Over the Valley

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Party Postponed—
On account of the death of Jube Conley, the party to have been given this evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Conley on the Cove highway by the ladies aid society of the Cove Methodist church, has been postponed.

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Recuperates From Operation—
Robert Loftus of Enterprise is spending some time at the home of his cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gump in Fruitdale. He is recuperating from an operation which he recently underwent at the Baker hospital, his improvement being quite consistent.

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Returns From Trip—
Mrs. Frank Sherrell of May Park has returned to her home from an extended trip which took her to various eastern cities, going as far as New York. She reports a most delightful summer, her absence having covered the last three months or thereabouts.

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Here For Day—
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Loennig drove up in their truck from their home at Muddy Creek Thursday and spent the day at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Ledbetter, coming especially for a load of second grade potatoes which are being used quite extensively this fall for feeding purposes. Potato digging has been finished at Ledbetter's with around 200 tons of the No. 1, Netted Gems, which had been passed for certification. The lower grade spuds have been in some demand, as stated above, for feeding purposes.

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Sunday Guests—
Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Speckhart and daughter Helen Jean and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Krantz and daughter Lilian of the Iowa district were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Speckhart in La Grande.

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Another Wreck—
A Star roadster, of a late model and somewhat battered up, from all appearances having been hit by some other car in the rear, was seen on the road Sunday near the Will Buckman place near Imbler. This was the mute evidence of an accident which had evidently occurred the evening before. Details were not available.

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Leaves For Portland—
Lloyd Woodell of Pleasant Grove has gone to Portland where he has entered school to complete his course in radio-telegraphy.

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Guest From Pendleton—
Mrs. Julia Loftus of Pendleton was a guest Sunday at the home of her nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gump of Fruitdale.

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Mrs. Hamilton Improves—
Dr. H. S. Hamilton of Boise was a visitor in different sections of the valley last week and reported to friends that Mrs. Hamilton who has been so seriously ill for a number of months was improving though very slowly. Physicians have finally found the cause of Mrs. Hamilton's illness, believing it to be in a toxic goitre.

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Have Day in La Grande—
Editor and Mrs. Cheney and family of Enterprise were visitors in La Grande Saturday.

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Blue Mt. Grange—
The regular meeting of the Blue Mt. Grange held Saturday was attended by a rather small company of the members, but the meeting was interesting. The routine work was enough to fill the morning, with The Master, Frank Wright in charge. Dinner was served at noon under section three and this was followed by the program put on by the lecturer, Mrs. Wright. Special interest was manifest throughout the entire day in the approaching election insofar as state measures were concerned. John Wells of Alicel talked very emphatically against certain things especially the proposed Dunne bills and against which the granges have almost unanimously taken a stand.

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Visitor From Iowa—
Mrs. Phia-Gem Russell Terrall of Cedar Rapids, Iowa left today for her home after having visited for a few days at the home of her relatives, Mr. and Mrs. L. Z. Terrall at Union and with friends in La Grande. Mrs. Terrall was very enthusiastic over this, her first visit to the Grande Ronde valley, although she has been coming every year for the last dozen years or more, as far west as the Payette valley to look after the two ranches she has there. The Iowa visitor is quite prominent in her home state in social, church and civic circles. During the recent stay of Candidate and Mrs. Hoover in Cedar Rapids which was their Iowa headquarters and also during their visit to West Branch, Mr. Hoover's birth-place, Mrs. Terrall was an active member of the social committee which has charge of all the social engagements for the prominent visitors.

Miss Mabel Morton entertained a few friends at dinner Saturday evening at the Sacajawea Inn, the guests being friends of Mrs. Terrall when all were students at Carroll. Mrs. Terrall and Miss Morton were close college friends having been society sisters and living in the same house. Mrs. H. P. Tyler was also another Carrollian of the same years.

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Entertain Club Tomorrow—
Mrs. Milo Hubbard of Island City will have as her guests tomorrow the members of the Parkdale club. Assisting her in hostess will be Mrs. Garrett Hubbard and Mrs. Lee Smith.

