

OVER THE VALLEY

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From Other Valley—

Mrs. Leland Sackett arrived in the valley Tuesday night for a visit at the home of her sister, Mrs. W. R. Ledbetter of Alicel, with her father, L. McKennon in La Grande, and her other relatives and old friends here. Mrs. Sackett will be better remembered as Frances McKennon, Mr. McKennon's youngest daughter.

Grange to Meet—

The regular meeting of the Pleasant Grove grange will be held Saturday evening at the hall. It will be a St. Patrick's meeting with a number of special features.

Leave for California—

Mrs. N. E. Hershey and son, Stanley, left Wednesday night for California where they plan to remain until after the close of school, the trip being made primarily in an effort to improve Mrs. Hershey's health. They will spend the time at the home of her son, Paul Hershey and wife. These two are in Berkeley and Mr. Hershey is pastor of Berkeley and Mr. Hershey is pastor of Methodist churches. Mrs. Hershey will also be near her daughter, Ruth Anne, who is taking nurse training at the Stanford school with a very good attendance. Mrs. Hershey has not been well for some time. Rev. Hershey and son, Wesley, will look after the Stanford parsonage at Island City until the two return in the early summer.

Back in Valley—

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Lee, who are taking up their residence on one of the McKinnis farms in the vicinity of Rhinehart, have returned to the valley again and while they are at present at the home of their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Frank McKinnis, they will soon be on their own place. This last trip was made to their former home in La Grande where they went several weeks ago to bring the rest of their farm equipment, their chickens, etc., to this valley. The entire way comes this family back to Eastern Oregon.

Is Re-elected—

Mrs. Miss Fries has been elected for another year's teaching duties at the Dry Creek school. Mrs. Fries is near the end of a very successful school year in what we believe is the largest one room school in Union county.

Fractures Arm—

Miss Harriett Avery, younger daughter of County Agent and Mrs. Harry G. Avery of Island City, had the misfortune to fall a few days ago and fracture her right arm. Harriett has had her little life filled with woes lately. She had been trying to have something which her father could not do for her. She was not so whopping cough and she was making regular visits to Dr. Ralston's office, rather looking forward to having the cough out of the future. They say there is nothing like having lots of excitement all at once.

Home from California—

Grandpa Knight, who lives on Cricket Flat above Elgin, returned home Tuesday evening from his recent visit of several weeks with his relatives in California. He was met in La Grande by his son, Sam Knight of Rhinehart, and made a short stop at that home. Mr. Knight is in the forty-fourth year of his age and ten but he gets around like a school boy and gets as much thrill out of travelling and sight-seeing as anyone. He has apparently completely recovered from the accident of a couple of years ago when he fell and broke his hip.

Makes Fine Showing—

Mrs. W. A. Zurbick of Moss Chapel has recently done a splendid piece of work in the La Grande branch of the American Association of University Women where she is filling the office of chairman of the fellowship fund. The local group, having been organized less than a year, was required to contribute to the national fellowship fund, but inasmuch as this is a very important year for the association, a special effort is being made along the line of fellowships, the La Grande women under the inspiration of Mrs. Zurbick made a splendid showing.

New Walk—

Mrs. Tom Wallinger is quite happy over the new flagstone walk which the men folks are laying on their ranch on the lower Cove market road, leading from the front gate up to the house. The stones were secured from the Elgin canyon and are not only thin and smooth but very large and the walk is going to be mighty good looking. Mrs. Wallinger has been dreaming of this walk for a long time and now she is centering her dreams on a new fireplace.

Island Aid—

The regular meeting of the Island City aid will be held next Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Harry G. Avery. The officers are hoping that the attendance may be very large.

Two High Cows—

Two grade Holstein cows made the high records for the month of February in the Union County Dairy Herd improvement association, according to the report just issued by the official tester, Ralph Robinson. "Speck," a five-year-old grade cow produced 85.1 pounds of butterfat from 1736 pounds of milk. Second place was taken by a cow from the herd of N. K. West, which had 71.2 pounds of butterfat to her credit from 1873 pounds of milk.

