

OVER THE VALLEY

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These Silver Wedding Days—

Last Saturday evening, a company of twenty-five relatives and friends assisted Mr. and Mrs. Ben W. Schroeder celebrate their silver wedding anniversary at their beautiful home on the Island City road. The home was very tastefully decorated for the occasion with potted plants and cut flowers. After hearing some musical numbers furnished by Miss Mildred Spencer at the piano, and Miss Anita Hermann violin, dainty refreshments, which the guests had brought with them, were served. It was a decidedly happy event throughout and enjoyed by the host, hostess and guests alike. One of the guests during the evening remarked that while both Mr. and Mrs. Schroeder looked young for such an event and certainly very happy, still Mr. Schroeder must have been exceedingly overjoyed at the original wedding twenty-five years ago to think he had put such a good one over on the Missouri boys. Mr. Schroeder claimed his bride at LaGrande, Missouri, and immediately after the ceremony started with her to this valley on their honeymoon. This valley has ever since been their home. They have raised four splendid children, all of whom were present Saturday evening with the exception of the son, Harold, who is in Pennsylvania. As a token of their esteem, the guests Saturday evening presented Mr. and Mrs. Schroeder with an elaborate silver sandwich tray.

Weekend Here—

Mrs. Charles W. Wright and daughters, Naomi and Patricia, drove over from Baker Friday afternoon and spent the weekend with her father, L. L. McKennon in La Grande and among her brothers and sister in the valley. The Wright family plans to move after school has closed from Baker to their new home at Mandan, North Dakota, where Mr. Wright has already gone to accept the presidency of a large bank.

Home From Hospital—

Henry Piles Sr. of Pleasant Grove has been taken to his home following his recent serious illness and from which he is slowly improving. Mr. Piles spent some time at the home of his son and family in La Grande after having been released from Hot Lake.

Buy Farm—

The sale of the Ted Conklin farm located on the highway between Allet and Imbler to Arvo Fowler of Ruhl, Idaho, is reported. Mr. Conklin and his family have moved into Imbler to make their home for the present, while the Fowlers have already taken possession of their new home. The farm consists of 80 acres of cultivated land, nearly all of which is in alfalfa. The newcomers have brought along other livestock, several head of fine dairy cattle, the Conklin place being very well equipped for that line of farming. A brother of Mr. Fowler, Robert Fowler, also of Idaho, recently purchased the farm known as the Bill Glenn farm near Summerville and until the last few weeks occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Dave Osborne and family.

To Utah—

Marion Pugh, son of Mr. and Mrs. Press Pugh of Dry Creek left the valley recently on a trip around through Utah. He was at Oregon last week according to word received from him by his parents.

Injures Hand—

Melvin York, living in the vicinity of Island City, had the misfortune to cut his left hand quite badly with an axe within the last few days. Three stitches were required to close the wound, but it is beginning to heal quite satisfactorily. It is reported.

To Repeat Program—

At the annual community dinner to be held Friday evening at the Island City church, the pioneer program recently given before the La Grande Neighborhood club under the direction of Miss Mabel Doty will be repeated. Miss Doty reviews the book "The Lantern in Her Hand." This is but one of the features provided for the evening. A potluck dinner will be served at seven o'clock and all residents of the Island community are urged to attend.

Improvements—

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Choate living near Summerville are making some improvements about their place this spring, including painting and paper-hanging. Everything is always as neat as a pin about the Choate place; the wind doesn't seem to disarrange things there as it does in other parts of the valley.

From Farm—

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Robinson who returned to this valley about a month ago from Tacoma where they had been living, have rented the old Childers place near the Cove and will farm it this year.

Big New Shed—

A force of ten or a dozen men are hard at work these days erecting a new and large sheep shed for Joe Gray on his farm on the Lower Cove road. This makes a splendid addition to the array of buildings on the Gray place.

Back In School—

Miss Lorraine Hug of Dry Creek is back in school again after an enforced vacation due to a case of tonsillitis.

Out Again—

Mrs. E. A. Austin of west of Summerville was visiting friends in La Grande Friday. Mrs. Austin has been confined to her home since

the first of the year by both sickness and very bad roads.

Move to Valley—

Mr. and Mrs. John Cantrell and family have moved to Summerville La Grande and will reside there for the present. Mr. and Mrs. Cantrell were former residents of that community, but years ago.

Mrs. Conley Ill—

Mrs. Frank Conley, living on the Cove highway, has been quite sick at her home for the past week or more, it is reported.

Install Equipment—

Nathan Gray of the Lower Cove, who has been quite extensively in the dairy business, and selling his milk both wholesale and retail has been installing some new equipment to adequately care for his trade. The two most important items are the bottle washer and sterilizer and the cooler.

Ad to Meet—

The Island City Ladies Aid society is to have an all-day meeting Thursday at the home of Mrs. Albert Stein, there being work to do. A potluck dinner will be served at noon.

