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Educational Address By Prof. G. Walter Monroe

In the absence of the pastor, Rev. H. T. Ayres, last Sunday, Prof. G. Walter Monroe, Principal in the Owensmouth High School, gave an educational address, using as his subject: "Democracy through Education." It was so practical and timely that a few extracts may be found of much interest to all. They are as follows:

All through the ages men have shown a deep desire for knowledge. It must be a source of much satisfaction to the Creator when someone discovers one of His great laws of nature. Such a meeting other worlds in a Godgiven faculty. The ancients were interested in the science of astronomy. The accomplishment of the heavens seemed to them the work of God. No one who at gazes out in the evening and views the heavens can help but feel a vague sense of the nearness of space and the uniformity of nature. Men who have studied these things but feel that there must be great superhuman power controls not only the movements of the heavens and the universe but the destinies of our own lives as well.

Man deserves much credit for the laws he has discovered and the inventions produced as a result of these laws. More advancement has been made in the past ten years along all lines of intellectual endeavor than in all previous time. And the future is full of hopes and promises even though beset with many perplexing problems. Christian people may well feel optimistic and encouraged to greater endeavor, for it appears to great vision to see that God's hand is at the helm.

When the Christian came to America, they came with deep religious convictions and a spirit of freedom and justice which has come down to us with overwhelming importance and significance. But it has required centuries of growth to give us a distinctive nationality and establish our American institutions which the greatest democracy of the world is founded.

It was not until after the war of 1812 that this country was freed from European alliances, and the Civil War did away forever with sectional interests and prejudices. During the past fifty years a strong national government has been established. And now at the close of the great world war our country is in a position to extend its influence back to the land where our Pilgrim fathers came and to breathe that same spirit of freedom which impelled them in centuries past to seek a new land—our own United States.

Education has played no small part in the development of our national ideals. From the very beginning education has been a matter of deep concern. Schools were early established, but which were at first very private in character, they felt the broad foundation of a public school system, democratic school system was established.

"Germany," as one writer expressed it, "had its model school system, as she had the model army, and in the same way men were both trained and forced upon her with doctrines and discipline alike contrary to the spirit of the mediaeval class system. They were made from the standpoint of an age that is past—the age of privilege, of hereditary rulership by a state which was above morals and human rights."

But the American schools were conceived in the spirit of freedom and equality. Their business is training for citizenship in a democracy that knows no class distinctions and can tolerate none. The German model and army, perfect products of the German schools, stalked unchallenged against the forces dedicated to the democracy of American schools and playgrounds.

The framers of our Constitution understood fully the evils of a union of church and state. However, the separation of religious worship from the affairs of government added responsibility to the Christian forces. All realized the necessity of religious instruction. The subjects studied in the denominational schools were the Bible, Latin, Greek and mathematics.

When our state universities were established, many Christian people felt that the denominational colleges offered the best training for the young persons because of its religious environment. However, there are at the present time but few denominational institutions, which can offer the same educational advantages as our state universities and privately endowed colleges such as Harvard, Columbia, Yale, Stanford and others.

Careful investigation shows that there is a larger percentage of church members in the universities than in the communities from which the students come. Religious organizations find it more to their advantage to employ minister to the spiritual life of the students in the university. To this end they are establishing halls of devotion, chapels, club houses, theological seminaries, etc. Yale, Y. M. C. A. accommodation.

In recent years, the high school has had the same development as the universities produced as a result of these ideals. It offers both academic and vocational training and prepares a large number of students for entrance to the college. It serves as a community center and becomes the life and interest of the neighborhood.

Thus, the American school, with the spirit in fixing national sentiment and ideals, and in developing a nationalism consciousness and a national point of view. It has been the spirit of democracy as expressed in our schools that enabled our nation to take its place our army on the firing line, which stood up for the free government and free people.

The twenty-five million school children of this country were a factor in winning the war, which the great west far towards keeping our spiritual army in the trenches, and victory came.

But the war brought to our attention some startling conditions. Our people were thinking about many things concerning our government and the great world conflict. We had wealth as a nation, yet our people were extravagant. It became necessary for the government to start a campaign of conservation.

The war revealed the fact that our national government should be used to unify and encourage education. In this connection a bill has been introduced in Congress providing for the creation of a cabinet officer, to be known as the Secretary of Education, and the appropriation of $100,000,000 annually. It is specified that the money shall be used for the advancement of literacy, for Americanization of foreigners, for the promotion of physical and health education, for the better preparation of teachers and for the organization of educational opportunities.

The offer that Uncle Sam will give education may be carried on effectively, if trained teachers are secured. It is difficult to estimate the value of a teacher together. If the teacher is to impart knowledge, it is essential that she should know, and have not only confidence in them, but love and sympathy for them.

No person should be a teacher who is not interested in school life, who is not sympathetic or concerned in character building. Our schools have the opportunity to make the greatest of all teachers, who will be the mothers of the race. Home is unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.

Every teacher should be a Christian, for by his character and by his contact with students in a social way he can exert an influence for good vastly able than more instruction in the class room. This is a tremendous responsibility. Unfortunately, many do not realize it.

Inspections are as thick as bees in blossom time, so they are, when there is a literary kit close at hand to gather them as their chip off. This was my misfortune, and by the time I returned home, the bees had disappeared, and were worn off, and this is what has spoiled my story.

