

OVER THE VALLEY

Mabel E. Morton, Valley News Editor

Is Better—
Senator Fred E. Kiddle, who has been ill all this past week, is reported to be some better although he is still confined to his bed at his home in Island City.

Observe Anniversary—
Mr. and Mrs. Burt Kall celebrated their 14th wedding anniversary last Sunday at their home in Connorsdale. A chicken dinner was served by Mrs. Kall to the following persons: Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Albertson, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Diehl, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Simonson and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Ham-mack and five children. Miss Mabel Kivlin was also a guest later in the evening. The hostess received many useful gifts. The afternoon was spent in playing games and in visiting.

From Salem—
Miss Marie Ledbetter arrived this morning from Salem where she is a student at Willamette university and will spend the Christmas vacation at her home near Alice. Eva, who teaches at Lewiston, Idaho will be home next Thursday. C. W. who is teaching at Salmon, Idaho will be unable to come home this year inasmuch as the vacation there begins too late for him to reach home by Christmas, and a basketball schedule demands that a part of his vacation be spent at Salmon. Glen is athletic coach in the Salmon high school.

Elect Officers—
Officers to serve for the year 1932 were elected by the Cricket Flat Grange above Elgin at their last meeting. The list includes: Master, Raymond Wadley; Overseer, J. E. Witherspoon; Steward, Emil Miller; Assistant steward, John Wadley; Lecturer, Mrs. Harold Blanchard; Chaplain, Mrs. M. E. Beem; Treasurer, John Gekeler; Secretary, Perry Witherspoon; Gatekeeper, James Gekeler; Ceren, Mrs. Raymond Wadley; Pomona, Mrs. Emil Miller; Flora, Mrs. L. E. Perin; Lady assistant steward, Lois Witherspoon.

Executive committee, Bernal Hug, Emil Miller, A. Sonnenberg.
For Vacation—
Miss Margaret Hubbard, of Cove, left yesterday afternoon by car, in company with Miss Madeline Larson and Miss Arta Lawrence, for Seattle, where she will spend the Christmas vacation at her home.

Improved—
His hundreds of friends over the valley will be very glad to know that there is noted improvement in the condition of Robert Withycombe, superintendent of the Eastern Oregon experiment station near Union and that Mrs. Withycombe has returned to her home here from Portland where she had been called by his condition. Mr. Withycombe is at the Jones clinic.

To Give Program—
The pupils of the Iowa school, and their teacher, Miss Esther Fellman, are stranding a Christmas program which they plan to give at the school next Wednesday evening, Dec. 23. Miss Fellman will leave the next day for Portland to spend the holidays with relatives.

Visit Parents—
Mr. and Mrs. Forest Harder are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Brown, near Summerville. They plan to be in the valley until the first of February when they will return to their home at White Salmon, Wash. Mrs. Harder is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Brown.

Staying in Imbler—
Miss Marjorie Woodell of Dry creek is staying in Imbler these days, at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Minnie Hardy. Marjorie is a student in the Imbler high school and cannot make the trip back and forth on account of the present condition of the roads.

Loses Valuable Dogs—
The second of two valuable dogs belonging to Al Stonedahl, of the Catherine Creek road, was a victim of dog poisoners Friday night. Mr. Stonedahl remarked that he still has his best dog and as it is the one that likes the overall, he thinks there won't be any chickens stolen.

Receive Greetings—
Foreign mails this week brought some very attractive Christmas cards to friends in all corners of the valley. The cards referred to particularly, came from Vienna and brought greetings from Dr. and Mrs. P. L. Halston. The reports are that the Halstons are having a worth while time across the sea. The doctor is studying hard, and working hard but in a short time, the two of them, expect to begin their period of sight-seeing before starting on the return to America.

Children Coming Home—
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Comstock of the Mill Creek canyon road are looking eagerly forward to having their children home for the holidays. John and Frances are second and first year students, respectively at the state college, Corvallis, while Ruth is taking nurse training in Portland.

Remains Same—
The condition of George Miller, valley pioneer, who has been confined to his bed for some time does not change much. At times he seems better and his mind seems clear, but the major part of the time there seems to be little change one way or the other.

To Nevada—
When Herbert Haller returned to his work at Sparks, Nev., after having been called here by the death of his father, Fred Haller, of Tolo-cast, he was accompanied by his sister, Edith Haller, who will stay with him and attend school in the Nevada town.

