

Holiday Guests, Activities Sold

MIST—Earl Doran and son, Jimmy, the former from his large cattle ranch in eastern Oregon came down and visited the Irving Knowles during the 4th. Mr. Doran was brought up by Grandpa Charles Knowles, so its the old home of Mr. Doran, who is of the Doran Iron Works now of Seattle. Recent surprise guests of the Fred Siegenthaler family, one day last week were the G. B. Lowden folks of Milwaukee and their daughter, Mrs. Merl Chase and family. The W. M. and Ray Garlocks were pleased to receive a visit from Mr. Garlocks niece and



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family from Wisconsin last week.

We are sorry to hear of the fatal accident in the log truck of Everett Lane of Warrenton last week. His parents lived here a number of years, some years past. We extend sympathy to the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sundland and the Edward Salomonsen family left during the holidays for a camping trip at some of the Oregon beaches.

Mrs. L. P. Wikstrom is up and about again, we're glad to report after being in bed the past week with mumps.

The Wm. Bridgers entertained his neice and family from Roseburg last week.

J. O. Libel continues to do as well as can be expected, we are told. He will leave the hospital before long and go to the home of his daughter, Mrs. Lindburg in St. Helens for a little before coming home.

The Alvery Trotter family who have been visiting their grand parents, the Austin Dowlings, left for Tillamook to spend the 4th.



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Boil, Then Taste Botulism Rule

"Don't try to tell by odor or appearance whether home canned string beans, corn or peas are spoiled or not. Boil them first then taste them afterwards."

This is the advice of G. Y. Copson, head of the bacteriology department at O.S.C., who has tested scores of food examples for the deadly botulism. Such food that may smell and appear all right may carry enough poison to be deadly, while food that is completely spoiled can be rendered harmless by boiling.

Botulinus poisoning is caused by a germ fairly common in Oregon soils, Professor Copson explains. While it rarely appears when reasonable care is used in canning, it is so deadly that it is not safe to take chances at any time. He also warns against the throwing of suspicious canned food to chickens until it is boiled, as it is just as deadly to them, causing "limberneck" preceding death.

The poison in canned food is destroyed by boiling for 10 minutes, Professor Copson adds. The germ forms a spore which resists boiling temperatures but which is harmless in the human body. It is advisable, however, to reboil foods that have been opened more than a day or so.

A positive antitoxin for botulism has been developed, but the poison works so rapidly that is usually impossible to administer the remedy in time to do any good.

Under the new state law levying a severance tax of 5c per thousand feet of timber harvested, an estimated \$250,000 per year will be provided for research of which 60 per cent has been allocated to the work of the forest products laboratory, Dean Dunn explained. With an added state appropriation about \$10,000 per year will be available for the work of the laboratory, making a greatly expanded program requiring the fulltime service of a technical director.

Traffic Toll Takes Big Drop

In May Oregonians pushed down the highway death toll for the third time this year, it has been announced by Robert S. Farrell Jr., secretary of state. Nineteen were killed during the month, compared to 40 during May last year.

February and April tolls were also markedly below those for the same months of 1946. So far this year, traffic fatalities have fallen almost 20 per cent from last year's levels.

It was pointed out that reduced highway toll is in the face of the greatest flood of traffic the state has ever seen. Automobile registration and gas sales are swelling every month.

The average number of May traffic deaths for the last five peace-time years has been 28. The toll of 19 this May is regarded as a remarkable reduction.

Forest Products Staff to Expand

OREGON STATE COLLEGE—Enlargements and reorganization of the staff of the Oregon Forest Products laboratory here has just been announced by Dean Paul M. Dunn, director of the laboratory and head of the forestry school. The changes, made to meet the needs of an expanded research program with more state support, also involves a change in a forestry school department head.

Dr. Phimster B. Proctor, head of the wood products department of the school of forestry, has been appointed technical director of all research projects in the laboratory. He will be succeeded by John B. Grantham, associate professor of forest products, who has been named acting head of the depart-

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