A SEASONABLE RECIPE

ROAST LEG OF LAMB
Trim and remove fell from a leg of lamb.
Rub surface with salt and pepper, and insert a clove of garlic in the joint.
Place meat in a roasting pan, set the pan in a hot oven, (300 degrees F.) for 20 minutes, then heat (275 degrees) and roast the meat until done, about 30 to 35 minutes per pound.
Make a brown gravy from the drippings in the pan.
With the roast serve:
Mint Sauce
Add 1-3 cup chopped mint leaves and 2 tablespoons sugar to 1/2 cup hot vinegar.
Stir until the sugar is dissolved.

Three More Clubs—

County superintendent of schools, Frank S. Krumm, announces three additional home economics clubs in the county which have been officially reported. Two of these, the Cove Cooking club, division one and two, have already been reported in these columns. The third club is the Cove Sewing Division one. This club boasts of eight members with Mildred Hagey as president, Sarah Brothers, vice president, Georgia Lindsay, secretary and Mrs. Nola Lindsay, local leader. This makes a total of twenty clubs doing work in Union county now and there are 14 members doing individual work. In these clubs are enrolled 242 boys and girls.

Moving to Irigon—

Mrs. Kate Woods of La Grande, one of the members of the pioneer Wallinger family, has recently traded her property, the Maple Apts. for a ranch in the vicinity of Irigon, and she and her son and wife, Mary and Mrs. Clay Woods, have gone to take possession.

Makes Fine Repairs—

Irvin Westenkow of Imbler is making very extensive repairs on the house which he recently purchased and will make it the family home. The place was the home of the late Grandpa Westenkow and is located on the highway. A full basement is being built under the house, a water system installed and the place quite generally being remodelled.

Alice Aid—

The weather may have detained a few members of the Alice Ladies aid society at their homes yesterday, but in spite of the most welcome showers of the afternoon, a nice company of women gathered at the home of Mrs. Everett Wallinger in the Valeria district where Mrs. Wallinger, Mrs. Herbert Speckhart, Mrs. Harry Fisher and Miss Emma McAnish entertained the aid. A special guest during the afternoon was Mrs. J. P. DeLong, Mrs. Wallinger's mother, who is so beloved by all the women who know her. The meeting opened with the devotionals conducted by Mrs. Ed Jasper, and included the singing of "The Morning Star" and the reading of the scriptures. The program of the afternoon was announced by Mrs. Fisher and it, too, had to do with Easter. There were songs by Mrs. Jasper and Dickie Fuller, their mothers playing the accompaniments. Mrs. Howard Smith of La Grande gave the address, giving something of the origin of Easter and the events which lead up to the Resurrection Day. The program closed with the song "Hosannah" by Mrs. Ray Fuller. The women remained for an hour or so of visiting and during this time, the hostesses served a tray lunch in which the Easter motif predominated.

At Mother—

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Tuttle are staying for a few days at the home of his mother, Mrs. Jeanette Tuttle of Willoughby creek, while Mr. Tuttle is helping his brother, Cap Tuttle, through the lambing season. Cap Tuttle has one of the largest bands of sheep in that part of the valley.

Has Narrow Escape—

Mrs. Josephine Fisher of near Cove has been very happy over the purebred ewe lamb which she has already adopted for her sheep club project this year. The animal is a fine specimen of "lambhood" and Josephine has been watching it grow from day to day. But yesterday she had the scare of her life when the lamb fell in a spring hole and but for her early discovery of the accident and her timely help the animal would have drowned.

Masons Purchase Church—

It was announced recently that the Masonic order of the Cove had purchased the old Mormon church and will convert it into splendid quarters for the Blue Lodge and the Eastern Star, the two Masonic orders of that community.

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