From Eugene—
Robert Coad arrived in the valley Thursday night from Eugene, while

his brother, Carl, came in last night also from the other valley. They will spend their vacation at their home in Cove where their mother, Mrs. E. E. Coad, is on the high school faculty.

Couldn't Cover Route—
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Has Measles—
Darwin Keenan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Keenan, of near Imbler has been a victim of the measles. He is doing very nicely. The measles epidemic has covered a lot of territory in the valley, but is quieting down some now.

Not Encouraging—
Word from William Jasper, aged valley resident, who has been at a local hospital since the fall in which he fractured his left hip, a few weeks ago, is not very encouraging. From what we hear of his condition, we understand that the break is of such character that desired setting and healing is impossible.

Celebrate 70th Wedding—
Friends in the valley have had word of the passing of the 70th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. George Brown, who live at Walla Walla, at present, at the home of a daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Brown were married in Illinois, in 1861, spending the years until 1924 at different points in the middle west. Married at the ages of 19 and 16, Mr. and Mrs. Brown are now 89 and 86. He is said to be hale and hearty and enjoying life to the full. Mrs. Brown is not in as robust health as her husband, but shared in the happiness of their recent anniversary.

Appreciates Wonderland—
An editorial writer in the Portland Journal, two weeks ago, paid a very splendid tribute to the scenic beauties of Eastern Oregon, when he said to readers, not only of Oregon but of the entire Northwest: Citizens of Walla Walla ask that the road built by the state to reach the Walla Walla Wonderland be extended to the original destination. They ask the state highway commission to build the highway on from Joseph where it now ends, to the head of the beautiful Lake Wallaw, where trails begin that lead into the heights of that lost range of the Rockies called the Wallaw mountains.

Highway Commissioner William Hanley, representing the country beyond the range, bids the Wallaw citizens to hope. Their appeal, he acknowledges, has justice.
Nor would it seem too much to ask if the request came from more than one source. The extension from Joseph to the head of the lake would be only four or five miles. Construction would be neither difficult nor expensive, if undertaken when winter frees its grip.

There will be a time when Oregon people realize that the Wallaw Wonderland is a feature of travel appeal that any other state would esteem beyond any mere money value. And it is now only a good automobile day's trip from Portland.

Go To Idaho—
Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Davidhizar, until recently of Joseph, well known in this valley member of the McKinnis family, have moved to Walsea, Idaho where they plan to live at least through the remainder of the winter.

Improving Now—
Miss Dorothy Barker, of near the Cove who has been ill of the measles is on the upgrade now, we are told.

What Effect?—
How much freezing and thawing can the present state of fall-sown wheat stand? How much damage will present weather be likely to do to the wheat? These are a few of the questions being raised the last few days by wheat growers of the valley. One such referred to the experiences of either 1924 or 1925 when the fall wheat was frozen out. Con-ly, in the lower end of the valley have raised the questions, it is asserted by authorities.

Plate Removed—
John Pellman, of Cove, who has been a patient at Hot Lake since he broke a leg in a fall early in the summer has recently had the second silver plate removed from the limb and is now confined to his bed while recovering from that ordeal. The other plate was removed some time ago.

Goes Home—
Ralph Barlow, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Barlow, of Elgin was removed to his home within the last few days. Ralph, who is a student in the Elgin high school was very ill last week and submitted to a double mastoid operation. The operation was successful and the boy is recovering nicely.

Party Today—
Mr. and Mrs. Arch McNeill of the Mill Creek canyon road have had a guest recently, Mrs. McNeill's brother, R. O. Warner, of Yakima, Wash.

Feed Combination—
Roy Baker, of Cove, is considering feeding his range with a combination of sweet clover hay and wild hay until lambing time. According to his estimate, he can feed 20 per cent more hay and save almost 15 per cent on his feed cost. Alfalfa is figured at \$7 per ton and sweet clover and wild hay each at \$5—Farm Bulletin.

Goes A-hunting—
Claude Anson, of near Island City went to Pendleton the first of this week, to spend Monday and Tuesday with friends. On Monday he was hunting for deer in that section of the country and as a result of the day's sport brought home two fine geese with him.

Home From Eugene—
Cleveland Wallinger arrived home yesterday from Eugene where he is a sophomore at the university and will spend the holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wallinger of the Valeria district.

