

Over the Valley

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Returns to Portland—

Mrs. Donald Sutton returned Saturday to her home in Portland after having made a visit of a few weeks at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Huron on Brooks Lane, near Imbler.

Makes Visit in Valley—

Mrs. H. B. Davidson of Joseph visited with relatives in the valley briefly last week on her way to Clarkston, Washington, where she will take medical treatment.

To Have Lectures School—

The Third Annual Grange Lecturers' school will be held next week on the campus of the Oregon State college at Corvallis, the dates being, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 11, 12 and 13. Each subordinate grange in the state is urged to have its lecturer in attendance. This is especially urged in this county and Walla Walla, inasmuch as the lecturers conference which was to have been held last Wednesday at the time of the official visit of the national lecturer, J. C. Farmer of New Hampshire was called off on account of the impassable condition of the road. It is announced by Paul V. Morgan, director, that the entire program has been arranged with the idea in mind of having the individual lecturers return to their home groups with workable plans and ideas. Among the prominent participants in the program in addition to Mr. Farmer, are: state lecturer, Palmer, Washington state lecturer, M. R. Hares, John Bradford, representative of the national playground association, Dr. D. V. Poling, song leader etc. etc.

Spends Week in Town—

J. D. Woodell of the Lone Star district spent last week in La Grande. When he made the trip, he states that he was three hours going from his home in Willoughby, something around two miles, his family coming after him. Friday took two hours to get in town. Mr. Woodell says their school, taught by Miss Ava Woodell, was only dismissed on Thursday of last week, work having been resumed again on Friday.

Resumes School Work—

Miss Ruth Ann Hershby of Walla Walla returned last week to Gooding, Idaho to continue her school work at Gooding college. Miss Hershby had spent some time in La Grande having had an operation for nasal trouble.

Returns From Rock Creek—

Mrs. Haskell Bloom of Cove returned last week to her home after having made a few days visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Tibbs at Rock Creek. She was accompanied to her home by her niece who will visit in the Cove.

Gets Trip to Town—

Ralph Wells of near Alief made a trip to La Grande yesterday with the aid of a bob and a four-horse team. Mr. Wells said that so long had they been snowed in that provisions were very low and imperative that he make the trip. We are glad to hear that Mr. Wells delivered his mail as it seemed like a tremendous amount.

Have Family Dinner—

Mr. and Mrs. John Speckhart of La Grande gave a family dinner at their home Sunday having had ten guests, 12 of them in all surrounding the happy hour and enjoying the delicious dinner Mrs. Speckhart served. The dinner was given in the special honor of Mr. and Mrs. Wray McIntyre, nephew and niece of Mr. and Mrs. Speckhart who two have been here visiting from

Quincy, Illinois—

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Knauts and daughter, Lillian and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Speckhart and daughter, Helen Jean of the Iowa district came in for the event, making the trip by bob-sled and having left their homes around seven o'clock in the morning in order to be in town when dinner was served. Dr. and Mrs. Mowman of La Grande were other guests.

Lodge Disband—

The Imbler Knights of Pythias organization has surrendered its charter, we have been informed, and members of that organization will go to Elgin this evening where they will be received into the Elgin lodge.

No Easy Task—

Mr. Lay who carries one of the routes out of the Union post-office has been experiencing difficulties equal with other carriers over the valley. Mr. Lay carries the mail up a part of the Catherine creek way. The route was carried by horse back on one trip, but overnight stops were required as it was a physical impossibility to go the entire way in one day. If one wants really to know the worst about the weather and roads, the rural carriers report that they are the ones who can report.

Postpone Auxiliary—

The regular meeting of the Young Women's Educational Auxiliary which was to have been held this evening and at which members residing in the valley were to have been hostesses, has been indefinitely postponed on account of the roads.

Co. Commissioner Better—

W. W. Stevens of Union, county commissioner, who has been ill for a few weeks at his home was able to be out in the valley—such as the roads would permit—Saturday of last week.

Having Good Time—

Last week, one day when traveling conditions in the valley were about at their worst, a prominent lady in the valley called us to the phone. She said she had been snowed in for—oh we forget how many days and for a time she rather chafed under the limitations imposed on her by the weather man. Then she decided that it should be a period of real accomplishment, she ordered 10 books from the La Grande Public library paying the fee that is required (\$2 for the year of \$1 for the winter season) inasmuch as it seemed impossible for the present for the county library to be accessible in any way. She had one book on opera, which was a delight to her, especially since they had a radio and enjoyed the programs in which, late, are included so many good things from the opera. She made it quite a study and found it to be most fascinating. She had other books of an educational character, and then some real good fiction. She says "I am enjoying it and I am profiting by it." She feels that she has the right idea even though she would enjoy being out among her friends.

