



U.S. INVESTIGATE BROCCOLI HERE

Condition for Marketing Mission of Agriculture Expert

R. R. Pailthorp of the bureau of markets, United States department of agriculture, is to investigate the broccoli situation in the Willamette valley and in southern Oregon. Mr. Pailthorp is recognized as an authority on marketing and has established national reputation in packing and storage investigations. He is here to work out the problems of marketing broccoli without the occurrence of yellowing of the jackets surrounding the curd, which has met with such disfavor in the eastern markets. Whether this discoloration is due to improper ventilation, inadequate icing, unsuitable methods of harvesting and packing or variety of plants, is unknown and will be some of the angles of the problem to be taken up.

Investigations will not be limited to these districts but men will be detailed to go with shipments, studying the conditions surrounding broccoli in transit and at the unloading points.

E. I. Lewis, assistant general manager of the Oregon Growers Cooperative association, while in the state, inspected car lots of spinach, lettuce and California cauliflower and states that these products showed great improvement because of the methods of shipping. "Jobbers in the large markets are very enthusiastic over the marked change in the line," Mr. Lewis said.

The investigations of Mr. Pailthorp mean much to this industry through the efforts of Mr. Lewis and Senator McNary the broccoli growers can congratulate themselves on having such a capable man at their disposal.

The Oregon Growers' Cooperative association has requested, through Senator Charles L. McNary, the investigation of the Manchurian walnut industry by the United States department of agriculture. It is believed a man detailed to study the actual conditions of the walnut production in Manchuria will lead to a better knowledge of means to safeguard the Oregon walnut industry in this ever increasing competition. Though the quality of the Manchurian nut is far inferior to our own product, yet by bleaching the nuts can be made to appear and compare very favorably with the Oregon nut. It is reason to believe that our walnut industry is facing a crisis, and steps are taken to preserve it.

The annual meeting of The Dalles district was held on Wednesday, March 8th, G. E. Saunders was nominated to represent that district on the Board of Directors. The local advisory committee elected to serve the ensuing year consists of Fred Johnson, E. L. Curtis, F. S. Gunning and T. A. Sammis.

An expert has been assigned to Medford by the United States department of agriculture to investigate the value of waxed wrappers for pears and New York apples, according to a report received from Senator Charles L. McNary by the Oregon Growers' Cooperative association.

E. I. Lewis, assistant general manager of the Oregon Growers' Cooperative association, while at Washington requested that the government support an investigation of these two items and through the cooperation of Senator McNary steps are now being taken to overcome some of the difficulties that have confronted the growers for several years.

ENTERPRISE IS ADDING TO ITS JOB DEPARTMENT

In order to properly care for a continual increase in business in its department, the Enterprise has added to its equipment a large press, a quantity of type and material which will not only add to the quantity which can be turned out but the quality as well will be improved.

Independence is moving forward in the purpose of the Enterprise to have a modern printing plant every respect.

TWO MODERN RESIDENCES PASS TO NEW OWNERS

Two desirable residence properties in Independence have changed ownership during the past few days. The Mrs. H. A. Childs modern and attractive bungalow on south Main street has been purchased by George Reuf, a wealthy farmer, and the W. J. Clark five-room bungalow on south Sixth street has been acquired by Capt. Emerson Groves.

Mrs. Childs recently purchased a residence property in Los Angeles with the expectation of making that city her home. Accompanied by her daughter, Miss Gladys Childs, she has been here for the past couple of weeks visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. J. Clark.

W. J. Clark will retain possession of his residence here until the close of school, when he will move his family to Forest Grove, where he recently engaged in the printing business. Capt. Groves states that he is buying the property as an investment—but later developments may terminate in his occupying it when it becomes vacated. The Clark deal was handled by the Independence Realty company.

FUNERAL J. M. PRATHER IS ATTENDED BY MANY

The funeral services of the late J. M. Prather were held at the M. E. church Sunday at 2 o'clock, Rev. Chester P. Gates officiating. Miss Marjorie Reynolds sang, "Somewhere" with choir accompaniment. The house was filled with relatives and friends and the floral gifts were numerous and beautiful. Mr. Prather lacked but one day of having been an Odd fellow for 39 years and was always a valuable member. The I. O. O. F. members here and at Corvallis attended in a body and had charge of the services at the cemetery.

