Over the Valley

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Get First Date Prunes—

Mr. and Mrs. Arch McNeill residing on Mill creek road above the Cove realized the first crop this year off a row of date prune trees in their smaller orchard. For first year fruit, there was an exceptional yield with the young trees hanging full. The date prunes are certainly delicious. While they are of very nearly the size of the Italians, they are as sweet as the Prunes.

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Mumps Breaking Out—

Mumps have appeared in the ranks of the pupils at the Pleasant Grove school and of the 40 pupils enrolled there are several who were detained at their homes last week by the disease.

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Many Go To Enterprise—

Among the representatives of the county who spent last Friday at the Wallowa county fair were Mr. and Mrs. Willis Wright of the Imbler Cove, Mr. and Mrs. Cullen Friswold of Alder, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wright of Valeria, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ledbetter and daughter, Marie, of Alder, Mr. and Mrs. Garret Blokland, Mr. and Mrs. Milo Blokland, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Blokland, of near Island City, Mr. and Mrs. Louie Standley and son, Dale, of Iowa district, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Johnson and son Frank of Pleasant Grove, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hug of La Grande, Albert Hunter of La Grande.

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Return From Valley—

Mr. and Mrs. Orland Anson returned the latter part of the week from the Willamette valley. They had gone on the auto trip for the specific purpose of taking their younger son to Corvallis where he enrolled for his first year's work in the college. Their older son, Delbert, who was quite ill during their absence, was better, then Sunday not so well again, but somewhat improved this week.

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Start On Auto Trip—

Mrs. Helene Lincoln, of Mill Creek near Cove, her sister, Mrs. Kathryn Spaeth of Cleveland, Ohio, and their friend, Mrs. Tripeer of Cleveland, also started late evening in Mrs. Lincoln's car for a trip through western and southern Oregon to consume the next few weeks. Mrs. Lincoln and her house guests have just returned from a most enjoyable camping trip up in the Minam district, above the Cove.

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Appreciate Warning—

Farmers over the valley who were tempted early last spring to enter into an agreement with a certain Idaho firm for the purchase of Chester White sows and the sale of the gilts, appreciate now, very much the warning sounded at the time by county agriculturist Avery. For if any farmers in the county finally fell for the proposition, those who were interested became suspicious of dissatisfied with the actions of the salesmen and others just naturally took the word of the county agent. Now stories appear in the daily press from all sections of Oregon and Washington of false actions, broken contracts or loopholes in the contracts which have shaken up the business, and farmers in those localities who bought are in all sorts of predicaments.

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Attend Fair—

Mr. and Mrs. William Roulet and Mrs. Gordon of Elgin were among those who attended the Wallowa county fair at Enterprise Friday.

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Expert In County—

Miss Lucy Case, nutrition expert from the state college was at Medical Springs yesterday where she addressed a meeting held under the auspices of the grange of that place. Miss Case went on to Keating from Mt. Hood.

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Likes Union County spuds—

Yesterday two potato growers from the Yakima section of Washington were in the valley inspecting potato fields. Last year these men came to this valley for their seed, securing the certified Netted Gems. One grower reports that on his ranch, which of course is in the irrigated section, he realized 300 sacks per acre from the seed purchased here.

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Locate in Pennsylvania—

Friends over the valley have received recent word from Mrs. Pauline Pellanson to the effect that she and her son, Lewis, formerly of New York city, have recently located in Huston, Penn., a nine mile rubber town. They report a most enjoyable car trip after the first six days when Mrs. Pellanson's sprained ankle caused some delay and discomfort. Mrs. Pellanson was a former resident of the Cove having kept house for her brother, G. G. Stackland.

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Return From Visit—

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Johnson and son, Frank, of Pleasant Grove have returned from Wallowa where they visited at the home of Mr. Johnson's brother and also attended the Wallowa county fair at Enterprise while in that section.