Once, however, my mind delved into the depths of mystery while studying the huge stone stratifications that have been exposed by making the deep cut section of the elements. As I looked at these pillars of rock I realized that even with all this stupendous mighty world of nature, it could be possible that there are other stellar bodies far greater, yet, thousands of times over!

With this silver of the morning air about your body, the silence of the quiet season, broken only by the rippling ripple of the mountain stream, and the chirp of a few sprightly linnets, you feel that life is worth while and more. No sunrise could equal this one as the Ojai Valley, with the shadow over the rocks' rims.

There is no end to description, and to attempt to picture it all, together with all the social life and joys of life of campers, where will I stop? It is a time time to "be happy and happy" you are, dear readers, for I see that I have already a literary hot box, but for fear that I may be called to the stand and restrained with a fan to keep a cheery and hungry and glad. Next time I will be even harder to tear away, for the memories still remain so vividly, and I do want to tell you of my joys and the food embrance of kind old nature.

UPPER VALLEY DAIRIES
MAKE HIGH MILK TEST

From a four months' test by the city health milk grading contest, the following averages were made by the local dairymen: Adam Brown, of the certified milk; Elliott-Brant Rancho, 3.1 on guaranteed class milk. It will be noted that these were the only dairyset percentages of the city's list of dairies numbering about twenty. Samples for these contests are taken at random at irregular intervals, and victory is a fair average of the products of the dairymen. Samples are taken by the judges examine the milk for bacteria, odor and food contents, and every particle of sediment is counted and scored against the milk.

Local Farm Bureau Center Gets Together

The monthly meeting of the Owensmouth, Chatsworth, Zelzah, Marian Farm Bureau center was held in the Chatsworth school on Thursday evening. It was a most interesting meeting, about 50 people attended. George P. Gray of the Department of Horticulture and Incendiary side of the U. of C., also County Advisor Stevens were present and gave interesting talks.

Mr. Gray subjected of absorbing interest was the subject of the talk, the Bean Weevil, enemy of the field bean. He said that it was necessary for farmers to bring the little pest in order to deal successfully in the extermination of the bighouse, that due caution has gone into allowing the growers to be on the watch for the first appearance, which is June, now are the most dangerous.

This evil agent is such a type as Jerval in the Bible, "Jerval is coming and from whence he came, is baffling the skill of all the professors and growers.

So determined is the Department of Agriculture that this wicked pest, that Mr. Gray was out last week making observations, as also was Prof. Larson, one of the Bureau of Entomology, U. S. Department of Agriculture. Out of all the research and careful work, it is possible that there may be hope to get a special member of the university who will be based in Ventura in the local territory to make a study of circumstances to others what he is able to find. Meanwhile every grower is earnestly cautioned to be on the watch for the very first appearance of the bugger, and his first sign of it, and is requested to report immediately to J. R. Stevens, County Agr. Advisor, and make preparation for carrying on a campaign of investigation of the bean pest, with a view of learning what is the cause, how it came from and what his destiny is, and at the same time, what is the best and most methods for spreading his specie. His extermination is important and necessarily is the object of the campaign.

SMASHED INTO AUTOMOBILE

Pickwith Stage Running at High Speed

Six Occupants of the Car Get a Severe Shaking Up

A Pickwick Stage rushing at a terrific speed through Ventura last Saturday afternoon dashed into an automobile containing six of our local people. Miss Vira Wimberley of Oxnard was seriously injured. She was taken at once to the Methodist hospital in Los Angeles and Mrs. Wimberley was taken to the home of relatives in Long Beach.

In the automobile with Miss Wimberley when the accident occurred were Mrs. Lawrence and Miss Beatrice Spencer, of Oxnard, both of whom were considerably shaken but not seriously injured. Others in the car were Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Johnson and Will Bright of Oxnard.

The accident occurred when Bright slowed up when approaching a manhole in the road. A sedan coming toward Ventura slowed up and passed the Johnson car, and the Pickwick stage, running about 35 to 40 miles, behind the sedan, could not slow up in time to avoid the collision.

The Johnson car was thrown from the automobile, striking her head on the pavement. She was also badly scalded about the limbs from the boiling water from the stage radiator, which was crushed when the cars collided together. None of the passengers in the stage were injured.

The automobile was badly damaged and the party was taken to Los Angeles by other cars going to the city. The party was on the way to Huntington Beach and Long Beach.

Miss Vira McCullivray and Miss Spencer returned by rail from Los Angeles to Oxnard.

GET READY FOR THAT SEVENTEEN-YEAR LOCUST

That the 17-year locust is due to make his unwelcome visit in the land is evidenced by the fact that he is already here and making secret reservations in the ground.

S. E. Goodall was curious to know what made certain many holes in the ground the other day and after investigation found a partner since from somewhere, which was hiding in the depths of a little well. The strange makeup resembled an earth insect with indications of underground. Mr. Goodall took one fair specimen prisoner, and turned him over to headquarters for investigation. To his great surprise it was learned that the curious little insect was nothing less than the celebrated 17-year locust.

Some of these walls extend for many feet in the ground, showing that he is an artist of immense cunning when it comes to making the finest from or cones. In the Middle West, the locust has always for its appearance in the foliage of the trees.

