

# OVER THE VALLEY

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**What Not In—**  
There is still a considerable amount of wheat to be put in this spring over the valley, according to County Agriculturist Harry Avery, due to the wet weather in some sections. Alfalfa looks especially fine, the acres drilled this year being greater in number than for a good many years according to Mr. Avery. Everything looks good, we are reminded, excepting the markets. Wheat is coming along splendidly in the Grande Ronde valley.

**Sunday Gue—**  
Mr. and Mrs. Luellen Whelaney and children of La Grande were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Speckhart and daughter, in the Iowa district.

**Contracts Again—**  
Directors of the Valeria school district have contracted with Mrs. Merle Howell to teach their school again next year. Mrs. Howell is just finishing her third successful year at this particular school and has been giving eminent satisfaction according to the patrons.

**Results Tell—**  
County Agriculturist Harry Avery has some interesting luncheon of rye in his office. They were taken from the orchard of T. C. Harty above the Cove where rye was sown as a cover crop and as a fertilizer experiment. The rye was sown on March 19, when specialists from the college were here helping to start the experiment. The rye on which fertilizer was applied is taller, thicker, and has more leaves. Those who have seen the samples and compared them, have placed the improvement from 500 per cent up. It is said that there were more shoots of the rye come up on which no fertilizer had been applied, but in every other way it was inferior.

**Has Whooping Cough—**  
Ehrman Bates, young son of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Bates, of the Willowdale district, is reported to have the whooping cough, though in a very mild form.

**Alleged Aid—**  
Mrs. Loren Tucker, of the Iowa district, will be the hostess to the Alleged Aid Thursday afternoon at her home.

**Schools Close—**  
Two schools in the county have already completed their work for the year. Gordon Creek school, near Elgin, presided over this year by Miss Alice Payne McIntyre, closed last week. Miss McIntyre expects to go to school next year and she will be followed by Mrs. Eldon Rush who has already signed her contract. The other school, which is the "Village Valley" school which had closing exercises on Friday under the supervision of Miss Geneva Marchison, the teacher, who is also to teach this school next year. There were a number of visitors at Miss Marchison's program, who went for the day taking their lunch with them.

**Ill—**  
Paul Henley of Summerville has been quite ill, due with heart complications, having been the cause of his trouble.

**Entertain at Dinner—**  
Mr. and Mrs. Loren Tucker recently entertained at their home in the Iowa district at dinner having for their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Louise Standley, Mildred and Dale, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Speckhart and daughter, Helen Jean, of that neighborhood and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Walden of La Grande. Cards were the entertainment after dinner.

**Sunday at Home—**  
Miss Merle Frizzell who is employed in the office at the Blue Mt. Creamery went to her home at Summerville for a weekend visit.

**Visits Sunday—**  
Miss Doris French of La Grande spent Sunday at the home of her friend, Miss Dorothy Smith on the side hill road.

**On Business—**  
Rev. H. K. Wallis of Enterprise, former pastor of the community church at Island City was the guest of friends in the valley Sunday.

**Entertain at Dinner—**  
Mr. and Mrs. Harry G. Avery and daughters of Island City had for their dinner guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Hauth McKennon and daughter, Evelyn, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Ledbetter and son, Lyle, of the valley and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Loonnie of Muddy Creek.

**Grange to Meet—**  
The regular meeting of the Blue Mt. Grange will be held tomorrow at the hall beginning at 11 o'clock in the morning.

**Goes to H'ronston—**  
Mrs. Elwood Bowen of Summerville went to H'ronston last week where she will assist in the care of Mr. Bowen's father who has been quite poorly for some time.

**Aid Thursday—**  
Mrs. Andrew Blokland assisted by Mrs. Garrett Blokland will entertain the members of the Island City Aid society Thursday afternoon at the Andrew Blokland home.

**Have Fine School—**  
There were 52 present at the Willowdale Sunday school, presided at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher, which is considered very good in that neighborhood. A week ago Sunday the school had a picnic, but on account of the weather were obliged to hold it indoors. Mrs. Fisher is superintendent of the school.

