

Over The Valley Personals

Returning Home—Mrs. Bryant Christensen and small daughter, who have been in the valley for several weeks assisting in the care of her sister, Mrs. Dan Westenskow, during her serious illness, plan to leave tomorrow for their home in Salt Lake City.

Has Nice Chickens—Mrs. W. D. Miller, who lives in the vicinity of the lower Cove school, has a nice lot of young chickens which she is caring for. She has about 200 now, all doing well. A small percentage of them came off during the middle of March and are quite saleable.

Lilies Beautiful—At the George Gray farm on the lower Cove there is a very beautiful hedge of lilies which are now in full bloom, and much farther advanced than any we have seen in the valley at this time. The bushes are large and full of blossoms, which Mrs. Gray attributes to the fact that they are growing very near the irrigation ditch. Their early blossoming she accounts for by the fact that they are

in a place more or less sheltered from the cold winds and where they get plenty of warm sunshine. The hedge is a wonderful sight now, with both the purple and white lilies out in great masses.

To Have Game Sunday—The Imbler town baseball team will meet a similar team from Cove next Sunday. It is reported.

Rent Home—Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Griffin, who came recently from Hogue, Wash., to spend several months in the valley, have rented the home of Mr. and Mrs. Milo Hekland at Island City and will live there. Mr. and Mrs. Griffin were former residents of La Grande and Island City.

C. of C. Dinner—The Union county chamber of commerce will hold its Forum luncheon next Tuesday at the Island City Community church, with the aid society of that church serving. This is an annual event which is always looked forward to by members of both organizations.

All-Day Meeting—Yesterday was a red letter day for the members of the Imbler Ladies Aid society. Their usual meeting was rather unusual. They went to La Grande and had an all-day meeting at the home of Mrs. E. E. Hurley, who formerly lived at Imbler and was a good friend to all the women there. There were 23 ladies present. A business meeting was held in the morning and was presided over by Mrs. J. A. Gaskill, who also had charge of the devotionals. The afternoon was spent in a delightful social fashion. The next meeting will be held the first Thursday in June at the country home of Mrs. J. A. Gaskill.

Improves—Miss Laura Scott of Union, who underwent an operation for appendicitis last week, is said to be doing splendidly. She is the sister of Mrs. John Dahlstrom of Moss Chapel.

Visits—Miss Marie Ledbetter, of near Alice, has been spending two days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Parsons, in La Grande.

Have Meeting—Tuesday evening the members of the official board of the Island City church held a fine meeting at the parsonage, with Rev. Hershey and Mr. and Mrs. Allen Shapp responsible for some entertaining features and for some "santa's."

Buyer Here—Mr. Waterbury, advance buyer for the Pacific Fruit and Produce Co., was a business visitor in the valley this week.

Coming for Visit—The relatives are rather looking for Mrs. Harry Hulac and her small son, David, for a visit of at least a month, and they are looking for them every day now until they arrive. They have been for some time in Portland but have recently returned to Klamath Falls to pack their household effects preparatory to moving to the vicinity of Sheridan. Mrs. Hulac is a sister of Mrs. Ray Hekland and a niece of Mrs. C. H. Bidwell of Island City.

CRICKET FLAT PERSONALS

By Lois Witherspoon (Observer Correspondent)

CRICKET FLAT (Special)—Mr. and Mrs. Dave Hug spent Monday visiting at the home of their son, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Hug.

Mrs. Mary Abbott spent Tuesday visiting in and near Imbler with her sister, Mrs. Quintella Morris, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Brehsars and daughter, Ada, of Cove, spent Sunday visiting at the home of Mrs. Roy Hays.

Ben Bruggen was a La Grande visitor Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Roulet and family and Mrs. A. H. Parsons were La Grande visitors Saturday.

Susan Stanchfield, who is the teacher at the Cunningham school; Mildred Magee, who is the teacher at the Rydman school; and Lucella Rydman spent Sunday visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Rydman.

Miss Loye DeVore, Miss Averil Stewart, Miss Wilma Stewart, Lenora Tucker and Charles Barnhart motored to Wallawa Lake Sunday on a pleasure trip.

