

OVER THE VALLEY

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Lease Farm—Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Chenault have rented the Kimmel farm in the Iowa district and are planning to take possession of the middle of next month, according to reports. Mr. and Mrs. Chenault and son, Bobby, have been living in the Valeria district.

Give Party—A group of about twenty friends were guests on Wednesday afternoon of Mrs. C. H. Bidwell and Mrs. H. G. Avery who gave a shower at the Bidwell home in Island City for Mrs. Bennie Hicks. The afternoon was spent in an informal social fashion, with tea being served late in the afternoon.

To Give Dancing Party—Under the supervision of the home economics committee of the Blue Mt. Grange, dancing parties were to begin at their grange hall this evening.

Having Measles—Members of the Frank Elmer family, who have been confined to their homes by the measles. Mrs. Elmer, herself, contracted the disease and some of the children who had not already had them, were ill.

Has New Child—Mrs. Ray Fuller, of the Valeria district reports some new baby chix, the first which have been reported to us. She has a dozen, in all, and they will be ready for the trying man before many moons. Instead of the proverbial mittens and socks, we suggest silks and snowshoes for the little Buff Orpington fluffs.

Have Work Meeting—Thursday all day at the home of Mrs. C. H. Bidwell, in Island City, members of the Ladies Aid society of the Community church worked on four comforters and quilts which they were refinishing for the parsonage. The work was completed before the company dispersed in the late afternoon. The attendance was very large and the pot luck dinner served at noon was quite complete. During the business meeting, when Mrs. Garret Blokland presided, a number of important business matters were discussed. Miss Maude Come, minister, gave the address of the afternoon, basing her helpful remarks on the 13th chapter of First Corinthians. The next meeting of the aid is to be held on the second Thursday of February, at the home of Mrs. Garret Blokland.

To Attend Dinner—Members of the American Association of University Women who live in the valley are urged to remember the evening meeting of that organization which is to be held next Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Tom Bates. The guest speaker for the evening will be Miss Claribel Nye, well known in the valley as state leader of home economics extension. Other speakers who are being considered for the two following meetings of the present year are:

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John Hamann was asked to head the procession. She immediately discovered the wonderful immense cake, which had 74 lighted candles on it, and the candles were of many different hues. Then she knew that her birthday, which was the next day, was being observed. The cake was lovely, a 36-egg angel cake. The evening passed quickly with a variety of games chosen to suit all the guests.

Has Fall—Lee Smith, of near Island City, has been nursing some injuries received when he slipped on some ice, while on his chores. He struck his head, and he is recovering. The cake was lovely, a 36-egg angel cake. The evening passed quickly with a variety of games chosen to suit all the guests.

Take McAllister Farm—Mr. and Mrs. George Hughes and family, former residents of the Grange Hill neighborhood, have returned to the farm of Mrs. Grace McAllister, out on Cove avenue, and plan to move there some time next week.

Move to New Home—Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Carter and family, who lived in a property on the Cove highway while their new home was being built replacing the one destroyed by fire last summer, have moved into the new home, on what is known as the "old Carter" place.

Observe Anniversary—Mr. and Mrs. Paul Knautz, and daughter, Lillian, of the Iowa district entertained at a dinner Thursday evening at their home, in honor of the fifteenth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Speckhart. Mrs. Knautz served one of her lovely dinners and the after dinner hours were spent visiting, sewing and playing games. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Speckhart and daughter, Helen Jean, Mr. and Mrs. John Speckhart, Miss Esther Fellman, and members of the Knautz family.

Returns Home—Mrs. Bernal Hug and her baby daughter, Anna Louise, left the Grande Ronde hospital Tuesday and returned by ambulance to their home in Elgin. Little Anna Louise was a week old last night.

To Wallowa—Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Zurbrick, of the Elgin neighborhood, drove to Wallowa county Thursday on business, and had a trip, over which they are most enthusiastic. The ride over the hill and through the canyon now is beyond description, the snow on the hills and on the trees, painting a wonderful picture. Others who had been over to Wallowa county report that the scenery now, equals, if not surpasses, that of the summer time. The snow is encountered on the road, which they report to have been very good. The trip was made to the Earl Sherrod place, with a stop at the home of Mrs. Zurbrick's brother, C. A. Hunter.

To Have Special Meetings—Miss Maude Come, pastor of the Community church at Island City, is announcing a series of special meetings which will begin during the second week of February. The services of Rev. Robert Bryner, an evangelist, have been secured. He is now in a series of meetings in Nyssa, Oregon, it is reported.

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Friends in Shanghai—The great career story on the front page of Thursday's Observer had a great deal more than passing interest for a number of people in this valley, who are close personal friends of the Misses Margaret and Betty Lewis, who have been in Shanghai teaching. The girls are friends and sorority sisters of a number of La Grande and valley young women, who are anxious for some word as to their safety following the terrible reports coming from Shanghai the last few days.