**Teachers Re-elected—**  
All the four teachers at the Island City school were re-elected for another year. John W. Smith, principal and Miss Hanson, Friday was clean-up day and the grounds and buildings were given a thorough renovation by the teachers and pupils. Next week marks the last week of school at the Island.

**Prunes Discussed—**  
The market situation and outlook for Oregon canned fresh prunes will be discussed by Dr. Milton N. Nelson, head of the department of pomology and social work at 7:15 Friday evening, May 10, at the home of Mrs. E. C. Combs, from KOAC. He will have his talk on information obtained in a recent study of conditions in the Oregon prune industry.

**Dinner Guests—**  
Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hill and family of the Pleasant Grove neighborhood had for their dinner guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Frizzell and family.

**Give Program—**  
The Oregon Day program given Friday by the pupils of the Valeria school and their teacher, Mrs. Merle Howell, was enjoyed by a large company of patrons of the school. The school was very prettily decorated with the handwork of the children and arranged by groups of studies, such as history, language, picture work, busy work, etc. In the windows were the drawings, in color, of the children of foreign lands. The sand table was arranged as a Dutch scene with the rows of tulips, the dyke and the big Dutch windmill. The exhibits were all very good. Special mention might be made of the work of Miss Ellen Hells, the eighth grader in the school, who has considerable ability in drawing and painting. She has also written several verses which have been deemed good enough for publication in the Portland papers. Programs were made by the pupils, above, or having been designed by Miss Hells. The special program given consisted of: (1) Oregon, her history, Donald Jasper; (2) Sweet Oregon, a song, by Ellen Hells; (3) Oregon, her geography, Violet Wells; music, "William Tell," Donald Jasper; recitation, "An Oregon Sun Knows Where to Set," Edna Jasper; song, "There Are Many Flags," Eugene Becker; flag drill by grades 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5; roll call, the entire school; Oregon's motto, flower, "A Visit to Viollette Wells; Oregon's Wonders Summarized, Ellen Hells. The second part of the program consisted of class demonstrations, with music by four pupils, at dramatization by the first grade; an arithmetic speed test by the fourth grade; a dramatization by the third grade, called "The Sixth and Eighth grades" a song by Ellen Hells; Oregon's motto, flower, "A Visit to Viollette Wells; Oregon's Wonders Summarized, Ellen Hells. The second part of the program consisted of class demonstrations, with music by four pupils, at dramatization by the first grade; an arithmetic speed test by the fourth grade; a dramatization by the third grade, called "The Sixth and Eighth grades" a song by Ellen Hells; Oregon's motto, flower, "A Visit to Viollette Wells; Oregon's Wonders Summarized, Ellen Hells.

**Men to Serve—**  
At the regular meeting of Rock Wall grange this evening at their hall north of Elgin the men of the subordinate will have charge of the feed. This guarantee not only some good cuts but also a big crowd on this group of men have built up quite a reputation since their organization was started. Rock Wall is making fine strides. Two new members having been initiated at the meeting two weeks ago.

**Make Improvements—**  
Some improvements on the interior of the building and the addition of a large new blackboard have recently been made to the directors of the Idverside school. The teacher, Miss Lettie Peck, who has had a very good year, this year, will attend the Eastern Oregon Normal school next year.

**Club Doing Well—**  
North Powder and Wolf Creek and that section has always been a seasonable recipe.

**A SEASONABLE RECIPE**

**MACARONI LOAF WITH MUSHROOM SAUCE**  
(Serves eight generously)

3-4 c. macaroni.  
1 c. cream, (with salt)  
1 c. bread crumbs.  
1-2 c. butter.  
1 T. parsley.  
1-2 t. salt.  
3 eggs.

1-2 c. Parmesan cheese.  
Cook the macaroni, which has been broken in small pieces. Scald the cream and pour it over the soft bread crumbs. Add the melted butter, chopped parsley, salt, eggs beaten light and the grated cheese. Mix with the cooked macaroni and bake in a pan set in hot water for thirty-five minutes in a moderate oven. Serve with the mushroom sauce.

**Mushroom Sauce**  
2 T. butter.  
2 T. flour.  
Juice from mushrooms and milk to make two cupfuls.  
Salt and paprika.  
1 can mushrooms.  
Melt the butter, add the flour and stir until smooth. Then add the liquid well thickened. Add the mushrooms cut in dice.

