OVER THE VALLEY

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Get Certificates—
The following 4-H clubs have recently been awarded 100 per cent certificates for last year's work in Union county:
Cove Sewing club, Mrs. R. C. Hancock, local leader, four members.
Powder's Best Sewing club, Mrs. Jennie O'Bryant, local leader, 25 members.
Everready Sewing club, Willow school, La Grande, Mabel Berry local leader, six members.
Sunshine Sewing club, Willow school, La Grande, Mrs. Della Berry, local leader, six members.
Wolf Creek Cooking club, Mrs. Celesta Nice, local leader, nine members.
Cove Cooking club, Mrs. E. H. Bell, local leader, eight members.
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Island P. T. A.—
The regular meeting of the Island City Parent Teacher association was held Friday afternoon at the school. The chief item of business before the meeting being the election of officers for the new year, and the following were chosen: Mrs. Hungerford, president; Mrs. T. C. Laird, vice president; Mrs. Dee Davis, secretary-treasurer. After the business meeting, Mrs. Isaac Shafer installed the new officers. On the interesting program which was given, Alma Schroeder gave a splendid piano solo and an Irish play was given in which Miss Dorothy Smutz was the mother, and the singers were Lois Robertson, Barbara Wardell and Betty Dolan.
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Ill—
Miss Betty Holscher, of near Elgin, was rushed to a La Grande hospital last week and operated on immediately for appendicitis. She is getting along nicely now, according to reports. Her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Brown motored to La Grande Saturday morning to see her and remained over night with other relatives in La Grande, returning to their home in the valley Sunday evening.
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Have Winning Essays—
John K. Fisher, of Cove, received first place and Virginia Ward, of Union, second place in the George Washington high school essay contest in Union county. John Fisher's essay has been sent to the state superintendent of school, C. A. Howard, to be entered in the state contest.
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Enters Normal—
Miss Frances McKennon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank McKennon, of near Imbler enrolled this week at the Eastern Oregon Normal school, and will take the spring term work. She is living at the home of Mrs. Blanchard on N avenue.
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Given Surprise—
About 50 neighbors and friends surprised Mr. and Mrs. Ed Pike, of Dry Creek Thursday at their home. An enjoyable evening was spent dancing. It was also a farewell party as this family expects to return to Meridian, Idaho the first of April.
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To Portland—
Miss Esther Pellman, who has been visiting at the home of an aunt at the Cove, went to Portland Saturday where she plans to spend some time with her sister.
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Move Into Valley—
Mr. and Mrs. John Bault, of Elgin, have recently moved on to the Huron place which is north of Summerville, up on the summit road.
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Pomona Grange—
Grangers who plan to journey to Cove Saturday are urged to remember that the meeting of the Pomona grange is to be held at the Odd Fellows hall, instead of at the Mt. Fannie Grange hall. The Odd Fellows hall is one block north (this side) of the Cove swimming pool.
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Island City Aid—
Instead of meeting this week, Holy Week, the Island City Ladies Aid society will meet next week, Thursday, it is announced. The meeting will take the form of a silver tea and will be held at the home of Mrs. C. H. Bidwell.
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Number Omitted—
In writing up the meeting of the Alicel Ladies Aid society last week at the home of Mrs. Paul Knautz, we omitted one number on the program. Miss Helen Jean Speckhart contributed quite a little with her vocal soldes.
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At The Lake—
Miss Jane Smith, daughter of Tony Smith, postmaster at Union, has been a patient at Hot Lake the past few days, receiving treatment for a severe cold.
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From Joseph—
Rev. S. E. Smutz, pastor of the Methodist church at Joseph, is in Cove this week assisting with some special services which Rev. Calame is holding. During his absence, Mrs. Smutz is occupying the Joseph pulpit. Rev. Smutz has many relatives in this valley.
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Horses Drowned—
Clyde Kellum, of Imbler, suffered quite a loss Saturday afternoon, during the high water period. He was driving his team, hitched to a wagon along the dixed road, in the vicinity of the Frank McKennon, Jet Gaskill and Todd Conrad places near Imbler. One horse became frightened and got off the narrow strip of road left above the very high and much disturbed water, and pulled the other horse in with it. The three men with the outfit tried to rescue the two animals but both were drowned.
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Spends Day—
Mrs. Harry Fisher, of near Cove, was a guest Monday of this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wallsinger in the Valeria district.
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Cricket Flat Grange—