Lodge Has Big Time—
Jewel Rebekah lodge at Summerville met on Wednesday evening in regular session with a committee in charge of the entertainment. The committee consisted entirely of men, but the company of their guests was limited to 16 on account of the terrible condition of the roads in that part of the county. The committee first put in its appearance when two men dressed as women entered the room and took the positions as right support to the noble grand and right support to the vice grand. These were later identified as Carl Brown (a colored lady) and Johnnie Wagoner. Under "Good of the Order," thrilling news from the La Grande Evening Observer was read and the two waited out of the room to the tune of "Beautiful Ohio." After lodge had closed, Frank Woodell appeared, dressed as a hobo and sang with great pathos "I Don't Want to Get Rich," and "Don't You Believe It." There was a reading by Roy Bouy, several harmonica solos by Carl Brown and a short reading by Wayne Park. After the program, a lunch of chili, crackers, pickles and coffee was served. After this, those who could went home. The rest of the crowd returned to the lodge room, where a time was spent playing cards and those who could not get home were invited to stay at the homes of different members in Summerville. The next day the women got together at the home of Mrs. John Wagoner and quitted a quilt which she had in the frames. There's some travelling out Summerville way—or else there isn't any.

In Accident—
Although we have not all the particulars, we will pass on those we have heard concerning an accident which Virgil Conley, former L. H. S. athlete, figured on a few days ago on the campus of the University of Washington, Seattle, where he is a first year student. Virgil was taking part in some sport when his arm went through the window of a car and the flesh was cut so that a good many stitches were required to close the wound. We do not know whether this will affect the plans which he made for coming to his home in this valley for the holidays.

Have Christmas Party—
Members of the Mr. Fannie gang at Cove held their annual Christmas party yesterday at their hall near Cove. Probably we should not have said "annual" for heretofore they have always had a New Year's dinner. Dinner was served at noon, with creamed chicken, pigeon and a score or more of other good things in evidence. After dinner, there was a program—two readings by Mrs. Lydia Lantz, two vocal solos by J. B. Love.

Cars Stalled—
It is reported that a number of cars were stalled Wednesday night at different points in the valley and abandoned, of necessity, for a time. This was especially true on that strip of road between the Long corner and Dillard Choate's north of Summerville.

It Better—
Mrs. John Speckhart who has been ill at her home for the last four weeks is reported to be better the last few days.

Students—
Among the Eastern Oregon Normal school students who will spend the holidays at their homes in the north end of the valley are Donald McKinnis and Gladys Billings of Imbler, Ruby and Jack Parsons of north of Elgin and Florence Smith of Gordon creek.

Visits Daughter—
Mrs. Jack Beem of Pumpkin Ridge spent yesterday and today visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Chet Skinner in La Grande.

ON THE AIR

PROGRAMS FOR WEEK OF DECEMBER 21, 1931

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7:00 a. m., Good morning meditation, led by Dr. E. W. Warrington.
7:15, Setting-up exercises, directed by Grant Swan.
7:30, Scanning the headlines.
8:00, Potpourri.
9:00, Uncle Sam at your service.
9:15, Rhythmic-melodies.
9:30, Concert by Byron Arnold.
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10:47, The magazine rack.
11:00, Morning matinee.
12:00 (Noon), Farm hour.
12:10, In the day's news.
12:25, The "Auto Operators' Examination Law," Harry C. Graves.
12:35, Market reports, crops and weather forecast.
1:00 p. m., Vaudeville.
1:30, Organ program from White-side theatre.
2:00, Around the campus.
3:00-4:00, Homemaker hour.
3:05, "Tennis and Golf," Miss Louise Hoehen.
3:15 p. m., Market reports—second broadcast of wheat and livestock reports.
6:00, Fox-Whitese theatre organ.
6:30, Farm hour.
6:33, In the day's news.
6:45, Spot market reports and weather forecast.
6:50, Market reviews—miscellaneous commodities and potatoes.
7:15, Chat by County Agent C. R. Briggs.