**Sunday Visitors—**  
Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Epling, of La Grande, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Hickey of La Grande and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wright were guests Sunday at the McAnish home in the Valeria district.

**To Teach Elsewhere—**  
Miss Cora Price, who for the past two years, has taught home economics at Elgin is leaving there this year and will teach next year in the Astoria high school.

**At Daughters—**  
Mr. and Mrs. Sam Williamson and Jackie of Cove avenue drove to the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Hughes Sunday where they spent a very pleasant day. Their daughter, Miss Sara is still visiting at the Tom Williamson home at Wallowa lake.

**Start Dinner Plans—**  
At the annual meeting of the Summerville Cemetery association held at the chapel Saturday afternoon, Jim Lewis of Pleasant Grove and C. M. Hale of Imbler were elected directors to succeed William Parks who retired after years of faithful service and John McRae who did not wish reelection.

Uncle Jim Woodfill was the hold-over member. Officers elected were: C. M. Hale, president, Mrs. Etta Welch, secretary and Mrs. Marie Wagoner, treasurer.

Plans for the annual dinner and supper to be served on Memorial day were started and the committee will begin to work at once. The committee in charge of the general arrangements is Mrs. Frank Woodfill, Mrs. E. C. Combs, Mrs. Mary Littell, Mrs. Earl Park, Mrs. Wayne Park, Mrs. Effie Black and Mrs. Etta Choate.

**Improving Road—**  
Work on the Clover Creek road in the North Powder vicinity is going on rapidly. A crew of men are at work finishing the grading and leveling up the surfaces preparatory to graveling six or seven miles of which, it is said, will be put on.

**Finishes Boat—**  
LeRoy Lay of the Cove who is a very skilled workman, has recently finished the fine motor boat on which he has been working for some time. Mr. Lay built the boat for his own pleasure and enjoyment, but since its completion or near-completion he has received a number of flattering offers for it. It is reported that its value is \$1,500. Mr. Lay, at present, contemplates taking the boat to Wallowa lake.

**Visits Sun—**  
Mrs. Frank J. Berry of Enterprise has been in this valley making a visit at the home of her son, Merj Berry.

**Lamb Pool Begins Its Operations**

The Union county lamb pool committee met Saturday and the very large attendance attested to the interest in his project for the disposition of the present lamb crop. T. B. Johnson, of lower Cove, was selected to act as official buyer for the association.

It is reported that the first shipment of lambs will probably be made about the first of June, and will consist of fat lambs. J. A. Lindgren from the state college will come to La Grande to assist in grading the lambs and members of the committee will help with the assembling of the animals. The first shipment will in all likelihood have Omaha for its destination. It is reported that eastern market prices are lower than they have been since 1926.

The reports also are that about 15,000 fleeces have been signed up for the Pacific Cooperative, this as over against 4,000 of last year. Fred Herrin was in the valley last week getting the work started off.

Shearing in this county was well started when the stormy weather of last week set in and operations were temporarily discontinued for a time, sheep owners fearing the effects on the animals might be disastrous.

**Over Night News**

Washington—Assistant Secretary Loveman considering nation wide drive for seizure of home brew paraphernalia.

New York—Damage from eastern forest and brush fire mounts into millions, with new blazes springing up as firemen conquer others.

Washington—Federal farm board warns cooperatives financed by loan that they must sell under supervision of national grain corporation.

ROME (AP)—Italian civil service employees are forbidden to engage in other pursuits in their spare time, even those who have been playing in orchestras and bands being compelled to give up those places. Mussolini sent the notice to all provincial prefects.

**Valley Young Folks Give Fine Recital**

Clara M. Auelair presented fourteen of her pupils in a public recital at the Presbyterian church in Elgin Friday, May 2. The recital was most interesting and pleasing. The students played with poise, spontaneity and showed fine technical training even to the smallest pupil.

