

Over The Valley

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350 Miles of Potatoes

If the rows of potatoes in the patch, which Routh McKinnon is cultivating up on the La Grande-Wallowa lake highway about nine miles north of La Grande, were placed end to end, there would be a solid row over to the state house at Salem, with enough to make a hedge about the capitol grounds. Or, just suppose you had company for Sunday dinner, and your wife called you to the kitchen, tied an apron around you and asked you to wash that potato for dinner. Mrs. McKinnon has about 55 acres in potatoes which she says are coming along fine. Adjoining his patch are 45 acres belonging to Mr. Ledbetter making a potato patch of 100 acres—a fine sight. These gentlemen, planted the netted gems—the certified seed which was secured for farmers in the valley.

Pomona Grange to Meet

This coming Friday, June 25, is the day for all-day meeting and picnic of the all-county grange organization, the Pomona. The meeting, as announced last week, will be at Starkey, with closed session in the morning at 10 o'clock a big picnic dinner at noon in R. E. Thomas' grove, a rodeo after dinner, followed by a literary program. Later in the day the fifth degree will be conferred by the county organization. The grange at Starkey is working hard to provide good entertainment for the day and novel entertainment as well. There are ten granges in Union county and these compose the Pomona grange.

Union Show Ahead

When the smoke from the recent Union live stock show has completely blown away, that is, the bills all in and paid, and the exact financial condition known, the efforts of the promoting association was \$700 or \$800 from being depleted. Putting on a good show, watching expenses closely and yet not stinting the program in the least, having very little cooperation from the weather man but being good natured about it all the time, these are the things, their friends say, which reveal the character of the men at Union behind the show and reveal also the extent to which they are willing to sacrifice, and the manner in which they lack luck projects.

Return From State Grange

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wright and Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Geleker have returned from Corvallis where they have been attending the state grange meeting. Mr. Geleker, who had previously served one year as state steward, was re-elected as he was also re-elected state organizer, an office which he has held for a number of years.

Making Improvements

Among the improvements being made this summer on the farm of Frank Conley just this side of Cove, is the large addition to his garage which is being built at present. The addition will house about two more large cars.

Spend Sunday With Parents

Mr. and Mrs. Routh McKinnon and daughter, Evelyn were visitors over the week end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Hill, of Summerville.

New Board Member

S. F. Foster, dropped at Elgin, was elected to membership on the school board of district No. 22 at the election held Monday morning, defeating the present incumbent, Mrs. I. E. Hill, by a vote of 25 to 12. U. P. Weiss was elected secretary for the 24th constituency. It is reported that Mr. Weiss that once he gets an office, so efficiently does he do his work that he just keeps on indefinitely. It is believed that he has been Sunday school superintendent and secretary of the Masonic lodge for an even longer period than he has been secretary of the school district.

Visiting in Portland

Mrs. Mattie Ayres, living on the Lower Cove road, and her daughter, Mrs. Gladys Bloom, of La Grande, are in Portland visiting with their daughter and sister, from Portland they will go to Honama to visit with Mrs. Ayres' son.

Lightning Kills Calf

The striking of an animal or even an object by lightning in this valley, is said to be very rare indeed. Last week, J. D. Moore, residing about five miles north of Elgin, found a two-year-old calf dead in a pasture and from all appearances the calf had been struck about a week. It was found out in the open field, with a wound in one side where the electricity had struck which was larger than a man's fist. If these suppositions as to time are correct, the calf may have been struck during the severe electrical storm of June 5.

L. P. Tombs has Victory

The La Grande L. P. baseball team defeated the Elgin team Sunday, the score being 7 to 0 in a seven-inning game.

Visits at Dry Creek

Mr. and Mrs. Lawellen Foss, of La Grande, were guests Sunday at the Elmer Nelson home in the Dry Creek neighborhood.

Club to Meet

The Country Women's club will be entertained Friday afternoon by Mrs. J. A. Hoffman. Mrs. Stringham will be assistant hostess.