A Home Industry—

Mrs. Charles Spencer of Grange Hall neighborhood and Mrs. Bert Knight of Union are growing in the success of their business producing the making of lovely pickles which have been put on the market under the name of S & K pickles. When, four years ago, these two ladies had a surplus of cucumbers,

they conceived the idea of making up some pickles under a splendid recipe which they had. They met with good success and each year since have increased their output. The first two years, Mrs. Spencer conducted the business alone and then was joined by her sister. The year 1927 they made apple butter and also a corn relish but that was not done last year. After this year, the ladies expect to raise all the vegetables which their produce requires. Additional equipment this year will also include a slicing machine.

Lambing On—

Reports are coming in that lambing operations are on over the valley. The first three lambs to Hugh Huron's fine pen came the last of last week.

Show in Walla Walla County—

Showfall at various localities in Walla Walla county was reported by the Enterprise Record-Chiefdom last week as follows—Enterprise, 16 inches; Joseph, 21 inches; Lostine, 20 inches; Walla Walla, 21 inches; Lower valley, 24 inches; Imnaha, 12 inches; Shew, 16 inches; on canyon rim, 24 inches; Flora, 24 inches; Troy, 18 inches and Minam, 22 inches.

Taking Business Course—

Miss Wilma Gaskill of near Imbler has enrolled at the business college in La Grande for a business course.

Reports Heavy Shipments—

That Walla Walla county makes records of shipments of livestock from its various centers and to varied markets is further evidenced by a summary in last week's Enterprise Record-Chiefdom. Editor Cheney reports many and large shipments as follows—

Short Trainload of Lambs—

A short trainload of lambs consisting of 20 single deck cars, left for the east Monday. They formed about half the lambs which have been fed thru the winter by Johnson & Franklin and Dobbin & Butler, and were billed to Colorado, where they will be held for further feeding and then sent to Chicago. Sixteen of the cars were loaded by Johnson & Franklin and four by Dobbin & Butler.

The former firm has been feeding 3000 lambs in the comfortable shed on the old Pratt place. The shed is equipped with every facility for chopping and grinding feed and transporting it about the pens. In ordinary weather the lambs have the run of outside as well as inside pens, but on rough days they can be held inside.

Dobbin & Butler have been feeding 2300 lambs in hillside lots which run down to a creek on the sheltered bottom land. Feed is placed in racks in the open, and the lambs have room to move about as well as feed many stores which will be marketed shortly. Prices of cattle now do not promise much profit on feeding steers.

The county marketing association shipped a double deck of hogs from Walla Walla last Wednesday, and a car from Joseph on Saturday.

Seven cars of stock were loaded at Enterprise Saturday. A Hark-Tippett had three cars, to Portland for slaughter. Henry C. Hansen had a double deck car of hogs; B. & D. had two decks of hogs and one mixed car.

Child is Scalded—

The two-year old child of Mr. and Mrs. Euley Poulson of Promise was very severely scalded one day last week when she stepped backward into a pan of scalding hot scrub water. The burns extended from the child's waist to ankles. One of the worst features of the accident was the slowness with which medicine could be received because of the circuitous route necessary to get into Walla Walla. It is thought, while the burns are severe, that there will not, necessarily, be any serious results.

Leaves For Conference—

County agriculturist Wray Lawrence has gone to Corvallis where he will attend the annual conference of county agents being held

under the auspices of the extension department of the state college.

Visits in La Grande—

Miss Frances McKennon of near Imbler went to La Grande Saturday on a combined business and pleasure trip. She returned home yesterday, having been the guest of Miss Merle Frikzoll.

Called by Father's Death—

Mrs. E. D. McCully of Joseph was called by the death of her father, William VanVictor to Goldendale, Washington last week. Mrs. McCully had been to see her father only a short time previous and on her return home was taken ill with the flu and obliged to remain in La Grande for several days.

Has Shingle Up—

Harley Allen, well known in the valley is now located in his new law office in Walla Walla and ready to start the practice of his chosen profession. Mr. Allen is the only lawyer at present in Walla Walla.

Visiting Friends in La Grande—

Mrs. Charles Cleaver of Imbler went to La Grande the first of this week where she visited among friends.

Imbler Ladies Aid—

The regular monthly meeting of the Imbler Ladies Aid society is announced for Thursday afternoon at two o'clock at the home of Mrs. Johnson in Imbler.

