

Over The Valley

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Auto Accident Victim Improves.
Elmer Vermilion, of Summerville, who was so seriously injured in an auto accident, two weeks ago next Sunday, seems to be a trifle better according to reports from the hospital at Enterprise, where he was taken immediately following the accident. Up until Tuesday of this week, Mr. Vermilion's condition had been quite alarming, and hopes were not entertained for his recovery. On Tuesday members of his family were summoned to his bedside as his condition was apparently critical. It is thought that the passing of the crisis shortly after the accident was a turn for the better. It will be remembered that Mr. Vermilion, together with Jack Courtney and Henry Waggoner, all of Summerville, were in a car on the highway near Minam, when they tried to negotiate a corner, and Mr. Vermilion was thrown out of the car. It is reported that no fracture was found by the attending physician in Enterprise.

New Baby Girl.
The birth of a new baby girl to Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Lane, of Union, at the Baker hospital, on Sunday, is reported. Mrs. Lane was formerly Blanche Combs of Summerville.

Girls Make 15th Place.
The Union county stock judging team, sent to the recent International Livestock exposition, at Portland, representing the Boys and Girls club of the county, and consisting of the Misses Carmen and Jane Dunbar and Frances Combs of Cove, made 15th place in their judging contest held on last Monday, among 30 teams competing. In most of the judging, the girls did very well, but they report that they fell down in judging sheep. They were not familiar with the "Shropshire" breed, which was one class up for judging and had never even seen a Cotswold, which was another. They returned home Tuesday evening accompanied by R. H. Daniel.

Returns Home.
Mrs. Henry Loennig returned to her home at Muddy Creek Wednesday following a brief visit at the parental Ledbetter home.

On 3 Weeks Vacation.
Judge and Mrs. U. G. Couch, of Island City, left early in the week for Portland for a brief visit. From there they went to Salem to be present at the meeting of assessors held on Wednesday. From Salem they continued to journey southward, going on into California, to visit among members of their family. They contemplate being away from home about three weeks.

Magician Tomorrow.
The second number of the entertainment course being put on by the high school at Imbler comes tomorrow, Saturday evening. The famous magician, Birch is the attraction.

Plan Ceremony.
At a meeting of the Nisaski Campfire girls, held at the home of their guardian, Mrs. William Bradnor, at Cove, plans were made for a ceremonial to be held in the near future to which parents and friends will be invited as guests. This group, consisting of a number of Cove girls is very active in campfire work and are making considerable progress.

Go on Long Visit.
Mrs. E. B. Long, of beyond Summerville, left a few days ago for her former home at Tyro, Kansas, where she expects to spend the next two months. She went especially to see her daughter, who is ill.

Pure Seed Pays.
The greater returns to be realized from the planting of pure potato seed has been argued recently in the Enterprise Chieftain, wherein it reviewed the results of a number of the larger potato growers in that particular section. The potato crop in Wallawa county was generally speaking much larger this year than in this county. In part, it is said, to the fact that local crops were greatly damaged by the hot winds in August, when the potatoes needed water more than any other crop. Very interestingly the Chieftain's account reads as follows:

The advantages of superior seed have been demonstrated in very practical manner to all farmers who planted certified potatoes which were shipped into the valley in the spring.

On his patch of 1 1/2 acres Fred Mastrude of Prairie Creek has harvested 420 sacks of fine potatoes, or at the rate of 400 bushels to the acre. As soon as he had gathered them he started out to sell them and has disposed of 250 sacks at \$1.25 a sack.

The spuds are of the netted gem variety, the favorite in the county. They were grown in the valley and were irrigated twice. As soon as Mr. Mastrude began digging he realized he had grown such a crop as had been impossible with the careless seed selected some formerly planted here. One hill yielded 32 marketable spuds.

On four acres of land on his farm on Hurricane creek, J. G. Crow also did well with netted gem seed. He gathered 1011 sacks averaging 30 pounds each, or a total of 1514 bushels, making the yield 379 to the acre.

The seed was planted June 12 after being carefully treated to kill

any disease germs which might have been picked up. The field was irrigated once, about July 25, and the crop was harvested in a few days last week.

Harley Murray has a smaller yield on his field on Alder Slope, which he has partly harvested. He was seeking to grow certified seed and so did not irrigate the land at all. His crop would have passed every test if he had planted his certified seed farther from other potato patches.

While these crops were good, the patches did not pass certification test, nor did any in the valley. Three crops were graded as standard, but were not up to certification requirements. These were the fields of H. B. Davidhizer, Harley Murray and T. G. Johnson.