Have Special Prospects

Mrs. Mattie Friesold, who with the assistance of her son, is carrying for her the farm about eight miles north of La Grande, is quite

well pleased over present prospects. Wheat is in good shape, likewise alfalfa. Mrs. Friesold, like her neighbors, the McKinnon's and Ledbetters put in 17 acres of potatoes, using the netted gem certified seed. She also has an acre of the earlier potatoes, 'Cobblers' and 'Early Ohio's'. Mrs. Friesold is starting out in the poultry business again this year, not entirely discouraged by the fact that thieves robbed her of her chickens and all her large flock of turkeys last year at marketing time. She has no chickens this year, but has a few chickens already off and also turkeys. She hopes to have 75 of the latter. Mrs. Friesold raises chester white hogs and has about 100 head on her place now. With all these duties she has time to care for the beautiful lawn about her large country home and the many flowers which are to be seen there, the people being especially beautiful right now.

Looking After Property

Mrs. J. L. Geiger, of Enterprise, who still retains her property on the Indian Creek road, south and east of Elgin was down last week looking after her interests and visiting among her old neighbors. She was accompanied by her son and two daughters, Grace and Irene.

Swimming Pool Attracts

Those hot days have attracted large crowds at the swimming pool at Cove and each afternoon and evening have seen crowds there. Among those from a greater distance Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Mayon Hill, Miss Belle Tracey, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Houlett from several miles above Elgin.

Have Sunday Guests

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Riggs and Mr. and Mrs. Wesley McDonald, of La Grande, Mr. and Mrs. Cliff McCullough, of Elgin, were entertained at the L. C. Cross home on the Indian creek market road Sunday.

Enjoy Summer Session

Word from the Misses Carmen and Jane Daniel and David Weimer, of Cove, who are taking the summer short course at the state agricultural college at Corvallis, is to the effect that they have been nicely situated there and are enjoying the experience very much. The course which lasts two weeks will conclude the end of this week.

Attend Rose Carnival

Mrs. W. E. Buckman and daughter, Miss Wynn, have been in Portland where last week they attended the rose carnival. During their absence Mrs. Hannah Foster was looking after the Buckman household.

Spend Day at Maxville

Elvin and Luella Witty, Hazel Young and Ralph Miller composed a party which spent the week end in the Maxville hotels. These young people reside on the Indian creek market road.

Defeats Gym Proposition

At the annual school election held on Monday, residents of Cove defeated the bond issue, proposed to erect a new gymnasium in connection with their high school, by a vote of about two to one. The proposition included the selling of about \$5000 worth of bonds to finance the project, but the nays had it and the erection of the gymnasium will have to be delayed until some later date.

IMBLER PERSONALS

IMBLER (Special)—Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Welch and Mrs. Ed Little attended the funeral of William Robbe Monday morning at 11 o'clock at the Summerville chapel. The Imbler union Sunday school held their picnic in La Grande at the park last Sunday. It was at first decided that the picnic should be held at Elgin but a last minute decision brought them to La Grande. Everyone had an enjoyable time. Ralph Hudson, Austin Martin and Theo Hahn went to La Grande Saturday evening. Mrs. M. V. Herring and son, Ross, of Wallowa, have been visiting at the home of Mrs. Lucy Allen. They returned home Tuesday. Miss Maxine Neasey went to La Grande Saturday to visit her mother, Mrs. Della Neasey, returning Sunday evening. Several subscribers attended the dance at Maxville last Saturday evening. Mrs. Ross and Mrs. Oliver Paris called on Mrs. T. M. Rockman Monday. Mrs. Lucy Allen is stopping at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Glenn at Summerville. Mr. and Mrs. H. McDaniel went to Elgin last Sunday. They were accompanied by Mrs. Lucy Allen and Mr. A. Herring. Mr. A. Herring is picking his strawberries. Mrs. Elmer Weir returned home last Friday from Wallowa where she had been visiting her parents. Theaters Tucker of Spokane, who have had Tuesday on business at the school election last Monday Lewis Westerman was elected stock and lumber warehouseman the place left by Lute Stringham, who resigned. Mr. and Mrs. John Morris were in La Grande last Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Watson and Miss Berta Watson went to La Grande Tuesday. Miss Berta had her tonsils removed. Mrs. Ross called on Mrs. M. Walker last Monday afternoon. Mrs. Elmer Fisher and son, Jesse were in La Grande Tuesday. Many a drive in the park ends with a park in the drive.

