

Over the Valley

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Down for Conference—

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Witherspoon and son of Crickets Flat were among those down yesterday for the dairy section of the economic conference. Mrs. Witherspoon reported some roads that were far from good.

Returns From Newberg—

Mrs. Archie McNeill living on the Mill creek road above the valley, has returned from Newberg where she had been called by the death of her sister, Mrs. Clinton F. Bates, who died following a rather brief illness. Mrs. Bates leaves four motherless children.

Aid to Meet—

The Island City Ladies Aid society is to have an all day meeting on Thursday at the home of Mrs. Milo Hekland. The members will gather for work in the morning and have a pot luck dinner at noon.

Weekend Visitor—

Miss Mary Cool of the faculty of the Haines high school visited over the weekend with friends in La Grande. Miss Cool taught last year at Imbler.

Sunday Guests—

Mr. and Mrs. Klassert, owners of the Oregon Trail camp at Baker, were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Davis of the La Grande Oregon Trail camp. Mr. and Mrs. Davis and Mr. and Mrs. Klassert were old neighbors and friends in Montana and are now practically neighbors in Eastern Oregon.

Make Short Visit—

Max Duff of Kelowna, Saskatchewan, Canada, a nephew of the Klippenstein's, Stefan's and Bert's, of this section visited here briefly last week on his way to Caldwell, Idaho.

Good Hay Country—

In his address on hay and pasture grasses yesterday morning before the economic conference, Wray Lawrence, acting county agricultural agent, stated that Union county occupied an unique position in regard to hay production. He stated that according to a recent survey, hay could be produced more cheaply in this county than in any other county of Oregon, extending only the counties adjacent to this, where conditions are the same.

Sunday Guests—

Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Loennig, of Muddy Creek spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Loennig's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Ledbetter at Albion. Returning home Sunday evening, they were accompanied by Miss Marie Ledbetter who is making a visit this week at the Loennig home.

Visits Friends—

Miss Lottie Black, teacher of the lower grades at Summerville came to La Grande Friday and visited with friends until Sunday night. Because the highway from Summerville to Imbler has not been opened, Miss Black reported that all sorts of means were resorted to to get to the county seat.

The Weather—

Recent stories from somewhere in Western Oregon stated that it was about time to begin wailing war on the weather and gophers as they would soon be pecking out from their holes after the long winter. Whoever wrote the stories had not been in this part of Eastern Oregon the last few weeks, hadn't ventured, for instance, along the Cove highway yesterday, or certain sections of the Sandridge where that fierce wind was blowing. It is going to be a mighty persistent and inquisitive squirrel that appears for a time yet.

A few folks are getting out. Last Saturday Over The Valley walked down Adams street and saw a woman approaching. Like the old darky preacher it seemed "like some old familiar face" he used to shake hands with! There was a brief pause for brain racking, when it suddenly dawned that the lady was Mrs. Frank McKennon from near Imbler making her initial trip to town—how long? Now it was the same Mrs. McKennon who served the wonderful New Year's dinner, the wonderful Toddie became stuck in the snow drifts, and the driver took cold, and stylishly took the flu and has not lived happily ever since. Mrs. McKennon hasn't changed much in spite of her long imprisonment. She stated that the journey to town was made in all sorts of conveyances, with anything but walking, horse-back and bob sleds being absolutely out of the question from their home across the river to the highway.

Last week there was a story here of the bravery of Mrs. Bert Oliver who conquered a wild team and drove to Summerville to deliver aid, in order that her kindred and friends might not forget what she looked like. Mrs. Oliver remonstrates, especially to the bravery part, reporting that it was not she, but her passengers who were brave, riding with her when she was driving the prancing steeds (7) and bob-sleds over indistinguishable Dry Creek-Summerville road. These are surely days which are calling out all the courageous and daring!

Pomona Grange—

Early announcement is made of the approaching meeting of the Union county Pomona grange. Ladd Canyon is to be hostess subordinate, the date being March 23.