Has Sinus Trouble—

Mrs. Ray Wilson of Imbler has been suffering considerably recently from sinus trouble. A trip to La Grande each day is necessary to bring relief.

Imbler P. T. A.—

The regular meeting of the Imbler P. T. A. will be held Thursday evening, February 27 at 7:30 in the hall. The regular business will be transacted and an interesting program will be given. The 23rd anniversary of the national organization was the 17th of February, a birthday cake and lemon cream will be sold during the evening.

Report Splendid Meeting—

There are very enthusiastic reports given concerning the meeting on Sunday afternoon of the "What Shall I Read" circle at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter M. Pierce in the valley. The attendance was very good. Both Mr. and Mrs. Pierce read poems for the group, and books were discussed and taken out. This interested company which meets regularly, appreciates

very much the work Mrs. Pierce is doing, for it takes real work to order the books, get them here, get them in circulation and then see that they are returned. The meetings are always open to any who care to attend. An additional feature last Sunday was some music furnished by M. L. Carter, violin, Clarence Carter, piano and Miss Minnie Holman, piano.

In La Grande—

Mrs. Duncan McDonald of the Iowa district was in La Grande yesterday giving attention to business matters. The McDonalds are in a neighborhood which appreciates the improvement in the roads the last few days. Some of the roads leading to their home have been almost impassable and traveling has been more or less hazardous.

Hostess to Club—

The Women's club of Imbler will meet tomorrow, Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. E. Hazen. Mrs. J. A. Gaskill is the leader of the program for the afternoon and she will give a health talk.

Has Quilting—

Mrs. Mary Woodell recently entertained a group of her friends who spent the day working on a pretty quilt. Those who enjoyed the day sewing, visiting and partaking of the splendid chicken dinner prepared for noon were Mrs. Ed Conlin, Mrs. Mollie McInnis, Mrs. E. C. Long, Mrs. T. Littell, Mrs. Dave Sanderson and Mrs. E. Sanderson, all of Summerville. A trip around the valley at this particular time would surely be interesting to women who have a particular love for quilts. During the winter months, "piecing a quilt" has been a very favorite pastime, and the work has not only been done individually but by groups. As a result, there are some beautiful quilts just being finished, or completely so. When Mrs. Lapham of La Grande spent a few weeks away early last fall in the valley on professional business, she was working on what was then a new pattern. Just about every woman in the Valley and neighboring districts immediately fell in line. We have only seen two of them since the piecing was finished. Mrs. Everett Wilson's is all finished and it is certainly beautiful. Mrs. Ledbetter's is in the quilting frames now and it will be equally beautiful when

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STATE FOUR-H CLUBS MAKE MUCH MONEY BESIDES INSTRUCTION

More and more residents of this county, both city and rural, are becoming genuinely interested in the work which the boys and girls of the county are doing through the 4-H clubs. The line of work which they do is so varied, sewing, cooking, gardening, rabbit raising, poultry raising, livestock (pigs, beef, calf clubs, sheep clubs, dairy calf clubs) etc., etc. that the boy and girl are sure to find some field which has a special interest for them.

The public is quite generally informed on the work of the club members, their showings at various fairs and expositions. There is always more or less publicity attached to those activities. They are, so leaders believe, of first importance. But there is another side to the story and that is the amount of real, hard cash the boys and girls earn during the year from their projects. It runs up into the money as the account for the year 1929 shows.

A profit of \$85,121 was made by Oregon's 4-H clubs according to the annual report just completed by H. C. Seymour, of Corvallis, state club leader. Value of all work completed by the 1415 clubs in the state working on 32 different types of projects was \$227,809, while the cost of production was \$142,688.

An increased enrollment of 587, or 4.5 per cent compared with that of 1928, was made during the year, bringing the total 4-H club members in Oregon to 12,335. Nearly

twice as many girls, 7833, as boys are actively engaged in the club work, only 4502 boys taking part.

Completion of work started by members showed up particularly well last year, the report indicated. Of the 12,335 or 864 per cent, completing all work begun. Of the total of 1415 clubs, 859 had every member enrolled complete a project. Boys making completions totaled 2845 and girls 7833.

Sewing clubs led in number with 541 in which 4252 members were enrolled. Their work had a total value of \$17,156 and showed a profit of \$2775. Cookery was second with 328 clubs, 2745 members and a profit of \$3524, with a total value of products of \$21,421. Other clubs among the 32 different projects that ranked high in numbers are dairy calf with 165 clubs, 923 members, total value of \$45,455, and profit of \$29,236; poultry with 76 clubs, 535 members, total value of \$19,248, and profit of \$5,911; and garden with 65 clubs, 455 members, total value of \$4421 and profit of \$2,245.

