

OVER THE VALLEY

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Give Lovely Dinner—
Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Speckhart and daughter, Helen Jean, entertained a group of friends and relatives Sunday at their home in the Iowa neighborhood, complimenting Mrs. Lena Speckhart and Miss Ellen Speckhart, of Quincy, Illinois, who plan to leave for their home in the middle west this week, after an extended visit among relatives in the Iowa neighborhood.

Home from Wallowa—
Mr. and Mrs. Milo Biokland and daughter, Betty Ann, of Island City, and Mr. and Mrs. Rowlock of La Grande, returned home Sunday from Wallowa Lake, where they had a week's vacation outing, being housed at Miss Blanche Clark's cabin.

At Enterprise—
Melvin Rundell, of Cove, went to Enterprise last week, where he has been visiting at the home of his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Fisher.

Fractures Arm—
Bob Van Heussen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Giles Van Heussen, who live on the Leon Levy ranch, sustained a compound fracture of the lower arm while cranking their Ford. He was taken to the doctor and the bones set.

Have New Son—
Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Needham, of the Cove, are the parents of a new baby son born to them Sunday noon at their home.

Dinner Guests—
Mr. and Mrs. Harry G. Avery and daughters had as their dinner guests Sunday at the home in La Grande, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Huron, of Brooks Lane, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Royes, of Pleasant Grove and Mr. and Mrs. Frank McKennon and daughter, Frances, of near Imbler.

To Baker—
Mr. and Mrs. Ode Shafer, Mrs. Lillian Shafer and Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Shafer, of Moss Chapel, drove to Baker Sunday and spent the day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. Shafer. The men in this party are chafers. A very happy day they all had according to reports.

Guests—
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kniss and Miss Rosa Trachsel, of Portland, are guests at the Nothnagel home near Allice. The Portland women are granddaughters of "Grandma" Nothnagel.

Move—
Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Hicks, who have been living near Sumner, are this summer moving back to Island City, where Mr. Hicks is principal of the school. They have moved into the Irwin house.

From Portland—
Miss Esther Fellman, a former valley teacher, has been here from Portland visiting among her friends and with her relatives at Cove.

Newcomers—
Newcomers in this valley are the members of the Payne family, who have taken up their residence in the Iowa district, on one of the farms up near the sidehill.

From Lewiston—
E. Jessie K. Clarke and Mrs. C. M. Day, of Lewiston, Ida., visited several days last week with Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Clarke, parents of Mrs. Otis Monroe, of the Monroe orchard in the Baker district, who are spending the summer here. Both of the visitors are sisters of Mr. Clarke.

Return Home—
The Misses Alta Langley and Beryl Engstrom, who have been attending summer school at E. O. N., have returned to their homes in Baker county.

Move—
Mrs. A. E. Hartley and her children left the valley last week and will make their home at Nampa, Ida. Mrs. Hartley family lived for years on Lower Cove, and finding it impossible to continue the farm work since Mr. Hartley's death, have disposed of the management of the farm and moved to Nampa to be nearer college for the older children.

Has Birthday—
The birthday of Earnie Miller, prominent resident of Lower Cove, was very properly observed Saturday evening when a group of friends in the neighborhood were invited to the Miller home. The evening was spent rather informally with Mr. Miller, of course, contributing to the entertainment of the guests with some of his fine tap dancing. Mrs. Miller served the most delicious cake. The guests were Mrs. Ella Fisher, "Grandma" Edgar, Lovene Williams of Lower Cove, Mrs. Leone A. V. Fisher, Josephine and J. Newton, of Shanghai district.

To Farm—
Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Berry and family, who have been living in La Grande, have moved to the Paul Knautz ranch near Allice.

Visit—
Miss Anna Cason, of above Elgin, has been a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Reid Hilbert at Rhinehart the past week.

Return Home—
Mrs. Lena Speckhart and Miss Ellen Speckhart, who have been visiting in the valley and in La Grande for the last seven or eight weeks, plan to leave tomorrow for their home at Quincy, Ill.

To Conference—
Miss Maude Cone, pastor of the Island City Community church, went to Nampa, Ida., this week and is attending the sessions of the annual conference of the Methodist church.