Bill Townsend, who is employed near La Grande, spent Sunday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Townsend.

James Bell Jr. and Charles Zigler, of La Grande, were visiting friends in Elgin over the weekend.

Miss Ruby Parsons, who is a student at the E. O. N. in La Grande,

spent the weekend visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Parsons, in La Grande.

Mrs. C. C. Cates and daughter, Frances, spent Sunday visiting relatives and friends in La Grande.

James Parsons and Mrs. Joffet, of La Grande, spent Sunday visiting at the home of Mr. Parsons' parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Parsons.

Mr. and Mrs. Nels Rasmussen of La Grande visitors Wednesday morning.

M. E. McCall, Mrs. Kate Cowan, and son, Raymond, and daughter, Margaret, left Wednesday morning for Flora on a combined business and pleasure trip. Mrs. Cowan and daughter will stop at Enterprise where they will visit her sister while Mr. McCall and Raymond go to Flora. They expect to return the last of this week.

The junior and senior classes of the Elgin High school will present a play entitled "The Eighteen Carat Diamond" at the City Opera House Thursday evening.

COVE PERSONALS

By Mrs. J. H. Price (Observer Correspondent)

COVE (Special)—Miss Mary Madden, whose home is in Preepert, Ill., is visiting her cousins, Mrs. J. R. Fisher and L. M. Laird.

Madden spent the winter in Palo Alto, Cal., and will return to her home after visiting for a few weeks in the valley. She arrived from La Grande where she had been visiting relatives Monday evening.

The seventh grade at Union has invited the seventh and eighth grades of Cove to spend Friday with the Union students at Goodrod lake where there is swimming and boating. A picnic lunch will be served for the combined group. The Cove students are expected to arrive at the lake about 10 o'clock. The day has not been decided upon as yet.

The eighth graders have practically finished the year's work and are reviewing in preparation for the state examinations. Mrs. J. E. Miller, who is on the examining board this year, has offered a prize of \$1 for anyone who can equal or better the grades of last year's eighth graders.

Charles Hancock conducted the services at the Methodist Episcopal church Sunday morning, and O. M. Gardner was in charge of the evening service. Dr. C. E. Calame was in the congregation but did not feel equal to conducting the services owing to his recent illness. He will, however, preach a Mother's day sermon next Sunday.

Rev. T. W. Harris, of Washington, will have charge of the services in the Baptist church Sunday, both morning and evening. Mr. Harris is coming to Cove with a view of accepting the pastorate here later.

Rev. and Mrs. William Mauler, of Baker, were weekend guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hancock. Mr. Mauler has been conducting the Baptist services at the absence of a resident pastor.

The botany students of Cove High school report that life would be greatly worth while if all the instructors were teaching botany. The pleasant trips up the mountain side in search of specimens for their herbarium was in the nature of other classes, that the botany students appear at these classes.

The Cove High school girls have invited the Union girls to play day, which will begin in the morning with volleyball, basketball, races and other games and will finish with a swim after the Cove girls have given a picnic lunch to the Union girls at the swimming pool camp grounds. Miss Mae Hileman, of Cove, will direct the sports.

The fifth and sixth grades of Union, in charge of their teacher, Miss Gemmell, spent all day Tuesday picnicking at the Cove. Games, swimming parties and other amusements were the one by the Cove freshmen which will take place Wednesday evening and the one Saturday afternoon when the Cove and Union High school girls will swim.

LOWER COVE PERSONALS

By Mrs. Nell Knight (Observer Correspondent)

LOWER COVE (Special)—Everyone is enjoying the sunny days. Farmers are all busy in the fields. Hay and grain crops are looking fine.

Grandma Thompson, aged 80, mother of Mrs. T. B. Johnson, is greatly improved, being able to walk out of doors and enjoy the sunshine. Nell Knight sold three of his dairy cows and 16 sheep to Tom Jones, of La Grande, last week. Mr. Jones is stocking a farm west of Cove.

T. B. Johnson and Harlan Koger each received a shipment of baby chicks on Wednesday.

Miss Melvin Land visited in Cove the past few days.

Howard Gausset is driving a new coach.

