

Over The Valley

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Funeral of S. A. Baker

The large company of friends and neighbors who gathered Sunday afternoon at the funeral of the late S. A. Baker, of Dry Creek, near Summerville, testified to the esteem in which this gentleman was held. The floral offerings were numerous and beautiful. The Rev. George Wade, pastor of the Presbyterian church of La Grande conducted the service. Music was furnished by a choir consisting of Mrs. Wayne Park, Mrs. Irene Conrad, Mrs. Leo Neibers, Mrs. Perle Waggoner, C. C. Welch, O. Starnes, with Mrs. Starnes at the piano. Burial was in the Summerville cemetery, the pall-bearers being neighbors of Mr. Baker—Dillard Choate, Earl Park, Ed Hill, Victor Johnson, John Lewis and Wayne Prizell.

Young Boy Improves

Billy Duncan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Duncan, above Cove, is reported as improving from his recent illness. He has been out of school for some time.

Week End Guest

Raymond Munson of Summerville spent the week end at the home of his cousin, Roy Neidermyer at Dry Creek, going to his particular line to help Roy celebrate a birthday anniversary.

Cove Aid

Mrs. Pauline Prillman and Mrs. Lydia Lantz will be hostesses to the Ladies Aid society of the Methodist church of Cove Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Prillman. This will be a silver tea.

Visits in La Grande

Mrs. J. N. Chandler of Elgin was in La Grande last week where she visited from Thursday until Saturday at the Charles Chandler home.

House at Cove Burns

The house on the Seftner property at the edge of Cove, occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Garoutte and their family, burned to the ground last Wednesday morning. The fire was discovered by members of the family only after it had gained considerable headway, and when they attempted to extinguish it by using the fire hose, they were unable to do so. The fire was caused by a gas stove in the kitchen, which had become overheated. The loss is estimated at \$10,000.

Shopping in La Grande

The Misses Gladys Davies and Gladys Jones, teachers in the Elgin public school, were shopping in La Grande Saturday.

Attending Grand Opera

Mrs. J. R. Price of Cove has come to Portland to visit relatives and attend Grand Opera.

Psychology Class to Meet

The class in Practical Psychology made up of residents of Cove and Union will meet next Sunday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Nellie Martin in the Cove. There were about 20 people attended the class last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Logan Anderson.

Shipping Cattle

Hal Reese of Union has been shipping a number of carloads of cattle from this county to the Portland markets recently. The last car went out from Imbler Saturday. According to announcements made through various channels in the county, Mr. Reese had in a shipment a week or so ago, a cow which brought the highest price of any animal sold there for some years. It was purchased from the herd of Julius Fisher of Lower Cove.

Has Strain Accident

Gaston Stone of Pumpkin Ridge met with a very painful and rather peculiar accident Friday, which might have proven to be very serious. Mr. Stone carried one of the leading roles in the play "The Time of His Life" which the young people of the Pleasant Grove grange were putting on as a benefit for the Rock Wall grange at Elgin. Between the second and third acts, Mr. Stone suddenly took a drink of water. A small silver cup of wood having gotten in the water in some way, the silver lodged in his throat. He managed to carry out his part of the last act and then sought medical attention. He was later taken to a specialist in La Grande but by that time the piece had become dislodged.

Campfire Girls Meet

The Nisaski Campfire girls met Saturday evening with their guardian Mrs. Wm. Bradnor of Cove. They worked on the layette which they are making and finished cutting it out. Some time was spent discussing the exhibit and council fire. This group regrets very much the fact that they are to lose their guardian as Mr. Bradnor and his family contemplate leaving Cove for Rhode Island, permanently, about the first of May.

Returns From Visit

Mrs. C. L. McKinnis of near Bonanza returned home yesterday on No. 12 from St. Louis where she has been visiting her sister for the past month.

Improves From Illness

A. J. Taylor, of Alico, who has been quite ill for several weeks, has improved sufficiently to be able to be about some.

Sunday Visitor

Mrs. Frank Wells of Alico spent Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Barker at Cove.

To Entertain Guild

Mrs. C. L. Metcalf on Mills Creek above Cove will be the hostess to the Guild of Ascension church at an all day meeting Thursday. A dinner will be served

at noon to which any others who wish to may come. The proceeds will go to the Guild.

Summerville Aid

There was a large attendance at the meeting of the Summerville Ladies Aid society held Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Earl Park, Mrs. Wayne Park and Mrs. Press Park as assistants and hostesses. The afternoon was spent in an informal social fashion, with a splendid luncheon closing the delightful afternoon.

Large Per Cent Lambs

On a large band, lambing at Cap Tuttle's ranch at Rainschard is proving more successful than any which has come to our attention yet this year. Mr. Tuttle's band has about 1650 ewes, and the per cent of lambs Saturday was 130 with a very small loss reported.

