

OVER THE VALLEY

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Returns to Enterprise—
Jimmie Bennett, accompanied by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Bennett, returned last week to their home in Enterprise. Jimmie and his mother had been visiting at the Bennett and Stearns homes in La Grande while Mr. Bennett was on a business trip to Portland.

Gave Bobbing Party—
Members of the freshman and sophomore classes at the Miller high school enjoyed a bobbing party Friday evening, with Mr. and Mrs. Don Stewart and Miss Selig as guests. The party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Wagner at Summerville for a luff pull.

Visitor in La Grande—
Editor George Cheney of the Enterprise Record-Chief Editor was a visitor in La Grande yesterday coming out for a look-in at the economic conference, accompanying N. C. Donaldson, the county agent of Wallawa county. The Smith-Hughes instructor at the Enterprise high school and others.

Improved—
Charles Hamann, who lives on the Cove highway, and who has been a patient at the Hot Lake sanitarium, is much better again and able to be at home.

Spends Night at Camp—
Will Vogel of Union, one of the most prominent sheep raisers in the county was an enthusiastic attendant yesterday at the economic conference. Mr. and Mrs. Vogel and their daughter, Betty, had quite an experience a week ago Sunday when the storm was raging in the valley. After several and varied experiences with the blocked roads and slippery roads they were obliged to spend the night at the camp, returning to their home in Union on Monday.

Is Better—
Miss Ruth McNeill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arch McNeill of the Mill creek road near the Cove in a mild letter from her recent attack of influenza. She has been out of school for several days but will probably be back again this week.

Home From Trip—
Mrs. Frank Conley of near the Cove, her two sons and daughter are home again from their auto trip down into California and intermediate points. Naturally, a splendid time is reported—they went with that in view. They encountered snow a greater part of the way home.

Down For Conference—
Luther Hindman of the Cricket Flat neighborhood is attending the economic conference this year. That seems not like news, for Luther Hindman is a very progressive farmer and would naturally attend. However, the powers that be have given him and others living in that immediate vicinity a road this year and they are able to get out, something that has been impossible heretofore.

Large Shipment—
A winter shipment of lambs, is reported by the Enterprise Record-Chief Editor, the train having left that shipping point for the east on Saturday. The story reads as follows: An unusual winter shipment of fat lambs will be made by Johnson & Franklin and Dobbin & Butler Saturday morning when 42 trucks of stock will start east. There will be about 5500 lambs in the lot delivered from the two ranches. Buyers were in last week from both eastern and western markets and the offer of the former was more attractive, as they agreed to take all the lambs at one shipment, while the Portland buyers wanted them strung along in small lots.

These lambs represent nearly all that have been in the feed pens on these ranches through the winter. They are late spring lambs that were cut out when deliveries were made in the summer and fall, being light or small, and the weight then ran probably about 65 pounds. This was the ideal weight for winter feeding and the lambs will be turned off fat but not too large, weighing in the neighborhood of 75 pounds.

Each of the ranches has about a carload of lambs left for later shipment, and these in the natural order of events will go to Portland. In former years it has been the practice to ship all the winter fed lambs to Portland, a few cars at a time through the late season.

Broadcasted—
A notice which should have reached this office before the end of last week was delayed some where on route and came too late to give the information it contained to friends in the valley. Miss May Colt recently returned from a visit with friends in Portland and came bringing the message to friends in the valley that her aunt, Mrs. Chester T. Colt was to sing over station KGW Sunday morning, Jan. 29 at 11 o'clock. Probably some of her friends heard her anyway, in spite of the failure of the notice to be repeated in time. Mrs. Colt will be remembered as Miss Minna Needham, Sum. 11-12. She moved from this valley about 20 years ago. She attended school with Mabel Tuttle Moore, Mina Glenn Standley and others. We regret the lateness of the notice.

Makes Generous Offer—
Much has been said already at the conference in regard to deep tillage. The majority of the discussion has centered about using the Killefer machines which were

brought into the valley the past season, in orchards. Yesterday the question of the advisability of using them in wheat fields came up and the report from experts was to the effect that its use was very profitable. When that information was given out, H. H. Weatherston of Elgin, who was presiding over the section devoted to the discussion of horticultural problems offered the use of his Killefer, gratis, to any wheat farmer who wished to make the experiment this coming spring. Mr. Long of the state college was authority for the statement that experiments which had come under his notice had been very successful.