BIRD'S-EYE VIEW OF AIRPLANE'S INFLUENCE ON EUROPE



WALLOWA PERSONALS

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PARK PERSONALS

THE PARK (Special)—Jack Hunter Jr. and Edward Wolfe motored to Baker Saturday evening. Clarence Vanorder is working on the roads this week. Miss Clara Jay returned home recently from touring through Utah and reports an enjoyable trip. J. B. Hunter is working at the mill on his creek. J. C. Lay and son, Dechler, are building holes from the black pine springs. Mrs. Clarence Vanorder went to Baker Thursday to help take care of her sister, Mrs. Dave Christie, who is seriously ill. Grandpa Tins, of Union, has been visiting relatives in the Park this week. Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Nicolson, with their children were visitors of Mrs. W. A. Adams, of Vancouver, Wednesday. Two large bands of sheep belonging to Oscar Johnson, of North Powder, passed through The Park recently going to their summer ranges in the mountains. Miss Marie Miller, of Medical Springs, is visiting Miss Ed Hunter this week. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bradshaw and daughter, Pearl, were in La Grande shopping Tuesday evening. Clarence Vanorder motored to Baker Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lay and child, Ed, attended the L. B. conference at La Grande Sunday. Miss Thelma Wauker was an

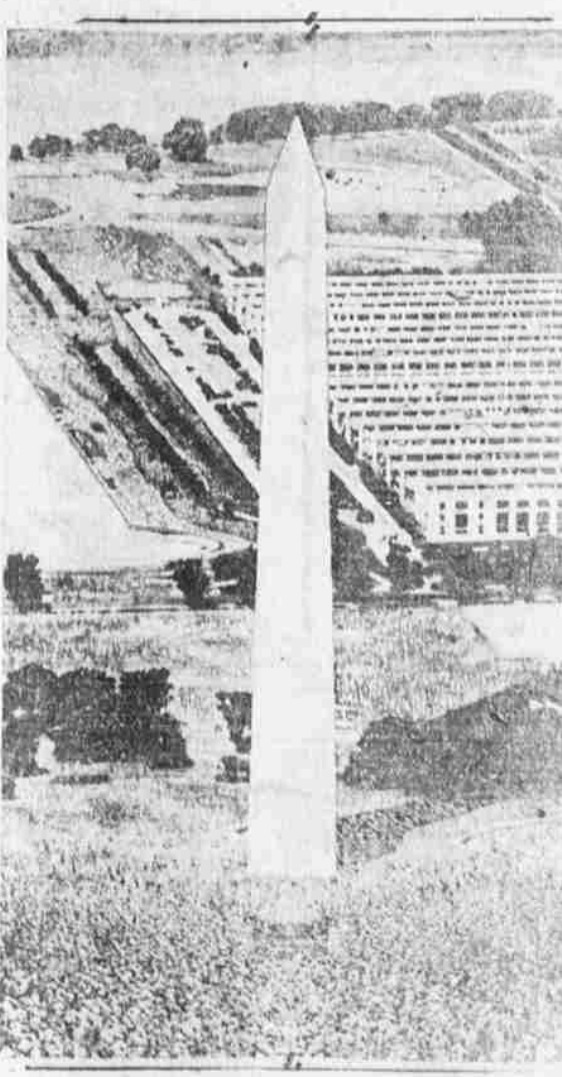
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This composite aerial photograph shows how the Washington monument and the surrounding grounds appeared when President Coolidge formally welcomed Colonel Charles Lindbergh, New York-to-Paris flyer, back to the country. A huge throng gathered around the historic obelisk when Coolidge descended Lindbergh with the highest aviation honor of the nation.

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Ground Squirrel Situation Better

WALLOWA, Ore., June 22 (Special)—The ground squirrel situation has shown considerable improvement in many parts of the county during the past two weeks according to farmers. A large amount of poison grain has been used, with very good results this season. It is expected that squirrels will be starting to hole up before long. The man who said he'd fast eight days on a flagpole in a New Jersey city evidently is a patriotic one.

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