Organize Society—

Yesterday afternoon 20 high school girls at the Cove met in Mrs. Fletcher's room and organized a missionary group which has for its object the promoting of world fellowship through the "Voice of Good-Will" visiting mission stations around the world. Mrs. Ellen Allen is to act as the guide.

the other officers being—captain Lee Ellen Brodie; first mate, Lola Peters, second mate, June Tankel; purser, Esther Anderson; keeper of the log, Monty Brothers. The girls plan to meet each Monday afternoon and have some splendid plans for their work for the next 12 weeks.

Dedicate Church—

The fine new church building to house the Church of Christ at Elgin is to be dedicated a week from Sunday, March 10. This will be a red letter day for the Elgin Christians who have labored and saved and given to make this beautiful building possible. Men of the congregation have donated hundreds of dollars in labor and the women have been no less interested and helpful. In all, the church will cost around \$3000 and represents no little sacrifice on the part of the members. It is a very attractive structure, is modern in plan and will take care of the Sunday school, the services of worship and other gatherings, very comfortably. It is also announced that immediately after the dedication a series of special evangelistic meetings will be held. An attempt to secure a pastor will be made later.

To Visit Sister—

Mrs. William Wiggins of Longview visited briefly in La Grande Saturday. She had been called to Union by the critical illness of her sister, Mrs. J. W. Clarke. She planned to visit a son in Baker while out from Wallawa county. She was joined at Elgin by another sister, Mrs. Elmer.

Leave the Flax—

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Knight who have been living on a ranch on Crickets Flat have leased the Sommer ranch which they will operate this coming season. They have moved into Elgin until it is possible to get located on their new place.

From Catherine Creek—

C. F. Edvalson from up on Catherine Creek was one of the most interested dairymen attending the economic conference yesterday. Mr. Edvalson has a fine herd of grade Holsteins that have been heard from quite frequently the past year in the reports of the cow testing association. His is primarily a dairy farm, with the crops being just those necessary for feeding purposes, both on hay and ensilage.

Lambing Progressing—

It is reported that lambing season is about over in the North Powder section of the county. It is thought that the average will be around 100 per cent and that in spite of the severe weather most of the lambs were saved.

Day in La Grande—

Mrs. S. E. Miller of Union attended the Home makers division of the Union county Economic conference yesterday. Mrs. Miller speaks very enthusiastically over the Women's club of Union, of which she is president. Their recent building project was quite a sizeable undertaking for a club in a town the size of Union but the women handled it creditably. The play which they recently gave as a club benefit "An Old-Fashioned Mother" was well received. It was later taken to North Powder where it was successfully produced and tomorrow evening they journey across the Sandridge to Imbler where they will repeat the performance as a joint benefit with the Imbler P. T. A.

Returns to School—

Miss Eva Ledbetter of near Albion returned Sunday afternoon to her teaching position in the Weston Union high school. Miss Ledbetter has been recently re-elected as head of the domestic science department there, at a splendid increase in salary.

Day in La Grande—

Mrs. Hernal Hug of Elgin spent yesterday in La Grande. Her sister-in-law, Mrs. C. H. Hulse, who has been spending a few weeks with her mother, Mrs. Fridley Hug at Elgin has also returned to La Grande.

Observe Anniversary—

Glowing reports are received of the banquet held last Friday evening by the Christian Endeavorers of the Perry vicinity, in observance of the 48th anniversary of the founding of that religious organization for young people. There were 25 present at the evening, the banquet having been served by the women of the community. Washington's birthday was remembered in the decorations in the hall where the affair was held, the predominating colors being the red and white of the Endeavor society. The centerpiece for the table at which the guests were seated was an immense, as well as a very beautiful, birthday cake properly adorned with 48 candles, one for each year of the C. E.'s existence. An interesting program followed the banquet and over this Walter Perkins presided as toast master. Following a special number by Mrs. Mary E. Cox, a number of speeches were given, based on the topic "Sincerity" each of the speakers having one of its letters.

Run Full Time—

The Riverside school, whose teacher is Miss Vergella Boyd, of near La Grande, lost no time this winter on account of the bad weather. Miss Boyd went the distance on skis, when the deep drifts prevented travelling in any other way.

