

OVER THE VALLEY

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To Klamath Falls— Mrs. Ray Blokland to Island City has gone to Klamath Falls where she is attending the state convention of the P. E. O. sisterhood. She is also visiting with her sister, Mrs. Hulae, whose home is in Klamath Falls.

To Go To Washington— Miss Ellen Helle, who has been living with her sister, Mrs. Harry Wells in the Valeria district and attending the county schools, is planning to return to her home in Washington state at the close of the present school year. Miss Helle is completing her eighth grade work this year and has been one of the outstanding pupils at Valeria.

Returns Home— Mrs. Lillian Weatherford and son, Ronald, have returned to their home at Santa Rosa, California. Mrs. Weatherford was called here recently by the death of her father, J. A. Holman of the Grange Hall neighborhood.

Visits— Mrs. James Monaghan, of Touchet, Washington, formerly of this valley has been here visiting. She was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Ona Rhodes, but spent several days in different parts of the valley among friends.

Have New Car— Mr. and Mrs. Billy Choate of near Summerville are driving a new Chrysler sedan the last few days. They will notice a great difference after having driven an open car for years. There are lots of pretty tulip beds over the valley but few, if any, have as many and as rich colored tulips as does Mrs. Choate.

Visits Brother— Arthur McAllister of High Valley was in this valley over the weekend visiting with his brother, Reece McAllister of near Island City.

Having Picnic Today— The children at the Summerville school and their annual picnic today at Dry Creek and with this event the work of the school year closes. From all reports it has been a very successful year and Mrs. Leslie has been elected for another year's work.

School Days, School Days— Mrs. Grace Kirtley McNish, who has been visiting among her relatives and old friends in this valley for the last few weeks was the inspiration for a unique gathering last Saturday afternoon in the gold room at the La Grande hotel, when Mr. Charles B. Spencer and Mrs. Reese McAllister of the valley were hostesses. In the company were a group of former room-mates of the years from the first grade up through high school, and Mrs. Ella Russell, of La Grande, a teacher of the third grade in the local school system. Practically needless to say that the afternoon was just a happy one visiting, renewing old acquaintances, living over again the "golden rule" days and looking at pictures—the time that everybody has and looks at and laughs and sighs and weeps, perhaps. There were three present, Ed Jasper of Valeria district, Mrs. McNish and Mrs. Spencer, who were graduated in the class of 1901, who, we believe were in the first class to have four full years in the high school in La Grande. That is, they, or part of them were freshmen when the high school was started here, and there was a picture of that small beginning, the entire school with the two teachers having plenty of room on the steps and some to spare. Near the close of several happy hours, the company was seated at one table and some delectable refreshments were served. While they were at the table the guest of honor made a very happy speech. In the course of this she read a resolution adopted by some who were present, who held membership in a Bachelor club organized in 1902. (All married now.) Present at the party were Mr. and Mrs. Edward Jasper, Mr. and Mrs. Avery (Pearl Hunter) Harrison, Mrs. Ella Russell, Maude Shaw Brooks, Maude DeLong Wallinger, Mollie Sylhust, Feeder, Cora Harding Scott, Grace Childers Streiff, Mma Murray Buckman, Mrs. McNish, Mable Holbrook McAllister and Carrie Huff Spencer.

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Brooke Campbell, The dinner which Mrs. Hulae served at noon was very thoroughly enjoyed.

Hatching Pheasants— Over at the state fish hatchery near Union eight hens have recently been set on 150 China Pheasant eggs. It is reported that about 1,000 pheasants would be hatched there this year and 400 six-weeks old pheasant chicks were to be brought in from the game farm near Pendleton. These latter are to be released in this county after the next season closes.

Concludes Visit— Mrs. Henry Eries and baby daughter have returned to their home in La Grande following a visit at the home of Mrs. Eries' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Miles Woodell of Dry Creek.

Spend Day— Mrs. Earl Park had for her guests Wednesday at her home near Pleasant Grove, Mrs. Ish Adair of Summerville, Mrs. Ruth Rollins and Mrs. Hattie Wise of Imbler.