EIGHTY PER CENT QUOTA MET BY BEAN ASSOCIATION

The campaign for the 80 per cent membership quota for the Lima Bean Growers Association is a success so far as the Owensmouth and Chatsworth district is concerned. Mr. Henderson, canvasser of the Owensmouth State Bank, and secretary of the Association, informs us as we go to press that the quota has been proven good and that we have gone over the top. This brings the Owensmouth membership to about ninety per cent of the acreage in the district of about 10,000 acres.

The proposed marketing contracts between the association and the A. E. H. Lery Co. and J. M. Newman, Selling Agency have been signed and placed in escrow.

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Dwelling on the Mountain Tops

A change from lines to black garb on a hot day, combined with a leave of absence fully divorced from business, soon to mount the altitudes at Camp Bailey, better than the physician's prescription or the druggist's draught, especially when you can hear all the cool ozone and drink the cold water from trickles down over the mountain beds.

Not that the Gazette man's experience was any more wonderful than thousands of others who have visited this familiar mountain retreat, but who can refrain talking about it? It is long as the environment has lodgement within the soul? Perhaps it is so called myself to one side, somewhere behind the mountain range, I guess, and promised faithfully I would not be so silly as to give the mountain scenery sentimental, you know! then I felt myself overrying the mountain there would be nothing to fill the paper.

What a place, by the way, for the tired nerves and tired mind; the fussy kind, those who have left the busy world to no larger than a balloon and flying out of Gods great hatchback, with all the beautiful scenery trimmings and rocky monuments, and I guess, I am a kind that it is only the world that let yourself, after all, that is dwarf-ed.

Well, my wife and I, or son and his wife, in one and on no more, viewed the blessings of the trip together, nearly filling the Chevrolet, and with plenty of room for the paraphernalia and "eats" that the mountain tops and mountain testing.

We will know that Camp Bailey is about 5,000 feet elevation, which is the half-way spot to the Ojai Valley, and the end of the automobile road, "from here on the mountain goes tumbling hunger and sore muscles like a hay baler, but what a wonderful place for association with "Nature and man" it seems to be the general feeling all They were residents of Owensmouth and two of Ventura, Mr. Kimball and Mr. Hughes was called and gave them medical assistance. Our cabins were broken collapsed and every one was a victim of fatigue, I guess, and sought the cots in the hospital. Fast driving was the order of the day.

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Later reports convey the news that Quetillo is more seriously injured than first realized, and should complications set in he will be in critical condition.

It is getting to be alarming the many accidents which occur on the highway and point of the blame rests with the motor driving. While this is a fact, there are many places in the mountain places along the road, such as short curves and blind spots, which should be attended to and be called to the road officials. Many of the tourists are willing for all admit that there is a spot that should be looked after and attended to.

Later—Quetillo died Wednesday morning.

OUR BOYS IN KHAKI

Ward Anderson, son of Wallace Anderson, who has been overseas for the war, has returned home to the United States, and his father is expecting his home shortly. Mr. Ward enlisted in the engineer corps.

Miss Bertrice Hull has received a letter from her brother, who was in overseas, stating that he is soon to be home. He is now in the United States. He is making extensive tours and seeing the sights of national interest throughout Ireland, Scotland and England.

James George, another one of the boys in khaki, has returned home. He left Mitchell last September, enlisting with the Canadian forces. On reaching Toronto he received his Boer war, he was sent straight across, arriving in England in October after a perilous voyage, many dying with the flu.

He was a member of the Seaforth Highlanders and had charge of the postoffice at Kimmel Park, N. Wales, where they were placed in quarantine.

Mr. George was one of five brothers who took part in the war, two of whom have fought the south four years, and all returned to their homes in Scotland.

Ford Car Turns Over With Four

Carpenter Foreman Dies From His Injuries —Fast Driving

Four Mexican laborers came to sad dies grief in an accident Monday morning near the Ventura county line on state highway, when their car turned over and all were killed. Two were residents of Owensmouth and two of Ventura, Mr. Kimball and Mr. Hughes was called and gave them medical assistance. Our cabins were broken collapsed and every one was a victim of fatigue, I guess, and sought the cots in the hospital. Fast driving was the order of the day.

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SYSTEM ALL RIGHT

The low streets of the irrigation system in the upper valley has created some agitation toward devising means for remedying the situation. While it is true that some have complained in the course of the season, yet there is no need of alarm, since the department is already making plans for another year.

Chief Engineer Mulholland says that the water office, which was recently designed on a basis of seven months' spread of the irrigation waters; but all the crops that have gone in have been requiring only a three months' spread, and the difficulty has been that the irrigators have all wanted to use the water at the same time.

There is scarcely an irrigation system in Southern California that does not require the irrigators to take their turn, and this means irrigation at night, as well as in the day. Night irrigation in the San Fernando Valley is almost unheard of, but ranchers on the lower levels could get good pressure if this was done, according to Mr. Mulholland.

It is intended that a schedule and definite rules be worked out for application next season, so that irrigators will get water in turn, and the peak loads will be equalized.