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Move to New Home—
Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bailey have moved to Cecil ranch in the Ladd Canyon neighborhood which they purchased last summer from the Jim McClure estate. They plan on living on this ranch during the winter only and will return to their ranch near Cove in the spring. They have resided there for several years.

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More New Equipment—
H. H. Anderson who operates a dairy route in La Grande has made another improvement in the equipment at his place on the Black Hawk trail, that the purchase of a 2 bucket Delaval milking machine. Mr. Anderson has a fine big herd of Jerseys to begin with, then he is adding constantly latest machinery and equipment for the operation of his business.

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Lovely Decorations—
Much more should have been said about the decorations at the Island City church last Thursday at the time of the county aid convention, especially because of the articles used to bring about the striking effects. Outside of the beautiful autumn foliage and flowers there were used chiefly fruits, grains and vegetables. Huge squashes of the hard shell variety were hollowed out for baskets and contained tomatoes, corn, onions, apples, carrots, potatoes, and other fruits, vegetables and cereals. As Mrs. Sherwood Williams remarked, "I did not know an onion was ever pretty, but these are beautiful." One basket which occupied a place on the pulpit was so large and so attractive it was taken to La Grande and placed on display at the Equitable Savings Bank.

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The "Pome"—
There is a bit of history attached to the little "pome" found elsewhere on this page. It seems that a group of families up the valley held their annual pleasant feed the first Sunday in October. It seems that within a day or two some of the squaws who attended wrote up the affair, their finished product having appeared in the columns of Over The Valley. Now it seems that some of the braves have been aroused by the account and in a recent council took action. To be fair to all parties in the case and to avoid being scalped or having some Indians lie in ambush while the reporter is on her rounds, the account of the council fire is given verbatim. It appears in another column.

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Are Improving—
Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Lindsey, living in the Grange Hall neighborhood are both reported to be improving from their recent illnesses.

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Give Birthday Dinner—
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gilmer gave a birthday dinner at their home in Elgin Friday evening complimenting the fourth birthday of their son, Carl, and also in honor of the fourth birthday of Miss Lillian Smith and the "half-year" birthday of Lloyd Hill. There were present Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Hill and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Smith and family and the host and hostess with their family. Three birthday cakes graced the table, one each for Carl and Lillian and one with a half a candle in honor of Lloyd. Mrs. C. D. Hartman was an out-of-town visitor.

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Exford Smith Very Ill—
Exford Smith a high school lad of Imbler was reported as being very ill yesterday at the Grande Ronde hospital in La Grande. Exford was taken suddenly Sunday with appendicitis at his home. He was rushed to the hospital but it is reported that the appendix had ruptured. The boy's mother is in the western part of the state where she had been called some time ago by the very serious illness of one of her parents.

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Summerville P. T. A.—
It is announced that the Summerville Parent-Teacher association will open its work for the year with the first regular meeting to be held on the second Monday in November.

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Have Sunday in La Grande—
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fuller and son and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Fuller and son, all of Alicel and the lower Cove road spent Sunday in La Grande helping the men's mother Mrs. Charles Playle, observe the passing of a birthday anniversary.

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Imbler Club—
The Women's Club of Imbler will meet in regular session tomorrow at the home of Mrs. Wilfred Westenskow.

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Move From Camp—
Prof. and Mrs. J. R. Price have moved down from their Yew Bow Camp in Cove for the winter months. Great strides were taken in improving the camp this last season and the place is taking on the shape of the big summer camp for boys which its promoters have dreamed of as impending.

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Have Examination—
Word from Miss Anna Brooks of Brooks Lane who is in Portland have examinations prior to an operation for the removal of a goitre, is to the effect that she is going through the examinations preliminary to the ordeal, the attending surgeons having agreed that she has a toxic goitre. Her sister, Mrs. Hugh Horne is planning to go to Portland to be with her during the operation.

