

OVER THE VALLEY

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Entertains At Cards—Mr. and Mrs. Willis Moss entertained a few of their friends at a bridge party Saturday evening at their home in Moss Chapel. There were two tables for the game. Mr. Moss making the high score and Mrs. Shaffer, low. Mrs. Moss served refreshments, that is, stories of other guests. Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Davis, of near La Grande, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Cunningham, and daughter, Blanche, and Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Shaffer.

Visits—Mrs. Edward A. Austin, who lives west of Summerville has been spending a few days visiting with friends in La Grande, coming especially to see the "Gay Nineties" at the Methodist church. While she was a special guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Stearns, she visited in many different homes while in La Grande.

More Deer—There were 85 deer in the band which was seen on the Clarence and Albert Becker places on Lower Cove last week. Contrary to other reports which have been seen, there was at least one buck in this lot and maybe more.

House Burns—The home of Jack McBride, of Cove burned to the ground Saturday afternoon. The flames were discovered about 3 o'clock in the afternoon and were at such a stage that nothing could be done to save the building. Mr. McBride was living alone in the house.

Returns Home—Ralph Robinson, official tester of the county association, has been able to leave the Hot Lake sanatorium where he has been a patient for a few weeks following an operation for appendicitis.

Visits Father—Mrs. Jack Smith, of the Iowa district, drove over to Lower Cove Friday where she visited with her father, George Miller, valley pioneer who is in poor health.

Guest—Miss Amanda Zabel, of the EON faculty, was a guest Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Fisher and family, on Lower Cove.

New Baby—The new daughter, born Friday night in La Grande to Mr. and Mrs. Bernal Hug, of Elgin, was given the name, Anna Louise, the first of which, we presume was for the baby's great-grandmother, the venerable Mrs. Anne Hug of Elgin, head of the Hug clan and well on her way toward the century mark. Little Miss Betty Hug is exceedingly proud of the new sister, we are told.

Home From Enterprise—Mrs. Lee Smith has returned to her home near Island City following a few days visit with her daughter in Enterprise, during which time she witnessed the school play "Seven Keys to Baldpate," which Miss Beulah Smith had coached.

Bridal Party—His friends and relatives in this valley were greatly pleased to hear Russell McKennon's voice coming over KOW early Saturday morning. Russell, who is a senior in ag at the state college went to Portland to talk on tractor farming during the Caterpillar hour representing the Agricultural Engineering club and he made reference to this part of Eastern Oregon. Those who heard him say that it was a good talk Russell made and it came in well, too. The musical part of the program was also by Corvallis people.

Gives Quilting—Mrs. J. M. Bowers, of Island City, entertained a few of her friends Friday at a quilting party. Some of the guests went in the morning and remained all day, while others went after lunch. A quilting bee furnishes splendid opportunity for visiting, and Mrs. Bowers' party was no exception. Her guests included Mrs. W. T. Ballard, Mrs. G. Workman, Mrs. Garrett Blokland, Mrs. O. O. Shaffer, Mrs. Willis Moss and Mrs. McKenzie.

Specialist Visits—H. A. Lindgren, livestock specialist from the extension service of the state college, was a visitor in the valley the first of the week. He was on his way to Wallowa county to assist in a series of livestock meetings, similar to those which have been arranged for this valley the last of the week.

Ill—Fred Bowers, of Island City, was reported as being ill the last few days.

Great Times—There is one thing about the abundance of snow—Grande Ronde valley folks are enjoying the winter sports to the fullest extent. And this is probably the best time in any section of Union county than up on Cricket Flat. There, young and old have been having the most wonderful skiing parties. Last Sunday, the people in this neighborhood held their ski meet at the home of Raymond Waelty. The day was ideal and the snow was crusted just right and the hills were perfect, they say. The skis would coast for over a quarter of a mile. Those present this time were Mr. and Mrs. Rex Roulet, and son, Billy.

A SEASONABLE RECIPE

A TASTY SANDWICH
One medium-sized green pepper
One onion
One cup grated cheese
Eight slices white bread
Toast the bread very lightly on both sides. Spread with onion and pepper which have been put through a food chopper. Spread grated cheese generously over the toast. Season with salt and pepper. Put under flame or in oven until the cheese becomes brown. This makes a delicious sandwich for a quick lunch.