Tuesday, December 22
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10:30, "The Kitchen Cut-ups," Zella F. Rodenwald.
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11:00, Morning matinee.
12:00 (Noon), Farm hour.
12:10, In the day's news.
12:20, "Stories From Our Forests," Lynn F. Cronmiller, state forester.
12:35, Market reports, crops and weather forecast.
1:00 p. m., Vaudeville.
1:30, Organ program from White-side theatre.
2:00, Around the campus.
3:00-3:45, Homemaker hour.
3:05, "What Spiritual Values Are

and two Christmas readings by Mrs. Etha Wallinger. This was followed by community singing using the beautiful old-time songs. As this was an open meeting there were a number of guests who enjoyed the festivities. Mrs. Will Miller, Ward Miller, Mrs. Sun Vann, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wallinger. The next meeting will be on Monday, Jan. 5, at which time the officers recently elected will be installed.

From California—
Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Anson and family of Watsonville, Cal., have been visiting at the home of his father, J. O. Anson near Tolo-cast, and with his relatives in this valley for the last few weeks. The visitors plan to go on to Lewiston, Idaho, to spend Christmas with relatives and will return to their California home from that city.

From La Grande—
Mr. and Mrs. Hank McGoldrick returned Thursday to the home of Imbler following a visit with relatives in La Grande.

Still in La Grande—
Mrs. Miles Woodell, of Dry creek is still in La Grande at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Alice Baker. The condition of Mrs. Baker is reported as being about the same.

Roads Blocked—
A number of the market roads of the county were blocked by the wind and snow of Wednesday night and Thursday. Among the worst was the stretch between Imbler and Summerville. It was opened up yesterday.

Visits—
Miss Lorraine Hug, of Sanderson Springs, is visiting at the home of her cousins, the children of the Mrs. Lammie home at Pleasant Grove.

Leaving For South—
Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Myers, of near Summerville, and Mrs. Rue Loughlin, of near Imbler, are leaving today for the south for Livermore and other points in California for visits with relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Myers for the next two or three weeks and Mrs. Loughlin for the remainder of the winter.

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6:45, Spot market reports and weather forecast.
6:50, Market reviews—fresh fruits, vegetables and hay.
7:10, "Irrigated Pastures in Polk County," as told by County Agent J. R. Beck.
7:15, Western sheep and lamb contract report.
7:30, Musicale—Flora McCoy Gar-nier, soprano; Walter Gustafson, pianist.
7:45, Our state—Social problems: "Marriage and Divorce in Oregon," Professor R. H. Dann.
8:00, A Cappella choir of the United Church of Corvallis, directed by Byron Arnold.
8:30, Science news of the week.
8:45-9:15, The Willamette Valley Boys.

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3:05, A homemaker and her kitchen.
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6:00, Fox-Whitese theatre organ.
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6:33, In the day's news.
6:45, Spot market reports and weather forecast.
6:50, Market reviews—eggs, poultry and poultry feeds.
7:10, Meeting of Soils club, "Adding Nitrogen to the Soil," Dr. W. L. Powers.
7:45, Physics in everyday life—"Development of the Incandescent Lamp," James M. Morris.
8:00, Music of The Masters.
8:15, This interesting universe of ours—"Man and His Universe," Dean J. H. Hance.
8:30-9:00, Contributions of science to our well being—"Transportation and Communication in Rural Districts and Resulting Effects on Health," Professor W. J. Gilmore.



The home of Mr. and Mrs. John Schroeder, which was erected within the last few years on Mr. Schroeder's home place opposite the Country Club, is one of the most modern and most attractive homes in the valley. Mr. and Mrs. Schroeder, with their little family—Alma and Harry, have a home which was built to meet the needs of country life and at the same time has all the modern improvements and equipment which saves a maximum of the old-time drudgery.

Mercury Goes Low In Wallowa
According to G. C. Meek, of near Wallowa, the cold wave which started to tighten over that section toward the latter part of the week, has continued to become more severe. Monday morning, the government thermometer records kept by W. P. Poole of that vicinity, showed 13 degrees below zero. This was several degrees lower than for any time since the start of winter. However, the cold spell of some two weeks ago, Mr. Meek says, sent the mercury to about five degrees below. Present indications seemed to be that even a lower record would probably be established before this cold wave is spent. A stiff east wind has been blowing there, also, much of the time during the past two or three days, making the cold felt more than where air conditions were still.

Big Future Possible For Frozen Prunes
An announcement has been made by the United States department of agriculture to the effect that fresh prunes may be frozen successfully, an announcement which is expected to please many prune growers throughout the northwest, and that means many in Union county.

