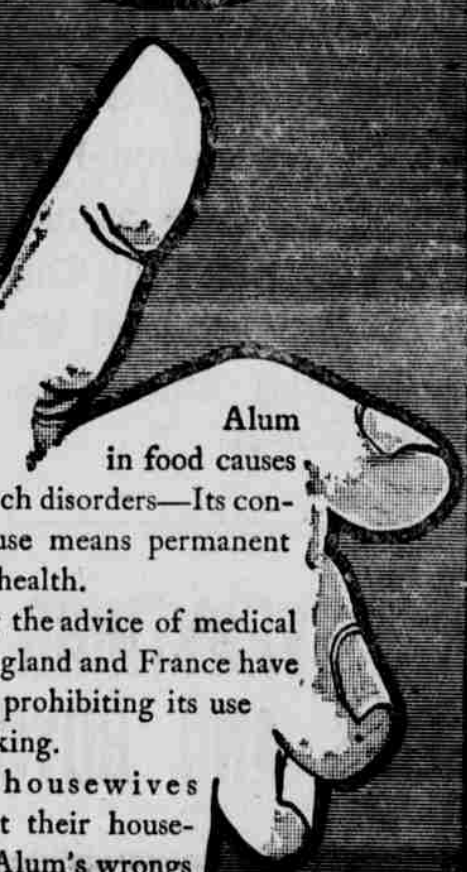


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Even the Courier sometimes uses "deranged spellin'."

Mr. Sanger of the Sanger mine was in our valley last Sunday.

"Red Cloud" means "tell-a-path, tel-a-scope and tel-a-grafter."

Eugene Sams and D. L. Webb were in Waldo Sunday.

E. M. Albright has settled down to genuine farming, and is making the dust fly.

Universal and everlasting peace dwelleth among the bachelors of Elk Valley—almost.

Mrs. Gertie Webb and "Aunt Harriet" drove down to Waldo Wednesday.

Mrs. Jessie Hoagland of Keunett, Cal., is making her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Egger a visit, on the Illinois. She also made our city a short call Thursday. Very glad to see her.

Hector Egger was in our Valley this week on a business trip. He hails from Waldo.

"Our Binger didn't do any nothing" saith the grafters as they embrace each other with rapture.

Hope Grants Pass won't grow so big as to take in Deering. "Spill" our municipal elections, but then there

are lots of worse things than being a suburban town.

Mr. and Mrs. Prodelius were visitors at the home of Frank Stiltwalt last Sunday.

Ed. Wilson, who has a home on the Illinois was a caller in our valley yesterday, come again, Ed.

A stranger from Grants Pass who had "tanked up" good and plenty with "bug juice" had the pleasure of "padding" by the road side all through the rain last night. This morning he was wet outside and in and was almost osh-go-speld. Beats nature what freaks some people will take to enjoy themselves.

Sam Egger has been helping Tommie Gilligan build a dam on Elk creek for a few days this week. Tommie is going to irrigate some.

Special from Washington D. C., by wireless wire, longest on earth—The jury in the Herman trial brought in a verdict of not guilty, but advised him not to do it again and if he ever did he ought to be compelled to be ashamed of himself.

Believe me "Red Cloud," I am yours truly, EBEN.

A Narrow Escape.

G. W. Cloyd, a merchant of Plunk, Mo., had a narrow escape four years ago, when he ran a jimson bar into his thumb. He says: "The doctor wanted to amputate it but I would not consent. I bought a box of Bucklers' Arnica Salve and that cured the dangerous wound." 25c at all drug-gists.

**WILLIAMS VALLEY A
GOOD FRUIT DISTRICT**

Is Proven By the Success of
Orchards and Berry
Patches There.

