

Over The Valley

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Building New Home—

Frame work was started the latter part of last week on the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Rankin, just at the edge of Island City. The site is at the right hand side of the road after the road turns to the right. Mr. Rankin purchased the tract of 43 acres which lies between the railroad track and the Grande Ronde river. All the improvements must be made on the place as Mr. Rankin purchased only the bare land. It has been leveled off, and the family is living in a tent house until their new home is completed. The house will be of frame construction and will consist of four rooms besides the bath. A full basement including a garage is under the house. The land in the tract is all in alfalfa at present, but Mr. and Mrs. Rankin expect to vary the produce next year, keep cows and chickens and do a diversity of farming on a small scale.

Here From Wyoming—

William Shively, of Lander, Wyoming, is visiting his sisters, Mrs. Mary Tilton and Mrs. Rose Fisher of Union. He and Mrs. Fisher motored to Homedale, Idaho last Tuesday to visit her son, L. E. Tilton and family. They returned home Saturday, having had a very pleasant trip.

Improves After Illness—

Virgil Walker of Allet, is much improved following a week's illness with bronchitis.

Will Have Auto Camp—

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Rhodes, who moved out to their ranch near Tolocast on the highway this early summer are doing the preliminary work on their place looking toward the completion of an auto camp early next spring. The ground in front of the house and at the side toward the apple orchard has all been leveled and graded. A filling station will be put in first and later two cabins will be erected in the adjoining orchard. The cottages will be one room and will be quite handsomely arranged with as many comforts as can be given. There is a splendid spring water right there and this will be quite a feature as will the abundance of shade, not only from the orchard trees but from shade trees which are found on both sides of the highway. Mr. and Mrs. Rhodes believe that there location is ideal for such an enterprise, not only because of the natural and physical benefits but also because there are no such stations on the highway from Union to North Powder. Mr. and Mrs. Rhodes live on this farm only during the harvesting season, and an orchard is all in the fruit.

Spent Week End—

The Misses Carmen and Jane Daniel and Joan Weymer, spent the week end with their friend, Miss Dorothy Mills, while her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Mills and the boys drove up to Wallowa lake. The latter were taking Allen Mills up to the boy scout camp for a week's outing.

Visit at Hamann—

Mr. and Mrs. John Schroeder and two children of Island City and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Knauts of Allet were guests Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hamann on the Cove road.

Suffers With Poison—

Miss M. Wells employed by the

17 Carloads Of Fat Lambs Sent To Middle West

Seventeen car loads of fat lambs were shipped yesterday from Union Junction, the destination being Chicago, via Kansas City. It is thought probable that the lambs will be marketed in the latter city. There were about 1000 head shipped and they weighed on an average of from 72 to 82 pounds. They are all in A-1 condition and it is thought that there will be very much interest for feeders in the market.

This is the largest single shipment of sheep that has been made from this county for some time. It is reported that a number of sheep raisers in the northern part of the county shared in the shipment.

Johnson & Becker had in the shipment, 248 head of fat lambs which averaged 82 pounds. They started down from the Little Missouri with them Thursday morning and got to Union Junction Saturday evening, doing their loading yesterday.

Good Wheat Reports—

Good reports are coming in from the wheat harvest in the neighborhood of North Powder. That section is usually about two weeks later than the Grande Ronde valley, but even so, harvesting is well under way. This promises to be an unusually good season and an average of around 40 bushels is anticipated.

Threshing Crew at Work—

The Hansen Thresher from the valley finished threshing for L. E. Hoffman of Yates Canyon Saturday. Mr. Hoffman reports a very good crop, much better than he expected. The machine is now threshing for A. C. Cunningham near Tolocast.

W. C. T. U. in Meeting—

The members of the Women's Christian Temperance Union are having their regular meeting and a picnic supper this afternoon and evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hulse in the Iowa neighborhood.

Visit in Union—

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Haller and daughter, Miss Edith, of beyond Tolocast, spent Saturday with friends in Union.

Are Living in Country—

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Hogeness and their family moved about three weeks ago from their home in La Grande to 44 acres, resided about four miles beyond Tolocast on the Ponderosa road, where they are temporarily located. They will remain there until the opening of school. Mr. Hogeness has charge of the construction work for the Grande Ronde Lumber Co., and his family of four are busy, at present, ballasting the bed of the railroad which runs from Tolocast to Ponderosa.

Motor to La Grande—

Mrs. Cora E. Tilton, Miss Arta Tilton of Tolocast and Mrs. L. J. Tilton of Union motored to La Grande Saturday. Miss Arta is from De Wm. Peare of that city, taking treatment for her eyes.

Return From Camp—

The nine campfire girls of Cove and their guardian, Mrs. William Bradner returned Wednesday from their hike and camping trip. They went up Catherine creek about a mile below Jerry Thompson's, or a distance of 25 miles in all from Cove. Their regular daily program included swimming and fishing each day, sleeping out on the ground at night. One of the things not on the daily routine was the killing of a porcupine, which was literally skinned to death, proof positive that these campfire girls are better marksmen than most women are credited with being.