Lane county led both in number of clubs and members, having 2012 boys in girls in 125 groups. Multnomah county was second with 160 clubs and 636 members, the city of Portland third with 55 clubs and 1353 members and Washington county fourth with 87 clubs and 656 members. Other leading counties were Linn with 82 clubs and 712 members; Marion with 52 clubs and 819 members; and Douglas with 81 clubs and 756 members.

:: ON THE AIR ::

Wednesday, February 26

KOAC, Corvallis—550 Kilowatts
12:00 — American Legion organ program from Whiteside theater;
12:30 to 1:00, farm program;
12:30, news digest; 12:45, market reports and weather forecast; 2:30 to 3:30, homemakers' hour; 2:45, Aunt Sammy; 3:00, heroes of the Oregon country—"Mrs. Abigail Scott Kintway," Dr. J. B. Hornor; 3:30, farm, home and community news—"Kinds of News," Professor Chas. D. Byrne; 3:45, matinee; 4:00, music by The Masters; 4:30, market reports; 6:30 to 7:30, farm program; 6:30, music; 6:35, news digest; 6:45, market reports and weather forecast; 7:00, meeting of Soil Improvement club; 7:15, "Preparing Sheep for Show," Dr. H. Sifton; 7:30, radio short-hand contest.

Thursday, Feb. 27

12, all-request program of music; 12:30 to 1, farm program; 12:30, news digest; 12:45, market reports and weather forecast; 2:30 to 3:30, homemakers' hour; 2:45, Aunt Sammy; 3:30 to 4:00, the home garden; 4, music by The Masters; 4:30, market reports; 6:30, farm program; 6:30, music; 6:45, market reports and weather forecast; 7, news digest; 7:15, with the poultry flock. Prof. A. G.

Linn; 7:50, Collegiate Spotlight, at Prazer; 7:45, new things in science, James Morris.

Friday, Feb. 28

12, organ music for Whiteside theater; 12:30 to 1, farm program; 12:30, news digest; 12:45, market reports and weather forecast; 2:30 to 3:30, homemakers' hour; 2:45, Aunt Sammy; 3:00, building a home—"Electricity in the Home," Professor J. L. Fairbanks; 3:30, with Uncle Sam's Naturalists; 3:30, matinee; 4:00, music by The Masters; 4:30, market reports; 6:30 to 7:30, farm program; 6:30, music; 6:45, market reports and weather forecast; 7:00, news digest; 7:15, "Considerations in Buying Vegetable Seeds," W. D. Enzie; 7:30 to 8:00, a half hour for business people; 7:30, review of business conditions; 7:40, "The Chain Store Situation," Professor H. T. Vance; 7:55, current business events and announcements.

Saturday, March 1

12, new photograph record released; 12:30 to 1:00, farm program; 12:30, news digest; 12:45, market reports and weather forecast; 2:30, matinee; 6:30 to 7:15, farm program; 6:30, music; 6:45, market reports and weather forecast; 7:00, news digest; 7:15, review of week's agricultural lectures.

Erles Jr. of La Grande were present.

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Pasture Talk Tonight—

"What About Seeding Pastures This Spring?" is the title of a lecture to be given from KOAC by J. C. Smith, instructor in farm crops at 7:15 o'clock this evening. This topic relates to Oregon field crops are listed on the farm program each Tuesday evening at 7:15 o'clock.

Have Interesting Meeting—

Members of Crockett Flat grange held an all-day meeting at their hall north of Elgin last Saturday. There was the auspicious dinner at noon, the regular business meeting and the visit of representatives of the Union county chamber of commerce as the big feature of the day. Mr. Norman, president, and Mr. Hunter, secretary, have been making a tour of the subordinate granges of the county, speaking along pertinent lines. Results from these trips are being seen on all sides, it is reported.

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Island P. T. A.—

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Not long since the state fair board put the question as to whether or not the 1930 Oregon state fair board should, that all cattle exhibited at this year's show be abortion free herds. Recent figures given out by the state veterinarian's office show that in 1929, 27,546 abortion tests were made in Oregon and that of this number 3,224 animals reacted and 21,189 were free.

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The Pacific International livestock show will await the action of the state fair board and then attempt to sound out the sentiment of the cattle owners before making a ruling.

Under present conditions dairy men who have accredited abortion free herds will not exhibit at the expose their cattle and they would state fair because to do so would lose the exhibitors which it takes 15 months to get.

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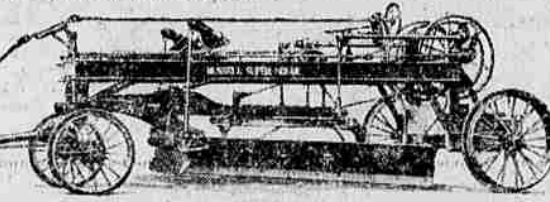
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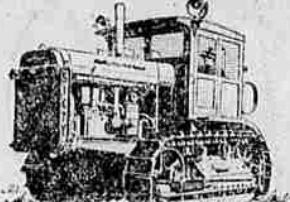
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