Mr. Prather was a kind neighbor, a loving father and a good husband, and a score of people mourn, as a friend is gone. Out of town people who attended the services were: Mr. and Mrs. T. D. McClain and G. W. McLaughlin of Salem; H. Hirschberg and Sam Irvine of Independence; Major Rose of the Wigrich; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Herron and two sons of Portland; Herman Prather and family of Portland; Mr. and Mrs. C. A. McLaughlin and daughter, Vera; Mr. and Mrs. Miller of Corvallis; Mrs. Lloyd York and daughter of Carlton; Mrs. Robert Brown of Amity; Merlin Prather and Mrs. Janie Hill of Portland; James Turnbull of Sheridan; Sarah Reynolds of Corvallis; Marjorie and Gladys Reynolds of Albany; E. B. Gobat and family and Martin Congor and family of Suver.

J. C. COLLINS WILL GROW 10 ACRES SEED POTATOES

J. C. Collins will grow this season 10 acres of certified seed potatoes on his river bottom ranch. In order to do this Mr. Collins will have to have the seed certified to before planting by Oregon Agricultural college expert and then while the tubers are in bloom an inspection has to be made of the vines, and those which do not conform to specifications have to be pulled up.

Mr. Collins says: "After inspecting my seed potatoes, Paul Carpenter, county agent, suggested that I grow certified seed and I have decided to devote 10 acres to the crop. There is a demand for certified seed and I know that my ground will produce an excellent quality. I am going to plant Netted Gems, which will be ready to harvest in September and thus avoid a possible damage from the fall rains."

In addition to the 10 acres of certified seed, Mr. Collins is planning upon growing another 10 acres.

INDEPENDENCE LADY MAKES BRIDAL GIFT TO ROYALTY

Mrs. Charlotte Rose, wife of Major W. Lewis Rose of Independence, Or., has presented to Her Royal Highness, Princess Mary, Countess of Lascelles, Royal Buckingham Palace, London, England, with a beautiful hand made silken yoke as a wedding gift. This lace was made for Mrs. Rose, a few years ago, by an Oregon old lady (who has been a very successful exhibitor of her fine work at the Salem State fair) her husband then being employed at the Wigrich ranch. Mrs. Rose has now received two very kind and appreciative letters from the royal princess thanking her for the good wishes; also for the beautiful silken work.

HELMICK PARK GOES TO STATE

Mrs. Sarah Helmick Deeds Five Acres For Park Purposes

Mrs. Sarah Helmick of Albany has deeded to the state of Oregon 5.1 acres of land at the Helmick crossing for park purposes, and her son, James Helmick, has likewise deeded to the state about a fifth of an acre for the same purpose. The land in question is what is known as the picnic ground at the Luckiamute crossing on the road leading south from Monmouth. The greater portion is covered with large trees and for years has been used as a picnic ground. The state has agreed to maintain the park, officially designate it as the Helmick park, and that it shall be for the free use of the public, Mrs. Helmick being very insistent on this last named provision.

Ninety-eight years old and with a mind as keen and bright as in her youth, Mrs. Helmick expressed herself as being pleased over the land going to the state. It was a part of Mrs. Helmick's donation claim, which she took up in 1846, or about 75 years ago. It is all that part of the claim lying west and south of the Luckiamute and the land deeded by the son is a narrow strip lying between this and the road.

For many years Mrs. Helmick has made her home in Albany. Due to the formation of cataracts on her eyes she has been blind for a long time, but what is of far more importance she has retained the full use of her mind in spite of the fact that she lacks less than two years of the century mark.

LEVI JOY, WELL-KNOWN HERE, DIES IN MONMOUTH

Levi Joy, a former resident of Independence, died at his home in Monmouth, Sunday, March 12th, at 1 p. m., following an illness of nearly two years, aged 83 years.

Funeral services were held from the family residence Tuesday, Rev. H. E. Rosell of the Monmouth Christian church officiating, with Funeral Director A. L. Keeney in charge, and interment was made in the K. of P. cemetery, Monmouth.

Mr. Joy was born in St. Charles, Illinois, December 1, 1838. He is survived by his widow and eight children: Mrs. Minnie A. Langworthy, Oakland, Cal.; Mrs. R. E. Hall and Mrs. Alice Spamer of Portland; Mrs. Eva Greenberg of Oklahoma; Mrs. M. J. Shibley of Chehalis, Wash.; Mrs. Oliver Blink of Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. R. S. Rodgers of Kent, Wash., and Albert H. Joy of Vancouver, B. C.

Mr. Joy successfully conducted a mercantile establishment for many years about midway between Albany and Corvallis. After disposing of it he came to Independence to reside and eight years ago moved to Monmouth, purchasing a residence on the outskirts of the city. Mrs. Joy, who was his second wife, is the mother of James Hilliard of Independence.