Camping—
Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Becker and sons, Troy and Robert, of Lower Cove, and Harold Comstock, of the Mill Creek canyon have gone up into the Minam country on a camping expedition to cover the present week.

At The Lake—
Mrs. Grant Wilde, of near Hot Lake, was taken to the sanatorium this week where she will submit to a major operation. Mrs. Wilde has not been well for some time.

Condition Critical—
Reports from Hot Lake, where Judge E. J. Sencerbo, of North Powder, has been a patient for a number of weeks, are to the effect that the judge's condition is still regarded as critical.

At Hospital—
Pat Hughes, who lives out on Cove avenue, has had quite a tedious time of it at the Grande Ronde hospital where he has been for and since an operation for an advanced case of appendicitis. A second operation was necessary last week.

Heavy Yield—
An exceptionally heavy yield of barley was produced this year on the Earl Sherrod ranch, the variety being known as the "six-row winter barley." One field of sixteen and one-half acres 1380 bushels of the grain were threshed, this being an average of an even eighty-four bushels per acre—Wallowa Sun.

At Lostine—
Merton Kuhn, of near Union, is spending a couple of weeks at Lostine helping his uncle, W. W. Wade with his haying.

Ships Lambs—
Bill Vogel, of Union, one of the county's largest sheep growers, sent 100 lambs to the market at Wallowa west this week, their destination being the Omaha markets, we believe. We are told that this shipment consisted of some of the finest lambs sent from this locality this season.

Returns Home—
Mrs. Calvin Wright, who recently submitted to an appendectomy at the Grande Ronde hospital, has sufficiently recovered to be able to return to her home at the Cove the past week.

Enjoy Picnic—
Three couples from La Grande enjoyed a picnic with Mr. and Mrs. E. Miles at their grove on Catherine creek Sunday. They were Mr. and Mrs. John Allen, Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Andrews and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hoppe. Others in the party were Mr. Miles' sister, Mrs. J. Green, of Union, and Mrs. Miles' sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Kenney, of San Mateo, California.

Return Home—
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stopp, who have spent a couple of months with their mother in the valley, left Sunday for Seattle to visit a week before returning to their home in Portland.

Complete Improvement—
The L. D. S. church at Imbler has recently completed the refinishing of the church floor and state that it is in the best condition. The dancing party which had been announced on Aug. 19 and then postponed because this improvement had not been finished, is now being announced for Friday evening, Sept. 2. Patrons are required to prepare their products for the can, and two persons do the rest of the work. The largest output for one day this season has been 2000 cans.

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At Cove—
Miss Mae Stearns, photographer of La Grande, visited with her friend, Miss Besse Kelley, at Cove Sunday.

To Hospital—
Mrs. Charles Nantz, of the Wolf Creek neighborhood, was taken last week to the Grande Ronde hospital where she is receiving medical attention.

Home Again—
Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lawson, whose ranch is on the Union-Cove market road, have returned home from the Minam country, having been members

Artists At Amoreld—
Several artists have been camped at one of Charles Seebert's cabins at Amoreld lake this summer sketching the mountains and making a collection of wild flowers. They are said to have found 71 different varieties of flowers growing about the lake.—Herald.

To Mother's Home—
Mrs. Marcia Fy Spencer, who underwent an appendix operation at Hot Lake a couple of weeks ago returned to the home of her mother, Mrs. Edith Fy, at Union, Friday. She will spend a few days there before returning with her young daughter, to her home in Denver. Her sister, Miss Margaret Fy, who has also been visiting at Union, has returned to her work on the campus at Eugene.

Pastures—
This is a subject to which authorities have been giving a great deal of thought and attention, and many experiments have been made. County agent, Harry G. Avery reports that orchard grass, meadow fescue, tall meadow oat grass, alsike clover and Ladino clover make a very satisfactory dairy pasture on 50 acres seeded by N. K. West in 1929. Last spring he seeded an additional 50 acres to the same mixture.

Using the same mixture as West but adding bromine grass, yellow blossom sweet clover and Grimm alfalfa, Clyde McKenzie seeded a 30-acre field 85 per cent western native throwouts and planted with a row of each grass seeded separately. Mr. McKenzie expects in this way to be able to better pasture the growth of the different grasses.