The frozen fresh prune industry is believed possible of large expansion. The senior physiologist at Seattle, H. C. Diehl states that while Italian prunes in cane sugar syrup and frozen at moderately low freezing temperatures of about zero Fahrenheit have been examined after two months in cold storage and declared by all persons who have sampled them to be far superior to the dried or canned prunes in flavor and attractiveness.

The syrup, which may be from 80 to 50 per cent in concentration, Diehl states, as the consumer's taste prefers, may be of a very attractive rose color after freezing and thawing occurred, and its presence seems to aid preserving the texture and desirable appearance of the prune, even to the bloom.

Mr. Diehl, in his report, continues to state that it was found to be particularly advantageous to pack the whole prunes in syrup in vacuumized containers, in order to prevent any oxidation of the product prior to the freezing storage. Prune pulp and halved prunes were prepared with syrup or sugar or were frozen without sweetening. When either invert-sugar or cane-sugar syrup was used the resulting product was very promising. The flavor of the fresh prunes was fully retained, the report says.

In the opinion of Mr. Diehl, it appears probable that recognition of the healthful properties of the prunes, together with the relative cheapness of the raw material and the low cost of preparation by freezing, will stimulate the production of Italian prunes frozen in syrup for desert purposes.

A SEASONABLE RECIPE

Marshmallow Loaf
Cut ½ pound marshmallows into eights, using scissors rubbed with a bit of shortening. Drop pieces into ½ cup of thin cream to soften. Meanwhile cut ½ pound of pitted dates into lengthwise pieces. Roll ½ pound of graham crackers until finely crumbled. Chop coarsely ½ cup of walnuts or pecans.

Work all together into a long roll, adding ½ teaspoon of mace to the mixture. Wrap in oiled paper and chill thoroughly in freezing compartment of refrigerator. Cut in slices when ready to serve and top with whipped cream, or serve with.

Butterscotch Sauce
Cook together, ½ cup white sugar, ½ cup golden or dark syrup, ½ cup sugar, one tablespoon milk with a few grains of salt. Boil until it forms a short thread. Add one tablespoon butter, two tablespoons boiling water and ½ teaspoon vanilla. Use hot or cold; may be thinned with milk or cream if desired. This is also a delicious sauce for steamed pudding or stale cake.

Visiting British Statesman Hurt



Concern was expressed for the condition of Winston Churchill (above), famed British statesman, when he was removed to a New York hospital after being struck and injured by a taxi-car.

Miss Sayre Tells of Mission Work
Wednesday, in those columns was given, by a few excerpts from letters, a glimpse of life in the Honan province in China as seen and experienced by Miss Geneva Sayre, daughter of County Superintendent E. A. Sayre and Mrs. Sayre. Lack of space forbade giving the entire story at one time, so we pictured Miss Sayre in her physical surroundings in one of the small villages where she and some of her co-workers had gone on their missionary work. After describing the one room in which five of them lived, Miss Sayre says:—
"In this room there were two places where there were gods. One day while I was there, it was a special time for burning incense, and the woman burned the incense in the room all day. As soon as she was up she looked at the gods. She was very friendly and took us in, but she was, nevertheless, afraid we would cast a spell over the home, displease the gods, or something. She was somewhat afraid of us though she wanted to be nice to us. This was a big home and it was her husband's older brother who had put us there to stay with her. His son and the son and his family lived in the back court, and the younger brother and his wife and their son's family lived in the front court. The younger brother was away from home at the time, so there was no man in the home. Her son's family lived in another building in the same yard, and the cooking for all of them was done in this room where I slept. I had to get up early in the morning in order to get dressed before they came in. I had to dress before it was very light. The first morning, the little grand-daughter upon waking up, called out to ask her grandmother, 'Is that foreigner out there?' I dressed in Chinese wear, but the long gown I did not wear in the country very much, so I was somewhat of a curiosity at best. They thought since I had on the long dress, that I did not have on the trousers, and several times I had to show them that I did have them on. They looked at everything I had along with me—my tooth brush, cold cream, comb, hand mirror, and stockings, and they watched me comb my hair, etc. But they were so friendly and were not afraid of me as they might have been. They didn't want me to leave and I didn't want to go.