Have Stormy Session— The senior class of the Imbler high school is to be graduated on next Thursday evening, May 22. Wednesday the class with some of the teachers started on their annual picnic, having chosen one of the pretty places on Indian creek for the day's festivities. The crowd of young people had not bargained on the severe storm which came up during the day, and in that particular locality it assumed the proportions of a young water spout. Some of the features not previously arranged for, but which all the young people entered into voluntarily or perforce, was a good sound drenching, a mud fight and numerous slips and slides of cars off the road grade. There were no casualties.

Grange— When Blue Mt. grange meets tomorrow at their hall near La Grande they will have the students at the Eastern Oregon Normal school with them as members of the order, as their special guests.

Doing Quilting— A number of the mothers of the senior camp-fire group, at Pleasant Grove met at the grange hall Wednesday and worked during the afternoon on the quilt which the girls are making. The women enjoying the afternoon work to be discussed by William E. Touchet over station KOAC Monday night, May 19 at 7:30 o'clock. This is the eighth of a series on the work of Oregon's county agents in the various agricultural enterprises of the state.

Improving Homes— Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Myers who live near Summerville are making some extensive improvements and alterations about their country home, the work being done by John Lewis and his men. Mr. and Mrs. Myers' home is beautiful for situation and when these improvements are made it will be a very attractive place.

Have Guests— Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cameron returned Monday evening to their home at Baker after having been here for a few days visit at the home of Mrs. Carrie B. Steinkamp at Island City.

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Two Year Dairy Program Is On

Five hundred Oregon dairymen are cooperating with the Oregon experiment station in making a two year cost and study of the dairy industry. The study will determine the cost of dairy production in the different regions and on various types of dairy farms. The records for the first year were started last fall and are being completed this spring. The 500 dairies were selected for the study from a list of dairies of the state. Each dairyman will be visited at least three times in the two years. Approximately 500 dairymen will be visited in the various counties of the Willamette valley; 100 in the coast region and 100 in eastern Oregon.

Station Steers Top Market At 12 Cents

A shipment of livestock from the Eastern Oregon Experiment station on the Portland markets last week brought the top 12 cents for the steers and 11 cents for the heifers. "They came very near being too fat," said superintendent Robert Withycombe in an interview yesterday, "but they were certainly fine animals." The shipment consisted of 28 head, a full carload. Another shipment of baby heifers will be sent out from the station today or tomorrow, Mr. Withycombe reports. These animals were on feed for 120 days, were white faced cattle and from stock from the herds of ex-governor Walter M. Pierce, of this valley. Chasley Hunter and Mr. McDonald of Walla Walla county. Their feed consisted of chopped alfalfa plus a grain ration. "Chopped alfalfa," said Mr. Withycombe, "if it can be produced without too great expense, especially if it should be hay of no, the best quality, would make the best feed, I am convinced. And if we can work out some scheme whereby there could be incorporated in with chopped alfalfa enough molasses to keep down the dust, and with little expense, we will have the ideal feed." That is one problem which they hope to solve at the station, according to Mr. Withycombe. Mr. Withycombe returned from Portland the last of last week, having accompanied the livestock to that market.

The work for this spring has already been completed in Lane, Linn, Benton, Polk, and Marion counties. As soon as the Willamette valley counties are completed, the survey crew will move to eastern Oregon and from there to the coast region.

Doing Nicely— Mrs. Charles Gekeker of Grange Hall who is a patient at the Grande Grande hospital following a serious illness is reported to be improving nicely.

A Recognition— Comes another illustration of a Union county boy who has gone out into the world and made good. This is the story, in only a glimpse or two, of Arthur W. Lindsey, son of Mrs. Alice Lindsey of Island City and brother of Mrs. Carrie B. Steinkamp, who was born on the old home farm of pioneer parents, in the Iowa neighborhood. We are told that the father died when this boy was a mere lad and it fell to the mother to raise her little family of small children all alone. At the age of 17 this boy took a job as messenger boy in a bank. He must have done his work well for Tuesday of last week, all the employees and attaches and their wives of one of the largest banking institutions in Spokane met at the Davenport hotel and banqueted together with this boy, now a man of years and chairman of the board, as the guest of honor, honored on account of his 42 years of faithful service with that organization. It was also the 48th anniversary of the organizing of the bank. In the list of those who were given service pins following a long custom, Mr. Lindsey's name headed the list and instead of the ordinary service pin which has a star for

each five years of service, Mr. Lindsey was given a diamond pin awarded only after a connection of 25 years and over. Mr. Lindsey was also given by his fellow associates a beautiful painting "The Pioneer" by the American artist, Young-Hunter, and this he presented in turn to the bank, to be hung in one of the offices. In reviewing the history of the bank, the First National Trust and Savings Bank of Spokane, Mr. Lindsey told of an incident in connection with a fire which the bank

