

Shower Honors
Miss Klebey

Mrs. Alfred Fountain and Mrs. James Garland entertained at a miscellaneous shower in honor of Miss Leona Klebey, bride-elect of Eric Bergman, at the Albany home of Mrs. Garland on Tuesday night. After an informal evening, refreshments were served by the hostesses.

Those bidden to attend were Mrs. Royal Peterson, Mrs. Henry Tiano, Mrs. Ralph Hassler, Mrs. Kenneth Lemkau, Mrs. Edward McKee, Mrs. Chester Henshaw, Mrs. Anna Watson, Mrs. William Volz, Mrs. Robert Kalina, Mrs. Blanche Bakke, Mrs. Russell Harrison, Mrs. Orval Olson, Mrs. Robert LaFond, Mrs. Eugene Freese, Mrs. Carl Pierce, the hostesses and Miss Klebey.

Cosmis Club to
Dance Saturday

The Cosmis dancing club will hold its party at Mayflower hall on Saturday night from 9 to 12 o'clock. Sunny St. Clair and her orchestra will play. The dance is informal.

On the committee are Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Bostrack, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Dumler, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Finney and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Domogalla.

70 Statesman
Carrier Boys
Attend Outing

Some 70 Statesman carrier boys of Salem and surrounding towns were guests of The Oregon Statesman at an all-day outing and entertainment Tuesday.

The carriers were taken to Paradise island before noon for a round of sports and novelty contests, softball and volleyball games, swimming, horseshoe and other sports. Punch and ice cream were served throughout the afternoon.

After a 4:30 p.m. picnic style supper, the carriers were taken to a movie at the Elsinore theatre. During the day a public address system was provided by Vince's Electric.

Rain ended a softball game between city and suburban teams at a 6-6 tie. Winners of various age groups in 50-yard dash contests were John Gillman, Dick Morris and Darrel Knittel, all of Salem; Jack Ames, Kelzer, and Jerry Morris, Jefferson.

Dick Boyton and Jack Ames, both of Kelzer, were the winning egg throwing team, tossing their fresh egg without breaking it until they were separated by 80 feet. Bill Lofton of Dallas won the shoe race. All winners were awarded prizes.



These carriers and circulation department men of The Oregon Statesman were pictured during the Statesman's annual carriers' outing Tuesday at Paradise Island. Above, the boys gather around a Statesman truck as festivities get underway. Below, some of those present play volleyball in one of the many athletics on the day's program. (Statesman photos.)

Willamette Valley Farmer

Valley Farmer
Thinks Alaska
Might Be Fun

With combining out of the way (on some farms) farmers are thinking of a bit of vacation before the heavy season of fall ploughing and seeding sets in. To some this means fishing. To others it means the far places.

At the Oregon Farmers Union picnic at Champoug Sunday, two ranchers were discussing how much they'd like to drive the highway to Alaska and wondered if it were difficult. The Statesman farm editor, listening in, has been able to dig up some of the information from conclusions by Francis C. Durkin, field reporter for the American Automobile association, who, in July, covered the distance in a test run.

The trip, which officially starts at Dawson Creek, B. C. and takes one to Fairbanks, Alaska, is 1250 miles. The minimum feasible time for a round trip from the northwestern United States to Fairbanks is a month with minimum expense for two, \$800, says Mr. Durkin. With proper care, the motorist can get accommodations covering the entire route, although in some cases these will not be luxurious.

Highway Good
Except for precautions against the ubiquitous mosquito, Mr. Durkin reports that the tourist needs no special equipment to drive from Dawson Creek to Fairbanks. The summer climate is as mild as in the United States. The highway itself is a wide, well-engineered gravel road which Mr. Durkin compares favorably with many standard U.S. highways.

While it is not recommended as a pleasure trip when the temperature drops below zero, it is a year around highway, for in the winter when ice freezes solidly, cars drive bithly across rivers, where ferries are used in summer, and proceed along well-ploughed routes.

Durkin also reports that while gasoline and tires can be obtained along the trail, it is a good idea to carry two spares mounted on a wheel and an extra five-gallon for emergency. This is just a precaution. Spare parts are not available in such profusion as along U.S. 101, but they can be obtained from time to time. An extra fan belt is a nice precaution, too, he adds, as he suggests that tires should be given a change several times a day to cool off

and tire pressure should be tested daily.

Lodging Obtainable
The two most important procedures of a trip over the highway, he emphasizes, is bringing along a mosquito repellent and telephoning ahead each day to make sure of accommodations for the night. Lodging prices along the route are about the same as in the United States. Food, however, becomes more and more expensive the closer to Alaska, but it is practically always obtainable.

The logical approach to Dawson Creek for the Willamette valley farmer is through Spokane. Dawson Creek itself, says Mr. Durkin, is a small town with a good, but small new hotel, eight standard-make car agencies and service stations, and stores where overlooked items may be bought before the jump-off.