PROSPEROUS FRUIT YEAR

It has been the greatest season of apricots the state has ever had and the yield has been in excess of expectations and the demand for the product in both presoaked and dried form is beyond former reckoning. The whole world is fruit hungry after the war which has cut off over a billion people from eating fruits. It has been the good fortune of California to have its most bountiful yields of both apricots and peaches at such a time.

Seventy-five million dollars is the approximate value of this year's apricot crop in California and this is considered a conservative estimate by authorities on the fruit situation.

It is estimated that there are 65,000 acres of apricot producing land in Southern California and that a large majority of the fruit moves through Los Angeles and that the production this year will be in excess of 150,000 tons.

Culver City is getting a wonderful boost from a great "Advancement Edition" just issued by the Culver City Call, which speaks the highest praise of both city and newspaper. We remember that Culver City was put on the map about the time Owensmouth was, and surely you would be surprised in noting the growth. Owensmouth has made good, but it is quite certain that Culver City has done as well, and some better. We are going to exploit the merits of Owensmouth some day soon, and tell of the marvelous advantages we have at our door. Congratulations to the Culver City Call and its estimable editor!

The San Fernando Press is distinguishing itself by printing a "funny sheet" along with the regular issue of the paper. It is a new innovation in the class of country journalism and sure is quite an enterprising stunt for the management of the Press owners.

SIX YEARS AGO TODAY

("Fancy Republished from The Gazette.)

Crowds have been drawn from the pigeo and organ factory at Van Nuys.

Work is still progressing on the Topanga boulevard, though very slowly.

C. F. Hale has purchased a new automobile from a Hollywood dealer. It is a Ford.

The plate glass is being adjusted in the store front of the Syndicate Block this week.

Owensmouth is to be hostess next Sunday afternoon and evening to a dozen Hoosiers and their wives, who are to arrive Saturday overland in the cars, representing the Indiana Automobile Manufacturers' Association of Indianapolis.

BRIEF REMINISCENCE

After a period of sixteen months, dating from April 19, 1913, the company operating day of Owensmouth, towards, there was commendable activity and no end of the superior wants. The opening day was marked by a brass office, a flag staff, two or three shacks and about a dozen tents. Everything else was empty free across uncultivated land.

Within the sixteen months an epoch of improvements took place, both in towards and upper valley, Owensmouth took on metropolitan enterprise that stayed, although only three years, a bank, a drug store, city hall, auto hack, bakery, two stores of furniture, and barber shop, a large hotel and the Syndicate block made business homes for the different years.

AMONG OUR EXCHANGES

Hemet News: Optimist says as to whether The Hague or Reno has been the world's greatest peace producing center.

Compton Enterprise: With letter postage 3 cents, every stamp licker thrift stamp, these days. By writing two letters a day you can save $1.

Artesia News: The extremes of the sugar beet situation seem to meet here. One grower plants the beets and won't go to the trouble of harvesting them. Another will have 25 tons to the acre.

Seal Beach Post: It is pretty tough when a boy is so tired at night he can't get a bed long enough to sleep in, so says Oliver Sevile of Long Beach. He is about 6 foot 4 and still growing. He has scarcely filled his clothes yet, but is big enough for him, but all in vain, and will now build himself a bunk.

Tropico Herald: Mail Carrier Nicholson came back on the job last Saturday after his vacation, and the "boys" are laughing over the fact that one of his first deliveries was to a kitchen plano which came by parcel post, but fortunately it was not a "nickelodeon."

Newhall Signal: Well No. 3 of the General Petroleum Company is now down about 1000 feet. In the drilling of this well, which is located in Mitchell Canyon, strata of oil and gas have been struck, but it is not expected that any great results will be realized until several hundred more feet have been drilled.

San Fernando Press: Mrs. Maude Ruby, an American colony bred girl young, handsome and athletic, has this summer donned the masculine Bloomerette costume of trousers and khaki shirt, and is her husband's help enormously with the running of the ranch. She has driven a team of 20 men at the mess tent every day.

Zelzah Tribune: Forty thousand grains of the succulent cantaloupe Makes a novine wonder if they are as many of this juicy melon in all California. If shipped in one train it would have to be 1120 cars in length. That is the estimated crop that Oscar B. Patton, a Zelzah rancher, expects to take from the 140 acres he has planted to the Rocky Ford variety.

Glendora Gleaner: The career of a mule was abruptly and ingloriously ended Saturday when it broke through covering and plunged bodily into a cesspool in the back yard of the J. O. Mather's home fronting Leodora Avenue and was drowned. The mule had was one of a fine team of mules owned by Los Angeles parties and hired to the Porter Bros. and valued at $800.

Corcoran Journal: The Pingree Sugar Company expects to close its Corcoran factory in a few days for at least one year, perhaps longer. Inability to secure sufficient beets is given as the reason for discontinuing operations. It is claimed that the crop was cut short this year by the lack of moisture, the growers being unable to procure sufficient irrigation water to bring the crops to maturity.

Ventura Post: Reports which have come to John Lagomarsino's office in Ventura are to the effect that the bean crop in that locality is showing up exceedingly well, there is an abundance of water for irrigation purposes, and as a result there will be a big bean crop. In view of the fact that there will be a short crop of beans in parts of the state, the Ventura men will play in good fortune in the bean business.