Hay Shortage—A hay shortage at Medical Springs is reported, by visitors from that center. Reports have it that J. E. Wanker has received 200 cows from the J. D. Worth ranch to the Homer Harkin place for feed.

Station Is Burglarized—Miscellaneous forced their way into the Hyde filling station at Island City Thursday night and made way a quantity of cigars, candy, and other merchandise which Mr. Hyde had on hand.

Value Is Shown—One concrete illustration of the benefit to be derived by dairy farmers who hold membership in an association having the full time services of a trained cow tester is given in the story of George Tilton, of Lostine, very well known in this valley, and having many relatives here. The story goes like this:

His value of continuous testing is shown this year by the records being made in the cow testing association by the herd of George Tilton of Lostine. Mr. Tilton is the only dairyman who has tested continuously since the first cow testing association was formed in the fall of 1927.

Give Party—Members of the Clover Leaf club and their families were guests at a party given Saturday night by Mrs. Ed McCane at her home on Clover creek out from North Powder. The evening was happily devoted to cards and dancing and with refreshments which the hostess served.

Preaches In La Grande—Charles Hancock, of Cove preached twice Sunday at the Nazarene church in La Grande. Rev. R. C. Lee, of Union, occupied the Cove Methodist pulpit in the evening.

Returns Home—C. E. Edvalson, of the Catherine Creek road, returned home the last of the week from Salt Lake City where he had been on business for a few days. Mr. Edvalson was one of the committee on the new building project for the L. D. S. church in Union who went to Salt Lake City to confer with church officials on plans for the new structure.

Has Sewing Bee—Grandma Sanderson entertained a few of her daughters and some other friends at her home on Monday, the group spending the day visiting as they worked on a baby quilt using the "overall boy" pattern. At noon a dinner was served, public style. Those who were present were Mrs. Wayne Park, Mrs. E. B. Long, Mrs. Burt Oliver, Mrs. Frank Woodell, Mrs. Ed Combs and Mrs. Johnnie Wagoner.

Daughter Visits—W. B. Knight, aged pioneer living in the Cricket Flat neighborhood is enjoying very much a visit which his daughter, Mrs. Lucy Allen is making him at the present time. Mr. Knight lives alone. Sunday they had as their guests for dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Knight, who live in the vicinity of Mr. Knight's home.

Aid Tomorrow—Members of the Island City aid are requested to remember the all day work meeting to be held tomorrow at the home of Mrs. C. H. Bidwell. As there is much to do, they are asking as many as can to come in the morning. A potluck dinner will be served at noon.

In La Grande—Mrs. J. A. Gaskill, of near Imbler, is visiting with her daughters, Mrs. Lola Hutchinson and Mrs. Wilma Hiett in La Grande.

ON THE AIR

Radio Station KOAC—550 Kilocycles

Thursday, Jan. 28

7:00 a. m., Good morning meditations, led by Dr. John S. Burns.

7:15, Setting-up exercises, directed by Miss Natalie Reichart.

7:30, Scanning the headlines.

8:00, Potpourri.

9:00, Organ concert by Byron Arnold, transcriptions from Finnish and Norwegian composers—Grieg and Sibelius.

10:00, Home economics observer: 10:05, Tomorrow's meals; 10:18, Food facts and fancies; 10:33, How's and why's of housekeeping; 10:47, The magazine rack.

11:00, The home garden.

11:30, Morning matinee.

12:00 (noon) Farm hour: 12:10, In the day's news; 12:23, "Rural Fire Protection," L. B. Davis; 12:35, Market reports, crops and weather forecast.

1:00 p. m., Vaudeville.

1:30, Organ program from Whiteside theatre.

2:00, Around the campus.

2:00-4:00, Homemaker hour: 3:05, "Highlights of the Month's Magazine Articles," Miss Bertha Herse.

3:55, Market reports, second broadcast of wheat and livestock.

6:00, Fox-Whiteside 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, hops, livestock, range and pasture notes and dried grains; 7:00, The Oregon Pioneers, old-time orchestra; 7:15, With the poultry flock, Professor A. G. Lunn.