Doing More Building—

Things are moving right along at Tolocast, near the home of the Grande Ronde Lumber Co. Two fine new residences are in the process of construction on sites just beyond the store and boarding house. The boarding house and hotel is rapidly nearing completion and it is expected that it will be ready for occupancy about September first. The two new residences are being constructed for W. W. Gray, superintendent of the mill and H. M. Jensen, manager of the company's store.

About 1500 feet of lumber is being turned out each day at the mill. The total capacity of the mill is in the neighborhood of 2000 feet per day, but the present output is very good, considering the short time the mill has been operating. The new lumber yard which has been arranged on the flats across the road from the mill is rapidly filling up with the piles of lumber. The roadways in it are covered with crabs and ticks which is being put on at present.

MARRIED IN PORTLAND

SALEM, Aug. 16 (AP)—H. M. Gibson, superintendent of the state training school for boys, and Mrs. Vera Tucker, mother at the school, were married last Sunday in Portland. The wedding ceremony was performed by the Rev. H. H. Green, pastor of the First Christian church, in his study. Mr. and Mrs. Gibson are spending this honeymoon at Mt. Rainier and will be at home at the school after Aug. 22.

Let us call upon the man who invented the automatic windshield wiper to devise an automatic band-aid.

PIONEER WOMAN ON PRAIRIE SCHOONERS MORE THAN OTHERS

Mrs. George Hall, of La Grande, has probably traveled farther, by covered wagon than any other woman in this valley, man or woman. She has traveled in 22 states, took three long trips in prairie schooners and now although she is well towards her 57th birthday, she is willing to take another trip of no small length, that is back to the trail, and her husband, George, is no less anxious for a trip. Four years ago Mr. and Mrs. Hall went to Detroit and other Michigan points to visit friends. They went unaccompanied and also went by the way of Portland, Sacramento, Los Angeles, points in Arizona, El Paso and then on up north, 5000 miles in all. And one of their side trips from El Paso was also trip down again that way, Mexico, and not a hurried trip, either, but a deliberate, exhaustive trip through one section.

But of Mrs. Hall's experiences. She first started west in 1865, leaving her home eight miles from Oklaheba, Ia., and coming as far as Denver. In 1865 they returned to the middle west, later going to Indiana by the way of what is now Oklahoma. In 1875 a second trip was inaugurated, but this time there was a small company traveling together and when they were a death of a relative they turned back to Iowa before completing their journey. In 1885 they started again and this time with a far less hazardous journey than the second and infinitely less so than the first they reached Hialeah, Fla. That winter they and White Salmon, Wash., then, Morrow county, were her homes until she came to La Grande upwards of 20 years ago and has resided here ever since.

Just a few scattered incidents of the trip. When Mrs. Hall, whose name was then Shuck, and her husband left their home in Mahanaska county, Ia., she was a young married woman early in life. They started out with a yoke of oxen and one yoke of cattle early in March of 1865. Before they reached Omaha they were caught in a severe snowstorm and obliged to stay in a piece of timber for a number of days. Arriving in Omaha they learned that because of existing conditions no emigrants were allowed to start from there in trains of less than 100 men with 100 wagons. It was necessary for them to wait there until a train could be made up. On the fourth of May they joined a freighter, which included some mule drivers. This accounts for the fact mentioned last week that Mrs. Hall was the only woman in the train.

This was just after the close of the civil war and conditions were bad. There were outbreaks and massacres reported among the Indians all along the way. As was stated last week, southern soldiers held as prisoners had been sent out to guard the stage depots, which occurred in 12 instances, about every 12 miles. The Sioux Indians were the ones which were causing perhaps as much trouble as any other tribe. Before this the government had been doling out to the Indians a certain number of blankets and also fine, highly colored wool to make leggings. Because of the drain caused by the war, and the need of these supplies for the soldiers, it was necessary to cut off the Indians' allotment. This failed to please them and they were showing their displeasure in a number of ways. This year has often been spoken of as the very worst year which emigrants ever experienced.

This was the trip that Mrs. Hall remembers with so much of horror of the things she saw herself, the results of attacks which she saw, although the train with which they were connected was never itself attacked. She and a little boy, for whom they were caring on this trip, early started in counting the graves along the way wherein had been buried those emigrants who had been slain by the Indians. The journey from Omaha to Denver was 600 miles, 200 miles from Omaha to Kearney, 200 miles from Kearney to Julesburg and 200 to Denver. In a distance of 400 miles they counted no less than 1000 graves, or one to each quarter of a mile, and those graves, according to the murderer contained from 2 to 14 bodies each. The first train along following a massacre would stop to bury the white dead, later the Indians would come and take care of theirs.