Cricket Flat grange held its regular meeting recently at the Highland school house, their customary meeting place. The usual business was transacted. A delicious dinner was served at noon. There will be no meeting of this subordinate on the next regular meeting date, March 26, as this is the day for the Pomona meeting at the I. O. O. F. hall in Cove. Therefor, the next meeting will be held on the evening of Saturday, April 9, this to be the first evening meeting of the season.
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Visits—
Billie True, of Dry Creek, is visiting his mother and grandmother who are in La Grande.
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Weekend at Home—
Miss Lorene Spencer, who is a student at the La Grande High school, spent the weekend with her folks in the Dry Creek neighborhood. It was necessary for her to walk in part of the way as the snow was too deep for car transportation.
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Have Anxious Time—
Sheep men whose camps and sheds are along Little creek near Union kept a close vigil on the rising water, Friday night, it is reported and forces were put to work at the S. E. Miller and Will Vogel lambing camps to build dikes to keep the water back from the pens. Wherever Little creek was supposed to alter its direction, it overflowed its banks and wandered over fields so that much of the lower land was flooded. No special damage has been reported by sheepmen finding lambing under such conditions, disagreeable, it is said.
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Much Interest Shown—
Reports from the various schools in the county indicate that there will be a very interesting declamatory contest on April 2nd. The different preliminary contests are in different stages right now. Zone contests are to be held next Friday evening, March 25.
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Still Much Snow—
Word comes from Palmer valley that the snow is still about 30 inches deep on the level. This however, does not seem to bother Mr. and Mrs. Vager as they have recently ordered 500 baby chicks to be delivered the first of April.
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Elect Teachers—
The school board of the Pleasant Grove school met recently and reelected their teachers for the coming year. Leona Fries is now teaching her sixth year in the school and Garnet Ruckman, her second.
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Honor Team—
Last evening a very enjoyable affair was given at the gym at Cove when the business men of that place sponsored a dinner for the boys and girls basketball teams, that have just completed a very strenuous and satisfactory season. The dinner was served by the two groups of Camp Fire girls at Cove. There was an interesting program and the event was considered successful throughout.
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Visits Parents—
Miss Elida Miller, who is in school in Seattle is having an Easter visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Miller at Union. She returned home on Sunday with her mother who had been in Portland.
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Visitor Honored—
Over 50 guests attended a party given at the G. L. Spencer home in Dry Creek last Tuesday evening. The party was a compliment to Arnold Armstrong of Seattle who is visiting the Spencer family while on his vacation. All report an enjoyable evening.
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Dinner Guests—
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Knautz and daughter, Lilian of the Iowa district were dinner guests Sunday of the Misses Amanda Zabel and Mabel Merton. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. John Speckhart.
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Surprise Dinner—
Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Anderson, of Union, were delightfully surprised Sunday morning by arrival of all their children and families coming home to spend the day. The occasion was Mrs. Anderson's 57th birthday anniversary. This, it is reported, is the first time the children have all been home at once. A big pot luck dinner was served at noon to the 25 guests. The afternoon was spent visiting and taking pictures. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Bert Anderson and children, Vivian and Sherman, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Anderson and daughter, Audrey, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Brown of La Grande, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson, and children, Charles and Delores, of Perry, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Scarbrough, of La Grande, Virgil Anderson, Russel Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Anderson and the host and hostess.
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Give Party—
A dance was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Robbs, of Pleasant Grove, Saturday evening. There were about 40 guests present and all report a very good time.
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Is Reelected—
Miss Erma Nielson, of Union, who has been teaching this year at Lime, has recently been reelected for another year's work. Miss Alta Langley, well known here, a graduate of EON has been reelected at Dixie. These two schools form a joint district, the Lime-Dixie district.
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Pomona Grange Saturday—
Grangers from all over the county are making plans for the spring meeting of the Pomona grange which is to be held this coming Saturday. Mt. Fannie grange will entertain its visitors at the Odd Fellows hall, which is just a block this side of the swimming pool.