7:30, The home garden, "Character in Trees and Shrubs," Prof. A. L. Peak.

7:45, Physics in everyday life, "Force, Motion and Inertia," Dr. W. B. Anderson.

8:00, Music of the masters.

8:15, College night.

9:00-9:30, National collegiate players.

Friday, Jan. 29

7:00 a. m., Good morning meditations, led by Dr. Wm. Schroeder.

7:15, Setting-up exercises, directed by Miss Natalie Reichart.

7:30, Scanning the headlines.

8:00, Potpourri.

9:00, With Uncle Sam's naturalists.

9:15, Byth-melodies.

10:00, Home economics observer: 10:05, Tomorrow's meals; 10:18, Food facts and fancies; 10:33, How's and why's of housekeeping; 10:47, The magazine rack.

11:00, Morning matinee.

12:00 (noon) Farm hour: 12:10, In the day's news; 12:23, "Electricity on the Farm," F. E. Price; 12:33, Market reports, crops and weather forecast.

1:00 p. m., Vaudeville.

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Saturday, Jan. 30

7:00 a. m., Good morning meditations, led by Mrs. Ralph Parker.

7:15, Scanning the headlines.

8:00, Potpourri.

9:00, Byth-melodies.

10:00, Morning matinee.

12:00 (noon) Farm hour: 12:10, In the day's news; 12:23, Market reports, crops and weather forecast.

1:00 p. m., Around the campus.

2:00, Vaudeville.

3:00-4:00, Photograph records.

3:55, Market reports, second broadcast of wheat and livestock.

6:00, Dinner music.

6:30, Farm hour: 6:33, In the day's news; 6:45, weather forecast; 6:50, Market reviews, wheat, wool, Portland livestock; 7:00, Hand-Strimmer orchestra; 7:15, Your farm reporter at Washington.

7:30-9:00, Music of the masters.

ginning of the present testing year. Mr. Tilton's herd of 22 Holsteins leads the association in the production of 182.3 pounds. Mr. Tilton's herd has shown a steady increase in production and this year's indications are that they will make a higher record than ever before.

Other herds that made a good record for the past six months are: Fred Himehlright, 19 cows with an average production of 178.9 pounds; Burl Koock with nine pure bred Ayrshires, having an average production for the past six months of 177.8 pounds; V. A. Searle's herd of 19, having an average production of 168.3 pounds; Earnest Miller's herd of 17 with an average production of 168 pounds; C. C. Burnside's herd of 20 grade Jerseys with an average for the six months of 165.1 pounds.

During the month of December there were 387 cows on test of which 153 were dry. The average production for the month, including dry cows, was 447 pounds of milk and 24.7 pounds of butter fat.

C. C. Burnside had high cow for the month with a three year old Jersey that produced 72.7 pounds of butter fat. E. L. Fishman had second high cow, also a three year old Jersey, that produced 68.7 pounds of butter fat for the month.

Mrs. Paulson Passes—Friends in this valley have received word of the death of Mrs. Ole Paulson, which occurred last week in the Willamette valley. Mrs. Paulson was the mother of Oscar Paulson, who frequently visited this valley when he was state director of Smith-Hughes work. He is now assistant agricultural director for the United States cific with headquarters in Portland.

Visits—Mrs. John Brugger, of near Elgin, has been visiting for several days at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Reid Hilberd, at Willow Creek.

In La Grande—Mr. and Mrs. Dave Sanderson and son, Virgil, and Leo Neiderer, of Dry Creek were visitors in La Grande Monday. They made the trip to see Mr. Neiderer's and Mrs. Sanderson's mother, Mrs. John Neiderer, who has been ill.

Is Well Again—Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Comstock continue to receive good news from their daughter, Miss Frances, a student at the state college, who has been ill of black measles and in the infirmary on the college campus.

Choose Name—The name which has been given to the Union county organization is "The Blue Mt. Livestock Association." A board of seven directors was selected at the last meeting, these representing the different sections of the county, as follows: T. B. Johnson, Cove, P. G. Pottratz, Pleasant Grove, Duncan McDonald, La Grande, Dillard Choate, Summerville, Mike Royce, Pleasant Grove and John Waelty of Elgin. T. B. Johnson was made president of the board, and P. G. Pottratz, vice president. Harry G. Avery, county agent, was made secretary-treasurer of the association.