C. H. Stephenson, who has the distinction of being the farthestest up settler on the right fork of Williams creek, was in Grants Pass Monday and was a caller at the Courier office to ascertain if the Grants Pass cannery was to be a go and if it would be in operation in time for this season's berry crop. Mr. Williams has grown strawberries for the market for the past 20 years and has found them the most profitable crop on his farm, he making an average net profit of \$200 per acre. Jacksonville has been his principal market, he getting higher prices here than in Grants Pass. In reply to statement made by an Illinois Valley correspondent in the Courier that berries and fruit would not be handled the 20 to 30 miles from that Valley to Grants Pass and arrive in good condition Mr. Stephens stated that he found no difficulty at all in hauling strawberries 27 miles to Grants Pass and 30 miles to Jacksonville and he would guarantee to deliver berries to the Grants Pass cannery in perfect condition.

Mr. Stephens stated that the fruit prospects for Williams Valley are the best and no injury has been done by frost. Williams Valley, now one of the leading dairy and stock districts of Josephine county, will be sure to become equally noted as a fruit district. The soil is well adapted to growing fine apples, pears, peaches, grapes and berries and losses by frost is very seldom. At the head of the Valley towers up Greyback mountain to a height of over 4000 feet. This mountain has considerable snow on it even during the summer months and that gives an abundant water supply to the streams making irrigation an easy problem to the farmers of that favored Valley. In the hills about the Valley are large bodies of the finest timber in Southern Oregon and the Valley has been noted for its rich gold mines and considerable mining is yet done. The most extensive deposit of marble on the Pacific Coast is found in the hills about the Valley. This marble is white, black and striped and in both texture and finishing quality it is not excelled by any marble in the United States. At one of the ledges a plant equipped with saws and other tools has been installed by Jones Bros., for dressing the marble and they turn out some very fine specimens of monuments and building marble. With a railroad to give transportation to its fruit, timber, marble, dairy and other products Williams Valley will become one of the wealthiest sections of all Southern Oregon.

School and church advantages are fully provided for in Williams Valley. In the district in which Mr. Stephens resides, known as the Burned district, he states that a new school house is to replace the present one now old and too small. The contract has been let to J. H. Miller and the building is to be completed ready for the Fall term of school. It is to be 24x36 feet and will be furnished with the best make of single desks, slate blackboards and all the other needs of an up-to-date school. The district board is made up of Charles Hoxie, D. W. John and J. H. Kincaid with J. W. Larimore clerk and they are efficient, public spirited officials who give the fullest attention to all business affairs of the district. School is now in session in the district with Rev. W. P. Rosser as teacher. Rev. Rosser, in addition to conducting the school in a most efficient manner is the popular pastor of the M. E. South church located in the district. And that he may have ample physical exercise to offset his strenuous mental work, Rev. Rosser cultivates the three-acre tract about the parsonage and the fine crops that he raises proves that he is as successful a farmer as he is a preacher and a teacher. The Williams M. E. South church is well attended and prosperous. Three acres of land is owned and on it is located a commodious church edifice and a neat parsonage.

**FRUIT GROWERS, LOOK
OUT FOR PEAR BLIGHT**

A New Disease Found on Pear
Trees—No Trees Should
Be Imported.

W. S. Robinson, who has a farm on the Applegate three miles above Wilderville, was in Grants Pass recently. Mr. Robinson is engaged in general farming and fruit growing, but so encouraging is the outlook for the fruit industry that he will hereafter devote his time chiefly to this line of farm work. He has a small, well kept orchard and he stated that the yield promised to be fair. While Mr. Robinson has kept his trees vigorous and quite free of pests yet he has a Bartlett pear tree that is badly affected with some disease new to him as well as to all the fruit men who have examined it. The tree is 10 years old, of average size and fairly vigorous in growth, yet each Spring for the past four years just as the blossoms were ready to open it is struck with a blight and both the blossoms and leaves dry up as though killed by frost. A few of the fruit buds survive and new leaves are put forth, the wood and bark of the twigs apparently not being injured. The few pears that mature are illshapen and the skin very rough and the flesh coarse and woody. Mr. Robinson brought a limb to County Fruit Inspector Meserve, who sent it to Prof. A. B. Cordley, entomologist at the Oregon Agricultural College, for him to examine and ascertain if possible the character of the disease and the method of eradicating it without destroying the tree.

