

Over The Valley

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Elect to Office—

Mrs. Wilma Purman, of Imbler, was elected most excellent chief of the Potters' Sisters at their place at the annual meeting held last Wednesday evening.

Rockwell Elects—

At the meeting of the Rockwell grange, (the group of grange members living near Elgin) held last week, the following were chosen as officers to serve during the coming year: Master, C. E. Moore; Overseer, W. J. Heary; Lecturer, Hazel Chisham; Steward, John Widdell; Assistant Steward, George Hart; Lady Assistant Steward, Kate Cowan; Gatekeeper, Leo Widdell; Treasurer, Verna Moore; Flora, Edna, Ruth, Pomona, Dora Moore; Coros, Ethel Widdell; Secretary, W. J. Heary; Home Economics Chairman, Dora Moore; Chairman Agriculture Committee, Roy Townsend; Chaplain, Wesley Townsend.

Sunday Guests—

Mr. and Mrs. Ruth McKennon, and daughter, Evelyn, of near Alsea, were guests Sunday at the Alsea home at Pleasant Grove.

Improves After Operation—

Arthur Hamann, of the Cove road, is improving following his operation of a week ago today, for the removal of an eye. Mr. Hamann's friends are hoping for a decided and permanent improvement in his health following this operation.

Five Schools 100 Per Cent—

Five schools in Wallawa county had 100 per cent attendance during the month of November, according to reports of superintendent. Of 56 schools in the county, reporting, only eight were below 90 per cent, 17 were between 80 and 95 per cent and the remainder over 95 per cent.

Guest at Banquet—

Russell McKennon, student at O. A. C., arrived home today and will spend the Christmas holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank McKennon in Imbler. Papers last week at Corvallis carried Russell's picture together with others who had been guests at a banquet given by the Union Pacific. The guests were those young people who had won the \$100 scholarships at O. A. C. offered each year by the railroad company to students living in counties in this state through which the Union Pacific passes, who are outstanding in club work. Besides the three winning the scholarships this year, railroad officials, state club leaders, and former scholarship winners were guests. Russell won the scholarship in 1926, in this county.

In Town on Business—

Auctioneer Tom Johnson, of Cove, was a business visitor in La Grande yesterday.

Gets New Equipment—

Presby school in Lower Cove is very proud of new equipment which has been received during the past few weeks. The board of directors recently appropriated \$50 for books for the school library. A careful selection was made and the books have already been received. Also the children themselves have bought within the fortnight some play ground equipment.

Have Interesting Assembly—

The Agriculture club of the Elgin high school put on a very interesting assembly last week, which was enjoyed by the entire student body. The purpose of the club was interestingly told by Harry Reuter, president. Professor Gage presented a sensational and cultural cup to five boys and superintendent Conklin presented gold pins to the members of the gold judging team which went to Portland. The program was concluded by a talk by Sup. Widdell, of the experiment station.

Goes to Ashland—

Henry Edin, of Pleasant Grove, has gone to Ashland, where he will visit over the holidays with friends.

Vaudeville, Dec. 20th—

The members of the Imbler P. T. A. are meeting with a generous response from those whom they have asked to contribute to the vaudeville night, or about program which they are announcing for Thursday evening December 29th, at Wade Hall. Some very clever numbers have already been scheduled. The affair is to be a benefit for Wade Hall.

Take Auto Trip—

Mr. and Mrs. Will Dohlin, and Mrs. Mary Hutchinson, all of Elgin, have started on a long auto trip which will take them to Mexico. If their plans are perfected, they will first go to Eugene, where they were joined by Sidney Dohlin and from there they went to Berkeley, Cal., the home of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Dohlin. The latter will join the party which will go on from there to old Mexico.

Grange Met Saturday—

The regular meeting of the Pleasant Grove grange was held at the hall Saturday evening with a very good attendance. New members are being taken into this subordinate, which is one of the most active in the county.

Home From Monmouth—

Miss Leola Rosewall, of Union, a student at the State Normal at Monmouth, is home for her Christmas vacation. Miss Rosewall has been bothered with her tonsils of late and will have to have an operation during the holidays.

Go to Missouri—

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Thompson, of Clover Creek, near Elgin, have gone to Monticello, Missouri, where they will probably spend the remainder of the winter. That state was their former home.

Sharp Increase in County—

At the meeting of the Union County Wool Growers association held recently in La Grande there were present 23 men, who were owners of approximately 22,000 head of sheep. According to County Agent Harry Avery, this is an increase of six per cent. Some present were not members of the association, and the members alone represented about 15,000 sheep.