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A SEASONABLE RECIPE

Strawberry Jam Cake
1 cup of sugar,
2-4 cup of butter,
3 eggs beaten separately,
2-4 cup of jam,
1-3 cup of buttermilk,
1 teaspoon of soda dissolved in the milk,
2 cups cake flour,
1 tablespoon of cinnamon,
1 1-2 teaspoon nutmeg.
Add the beaten vanilla, cream butter and sugar, then add jam, flour and milk. Beat well and add the spice. Last add the whites of the eggs. Bake in shallow pan.

RANGE & LIVESTOCK, MAY FIRST

Oregon Range conditions improved materially during April according to the May 1st report of the Federal State Crop Reporting Service. Losses of livestock have been heavy in the north and calf crop prospects are generally good throughout the state.
Ranges
The condition of Oregon Ranges for May 1st, 1930 is above the average of the past five years. April rains helped moisture condition materially. Prospects for summer range are only fair, however, as central Oregon needs more moisture to insure grass for the summer. Snowfall in the mountains was generally short and below average moisture content except in Walla Walla mountains and Crater Lake region where snow is plentiful. Washington ranges need more moisture to make summer and fall feed. Idaho ranges are in good condition and there is a big carry-over of hay. Over the western range area generally, feed was greatly improved by rains late in April. Prospects for late spring and summer feed is good except in areas where recent rains have not overcome long periods of drought. Ranges in Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, Idaho, Utah and Nebraska are ready with a generally good supply of feed and ample moisture except for dry spots in southern Wyoming, southern Colorado and southeastern Idaho. Range feed in Arizona and New Mexico is good with few dry spots in east central and southeastern New Mexico. The long drought and short feed situation in Texas and Oklahoma was broken by late April rains and will improve rapidly where moisture is needed in western Texas to overcome the long drought. California temperatures were favorable but rainfall limited, range feed is plentiful but water and summer feed prospects are poor where the rainfall has been light. Cattle
Oregon cattle improved in condition during April with better range feed. Calf crop prospects

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Dakota. With better feed, cattle in these areas should make rapid gains. Cattle in the other states have wintered in good condition and calf crop prospects are generally good except in states where short feed and severe winter conditions were hard on cows. There has been little trading and but few cattle have changed hands in the southwest. The condition of cattle is 87 per cent of normal compared with 85 per cent last month, 87 per cent a year ago, and the five year average of 83.7 per cent.
Oregon sheep condition is about average. Range lambing is still in progress and lamb prospects are good. Conditions have been favorable for lambing and losses have been light. A few contracts on lambs were made early in the season but the demand is very weak now. Wool buyers are offering 15 to 20 cents per pound on range wool with Willamette valley wool about 3 or 4 cents higher. Washington sheep are in fair condition with lambs making slow growth in some eastern sections. Idaho ewes are in good condition with a good lamb crop. Some wool sold at 18 to 21 cents. Sheep came through the winter in much better condition than a year ago except in Texas and North Dakota. Breeding ewes have wintered well in Idaho, Washington, Oregon, Nevada, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, Wyoming, Colorado, and western South Dakota. Early lambing has been good and late lambing conditions were favorable up to the end of April, with good prospects for May lambing if weather conditions are favorable. The winter and spring was hard on sheep and goats in Texas and there was some loss of lambs and a shorter lamb crop than last year. Montana sheep came through well under rather adverse conditions and there are a few more dry ewes than last spring. California sheep have improved with better feed. There has been no contracting of feeder lambs. Wool sales have been limited at prices generally ranging from 17 to 23 cents, a large amount of wool being consigned to dealers and the National Wool Marketing Corporation.

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