John Waelty of Elgin and Ratie Hudson, of Imbler, were selected to take care of the shipments of hogs and cattle from week to week. Mr. Waelty will oversee the territory round about Elgin while Mr. Hudson will work over the valley.

Definite Program Is Circulated—The program for the two day lecturer's conference which is to be held in La Grande, Monday and Tuesday of next week, Feb. first and second, is rapidly assuming definite shape. The conference in La Grande is the only conference of the series arranged for Eastern Oregon; and consequently, members and officers of grange organizations will doubtless be present from several counties in this section. The meetings will all be held in the L. D. S. recreational hall.

Speakers of state and nationwide reputation have been secured and the program has been built with the purpose in mind of best serving this great farm organization. Perhaps the most distinguished visitor will be James Farmer, of New Hampshire, national grange lecturer. With him will be state grange officers and outstanding speakers of the extension service of the state college, the conference, itself, being under the combined direction of the Oregon State Grange and the extension service of the Oregon State college. This is the fifth annual grange lecturers' school. The program as it stands at present follows:

Monday, February 1
Charles C. Hulet, state master presiding.
Group singing, led by James C. Farmer, national grange lecturer.
Address, Grange Lecturers' Schools, Past, Present and Future, Paul V. Mearns.
What to Expect From the Lecture School Tomorrow, Mrs. Marie Flint McCall.
Address, James C. Farmer.
Musical numbers.
6:00 o'clock p. m., there will be held a banquet which will be prepared by grange organizations of Union county under the direction of Mrs. Frank Wright, Union County Pomona home economics chairman.
The banquet is to be followed by a regular grange meeting.

Tuesday, February 2
10:00 Call to order, Mrs. Marie Flint McCall, lecturer, Oregon State Grange.
10:00 to 10:20 Group singing of good grange songs, led by Mr. Farmer.
10:20 to 10:50 Opening address, Mrs. McCall.
10:50 to 11:00 Entertainment number by Union County Pomona lecturer, Miss Minnie Holman.
11:00 to 12:00 Program material for grange lecturers—How to Get it and How to Use It, Mr. Farmer.
12:00 to 1:15 Luncheon.
Afternoon Session
1:15 to 1:30 Group singing.
1:30 to 2:30 Making the lecturer hour contribute to the upbuilding of the grange, C. C. Hulet, Master Oregon state grange.
2:00 to 2:10 Entertainment number.
2:10 to 3:30 Round table conference led by Mr. Farmer.
3:30 to 4:40 Worthwhile topics for lecture hour—discussion.
Paul V. Mearis, director extension service.
Claribel Nye, state leader home economics extension.
4:00 to 5:00 Brief statements by each lecturer present. Theme: My best suggestion to fellow lecturers. Time to be equally divided.

NEW SHIPPING RATES ON LIVESTOCK ARE DISCUSSED AND EXPAINED IN DETAIL

On Sunday, January 24, new freight rates went into operation which effect quite materially shipping of livestock from this section to the different markets, east and west. The matter has been very thoroughly studied by Arthur M. Geary, attorney for the Northwest Livestock Shippers Traffic league and the results of that study are given out for the benefit of shippers, producers and others interested as follows:

Effective January 24, 1932 there were drastic changes in the livestock freight rates. These have been ordered by the Interstate Commerce Commission as a result of the general investigation of livestock freight rates initiated by the commission under the Hoch-Smith resolution and which has just been concluded.

These articles will be devoted to the effect of the changes in the cattle, sheep and hog rates from La Grande, Ore.

The dollars and cents per car basis, which has enabled cattle men to put into a car without extra charge whatever weights they could safely load, has been abolished. Now all livestock rates will be on a cents per hundred pound basis. On ground that rates eastbound were in cents per hundred pounds, powerful packers and market interests desiring to "bottle up" livestock demand that the commission make the rates uniform by abolishing dollars per car rates westbound.