Now about the meetings. The crowds were fine. We have been going to this village off and on for the past two years, but hadn't done a great deal until this fall. One of the things that interested me was the fact that the people here had been taught to pray with their hands and feet. They prayed intelligently and confessed their sins. She promised that she would not burn incense any more, nor burn paper money at her home, but she would pray for her mother's soul. She said that she would pray for her mother's soul. She said that she would pray for her mother's soul. She said that she would pray for her mother's soul.

Straining Of Milk Is Unnecessary
Beware of well strained milk! The term "well-strained" as an attribute of milk is of questionable value to modern dairymen in boosting his sales, according to H. A. Bendixen, of the Washington State college, department of animal husbandry.

The term is rather a reflection on the milk and its producer and is likely to arouse the suspicion of the well-informed consumer. If a good dairyman ever points with pride to his straining equipment, it is to show visitors the small amount of dirt removed by it and thus to prove that the milk is produced in a clean, sanitary manner which really makes straining unnecessary.

As a matter of fact, it might be a blessing to many a dairyman if he were to do without a strainer. Producing clean milk by straining is merely a form of self-deception on the part of the dairyman. The strainer, although it may remove the foreign matter visible to the eye, never frees the milk of the bacteria which were introduced with such matter, and consequently the keeping quality of the milk is not improved by straining. Neither does straining fool the buyer who pays on the bacterial count basis, because the microscope of the agar plate easily reveals the number of bacteria which furthermore increases constantly and very rapidly in milk, especially if it is not cooled properly.

The only excuse for the use of strainers in modern milk production is as a final safety accessory for the removal of any slight accidental contamination which is not of a serious nature. The strainer, when used, should be the type employing single service cotton pads which cannot be used again. Such pads are cheap. Strainer cloths which are used over again become cheesy in time and may be a serious source of contamination for the milk unless they are thoroughly washed and effectively sterilized before each use. Wire strainers are of little value because of their coarseness and because of their tendency to rust.

Senior-Faculty Banquet Is Held At Union High

By Mrs. L. Z. Terrall (Observer Correspondent)

UNION, Ore. (Special)—One of the real social events of the school year was the senior-faculty banquet held at the High school Thursday evening. The menu was a fine one, set for 40 guests, was most attractive with Christmas decorations in red and green and a miniature fir tree with cones as a centerpiece. The three-course banquet prepared by the girls of the home economics class and served by the junior girls was attractive as well as tasty. A program of songs and recitations followed. The first was music by the school orchestra, followed by several talks, with Roy Conklin Jr., acting as master of ceremonies. Chet Baum gave the address of welcome to the teachers and their wives and Miss Elizabeth Pugh gave the response. The High school quartet composed of Fawn Geertsen, Ethel Conklin, Chet Baum and Rodney Miller, furnished vocal music and toasts were given by Fawn Geertsen and Will Baxter. A saxophone duet by Glace Vaden and Dale Baxter completed the entertainment of the evening.

Floyd Edwards spent a few days in Union recently, looking over things at the experiment farm, in the absence of Mr. Withycombe. He returned to Corvallis on Friday. The members of the Pionoch club were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gipsen Tuesday evening. High honors for the evening were awarded to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brown and the low scorers were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Vogel.

A baby daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Hellman, at Hot Lake Tuesday. The Misses Elida and Bethene Millward are driving home to spend the holidays and will arrive Sunday. Funeral services for Jack Reeves, Spanish war veteran who died at Walla Walla Wednesday, were conducted from the Cook Bros. chapel by Rev. B. C. Lee this afternoon.

Truck drivers hauling wood Friday from the Pondosa section for the community wood yard that is to give employment to the needy families about town. The commercial club pays for the work, which will be done by hand, and any money left from the sale of the wood will go into the relief fund. About 200 cords of wood have been sold.

A large delegation from La Grande attended the banquet and election of officers of Union council, No. 5 of the Royal and Select Masons held in Union Thursday night. Illustrious Grand Master E. P. Lewis, of Marshfield, and Grand Marshal A. H. S. Hassenden, of Portland, were present and installed the officers as follows: Ill. Master George Schran; De. Master J. R. Jones; P. M. W. Dr. C. W. Erwin; Treasurer Walter Cook; Recorder M. B. Levy; C. of C. M. A. Davis; C. of G. Oscar Warnock; Steward A. B. Chaplin; Sentinel Alex Slater; and Chaplain L. H. Russell. The dinner was served at the Union hotel at 7:00.