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Pleasant Grove Grange—
For the first time in several months the members of Pleasant Grove grange met in regular session for an all day meeting, Saturday, Mar. 19. A good-sized crowd took part in transacting all the business matters that were presented after such a long delay. At noon the home economics committee, under Mrs. Frank McKennon served an extremely bounteous dinner, that everyone enjoyed. At the next meeting, the drill team will initiate Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hulse, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Self, Evelyn Robbs, Vergella Bond and Mr. Bunten into the first and second degrees of the order. Saturday evening, 35 people from Pleasant Grove attended Blue Mt. grange's old time dance. A good time was reported by all who went.
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Home From California—
Mr. and Mrs. Emil Miller, of Cricket Flat have returned home. They spent the winter in Southern California with Mrs. Miller's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Huffman, at Arlington, Cal. Mr. and Mrs. Huffman visited with relatives and friends in this vicinity last summer. Mr. Miller reports that snow fell in Arlington, but did not lie on the ground although the foothills were white. He also said that between two and three feet of snow fell at Beaumont and Banning, which are on the road between Riverside and the Imperial valley.
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Elected Again—
Her many friends in this valley are glad to know that Mrs. Lilian Allen, of Mill Creek canyon road, has been elected for another year's teaching in the school at Kings Valley, Idaho.
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Visit—
Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Daron, of near La Grande, spent Tuesday visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Spencer, of Dry Creek.
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Operation—
Roy Downs, of Joseph has been a patient in a La Grande hospital, where he recently submitted to an operation for the removal of a goitre. Mrs. Downs, who has been in La Grande with her husband returned to her home last week. Mr. Downs is reported to be doing well.
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Form New Club—
The boys and girls of the advanced room at Pleasant Grove school recently organized a 4-H cooking club, with Miss Leona Fries, teacher, as the leader. AnaBel Canntrel was elected president; Wayne Kremer, vice president and Helen Murchison, secretary. The boys, as well as the girls are very anxious to receive their club books and "get going."
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Leap Year Party—
They say that this coming Saturday night all cars will be headed toward Pleasant Grove grange hall for on that evening the younger people of the grange are giving their Leap Year dancing party and it is said that on that evening the ladies will rule supreme.
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Back In Valley—
Mr. and Mrs. Wright True's two sons and daughter-in-law have returned to their home in the Dry Creek neighborhood, reaching the valley Monday evening. They have been spending the winter at Glenns Ferry, Ida., but intend to make their permanent home here now.
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In La Grande—
Mrs. J. E. Hulse, of the Iowa district, spent yesterday in La Grande attending the special all-day institute of the Women's Christian Temperance union.
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Has Fine Lamb—
Josephine Fisher, of near the Cove, an active member in the Imbler 4-H Sheep club, is very proud of a new baby lamb, which she claims. The mother is Josephine's club animal of last year, and is a registered Hampshire. The lamb was a single but is fat and sturdy.
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Contest Representatives—
The pupils going from the Pleasant Grove school to enter the zone declamatory contest are Alfred Arnoldus, Armond Arnoldus, AnaBel Cantrel and June German or Lila Lewis.
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4-H Gardens—
Perhaps never before has the raising of a well-planned and well-cared-for vegetable garden, designed to provide the family with vegetables the year around, been of so much importance to so many people in Oregon, believes L. J. Allen, assistant state club leader, who is urging the organization of 4-H garden and canning clubs wherever possible to help produce and preserve food.
"Many different agencies in the state are urging the organization of 4-H garden clubs," Mr. Allen says. "Just recently the county court of Lane county, with the copoeration of Dick Kuehner, county club agent, has sent circular letters tot every family in the county, recommending the organization of 4-H garden clubs to assist in providing food for the family."
Allen, however, urges that no boy or girl enroll in the 4-H garden club project unless they have the will to carry the work through to completion, the cooperation of their parents and a suitable plot of ground on which to plant their garden. Competent local leaders are, of course, essential to the success of this as of any other club project.
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Visits—
Miss Thelma Anderson, a student at the University of Oregon arrived home Sunday and will spend her Easter vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Logan Anderson at the Cove.
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Make Hog Shipment—
A double deck of fine hogs was shipped from the county last Satur-