Teaching Again—
Mrs. Carmen Miller is again teaching at the Albee school, her work having been interrupted several times this year by ill of one variety or another.

Will Go South—
It has been reported that Mr. and Mrs. Jay Freshers of the Cove are planning to go to California on a trip of several weeks, and that Mr. Freshers will take a course in auctioneering during his absence from the valley.

Interesting Discussions—
There have been lots of interesting discussions called out by the consideration of different phases of the recent home markets survey conducted in this county. As was stated at the time the survey started, it was the largest survey and the most intensive ever yet made. For that reason it has attracted nation wide attention. The confidence that state authorities and federal authorities had in the movement after some time was not going by the Union county men is evidenced by the fact that the state and federal authorities paid out \$2000 to cover their share of the expense attached to it, while the Union county chamber of commerce expended \$500. The importance of conserving the results of the project are seen at a glance.

Have Flu—
Word from Muddy Creek is to the effect that Mrs. H. H. Daniels and Jane, formerly of this valley, have both been ill of the flu.

Change in Department—
Friends in this valley of Mrs. Grace D. McComb formerly Oregon state leader in home economics will be interested to know that she has severed her connection with the extension service. She has been succeeded by Miss Charlene Nye who comes from the east.

An Editorial—
Because Wallawa and Union counties are vitally interested in the welfare of the farming industry, it is not surprising that an editorial from last week's Record-Chief Editor is quoted in full. Mr. Cheney says: Wallawa county's agricultural production last year is estimated roughly to have brought in these sums: beef cattle, \$700,000; hogs, \$750,000; sheep and wool, \$1,000,000; cream and milk, \$350,000; wheat and other grain, \$1,600,000, making a total of \$5,800,000. These figures are all conservative and are under the mark rather than over. They show a sound diversity of stock interests, which represent the dominant factor in the county's farming business. Prices on all products were good last year and, better still, farm management was of a decidedly superior quality. The trouble years since 1917, which we have disciplined and trained the farmers who have branched and developed intellectually and have grown strong and self-reliant. It was no accident that the dairying made the best record in Oregon in November; it was headwork and good management in a naturally good field. The whole community congratulates them, and asks to be proud with them.

Shopping—
Mr. and Mrs. Earl Park of Dry Creek were shopping and visiting with friends in La Grande yesterday.

Lunch Today—
A number of the ladies who are serving in various ways at the economic conference had lunch together today as a compliment to some of the speakers, particularly Miss Johnson and Mrs. Brandon of the state college and Mrs. Walter M. Pierce, of the valley.



Once Upon A Time
Alfred E. Smith, former governor of New York, gave up a promising career on the stage because parents of his sweetheart, Catherine Dunham, Mrs. Smith, objected to an actor as a son-in-law.

THIS YEAR'S MEET NAMED "BEST" OF EC. CONFERENCES

"I believe this will be our very best conference," said Harry G. Avery, county agricultural agent, last evening at the close of what had been a very attractive but a very successful "first" day. With many of the country roads still impassable, the question of attendance had been one that had caused the agent some worry last week, but early yesterday morning they started to come from Cricket Flat, and Pumpkin Ridge, from all sides of the Cove and from Union as well as most sections of the valley. And it was an interesting crowd, too, for they stayed until almost dark last evening, listening to discussions, asking questions, and getting much real good from the day's events.

The registered attendance went way over the hundred mark yesterday, with the general session in the morning and three sectional meetings in the afternoon: the farm crops, presided over by J. G. Gaskill, held in the card room at the La Grande hotel, the horticultural, with H. H. Weatherston as the presiding officer and meeting in the simple room and the livestock meeting in the civil service room at the federal building and with E. J. Miller of Union in charge. Mr. Avery, naturally has general charge and is ably assisted by his secretary, Miss Estline Miller.

Improves—
Glenn Lincoln of the Mill creek road above Cove is reported to be improving quite satisfactorily. A. L. Jones, recently suffered very severe injury to his leg when a big log rolled on him while at his work in the logging camp.

