

OVER THE VALLEY

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Death of W. J. Townley—

Word was received by friends last evening in Union of the death yesterday at Astoria, Oregon, of W. J. Townley, for many years a resident of this valley and very widely known. It is reported that the body will be brought to Union and funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon. Mr. Townley was, up to a short time ago, one of the large land-owners in this county, having been located in the vicinity of Hot Lake. A more complete notice concerning the deceased will appear later.

Mill Burns—

Details were not available at the time of this writing concerning the burning last night of the Meneses mill, located six miles southeast of La Grande, at the section variously known as Lone Tree, Lone Pine, etc. The fire was discovered at about eight o'clock and the alarm sounded. There was little or nothing to be done to save the structure and in a very short time the plant, with the exception of the interior and the small office building, were completely destroyed. The part of the mill which was still standing was empty, all the machinery having been removed some time ago and moved to the mill at Indio, and a part of the buildings had been dismantled. The mill had not been operating for the last few years.

Ill at the Lake—

Mrs. Walter Pierce of the valley is a patient at Hot Lake, her trouble having been reported to be gall stones. Her many friends will hope for a very speedy and complete recovery.

Returns From Portland—

Mrs. Harry Fisher, of Alsea, has returned from Portland where she spent several days visiting with friends and looking after matters of business.

Weekend at Home—

Miss Ardis Hazel, a student at the La Grande High school, went to her home north of Pleasant Grove, taking advantage of the extra day's vacation over Armistice day.

Snow General—

The snow which fell late Sunday afternoon and during the night was quite general, practically the whole valley having been covered by Monday morning.

Leave For Utah—

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Nelson and daughter, who have been operating the French farm in the Hot Lake district the last year, left today by car for their new home in Utah. They will not be far from Salt Lake, the capital city.

Having Serious Time—

Mrs. Carmen D. Miller, of near Cove, is having quite a serious time with her hand, on which she was bitten last summer by a rattlesnake. The infection has spread considerably and it is stated that there are three different kinds of infection. Getting rid of the infection is a very slow and tedious process. H. H. Daniel and daughter, Jane, were also up from Mudry Creek the last of the week. Miss Jane has not been well for some time and the trip was made for medical attention.

Have Dinner—

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Huron were the host and hostess at a splendid dinner party Saturday evening at their home on Brooks Lane in compliment to Mr. and Mrs. George McDonald, of the Iowa district. There were 16 guests and Mrs. Huron served one of the lovely three course dinners for which she

Improves—

Clarence Richards, who has been a patient at the Hot Lake sanatorium following an accident in which he suffered serious injury to one knee, was reported to have sufficiently recovered to be able to go back to his home at Cove within the last few days.

Up From Wolf Creek—

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Nice, of Wolf Creek, drove up Saturday and spent the day attending the sessions of the Pomona grange, of which he is the head.

Painful Accident—

Mrs. Bert Grant, of Grange Hall, was the victim of a very painful accident this latter part of last week, which has made it necessary for her to use crutches to get around. Mrs. Grant was getting in the car when the door was suddenly and quite forcibly closed, catching her foot right at the instant. Some bones were broken and the whole member is extremely sore.

Complete Road—

It is reported that the Hindman market road up above Elgin in the Cricket Flat country has been completed, an extra force of county men having been on the job to push it through at the last minute before the severe weather set in. The stretch which has been improved consists of about 4 miles in a section where travel was impossible during the season of bad roads. The completion of the project has been the cause for very sincere rejoicing in that locality.

All Day Meeting—

The original plans for the meeting of the Alsea Ladies Aid society have been changed and members are asked to take note of the change. The meeting will be held at the Farmers Union hall in Alsea and will begin at 10 o'clock in the morning. A potluck lunch will be served at noon. The work to be done is of a charitable character and being done at the request of the county health nurse. Members are asked to come early and to bring their sewing and quilts.

Return From Spokane—

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Knautz and daughter, Lillian, of the Iowa district, returned Saturday evening from Spokane where they had been called the week before by the tragic death of Mr. Knautz's brother, Will Knautz.

To Go to California—

Mrs. Hector McDonald, of Walla Walla, but so well known in this valley, is planning to start soon on her annual trip to California where she will spend the winter months. Mrs. McDonald has been at her beautiful cottage at the head of the lake since very early in the spring.

Move From Cove—

There is very general regret being expressed over the move of the Baum family from the Union-Cove district. The Baum family, father, mother and all the children, have been very active, especially in club work and their removal and the consequent loss of the youngsters from membership in the different Cove clubs has been regretted.

