

Big Apple Crop Is Expected In Imbler District

By Mrs. Ray Wilson (Observer Correspondent)

IMBLER (Special) — Prospects so far are bright for a bumper apple crop here this year. A few orchards will be light but most of them will be unusually heavy if they escape frost damage. Damage from freezing is probably quite heavy in many American and European fruit sections and local growers, with moisture and other conditions so far ideal, are optimistic. Cherries here are probably damaged severely but there are no sizeable commercial cherry orchards here in bearing. There is no damage at all to apples and with average weather conditions, it will be two weeks or more before they will be in bloom.

Mr. Johnson, Smith-Hughes instructor at the Seaplace, Oregon, high school motored to Imbler Saturday. He met with the school board that afternoon, applying for the Smith-Hughes position. Mr. Johnson is the son of Earl Johnson, prominent farmer and stock shipper of near Walla. After the board meeting he went on to Walla to visit over night with his parents. He reports that low prices have hit the farmers around Seaplace especially hard. The principal farming section there is the district along the Columbia river reclaimed by diking and drainage. This land is highly productive, producing as high as 80 bushels of wheat to the acre. The high cost of the reclamation has established a necessary rental value of about \$20 dollars an acre and a fair return on the investment. Mr. Johnson spent most of his boyhood in Walla county and expressed the opinion

that these two counties had the best farm lands and the best farmers in the Northwest and would be the first to "come out of it" when prices swing upward again.

Mrs. Gordon, commercial teacher in the high school, has resigned her position, effective at the close of the present term. She has been a very successful teacher and has been re-elected for the ensuing year but she has decided to quit teaching and stay at home in Corvallis. Her husband is a member of the faculty of O. S. C. Joe Bushman has moved his family to the residence owned by Mrs. Perrin.

William Westenskow and son Melvin and David Stoddard, of La Grande, motored to Baker Sunday evening. Funeral services were held at Summerville yesterday afternoon for the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. LaMar Westenskow. The baby was dead when born. Mrs. Westenskow is reported to be getting along satisfactorily.

Mrs. Anderson and family of Mantitah left for their home Saturday morning. Mrs. Anderson is the mother of Mrs. Dan Westenskow. Mrs. Gladys Christensen remained here to be with her sister, who is still confined in a hospital.

Mrs. Fern Clegg took her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Davis, on a picnic and night riding trip to the Walla county on Saturday.

William Westenskow has rented 23 acres of apple orchard. This tract was originally part of the William Miller orchard before being sold in tracts. This acreage was sold by Mr. Miller to Mr. H. Prior and Herbert Buoy, who later relinquished their interests.

The grade boys baseball team played the Allice team composed of grade boys Friday afternoon. He game resulted in the amazing score of 70-12 in favor of Imbler.

The first and second grades have formed two baseball teams. Gus Fowler and Howard Binghamman are captains. The first game resulted in a score of 12-11 in favor of Gus's team. Gus hit a homer.

Tha Lloyd and Lyle Coe motored to Astoria Saturday with Miss Bondi, of the local faculty, to contest in declamation. Although both fell short of first place they made an excellent showing, and were ranked high. Miss Andrews and sister, Ma Mae, also accompanied them. They returned home immediately after the contest.

Contents in speed and accuracy in division and multiplication in the fifth and sixth grades has placed Alice Westenskow in high place in division and Aletha Bushman high in multiplication. The room is making a record for an elimination program, holding the finals the last week of school.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. M. Furman, of Brooks lane near Imbler, celebrated their fortieth wedding anniversary last Sunday. The guests report the time residents of this valley and well known over Eastern Oregon Mr. Furman and sons, Arthur and Walter, operate large orchards in this district. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Furman and children, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Furman, of La Grande, Mr. and Mrs. Lila Shultz and children, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fairens and son, Bobby, Mr. and Mrs. Hesse and daughter, Esther, of Ladd canyon, Mr. and Mrs. Shannan, of Ladd canyon, Mrs. Carrie Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Robert McGaughey, of Baker, drove down in the afternoon. Mrs. McGaughey is a sister of Mrs. Furman. The guests report the banquet served at noon as the "best ever." Mr. and Mrs. Furman received many beautiful gifts but the one that pleased them most was a little poem, composed by a small grandchild and presented to his "best grandma and grandpa" to be read at the banquet, as follows: "Forty years, it seems a long time as we stop to look ahead. Tho to you it seems a short while since the two of you were wed. And we hope that in the future your time will go as fast as it has in the forty years just passed."

Alfred Westenskow has resigned his position in the Imbler Cash store. The Red Head filling station is planning a soda fountain service this summer and expect to have the equipment installed in a short time. The death of Mrs. Litteral at Summerville Tuesday night was a great shock to her many friends. Her illness was known but few realized it was of a serious nature.

Sunny Weather Brings Smiles To The Farmer

By Mrs. Nell Kight (Observer Correspondent)

LOWER COVE, Ore. (Special) — Farmers are delighted with the beautiful sunny days. Everyone is at work in the fields, gardens being planted. The apricot trees are in bloom, but the last three nights have been dangerously cold.