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Have Sucker With Chicken—
Mr. and Mrs. George H. Chapman who have a fine chicken ranch adjacent to the Range mill on the road to Island City are quite pleased with reports which have come to them of some of their chickens. They have a fine strain of the white leghorns. On the 5th of April they sold 100 baby chicks to Mrs. Holman living near Island City and last week, Mrs. Holman was getting 20 eggs a day from the young pullets in this flock. Mrs. Eric Carlson of May Park had as good a record last year when from 22 pullets of chicks hatched April 27, she was getting 17 eggs per day at the same time of year. The Chapmans have had splendid luck with their chickens in their own pens this year. They are expecting to keep about 500 chickens over the winter, 200 hens and 300 pullets. They always keep over the old hens to do the hatching, Mrs. Chapman says.

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Pleasant Grove Grange—
There was only a fair attendance at the regular meeting of the Pleasant Grove grange held Saturday evening at their hall. In the absence of the master, Miles Woodell, who the past week had his tonsils removed, John J. Murchison presided over the meeting. Under the lecturer's hour, John S. Hodgin of La Grande gave what is reported as having been a very fine historical address. Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting.

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Finish Pear Shipping—
Five car loads of pears have been shipped this season out from Union which is a light season for that section. This marks the closing, practically of the fruit shipping season with the exception of the apples.

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Has Goitre Operation—
Miss Ellen Arnoldus of this valley, graduate last spring of the Imbler high school, submitted to an operation for the removal of a goitre at the Pacific Christian hospital at Eugene last Saturday. Her sister, Mrs. Vira Ables of Hillgard went to be with her through the operation. Miss Arnoldus is in training at this hospital, having been accepted a few months ago following a successful probationary period. A telegram received yesterday stated that Miss Ellen had gone through the operation remarkably well. She will be home as soon as she is able to remain for a time of recuperation.

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Wallowa Pomona—
The next meeting of the Wallowa county grange is announced for Saturday November third and it will be held in Wallowa.

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Fifth Annual Feed—
Announcements are being widely made for the fifth annual game feed to be held at Enterprise this coming Saturday under the sponsorship of the Associated Sportsmen of Wallowa county. In carrying advance notices some of the papers of our neighboring county state that no pains are being spared to make this the biggest ever etc etc. which causes one to wonder after reading the following menu for the event, what will come after the dinner. Here goes the menu—

Turkey at Yanks
Stuffed Celery Olives
Roast Duck and Goose a la Southern
Supreme of Pheasants and Grouse
Bear with Oyster Blanket
Fillet of Elk—Capey Sauce
Selle de Venaison
Pommes de Terre, Chambery
Salade de Legumes
Escalloped Corn
Parker House Rolls
Tarte—aux Pumpkin, aux Pommes
Cafe Noir

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Three R's—
Bobby Huron is taking great pains these days feeding the three sheep which he has entered for exhibit at the approaching Pacific International Livestock show. These three are Billy, the wether, Beauty, the ewe, and Buster, the buck. The animals are all in fine shape and Bobby is trying to improve them before the big show event.

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Receives Serious Burns—
George Smith, owner of the store at Medical Springs which was totally destroyed by fire last week, suffered quite serious burns in the fire and was taken to Baker for medical attention. He is reported to be much better this week.

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Big Addition Made to Herd—
The addition of 42 head of high grade dairy cattle to the farm herd of H. P. Riggs near North Powder has been reported within the last few days. Mr. Riggs is a man who has had, for some time, considerable faith in this part of the state as ideal of the dairy industry. In commenting on the acquisition of Mr. Riggs, the News of North Powder has the following to say:

In addition to the general increase of dairy stock, and the importation from time to time of pure bred and high grade milk animals, the North Powder district this week received 62 head of dairy cattle, 42 of which are at present milking and a number of others soon to freshen.

Some of the new stock are pure bred while the balance are high grade Jerseys and Durhams, the cows being tested milk producers, the herd being known as the Gregory herd from 29 miles southeast of Baker.