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ON THE AIR

Station KOAC Extension Service of the Oregon State College 550kc

Thursday, Mar. 24
7:00 a. m., Good Morning Meditations, led by Dr. John S. Burns.
7:15, Setting up exercises, directed by Miss Elsie Jacobsen.
7:30, Scanning the headlines.
8:00, Potpourri.
9:00, Ryth-melodies.
9:30, Organ concert by Byron Arnold.
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, "Fertilizers for the Garden," Prof. C. V. Ruzek.
11:30, Matinee.
12:00 (noon) Farm Hour: 12:10, In the day's news; 12:20, "Rural Fire Protection," L. B. Davis; 12:35, market reports, crops and weather forecast.
1:00 p. m., Vaudeville.
1:30, Organ concert from Fox-Whiteside theatre.
2:00, Around the campus.
3:00, Homemaker hour: 3:05, Using Oregon products: "Milk, and Milk Dishes," Mrs. Jessamine Williams.
3:30-3:45, Phases of usage in English: "Greeks and Barbarians Among English Words," L. B. Baldwin.
5:55 p. m., Market reports—second broadcast of wheat and livestock.
6:00, Fox-Whiteside theatre organ.
6:30, Farm hour: 6:31, In the day's news; 6:45, Spot market reports, crops and weather forecast; 6:50, Market reviews—hops, livestock, range and pasture notes, and dried prunes; 7:10, with the poultry flock, Prof. A. G. Lunn.
7:30, Science news of the week.
7:45, Physics in everyday life.
8:00, Music of the masters.
8:15-9:00, College night.

Friday, Mar. 25
7:00 a. m., Good morning meditations, led by Dr. William Schoeler.
7:15, setting up exercises, directed by Miss Elsie Jacobsen.
7:30, Scanning the headlines.
8:00, Potpourri.
9:00, With Uncle Sam's naturalists.
9:15, Ryth-melodies.
10:00, The 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, "Suggestions for Beginners with Electric Brooders," F. E. Price; 12:35, Market reports, crops and weather forecast.
1:00 p. m., Vaudeville.
1:30, Organ program from Fox-Whiteside theatre.
2:00, Around the campus.
3:00, Homemaker hour: 3:05, "Highlights of the Month's Magazine Articles," Miss Bertha Herse.
3:30-3:45, Better health: "Preventing diseases of the Teeth and Gums," U. S. Public Health Service.
5:55 p. m., Market reports—second broadcast of wheat and livestock.
6:00, Fox-Whiteside theatre organ.
6:30, Farm Hour: 6:31, In the day's news; 6:45, Spot market reports and weather forecast; 6:50, Market reviews—Butter, cheese, dairy feeds and feed grains; 7:10, "What Do the Markets Demand in the Vegetable Line," Prof. A. G. Bouquet.
7:30, Business institute of the air; "The Credit Letter," Graham M. Dressler; "Retail Advertising," Prof. H. T. Vance.
8:00, Music of the masters.
8:15, Science news of the week.
8:30-9:00, Great composers and their works: "Good Friday Music," by Byron Arnold.

Saturday, Mar. 26
7:00 a. m., Good morning meditations, led by Mrs. Ralph Parker.
7:15, Scanning the headlines.
8:00, Potpourri.
9:00, Ryth-melodies.
10:00, Morning matinee.
12:00 (noon) Farm hour: 12:10, In the day's news; 12:25, Market reports, crops and weather forecast.
1:00 p. m.: Around the campus.
2:00, Vaudeville.
2:30-4:00, Debate: Oregon State college vs. University of Idaho, in the question: Resolved, "That the policy of cutting wages during the present depression has retarded the progress of recovery."
5:55 p. m., Market reports—second broadcast of wheat and livestock.
6:00, Dinner music.
6:30, Farm hour: 6:31, In the day's news; 6:50, weather forecast; 6:50, Market reviews—wheat, wool, Portland livestock; 7:00, Rands-Strittmater orchestra; 7:15, Your farm reported at Washington.
7:30-9:00, Music of the masters.