Mrs. Mary Chambers is on the sick list again.

Jean Koger spent Tuesday night with her friend, Lillian Knight.

Miss Vera Case and pupils of Frosty school spent May day at Cove where they enjoyed all the May day program, stunts, etc.

Profundity—One distinction nowadays is to write a book so incomprehensible that at least a dozen interpreters, who think they know more than the author, will write explanations of the original text.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

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Treaty Between U. S., Canada Is Present Object

By Frank L. Weller (Associated Press Editor)

WASHINGTON (AP)—The St. Lawrence seaway, calculated to be worth its capital cost each year to agriculture, and even more to industry, is nearing realization after 12 years of international negotiation.

All that is required is a treaty between the United States and Canada for development of the 48-mile international rapids section. The United States is ready and Prime Minister Bennett has agreed to prepare a bill to appoint commissioners for Canada.

Canadian delay is said to have been caused by the fact that the Bennett government has been in power only a few months.

Bennett has said the St. Lawrence project will relieve unemployment to a degree, and aid both industry and agriculture. He is quoted as saying he will do everything in his power to get it started.

Discussed With Hoover

Both Bennett and Dr. R. J. Manion, Canadian minister of railways and canals, are said to have discussed the project with President Hoover and the state department on recent visits to Washington.

Presumably, the United States is to take the entire cost of the ship channel and the construction of locks in the international section—representing a cost of about \$100,000,000 to balance the ledger with Canada for construction of the \$125,000,000 Welland canal connecting Lake Ontario and Lake Erie.

In addition, but not as a part of the treaty, the United States is to construct the channel connecting Lake Superior with Lake Michigan and Lake Huron, and the one connecting Lake Huron with Lake Erie.

In the last rivers and harbors bill, congress authorized \$30,000,000 of the \$65,000,000 estimated cost of the first, and \$350,000 of an estimated \$1,000,000 has been let in contracts to start work between Lake Ontario and Prescott, Ont.

Much of Work Done

The treaty will cover development from Prescott to Cornwall where Canadian responsibility again begins. Work has been started on the 14-mile Beharous canal connecting Lake St. Francis and Lake St. Louis.

Completed, the seaway would mean that ships of ocean-going draught could reach all points on the St. Lawrence and the Great Lakes. This would have the effect of bringing \$300 million, for example, 1000 miles nearer the Atlantic ocean. Alliance, Neb., and Billings, Mont., would be 900 miles from ocean ports, the Twin Cities within 120 miles, and Kansas City within 450 miles.

Puts Midwest Near Ocean

The seaway would give the mid-west an ocean base for the industrial imports and exports of that vast region the benefits of ocean freight rates.

For that matter, the seaway would provide a direct ocean route for wheat from the great elevators at Port Arthur and Port William on Lake Superior.

There is some opposition to the project. This is principally in connection with the financial outlay necessitated and the allocation of power rights.

VITAL ORGANS LIVE 12 HOURS WITHOUT BODY

WASHINGTON (AP)—The heart, lungs and other vital organs have been kept "alive" as long as 12 hours after being removed from an animal at the Georgetown university medical school.

Dr. J. Markowitz, professor of physiology, is performing a series of these experiments in an effort to discover how drugs affect the vital organs when body tissues are not present. He is studying the effects of drugs on the organs alone in a living animal, because the muscles and other body tissues affect the organs' reaction, he says.

Dr. Markowitz has found a way to study how drugs affect the organs when body tissues are not present. He has removed the heart, lungs and other vital organs from an animal as a complete unit. They are placed in a glass case, heated warmer than the animal's body temperature.

The heart pumps blood, as in life. The lungs expand and contract, "breathing" air fed to them through a tube. The coronary blood is injected into the system to replace what is lost. All the organs function just as in the living animal and to all intents and purposes are "alive," Dr. Markowitz explains.

It is known, he says, that insulin helps the patient by increasing the amount of sugar that the muscles absorb from the blood. He has found that insulin still reduces the amount of sugar in the blood when there are no muscles present to absorb it.