To Present Survey—

L. H. Brethaupt, agricultural economics specialist of the Oregon state college will be at the economic conference to present, besides other things, a report of the House Market survey conducted in this county last year by Robert M. Haley working under the Union county chamber of commerce. The material will be presented on the afternoon of horticulture day, Thursday, and also on the afternoon of poultry day, Friday.

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This society at Perry was organized only about six months ago, but is reported to be a very enthusiastic and growing group. Miss Gladys Dean, one of the instructors in the high school being conducted by the Friends church is the president and she has the assistance of an able corps of officers. During the winter, meetings have been held in the homes of the various members.

The Canadian Dairy Trade—

Prof. Brandt of the state college revealed an interesting condition in regard to butter supply in Canada, during the course of his address, during the winter, meetings have been held in the homes of the various members. He reported that in 1928, Canada exported 25 million pounds of butter. Last year an importation of 25 million pounds was reported. The explanation was that Canada found it more profitable to ship her cream into the United States and then import a very cheap butter from New Zealand up which there was no tariff or practically none. "If you were mistaken," Hans Belfors, official tutor of the county association reported that the Danes were having United States butter not imported into their country, and were shipping the butter made from it back to the United States and doing well by it.

Elect Directors—

At a recent stock holders meeting the following directors were elected for the Black Marble & Lime Co., of Enterprise—A. A. Bingham, La Grande; George McDonald, Albion; H. McDougal, Imbler; L. A. Stringham, La Grande; William Thoutel, Elgin; J. A. Burleigh, Enterprise; Frank Gowing, Joseph; L. H. Russell, Joseph; and L. E. Jordan, Enterprise. C. A. Bingham was chosen president; L. E. Jordan, vice president; J. A. Burleigh, secretary and H. McDougal, treasurer.

Sunday Guests—

Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Barker who live on the edge of the Cove had for guests Sunday two of their daughters and families—Mr. and Mrs. Kelley Stringham and family of Imbler and Mr. and Mrs. Franklyn Wells of near Albion. The latter made the trip over to the Cove in their sleigh.

To Battle Friday—

The Cove and Enterprise high school girls basketball teams met on the Enterprise floor this coming Friday evening. Quite a lively scrap is anticipated by those who are familiar with the ability and records of the two teams this season.

Regret Removal—

There is just very general regret over at Cove over the removal of the J. H. Price family to Drayton where he has been elected as a member of the high school faculty for next year. Prof. and Mrs. Price have made for themselves a big place in their present place of residence, having been active in school, church, musical and Eastern Star circles. They have not only been good toward the appreciation of good music there, have worked hard for the success of the campfire girls organization—well in ever so many ways have been outstandingly useful. Their summer camp here, "Camp Yew Bow" up Mill creek is nearing completion and when all the improvements are completed it will be a popular place, it is asserted.

Moves Homes—

Ben Jory has moved his big string of bucking horses to the Ritz Rode ranch on state highway south of Union.

To Give Benefit—

Tomorrow evening a play is to be given at Wade hall, Imbler under the auspices of the Imbler Parent-Teacher association. This is the play of the Women's club of Union, which they have put on very successfully at different places "An Old-Fashioned Mother." Those who have seen the play speak very highly of it as a play and also of the manner in which the individual parts are taken by the Union women. Those who know, know that the play tomorrow evening merits a capacity house at Wade hall.

Mt. Pannle Grange—

It is announced that Mt. Pannle Grange will meet at their hall this coming Saturday with an evening session presided by a not luck supper at seven o'clock.

To Live in Imbler—

Harry Crusor will bring his bride to Union county and they will establish their new home in Imbler. Mr. Crusor and Miss Alta Anderson were recently married in Salt Lake City.

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CASH INCOME FROM OREGON FARMS MAY TOP \$120,000,000

Cash income from Oregon farms is likely to exceed \$120,000,000 for 1928, according to a summary of the agricultural economic outlook report for this state just released by the extension service of the state college. It is expected that the average per farm will remain the same as for the preceding year but, it is reported, farms are increasing in proportion to the total income.

The annual state outlook report is compiled from the federal report as modified by direct information obtained from every section of the state through a sample census and individual observation of conditions by specialists in every county.