Ernest Thom, accompanied by Mrs. Thom, will leave today by car on a trip to Los Angeles. Mr. Thom will be on a business mission but will take the opportunity of spending a short time with old friends in the California country. Mr. Thom expects to return here about April 15th.

HOUCK GETS CAR; TAKEN IN JULY

Located at Sedro Wooley, When Application Made for License

Stolen from his farm north of Independence last July, Roy Houck has just regained possession of a Ford coupe. It was found at Sedro Wooley, Wash., a little town near the Canadian boundary, and was located through the engine number given when application was made for a license to the automobile department of the state of Washington. Notification was made to Sheriff John W. Orr, who had caused to be filed with the Washington officials a description of the car shortly after it had been taken.

Mr. Houck went to Sedro Wooley, established his claim to ownership, the car having passed to an innocent party, and arrived home with it Sunday. While the motor had been misused to some extent and it was necessary for Mr. Houck to have considerable repairing done before venturing to drive it home, otherwise the car had suffered very little. It had been re-tired this spring.

The car was stolen from the Houck barn on the night of July 2nd by one Andrew Reed and another man whose first name was Joe. As near as can be ascertained they worked for a time in local hopyards. In order to get the car out of the Houck place without awakening the household it was pushed by hand across a large field to a side road. It was driven directly to Sedro Wooley by Reed and he must have literally "burned the road" for he arrived there the next night.

Claiming that while enroute from some point in the middle west in a Dodge car the machine went "fluey" and he traded it for the Ford coupe, Reed sold the car shortly after his arrival to a man by the name of Nove Woodruff, the price being \$450. Reed got married and settled at Sedro Wooley. Accompanied by a deputy sheriff, Houck and Woodruff found no difficulty in locating Reed. It was after dark and he was found at his home. After he had been told that he was wanted and what for, he left the house with the officer and went out to a waiting car, and while the officer's attention was centered for a minute on another matter, Reed made his escape and so far as Mr. Houck is aware is still at liberty.

An attempt was made to change the number of the engine, but it was far from successful, in that it made the number far in excess of a possible factory number.

Mr. Houck says: "Long ago I had given the car up for a goner, and naturally I am pleased over regaining possession of it."

FORMER INDEPENDENCE BOY AT HEAD HEPPNER ELKS

Dean T. Goodman, who was born in Independence and spent his boyhood days here, has just been elected exalted ruler of the Heppner lodge, of Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Mr. Goodman graduated from the University of Oregon in 1910, lived for several years at Portland and The Dalles, going to Heppner three years ago.

APPEAL FOR HOME FUNDS WILL BE MADE HERE

Independence has not raised its full quota for the W. C. T. U. farm project. Mrs. Ada Wallace Unruh is scheduled to arrive here today to co-operate with H. Hirschberg in devising plans to raise the necessary amount. Mrs. Unruh will remain Saturday and possibly Sunday.

Much interest is being manifested all over the state in the children's farm home project, which undertakes to care for orphan and dependent children on a true home plan, as opposed to the old "institutional" way. The recent purchase of the farm, near Corvallis, has greatly stimulated this interest.

One very important thing, however, is not universally understood. This is the necessity for having the home in actual operation by the midsummer at the very latest. This is for two reasons. First, in order to secure an appropriation from the next State legislature the home must have been established six months previous to the time such appropriation is asked; second, the allotment from the Portland community chest is available for "maintenance only," and cannot be used till the home is functioning. Another payment must be made on the farm very soon in order to get complete possession, and some remodeling will be necessary to make the buildings suitable for use as temporary quarters. There is a waiting list of inmates, some of them fairly clamoring for admittance. This shows that the need of such a home is urgent.

J. S. COOPER RECOGNIZED IN LEGION MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The Oregonian of last Sunday tells a very nice story concerning the activity of "Ted" Cooper in American Legion circles in Portland, which will be read with interest by his many friends in Independence. It says: During the last month, 154 new members were added to the rolls of Portland post of the American Legion. This was made known last Monday night when the names of the new members were read by Douglas McKay, post adjutant.

Glenn Ticer and J. S. Cooper Jr. were the winners of the prizes offered to the men who brought in the most members during the month. They immediately indorsed the checks that had been made out to them and turned the money to the post for the establishment of a drinking fountain.

Cooper has developed into one of the most active workers the post has. Ticer long has been boosting for the legion, but to Cooper it is a new proposition.

