example of friction.—Mike Herrin.

Mrs. Grace Kirtley's third grade learned about the bluebird from viewing films. This room is filled with the Valentine spirit too, since they are making their Valentine mailbox.—Linda Jones.

Fourth grade students in Mrs. Lois Seitz' room have made individual Valentine boxes out of shoe boxes; they have also made some turtle Valentines with a head and a tail that move.

The bulletin board in the lower hall was also done by the fourth grade. It is in a Valentine motif with pictures of Abraham Lincoln and George Washington in the foreground.—Tom Humphries.

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Jackson School

The mural in the main hall shows "One Hundred Years of Oregon Schools." This is done through pictures. A log cabin shows the type of old schools and the new type of schools is constructed of cardboard. This display was prepared by Mrs. Norene French and her students.

The controlled reading machine is being used in the fifth and sixth grade reading classes. Reading speed and comprehension should be greatly improved by this device.

The World News Map is popular and interesting. This week the Oregon Centennial was the main topic. We know that the study of Oregon Centennial is being done throughout the United States.

Miss Barbara Beaver was at Jackson school Wednesday, Feb. 4. Miss Beaver tested the hearing of all first graders and checked children in all the other grades who had any indication of a hearing difficulty. Miss Beaver comes from the state department of education.

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HORN BROOK Volcanologist Is Guest

By KATHERINE CHAPMAN

Hornbrook—Professor Akira Suwa, Japan's "doctor of Fire Mountain," was a guest here over the week end of Mr. and Mrs. Loran Paine.

Dr. Suwa is the Chief Volcanologist of the Japan Meteorological agency, Tokyo, and as such, is in charge of the volcanological observation all over Japan.

He is also a member of the Committee for Geophysics, Science Council of Japan; a member of the Committee of the Volcanological society of Japan; and is on the Editorial Committee of the Tokyo Geographical society.

Monday afternoon, Dr. Suwa showed colored slides and motion pictures at the grammar school to the student body and a number of interested townspeople.

The motion pictures were produced by the ministry of education of Japan, under Dr. Suwa's supervision. They depicted the actual eruption of several volcanoes in Japan, particularly Asam-

ment where he has been exchanging knowledge with American scientists.

Dr. Suwa was one of a group of 40 students from the International house on the U.C. campus at Berkeley who were brought to this area by the combined Yreka and Montague Rotary clubs. This is the sixth of these visits here made possible by this organization. Only one event was held for the students as a group, so that most of their time could be spent informally in the homes of their week end hosts.

The group, with their student director, Mrs. E. C. Carlson, Director of Public Relations, International House, arrived by bus in Yreka Friday afternoon and were met by their hosts. That evening a banquet, attended by some 225 guests, was given for them in the multi-purpose room at the Montague grammar school. At the close of the dinner, the students, representing 20 European and Asiatic countries, presented short skits typical of their particular country.

On Sunday, the Paines and their son, Lornie, had as dinner guests besides Dr. Suwa, Mr. and Mrs. Eb Marlow and daughter, Linda, of Yreka, Farhad Jomehri and Alireza Ahsami, both of Tehran, Iran. Ahsami is majoring in mechanical engineering at U.C. and last year was a guest at the Marlows on a week end similar to that of Dr. Suwa's. He is a nephew of Jomehri, and as a result of that week end 15-year-old "Jo," as he is known to his classmates, is living with the Marlows while he is attending Yreka High school.

The Paines said they were "completely enchanted" by the effortless politeness and graciousness of their foreign guests, and the opinion was expressed by both hosts and guests that more visits of this sort would go far toward laying the foundation for greater understanding and mutual respect among the peoples of the world.

A graduate of Tokyo university, he has a wife and two children in Tokyo. He has been in the United States for the past 11 months, studying at the University of California at Berkeley under auspices of the Japanese govern-

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The Family Council

Editor's note: The Family Council consists of a judge, a psychiatrist, three clergymen, a newspaper editor, a women's editor, and two writers. Each article is a summary of an actual report. The Family Council does not give advice; it merely reports on problems that have been dealt with by responsible agencies and counselors.

Laura P. — He is violent — but I fear divorce.

Ava S. — The children would be better off without him.

Laura P. — I have been married for eight years and have three children. I have been very unhappy in this marriage because my husband has a violent temper. Several times he has struck me in front of the children and often uses abusive language.

I would have left him long ago except for the fact that I am myself the product of a broken home. My parents were divorced when I was eight years old and I know how much I missed my father in spite of his faults. As a result of my upbringing I shied away from marriage and didn't marry until I was 30. I am beginning to feel that I can't stand my husband's wild outbreaks any longer. I have begged him to control himself in front of the children, at least. But he seems unable to control himself. The best that can be said for him is that he's a good provider and underneath he sincerely loves me and the children.

Ava S. — I feel as strongly about divorce as my sister does. We both went through the same thing and I certainly don't view divorce as something to be undertaken lightly.

However, I have discussed this question with many people who say that children suffer more in a miserable unbroken home than in a more placid broken one. I have thought about it a great deal and I feel my nieces and nephews would be better off if they were not exposed to these terrible tantrums. They fear their father and I don't think they can possibly love him. If he didn't see them every day perhaps he would behave better when he did see them.

As for my brother-in-law's being a good provider, after

all he'd have to continue providing for them anyway, so that doesn't have to be too much of a consideration. And as for his "underneath" love—well, I happen to think that love without works is a very easy thing to come by.

The Council: We feel that Ava is taking the question of divorce more lightly than she cares to admit. She must recognize that in most cases divorce comes as a result of some more or less legitimate grievances. Even when a third party is involved, the mate seeking divorce can usually reel off a number of offenses committed by the partner.

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being held at Crater and it began Feb. 2. It will end on April 1 and the judging will be held on that day. Prizes will be awarded for the best-looking, the longest and the most novel looking beard. The contestants were all clean-shaven at the start of the contest and they must keep their beards well-groomed at all times. The judges will be Sharon Meany, Carol Harris, and Francis Willett, all teachers at Crater.

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Crater High School Junior class members raised the most money of the four classes at Crater. Carolyn Ellis, junior MOD princess, was crowned queen at the dance Friday, Jan. 30. The other princesses were Bobby Lee Danielson, senior; Lea Taberna, sophomore; and Mary Governor, freshman.

The newest club at Crater, the Spanish club, elected its officers Thursday, Feb. 4. They are Rosalie Wilson, president; Lea Padgett, vice president; Sandy Higinbotham, secretary-treasurer; Ruth Ellis, historian; Lynn Malot, program chairman; and Gary More, reporter. Dues were set at 25 cents a semester.

Saturday, Jan. 31, the Comette, Crater's pep club, went on a snow party to Union Creek. Toboggans, inner tubes, and sack lunches were taken. Carol Harris, typing teacher, and Nancy Purviance, gym teacher, were the chaperones.

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