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Returns From Portland—

Mrs. J. C. Briggs of Mt. Glen, who has been in Portland some time securing medical aid, has returned to her home.

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Crawfords To Walla Walla—

O. G. Crawford, former owner and editor of the Joseph Herald, has taken a position in a job office in Walla Walla and he and Mrs. Crawford have gone there to make their future home.

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Here From Medford—

Claire Spears of Medford, Oregon, was in the valley last week having been a special guest at the home of his friends, Mr. and Mrs. Louie Standley in the Iowa district. Mr. Spears graduated from the Imbler high school in 1922 and is now a skilled electrician. He returned to his home the last of the week.

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Teachers Institute—

Teachers from all the schools in Union and Wallowa counties will meet in La Grande Thursday and Friday of this week for their annual teachers' institute, and vacations will be declared in all schools.

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Good News—

A bit of news which is vitally important to many residents of the vicinity of Cove, and of interest to every resident of the county, is that one which tells that on the 4th, the final payment is to be made to depositors etc. in the defunct Cove State bank.

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Day In La Grande—

Mr. and Mrs. Bernal Hug and Miss Lynn Hill of Elgin spent a full day in La Grande yesterday, for in addition to taking in all the sessions of the writers' conference, Mrs. Hill visited with her mother, Mrs. C. D. Hoffman, and the Hugs visited with friends and took in the "King of Kings" in the evening.

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After Spuds In Earnest—

Carl Brown of near Imbler and Ronald McKennon of near Alder are starting the digging of their spuds in partnership and will store their produce in the mammoth storage house which they have built in partnership on the McKennon farm. To secure the potatoes from the 80 acre field planted by Mr. Brown two diggers and two sackers are being used, operated by tractors. The machines, that is the sackers, which are being used by these men this year for the first time are said to be able to dig about 5 acres of the spuds each. The potatoes on the Brown acreage are said to be of excellent quality. The McKennon fields will be dug next, the total acreage there being around 160 acres. W. H. Ledbetter expects to start the latter part of the week on his, and will use his own digger and employ Indians to pick up the potatoes as he has done for several years past.

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Return From Fair—

E. A. Sayre, accompanying the four girls who went as representatives of the 4-H clubs of Union county—Georgianna Lockwood of La Grande, Ethel Conklin and Kathryn Green of Union and Frances Comstock, of Cove, returned home Saturday morning. All are very enthusiastic over the time shown them while in Salem, altho smoke and fog interfered with some of the plans which curtailed some of the sight-seeing trips. Mr. Sayre reports that this was the first year to ever tramped over the state fair grounds in the dust. A slight sprinkle was all the rain experienced this year while he was there.

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Shipping More Lambs—

In spite of the fact that the carload of lambs shipped from Imbler last week was supposed to have been his last for this season, T. B. Johnson of lower Cove shipped another automobile yesterday from Island City. Mr. Johnson reports a good year for lamb shipping this year.

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Day In Baker—

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fuller and son, Claire, of Alder drove to Baker Sunday where they spent the day visiting among their relatives. Both Mr. and Mrs. Fuller have sisters living in Baker.

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Is High Point Man—

Clifford Conrad who lives on a farm near Imbler was the high point man in the Smith-Hughes judging contests held last week at the Wallowa county fair at Enterprise. Clifford is a member of the Imbler high school team and has made records along other lines connected with his ag courses there. He raises fine Chester White hogs but was too sharp to bite on the scheme which high-powered salesmen from Idaho tried to put over last spring, emphatically telling them that he raised better hogs than they did—which remark those who know the kind of stuff Clifford handles declare is true.

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Have Excellent Sale—

There was a very good attendance of those interested at the dispersion sale of Johnson & Beem, dairymen, held last Monday at the ranch of Tom Johnson in the lower Cove. Mr. Johnson and the Beem brothers have been in partnership in the dairy business having had a fine herd of purebred Jerseys and Guernseys that were ¾ to ⅞ purebred. The Beems are removing from the neighborhood this fall and were therefor disposing of their share of the stock.