Great Career—It is also felt for the safety of Dr. Ed. Belle Lewis well known here who is with the Christian Educational Association in Shanghai. It will be remembered that Lewis was taken to safety from Tientsin, where she had been making an educational survey, a few months ago. The last word from Dr. Lewis, written about a month ago, was that she was in Shanghai, and she was to confer with the League of Nations educational committee. Although these reports have been so far from La Grande, the two Willamette girls are not related.

Sports At The Lake—The news that the Willowa lake was frozen over, and the city and community, early this week and as a result a goodly crowd of skaters have been enjoying the wonderful winter sport. The ice is reported to be built upon the edge of the lake and hundreds of skaters have already taken advantage of the sport.

It does not snow for a week or more and the weather is reported to be had at the lake for the ice is clear, thick and smooth.

Saturday and Sunday found many people enjoying the ice skating and coasting on the several ponds around the city. Many went to the head of the lake where they found skating, coasting and hiking a plenty. —Joseph Herald.

Buy in Wallowa Co.—The sale of the Homer Bechtel place near Wallowa, to Herman Fisher, prominent valley dairy farmer and a local politician, was reported. The new farm for which Mr. Fisher has contracted consists of 800 acres, with excellent improvements, 200 acres of irrigated land, 200 acres of wheat land and the balance in excellent pasture land. Mr. Bechtel is disposing of the place on account of his ill health. Mr. Fisher has been caring for a herd of around 100 head of dairy cows, having the best and most efficient machinery for people of such a business. He will continue in the dairy business in Wallowa county, it is reported.

Horn Collapses—The large log barn which has shelled out at the home of Mrs. A. J. Wise farm on Smith Mountain for about 30 years, collapsed Tuesday under the weight of four feet of snow.

Elgin People Wed—August A. Cummins and Ella May Phippin, both of Elgin, were married at Enterprise on Monday of this week. Rev. Weston K. Shields being the officiating clergyman. They were accompanied by only the necessary witnesses, Mr. and Mrs. Cummins will make their home in Elgin according to reports.

Egg People Meet—That poultrymen and poultrywomen of Baker county resent the whimsical plan of the county board of Idaho was strenuously voiced in a recent meeting held when the situation was discussed. The Baker county board reports the meeting as follows:

Committee of three men was appointed at a meeting of poultry producers in the court house Saturday of last week, to investigate the matter of the proposed plan in developing plans designed to benefit the egg and poultry producers of the county.

Other proposals advanced were: That a series of educational poultry meetings, be held to furnish the latest information on breeding and feeding problems to the producers; that an educational campaign be launched to apprise the public to the value of eggs, and that a poultry association be organized with a view of forming a marketing association later.

Receives Slowly—Homer T. Wilson, of May Park, who has been at his home recuperating from an operation at a veterans hospital does not regain his strength as rapidly as his friends would wish, it is reported.

Returns Home—Mr. and Mrs. J. Ross Leslie have returned to their home in the Ingha section from Portland where they spent several weeks during which time Mrs. Leslie underwent an operation for the removal of a goiter. On her way home, she stopped in La Grande for a brief visit with relatives.

Young People Wed—Nathan Daron, who lives at Medford, has been a guest at the home of his brother, Elmer Daron and family, of near La Grande.

Ill—Mrs. McAllister, who lives at Pleasant Grove is reported as being ill at her home. Her daughter, Mrs. Carl Perin, of Island City, has gone to assist in caring for her.

Give Dinner—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hermann, and their family entertained at a dinner Monday evening at their home on the Cove highway, in honor of Mr. Hermann's birthday anniversary. Invited guests were Mr. and Mrs. Howard Smith, of La Grande, Mildred Wardell, of Island City and Miss Veda Houk, a student at the Eastern Oregon Normal school.

In Baker—Benny Kolate, of North Powder, was taken to Baker where he underwent a major operation in a Baker hospital the early part of this week.

To California—Sol Keltner, prominent business man of Enterprise, has gone to California, his former home where he plans to spend the remaining winter months.

Ready For Meeting—Members of the various grange organizations of the county are quite ready for the series of meetings to be held Monday and Tuesday, designated as the Fifth Annual Grange Lecturers' school, and held under the joint auspices of the state grange and an extension service of the Oregon State college. A very strong program will be given with a number of prominent speakers present. The big social feature of the two days will be the grange banquet at six o'clock Monday evening at the U. D. B. Recreation hall and the grange meeting which follows.