To Buy Hay—

Herman Edvalson of near Union was in Rock Creek, Baker county one day last week making arrangements to purchase hay to be hauled to the Edvalson dairy ranch for feeding purposes. He had planned to haul the feed to his ranch on hotbeds.

Returns to Enterprise—

Mrs. Vernon Berry has returned to her home in Enterprise after having visited at the home of her mother in La Grande.

Have Sunday Guests—

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Huron entertained at their home near Imbler Sunday the following guests, Mr. and Mrs. Jim McKinnis of Rinkhart, Mr. and Mrs. Frank McKinnis and children, Keith and Catherine of near Stunoville, Mrs. Cap Tuttle and son, John and Miss Esther Spunzenberg of Imbler.

Postpone Meeting—

The joint county meeting of the Masons of this and Walla Walla counties which was to have been held last Wednesday evening at Walla Walla, was postponed on account of the practically impossibility of the town on that night. The date when the meeting will be held has not been set yet.

Goes to Portland—

Mrs. Everett Waldinger went to Portland Friday evening having been called by the illness of her mother, Mrs. DeLong, well known in this valley.

Make Trip to Town—

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Speckhart of the Iowa district managed to make a trip to town Friday, coming in in a bob-sled, which they reported to be quite a tedious journey.

Loses Fine Calf—

In another column in reporting records of the Union-Walla Walla Cow Testing association, reference is made to the fine calf of the record cow "Molly" of the herd of J. E. Mills of near Cove, which was born in November. We now learn that the calf died on Thursday of last week, its death having been caused by a blow following the eating of damp alfalfa hay. It was a fine heifer calf and gave promise of being a splendid addition to the Mills herd.

UNION COUNTY HAS HIGH COW AND HIGH HERD, REPORT SHOWS

There are some very significant and interesting items in the annual report of the Union-Walla Walla county cow testing association, particularly so to members of the association residing in this county. It will be remembered when this association was first launched it was made up of dairy herd owners in both counties, later, the number desiring such services in this county being sufficiently large to warrant a tester, etc. for each county. However, when the year was up, August 31, 1928, those herds which had belonged to the first association were included in the report.

That report showed that Union county had both the high cow in the association and also the high herd. This item has much importance connected with it inasmuch as the cow was the highest from among 548 individual cows for first honors. The cow is "Molly" of the herd of Jimmie Mills of near Cove and the herd was that of H. J. Nelson of near Union. Mr. Mills, who is quite a practical club enthusiast, points with pride to the history of the banner cow, which as a young calf was the club calf of Mr. and Mrs. Mills' oldest son, Gordon. She is a six year old registered Jersey, and when first owned by the son, was secured from the famous Leon Levy herd. Her record for last year was 8675 pounds of milk and 523.6 pounds of butterfat. Mr. Mills states that during the test "she produced one fine, better calf and brought another good one in November, after this year of the association was finished."

In reporting the record of the high herd, county agriculturist Lawrence says: "The high herd in the association was owned by H. J. Nelson, who has long been considered a leader in dairying in the county. The herd was fed some grain with silage and alfalfa hay and had good blue grass and white clover pasture in summer. The eleven cows in the herd, all grade Jerseys, produced an average of 6995.2 pounds of milk each, containing 339.7 pounds of butterfat. Eight other herds out of the 36 produced over 200 pounds of butterfat per cow. Included in this number was the herd of C. E. Edvalson of Union, whose 22-head of grade Holsteins produced an average of 4391.5 pounds of milk containing 216.9 pounds of butterfat."

The success of Mr. Nelson is attributed by some, not only to his skill as a feeder and dairyman but also to his careful breeding operations. Nothing but purebred bulls of the best breeding obtainable have been used for many years. For five years back the herd has been tested and lower producers removed. "The resulting herd is beautiful as well as profitable."

NEW YORK, Feb. 5 (AP)—

Low Cooby, motion picture actor, is confined to his suit in the Hotel Warwick with influenza.

A Minneapolis man sued because his cigaret-lighter wouldn't work. It is interesting to note that somebody really bought a cigaret lighter that he didn't give to a friend.

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Mail Service To Cove Is Resumed In Spite Of Snow

By Mrs. A. G. Conklin (Observer Correspondent)

COVE, Ore. (Special)—The U. S. mail is now arriving daily at Cove, although not on a scheduled time. Elmer Fulp is mail carrier at this end of the route, carrying the mail out as far as Lawson's where he meets W. Adkins, the regular mail carrier, receives the incoming mail and returns to Cove.