Improves From Illness.
Mrs. E. Sanderson, of Summerville, who has been ill for the past week is reported as being considerably improved.

Attend Puritan Dinner.
Many Union county people drove down to Muddy Creek school last night and attended the annual Puritan dinner put on there by the Parent-Teacher association. The dinner was one of Thanksgiving proportions, with roast young turkey as the piece de resistance. The menu was quite complete and consisted of many more tempting dishes of food than the average person could accommodate. Several hundred people were served.

Sells Fat Lamb.
Bobbie Huren of Imbler is quite elated over the showing of his Hampshire lamb made at the Pacific International. Besides winning first place in its class, carrying a generous cash prize, the animal brought 20 cents per pound when sold. The exact weight has not yet been learned, but as it was over 100 pounds, Bobbie received at least \$20, besides the prize.

Returns From Visit.
Mrs. W. R. Ledbetter of Allet and her daughter, Mrs. Henry Loennig, of Muddy Creek, returned Tuesday night from their trip of several days into the Willamette valley. Friday they spent with their relatives in Portland, Saturday and Sunday morning they attended the home-coming at Willamette university, visiting their son and brother, Glenn Ledbetter. Sunday afternoon, they accompanied Miss Eva Ledbetter to Mossyrock, Washington, where they held on and visited here until Monday when they started on their return trip home.

Weekend Visit.
Verla and Phyllis Sanderson, of La Grande, spent the weekend at the home of their aunt, Mrs. Frank Woodell, of near Summerville.

Returns Home.
Mrs. Lizzie McAllister, of North Powder, who has been spending several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Standley, in Iowa district, and with other relatives has returned to her home.

Attend the Show.
Mr. and Mrs. Burr Slack and two daughters, Vadis and Bernice, of Dry Creek have returned from Portland where they spent a few days at the stock show. They made the trip in their car and stopped off over one day to visit with Mrs. Slack's sister at Harbison.

Feed Baby Bees.
At the Eastern Oregon Experiment station at Union, a bunch of calves are being fed again this winter, in their effort to further prove that this line of feeding can be followed profitably in this section. Last year's results were quite creditable. This year, two car loads are being fed. Different rations are being fed, and careful check is being made to determine the advisability of feeding them as baby bees. As a rule, this class does not bring as good a price to feeders, but it is a line on which the station is centering considerable attention this winter.

Former Resident Welts.
Friends of Miss Melba McKenzie formerly of Summerville, have received word of her recent marriage in Portland, although all of the details are, as yet, unknown.

Week End in Portland.
Clay McKennon, who has been working in the Allet neighborhood spent the week end with his father, Floyd McKennon, in Portland.

Has New Tractor.
Clarence Carter, on the Cove highway, is getting his fall plowing and other work done with the help of a new caterpillar tractor.

Entertain Guests.
Mrs. Chris Bertsch, on Mill creek road above Cove had as her guests recently, Mrs. Fred Loring, Mrs. Mueggler and Max Luttie all of Enterprise.

Returns From Portland.
George Bottles, of Summerville, has returned from Portland, where he went some time ago to work.

Entertain Club.
Members of the Grange Club, of the Blue Mountain grange, are being entertained this afternoon by Mrs. G. W. Taylor on the Cove road.

Want to Raise \$200.
The Women's Improvement club

Convention of Rebekahs To Be Held On Nov. 19

The annual county convention of the Rebekahs of Union county will be held at Summerville on Saturday, November 19th. Representatives will be present from all over the county there being lodges at La Grande, Union, Cove, Elgin and Summerville, and from present indications, the registration during the day will be very large. Members of the hostess lodge have been working hard for some time on their preliminary plans and expect to make the occasion a memorable one.

The sessions of the convention open at 1:30 o'clock when a business meeting will be held, which will probably consume the entire afternoon. At 6 o'clock, a chicken dinner will be served by the Summerville ladies. In the evening, a closed session will be held, when the work of the order will be exemplified by the Summerville officers and degree team, under the leadership of Mrs. Pearl Waggoner, Noble Grand. All the sessions will be held in the Masonic hall at Summerville. The Masons very generously gave the use of the building for this day to the Rebekahs, a courtesy which is very greatly appreciated. The meetings will be held in the upper room while the dinner, or banquet will be served on the first floor.