Van Nuys News: A "wireless" from Catalina to the News states that L. M. Streeter caught one of that great Spring fish, single-handed and without line or tackle, that has been talked about in this season. Mr. Streeter landed the fish late Saturday evening and celebrated the event by giving a fish dinner for his friends Sunday.

A large country club for the South Hills near the W. P. Ranch is projected by prominent citizens of Hollywood and this valley. Details have not been made public.

Lankershim Lacunic: In July, 1919, an apricot buyer was in the field and offering $110 per ton for the green fruit at the orchard. This year was in the bumper crop year and far exceeded any other ever recorded in the valley. With an immediate crop on the trees the opening prices were from $40 to $50, with a large share of the crop going at $45. Cheaper grades of dried apricots reached 38 cents per pound, Sunday, July 20, the canners paid 32 cents per box for pitting. Lankershim is making history, which the story for your grandchildren to read.

Fillmore Herald: Local citrus growers and some from other latest express alarm over orchard conditions, occasioned by dropping fruit in immature state. In fact a few orchards are far almost total satisfaction, which is no doubt putting it strongly; then the situation warrants a lot of irrigation in the cases assigned. Orchards abundantly blossomed and show the drop to any marked degree. Much new water development is progress, and dry years will not hold to great a fraction in future. With plenty of water many ranch and orchard problems are solved.

Ventura Free Press: Ernest Hill is plowing up the field of beans east of Ventura. Walter Dexter's big drove of sheep were turned in on the field and have had the sheep cleaned up nicely, and ready for the harvester. Mr. Hill is now showing the field particular to see the crop, which promises to be a good winter rainfall.

The B. B. Dunning ranch of Ventura on the Mound District north of Ventura has been purchased by Gilchrist Lachenmeier, the price is reported to be over $100,000. The Dunning ranch is one of the best in the county and year after year for a quarter of a century, has produced record crops of lima beans.

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June 17, 1919.

To Blanche Crooks of 317 Citizens' National Bank Bldg., Los Angeles, Cal., Contestee:

You are hereby notified that George Crooks, who gives his P.O. 109 Ist St., South, Sawtelle, Calif., as his postoffice address, did on May 14th, 1919, file in this office his duly corroborated application to contest and secure the cancellation of your Homestead Entry Serial No. 011177, made May 29rd, 1910, for W½ of NW¼ and W½ of SW¼, Section 10, Township 1 S., Range 20 W., S. B. Meridian, Mt. Diablo Base, Meridian, and as grounds for his contest he alleges that said land is now in his natural state, that you have never lived on, done anything on the land whatever, or have abandoned it, that you are a single man, and have not complied with the Homestead Law in any way, that the entry was not due to naval or military duty.

You are further notified that the said allegations of your contest shall be deemed to be admitted, and your entry will be cancelled without further right to be heard, either before this office or on appeal, if you fail to file in this office within twenty days after the FOURTH publication of this notice, your answer, under oath, specifically meeting and responding to these contest, together with due proof that you have served a copy of your answer on the said contestant, either in person or by registered mail. In this state in your answer the name of the postoffice to which you desire further notices to be sent to may be given.

B. F. GROVES,
Register.

ALEX MITCHELL,
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Daily mail arrival and departure at Owensmouth Postoffice are as follows:

Mail from the Pacific Ocean, eastern and northern points, at 7:00 a. m. and 1:30 p. m.

Mail from Canoga, Canoga Park, Chatsworth, Carsell and Verte Buena at 1:30 p. m.

Mail for the Pacific Ocean, eastern, southern and northern points, at 1:35 a. m. and 2:45 p. m.

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Wells Fargo Express arrives and departs over the Pacific Electric Railway daily, except Sunday, at 8:30 a. m.

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CHURCH CALENDAR

Owensmouth Community Church—Sunday school at 10 o'clock every Sunday morning; at 11 o'clock morning worship; at 7:30 o'clock evening worship; Wednesday evening prayer service, 8 o'clock. Epworth League meeting at 7 o'clock every Sunday evening. REV. W. A. VIGNEAULT, Pastor.

MEN'S SUNDAY MORNING CLUB

The Men's Sunday Morning Club meets Sunday at 9 o'clock a.m. in the Pool Directory room of the hall.
G. WEBSTER, Leader.

DAILY TIME SCHEDULE

Arrival and Departure of Cars Over Pacific Electric Railway.

Effective Thursday, May 1, 1919, between Owensmouth and Los Angeles as follows:

Leave Owensmouth—6:24 (x), 6:46 (x), 7:58 (x), 9:56, 12:24 a. m.; 1:56, 3:46, 5:16, 6:17, 6:46 (x), 7:36 (x), 7:07 (x) p. m.; 12:54 (x) a. m.

Leave Los Angeles—6:45 (x), 8:35, 10:35 a. m.; 12:35, 2:35, 4:35, 5:35, 6:35 (x), 8:35 (x), 9:45, 11:50 p. m.

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LATE LOCALS

Lima beans are $10 per hundred now.

Sherman Way is one span of rose beauty just now in spots.

Charles Gschwind purchased a new 1919 model "Four-Ninety" Chevrolet car.

The McManus family, except the father, is confined to the hospital with sickness.

Fred Balzer has a force of carpenters on his new residence and the wife is to be in service in completion as rapidly as possible.