On Trip—

Lloyd and Ava Woodell, of Dry Creek, have gone on their trip to Western Oregon and up to Seattle, which will consume all of this week.

Community Dinner—

The annual community dinner at Island City, sponsored by the Island Aid, is to be given this evening at the church with the potluck supper to be followed by a program and a social hour.

Uninvited Guest—

Visitors of the most unwelcome kind visited the building where Louis Standley keeps his engine and other machinery on the Cove road a short time ago. The miscreants drained the engine and completely stripped the gasoline engine or all the parts which could be removed.

Catchup Visit—

The Misses Eva and Edna Ledbetter returned yesterday to their teaching duties at Weston. The had for their dinner guests Sunday at their home near Alsea, Alice Klippel and Mabel Morton, of La Grande.

Large Funeral—

The funeral of the late Otha Eckersley held Saturday at the Cove Methodist church, was very large and the floral offerings attesting to the esteem in which this pioneer of the Grande Ronde valley was held, were numerous as

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Possibilities

For Shipping To Be Studied
The proposition of forming a shipping association in this county to follow plans of operation such as exist with a similar association in Walla Walla county were discussed Saturday at the late fall meeting of the Union county Pomona grange.

The discussion followed the report of a committee composed of Wm. Lawrence, J. B. Woodell and L. E. Weicht. Following instructions from the grange, J. A. Nice, Pomona master, appointed another committee as follows: C. Y. Besie, of the Lund Canyon district; J. E. Witherspoon, of Clelec Flat; Dillard Choate, of Summerville, and a representative from North Powder. These men have already started a canvass of the situation thoroughly. It was decided first to secure enough land of hogs to make an early shipment of a car or two from this county. If this venture proves to be successful, and it is the opinion of these men who are best informed on the subject that an association can operate here successfully, then steps will be taken to perfect the organization.

The shipping association in Walla Walla county has now been functioning for more than a year, under the direction of the county agricultural agent, N. C. Donaldson, and a competent buyer. The project has been pronounced quite successful by livestock men of that county. It is pointed out, however, that Walla Walla county raises several times as many head of hogs as are raised in this county. Nevertheless, there is quite a feeling that an association here would pay and it is the purpose of the grange through this working committee to test out the proposition.

The members of the committee are to work in their own districts, securing the attitude of farmers toward the project, their support for it, and to ascertain, if possible, the volume of business which such an association might expect.

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Pomona Grange

In Interesting Fall Session
In spite of the fact that grange members turned out en masse for the special state meeting two weeks ago, and many of them are leaving this week for Seattle to attend the national meeting, there was a very good attendance at the regular meeting of the Pomona grange Saturday all day at the Blue Mt. hall. It had been planned to hold the meeting in La Grande, but as those arrangements could not be carried out at the last meeting, the hall was used, and the largest crowd adjusted itself nicely to the smaller quarters, while the women of the subordinate responsible for the meals of the day used all their skill and ingenuity to carry out their part of the program with the least amount of confusion. It was the consensus of all those present that they succeeded most beautifully.

The morning was given over to a business session, presided over by the master, J. A. Nice, or Wolf Creek. Committee reports, etc., took up the time until noon. A lovely roast chicken dinner occupied all the two hours of noon.

As is the custom, a program open to the public was given in the afternoon. There were splendid musical numbers by the Bond family orchestra, violin solos by Miss

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Class D:
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Henry Fries, "Jewel" grade Jersey, 825, 42.5.
Roy Baum, "Florence" grade Jersey, 1623, 46.9.

Soilers who have recently completed their report for the thirty day period. Tests were made of the 46 herds which comprise the organization, in which 816 cows are enrolled, 165 of these being dry at the present time. It was reported that there were 65 40-pound cows during October.

The 447 cows which were tested produced a volume of milk amounting to 275,329 pounds with 16,873.3 pounds of butterfat. The average production of milk according to the report was 46.1 pounds with an average content of butterfat amounting to 26.54 pounds.

Charles DeHans of near Cove and C. P. Edvalson of Catherine Creek had the two high cows for the month. Charles DeHans' grade Jersey, "Pet" made 1662 pounds of milk with 72.1 pounds of fat, while Mr. Edvalson's grade Holstein "Hosson" had 1559 pounds of milk to her credit and 68.6 pounds of fat.

The high herds (excluding dry cows) were:
Over 20 cows:
Walter Vogel, 25 grade Jerseys 653.5 milk, 81.2 butterfat.
Between 12-20 cows:
C. P. Edvalson, 20 grade Holsteins, 949.1 milk, 55.3 butterfat.
Under 12 cows:
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