There is another pear disease in Rogue River Valley that baffles the fruit growers as to its nature. Its nature is not even understood by the best entomologists of the country, nor is there so far a known method of combatting it. At the time of the fruit growers meeting in this city in March, Prof. A. B. Cordley, together with Dr. Withycombe, Prof. C. I. Lewis and the other speakers at the meeting were taken by Fruit Inspector Meserve to visit the orchards west of town. The attention of Prof. Cordley was called to this new disease and he was shown it on several pear trees. He stated that it was quite common in the Willamette Valley, but it appeared to do "no serious injury to the trees and would come and go regardless of the sprays used upon the trees. This disease is as brinking and darkening of the outer bark in patches of an inch square to sometimes a foot square. The inner bark remains alive and the tree grows and bears fruit as well as those not afflicted. Prof. Cordley has this disease under investigation and expects to find a method of eradicating it.

The pear blight, that most deadly of all tree diseases, has not yet made its appearance in Rogue River Valley. The blight has almost ruined the pear industry of the East and it is now making havoc with the pear orchards of California and Eastern Oregon and Eastern Washington. It has not appeared west of the Cascade mountains, but if the importation of pear trees is continued it will not be long until it will be in this Valley and then there will be an end to the pear industry here for as yet no cure for the disease has been found.

The pear blight is a fungus the spores of which immediately penetrate the bark, after being carried to the tree by the wind, birds and other means, and enter the circulation of the trees. Once in the sap the spores slowly yet surely spread through the wood, the limbs being the first attacked. No spray or other treatment has been found that will kill the disease for it is so deeply imbedded in the wood that it can not be reached. The only method of successfully combatting the disease is to cut down the tree and burn it and keep doing this until the disease is exterminated or the orchard is exterminated and it is the latter that is the end of the unequal contest between the blight and the fruit grower. It is impossible to detect the blight until the wood of the tree begins to die. Pear trees may leave a nursery in apparently perfect condition and then within two or three months develop the blight. Thus it is that inspection of the trees at the time they are received from the nursery is of little value and the only safe thing for an orchardist to do is to not buy trees that come from a section infested with the blight. The safe plan for Rogue River fruit growers is to not buy trees from California or the East and get trees that are grown here. As the local nurseries have been unable to supply but a very small part of the orders for trees it means that the fruit growers must encourage the nursery business in this Valley and thus make it possible to stop importing fruit trees with the certainty of bringing in more pests to endanger the orchards.

**BUILD THEIR OWN
ROAD TO COOS BAY**

Merchants' Association of Rose-
burg Takes the Matter
In Hand.

Louis Barzoo, who was sent to Coos County by the Merchants' Protective Association of Roseburg to consult with the citizens of the various towns in that county in regard to the building of an electric road from Roseburg to Marshfield, returned and submitted his report to the association. A mass meeting of the citizens was called by special proclamation of the Mayor, a half holiday was created so that all business houses were closed and a very large and deeply interested crowd assembled in the Opera house.

Hon. A. C. Marsters presided and in his opening address he called special attention to the need of a road from the commercial center of the Umpqua Valley to tidewater. He spoke of the wonderful resources along the proposed route and spoke of how Roseburg citizens had previously depended upon the natural development of these resources to build up the country. He said Coos Bay has the best harbor on the coast and that in time this Western Coast would stand as a rival of the Atlantic Coast in population and business energy.

E. L. C. Ferrin, of Marshfield, was present and his remarks descriptive of the earnestness of the people of Coos County in this matter did much to encourage those present. The result finally was the passage of resolutions endorsing the proposition and pledging all support needed.

A committee of five was ordered appointed to consist of Hon. A. C. Marsters, chairman of the meeting; W. H. Fisher, president of the Merchants' Protective Association and three others to be appointed to meet like committees from Marshfield, North Bend, Coquille, Myrtle Point and Bandon, the meeting to take place in Marshfield in a few days, when definite plans of action will be formulated.

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