A SEASONABLE RECIPE

DUMPLINGS
½ pound beef suet
½ pound dry bread crumbs
½ cup currants
3 eggs
4 tablespoons sugar
1 tablespoon flour
½ teaspoon grated lemon peel
⅛ teaspoon nutmeg.

Grind bread and suet finely. Add the balance of ingredients, the eggs well beaten. Roll into balls (eight or ten) tie into separate cloths and boil half an hour. Butter melted and sweetened slightly makes a good sauce to pour over them when serving.

BLUE MOUNTAIN GRANGERS IN CELEBRATION OF THEIR 28TH BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY

The Blut Mt. grange, oldest group of its kind in the county, celebrated its 28th birthday anniversary Saturday at the hall near La Grande. Mrs. C. B. Spencer, publicity chairman, gives an interesting account of this event which was attended by a large company of members and visitors. The occasion was in honor of the "Silver Star" members, that is, grangers who have been in grange work continuously for 25 years. There are 16 of them on the membership roll, including Mrs. Sara Anson, Mrs. Anna Holman, Mrs. Edith Gekeler, Mrs. Mattie Golden, Mrs. Anne Huffman, Roy Gekeler, Ben Gekeler, Fred Huffman, Mrs. Victor Ragain, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Sherwood, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Davis, Mrs. Susie Williamson, Mrs. Loolah Redhead and Mrs. Lillie Nizer. The first eight on the list are charter members, while Mrs. Nizer, who has been a member of Blue Mt. only a few years has been a Patron of Husbandry since 1903, when she joined an organization in Michigan.

Mrs. Victor Ragain, lecturer, had her program for the meeting divided into three parts. One part, with the exception of a reading, "A Tribute to the Pioneers" by L. F. Wright, was given by the children. "The Raggedy Man" was recited by Jean Jasper; "Lillie's Complaint," by Mildred Fleshman; "The Last Day of School" Mabel Austin and "Mothers of Men" Edna Jasper. For the second part, St. Patrick was honored. A talk on Ireland was given by Miss Minnie Holman; piano solo "Irish Washerwoman" Mrs. Victor Ragain; song "Tipperary" Clarence Carter. Although it was possible for only a few of the Silver Leaf members to be present at the day's gathering, they presented the main features of the program. Ed Reynolds, who is not a member of 25 year's standing, but has been a patron for many years, read an article, "Crosby's Dream" from "The Monthly Sentinel" which was printed many years ago. Mrs. Edith Gekeler gave a reading "The Back Seat Driver," and Mrs. Ragain, Mrs. Holman, Roy Gekeler and Ben Gekeler gave reminiscences of early grange days.

Mayville Grange of Gilliam county and Blue Mountain are the only granges in Eastern Oregon whose members are eligible to receive silver star certificates. The certificates are to be issued by the National Grange and it is expected that they will not be given out before the next meeting of the state grange which is to be held in June.

Blue Mountain Grange of 1872

The old saying, "An organization's ups and downs banish monotony," is only too true of Blue Mt. Grange. It was first organized in 1872 with many prominent pioneer men and women of the valley being included on the membership roll, such as Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Chaplain, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Webb, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. McAlister, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Goodall, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Moe, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Rynearson, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. John Ladd, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Shambaugh, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. George Horsepool, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Childers, Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Swackhamer, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Poebler, several members of the Peach family, Mr. and Mrs. William Proebstel, Mr. and Mrs. Al Good, John Bartmess, Joseph Anson, George Gekeler, M. Welch, William Tillman, Fred Nodine, Jacob Nessly, Frank and George Bartmess. Among the younger members were Mary McClure, Anna Webb, Florence and Mary Nessly, Homer and John Nessly, S. B. Williamson, Susie McAlister (now Mrs. Williamson) and Hattie Proebstel (now Mrs. Ed Eckley). Mrs. Eckley and Mrs. Williamson are both active members of the Blue Mt. Grange of today.