Mrs. Lausen's sister, Mrs. Ryan, of Van Nuys, is visiting at the Lausen home. Now, you read this copy, see that you subscribe, then read your own copy of Owensmouth's paper, and it tries to get all the news.

Beginning August 9th San Pedro will be the Mecca for thousands of Southern California people, and the battleship fleet is due in San Pedro on the 9th.

Dan Santa Marie recovered a stolen coat this week that he lost some time ago. Through the work of Mr. Wells the property was identified and taken care of.

Milk scaring to 15 cents a quart on September 1st. It will not be strange if butter follows the high lead, for there some are already predicting 90 cent butter by Christmas time.

The 10 per cent tax on soda, water and other non-alcoholic beverages is no official announcement has been received by the bottling firms selling soft drinks and confectionery.

J. R. Chapman, of San Fernando, charged with having a camp fire uncovered in Pacoima Canyon, was fined $10 by Justice Fletcher, of San Fernando, Monday, and he paid the money.

Dates for the holding of the Ventura county fair were named at a meeting held in Ventura, Saturday afternoon for October 1 to 4, beginning on Wednesday and continuing until Saturday.

Otto Gschwind has been on the sick list the past week and he has been hard to attend to business. We notice that the doctor has arrived on time each morning, however, sickness or no sickness.

All who have ever lived in Colorado are called to meet together in auspices of the Colorado State Society for the great annual picnic reunion, all day Sunday, August 2nd, in Sycamore Grove, Los Angeles.

An offer is being made to get aqueduct water in Canoga valley to irrigate about 10 acres, and the Lines Investment Company, holding large acreage in Canoga, are working for negotiations with the city.

The Owensmouth Restaurant is making good over Day, and the increased patronage justifies the necessity for the limit. When every condition has been met for public convenience, meals will be served on Sunday, and Wednesday evening of each week, according to Mr. Stockley now employed two waitresses.

Starting with today the door season opens and lasts for one year, the 1920, with considerable interest centered in the big door prize, which is a back camping Ford, which is being shipped from Detroit, and is a good hunting auto from outside of the Ford factory manufacturer who will invade the country in this vicinity.

The apricot season will be over in about ten days according to the best authority, the Gschwind family. Walnut crop has been and about the fruit being so small, the fruit in San Fernando valley has been a good average crop and will be much larger than first anticipated. The Clemons & Rockwood plant is handling over 90 boxes of fruit per day.

During vacation extensive improvements are to be made in the two school buildings in Owensmouth. At the grammar school about $1000 has been spent on the outside walls besides other work of an important character. At the high school the halls are being repaired where needed and several places are being plastered. The expense on the high school will be about about $700. All the work will be finished early enough so the two school buildings in condition for the school year which will start on the second day of September.

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FLOOD CONTROL WORK APPROVED

City and County Now Ready for Business

$200,000 Appropriation to Make the Valley Safe from Flood Waters

Flood control work approved by the city and county has been concurred in by the city council for making the valley safe from the ravages of the devastating waters from Tujunga canyon during winter rains.

Under this program the county supervisors and the city council will bear the cost of the work, which will amount to more than $200,000, and a special bond district will be created, it is hoped.

As soon as the winter rains abate next spring the county supervisors will select the site for the Hutchins dam in Pacoima canyon, and will make provision for acquisition of the dam location.

This dam project will be finished by the winter of 1921-22. In the meantime, while the Hutchins investigation will be completed within the next three weeks, approximately $200,000 will be available in the county flood control bond issue for the work, which appropriations have informed the city officials.

LIBRARY NOTES

(Mrs. A. T. Gallow, Librarian)

Mrs. A. T. Gallow, librarian, who has been on a vacation for two weeks returned Tuesday after a delightful rest. She has many new features in mind for the library, dealing with the Carnegie fund, which will a large labor-saving improvement. She is being greeted by all the patrons of the library upon her return with delight. Mrs. Alice Harrod, who has been in charge during and during her absence, has shown great kindness to the public and proven a satisfaction to all.

In the report of the year we have an increase of 2,217 books over last year, 46 new registrations, and card holders to date, 179.

The late Scientific American has an article on the first Round Trip of the Trans-Atlantic airship, giving cuts of the interior construction, sleeping, cooking and living apartments. Also "Trees Transplanted in the Desert," two Los Angeles men manufactured twice the amount of trees thought useless yucca plant in Victorville, and other articles of interest.

Any books that are wanted can be obtained, if not contained in the library. During June 614 books were given out and 1,179 books during the year. A good report.

IOWANS PLAN PICNIC IN SYCAMORE GROVE, LOS ANGELES

Wide and far-reaching plans are under way for the greatest Iowa Summer Home and Picnic Reunion ever held by the Hawkeyes.

Instead of 50,000 Iowans, plans will be made for 50,000, who will rally from the Pacific Ocean to Sycamore Grove, Los Angeles, on Sunday, August 2nd, 1919, in Beautiful Rocky Park, Long Beach, Long Beach Boulevard, Long Beach, and Pacific Ocean Bathing Beach, for the Greatest Good Time Reunion ever held. This will be an all-day outing for the Hawkeyes, and a special train will be run from the Pacific Ocean Beach, for the Pacific Ocean to the San Pedro Harbor.