Play Tomorrow Night—

The Mutual Improvement association, of Imbler, is putting on an entertainment tomorrow, Wednesday evening at Wade Hall. The chief attraction is the play "Ted Brown Jr." being coached by Miss Anna Baxter. The leading roles are taken by Elmer Edwards and Bernice Stelmuff. There will be music by the M. I. A. orchestra and other features.

Have Lovely Dinner—

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gaskill, of near Imbler, entertained most graciously Sunday at a turkey dinner at their home. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Sam Buckman, Miss Wilma Gaskill, home from Eugene, Miss Leola Gaskill, of La Grande, Walter Hutchinson and Jack Hyatt. The weather and the food delighted several of the guests. It was a very happy occasion, indeed.

Leave for California—

Mr. and Mrs. Kerr, who have served the Union hotel for some time as managers, have gone to California where they expect to reside. The hotel interests are being looked after locally, until a permanent successor can be secured.

Move Into Imbler—

Mr. and Mrs. Frank McKennon and family moved yesterday from their ranch near Imbler, into the Methodist parsonage at Imbler, where they will reside until spring.

Leaves Hand Badly—

Willard Houston, who lives at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Edin, near Alsea, is suffering considerably from an injury to one of his hands sustained Sunday. Mr. Houston was riding one horse and leading another. The horses started to jump and the young man tried to wrap the lines about the horn of the saddle. In some way, the line, or rope on the horse, he was leading, became wrapped around his wrist and before he could extricate it, the skin had been torn off. It was very painful.

Union School Out Today—

The public schools of Union are closing today for the Christmas recess and will remain closed until Tuesday, January 2nd.

Leaves North Powder—

Miss Helen Spain, adopted daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Spain, of North Powder, has gone to the Snake River country where she will make her home in the future with the Charles Spain family.

Overcome With Cold—

Not being prepared for the difference in temperature which may exist in different sections of the county, caused a young lady considerable suffering and her friends, and neighbors who gave assistance considerable anxiety Sunday evening. It is reported that the young lady, with her escort, were approaching the home of friends where she expected to visit, when a snow storm of the road made further travel in a car impossible. The two left the car and started to walk, but the lady without sufficient wraps and without gloves or rubbers, began to suffer intensely from the cold and before much progress had been made, she was overcome and fell by the roadside. A farmer, who had been taking his daughters to an evening train, chanced to come along and assisted the young lady into his car and together with her escort took them to his home. At that time the young lady was unconscious. Rubbing, warm drinks, etc., made her quite herself again in the course of two or three hours, and she was able to continue on her way. The friends who opened their home, and offered aid, were very anxious for a considerable part of the time, but were glad when their efforts showed results, they report.

Wallawa Grange Elects—

Grover Meek will head the Wallawa grange as master during the year 1928. Other officers who will be associated with him in the respective offices are—Overseer, G. E. West; Lecturer, C. A. Thompson; Chaplain, G. H. Foster; Steward, D. G. White; Assistant Steward, Arthur Johnson; Lady Assistant Steward, Mrs. C. E. H. Thomas; Treasurer, J. H. Thomas; Secretary, J. H. Leonard; Gatekeeper, Edna West; Coros, Mrs. L. H. Leonard; Pomona, Mrs. G. E. West; Flora, Mrs. Grover Johnson. Executive committee, Grover Johnson, J. T. Powers, and G. H. Foster.

Women's Club Meets—

Mrs. Wilford Wiatensken was the hostess to the Imbler Women's club, Wednesday at her home, with quite a representative attendance of the members present. The program had to do with Christmas carols, and roll call was responded to with some Christmas thought. Each one present contributed something to the program. The program was provided by a short business meeting presided over by the president, Mrs. R. L. Morgan.

Home From Normal—

Miss Thelma Anderson, a student at the State Normal at Monmouth, came home the last of the week and will spend her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leola Anderson, at Cove.

Does Not Improve—

Mrs. Mike Boyce, who has been very ill at her home near Sumnerville, does not improve as her friends would wish.

Grange Has Christmas Program—

A splendid Christmas program was featured at the regular meeting of the Blue Mountain grange held Saturday at their hall. The program was under the supervision of the chaplain, Mrs. R. A. Manton and opened with a reading "The Night Before Christmas" by Henry Stoddard, illustrated with slides. Mrs. Ethel DeHaas, of Island City, sang "The Holy City" song, "Holy Night," by the grange. One of the strongest features was the illustrated

Union County Schools To Send Four Teachers to Portland Meet

The schools of Union county will be represented by four teachers at the coming annual meeting of the Oregon State Teachers association. As is the custom, the personnel of the delegation will consist of one superintendent, one principal, one high school teacher and one grade teacher. Those who have been chosen to go, as announced by County Superintendent J. E. Bayre, are Superintendent J. E. Bayre, principal of Central school, Miss Mary Cool, of the Imbler high school, and Miss Vina Conley, of Greenwood.