The meetings were held in one of the buildings in South La Grande until about the year 1874 when the present hall, which is said to be the oldest one in Eastern Oregon used for grange purposes, was built. The building is the same as it was then with the exception of a small entry on the front and the kitchen on the back, these two additions being made in later years. The marriage ceremony of Franklin T. Dick and Marcus Lewis was the first marriage performed in this hall. This organization had charge of the ritualistic work of two funerals. The first was that of Jacob G. Nessly, Sept. 15, 1875, the second was that of Mrs. George Horsepool.

The grange prospered well for some years, then trouble of some kind started, interest began to wane, the membership started to diminish and within a short time the members voted to give up their charter. The building and the grounds went back to the original owner.

The Lyceum

Blue Mt. Grange was no more but its hall began to be used as an assembling place for community gatherings. It was there the literary society of the Grange Hall district was organized and meetings were held, the memories of which will linger as long as life itself. This society grew quite famous over the county because it was so well conducted and participants put on such wonderful programs. People drove for miles to attend the meetings and standing room was always at a premium. No program seemed quite complete if the names I. D. Smutz, John McAlister, William Jasper, Fannie Gekeler (now Mrs. Ernest DeLong), Dora Gekeler (Mrs. I. D. Smutz), Jessie Elledge (Mrs. R. A. Masterton), Dollie Elledge (Mrs. Charles Taal), George and Charlie Gekeler, Mrs. William Gekeler and members of her family, did not appear among the literary numbers. Neither was the crowd satisfied if the Spencer brothers, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Spencer, did not furnish the music for the evening.

Grange of 1904

After a lapse of many years, they of the true grange spirit came together again and in March, 1904—twenty-eight years ago—the subordinate was re-organized with 49 charter members. C. D. Huffman was chosen master and he held that office for 13 years. Other first officers elected were James McCall, overseer; Mrs. Edith Gekeler, lecturer; George Gekeler, steward; Art McCall, assistant steward; John McAlister, chaplain; Dexter Eaton, secretary; Mrs. Mattie Golden, treasurer; Mrs. Sara Anson, lady assistant steward. Mrs. D. A. McAlister and Mrs. Anna Holman were also lady officers.

During the 28 years, activities have been many and varied and achievements have been most worthy. Because of the efforts of its members Blue Mountain has made quite a record for itself. It was the first organization to work to obtain the location of the experiment station at Union. It was also the first grange in Oregon to have an official yell and for two years in succession won first prize for literary work and attendance in the state grange contest. For years school teachers were given credits if they attended the meeting designated as "Education Day." It was the first grange in Eastern Oregon to start a community fair.

State, County Officials

During its entire life time Blue Mountain lays claim to:
One governor, Walter M. Pierce.
One state treasurer, George W. Webb.
One stat e librarian, Mrs. Walter Pierce.
Two county judges, J. B. Messick and O. P. Goodall.
Three state senators, M. Jasper, D. A. McAlister, L. B. Rhinehart.
Five representatives, F. T. Dick, John McAlister, C. D. Huffman, James Rhinehart and Henry Rhinehart.
Two sheriffs, R. J. Rogers, S. O. Swackhamer.
Fotr county school superintendents, Ed Reynolds, E. E. Bragg, Mrs. A. T. Ivanhoe and E. A. Sayre.
One member state board of higher education, Mrs. Walter Pierce.
Two postmasters, J. H. Shambaugh, F. T. Dick.
One county commissioner, John Wells.
Two members state fair board, D. A. McAlister, Ed Reynolds.

Roy Gekeler, who has held the offices of lecturer, secretary, steward and assistant steward in his home grange, is well known in grange circles throughout the state, having been national and state deputy master for a number of years. He has the credit of organizing 105 granges, including juveniles, subordinates and pomonas. He started this work in 1909. Mt. Fanny was the first grange he organized. He is the present secretary of Blue Mountain and is busy helping establish a public market in La Grande, a movement fully backed by his grange.