Life's Turning Point.

When you get into a bright place, and everything goes against you, till it seems as if you couldn't hold on a minute longer, never give up then, for that is just the place and time the tide will turn. — Harriet Beecher Stowe.

Garrulous Husbands.

"Don't expect a husband to be the listener," advises Winifred Black. Certainly not. Give have to sleep occasionally. The fact is, the law ought to punish those garrulous husbands who talk their wives to death. —Houston Post.

In Hard Luck.

Johnny (aged four) calls down stairs one morning with a very hoarse cold in the head. Running to his mother's room, "Oh, mother, dat's my eyes is looking an' one of my noses is frosed up!"

The Bungler's Way.

"To do our bitterness, and may come of it, is for business in politics as well as morals.—William Penn.

Can't Stop Him.

A man will remember all obstacles when he shows a natural tendency to make a fool of himself.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Backstead and children, Evelyn and Milton, will leave Saturday morning for a month's visit at Smith River, California, near the Oregon state line. They will visit Mrs. Backstead's parents. Mr. Backstead says he wants The Gazette mailed up to him so he can get the home happenings also show what a creditable local newspaper we have in Owensmouth, so get

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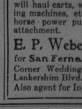

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FROM OUR NEIGHBORS

Interesting News Letters Received from Different Gazette Correspondents

MARIAN

(Contributed.)

Elizabeth Showalter is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Williams, in Long Beach.

J. George and Nelda and Clarence Jeffrey spent several days last week at Venice.

William Tice and wife of Camarillo have been visiting his brother, Rudolph Tice.

Miss Alma and Ruth Willmot of Ontario spent Sunday at the Roger sett home.

Mrs. Alex. Jeffrey and children, Nelda and Clarence, have gone to Idaho for a month's outing.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Engesett and daughter, Marian, left Tuesday for Minnesota instead of Illinois, as was stated last week.

John Keans and daughters, Lucile and Madelyn, spent Sunday with his daughter, Mrs. N. W. Robertson and family.

Henry Harwood and mother-in-law, Mrs. Gaston, have been visiting in Santa Paula Monday, returning home Tuesday evening.

Mrs. J. B. Holbach and C. A. Holbach of San Francisco, are visiting their parents and uncle, Mr. Holbach. Mr. Holbach owns property here and is considering moving here and building a fine home.

CALABASAS

(Contributed.)

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Nash are visiting relatives in San Francisco.

Mrs. Roy Cain of Pasadena spent the past week visiting her father at the Burton Ranche.

Miss Kathryn Strawbinger is spending the summer with her sister, Mrs. Geo. Lane of Lancaster.

On Monday last an election was held which made the building of a new schoolhouse in the Las Virgines district a certainty.

Ed Heike is making a specialty of goat raising, having recently stocked his place with a number of high grade milk goats.

CHATSWORTH

(Contributed.)

Mr. and Mrs. Howell have moved to Bishop, California.

Mr. and Mrs. Dobbs entertained friends last week.

Albert Clements is driving around in a new Buick touring car.

Mr. and Mrs. Carrol Nobles have been away for a couple of weeks.

John Colby, Jr., of Los Angeles, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Hesling.

Mr. and Mrs. Slessons, from Lompoc visited friends in Chatsworth last week.

Miss Merle Elliott is visiting her sister in Los Angeles for a couple of weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Turner are doing considerable work remodeling their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hageman are spending a very enjoyable month at Ocean Park.

Now comes the cantaloupe. Quite an acreage has been planted here and a good shipment will be made.

Mrs. Kalles, who has been quite ill in Pasadena, has returned home much improved in health.

Mrs. J. E. Peterson of Sunshine Ranch spent a day last week visiting friends in Chatsworth.

The next Court of Honor will be held the first Monday in August as Zelnab, Boys, get ready now!

F. W. Thomas is very busy with his cantaloupes. He has the best flavored melons raised in the valley. Try them and see.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Hesling, Mrs. Kate Kaesenstief and Aunt Ella Gaway motored to San Fernando Thursday.

Miss Myrtle DeVos has returned to her home in Oregon after spending several months in Los Angeles and Chatsworth.

Mr. Beal, who has been foreman for Beyrle Wilson, has, on account of poor health, resigned his position and moved to Hollywood.

The apricot season is about over, judging by the amount of fruit shipped from here quite an amount of money will come to this place.

There will be some more happy people in town as George Olsson has or dered a new Studebaker seven-passenger touchine, and Raymond Haworth a Studebaker Six.

Something in the way of building should be done in Chatsworth. Nearly every week people are looking for houses to rent. Some one ought to build ten or twelve bungalows for rent for purposes.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Johnson visited at Burbank last week. Mrs. John son's brother, Corp. H. Fred Lehman recently returned from France, and his bride were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Lehman.

Eric Day who has been visiting the past week with his parents, left Monday for Trenton, where he will resume his old position that he held when he enlisted in the signal department of the Southern Pacific Company.

There ought to be some ordinance out here prohibiting people from hanging their mufflers open and honking their claxons as they go through at night. They have no sympathy for people that work hard all day and need a good night's rest.