The minimum car loading for cattle is set at 24,000 pounds. If cattle are loaded less than 24,000 pounds to a standard car, the payment nevertheless will be on the basis of 24,000 pounds. On the other hand, if cattle are loaded in excess of 24,000 pounds, the payment will be on the basis of 24,000 pounds. If the weight actually unloaded, the average unloading weight of cattle throughout the Mountain-Pacific northwest is in the neighborhood of 28,000 pounds and of the heavier cattle the 30,000 pounds.

On the basis of 28,000 pounds of cattle to the car, the rates from La Grande, Ore. were increased or decreased as follows: to Portland, increased \$1.00; to Seattle, decreased \$1.40; to San Francisco, decreased \$1.60; to Los Angeles, decreased \$2.10.

The order prescribed favorable rates on calves. A shipment of 10,000 pounds of calves loaded in a single deck car will be hauled at about 95 per cent of the new charge upon an average load of 28,000 pounds of calves loaded in a double deck car will be hauled at about 82 per cent of the new charge prescribed for an average load of full grown cattle in a single deck car. The rate on calves in single decks is 115 per cent of the per pound cattle rate, and the per pound rate on calves in double decks is the same as the per pound cattle rate.

The new rates include liberal rates for mixing of livestock in double decks. Sheep and hogs will be mixed with cattle at the straight carload cattle rate and minimum weight on the lighter loads and with calves at about the straight carload rate on cattle.

Feeder and stocker cattle will be hauled at 85 per cent of the cents per hundred pound rate for fat cattle, and the minimum car loading for feeder and stocker cattle in this territory will be 22,000 pounds.

The feeder and stocker rate will apply between country points and out of markets but not into markets. The present rates under which feeder and stocker cattle generally move between country points will be reduced on 22,000-pound loadings 25 to 45 per cent, and on 28,000-pound loadings the reductions will amount to from 12 to 35 per cent. The shortest workable route governs the rate except rates do not apply over Class II railroads.

Out of the markets 75 per cent rates now apply on feeder and stocker and the new rates on the 85 per cent basis will be a little lower on the 22,000-pound loadings and a little higher on the 28,000-pound loadings than the present rates. The commission states, however, that "rates as high as 85 per cent" would not be "considered reasonable on stocker and feeder livestock in all circumstances" and urges the carriers to continue a more liberal policy.

Of very great importance is the arrangement whereby stock may be stopped in transit for feeding or fattening on the basis of through rates applicable to such stock, if for slaughter. The commission states, "We see no reason why it should not be continued."

On 20,000-pound doubledeck loads of sheep or lambs in standard cars, the commission has prescribed the following reductions in freight rates from La Grande, Ore. to Portland, \$27.00; to Seattle, \$33.00; to San Francisco, \$38.00; to Los Angeles, \$115.50; to Omaha, \$25.00; to Chicago, \$27.50.

All rates are on the cents per hundred pound basis, with minimum weight for standard doubledeck loads 20,000 pounds, and for single deck loads, 12,000 pounds. Shipments of sheep and lambs in double decks will take the same cents per hundred pound rate as cattle and as double deck loads of hogs, and of calves.

Single deck loads of sheep will be transported at 125 per cent of the cents per hundred pound double deck rate. Liberal rules are provided for mixing of sheep with other livestock. The rate upon a mixed carload is obtained by taking the rate up on the kind of livestock included in the shipment which, upon a straight carload basis, would produce the most revenue to the carrier.

The maximum rate at which feeder and stocker sheep may be hauled will be 85 per cent of the cents per hundred pound rates for sheep shipped for slaughter, and the minimum car loading for feeder and stocker sheep in standard double decks in this territory will be 20,000 pounds. The maximum feeder and stocker rates will apply between country points and out of markets but not into markets. The shortest workable routes should govern rates, except rates will not apply over Class II railroads.

Out of the markets 75 per cent rates at present apply on feeders and stockers and the new maximum rates on the 85 per cent basis will be lower on sheep, because the new base scale for sheep is lower.