R. A. Masterton is in the midst of his first year's work as master and he is proving himself to be efficient from every standpoint.

More Turkeys Produced?

PULLMAN—Farm prices for turkeys for the 1931 Thanksgiving market of the United States as a whole were 2 to 3 cents lower per pound than the previous year. In Washington, the farm price of turkeys on Dec. 15, 1931 was estimated at 22 cents per pound, the same as on that date in 1930.

The decline in price for the country as a whole had been generally anticipated on account of the estimated increase of nearly 2 per cent in the 1931 crop and the uncertainty of consumer demand.

Demand favored the smaller birds. If continued, this tendency will require breeders and producers to pay more attention to quick maturity. The relatively favorable outcome of the 1931 turkey deal may tend to stimulate excessive promotion of turkey production in 1932, with resulting disappointment.

Winter Poor For Lambing

The severe winter weather of Eastern Oregon coupled with a feed shortage and a deteriorated livestock housing condition brought about by the past profitless years has resulted in a poorer winter lambing than normal. Lamb losses resulting from baby lamb diseases such as white scours have been frequent.

White scours of lambs seems to be a disease that is brought about by a chilling of the young lamb during the first five days of life. If warm sunny days intervene, the malady suddenly stops, proving that a chilling of the delicate newly born lamb is responsible for the onset of the disorder. It is true that the infection when once it appears is likely to be carried on the clothing to other lambs. In this respect this white scours of lambs is much like bacillary white diarrhea of chicks, which disease is passed from the infected hen to the egg where the infection is later taken in by the incubating chick, and where occasionally the infection is spread to other chicks by breathing infected down and dust. It would seem that there is considerable similiarity between these two diseases.

Evidence points to the possibility of the ewe carrying infection in her system and inoculating the lamb during the fetal life. The lambs, the same as the chicks, are not likely to die in any considerable number unless they are chilled. I have known of lambs being born showing infection when their mothers could not nurse them because of spoiled udders.

Prevention at this time resolves itself into keeping the lambs warm. During cold weather, especially in herds where infection has been previously reported, the disease is expected to appear if chilling during the first few days occurs. Sheep owners are desirous of making use of a preventive vaccine; none as yet has been actually developed. We have just recently tried out some white scours serum, vaccinating the ewe before the lamb was born, to see if a prenatal immunity would be produced. It is too early for a report. In the meantime, our best advice is to apply iodine to the naval cord of all new born lambs, and to keep them warm through sunshine or artificial stove heat. Change over-clothing frequently in lambing outfit where disease is present. Use rubber gloves and antiseptics. In treating ailing lambs castor oil, charcoal tablets and sedatives are the best remedies.

In those cases where the lambs are dying without symptoms of scours, generally speaking, the reason can be assigned to causes resulting from the summer's drouth and winter's feed shortage. Ewes ranged on feeds other than irrigated pastures may show a high lamb death loss due to a shortage of vitamines that were not available in the feeds that grew on the dried out range. As a rule, alfalfa hay supplies these in sufficient amounts, but a short alfalfa feeding ration might show a vitamine deficiency. Ewes on dry wild hay and grain feeds will be benefited by a small amount of stock molasses sprinkled on the hay, as molasses is rich in both iron and vitamines, which counteract anemia, which is possibly killing the lambs.

Ten Georgia Tech basketball players were awarded letters at the close of the season.

Fight Starts on Earwigs

Earwig parasites, now being used successfully in Portland in combating these pests, will be available this year to other Oregon communities for the first time, it is announced here by the college extension service. Distribution of the parasites is made possible through a cooperative arrangement with the insectary operated by the city of Portland, the experiment station and the extension service.

A small parasitic fly, which is native to Europe and there keeps the earwigs under reasonable control, was brought to Portland several years ago and introduced there. Only in the last two years, however, have "mass production" methods been devised by R. E. Dimick, college entomologist, which have enabled the Portland incestary to rear the parasitic flies in enormous quanties for planting in earwig infested areas.