About a year ago H. P. Riggs leased the Travillian ranch of 1500 acres five miles southeast of North Powder and in company with the owner has operated it with about 25 head of dairy cattle. The place produces much more than this amount of stock would consume, having over 400 tons of hay this season. A while ago Mr. Riggs proposed to the owner of the ranch, Mrs. Eva Truck of Portland, that he would like to have more milch cows and would be willing to care for 50 head additional. Mrs. Truck consented and after looking around purchased the Gregory herd and last Monday they were brought to the North Powder ranch, being driven through, stopping one night in Baker where the cows were milked.

With those already on the ranch, Jerseys and Holsteins, Mr. Riggs is at present milking 59 cows and will be increased from time to time as new producers come on and others freshen. The Gregory herd consisted of cows heifers and calves, all females.

Mr. Riggs informs the News that he will start testing the milkers, as is being done by successful dairymen, in order to keep only those which are real producers.

The dairy business, said to be the most staple and profitable of any line of agricultural endeavor, is picking up in the North Powder territory.

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Given Splendid Surprise—
Last Friday evening a company of about 50 or 60 neighbors and friends went in on Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Breshears and their family at their former home on Cricket Flat near Elgin, in view of the fact that the family of the county sheriff is moving to La Grande to make Re permanent home. The evening was spent in more or less of an informal fashion, concluding with delicious refreshments which the self-invited guests took with them. It was an event appreciated thoroughly by the Breshears family as well as by all who were present.

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Make Brief Visit—
Mr. and Mrs. George Cheney and their daughter, Alice, of Enterprise, visited with friends in La Grande Saturday while on their way to Pendleton to spend the day with their son and brother who is connected with the East Oregonian.

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Is Trying Baskets Also
Chas Fox who has a 40 acre apple orchard near Imbler is another grower and packer who is trying out the baskets this year as supplanting the boxes. Like other packers Mr. Fox finds the basket packing method more simple and probably somewhat speedier than packing in boxes, and also finds that the additional cost of the baskets is offset by the greater demand for fruit packed this way in the markets of the middle west. Mr. Fox was expecting to have around 25,000 boxes of apples this year, this figure including the baskets, of course, as their content is the same.

Berlin is the world's leader in the reptile trade, says a dispatch. That corrects the idea broadcast in a radio speech the other night that this trade had been cornered by Tammany Hall.

Russian dancing as far as we are able to judge from our knowledge of vaudeville, consists of folding one's arms in front of one and running while sitting down.

A SEASONABLE RECIPE

Steamed Stuffed Cabbage
1 solid head of cabbage.
1 lb left-over meat.
1 cup bread crumbs
¾ cup milk
1 egg
½ teaspoon mace
Salt and pepper.

Cut a slice off the top of the cabbage and hollow out, leaving a thin shell. Make a stuffing of the other ingredients and pack into the cabbage. Fill only three-fourths full. Tie in a cheese cloth to preserve shape. Place on a rack in a pressure or other cooker, in which is one cup of water boiling. Cook hard for ten minutes, then slowly for one hour.

Serve with the following tomato sauce.

Tomato Sauce
1 can tomatoes
1 bay leaf
1 slice onion
1 tablespoon sugar
½ teaspoon salt
Pepper
4 tablespoons flour
4 tablespoons butter

Simmer slowly the tomatoes to which have been added the bay leaf, onion, sugar, salt and pepper. Strain and remove seeds.

Melt the butter in a sauce pan and add the flour, when well mixed add slowly the tomato juice and cook for a few minutes.

Farm Specialist Pays Visit To Union Station

An interesting visitor last week at the Eastern Oregon Experiment station near Union was W. H. Hosterman, of Washington D. C., assistant marketing specialist of the bureau of agriculture economics, division of hay, feed and seed. Mr. Hosterman is working in quite an interesting problem, that of determining rules for ascertaining the volume of a stack of hay. The need for such a standard, Mr. Hosterman says, is greater than one would think at first, but, he states, records show that by the rules now in operation there is a loss of at least 25 per cent in the sale of hay, through the inaccuracy of methods used to determine the contents. He asserts that only a very small proportion of hay sold in this country ever finds its way to scales.

