

OREGON SLOPE

Sunday school will be held at Park School house during the month of August at 10 a. m.

Mrs. John McNary of Coshocton, Ohio, is expected Wednesday to visit her sister, Mrs. Van Horne.

Miss Marie Frost spent the week end with her sister Mrs. Stanley Brown of Ontario.

Mr. and Mrs. Owens of New Plymouth, and Mrs. Walter Davis and son George, were dinner guests on Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. C. Karst.

Mr. Gruver of Vale, spent Monday on the Slope.

Miriam Davis had her tonsils removed at Holy Rosary Hospital, Ontario, Tuesday of last week. She spent several days with Mrs. L. R. Briethaupt, returning home Thursday evening.

Mesdames Chas. Skippen, George Skippen and Clifford Ayers visited Mrs. C. A. Karst Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Vincent were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Otto C. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Conner and Mr. and Mrs. H. Conner were guests Sunday at the J. D. Conner home.

Mrs. Clifford Ayers and children of Big Willow, were guests last week of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Skippen.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Van Natta and family motored to Caldwell Sunday and spent the day with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Van Horne, Mr. and Mrs. Mason Clough, George and Maude Culp motored to Vale Sunday and enjoyed a picnic dinner at the auto park.

Mr. Reed of Brogan was on the Slope Friday looking over the orchards.

Otto Meili, who was operated on at Ontario Hospital for appendicitis, two weeks ago, is much improved and expects to return home this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Brown and sons of Ontario, were guests Friday evening of E. Frost and wife.

Homer Lauer of Boise, spent Fri-

day with his sister, Mrs. Welscher. Mrs. J. A. McKinney of Brogan, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. E. Frost.

Miss Nettie Bartshe is spending a fortnight with her sisters, Mrs. Chas. Warren and Miss Jean Bartshe of Baker City.

F. B. Wilcox is spending a few days in Boise and Meridian looking after his orchard.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephens and daughter, Betty, were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Lindquist of North Payette.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Welscher were dinner guests Sunday of Milton Lauer and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Tomlin and family were entertained Sunday at the Ben Tomlin home in North Payette, the occasion being a birthday dinner in honor of E. W. Tomlin's granddaughter, Janet.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Heslop and son, Jamie, motored down from Boise Saturday and spent the week end with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Heslop.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Martin of Columbus, Ohio, arrived Friday morning for an extended visit with their daughters, Mrs. W. F. Vincent and Mrs. Otto C. Miller. Mr. Martin has a twenty acre orchard on the Slope and expects to harvest several thousand boxes of apples while here.

Word was received this week by Mr. P. M. Boals, president of Park Improvement club to the effect that the millinery school which was to have been conducted by Miss Cooley of Corvallis, in August, has been postponed until the last week in September, at which time Mrs. Cooley will hold a three days school in millinery on the Slope. The place to be announced later.

Good yields of grain are reported from the A. A. Gutteridge ranch. One field of Dicklow yielded fifty-nine bushels to the acre, while the new variety, Federation, introduced into the county by the Farm Bureau, yielded sixty-three bushels to the acre. These are the best returns so far and speak well for our land on the Flat and the man who

raised the crops.

Monday morning at six-thirty a large delegation of dairy experts from all over the East, and representatives from Ontario, Payette and Weiser invaded the Slope on a tour of dairy inspection. A stop was made at the Otto Miller and A. A. Gutteridge ranches. Governor Davis of Idaho, was among the notables present and took great interest in the discussion of dairying.

Fire threatened to do considerable damage on the J. L. Brown ranch Saturday afternoon. Starting from the exhaust of Dave Howard's threshing machine engine and spreading to an old straw stack, the fire soon assumed threatening proportions. Only quick work by the crew saved the separator and sacked grain close at hand.

MONTHLY REPORT OF THE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL AGENT

For the period, July 2 to Aug 5, 1922

The projects given attention during the period of this report were crop improvement, alfalfa weevil control, grasshopper control, potato improvement and marketing. Miscellaneous and personal work required about one-half of the time.

CROP IMPROVEMENT. One meeting was held at Adrian on this project for the purpose of visiting crop demonstrations in that community has had been done in other communities the previous month. Also several plots of spring wheat were "sampled" for yield and the bundles laid away to be threshed later.

ALFALFA WEEVIL CONTROL. Meetings on alfalfa weevil control were held at Grove, Harper and Westfall, and the spread of the weevil determined roughly in the county as far west as Juntura.

GRASSHOPPER CONTROL. Grasshoppers appeared in considerable numbers at various points in the county during the month and threatened clover seed fields and lettuce patches. The poison bran mash remedy was made familiar to the farmers by circular letters and press reports and assistance rendered eight farmers in getting the materials together to begin poisoning.

POTATO IMPROVEMENT. Six days were spent on this project by the agent and four days by E. R. Jackman, crop specialist. Seven field meetings were held for the purpose of studying potato diseases and their control. These meetings were held at Ontario, Cairo, Vale, Nyssa, Adrian, Oregon Slope and Jefferson. The total attendance was 116. In addition twenty-three fields were examined for certification of which 14 passed first inspection. During the course of the potato work a large number of commercial fields were examined for disease. It was found that the amount of disease varied greatly according to the quality of seed used, some small fields showing almost all plants diseased. Mosaic is the most serious disease. One field containing more than fifty acres was found to contain 46 per cent Mosaic. The seed had been imported from Idaho at a high price and planted on the best potato land and the crop well cared for. The yield will be light and the crop will no doubt cause a heavy financial loss to the grower. Similar results were noted where home grown seed was used. However, there are numerous instances where good results have been secured from the use of good seed both home grown and imported showing that the problem facing the potato growers is one of planting good seed wherever it may be obtained at a price which they can afford to pay.

MARKETING. A meeting of farm bureau marketing association representatives at Caldwell was attended for the purpose of cooperating in making plans for keeping the potato growers informed on market conditions and to acquaint them with United States grades of potatoes. The matter of securing Federal inspection for Malheur county farm products was taken up with the Oregon State Board of Horticulture and the Bureau of Agricultural Economics of the Dept. of Agriculture. An Arrangement between the Idaho inspection service and the Federal bureau which will provide the desired service seems about to be made at the time of writing this report.

MISCELLANEOUS AND PERSONAL SERVICE. During the five weeks covered, 17 days were spent in the field and 12 in the office; 97 persons called at the office on business; 1 press article; 120 personal letters and 19 circular letters of 1859 copies written; 2 state questionnaires answered; 840 miles traveled by auto; 82 farm visits and 31 demonstration visits were made; 8 meetings were held at demonstrations with a total attendance of 124 and 3 other meetings held with a total attendance of 90 persons; 2 other meetings were attended by the agent.

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MAJESTIC THEATRE

FRI. and SAT.

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