Twenty head were offered for sale, in which were included a few head of young stuff belonging to Mr. Johnson. Bidding was good and the cows all sold well, the range being from $75 to $145, and the average being $115.50. Mr. Johnson will continue to keep a high class dairy herd on his place and will retain his membership in the Union County Livestock Improvement association.

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Recovering From Mumps—

Mrs. Mary R. Kail of La Grande who teaches the school at Perry has been confined to her home with the mumps. She is much improved now and plans resuming her school work early this week. Her sister, Mrs. J. H. Diehl, has been substituting for her.

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Returns From Valley—

Russell McKennon of near Imbler who has been in Corvallis on a business trip returned home last Thursday.

PERRY PERSONALS

PERRY, Ore. (Special)—Mr. and Mrs. Guy Tripp recently visited friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Perisho made a business trip to town last Monday.

Theodore Mathson, who has been working out in the valley, returned home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Loren Harris and three children motored to Emmett, Idaho, last Saturday and returned home early Monday morning.

Mrs. Mary R. Kail, who has been ill of mumps for several days, was able to resume her duties as principal of Perry schools Monday morning. Mrs. Kail's sister, Mrs. J. H. Diehl, of La Grande, substituted for her during her absence.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Smith and family were weekend visitors at Union last week.

James Voss and family recently visited the Mack White family, who live in Fruitdale.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Hopkins and small son were Baker visitors one day the first of the week.

Miss Frances Smith was shopping in La Grande one day last week.

William Brown was a recent La Grande visitor.

The little Misses Carrie and Clara Voss are absent from school on account of illness.

Mrs. J. H. Albertson visited Mrs. Mary R. Kail several days last week while the latter was ill of mumps.

Donald Brown was a recent caller at the Joe Smith home.

Mrs. Mary E. Cox was shopping in town one day the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Pierson and daughter recently visited relatives and friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Braden enjoyed a visit from Mr. Braden's father last Sunday. The elder Mr. Braden resides in La Grande.

A. F. Ingram and two children made a trip to town one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ole Mathson and two children made a business trip to Baker one day the latter part of last week.

Mrs. Joe Smith and daughter Miss Frances made a trip to Fruitdale recently to get pears.

Mrs. Guy Tripp and son, Don, were recent visitors at the Loren Harris home.

Miss Retha Kail is absent from school on account of illness.

Mrs. Molly Braden was a recent caller at the Ole Mathson home.

Harry Caldwell made a trip to town one day last week.

Haley to Remain Here Until Work Of Survey Ends

E. R. Breithaupt, specialist in agricultural economics, spent a couple of days in Union county last week in conference with Robert M. Haley, who is here from the college conducting the county-wide home marketing survey and from his decision in one matter, evidently placed his stamp of approval on the survey, on the progress that has been made and on the fitness of Mr. Haley for carrying on the job to completion.

Mr. Haley is an instructor at the Oregon state college at Corvallis, having on his schedule four classes in economic history and one on ocean transportation for this semester, and for next, theory of economics and railroad transportation. In addition he is working for his master's degree, having taken his bachelor's degree at Harvard. As it was time for college officials to be thinking of their class room work, the point came up as to which was the more important, to have Mr. Haley meet his classes or complete the survey which is already attracting statewide attention.

Following Mr. Breithaupt's visit of inspection the announcement was made that Gordon P. Hoals of Payette, Idaho, who is an authority in agricultural statistics, and has taught in the department of agricultural economics would take Mr. Haley's classes at the college for the present.

Mr. Haley is now busy with two projects, first ascertaining through questionnaires the amount and kinds of produce raised in the county and second ascertaining the amounts of foods and sources of the foods used in the various eating houses of the county.

COVE PERSONALS

COVE, Ore. (Special) — John Bradner, of La Grande, spent Sunday visiting with friends at Cove.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rees and daughter, Barbara Jane, of Southern Oregon, are keeping the home fires burning on the Rees ranch during the absence of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tobe Rees.