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CHICAGO LIVESTOCK
CHICAGO, Aug. 31 (AP)—Hogs 18-000; moderately active, 5 1/2 to 10c higher; 18000; western, 44.50 to 44.00; top 44.25. Cattle 10,000; active; stronger; fed steers and yearlings 87.00 to 89.00; stockers slow, other classes comparatively slow; steady; vealers 80.00 to 87.00; bulls 42.25.

OMAHA SHEEP
OMAHA, Aug. 31 (AP)—(U. S. D. A.)—18000; active; steady; 18000; range lambs 45.00 to 45.50; fed woolled and fed clipped lambs 45.50; range and fed yearlings 42.25; ewes down from 32.00; range feeding lambs 42.25 to 44.50.

First "Neckties"
Neckties, formerly known as "cravats," were first extensively worn in Europe during the French revolution. The custom was borrowed from the Croats, or Cravats, as they were called, in the Seventeenth century.

Family Safes
Classics are books in which it is safe to hide anything you don't want the family to find.—Schenectady Gazette.

Livestock Requires But Few Minerals

"Aside from common salt, the only minerals that are needed as supplements to ordinary farm rations for livestock are calcium, phosphorus, and sometimes iodine," declares Jerry Sotola of the Washington State college animal husbandry division.

"Mixtures containing such substances as Glauber's salts, Epsom salts, copperas, potassium chloride, sulfur, and others have no justification from the standpoint of nutrition. Their continued feeding may be positively harmful."

"Compounds of calcium and phosphorus which are suitable for feeding as mineral supplements, all of which are firmly ground, may be purchased at one to three cents a pound. Complex mixtures usually sell at much higher prices than this. The complex products in many cases are worth less than mixtures of calcium and phosphorus compounds, because the percentage of needed minerals is lowered by including worthless substances which only exert a diluting influence."

"Many stockmen are guilty of over-enthusiasm in recommending minerals for livestock, working on the theory that if small quantities are helpful, large doses can do no harm. In many cases these men are not only wasting their money but are harming their livestock as well."

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Make The First Butter Test

SALEM, Ore. (Special)—The first official act of the 1932 Oregon State Fair was completed here Thursday, a full month before the gates open September 26.

Butter was the cause of it. Expert butter judges, appointed by Miss Underwood, of the fair, inspected, smelled, and otherwise examined the product of the most skilled butter-makers. Few people realize how many fine points there are to the determining extent of the butter's quality, and what is not so good. When they learn, the good buttermaker will reap his reward, but until they do learn the only reward he will get will be in heaven.

The premiums for butter offered this year by the fair are for a double-creaming to determine not only the excellence of the butter but its keeping quality. After their tasting spree the three judges select the first, second, and third best samples, labelled with the name of the butter maker. The butter is sealed in the 35 cent terminal ice and cold storage plant here.

The question is, how will they show a month from now? A month, according to Max Gehlhar, director of agriculture, is the average length of time that it takes to get butter, exported from the state, from the buttermaker to the butter user. Consequently Oregon's effort to improve the quality of its butter for sale in other states will be gauged to a considerable extent by the results of the second scoring made when the Oregon State Fair opens.

In this contest Oregon buttermakers are coming up against severe competition from several other states. Tennessee, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Washington are after the premiums and the blue ribbon.

The judges for the double-creaming contest are J. E. Draper, of Portland, division of poultry and dairy products, U. S. department of agriculture; Professor G. H. Wistler of Corvallis, Oregon State college; and George Jacobson of Portland, expert buttermaker.

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Russell McKennon, Judge

TODAY WE HAVE

Thomas C. Hefty, Cove
Thomas C. Hefty, one of the big cherry growers of the Cove section, came here in 1920.

His parents were Swiss and lived in Wisconsin before going to Kansas. He was born in Valley Falls, Kansas, October 10, 1893.

He received his education at the North Central college at Naperville, Illinois, graduating in 1917. After his graduation he was made principal of the high school at Cody, Wyoming.

He went into the service in May of 1918 and was sent abroad in August. He was quartermaster and served in France and Belgium. He returned to the United States in August, 1919, and returned to Cody, Wyo., where he resumed his principalship.