The convention will be held in the city of Portland on Wednesday, December 28th. Programs of the meeting bespeak a helpful and practical session, all meetings to be held in the Lincoln high school building.

report shows that the year has been a profitable one. "The annual report brings out the fact that the lead in one of the most productive hog counties in Oregon has been maintained, rapid strides made in dairying, poultry shows a strong advance, one woman of Joseph, Oreg., marketing 500 turkeys, and boys and girls club work well founded. This county is the leading hog county in the state. Where the farmers are a long distance from the railroad the farmers market their grain through their hogs. Here very little grain is sold directly. Most of it going to market in the form of pork."

Play Goes Over Big—

The senior class play, "The Girl Who Forgot," put on by a cast of upper classmen at the Imbler high school and coached by Miss Mary Cool, went over big last Friday night and was appreciated by a capacity house at Wade hall. The play was a lively production, full of plots and arranged in three acts. Miss Frances McKennon and Lynn Woodell carried the heavy parts and were ably supported by

T. Longfellow, Mrs. E. A. MacEachron, principal of Central school, Miss Mary Cool, of the Imbler high school, and Miss Vina Conley, of Greenwood.

Ernest Pugh, Mildred Brown, Marie West, Don Brown, Merle Frizzell, Jack McFall, Ione Perry and Howard Kuhn. The P. T. A. conducted a home made candy sale during the evening for the benefit of the domestic science department. Following the play, members of the cast enjoyed a party at the Brown home, while another group of young people indulged in a very happy hot party.

Home From Eugene—Miss Vera Case is home from her work at the University, for a holiday visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Case at Imbler.

Tonsil Operation—Mrs. Jennie Thompson, of Portland, has returned to her home from Hot Lake where she had previously had her tonsils removed.

Has Class Party—

Members of the sophomore class of the Imbler high school enjoyed a hobnobbing party last evening, lasting several hours, then went to the home of Clifford Conrad where

they had stacks of fun at a taffy pull.

Had Interesting Experiences—

M. L. Carter, now residing near Cove, is one of the pioneers of the county having come west in the early days, when he was a very young man. On his way west he had some unusual and intensely interesting experiences, which he has written down, especially recently, when confined to his home by illness. As a picture of what life was then, Mr. Carter's story is especially good. In the near future that story, not with any outstanding thrilling features, will be given in a sort of series.

COVE PERSONALS

COVE (Special)—L. D. Sutherland, the mail carrier, was taken to the Grande Ronde hospital in La Grande Thursday morning for an operation. His condition was considered favorable at the last report.

Miss Alice Marquardt, the county nurse, visited the school Wednesday and several children were sent home on account of some eruption of the skin that might be contagious.

Alvin Orton is carrying the mail during Mr. Sutherland's absence. The Rev. W. Platt, a state evangelist, now has charge of the evangelistic meetings at the Baptist church.

Mrs. John Hafer fell on the icy walk a few days ago and she has since been confined to the house. School will close Friday for the Christmas vacation. There will be a program in the east room put on by the high school and the seventh and eighth grades. The

A SEASONABLE RECIPE

A White Fruit-Cake
Cream well, one-half cup butter. Add one cup powdered sugar and cream again.

Add the stiffly beaten whites of six eggs.

Alternately add, two cups sifted flour and one cup milk.

Add one heaping teaspoon baking powder, one-half pound seed, white, raisins, one-half pound chopped figs, one pound grated coconut, one-quarter pound citron, cut fine, and one-half pound blanched almonds cut into fine strips.

Bake in a moderate oven for two hours.

White Honey Fruit Cake

Two cups sugar, Two cups strained honey, Two teaspoons boiling water, One teaspoon soda, One teaspoon salt, Five cups flour, Five whole eggs.

One-half cup butter, or lard, one cup each shredded candied pineapple, citron, cherries, hickory, shredded almonds and white raisins.

Mix by beating the sugar, honey, water, in which the soda has been dissolved, and melted, together until light, then fold in alternately the fruit, flour, sifted with one level teaspoon salt and stiffly beaten eggs.

This will make two good loaves, two primary loaves are preparing a Christmas play. The intermediate grades will also have a Christmas play.

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