The report discusses the present status of every principal farm enterprise in Oregon, outlines the probable production, and market demand for each and predicts the probable future trend barring wars or other unforeseen eventualities. Local and state demand for agricultural products is expected to continue good for those commodities consumed largely on the Pacific coast. Products which must be shipped to eastern states where prices are easily affected by changes in business conditions, may meet a less satisfactory demand toward the end of 1929 and early 1930.

The Pacific coast area is increasing in population about twice as rapidly as the whole country, says the report. Oregon agricultural products which are consumed mostly within the state or nearby states include dairy products, beef and pork, feed grains and hay. Commodities shipped to eastern markets include apples, pears, fresh and dried fruits, celery, onions, potatoes, flour and wheat, hops, eggs, hides, lamb, mohair, wool, canned goods and seeds.

Economic conditions in Europe are now better than they were a year ago, but foreign competition in general continues to increase. In Great Britain there is no evidence of a material improvement in purchasing power of the consumers of our agricultural products, during 1928. In the Orient, however, the cessation of civil war in China has laid the foundation for continued growth in trade.

It is asserted that credit conditions in Oregon are not expected to remain about the same for the coming year with ample money for agricultural development where desirable, as a slight tightening caused by a decline in the gold supply has not affected Oregon materially.

Apples are expected to be in supply though there is expected to be an increased demand for labor in construction and manufacture. Land values have halted their steady decline and now stand in Oregon at 106 per cent of 1913 figures.

Discussing the broad farming enterprise, the report says that the outlook for the Oregon poultry industry in the coming year depends upon economic production of high-quality products to meet competition. Increased chick production is in prospect. Further increase in turkeys is also in prospect, but better marketing facilities are being developed.

Markets for Oregon dairy products are primarily dependent upon conditions in the United States, it is asserted, with only the slight exception that there is a better market for dairy cattle on the coast and a slightly higher level for products in the western region. While there is some evidence that consumption in the western states is not as far ahead of production as has been reported, the increase in population in the 11 western states will apparently take care of the present rate of increased production.

The outlook report includes a similar detailed analysis of each of the field crops and also livestock and horticultural crops.

A combined saxophone and bagpipe has been invented. Scientists also discovered a new lethal gas recently.

He's Most Popular



Howard Maple, who piloted Oregon State college's football team to victory over New York, has just been chosen the "most popular senior man on the campus" but his wife knew that long ago. Maple, three-letter man on the football team, also captain of this year's basketball team and likes to play basketball as well.

Conference To Continue Here Four More Days

There remain after today, four full days of the Sixth Annual Economic Conference in Union county. Each of these days is very important, dealing as it does with some special phase of the farming industry important in this part of the state. Specialists from the extension service of the state college, experts from the four corners of the state and local men will figure on the different programs. The week closes with the Boys and Girls' club work program on Saturday under the direction of Mrs. Lloyd Pierce.

The detailed programs follow—

Farm Crops Day, Feb. 27

10 a. m. Handling of Farm Crops Report as Prepared by Farm Crops Committee. J. A. Gaskill, Chairman.

11:30 a. m. Production on Problems of Grain Growers

Prof. G. R. Hyslop, Farm Crops Specialist, O. A. C.

11 a. m. Latest Developments in Weed Control

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11:30 a. m. Discussion by Local Farmers on Hay and Pasture Problems

1:15 p. m. Farm Crops Outlook Report

W. Wray Lawrence, Acting County Agent.

2 p. m. Seed Production Problems Discussed by Local Farmers

2:15 p. m. Seed Production Prof. G. R. Hyslop, Farm Crops Specialist.

Horticulture Day, Feb. 28

Chairman, John Dean

10 a. m. Horticultural Outlook Report

John Dean, Chairman.

10:10 a. m. Horticultural Production Problems

C. L. Long, Horticultural Specialist, O. A. C.

11 a. m. Business Side of Orcharding

William Miller.

11:30 a. m. Horticultural Accomplishments in 1928 and Extension Program for 1929

W. Wray Lawrence, Acting County Agent.

1:15 p. m. Pest Control Program

Leroy Childs, Supt. Hood River Experiment Station.