Mrs. Hall relates one particular experience. At Plum Creek, the wagon train before them had been destroyed, 14 killed and two wounded. Had been taken prisoners. These 14 were buried in one grave. Two years after the train had reached Denver an Indian appeared one day with one of these two women and offered to sell her for money to procure supplies. Knowing the circumstances a deal was very soon made and the woman was made as comfortable as possible and after being cared for a time, was given transportation back to her home in Illinois. Before she went, however, she related some of the experiences that had been here in those awful two years. It was a gruesome tale. She had had a child about a year before she was taken a prisoner. This little white child was very much afraid of the Indians and would not go to them. This created displeasure and the child was put to death before the mother's eyes. There was at Julesburg at that time an Indian burying ground, or rather cemetery. Three tall poles were erected and between these was hung strips of bark, etc. On this the body was placed, where it remained for a certain time, then the bones were removed and buried.

Although they were in constant fear of attacks by the Indians and

COVE PERSONALS

COVE, (Special)—Three boy scouts, Allen Mills, Billy Clark and John Fisher, who spent last week at the Wallowa lake encampment, returned home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Geer and daughter, Fay, and Miss Helen Robertson, of Walla Walla, Wash., returned home Saturday after spending a week here with Mrs. Geer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Bell, and other friends.

Norman Schwab, a young theological student from Virginia who has been visiting the various parishes in Eastern Oregon for the past two months, spent all of last week at Cove the guest of the Rev. William M. Bradner. He left Saturday for Baker where he will have charge of the church for a couple of weeks.

The Rev. Schuyler Pratt, of Hood River, assisted the Rev. William Bradner with the services at Assension church Sunday morning.

M. Whidner is still at the Hot Lake sanatorium where he is taking treatment.

Misses Harriet and Nellie Ekersley, who have been with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. Ekersley, here, left Saturday for her home at Ontario. She was accompanied by her daughter, Mildred, who joined her here a couple of weeks ago. Mr. Conklin came up from Ontario a few days ago after them.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Duncan and sons, Robby and Billy, have been spending the past week in their cabin in the hills.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Sharp and two children, of Boise, Id., are here for a short visit. They were accompanied by Mr. Sharp's mother, Mrs. Wesley Smith, who has

been visiting them for the past few months.

Labe Richards, who has been sojourning in La Grande for the past few months, is at home again. Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Price, who have been guests at the home of their son, J. R. Price, for several weeks, have returned to their home in Portland.

Miss Marian Geiss is visiting at the home of an aunt at Milton. The Rev. and Mrs. Schuyler Pratt, who have been spending their vacation in the Assension grove returned to their home in Hood River Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Conklin and Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Orton and daughter, Betty, are spending a week camping on the Minam. William Hallmark and Fred

White returned Saturday from a week's stay on the Minam.

T. R. Conklin lost a valuable Jersey cow last week from acute indigestion. A veterinary, Dr. Moncrieth of Union, attended her but was unable to save her life.

This boy scout troop of Cove, with their leader, the Rev. William M. Bradner, will spend all of this week camping up Catherine creek at the Jerry Thompson place.

Mrs. Ben De Berde, who underwent an operation at the Grande Ronde hospital a week ago, is recovering nicely.

Mrs. O. Ekersley, who was ill at the Hot Lake sanatorium a few weeks ago, is nearly recovered. She was able to attend the Pioneer meeting Thursday and made a trip to La Grande Saturday.

A Rare Dish: Baked Omelet Souffle

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4 eggs
3 tablespoons hot water
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon pepper

1/2 tablespoon Argo or Kingsford's Cornstarch
1 tablespoon Mazola

Heat the Mazola in a quart-sized baking dish, rubbing the sides with the hot oil. Separate the eggs, beat the whites stiff and the yolks till creamy. Add the cornstarch, water and seasonings, fold in the whites, transfer to the heated baking dish and bake twelve to fifteen minutes in a hot oven, 375 degrees F.

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TO INVESTIGATE DEATHS OF KLAMATH WATER FOWL

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 16 (AP)—L. T. Jessup, United States associate drainage engineer at Washington, D. C., will leave tomorrow for Klamath Falls to attempt to solve the mysterious deaths of water fowl in the federal bird refuges at Klamath and Malheur lakes. Ray C. Steele, U. S. game warden here, will accompany him.

Any candidate knows that the only way to require taxes is to spend money, and everybody else knows if elected he won't do it.



Well, Boys, it's no use talking, we are just as busy as can be and we can't fill the orders as fast as they come in. We have all of our trucks started on this morning, and order after order piled up ahead, that we are trying to get delivered. Just as I am phoning my ad in a great big police dog came walking into the office with his master following him, and he sticks his tongue out and begins to pant. He looks like he is laughing at you. Dogs as well as people seem to know where to come. I haven't asked the dog yet, but he might want to buy a dog house to live in throughout the winter. Will close and get busy, before more dogs and men begin to pile up.

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