Has Mump

Miss Bernice Slack, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Burr Slack of Summerville and a student at the Imbler high school is ill with the mumps, the first to take this ailment which has been so popular in other sections of the county.

Entertains Club

Mrs. W. H. Hallmark of Cove entertained the ladies of the Fun and Joy club at her home Saturday afternoon. There were two tables for bridge, Mrs. Helen Conkin winning high score. The hostess served some lovely refreshments.

Alico Aid

The Alico Aid society will hold an all day meeting Thursday at the home of Mrs. W. R. Ledbetter. As this is to be a work meeting, ladies are requested to bring needles and thread. Assisting hostesses are Mrs. Ruth McKennon, Mrs. Frank McKennon and Mrs. Sam Ruckman.

Junior Vaudeville

The annual vaudeville night staged by the Juniors of the high school at Cove is to be held on Friday evening, March 16th at the Macabee hall.

Sunday Guests

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Oliver of La Grande and Mrs. Hall of Portland were guests Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Burt Oliver at Dry Creek.

Improves From Operation

Mrs. Inez Woodell, friend, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Miles Woodell of Summerville and a student at the Ashland State Normal is recovering very nicely from her recent operation for appendicitis.

Farm Work Opening Up

Farm work over the Cove valley seems to be considerable in advance of other sections of the valley. Wheat fields are taking on color. Plowing is in process in several sections, or was until the weather of the week end interfered. The rain and snow of the last few days, typical of March, put a quietus on outside work for the time being.

Here For Funeral

All of the children of the late S. A. Baker of Summerville were here at the bedside of their father before he passed away and were here for the funeral services Sunday—Mr. and Mrs. Willis Chittan of Idaho Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Woodell, of Baker, Albert Baker of Walla Walla and Elmer Baker of La Grande.

Some Record

Bobby Huron, of Brooks Lane, still maintains that his record this lambing season is good. Bobby has four ewes and has six lambs, 150 per cent, with no losses.

Co. Residents Lose

In the recent fire which destroyed the Hearing grain elevator at Haines, a number of Union county residents, including Mrs. Robert Withycombe were losers of larger or smaller amounts, having had quantities of grain stored.

Island City P. T. A.

Those who are interested are asked to watch for the exact date of the meeting this week of the Island City P. T. A. The meeting was originally planned for Friday evening, at which time an illustrated lecture on Oregon birds was to have been given. The Executive League had been planning a party for the same place and evening. An adjustment will be made and a definite announcement made later.

Returns Home

The Misses Doty Joan and Nadine Ledbetter returned yesterday to their home in La Grande following a visit with their uncle, Lyle Ledbetter at Alico.

Water High

The recent rains taking off more snow have caused all the rivers and creeks of the county to become almost bank full and in some cases more than that. Mill creek near Summerville was away out of its banks Sunday. Roads are generally very bad, and travelers who can are keeping pretty close to the hard surfaced highways.

Visit at Hopper

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Woodell and Mrs. E. Knudsen of Summerville drove to Hopper Saturday where they are visiting at the home of Mrs. Sanderson's sister for a few days.

Brothers Night Saturday

Brothers night will be observed this coming Saturday at the regular meeting of the Pleasant Grove grange. The brothers will provide the entertainment and the refreshments, which it is said, is to be a regular oyster supper with plenty of trimmings. There is also to be

some initiatory work at this meeting.

Cut With Axe

Viral Sanderson of Dry Creek suffered a painful injury last week when the axe with which he was chopping wood glanced and cut quite a slash in one foot. He has been unable to use the member very much since the accident.

Visit Relatives

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Park of Pleasant Grove were guests Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Hill at Elgin.

Given Pleasant Supper

Wednesday evening was the regular meeting night for the Rebekah lodge at Summerville. When the work of the evening was practically over, there was an alarm at the door which proved to be some twelve or fifteen uninvited, but very welcome guests, all with the earmarks and marks of genuine suffragettes. They put on a drill, made suffragette speeches and after lodge served refreshments consisting of sandwiches, ice cream, cake and coffee. When their identity was disclosed it was found that the group were members of the Old Fellows organization. Frank Woodell was the speech-maker for the crowd.