"All I had was a membership card and a button," declared Cooper a few days ago. "One night my little kiddie was playing around and I asked her what the American Legion was. She replied, 'Daddie, it's a button.'"

"I awakened to the realization that in truth all the legion ever had been for me was a button. I started in selling myself to the organization, made a successful job of it and now am out selling it to others."

LEVINGTON SUMPTER DIES AT HOME OF DAUGHTER

Levington Sumpter died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. M. R. Ford, Wednesday afternoon at 5:40, after an illness of many months' duration.

The funeral will be held from the Baptist church this forenoon, at 10:30, Rev. H. L. Proppe will officiate with Funeral Director Keeney in charge, and interment will be made in the Odd Fellows cemetery.

Mr. Sumpter is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Ford, and two sons, John Sumpter of Falls City and Tom Sumpter of La Grande, 11 grandchildren and six great grandchildren. Mrs. Sumpter died nearly 10 years ago.

Mr. Sumpter was 76 years old. He was born in Shelby county, Missouri, September 17, 1845. Mr. Sumpter came to Independence in 1889 direct from Missouri and with the exception of about two years spent near Olympia, Wash., had resided here since that time. He returned from Washington last summer, and had been ill at his daughter's home since November.

Rev. W. T. Ford, pastor of the Baptist church at Dayton, Ore., is here to attend the funeral of his grandfather, the late Levington Sumpter, which will be held this forenoon from the Baptist church.

WHITE TALKS TO BUSINESS MEN

Company K Must Be Supported if Organization is to Be Continued

The annual federal inspection of company K was made Wednesday night by Lieutenant Colonel Delaphane of the 59th infantry, stationed at Vancouver barracks. He was accompanied by Capt. Milner of Portland, regimental adjutant. Thirty-three members of the company answered to roll.

Company K is not in as vigorous a condition as is necessary for its successful maintenance, and for the purpose of determining what steps may be necessary to add "pep" to it, Adjutant General George A. White was the guest of honor at a dinner given at the Hotel Beaver Tuesday night. D. E. Fletcher presided and in introducing the head of the Oregon guardmen, tribute was paid to his high standing as a man and the efficient military work he is doing.

In his talk, Adjutant General White emphasized the necessity of the citizen-soldier for the country's use in times of great and sudden stress, and that the present arrangement whereby the guard is under joint state and federal regulation is working out very satisfactorily.

Referring to company K, he made it plain that if it is to be continued there must be a larger enrollment and an increase in interest, as the attendance at the weekly drills is not satisfactory. He stated frankly that as far as he could ascertain the trouble was not due to the head of the company, as Capt. Groves had been doing all he could to put the "kick" into it.

Referring to the field, he stated that he believed that it is ample to maintain a 100 percent organization, and suggested that the business men get behind it by endeavoring to get the young men interested—get them to enlist—and then endeavor to keep them interested. The training is beneficial from both a moral and physical standpoint.

Mr. White stated that through the efforts of Mr. Fletcher provision has been made for an armory, but before this can be secured it must be demonstrated that company K is entitled to it. He tendered the assistance of his office for an enlistment drive. The adjutant general was very attentively listened to, and there was a feeling on the part of the business men that they will have to get behind the project.

"BROTHER JOSIAH" IS ADVANCED ONE DAY

It has been found necessary to change the date for the presentation of "Brother Josiah" from April 4th to April 3rd, which comes on Monday. Owing to the departure of William Harris for Medford, two changes have been made in the cast: A. T. Underwood will take the part of the wealthy banker, and Merle Brown becomes a "rising young author."

A six piece orchestra has blossomed into existence for the play, with H. H. Hansen being designated as leader. The other members are: Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Wunder, Willard E. Craven, Guy Walker and Pearl Hedges.

Members of the G. A. R. and their wives will be the guests of the American Legion for the play.

Seats will be placed on sale at all business places in a few days. These will include reserved seats, general admission for adults and children. After the purchase of a reserve seat ticket it will be necessary to take it to Craven & Walker's where selection may be made.

Robert and Lucille Craven arrived here yesterday from the Oregon Agricultural college to remain at their home for the spring vacation which extends over next week. Gerald and Opal Hewett, Ulla Dickinson and Glenn Burright will come today or tomorrow. Wendell Denlinger will spend his vacation fishing on the Santiam with a party of friends.

H. R. Underhill was quite severely bruised Wednesday afternoon on his farm south of town, while he was handling a bull. The animal was not in any way vicious but it was a case of 2000 pounds versus less than 200 and the decision went to the heavy-weight.

About This Time of Year