Under the plan now announced, colonies of 200 parasitized male earwigs will be supplied communities requesting them on a cost basis. These male earwigs will die as soon as the parasite develops within them. It is believed that the flies will then become permanently established in any community where earwigs are found. The flies have but one purpose in life, that of preying on earwigs, so there is no danger of them becoming a pest in themselves.

Approximately 70 such colonies of parasitized earwigs will be available for distribution this year. Already some 20 communities have signified intention of making use of this service. The colonies are not ready for distribution yet but will be available in time for the emergency of the spring brood of earwigs.

Any community interested in obtaining a colony of these parasites may make arrangements through the county agent.

Increase Of Pasture Emphasized

YAKIMA — There is a tendency among dairymen to turn cows out to the spring pasture before the pastures have a good start. This results in the pastures being kept eaten down and not returning the maximum of feed any time during the summer months, says Donald L. Saunders, district dairy agent. The amount of feed produced by pasture grasses varies according to the leaf surface it is allowed to develop. These grasses and clovers manufacture food material, and a pasture that is kept eaten down close from early spring to late fall has little chance to carry on this process. A pasture that is cropped not less than five or six inches from the ground will produce double the amount of feed during the season produced by the pasture that is kept eaten down to one or two inches from the ground.

SOUTHEASTERN'S NEW LIFE BOON TO DIXIE BASEBALL

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP) — Reorganization of the old Southeastern league is looked upon here as one of the best things that could happen to baseball in the south.

It has been the means of putting many players, who had joined the ranks of the unemployed, back to work, and those responsible for the six clubs say they believe the league will go over.

Besides Montgomery other cities in the league are Mobile and Selma, Ala., Jackson, Miss., Columbus and Macon, Ga.

The big problem of the league, officials said, will be to hold salaries within Class B bounds. Most of the Southeastern clubs will be affiliated with Class A clubs in other leagues. Mobile has a tie-up with the St. Louis Cardinals.

Twenty-three American association players were given big league trials at 1932 spring training camps.

Pointers Given For Reductions

Thirteen points in a program to help Oregon farmers reduce their cash costs this year have been compiled by E. R. Jackman, farm crops specialist of the college extension service, who points out that modern farming at best demands much more cash outlay than in the days of trading produce for needs of the farm family.

Many of the points he mentions are not new, he says, and some are emergency measures only, but he suggests them as stimulating other similar ideas. Here are his 13 points, minus his explanatory matter which any interested farmer may obtain by writing Mr. Jackman at Corvallis or inquiring of the county agent:

1. Plant some corn for feed grain. It needs no cash in harvesting and makes possible farming the land three years with but one plowing.
2. Plow shallow after disking. It is cheaper and yields will be as good.
3. Put in plenty of alfalfa and get more feed on less ground.
4. Put low yielding hill grain land into permanent grass pastures.
5. Put some low yielding fields into orchard grass, tall oat grass, or chewing fescue for seed production and save annual cost of working land.
6. Grow clover seed, of the best sorts. Clover seed farming helps get away from annual plowing.
7. Cut harvesting costs if possible by using a combine and straw spreader.
8. For cows, grow kale or roots for succulents where possible, or use vetch and oats instead of carn for silage. It is far cheaper to produce.
9. In western Oregon consider soy beans instead of leaving any land fallow.
10. Use these low-price years to get rid of weeds, using non-cash methods.
11. If short on hay room, chop and blow hay directly into barn. It costs no more.
12. If much fall plowing is in prospect, start early and dry plow.
13. In eastern Oregon, to save hiring help in plowing disk all land first and then take as much time as necessary to plow it.

DARTMOUTH REWARDS ATHLETES

HANOVER N. H. (AP)—Twenty-seven letters have been awarded by the Dartmouth college athletic council to members of the basketball, swimming and boxing teams. Twelve members of the freshman swimming team earned numerals.

PAY OWN TENNIS EXPENSES

SACRAMENTO, Cal. (AP) — Members of the Sacramento Junior college net squad have volunteered to pay all of their own traveling expenses rather that cut out the sport as an inter-school affair.

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