Officers of the county association are Mrs. Pearl Waggoner, Summerville, chairman; Mrs. Mattie Golden, La Grande, vice chairman; Mrs. Irene Conrad, Summerville, secretary.

have a balance of \$200 yet on their fine library, and they have been working hard that the entire debt may be wiped out. The next big event in their fund raising program is the annual Christmas bazaar which will be held on Tuesday, November 22nd, the place to be announced later. The ladies have been working for months preparing the fancy articles which they will have on sale, and there are many beautiful things, they say, very reasonably priced. The bazaar will continue all day, with a luncheon served at noon.

Addresses P. T. A.
Dr. H. W. Riley, of La Grande was the speaker before the regular meeting of the Imbler Parent-Teacher association held last week in Wade hall. Dr. Riley gave a very good talk on a number of movements now at work for boys and girls, especially the Boy Scouts organization which the organization addressed might find a very practical avenue for usefulness.

Two Contests.
Two football teams from Cove have had recent contests, which proved quite interesting, even though the final score might indicate that they were a bit one-sided. The Cove and Union eighth grades met Friday, the Union boys carrying off the victory by 11-6. The high school team met the Hereford team last week but were defeated 14-6.

Death Mourned.
The rather sudden death, last week, of "Uncle Billy" Hindman, of Elgin is widely mourned over the entire valley. Mr. Hindman, was numbered among the pioneers of Eastern Oregon and was always a favorite among the older folks. Likewise he was still very active in the operation of his farm and shared in all the enterprises of the modern day. He was one of the most interested and active participants in the farm tour conducted this summer by the county agriculturalist and was eager to learn the best methods etc., in farming in this county.

Dogs Kill Purebred Sheep.
Jim Dobbin, living near La Grande, one of the county's large sheep growers suffered a decided loss last week, when dogs got into an enclosure where he had a number of his very best animals and were responsible for the death of five of them. Two buck lambs, purebred Hampshire and two ewes, also purebreds were killed outright, a fifth was so badly injured that it died later.

Mr. Dobbin had witnesses to manner of the death of his sheep, and consequently was allowed compensation by the county court, as the law allows. The compensation granted him amounted to \$275.

This is the second report of sheep killing by dogs this fall. Reed Taylor, of Allet, having lost several head a few weeks ago.

Allet Ladies Aid.
A large company of the members of the Allet Ladies Aid society were guests yesterday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hamann on the Cove highway, when Mrs. Hamann, Mrs. Ed Jasper, Mrs. I. E. Chenault, Mrs. Frank Wright and Mrs. Ralph Wells were the hostesses at the annual Thanksgiving meeting. Decorations about the Hamann home were suggestive of the season, and the program which was offered was also appropriate. Musical numbers were furnished by Miss Anita Hermann and Mrs. Ed Jasper, a number of Thanksgiving readings were given and there were several games and contests. Late in the afternoon, a tray luncheon was served—sandwiches, plum pudding, fruit salad with whipped cream and coffee.

Half of the world's yield of coffee is said to be used in the United States. Perhaps that is why we are such a wide-awake people.

If a woman thinks she's plump that's a sign other women think she's fat.

UNION HIGH SCHOOL BOYS WIN HONORS AT P. I. LIVESTOCK SHOW

Three Union high school boys won considerable distinction for their school and for Union county, generally, by their participation in the annual stock judging contest at the Pacific International Livestock show last week, when the local team carried off 12th place in a field of 51 entries. The team composed of Lee Koffard, Alfred Stonedahl, and Ralph Taylor, scored a total of 2334 points, one point higher than the championship record, the Wallawa team won with, last year at the Portland show.

Among the 157 individuals in the contest, Ralph Taylor stood sixth, with a score of 355 points out of a possible thousand, only a few points below the high point man of the entire contest, Sherman Smith, of Bozeman, Montana, who had 381 points. Alfred Stonedahl was about 25th in individual scores, with a record of 298 points. Koffard, who was high point man of this group from Union at the Wallawa county fair last month, had a bad day at Portland, so did not place so high as his team mates.

In addition to being high in the contest generally, the Union boys were credited with the honor of being sixth highest team in the state of Oregon, and second among Eastern Oregon teams, the Redmond team from Central Oregon placing third in the contest and second in the state. The contest was won by a team from Corvallis with a score of 2599 points. Other teams ahead of Union in the order of their placing included Bozeman, Montana; Walla Walla, Washington; Canby, Oregon; Mount Vernon, Washington; Dayton, Washington; Forest Grove, Oregon; St. Albans, Idaho; Molalla, Oregon and Valley Ford, Washington.