Believing that this is a problem, whose solution would be of practical benefit to farmers of the United States, the bureau is putting time to its study. Mr. Hosterman has been covering the states west of the Mississippi, and has found splendid cooperation in the states of Minnesota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Utah, Montana, Colorado, Idaho, Oregon, Kansas, Nevada and California. Types studied are alfalfa and prairie hay, with some little work in grain hay, timothy and clover. Mr. Hosterman is measuring stacks and securing all data possible to assist in the solution of the problem.

During his stay here he expressed himself at being pleased with the cooperation he received in this part of the state.

THE COUNCIL

Should you ask me whence these poems,
Whence these wild hallucinations,
Without rhythm, rhyme or meter—
I should answer, I should tell you—
At the feast of China pheasants
Various squaws had over-eaten,
Stuffed themselves on chink and jelly,
And the other things they breezed of;
Are until they were near busted.
Penalty of this indulgence
Someone spent a night of torture
Suffered from a horrid nightmare
Straightway passed this torture onward!
Passed it to the suffering public.
Hence the shade of Chilblabos.
So it is decreed in council
By the braves—the mighty hunters,
From the north end of the valley,
That henceforward when we gather,
At the feast of China pheasants,
After all the squaws have eaten,
Had their fill of chink and good things,
Had their fill without restriction—
To each one shall then be given,
Willy nilly each shall swallow,
One big dose of paregoric,
Thus they'll slumber, snoring lightly,
Banished be the dreadful nightmare,
Laid the ghost of Chilblabos,
And we'll no more be afflicted
By the raving of near poets.

—THE BRAVES.

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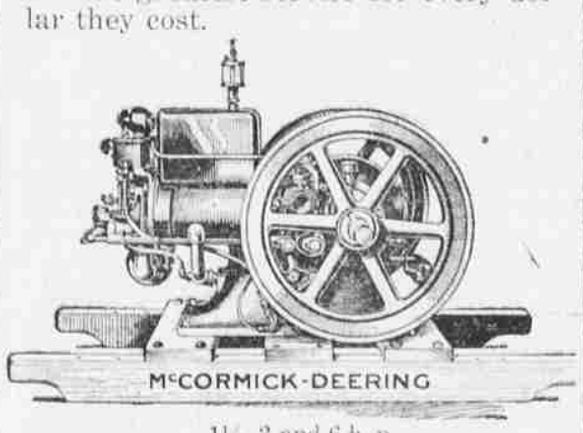

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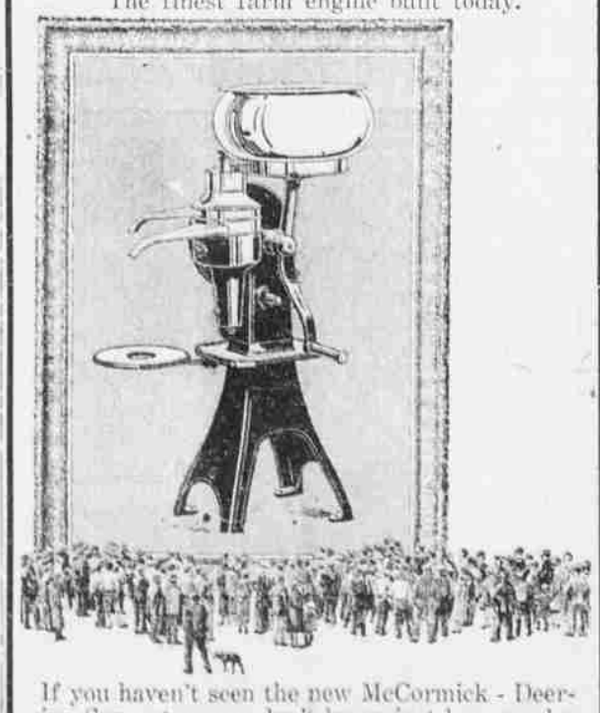

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