Virgil, ten-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Chadwick, met with a painful accident last Saturday. He was crossing an old rail fence on one pony when the pony stepped on one of the rails, causing it to fly up and hit Virgil, cutting one ear. It required ten stitches to close the wound and he also received other cuts and bruises. He was taken immediately to Hot Lake and his mother is there with him.

Grandma Thompson, is quite ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. T. B. Johnson, as the result of a fall. Due to her advanced age of 88 years her condition is considered rather serious. The fall was thought to have been caused by a slight stroke of paralysis.

Mrs. Harlan Koger has spent many afternoons this week at the bedside of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Lora Erickson, who is at the Grande Ronde hospital.

Mrs. Adolph Peebler and family, of Ladd Canyon, visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Johnson Sunday.

Walter Johnson suffered an attack of chronic appendicitis last week. The people of this community are sorry to hear of the illness of Dr. C. E. Cramme. He has been faithful to the people of this vicinity through all the illness and a speedy recovery is hoped for.

An accident occurred near the Harlan Koger home when the car driven by Raymond Breeshers ran into one of the work horses which Mr. Koger was taking to pasture Saturday evening. The animal had both hind legs broken and was shot immediately. The car was badly damaged but the Breeshers children escaped unhurt.

Mr. and Mrs. Nell Kight and children and Miss Lillian Kight spent Sunday at the home of their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rogers, of Island City.

The pupils of Froxy school and of Lower Cove school played baseball at the Lower Cove school grounds last Friday afternoon. The score was 23 to 9 in favor of Lower Cove.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gassett and baby were La Grande visitors on Friday.

T. B. Johnson has leased some of the farm belonging to Mrs. Sentner and is busy plowing it.

When an expensive specialist takes your pulse, you learn on receiving the bill that feeling runs high.

Maybe the drum major preens like he does because of his high baton average.

The Garden

PEAS, GRAY AND MUTTON

Peas, gray and mutton, famous dish of early June which has attained fictional fame, is always a treat — especially the peas, the first crop from the home garden drawing the mutton — lamb nowadays, as one asks for a good cut of mutton in vain at most shops, for the menu.

The first crop of peas in gardens over the greater part of the country is picked in early June, often as part of the July 4 celebration. It is at this time that the first crop of finer quality wrinkled peas is likely to be ready. Earlier pickings from the smooth-seeded sorts that may be sown in defiance of wet and early frosts can be had. The quality of these early peas is excellent if they are picked at the right time and that is before the peas have reached full size in the pod.

A sowing of these very early peas should always precede the wrinkled sorts which must be held out of the ground until it has dried out somewhat from winter soginess. Alaska is the standard of excellence among the smooth-seeded peas and also the standard of earliness. It is the first pea that may be planted safely and that is when the frost is well out of the ground.

Alaska is a medium-growth pea, the vines being from two and one-half to three feet tall. It can be grown as a dwarf pea and allowed to sprawl, but it is much better to give it support, a length of chicken wire fencing being admirable for the purpose. The wire may be rolled up after the pea crop has matured and stowed away, stakes and all, for future years. The use of this wire is much more convenient than the usual search for and cutting of brush.

The Alaska pea forms good-sized pods containing from five to eight peas but the crop must be watched before any have a chance to mature. The first ripening checks the whole crop.

Follow Alaska in from ten days to two weeks with the main crop of the choicer wrinkled varieties. The many varieties of modern peas are now so well known that it is easy to have a succession over a period of 30 days by planting different varieties. As the peas are one of the early garden crops they should figure prominently in succession plans.

A wealthy Pennsylvanian has given \$1,000,000 to help promote good will between this country and Germany. In the interest of Hans across the sea.

Then there's the Scotchman who, when asked for a tip, obligingly lifted his hat.

Maybe the drum major preens like he does because of his high baton average.

Tobacco Fed To Baby Chickens; Aids In Growth

By Howard W. Blakeslee (Associated Press Science Editor)

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. Apr. 20 (AP) — Tobacco fed to baby chicks is making them into bigger and better broilers at the Pennsylvania State college.

This same nicotine diet, in the fully grown old fowl, makes healthier hens and roosters — and, what is more, may emancipate their farm owners from having to keep them so closely watched for fear of a parasitical infection that chickens may pick up when economically foraging for their own food.

A high percentage of nicotine in tobacco is the secret of the effectiveness of the Penn State tobacco diet. The value of tobacco as a vermifugal agent in chicken feed has been recognized for years but sometimes its use has yielded uncertain results. It is likely to make hens ill. Some being more susceptible than others.

Suspecting that the harm may come from other tobacco ingredients than nicotine, Dr. J. E. Hunter and Dr. E. H. Haley, of the department of agricultural and biological chemistry, have been feeding tobacco rich in nicotine, a diet with less tobacco but a better "kick."

The material is made by grinding the whole tobacco plant. The most successful brand is a plant, nicotiana rustica, containing five per cent or more of nicotine. Tobacco with barely one per cent of nicotine has "decidedly harmful" results on chickens, the details of which the scientists promise to publish later.