Calf Loss Reported
Heavy in Early Life

Estimates show that from 12 to 13 per cent of the calves that are born do not live to six-months of age, thus cutting down greatly the profit to both the dairy and beef industry.

Pneumonia and scours are the diseases blamed for taking the heaviest toll. Again prevention is better than cure and preventive measures, livestock men tell us, include making sure that the cow is well supplied with nutrients before the calf is born. And later, calf pens should be well bedded and never allowed to become wet and soggy. They should be exposed to sunlight but free from drafts. Calf pails should be properly washed and sterilized before feeding.

Not Everybody Will
Eat Turkey This Fall

The United States turkey crop for 1948 is now estimated to be around 28,000,000 head, the smallest crop since 1938. The average weight of young turkeys sold has increased gradually in recent years. In 1947 the average weight of young turkeys was 25 per cent heavier than in 1938.

The relationship between feed prices and turkey prices are predicted to be exceptionally favorable this year, and there may be considerable incentive to feed turkeys to heavier weights than in previous year, market authorities state.

Hollis Ottaway who has been assistant county agent in Clackamas for quite a spell, is now agent, full-fledged, in Jefferson county and is busy moving his family to Madras. Hollis is a member of a pioneer Silverton area family and a graduate of Oregon State college.

Art Buyserie, who lives in the neighborhood of Champoug says he wants it understood that his new farm building is a milking parlor. Folk who know the Buyseries and who pass by their farm for the first time since the building is erected are want to ask if they are going out of Jerseys and into poultry. But Art insists that he built it that way on purpose and those who have inspected the building report it to be a most elegant milking parlor.

Down the road and around the bend a piece, the Bob Clarks are also busy building. They have already laid the foundation for a small house to house the help and in which they themselves will live while they tear down the old house and build a larger one in that ex-

Nut Growers
Plan Annual
Orchard Tour

Division of the two-day program into a walnut day and a filbert day will feature the annual tour of the Nut Growers Society of Oregon and Washington on August 25 and 26 this year, announces C. O. Rawlings, OSC horticulture specialist and secretary-treasurer of the society.

All persons interested in the nut industry are invited to take part in either or both days of the tour. Starting time will be 9:30 both mornings.

Meeting place on August 25 — "Walnut Day"—will be the Phil Blake walnut orchard located one and one-half miles west of the Keizer school on the North River road north of Salem. The second day of the tour—"Filbert Day"—will start from the Harry Percy filbert orchard located northwest of Salem.

Rawlings says the two-day program includes visits to several filbert orchards where results of fertilizer treatments, irrigation, tree thinning, insect and disease control work will be viewed.

Included among the walnut holdings to be visited will be the Beaver Island Fruit Acres, Salem; and orchards owned by Phil Hawthorth, Newberg, and Virgil Meyers, Tigard. Filbert orchards owned by Joe Ryan, Gervais, and R. R. Bibby, Lake Labish, are also included.

Because of the difficulty in filbert moth control, Rawlings says that problem will receive special emphasis. Stops on the tour include orchards where filbert moth has been a serious problem in past years, but where through spraying and dusting the insect is

now being controlled. At the Blake orchard, growers will have the opportunity to see the effectiveness of dust control of walnut blight on large trunks.

Response to progressive tree thinning over a period of years will also be viewed in both walnuts and filberts.

Anti-Mosquito
Campaign Cuts
Insect Populus

In Columbia river community a campaign was carried out early this summer to spray flooded areas along the river and all other places in and around the city where stagnant water was found. By eliminating the mosquito breeding places, the city has been noticeably insect-free this summer, residents declare.

The move to control mosquitoes started at The Dalles when County Agent E. M. Mason called a meeting at the chamber of commerce in early June. Present were public health authorities, representatives of the city, Wasco county, the chamber of commerce and civic organizations.

Arthur Thrasher, president of The Dalles Chamber of Commerce headed the campaign. Arthur Bode, Paul Weigelt, Chas. Roth, Jr., and Hans Soll were appointed as captains of spray teams. Harry Utes, Wasco county sanitarian, and Soll were in charge of mixing oil and DDT. Utes coordinated the campaign.

Then crews totalling approximately 25 volunteer workers moved through the city on Sunday, June 13, with hand and knapsack sprayers, treating all pools, standing flood waters and other places where insects were breeding. The spray was a mixture of five pounds

of DDT in 12 gallons of diesel oil. The health service furnished the DDT while the Inland Navigation company donated 200 gallons of diesel oil.

A mixture of diesel oil and DDT has a double action when applied on water surfaces. The oil cuts off the oxygen supply for the mosquito wrigglers and the DDT exerts a toxic effect.

Some parts of The Dalles were sprayed a second time. In addition to the mosquito control work, city alleys were also sprayed with DDT to hold down the fly population.

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