The Old Oregon Trail

Fifty Years Ago, By M. L. Carter. "In the spring of 1879, I had been in Mr. Payne's employ for two years and had promised to join the rest of my family in Union county, Oregon, and help establish a home. Mr. Payne was very desirous of having me stay and take care of his ferry and other business interests in that part of Idaho. He offered to start a store and take me in as partner and also to pay me wages for running the ferry. He told me that Baker county was sage brush and Grange-Ronde valley was all taken up excepting some sandy country in the center that was of no account. "I was sorry to leave Mr. Payne's employ because he was a good man. He never moved his family back to the ferry after the Indian outbreak, but in the fall brought them back from the Willamette valley and established a home in Boise City. Just before I started for Oregon I met a man named Kelly from Rocky Bar, who told me I have been all over the United States and seen all the famous valleys from the Shenandoah westward to the Golden Gate, but the Grande Ronde is the prettiest valley I have ever seen on. So, good morning, fellow citizens, I have been with you 50 years in 1929. "I have not seen any of the Payne family since leaving Idaho, but have received a number of messages from my old employer asking me to come back and offering to set me up in business. The letters that came to me, scattered through those intervening years, and which became more frequent and warmer during the last years of his life, he showed his appreciation and good will. After he had passed over the Great Divide in 1923, his wife wrote to me and continued to do so until she died in 1925. Then the oldest living daughter, who was a baby when I arrived in Idaho, wrote because she knew her mother would wish her to, and offered to take her mother's place. "Money was a valuable article to me in those long ago Idaho days, but looking back over half a century, its value seems of little importance to me now, compared with the appreciation that I have been shown. Does it pay to give faithful service? Yes, a hundred fold—try it."

NEW WATER SUPPLY

VALETTA—Discovery of a new water supply in Malta, previous lack of which has prevented the establishment of any industry, has caused jubilation. Reports indicate the water has not deteriorated in quality after continuous pumping as has been the case with other wells.

Pleasant Grove

The Pleasant Grove grange which is handling the distribution of alfalfa and clover in this county received its first carload last week. The car was unloaded through the agriculture committee of the grange, which consists of

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OUT OUR WAY

By Williams

HEY-G-G-S-T-PUT OUT THAT LIGHT!

WES THAT IT UD BE RIGHT NICE T' HAVE A LITTLE FEED AFTER COMIN FROM THET PARTY—SO WE STOPPED AT TH' PIG RANCH AN' SHWIPED A PIG.

FRESH FRISH FOR A WEEK BOYS—I-I MEAN FRISH A-A FRUSH—FLESH PLORK.

J.R. WILLIAMS
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A SEASONABLE RECIPE

3 EGGS,
1/2 cup sugar,
1 lemon, juice and rind,
Another 1/2 cup sugar.
Beat the egg yolks until lemon colored. Gradually add 1/2 cup sugar and beat until thick. Add rind and juice of one lemon. Cook in a double boiler until like a thin custard. Then beat the whites, gradually add 1/2 cup sugar, fold into the hot mixture which has been removed from the fire and pour into a baked crust. Put in the oven to brown.

The Grange

The regular meeting of this subordinate grange to be unusually interesting this coming Saturday evening. This will be the brothers' meeting and they will be responsible for the program and for the refreshments. An exceptionally large attendance is anticipated.

Rock Wall

The regular meeting of Rock Wall grange was held last Wednesday evening at the customary place, instead of Friday evening as given on Friday evening at a Rocky Wall benefit. There were about 20 members present. During the evening it was planned to give an entertainment this coming Friday evening, which will include a picnic, a grab bag, a program and other attractive features and to which all are invited. It is planned to have Mr. Avery come into the neighborhood next Friday to assist in organizing a Boy's Pig club and a Girls' Sewing club which will be sponsored by this grange. There were three new applications for membership presented and the grange has a number of candidates waiting to be initiated as soon as the quota will permit anything like a representative attendance. At the next regular meeting, which comes a week from Friday, a candy sale will be held. The weather interfered somewhat with the attendance at the play which was given on Friday evening, but the entertainment was thoroughly enjoyed.

Meadow Brook

Meadowbrook grange at Starkey is the only grange in the county which can boast of a 100 per cent membership; that is, every eligible resident of the section is a granger. They are reported to be all live members and their meetings are full of interest. A recent meeting of the subordinate, the export department, was debated, Mrs. Cynthia Wells and Mrs. Elizabeth Thomas taking the affirmative and Mrs. Vada Thornburg and Ralph Sullivan taking the negative side. The decision was given the latter team.

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Miss Lucy Case To Return Here Later in Month

Miss Lucy Case, nutrition expert from the extension service of the Oregon State college, will be here again the latter part of this month for the second of the series of schools which she is holding in this county. The dates for her next visit are March 29th, 30th and 31st, at which times she will meet with her groups at Blue Mt. grange, Island City, Parent-Teacher Association and Pleasant Grove grange respectively.

At this time, Miss Case will have said demonstrations at the morning hour, when at least 30 salads will be made. In the afternoon she will speak on the feeding of mothers and children.

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Two four-year-old boys from Union are now in the Hot Lake hospital suffering from spinal trouble. One of the little lads, Ray Connor, was taken to the hospital Thursday afternoon, and the other, Kenneth Miller, on Saturday morning.

