

Over The Valley

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Private Bridge Goes Out—

A private bridge of quite good size went out the first of the week on the farm belonging to Jonas Martin, near Imbler. The bridge was torn loose by the very high water in the Grande Ronde river and was stopped only when it had lodged against the county bridge at the McGoldrick place. That bridge was immediately jettisoned. County workmen worked practically all day Wednesday getting the old bridge out of the way. It was necessary to take it to pieces and remove in small parts at a time. The river is very high in this vicinity.

Puts in New Fence—

The old rail fence which marked the boundary of the farm of Frank Woodell near Summerville, as it lay along the Imbler-Summerville market road, has recently been removed and has been replaced by a new five-wire fence.

Ag Teacher Visits Here—

Prof. Herman Lafky, Smith-Hughes instructor in the Canby high school was a recent interested visitor in this valley. Mr. Lafky, besides having had his judging team placed fourth in the recent Pacific International Smith-Hughes judging contests, has also just recently completed a series of farm programs which he has broadcasted from station KEX, Portland. Another series of programs will be started in the near future, Mr. Lafky says.

Visit in La Grande—

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Neiderer, of Summerville, spent Thanksgiving at the home of Mr. Neiderer's in La Grande. Mrs. Neiderer re-

mained there until Sunday.

Trip to Portland—
Mrs. Everett Wallinger, of Valeria district, went to Portland last week where she contemplates spending two weeks visiting with her mother.

Grange Meets Saturday—

The regular meeting of the Pleasant Grove grange will be held tomorrow, Saturday, evening at the hall. This meeting is especially important as both local and state officers are to be elected.

Annual Club Banquet—

The annual banquet, which is served each year to the members of the boys' and girls' club and club auxiliaries will be held this season until well after the first of the year, according to county agriculturist Harry Avery, who has charge of this branch of the club work. This is always quite an event in the year for every club member and one looked for to with great anticipation.

Pie Social Huge Success—

Wednesday evening, the members of the Pleasant Grove grange held a pie social at their hall, in an effort to raise sufficient funds to carry on some grange projects. The sum hoped for was around \$35 to \$40, but when the final count was made at the close of the affair Wednesday, the committee found a balance of \$78.90, besides having afforded a few hundred people a very enjoyable, as well as exceedingly worthwhile, evening. Miss Woodell presided over the program which consisted of recitations, solos, vocal and instrumental, pantomimes, monologues, a group of songs by the Imbler girls' glee club, one by the boys' glee

club and also a group by the combined organizations, a clever stunt by some noisy Rebekahs from Summerville, and a series of selections by the Haymakers Synopsists. After the program, Jim Woodell, serving as auctioneer sold the 75 or more pies, pies of all sorts, excepting goose-berry. After all had been disposed of, the gentlemen purchasing the pie ate it, and hot coffee with cream was served by the grange. It was a genuine success.

Words of Praise—

According to county agriculturist, Harry Avery, O. M. Plummer, manager of the Pacific International, likes our boys and girls club work. He writes, according to Mr. Avery, under recent date, "Your county is to be congratulated over the type of exhibits which they send to the Pacific International each year, and particularly the exhibits in boys and girls club livestock. It is no little thing to have the reputation by the young people of your county; a very unusual one under any circumstances. I doubt if there is any county west of the Rock Mountains that has shown so consistently and scored so high as the young folks from Union county."

Visit The Royces—

Mr. and Mrs. Max Turner and daughters, of La Grande, visit Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Royce at Dry Creek. Mrs. Royce, who has been quite sick for some time, is much improved.

Mr. Talent Improves—

John Talent, of Cove, who has been ill for some time, is reported to be on the mend. He is still obliged to make frequent trips to La Grande for medical attention.

Summerville Aid—

Mr. Frank Woodell will be the hostess to the ladies of the Summerville Aid society next Thursday afternoon, December eighth at her home near Summerville.

Buy And Sell—

Mrs. Clyde McKenzie, of Pleasant Grove, who had very good success this season with her fine Plymouth Rock chickens, is already looking forward to next year's work in her poultry pens. She has already ordered from Salem two full-blooded Plymouth Rock roosters. Mr. McKenzie within the last few days also sold from among his registered herd of Herefords, two bulls, which went to a stock raiser over at Frewater. The McKenzies had about as much water on their farm during the recent rainy spell as anyone in the valley. The willow and Dry Creeks run together on the pasture on their farm, and the result was water everywhere, on the farm and down the road.

Recipe Corrected—

Because a mistake in one ingredient would throw off the entire recipe, the directions for making "Apple Roll" are repeated in today's columns.