Between the low and the high nicotine types they are now seeking the "level" of nicotine content at which the best results may be obtained. A wider range in effective plants may mean increased markets for tobacco farmers.

The reason for the greater growth of baby chicks is not wholly clear. It is not necessarily ascribed to nicotine. If the cause is nicotine, then this is something new in such effects, Dr. Haley says. Better health may come from the killing by nicotine of ascaridia lineata, commonly called round worm, a type of fowl parasite. To minimize attacks of these parasites farmers have been forced to raise their chickens on ground free from such organisms.

Like boys with their first smokes, the chicks can be made ill by too much tobacco at the start. And like the humans they develop "tolerance to increased amounts."

However, there is no other parallel between smoking and feeding tobacco to chickens.

Radio Programs

THURSDAY PROGRAMS

National Broadcasting Co.: 6, vocalists and orchestra; 6:30, symphony orchestra; 8:30, Amos and Andy; 9, orchestra; 9:30, play; 10, Parlatan Quintet; 10:30, "Air Frie" Scotty, violin; 11 to 12, dance orchestra.

Columbia Broadcasting system: 6, studio program, nummologist; 6:30, Haywire Orchestra; 7, Lullaby Lane; 7:30, orchestra; 8, sport show; 8:30, Dr. Barrows, Trail Blazers; 9, Folgeria; 9:30, piano, Spanish Phantoms; 10, Emperor of the World, answer man, orchestra; 12 to 1 a. m., Vagabond of the Air.

Northwest Broadcasting system: 6, concert trio; 6:30, soprano, Home-again Melodies; 7:30, 18 Feet of Harmony, orchestra; 8:15, Melodies and Memories, tenor; 9, Montville Flowers; 9:30, baritone, tenor; 10, Sunshine program; 10:30, Moonlight Melodies; 11 to 12, orchestra.

Spokane: KICQ (580): 7 a. m., Town Crier; Alice Blue Gown, Van and Don; 8, Happytime; 9, Walt and Norman; 10, Woman's Magazine; 11:30, organ; 12, talks, music; 1:15, seed service, music; 2, studio parade; 3, Gema of Remembrance; 3:30, dance music; 4, service hour; 5, orchestra; 6, NBC programs; 9:30, transcription, sports; 10, news, Ensemble; 11 to 12, dance music.

KJR (970): 6 to 12, NBS programs.

Tacoma: KVI (760): 9, CBS; 9:30, orchestra; 10, studio program, orchestra; 10:30, Walkathon; 11 to 12, orchestra.

Portland: KEX (1180): 6, orchestra; 6:30, Melodies and Memories; 7, silent; 8, golf, minitalk; band; 9, NBS; 9:30, Tont, Paintings; 10, NBS; 10:30, Walkathon; 11:30, orchestra; 12 to 3 a. h., Midnight Revelers.

Oakland: KILX (880): 7, news, piano, studio program; 8:15, Musical Solace; 9, gospel hymns; 9:30, novelty trio; 10, band; 11, classic records; 11:30 to 12, dance music.

GKO (760): 6 to 12, NBC programs.

San Francisco: KPO (680): 6:45, Henry Starr; 7, orchestra; 8, comedy; 8:30, piano, Meeting in the Tavern; 9, Cy Trosch's Scrapbook; 10, news, Homynocentia; 10:30, orchestra; 11:30 to 12, organ.

KPRC (610): 6 to 1 a. m., CBS programs.

Los Angeles: KHJ (900): 7, CBS programs; 9:30, music, studio program; 10, news, orchestra; 12 to 1 a. m., organ.

KXKX (1050): 7, Watson and Archie, ensemble; 7:30, musical programs; 8, symphony; 8:30, violin; 9, studio program; 9:30, dance ensemble; 10, Wranglers; 11 to 12, organ.

KFT (940): 7, NBC programs; 8:30, Beautiful Women, orchestra; 9, NBC; 9:30, Wandering Minstrels; 10, news, Parlatan Quintet; 10:30, Schonberger trio; 11 to 12, NBC.

Denver: KOA (830): 6, NBC programs; 8:15, Listener's Hour; 8:45, political talk; 9, NBC; 9:30, play; 10, Parlatan Quintet; 10:30 to 11, organ.

Salt Lake City: KSL (1130): 6, NBC programs; 8, Pep Program; 8:30, NBC; 8:45, Magic Paintbrush; 9, NBC; 9:30, informal studio program; 10:15, Frolic; 11 to 12, dance music.

450 Women Fluster Bachelor Governor

TOPEKA, Kas., April 22 (AP) — Gov. Harry H. Woodring, Kansas' bachelor chief executive, was on the program for an address yesterday at the annual state convention of the business and professional women's clubs. As he rose to speak, the 450 women delegates sang, "Let Me Call You Sweetheart."

The governor later confessed he was so flustered that he forgot his prepared address.

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PENDLETON, Ore., April 22 (AP) — Joe Lewis, convicted by a jury of a statutory offense against a young girl, was given a seven year penitentiary sentence by Circuit Judge Calvin Sweet here yesterday.



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