Ill Luck—
Their friends all over the valley sympathize with the Barry Black family of north of Summerville in the loss by fire of their home and its contents last Friday afternoon. No amount of insurance can cover the loss of the treasure box lost at the time of fire. The electric washer, the cream separator, a chair, table, victrola, the runs and a very few other things were all that were saved from the burning building. Those who assisted in fighting the spread of the fire to the other buildings say that the absence of any wind was the only thing which kept the entire place as well as a neighbor's from being wiped out.

Island P. T. A.—
The regular meeting of the Island City P. T. A. will be held Friday afternoon at the school. A large attendance is urged.

Ill of Flu—
Mrs. John Schroeder of the country club district has been ill of the flu for a few days. She is able to be up and around the house but has not been out yet.

Ill—
Arnold Hendricks who lives in the Mt. Glen district has been ill of the flu the past week of inflammatory rheumatism. Arnold is a pupil at the Mt. Glen school.

Arrive From Corvallis—
Miss A. Grace Johnson, head of the home administration work at the state college, and Mrs. Vera Rendon of the same department, arrived in La Grande this morning and are spending today and tomorrow as the speakers on the home economics program at the economic conference.

Valley Girl Weds—
At the apartment of Dr. Belle Myers of La Grande on Sunday, Jan. 28, occurred the wedding of Miss Fay Hamilton, daughter of Mrs. Clair Hamilton of Summerville to Mr. Benny Hicks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hicks of Cheney, Wash. The ceremony was performed by Rev. George Walt of the Presbyterian church in the presence of only immediate relatives. A dainty buffet luncheon was served following the ceremony. This bride is a graduate of the La Grande high school of the class of 1928 and a student of the Eastern Oregon Normal. The groom is a graduate of the Cheney Normal school in 1928 and since that time has been a teacher at the central school. They are established at their apartment at 1302 Eighth street. The well wishes of a host of friends and relatives go with the happy pair.

A SEASONABLE RECIPE
Cake Covered With Pecans
Two tablespoons butter.
One cup sugar.
One cup milk.
One egg.
Two cups flour.
One teaspoon vanilla.
Cream the butter and sugar together, add the egg beaten, then the milk and flour alternately. Add the flavoring and mix well. Bake in small muffin pans, ice with boiled icing and roll in broken pecan meats, so the top and sides of each cake is completely covered with nut meats.

Botted Frosting
Three-fourths cup sugar.
Few grains of salt.
One-half cup hot water.
One-eighth teaspoon cream of tartar.
One egg white.
One-half teaspoon vanilla.
Dissolve sugar, salt and cream of tartar in the hot water. Boil without stirring until the syrup threads from a fork 226 Fahrenheit. Then beat the egg white in a deep bowl only until stiff; add the syrup slowly, beating constantly, until frosting hangs from the cover beater. Add flavoring, and pour on top and sides of cake.

Henpecked Husband—I'm home-sick.
Wife—But you are at home.
Henpecked Husband—That's just the trouble. I'm sick of it.
Farmer: "No, I wouldn't think of charging you for the cider. That'd be bootleggin'—an' praise the Lord, I ain't come to that yet. The peck o' potatoes 'll be five dollars."

Miller, Albert Hunter, secretary of the chamber of commerce is also kept busy during most of the time and lends valuable assistance in many ways.

Today is probably the largest of the three days, with four sectional meetings following the general session this morning. Such experts as N. C. Donaldson, Dr. W. E. Thibodeau, A. G. Linn, Miss Grace Johnson and Mrs. Vera Brandon are contributing much, with a long list of local speakers entering into the practical discussions of dairy, small fruits, poultry and home economic problems.

There were three sectional meetings yesterday. The livestock division at the federal building attracted the largest crowd some 40 or more men attending. N. C. Donaldson of Enterprise gave to the Union county men a complete report of the operations of the Wallawa county livestock shipping association for last year. This has proven quite a successful enterprise in Wallawa county. Initial steps for such an organization to be taken in Union county were taken some months ago but it was finally decided that not enough stock was raised here for market purposes to warrant organizing. Mr. Donaldson suggested yesterday that it might be possible to have cooperative shipping from this county cared for by the Wallawa association. R. J. Green followed Mr. Donaldson with his estimate of the cost of raising a range ewe. His talk was very interesting. Mr. Avery presented the matter of a cooperative lamb shipping association. A committee was appointed to look into the matter and also to investigate the sheep-shearing wage scale. The personnel of the committee is R. J. Green, W. H. Vogel and Walter M. Pierce. Robert Withycombe, superintendent of the Eastern Oregon Experiment station gave a report on their various feeding experiments.