Mrs. Orb White, of Union, was visiting here recently, the purpose of her visit being to interest the women and girls of Cove in the new physical culture class which is being organized at Union. She was accompanied by her granddaughter, Barbara Jean Conley.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Barker and daughters, Lona Mae and Janet, of Salem, arrived at Cove Wednesday. They are visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Baxter.

Mrs. Royal G. Conley and daughter spent the weekend at Hilgard with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Glenn.

Mrs. Helen Lincoln, of Cove, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Katherine Spaeth, of Cleveland, O., and their house guest, Mrs. Napier, also of Cleveland, returned Saturday from an enjoyable three day trip to Wallowa lake. While there they attended the Enterprise fair. They expected to start for an extended trip to Portland and the coast in a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Jonah Weimer and small daughter, Alice Mae, of Five Points, spent Thursday with relatives and friends at Cove. Mr. and Mrs. Weimer have quite recovered from their automobile accident of last month.

Mrs. Kellar Stringham, of Imbler, is staying at the home of her mother, Mrs. R. L. Barker and helping with the rush at the Cooperative packing shed. Her young son, Bobby, is with her.

Bruno Krohn, at one time a resident of Cove, but recently of Alaska, was here last week looking up old acquaintances. Mr. Krohn is employed now in La Grande working on the new normal building.

A. Bonney and son, Billie, were called to Portland last week on account of the death of Mr. Bonney's sister, Mrs. Merle Clinger. Mrs. Clinger leaves two children, age eight and ten years, to mourn her loss. The Bonneys returned to Cove Sunday.

Hans Selfors, cow tester for the Union county cow testing association, paid his monthly visit to Cove Thursday. He stayed at the T. R. Conklin home.

The Red Stedham family have moved into the Lem McClain house. They expect to spend the winter at Cove.

On account of teachers' institute which will be held Thursday and Friday, school will be closed Wednesday, to be resumed Monday morning, Oct. 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Tempu and family, of North Powder, have moved to Cove and are making their home with Herman Haefer. Mrs. Tempu is a sister of Mrs. Haefer.

Mrs. Pomona Johnson, who has been spending the summer with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Karl J. Stackland, left Saturday evening to join her husband in Portland where they expect to make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fletcher had as their dinner guests Sunday the four church army men who are holding services at the Episcopal church, Captains Jarvis, Wilde, Buchanan and Estebrook. The Rev. and Mrs. Sturges also were guests and all enjoyed a very pleasant afternoon.

Francis Coad left Cove Saturday evening for Eugene to resume his studies there at the U. of O. Francis was one of the four high point men at the university last year. He will graduate in June.

Overheating the home not only wastes fuel but invites the family physician.

Imbler Judging Team Is Second At Wallowa Fair

The Imbler high school stock judging team took second place this year in the contest held annually in connection with the Wallowa county fair, and the team from Union took fourth place, according to recent announcements made by fair officials. Four school teams were entered in the contest, Enterprise taking first place, and Wallowa third.

The outcome of this year's contest puts the members of two teams on edge for next year. The trophy which is awarded is the permanent property of any school who has won it for three years. Imbler and Enterprise both now have the same standing and if either of these two schools should be successful next year, the trophy would remain the permanent possession of that school. For that reason, both schools are already thinking and talking about next year with a hopeful eye on the silver cup.

COURSE GIVEN HERE FOR NEWS WRITERS OVER THE COUNTY

"You can be brief in a column and wordy in a line, all depending on the news slant you have," said Prof. C. J. McIntosh, of the Oregon State college today in the "one day training school in news writing" he is conducting in La Grande.

The course is given for the benefit of all correspondents for newspapers in Union county and Mr. McIntosh in his talk today explained fundamental rules for newswriting, laying particular stress on aids to the problems of rural correspondents.