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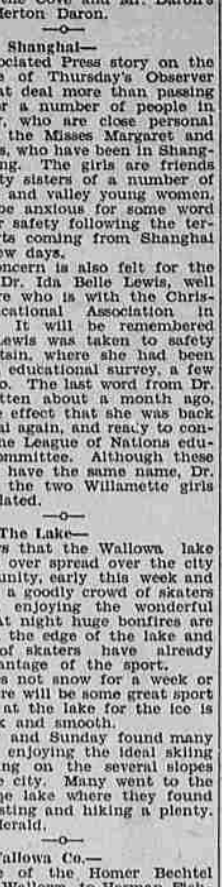
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OUT OUR WAY



LACK OF COOPERATION IS GIVEN AS FACTOR IN EXISTING CONDITIONS

At the recent meeting of the Oregon State Wool Growers' association, which many local sheep men attended at Pendleton, Frank J. Hagenbath, president of the national organization, gave an address in which he made some very plain statements in regard to present existing conditions. "God helps those who help themselves," Mr. Hagenbath insisted.

The national president was severely critical because the railroads, commission men and the packers have not provided more thorough cooperation during the depression by reducing their charges, yet he sees brighter days ahead of the growers who are able to weather the storm.

"We are on a new and lower basis," he said, "and the wool grower, accordingly, he said. The cruel doctrine of the survival of the fittest has come into play, and if we can't stand up to it, we are going to be near future the survivors in our industry will have started on the upward trend."

"Forced financial liquidation, as well as liquidation from natural causes following the general slaughter of ewe lambs the past few years, and consequent failure to make replacement of old ewes in our flocks, will result in a material decrease in the production of wool and lamb, beginning in 1932 and accentuated in 1933. History indicates that beginning not later than 1933, a decided betterment of conditions should occur."

"In the meantime important readjustments must take place," as stated by Secretary Marshall, "to give our industry security and fair opportunity in the future." Some of these readjustments we will now briefly review.

"Every production cost within the growers' control has been materially reduced during the past two

Weather And Roads Are Reviewed

A sudden cold snap held Wallowa and surrounding territory in its grip the first of this week, according to C. Meek, correspondent. The weather became colder during the middle part of the week preceding and thermometers registered near zero on one or two nights. On Friday night, the readings went to ten below zero and clear skies during the entire day, allowed conditions to become very favorable for more cold Saturday night. Varying reports were heard regarding thermometer readings on Sunday morning, but in some instances it was said to be lower than on Saturday. The skies had since been clear and the snap had not yet been broken when Mr. Meek wrote the first of this week.

Roads Are Filled—Blustery conditions near the last of the week caused many of the roads in the hill sections to become badly filled in with snow. Previous to this time cars have been in use on many of the roads, however, since the storm it has been quite difficult to get through with teams and sleds at some places. Elmer Southwick rural carrier near the middle of November and while in many cases feed supplies were larger than for several years, the long period of heavy feeding has greatly depleted the supply. Continued cold winter has led many to believe that a late spring may be expected. This has resulted in exceptionally ready sale for hay and straw during the past few weeks, and reports that a portion of the week stated that practically no hay is being offered for sale in this end of the valley. Straw supplies have about been used up, and it is expected that some express the opinion that should heavy feeding be necessary for winter, where around two months yet it will be necessary to have hay shipped in from other places.

Feed Getting Scarce—Growing scarcity feed is causing some alarm among farmers and stockmen of this community. Heavy feeding has been necessary at all of the farms since the start of winter, but the middle of November and while in many cases feed supplies were larger than for several years, the long period of heavy feeding has greatly depleted the supply. Continued cold winter has led many to believe that a late spring may be expected. This has resulted in exceptionally ready sale for hay and straw during the past few weeks, and reports that a portion of the week stated that practically no hay is being offered for sale in this end of the valley. Straw supplies have about been used up, and it is expected that some express the opinion that should heavy feeding be necessary for winter, where around two months yet it will be necessary to have hay shipped in from other places.

EXPERT ADVISES EAST OREGONIANS

"Women do not serve lamb more extensively because in some sections, they are unable to secure it," said Miss Claribel Nye, state leader in home economics extension, addressing the members of the Oregon Woolgrowers auxiliary at Pendleton recently.

"Lamb is plentiful in the markets in Eastern Oregon and in Southern Oregon but in other parts of the state it is not easy to get," she said. "It goes in a sort of circle; the dealers don't buy it because the women don't ask for it and the women don't ask for it because the dealers don't carry it. If it is to be popularized in all parts of Oregon a more extensive advertising campaign must be carried on. Lamb should be presented in attractive form."

Competition is keen in regard to sale of foods and just how much advertising is done, Miss Nye said, may be judged by the fact that in 1927, twenty-three million dollars was spent nationally in advertising food.

"People eat as much as they can and if they eat more lamb, or any other kind of food, they must eat less of something else," she said. "The food that people eat with a degree on sugar. It is a builder of energy, not of tissues. Meat builds up tissues. As for meat broths or soups, nothing stimulates the digestive juices to such an extent as these. A meat bouillon is the very best beginning for a meal."