Internment Made Yesterday—

The remains of Eva McKinnis, young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom McKinnis, of Springfield, arrived yesterday and internment was made at the Summerville cemetery where the family lot is located. Mr. and Mrs. McKinnis were former residents of Imbler and vi-

28 POTATO GROWERS ARE FREED FROM QUARANTINE BAN

Twenty-eight potato growers in this county will be relieved from observing certain requirements which have prevailed here for some time on account of the quarantine on potatoes, according to a letter received recently by county agriculturist, H. G. Avery from G. R. Hyslop, farm crop specialist at O. A. C. It will be remembered that this county has been under quarantine for a certain potato beetle, and that growers wishing to ship potatoes outside the county were required to keep their potatoes in storage until shipped, then it was necessary to have the spuds screened at the car door at the time of shipment and there placed in brand new sacks. This added considerable time, labor, and expense to the marketing of this crop, which has become larger and larger in this county, each year of late.

Off For California—

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sanderson and Mr. and Mrs. Ira Landman and daughter contemplate leaving early next week on their trip to California where they will spend the winter. The trip has been postponed from time to time on account of the weather which has delayed their harvesting and getting things in readiness to leave.

Taken to Hospital—

Mrs. Henry Fries, of Pleasant Grove, has been taken to the Grande Ronde Hospital at La Grande for medical attention and for rest. Mrs. Fries suffered a nervous breakdown several weeks ago, and since then complications have developed which have kept her from complete recovery.

Sold on Market—

T. E. Kennedy of Medical Springs is one of the Union county farmers who experimented this year with the Markton smut-proof oats, sowing five acres to that variety. From this small acreage he realized 415 bushels of oats of a very good quality. He says that there is nothing for him but the Markton goes hereafter.

Thieves Elsewhere, Too—

Union county farmers are not the only ones who have suffered losses this fall from thieves. Two weeks ago thieves got away with some valuable poultry at O. A. C., on which experiments had been made, the account of the theft being given as follows by the Corvallis paper:

Important experiments being conducted by the poultry department here were ruined Tuesday night when chicken thieves, anti-cipating the Thanksgiving rush for fowls, raided two pens of experimental flocks and made away with 26 fat Plymouth Rock capons. "While the monetary loss is considerable, amounting to \$75 or \$80, this is not nearly so important as the effect on our experiments," said A. G. Lunn, head of the department. "We have been conducting experiments for three years on the cost of producing capons, results of which have been sought by many Oregon poultrymen. This loss completely wrecks this year's data, making all previous effort for the season useless."

Guests From Halfway—

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Govey and family, of Halfway, Oregon, spent Thanksgiving visiting at the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph McKinnis of near Summerville.

Will Return to Portland—

John Case, of Alsea, who is a student at the Adcock school in Portland has been at home for a short visit. He expects to return to Portland soon.

Imbler Aid Meets—

Mrs. Charles Cleaver and Mrs. Fred Nodine were the hostesses yesterday afternoon to the members of the Imbler Ladies Aid Society at the home of the latter.

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A SEASONABLE RECIPE

Apple Roll

This recipe appeared in this column on Tuesday, but because of an error in one ingredient, the whole recipe was spoiled. It is given anew at this time.

- 4 medium sized apples.
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cups sugar.
- 1 pint water.
- 2 cups sifted flour.
- 4 teaspoons baking powder.
- $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt.
- 2 tablespoons sugar.
- 2 tablespoons shortening.
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup liquid ($\frac{1}{2}$ milk, $\frac{1}{2}$ water).

Select apples that will cook quickly; peel, core and chop fine. Put sugar and water in pan over slow fire, add lump of butter. While syrup is cooking slowly, make biscuit dough; roll out about $\frac{1}{4}$ inch in thickness into oblong square, spread with chopped apples and roll into a long roll; take a sharp knife and slice one inch thick; place in dripping pan, pour syrup around the slices, sprinkle with cinnamon, bake in a hot oven until the apples are done and the crust is a golden brown. Serve with plain or whipped cream.

that means absence of sunburn, must not be rough, no cuts and must not be misshapen.

It will be remembered that the seed this year was certified Nette Gem, brought here through the aid of the La Grande National bank. In all, six carloads were brought into the county which is not only the county record, but also the state record. This variety was selected after experiments had been made and it was decided that, up to that time it seemed to best meet the local requirements and to do the best in this soil and this climate.