Dr. J. N. Shaw, of the veterinary department of the state college was the visiting speaker and he had for his subject diseases of sheep and sheep parasites. He spoke of such diseases as stomach worms, a malady which is found in Oregon and which is the cause of a great deal of damage. Veterinarians are laboring to eliminate parasites, but are limited by the lack of funds. He performed a post mortem on a sheep at the close of his talk. It was an animal which had not been doing well and Dr. Shaw found that both stomach worms and lung worms had been working on it.

E. R. Jackson, of the college presented crop recommendations before the farm crops group yesterday afternoon and led the discussion which very largely centered about weed control, varieties of wheat, a new variety of hardy alfalfa, etc. He was followed by Raymond S. Baldwin of Portland, federal grain supervisor. Mr. Baldwin, with the assistance of charts, carefully prepared showed his losses the flow's and why's of the grading carried on by shipping authorities. He gave some very surprising figures relative to the condition some grain was received in Portland and explained very carefully how dockage, etc., were arrived at. Mr. Avery closed the program with recommendations regarding hay and pasture in this county.

They got right down to brass tacks at the horticulture section, and directed by H. H. Weatherston and counseled and addressed by C. L. Long, the session was to the point particularly for apple and cherry growers. Jimmie Mills thought the prunes (fruit not humans) had been neglected but was assured that they would be discussed at some later date during the conference. In discussing those commodities in connection with the findings of the home markets survey, it was discovered that both the growers and the merchants had been wrongfully accused in times past, and that the trouble, real or imaginary as regards the local markets handling home-grown apples and cherries lay with others than these two classes. It was decided to enforce the law requiring the proper marking of a box of fruit, so far as possible, that hereafter the consumer would know whether or not he was purchasing an inferior product brought into the county from outside sections.

Overheated stoves and furnaces and defective chimneys and flues were held responsible for 19 fires, involving a total of \$26,141 of the December losses, other causes and damages incurred thereby were: explosion, \$13,500; exposure, \$4,200; matches and coal-burn smokers, \$4,037; rubbish, sparks and friction, \$3,965; open fires and lights, \$3,900; petroleum and its products, \$3,060, and unknown and undetermined, 23 fires, \$68,915, or 50 per cent of the total.

Don't whether he was getting what he thought he was, or whether he was getting his money's worth. This session was very largely attended and the discussions were very informal and largely entered into. The conference closes tomorrow.

TOMORROW'S PROGRAM

General Sessions
10 a. m. Roy's Sheep Club Demonstration—Bobby Huron and Clayton Fox.

10:20 a. m. The Work of the State Board of Health—Dr. W. T. Pily.

11 a. m.—Cooperative Wheat Marketing—Hon. Roy Hittner, president Eastern Oregon Wheat League.

1 p. m.—Building our Home Market for Home Products—Frank McKennon.

2 p. m.—General Committee Reports, Recommendations and Discussion.

Home Economics Section
Mrs. Frank McKennon, Chairman
Conference on the Child in the Home

11 a. m.—Problems in Child Behavior—Mrs. Vera H. Brandon, professor of household administration, School of Home Economics.

11:20 a. m.—The Child in the Home of Today—Mrs. Vera H. Brandon.

1 p. m.—Books for Children—Mrs. Walter M. Pierce.

1:20 p. m.—Problems of Child Feeding—Mrs. Vera H. Brandon.

2:15 p. m.—Training the Child in the Use of Money—Miss A. Grace Johnson, professor of household administration, School of Home Economics.

2:45 p. m.—Safeguarding the Health of the Individual Child—Miss Alice Marquardt, county health nurse.

It is rumored that crackers may soon be sold in the shape of the various states. If they are, it should do a lot to popularize Texas with the youngsters.

Virginia Farm Home Is Considered A Treasury Of New Lincolniana

RICHMONT, Va. (AP)—A rich find of what are strongly indicated to be Lincoln relics has been made in a Virginia farmhouse.

Two Blackstone women, searching for an antique waffle iron, discovered the pieces, and investigation seems to prove them valuable possessions of the Civil war president.

Sworn statements, records of the government of the District of Columbia and affidavits from the war and treasury departments give confirmation to the story related by Silas C. Munden, Amelia county farmer, and authentic sources for the belief that the collection in his farmhouse is from the private household and office of Lincoln.