The following summer he felt the lure of the west. Through his acquaintance, at Cody, with an Oregon man, a man born and raised in Cove, Oregon—Roy Allen—he stopped in Cove, coming in by way of the R. R. spur that once came here.

On arriving here he was induced to stay and he put in the next few months working as farm hand and various other things.

In the late fall he returned to Wyoming, and in December of that year, he was joined in marriage to Miss Underwood, of the fair, who was in Grand Valley, Colo. Miss Underwood had been a school teacher, but at the time of her acquaintance, when Mr. Hefty was teacher in that county, she was superintendent in that county.

After their marriage they came to Cove and purchased an orchard—cherries, apples and pears, on the hillside formerly owned by John Comstock. The following year he became half owner of the George Thomas orchard, one of the first cherry orchards planted in Cove.

Since then changes have been made and there are now 25 acres of the original orchard and about 10 acres of the new, eight years old and now bearing. The old orchard consisted of Royal Annes and Bing cherries, while the new orchard is set with Lambert's. Lambert's were unknown in the years when the first orchards were planted in Cove.

An average yield of this orchard is about 45 tons of fruit, though in 1923, it bore 70 tons and in 1924 it bore 50 tons.

In this orchard the county agriculturist has been experimenting with fertilizer, by applying the same to one block of trees and then leaving a similar block unfertilized. They are also experimenting with a complete nitrate fertilizer and one with only partial nitrate. After three years of experimenting the trees show a great increase in growth and production.

Mr. Hefty has prospered in their Oregon home. They have two fine sons, Charles, seven, and Donald three. They have a modern home, attractive without and inviting within. It is situated on a hill, with trees and adorned with lovely flowers. Visitors are always welcome and it is a rare day when none are present.

year the feed situation resulting from the drought caused rather heavy shipments from other states in August, which reduced the number that moved during the last four months before what it normally would have been. This year there has been such forced marketings in August, and there seems to have been some tendency to hold lambs that normally would be marketed before September first.

In Texas, however, a quite different situation prevails. With a lamb crop as large this year as last and with a relatively large proportion of the 1931 crop both ewe and wether retained in flocks, a large increase in marketings over last year is possible if the 1932 crop is largely marketed before the end of the year. While the number of 1932 lambs marketed before September first was considerably larger than the number of 1931 lambs marketed before September 1, 1931, there remains a large number of 1932 lambs to be disposed of. Reports from that state indicate that marketings during the balance of the year are apt to be large, but will be influenced considerably by the trend of prices and local financial developments.

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Former 4-H Club Boy Comes Back As High Official

Russell McKennon, formerly of this valley, now assistant county agent of Malheur county, and stationed at Ontario, is coming into his own. And fast, up to a few months ago we always referred to Russell, as "the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank McKennon, of near Imbler. But in any case this is his latest recognition. Russell has been appointed by the extension service of the Oregon State college at Corvallis to represent them and act as judge at the big annual county 4-H club picnic which is in progress today at the Eastern Oregon experiment station.

The son in a progressive farmer family, Russell had a good background to begin with. Twelve years ago, when he was a chunk of a lad, he joined a 4-H club and commenced a period of club work which has been quite outstanding through these years. At the close of his high school work he entered the state college where he made a number of honors for work done. When he completed his work, mid-year, last spring, he was appointed assistant agent at Ontario. Attending to the character of his work thus far in Malheur county, is a statement made by a representative of the extension service who attended and acted as judge at the Ontario fair the last three days of last week. They report the Russell's 4-H club exhibit the fair was the best they had ever seen anywhere.

The county club picnic was an event of today at Union and as this is being written the results of the various contests are not known. Participating in the live-stock judging contests during the day, when teams were to be selected to go to the big fair later in the year were the Malheur Calf club of the Grande Hall neighborhood, the Cricket Flat Pig club, the Cove Dairy Calf club, the Imbler Sheep club and the Island City Pig club. In addition to work in judging which has been going on through the club year, the different clubs have each held contests within the last few weeks and have received instruction in judging from county agent, Harry G. Avery and others.