Mrs. Karl Kleinsorder and Aunt Allie Dinsmey went to Los Angeles where they will attend the Illinois picnic and go on from there to Manhattan Beach and spend the week-end with friends. Mr. Kleinsorder will then return to her home at Fruitvale.

The young people's class of the M. E. Sunday School, of whom Norman J. Johnson is teacher, enjoyed a sunshine and winer roast last Saturday night. A bonfire was enjoyed and after the fire they sat around singing songs and telling stories. Those present were: Gladys Gray, Helen Boyd, Marie Elliott, Vada Hunt, Anna Graves, Grace Williams, Violet Shaw, Willie Bryant, DeWitt Kittens, Robert Harker, Forest Wad leyand Haywards, Leslie Johnson, Teddy and Leland Day, Paul Clements and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Johnson.

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2 cans solid pack Tomatoes, 35c
Peaches No. 2½, - 20c to 30c
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A STRANGE DREAM

By ELLEN HUMPHREY.

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Mrs. Hill had been alone all day. Even her hired maid was gone, as it was her day off. She was very lonely. It was her seventy-third birthday and she had not even received a card. Had they all forgotten her? All she had, of her long ones, were her three grandchildren, Laura, Bertha and Marion. They were all married and had homes of their own, so why should they think of her, although she had loved them so dearly.

A sadness had come over her today that she had never felt so strongly before, if some of them were only near her.

Jane came in and called to her a cheerful good-night. Jane was a good girl and Mrs. Hill liked her, but she was young and had friends of her own.

"I will go to bed and forget," sighed Mrs. Hill.

That night she dreamt she was on the street of the town in which she lived and there was great excitement; people were hurrying in one direction, so she asked a man what the trouble was. He told her that the Leslie & Marsh banking corporation had failed. Why, that was the bank where she kept her money. The excitement awoke her and she was very glad to find it had been only a dream. After a while she went to sleep again and had the same dream, only it was more real this time. When she awoke the second time she could not quiet herself enough to sleep any more that night.

The next day Mrs. Hill decided to line her money out of the bank and keep it in her safe at home.

Weeks passed, nothing had happened in the bank and she told herself she was a "superstitious old silly," she had almost made up her mind to deposit her money in the bank again, when one morning, after breakfast, Jane came running in from her shopping trip all excited.

"Oh, Mrs. Hill, there's great excitement downtown. The Leslie and something bank has failed!"

"That bank?" exclaimed Mrs. Hill. "The Leslie and some other name I didn't quite get—why, did you have any money in it?"

"No," answered Mrs. Hill quietly, "but it is strange."

Three days later she received three letters from her three grandaughters. They all knew her money was to be in the bank that had failed. She opened the letters and read the same word:

"Dear Grandma—I have just heard the news about the bank failure. What are you going to do? I would like you to come and stay with me for a while, but we are going away for the summer and could not leave you alone very well. Please write and let us know what you are going to do, as I am very anxious about you.

"Lovingly, BERTHA."

Mrs. Hill took up the next one and read:

"Dear Grandmother—I was shocked when I heard of the bank's failure where you kept your money. What will you do? Can't you let your house and keep a room in it? It would seem lonely little home than anywhere else. I will go to see you as soon as I can.

"Yours, with love, LAURA."

"Well," said Mrs. Hill, and she took off her glasses to wipe the tears out of her eyes, "I wonder what Marion will want me to do?" and she opened the third letter with trembling fingers and quivering lips.

"Dearest Grandma," wrote Marion. "I was very sorry to hear that the bank where you kept your money had failed. It must be nearly as bad as if something had happened to you. Now, grandma, dear, George and I want you to come and live with us; we have a nice room and you can bring some of your things if you want to. It is beautiful here on the Sound now, so don't hesitate, but write as soon as you can after you get this letter and let us know what you will come. Hoping to see you soon; lots of love from Marion and George."

Grandma Hill read Marion's letter twice and decided she would go.

Two weeks later found Mrs. Hill in Marion's home; she was made very welcome. Marion and her husband seemed to be very happy. After she had been there some weeks she overheard them anxiously talking about a letter that they had received that they could hear them. Then evening came, "Now, Marion," she said, and as they sat in the sitting room that evening she arose and started to go upstairs.

"You're not going to bed so early, are you, grandma?" inquired Marion. "I was going to read you a story from the new magazine that came today."

"I will be back in a few minutes," she replied, and when she did she came back she was carrying a large safety box. She sat down by the table near Marion and opened it.

"Why, Grandma Hill, where did you get that?" exclaimed Marion.

"Hush!" it answered grandma.

"Four thousand dollars!" cried Marion. "Why, grandma, didn't you have your money when the bank failed?"

"No," replied grandma, rather happily, "and it is a good thing for me. You have given me love in place of it, and perhaps I would have not had either had I not had such a strange dream."

Then she told them of her dream and they both assured her she would never be lonely again and that worst could not have paid too.

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WANTED

Hogs, any size or number. Inquire of D. M. Hartsough. Phone 119-4 R.

STRAYED

Black horse, five years old, weight almost 1000 pounds. Had halter on its head; white and foot. Communicate with Dr. C. W. Shirey, Lankershim, California.

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CHOICE HAY FOR SALE

No. 1 baled hay for sale. Inquire of S. W. Faller, Owensmouth, Calif. 36-tf*

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