Union was trailed, at some distance, by the teams from Nampa, Idaho, coached by E. R. Kemmel, former instructor at Union, as well as friendly rival teams from Imbler and Wallawa, who placed about 31st and 34th respectively. Neither did the team from Ontario, which showed its heels to the Union group at the stock show at Union last spring, appear among the leaders, so the Union team feels amply revenged.

Seven boys, all from the upper class in the Union Smith-Hughes agriculture department, made the Portland trip. The party left Union on Friday night, Sept. 27, arriving in Portland just in time for the contest. From then on, until departure for home on Sunday evening, the "boy farmers" enjoyed a complete schedule which included two visits to the exhibits of the stock show, two horse shows, including both the matinee and night performance, as guests of the stock show management, a banquet at the Portland Chamber of Commerce, a visit to Portland's metropolitan district, an afternoon call on the battleship "Oregon" and a visit to a theater. A trip about Portland to visit some of the terminal markets had been planned, but due to a slight misunderstanding on the part of the officials of the chamber of commerce, arrangements had been made for Monday instead of Saturday, so the boys contented themselves with viewing shipping in the river and visiting the booths of the various industries at the stock show.

"It was a fine trip and immensely worth while," declares Miss Morton page.

On next Tuesday, November 15th, the annual Tri-county Institute, held under the auspices of the State Federation of Women's Clubs will be entertained at Cove, members of the Women's Improvement Club of Cove being the hostesses. Mrs. Sadie Orr Dunbar, of Portland, State Institute director will be present and will speak on practical topics throughout the day. The sessions will be held in the I. O. O. F. hall, and the Cove club women are preparing for about 100 guests. The visitors will come as representatives of the federated clubs of Union, Wallawa and Baker counties.

The program is scheduled to begin promptly at 10 o'clock in the morning and will be as follows:

Address of welcome, Mrs. McNeill, president of the Cove club. Reading, Mrs. Lydia Lantz, Cove. Paper, "What Is the Purpose of the Club?" Mrs. Carrie Jackson, Baker. Paper, "Club Relationships," Mrs. Eva Shaffer, Parkdale. Paper, "Junior Memberships," a member of the Neighborhood club, of La Grande. Paper, "Financing the Club," a member from Enterprise. Address, "General Federation," Mrs. Sadie Orr Dunbar. Noon.

2:30 o'clock, Picture contest, Cove club and the Parkdale club. Mrs. E. P. Mossman of La Grande in charge.

Reading, Mrs. Laura Braden, Ladd Canyon club. Paper, "Club Ethics," Mrs. Carmen Conner, Union.

Mrs. Dunbar will have charge of the remainder of the afternoon, and among other things she will speak on the Doernbecher Hospital with which she is also connected.

A luncheon will be served at noon by the Cove women, and during the lunch hour, music will be furnished by the Cove orchestra.

A SEASONABLE RECIPE

Jello Plum Pudding
Dissolve one package of lemon Jello in 1 1/2 cups boiling water. While still hot, stir in 1/4 cup English walnut meats, 1/4 cup cooked prunes and 1/4 cup citron, all cut fine. 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon, 1/4 teaspoon ground cloves. Salt to taste.

Let this cool, put in a chilled wet mold, set away in a cool place to stiffen.

Serve with whipped cream or a pudding sauce.

with about 30 teams competing.

Boys making the Portland trip included, in addition to the team members and their coach, Prof. Griggs, Alva Olson, alternate, Henry Reuter, president of the Agricultural club, Kenneth Minnich and Lawrence Zaugg. Eaton Armstrong, teacher of the Union-Wallawa Cow Testing association was also in the party.

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Complete Work This Week on Road Beyond Union on Catherine Creek

Work on the improvement of the road along Catherine Creek extending beyond Union, commonly called the Catherine Creek road, was completed early this week and all equipment was moved to other locations. This piece of work has occupied the attention of county road men for the past few months, and consisted of the grading and surfacing with gravel of a strip six miles from the bridge at the outskirts of Union. For the satisfactory completion of the improvement about 12,000 yards of the rock were necessary.

It is reported by those who have inspected the new road that it is one of the finest and best stretches of road in the county, and the county commissioners are satisfied that good work has been done on it. It extends through one of the beautiful sections of the county and makes possible a very scenic drive practically the year around now.

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COOLIDGE FOR CONSTABLE

WAYNESBURG, Pa.—A Green county voter cast his ballot at the primary for Calvin Coolidge for constable of Jackson township. He was the only republican vote cast in the township.

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