Get Inspection Returns

Mr. Avery recently has received the complete reports on the potato fields for which certification was desired. There were 62 fields up for inspection, about two-thirds of which were inspected by Mr. Avery, the balance by Mr. Hyslop. Very fortunately, for local growers, the first inspection came very early. The report states that all the fields which passed the inspection were Nette Gems, and the growers whose potatoes were passed either as certified or as standard were as follows:

- J. R. Weaver, Union, 14½ acres, two inspections for certification.
- R. O. Wheeler, Union, 8 acres, passed two inspections for certification.
- Reed Brown, Union, two acres as standard.
- Kettler & Camberg, Alsea, 57 acres passed for standard.
- J. F. Steinbeck, Alsea, 21 acres passed as standard.
- Mrs. Hattie Freiswald, Alsea, 6 acres as standard.
- W. L. Ledbetter, Alsea, 35 acres as standard.
- Zach Fugh, Summerville, 35 acres as standard.
- Charles Hoak, La Grande, 14 acres as standard.
- Glenn Thompson, La Grande, 8 acres as standard.
- William Brooks and Charles Conkey, Island City, 2 acres, standard.
- August Erickson, La Grande, 2 acres, standard.

It is reported that growers had to rogne more carefully and more frequently this year, and the results of this showed up in the report. R. O. Wheeler, whose potatoes passed for certification rogned seven times, and J. R. Weaver, whose potatoes were also certified in two inspections, rogned his fields four times.

The Requirements
All potatoes up for certification must pass two field inspections, and no field is eligible if it shows five per cent of any virus disease; rugose, mold mosaic, etc.; over five per cent of wilt disease; over five per cent black leg; or over 10 per cent of a combination of those three groups of diseases in any one field inspection.

In the bin inspection, there may not be over 11 per cent internal discoloration, any insect damage, rot or serious scab. Potatoes must be true to type for the variety, and must conform to all the requirements of U. S. No. 1, excepting size.

Nutrition Conference Will Be Conducted in County in December

A week from today, Friday, December 8th, Miss Case, specialist from the extension service of the Oregon Agricultural college will come to this county to conduct the last of a series of four conferences started last spring. These conferences have been along the line of nutrition and health, and those who have been in touch with the course, believe this to have been one of the most profitable of the kind yet conducted in Union county.

The opening conference will be held in La Grande on the 8th, with Mrs. C. F. McPherson chairman of the sponsoring group and Mrs. J. D. Burch, the secretary. In the morning a sandwich school lunch demonstration will be held and in the afternoon a talk on "Training the Family to Good Eating Habits." This same program will be given the following day, which Miss Case will spend with the ladies at Cove. Here, Mrs. W. A. McNeill is chairman, in charge and Mrs. Helene Lincoln, secretary.

On Monday, Miss Case goes to Elgin, where Mrs. Lynn Hill, as chairman will have her group together. Mrs. E. A. Pollock was the secretary at Elgin, but she has removed from the county. The program here will be varied in that in the morning a milk demonstration will be given. This same program will be given on Tuesday at Imbler, where Mrs. Frank McKennon is chairman and Mrs. Charles Cleaver is secretary. The last school will be Wednesday at Wolf Creek, Mrs. Anna E. Lund, chairman and Mrs. O. A. Smith, secretary, being responsible for the arrangements.

At the beginning of this course last spring, certain measurements

were taken by those interested and at this, the final session of the school, it is expected that results will be checked up, and an effort made to ascertain what improvement has been made thus far as a result of the courses given, and instruction received. Also, Miss Case has asked that, if possible, on the day of the school, a model community supper be arranged, and some of the groups are discussing the advisability of attempting to do this.

Blue Mountain district, near La Grande, did not get in its time last spring for the beginning of this series, and the ladies there have been asking for a school. Miss Case has written that of two other localities desire it, besides Blue Mountain, she will be able to put on another school in this county. It is believed by those in charge that this may be arranged and that Miss Case may be secured for another course of lectures and demonstrations in Union county.

Cauliflower growers in Oregon report that they might have increased the size of heads by the use of commercial fertilizer. When cauliflower picks 14 or more to the acre it must usually go as second grade which is hardly suitable to ship. The growers found that an expenditure of \$15 to 20 per acre would have brought good interest on the investment. The experiment station suggests a complete fertilizer of 3-8-8 formula.

A statistician figures that Adam would be 5331 years old now. And he'd probably say that an apple a day did it.

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Carnation

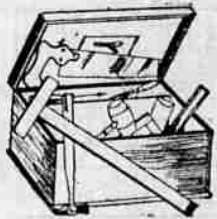


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