On the parlor wall in the Mendenhall home was found a likeness of President Lincoln and a metal coffee bust, almost life size, with a background of dark red velvet.

Nearly was a small framed photograph of the president, seated by a table on which a young boy leaned. Mrs. Munden informed her visitors that the boy was believed to be Lincoln's oldest son, Robert Todd Lincoln. He died in 1929.

The visitors made further inquiries and were shown the small sofa covered with dark red plush, and two arm chairs to match.

Realizing that they had stumbled by accident on a part of the personal possessions of Lincoln, the guests asked further questions and Mrs. Munden sent her small son upstairs with instructions to "bring President Lincoln's law office chair."

Silas Munden told the visitors a story of the possessions that records of the government in Washington indicate is correct in all details that could be verified.

"My first wife was the daughter of Charles Forbes, a white house attendant and usher," Mr. Munden said. "He was serving in that capacity when Lincoln was shot. When Mrs. Lincoln left the white house later, she offered Mr. Forbes anything from the personal household of Mr. Lincoln which he would accept. He selected these pieces."

Munden worked in Washington for 11 years. There he met Miss Mamie E. Forbes and visited her frequently at her father's home, 1711 G street. He says he often heard Mr. Forbes tell of his duties at the white house and that he had gone several times with Miss Forbes, later his wife, and her father to Ford's theater, where the latter described the assassination.

Charles Forbes died in 1895 and about a year later Miss Forbes and Silas Munden were married. The license is recorded in the clerk's office of the supreme court of the district of Columbia.

During the 30 years from the death of President Lincoln to his own death, Charles Forbes was connected with the government in Washington in various capacities.

Official government records give the dates of his service, including his duties as an usher at the white house, until the death of Lincoln.

After the marriage of Miss Forbes and Silas Munden, they stored the furniture inherited from Mrs. Munden's father, including the relics recently found, and moved to Munden's Virginia home. Shortly afterward the furniture was brought down for use in the parlor.

Munden's first wife, who was Miss Forbes, died about 10 years later and Munden married again.

The guests suggested the value of the possessions for the Lincoln shrine or the memorial at Springfield, Ill., and asked what the Munden family expected to do with them.

"Well, I guess I'll dispose of them some of these days; you know, I've always been a democrat," Munden replied.

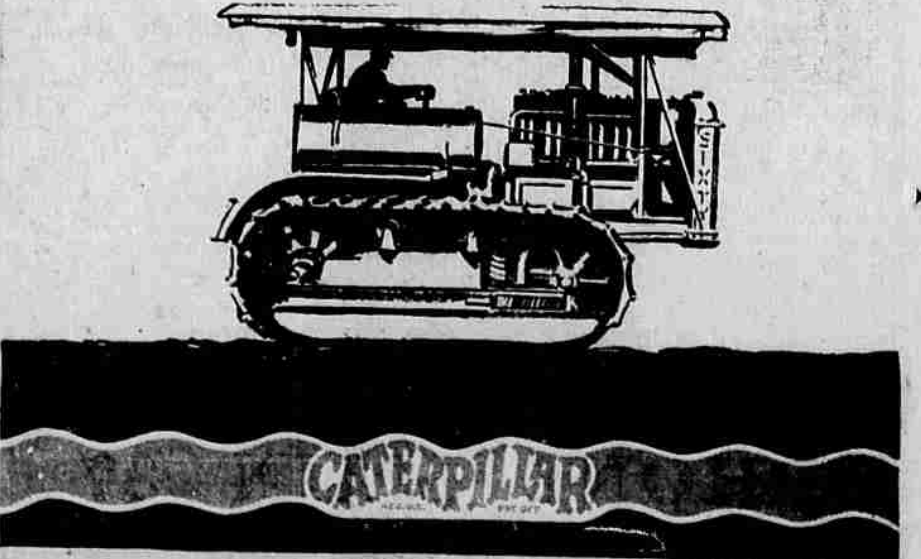
The furniture is dilapidated.

Questions for the man who farms with horses to ask himself

What would you do if you had more time—more hours in the day, in the month? Would you use that time to farm more acres and earn more money—to farm your present acreage more thoroughly and win premium crops—to have more leisure and more minutes for the good things of life?

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