Mrs. Minette Sauter returned home Wednesday after spending four days in making a trip to La Grande by way of Union and North Powder. On her return trip the roads were in even worse condition than on the outgoing trip, she reports.

Miss Helen Cowgill, of the extension department of Oregon State college, was expected here this week to discuss club work with the Cove students, but owing to the condition of the roads, she was unable to reach here. The club work will now be looked after by E. A. Sayre, the county school superintendent. In connection with club work, it is only fitting to say that Allen Mills, of Cove was awarded the 1928 Union Pacific scholarship for Union county in club work. This award has come as a result of several years concentration and hard work on the part of Allen. The scholarship is given each year by the Union Pacific railroad to the boy or girl in each county who has shown themselves to be the best all around boy or girl in club work. These awards have been earned in this county in the past few years by boys who have been actually engaged in boys and girls' club work. Those receiving the scholarship in previous years are as follows: Eusebius McKennon of Imbler, in 1923; Marven Daniel of Cove, in 1924; Gordon Mills of Cove, in 1925; Carmen Daniel of Cove, in 1926; and Clifford Conrad of Imbler, in 1927. Cove has won four times out of six.

J. R. Price expected to leave here for Crane Ferry where he expected to spend the weekend, but was unable to do so on account of the condition of the roads. Mr. Price was principal of the Crane schools for two years and received an offer to return there in that capacity.

The Rev. and Mrs. P. F. Sturges entertained at an informal dinner on Friday evening.

The library board, consisting of Mrs. W. A. McNeill, Mrs. A. G. Conklin, Mrs. L. E. Anderson and Mrs. J. R. Price met at the library

on Tuesday evening to catalog the magazines which are now on file in the library. The new shelving that has been put in made this placing of the magazines possible. There are now on file many useful and instructive magazines and although the files are not complete, there is still a wealth of reading and reference to be found on the library shelves.

KDKA ANNOUNCER ILL

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 5 (AP)—A voice that has been heard by millions of radio listeners from the arctic wastes to the frozen stretches of the antarctic, is still for the present, it is that owned by Louis Kaufman, chief announcer of Westinghouse Station KDKA.

Kaufman, a victim of pneumonia, is reported as "sinking rapidly" during the most critical lambing time and the most critical



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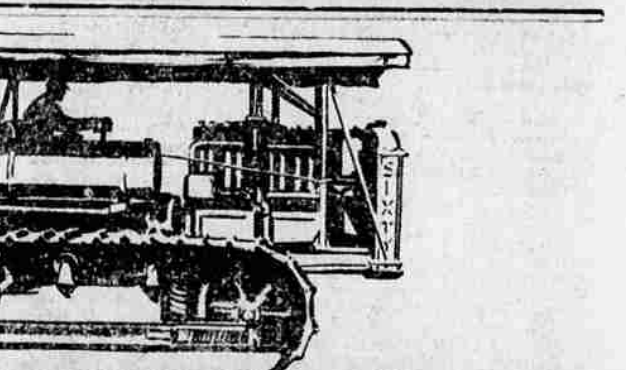
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1/2 teaspoon salt,
3/4 cup sugar,
2 teaspoons baking powder,
1 egg,
1 cup sweet milk,
1/2 cup chopped nuts.
Sift the flour, baking powder, salt and sugar.
Add the nuts.
Mix the egg with the milk, add the dry ingredients and stir all together.
Let stand 20 minutes.
Bake for one hour.
Bake for one hour.
(This makes one loaf.)

AN IRRIGATED POTATO FIELD



The question of irrigation in this valley is one that has been discussed for a long period of time by interested and progressive farmers. The matter is yet in the experiment stage. There are many who advocate more irrigation. The above picture is of one of the fields where irrigation of potatoes was tried last year and shows Prof. G. R. Hyslop, farm crops professor from the state college who inspects local potatoes for certification, and two growers, John Harris and Fred Brown.

Harry Avery, in speaking of his annual report of irrigation of potatoes said: "No test of irrigation compared with no irrigation of potatoes was carried on. Beginning with 1926, however, R. O. Wheeler in the Union section, on the advice of the agent irrigated with good results. This year, the following crops were irrigated: R. O. Wheeler, 28 acres; J. B. Weaver, 28 acres; H. N. Prather, 2 1/2 acres; Fred Brown, 5 acres; John Harris, 5 acres. These all lie near Union. Robert Masterton and August Erickson, both of La Grande, also used irrigation. Yields were approximately 150 cwt. per acre with less than 50 on similar land not irrigated."