There were three two piano ensembles—8 hands. In one of these "Monkey Shines" by Lerman, Marie Harris, Dorothea Bechtel, Irene Arant and Rena Choate played together in unison without any assistance or conducting from their teacher. They received much applause. In the two other ensembles "The Gypsies" by Dequin, Miss Auelair, played with Lavanna Myers, at one piano, while Dorothea Bechtel and Marjorie Woodell were at the second piano. In the first number, in the last ensemble Miss Auelair, Laurene Harris, Marie Harris and Dorothea Bechtel played together. These numbers received an ovation, their perfect intonation, brilliant execution were remarkable. There was also a dainty trio played by Rena and Arleen Choate and Genevieve Sanders, a duet, besides a solo by each pupil.

Wilma Hill gave two clever and witty musical recitations accompanied by Miss Auelair.

Miss Auelair, a former Portland teacher, is an accomplished pianist having received her training in Boston under noted teachers.

Besides the above mentioned pupils were Alice Adair and Genevieve Taylor, Ruth Merritt, Catherine Barnes and Frances Maxwell were on the program but they were unable to appear that night on account of illness.

**Grain Growers In Permanent Organization**

In a recent meeting the Union County Grain Growers association, which was temporarily organized a week or two ago, met and perfected its permanent organization. Ernest DeLong was made president, and W. J. Case, James Gekeler, Grover Grinnett and Archie Conley constitute the board.

From those who are informed on the present status of affairs with this cooperative marketing group, it is learned that already 200,000 bushels of the 1929 wheat crop have been signed up and have representation in this organization. This has been done without any definite campaign, and should a definite campaign be put on it is believed the number would be greatly increased. The time for dealing with 1929 wheat has passed.

Nothing has been done as to the definite phase or manner of operation. The by-laws of the organization name La Grande as the headquarters. As we understand it, it is within the province of the local group to secure its own elevator or warehouse. Most of the interest in this particular unit centers about Elgin, where the initial steps for organization were taken. Mr. Buchanan of the elevator there is the temporary secretary.

The Union County association is a part of the Northwest Grain Growers corporation which is, in turn, a part of the National association.

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**Cold Weather Did Not Harm Valley Fruit**

The cold weather has not yet harmed the fruit prospects in this valley, according to fruit men of the county in reports yesterday. Blossom time came early this year and the cold nights and days have kept fruit men in a state of almost continual anxiety. Saturday night fear was the greatest but when the temperature reached the vicinity of 25 or 26 a good wind came up which, some think, ward off any damage that night. There are still those who point to the fact that the most serious damage on account of the cold usually comes along toward the latter part of this month.

Some cherry men living close to La Grande report that early in the blossom stage some blossoms were damaged by the frost, but not to any harmful extent. It is said, inasmuch as the blossoms hung very heavy. It is also pointed out that the foliage coming out may prove some protection, although the leaves are not yet large enough to cover the clusters of blossoms.

The experiment with sunnier spots being tried out now will be watched with no little interest on all sides.

The chief desire from all quarters, seems to be for a little more heat.

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**WEDNESDAY PROGRAMS**

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Columbia Broadcasting system: 7, symphony orchestra; 8, Roman forty-niners; 9, classical concert; 9:30, Musical Suggestions, Denver.

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Portland KEX (1180): 7, Harmony Aces; 9, concert orchestra; 10, novelty; 10:30, dance music; 11:30, news; 11:40, Midnight matinee.

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studio: 9:15, NBC; 9:30, vaudeville; 10, Cecil and Sally; 10:15, NBC; 10:30, concert; 11, dance band.

Los Angeles KFI (640): 6:30, NBC; 7:30, orchestra; 8:15, soloists and orchestra; 10:30, dance music.

KNX (1050): 6:30, musical program; 7, Mr. and Mrs. radio skill; 7:30, musical features; 10 to 1, dance music.

Oakland KIX (830): 7, news, music; 9, Bookworm; 9:15, soloists; 10, novelty, dance music.

KGO (730): 6:30, NBC; 7, orchestra; 7:30, NBC; 8, quintet, Hill Billy boys; 9:15, violin, miniature idiographies; 10, NBC; 11, dance music.

San Francisco KFOZ (610): 7, CBS; 10, records; 10:30 to 1, dance music.

KPO (680): 7, popular music; 8, NBC; 9, Cecil and Sally; 9:15, concert; 10, dance music.

KHIQ (590): 6:30, vaudeville; 10, NBC; 11, requests.

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