SUB TO TRAP OCEAN LIFE BELOW POLE

HULL, England (AP)—A special instrument to ascertain if microscopic life exists under the ice is to be attached to the submarine in which Sir Hubert Wilkins will attempt to voyage across the North Polar basin under the ice.

The instrument has been designed by Prof. A. C. Hardy, head of the department of zoology and oceanography in the University College of Hull. It will make a continuous collection of the microscopic life, if any, in the waters as the submarine voyages under the ice.

It is a matter of great scientific interest to know of this microscopic drifting life, the plankton, as it is called, which is present in varying quantities in all the seas of the world, is to be found in the waters below the ice at the North Pole.

The organism will be caught in a continuously moving band of fine mesh silk netting and carried into a preservation chamber, the mechanism being driven by a propeller in the water.

The machine will be attached to the hull of the submarine below the bows and reloaded with fresh silk rolls from time to time through a pressure chamber.

The instrument will undergo its tests in the North Sea before being fitted to the submarine.

English Language Changes
Changes in spelling have been continuous in the history of the English language. "Conscious and deliberate efforts to simplify English spelling were made as early as 1854. The latest attempted spelling reform came in August, 1906.

Scientific "Miracle" Enables Saving of Siam King's Eyes

By Howard W. Blakeslee (Associated Press Science Editor)

NEW YORK (AP)—Removal of King Prajadhipok of Siam, is a misnomer. A vital part of the eye is removed and glasses made to substitute for it. The operation is one of the miracles of medical science.

Cataract usually is due to clouding over of the crystalline lens of the eye, or of the lens covering. This lens is a crystal-clear body placed just behind the pupil. For good vision this lens must stay clear.

Nature is ingenious in the manner of feeding this living tissue. Blood vessels could not serve this end, because were they to pass through the lens the clearness would be lost. Hence nature had provided a clear, water-like fluid in front of the lens and a jelly-like substance behind it. Through the agency of these the lens secures its sustenance.

With age this arrangement may prove inadequate and the lens will commence to degenerate, becoming cloudy. This is cataract.

The disease may result from other causes—an injury, or a complication of organic diseases, like diabetes. Children may be born with it, and the condition may come on at any stage in life.

In the main cataract is an old-age disease resulting from impairment of the nutrition of the crystalline lens. Many an old person shows cloudiness of the lens around the eyes, and yet has fairly good eyesight. If the entire lens becomes involved blindness follows.

A person with cataract may see light as if looking at frosted glass. Objects are shadows. When the clouded crystalline lens is removed by the operation for cataract, the frosted pane is gone but objects cannot be distinguished because there is no focusing lens.

This defect is remedied very simply by use of glasses of ordinary type, thickened to supply the lens effect.

Dr. John M. Wheeler, New York, eye specialist, has been selected to do eye operation on King Prajadhipok's eyes.

NIGHT CLUBS PINE

LONDON (AP)—Like Arabs, London night clubs are folding their tents and silently stealing away.

Built on the business tenet of "never give the sucker a break," the places flourished for a time, but eventually the worm turned from the chisel.

Two or three years ago the clubs were packed and bills for an average

ning at many tables hit the three-figure mark in pounds sterling. Not so today, for the cheaper restaurants are "getting the play."

The Kit Kat club, which was only a high-cover-charge restaurant, has pulled down the shades, and other places are due to follow suit.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT

ROSEBURG, Ore., May 8 (AP)—Mrs. George Burchard of Looking Glass was brought to a hospital here Thursday suffering from gunshot wounds in both legs, received accidentally.

Her husband had left a loaded shotgun in the kitchen that it would be handy in case of appearance of hawks which had been killing their chickens. The gun was knocked over and discharged while Mrs. Burchard was washing dishes. The shot struck her in both ankles.

CONSTRUCTING HANGAR

ROSEBURG, Ore., May 8 (AP)—Construction has started on a hangar for the Roseburg airport. The building will provide space for the storage of three planes, and will house a waiting room, office and rest rooms. Grounding companies are preparing to erect filling stations within the next few weeks.

FREE SALMON BAKE

ROSEBURG, Ore., May 8 (AP)—The Douglas County Sportsmen's association, and the Game Protective association announced their annual "free salmon bake" will be held June 7.

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