"Research shows the per cent of meat which goes into building up the body is 97 per cent, so it will be seen that a high in food value," said Miss Nye, who states that her aim is training adults in well selected diets. "Thus we see that lamb is an important food. It is also desirable for women who wish to eat a nutritious meat which is not fattening."

Miss Nye gave interesting facts regarding the change in food habits. "The past few years have seen a remarkable growth in the selling of tomato juice," she said, "and in a smaller measure, sauerkraut juice. Food habits change with the times; at times of stress, the consumption of cereal foods is greater than in times of prosperity. In good times, meat is bought to a greater extent than in poor times; this is governed by the amount of food money in a family."

Miss Nye has been in charge of the work in Oregon for two years, and has in her department seven home demonstration agents, all in Western Oregon with the exception of one in Southern Oregon.

One of the aims of her department is to have training schools for home-makers, so that the home demonstration agents may train women in selection and preparation of foods.

"It is a notable fact among women," she said, "that they know how to select the best eggs, vegetables, fruits, etc., but that the majority do not know how to select meat. They simply ask the butcher for a good piece of meat and don't know what they are getting. Women as a whole are less skilled in the selection and preparation of meat than in any other food."

Directors Chosen For Cooperative

F. A. Phillips, Keating, Ore., will represent the counties of Baker and Union on the board of directors of the Pacific Cooperative Wool Growers as a result of the membership election held on January 23, the election held in the various districts served by the Pacific Cooperative Wool Growers, indicating a growing interest on the part of members in the business operations of their cooperative organizations. Directors elections are held annually at which time fourteen grower-members are elected to govern the association for the ensuing year. Members have the choice of voting in person or by mail.

Mr. Phillips is prominent in wool growing circles in the state, having recently been elected president of the Oregon Wool Growers association, state service organization. His wide experience and knowledge of the problems of the range sheepman will make him a valuable member of the Pacific cooperative, which is an eleven year old wool marketing cooperative operating in five western states with headquarters in Portland. The first meeting of the new board will be held on February 8 at the association warehouse in Portland.

Other Eastern and Central Oregon wool growers elected to the cooperative board of directors include Michael P. Barry, Merrill, Carl Whitmore, Joseph, Joe Keorins, Isee, and J. G. Barratt, Heppner, Western Oregon. Represented by J. C. McCormack, Eugene, and G. A. Sandner, Seilo. Directors from other states are J. T. Alexander, Chesham, Wash.; Albert J. Galt, Walla Walla, Wash.; Sorenson, Ellensburg, Wash.; J. O. Rhoades, Riggin, Idaho; L. A. Robertson, Garberston, Cal.; Dr. Edwin Bunnell, Willows, Cal. and J. D. Yeager, Wellington, Nevada.

Market News From Wallowa Co.

WALLOWA, Ore. (Special)—Recent strengthening of wheat prices has resulted in slightly higher prices being offered for wheat here. Offers for hard winter wheat, a valuable variety of the week reached 55c per bushel, this being on a sacked basis. Little wheat is reported to be selling at this time, despite the fact that railroad carrying charges are expected by some to raise sometime in the future. Under the lower freight charges which have been in effect here, a deduction of 14c per bushel is made from the Portland price and according to buyers this will again be raised to 30c per bushel when former carrying charges are resumed.

Does Good Business—Ray W. Johnson, manager of the local co-operative creamery plant here reports a good business in cream volume during the winter months. For the month of November the butter output of the plant was 24,000 lbs. and for December production increased some, allowing an output of 27,000 lbs. of butter. Mr. Johnson expressed the opinion that the output for January will be about the same, less than for December, because of the fact that there are a considerably larger number of dry cows among the herds of some of the larger members of the association.

Lists Harding As Swamped by Office—NEW YORK, Jan. 30 (AP)—The eighth volume of the dictionary of American biography, published Friday, estimates the late President Warren G. Harding as a man swamped by the difficulties of office. The evaluation is made by Allan Nevins, historian and journalist, is issued with the authority of the American Council of Learned Societies.

"In every respect he fitted the small town environment," writes Mr. Nevins. He was easy going and frank in admitting his lack of unusual abilities or intellectual tastes. . . . It was his cruel misfortune that he was lifted to a post beyond his powers."

Charges Against AU's Son Dropped—NEW YORK, Jan. 30 (AP)—After a hearing in which three eye witnesses placed the blame for the accident on the victim, Magistrate Guy Van Amringe Friday dismissed a charge of suspicion of homicide against Walter Smith, 22-year-old son of former Governor Alfred E. Smith. Smith had been accused in connection with the death of Harry Wallace, 59, who was struck and killed by the Smith boy's automobile January 15.

One Idea of Economy—Some people's idea of economy is to cut down on the canary's bird seed.—Milwaukee Sentinel.