About two years ago the Wagoner's club, a civic organization, purchased a lot on Main street, situated about two blocks north of the Union hotel. At a regular meeting last Thursday afternoon the club members decided they were ready to build a club house or home for the organization. Work on the building will be started as soon as arrangements can be made this spring.

Dr. T. M. Gilmore and Newell Martens made a trip to Portland Thursday, where Mr. Martens consulted a specialist about an operation. He will undergo the operation sometime this week.

Miss Scherer, girls' coach in the Union high school, has started indoor baseball practice since the basketball season ended. The boys of the high school have also begun getting into training for the spring months.

Mrs. Lezzie Castor, who has been at the Hot Lake hospital for several weeks, where she underwent two operations, was far enough recovered to return to her home in South Union last week.

Charles Kuhn who recently purchased the Anson farm at the southern end of Union, is having the dwelling remodeled before moving into his new home. He expects to be ready to move in about a week. The farm contains about 20 acres which the new owner will farm, in addition to running his truck line to La Grande.

Mrs. C. H. Crandell, her daughter, Mrs. Nell Morrison, and her granddaughter, Laura Maxine Morrison, are spending a few weeks visiting with relatives at Hergast last week. They left for the latter place last week.

Miss Josephine Bliss, who lives at Union and teaches one of the grade schools at High Valley, went to Imbler Saturday to attend the teachers' institute.

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TWENTY CARLOADS OF SPUDS WILL BE SHIPPED THIS WEEK

Probably 20 carloads of potatoes will go from this county this week, the major part of them going to Yakima. One or two sales of potatoes by growers here have been reported prior to about ten days ago, but the larger movement started within the last two weeks or ten days.

The stuff which is being shipped now is going entirely for certified seed. Most of the potatoes passed as standard grade and all are Netted Gems—the variety which was used universally among potato growers in the Grande Ronde valley in 1927.

The prices which are being paid for these spuds will not represent any profit to the growers, it is reported, and for some it will represent an actual loss. The consoling feature to the shippers, however, lies in the fact that this seed, which practically cleans up the seed business in the county, goes into new territory, and promises a good harvest in the future. Yakima growers have not been coming as far south as this for their seed in the past and these initial shipments are encouraging here.

According to County Agriculturalist Avery things begin to look much more favorable for potato growers in Union county. While high freight rates have been against growers and shippers here, it is believed that the superior quality of Idaho Pictures company will be given on Wednesday evening at the local Methodist church, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid society. The entertainment will consist of three parts, all of moving pictures: a "Daisy Story" film, a nature reel and a five-reel original picture of the "Oberammergau," or "Passion Play."

A business meeting of the Sportsman's club was held at the club house cabin at the hatchery grounds last Wednesday evening. Workmen are busy installing a large safe in the Union postoffice building to replace the one that was wrecked recently when the postoffice was robbed.

The body of Sines Cox, an aged man who had died at London several days ago, was brought to Union for burial Sunday. The remains had been held so relatives could reach Pondosa in time for the funeral services.

The Rev. Robert C. Lee, pastor of the Methodist church here, fell from a chair last week and sustained a severe injury to his side. A goodly delegation of Catholics from Union and also from Cove, went to Baker last Tuesday to attend the consecration of the Rev. Edward J. Kelley as a bishop. Among the Unionites who attended the ceremony were Messrs. Haggerty, Parent, Cartwright, Haggerty, Johnson, Mayette, Hempte and Slater.

Word has been received here that the youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hensley, who lives west of Union, is seriously ill. The Hensleys formerly lived at Union.

The Union Odd Fellows lodge had work in the first degree last Friday night. H. H. Little and Joe Gardner, of the Cove lodge, were visitors at the Friday meeting.

Dairy Meetings Held in County By Mr. Jamison

N. C. Jamison, dairy specialist of the extension service from O. A. C. spent several days the latter part of last week in this county, and in conjunction with county agriculturalist Harry Avery conducted a number of meetings with cattle men in different sections of the county. The decidedly inclement weather and the impassable condition of the roads in several of the localities where meetings had been arranged in advance made it necessary to cancel several of the gatherings. Those which were held according to schedule were very well attended, taking every line into consideration and it is reported to be profitable to all concerned.

The subject which was up for discussion pertained to contagious abortion among cattle, a disease which has been causing such disasters in other parts of this state. It is not known whether any of the disease is found in this county or not, but a number of those who attended the meetings volunteered to take up the testing work if proper arrangements could be made with local veterinarians.

Meetings were held on Friday afternoon at the Wolf Creek grange near North Powder and at Union on Saturday. Meetings at Rock Wall, Pleasant Grove and