"The chores and isolations of farm life have been lessened by the advent of modern conveniences such as good roads and motor vehicles with telephone and free mail delivery, electric lights and power, scientific farm and home management and styles and social contacts for farm women, he said.

Mr. McIntosh explained ways in which rural correspondents can make the most of the advantages in writing their news. Farm and city life in this age are becoming more and more alike and for that reason news stories and items from country districts should be written in the same manner as good city items and if well written are as apt to be "played up" in the paper as well as the story from the city reporter, he said.

"This rural publicity helps sell the community to itself and to the reading public," Mr. McIntosh declared. "It helps make rural life better and what is more to the point, it actually seems better. Many factors of urban life such as chambers of commerce, officers, heads of service clubs, realtors and newspapers, keep the interests of the town steadily before the public and make town life seem at least as good as it is. Lack of such publicity for the country makes country life look drab by comparison. So far as I know live country correspondents and enterprising newspapers are the only means of remedying the situation."

"By filling your news letters with interesting news and useful information, you will extend newspaper circulation and increase reader interest. This in turn, will improve still further the medium of advertising by local merchants in their struggle to salvage the local trade drifting to distant towns and city department stores," Mr. McIntosh told the correspondents. "This again will react favorably on the rural districts because every live community must have a live town and a live newspaper if it is to reach its highest possibilities. Neither town nor newspaper can serve as it ought if it is deprived of local trade support," he continued.

"Thus, we see, that rural news betterment helps towns and country alike, as well as the rural reporter who takes it and makes the most of it," said Mr. McIntosh.

This new way of improving rural news, inaugurated by the state college extension service, has already gained national recognition. Mr. McIntosh on request presented the matter before the American association of Agricultural College editors' convention in New Orleans and Baton Rouge, La., Aug. 30. He has also had an article on the subject printed in the National Printer Journalist in the September edition.

Prof. McIntosh included these statements in one of his addresses made before a representative group of newswriters assembled yesterday for an all day training school at the Sacajawea Inn. Every paper in the county but one was represented, and so interested and enthusiastic was the group reported to be that Prof. McIntosh declared the day to have been one of the most inspiring of any that he has attended over the state.

The morning session was presided over by F. R. Appleby of The Observer, who also spoke on the subject of "What Constitutes Good Rural News." He was followed by Fred Sefton of the Elgin Recorder whose subject had to do with the actual preparation of copy for the editor. Prof. McIntosh concluded the morning program by practical suggestions which lead up to the presentation of the extension course to be given through the state college—a series of 12 lessons intended to improve rural news service. So thoroughly did Prof. McIntosh set his proposition over that every correspondent present and some potential correspondents expressed themselves as having signed up for the course. This was found it interesting as well as practical followed by a luncheon at the Greil.

Sacajawea, the company being guests of The Observer.

The first item for the afternoon was a moving picture, which showed in an interesting fashion the processes necessary to convert the log from the forest into the completed newspaper as it is sold on the streets, and included the making of the cuts, page plates and all other mechanical operations connected with the newspaper game.

A news writing hour was held after this, when the group were given the details of several news stories, were given five minutes in "write them up" then the editors present gave detailed, advice and constructive criticism. At intervals during the day, the company made two inspection trips to The Observer office, the first to see the telegraph printers at work and the other to inspect the complete plant and to have explained the different steps necessary for the daily publication of La Grande's daily.

The entire program of the day was rather unique, but the representatives present from all corners of the county, Elgin, Cricket Flat, Indian Creek, Mt. Glen, Imbler, Alder, Ladd Canyon, Grange Hall, Union, Cove, Lostine, Pondosa, etc. expressed themselves as having found it interesting as well as practical.

A SEASONABLE RECIPE

Peach Marmalade

15 peaches
2 oranges, juice and rind
7½ pounds sugar
¼ pound blanched almonds

Cook slowly for two hours.

To vary put in a small bottle of maraschino cherries in place of the almonds.

This will make about five pints.

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