Livestock Meetings To Be This Week
County agricultural agent, Harry G. Avery, is announcing the definite dates for the series of livestock meetings which are to be held in this valley on Friday and Saturday of this week, and to which all those who are interested are invited. The first meeting of the series will be held in Elgin at the Knights of Pythias hall, Friday afternoon, the meeting to be called at 1:30 o'clock. Friday evening, farmers in the vicinity of Imbler will meet at 8 o'clock at the high school. Two meetings will be held in the civil service room at the post office building in La Grande at 1:30 in the evening, the last of the series will be held at the high school in Union. The meeting has been arranged for 7:30 o'clock.

Dr. L. C. Henderson, a veterinarian from the United States department of agriculture, will be here to discuss subjects on "Swine Sanitation" and "Disease Control," something which, it is asserted is exceedingly important at this time. H. A. Lindgren, livestock specialist from the extension service of the state college, will also be present and will discuss problems of feeding and management.

It is reported that much interest is being manifested in regard to the meetings and Mr. Avery believes that the attendance at each of the meetings will be large.

Virginia Polytechnic Institute's boxing team this year has a letterman for each of the seven positions.

Hog Shipments
Under the new rates 24,000 pounds of hogs in a standard double deck car will be hauled from La Grande, Ore. to Portland at \$37.50 less than under the present rates; to Seattle at \$45.40 less; to San Francisco at \$144.70 less, and to Los Angeles at \$109.80 less.

As a matter of fact, the average load of single deck cars of hogs into the North Pacific coast markets is nearer 12,000 pounds than 10,000, the prescribed minimum carload weight. For loadings between 10,000 and 19,000 pounds, the per carload charge would be lower, which should be helpful upon lighter hogs, and when hogs are mixed with sheep or calves.


Under the new decision 22,000 pounds of feeder and stocker hogs can be transported between country points and out of markets at 85 per cent of the cents per hundred pound distance scale prescribed throughout this territory for hogs shipped for slaughter. Rates are measured via the shortest workable route but do not apply over Class II railroads.

Liberal rules are provided for the mixing of hogs with calves and sheep. With the trend towards lighter types of hogs, the hog producers may be able to obtain greater advantage in the future than they would have in the past from the cents per hundred pound rates with their low minimum car loading provisions.

On 19,000 pounds of hogs loaded in single deck cars, the rates from La Grande, Ore. will be increased or decreased per car as follows: decrease to Portland of \$10.55; decrease to Seattle of \$14.55; decrease to San Francisco of \$51.85; decrease to Los Angeles of \$89.25.

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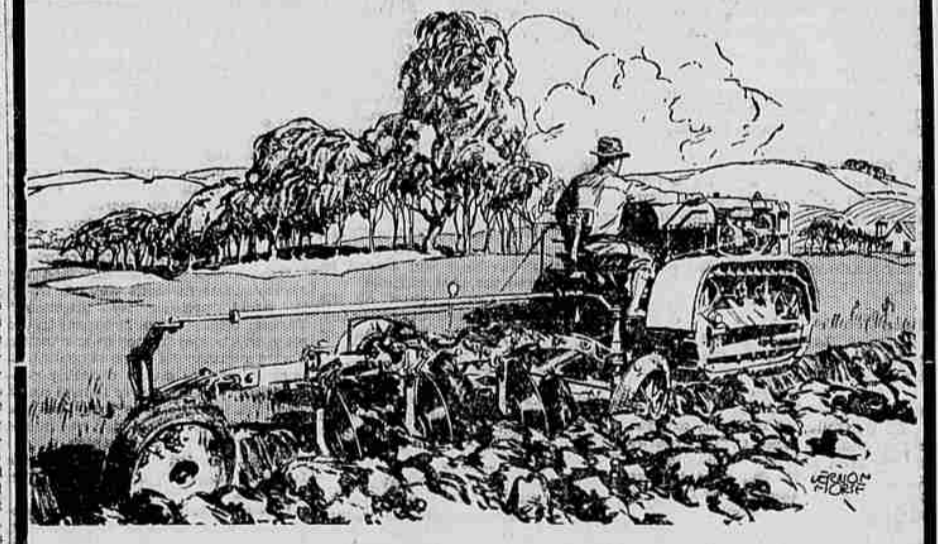
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