2 p. m. The Freight Rate Situation in the Pacific Northwest

Horticulture Products, W. D. H. Dodson, Sec., Portland Chamber of Commerce.

2:45 p. m. Source of Horticultural Products Consumed on Local Markets and Home Market Survey

L. R. Brethaupt, Agricultural Economics Specialist, O. A. C.

Chairman, R. F. Webb

10 a. m. Poultry for High Production, Prof. A. G. Lunn, Head Poultry Department, O. A. C.

11 a. m. Cost of Producing Eggs

L. R. Brethaupt, Agricultural Economics Specialist, O. A. C.

11:30 a. m. Poultry Outlook Report

Prof. A. G. Lunn, Head Poultry Department, O. A. C.

1:15 p. m. Breeding a Factor in Production

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2 p. m. Poultry Phase of Home Market Survey

L. R. Brethaupt, Agricultural Economics Specialist, O. A. C.

Boys & Girls Club Day, Mar. 2nd

Chairman, Mrs. Lloyd Pierce.

10 a. m. Discussion of Local Club Problems by Club Leaders and Older Club Members

L. J. Allen, Assistant State Club Leader, O. A. C. Advisor.

1 p. m. Further Discussion of Club Problems

What we have inherited from our fathers and mothers is not all that "walks in us." There are all sorts of dead ideas and lifeless old beliefs. They have no tangle, but they haunt us all the same, and we cannot get rid of them.—Isen.

A SEASONABLE RECIPE

One Egg Date Cake
1 cup chopped dates.
1 cup boiling water.
1 cup sugar.
2 cups flour.
4 teaspoon salt.
1 teaspoon vanilla.
1 teaspoon soda.
1 tablespoon butter.
1 egg.
1 teaspoon baking powder.
5 cup nut meats.
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Spread with butter, over chopped dates, add the boiling water, butter and sugar. Beat together thoroughly. Add the well beaten egg, then the flour, baking powder and salt sifted together.

Add nuts and vanilla.

Bake in a loaf pan in a moderate oven.

Frost with a coconut icing.

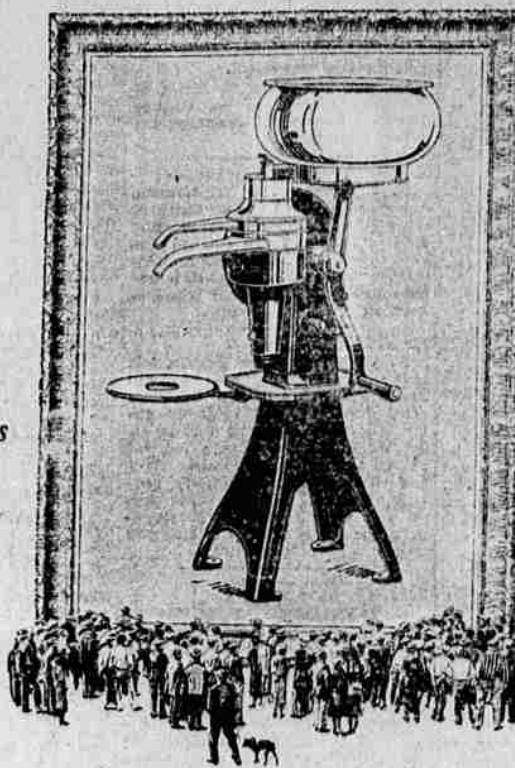
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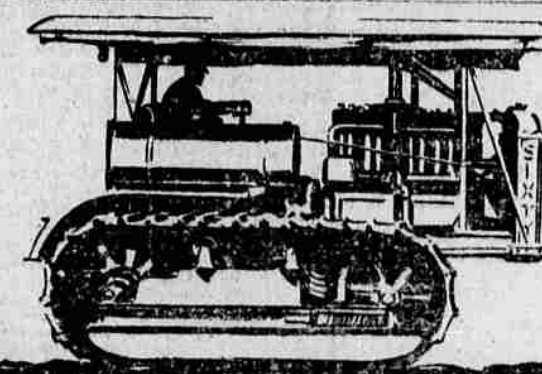
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