

LIVE CECIL NEWS ITEMS

Ellis Minor of Ione was a Cecil caller on Friday.
 J. H. Miller and Earl Cronk were callers from Ione.
 Joe White of the Willows left for Portland Tuesday.
 Miss Thelma Forbes of Olex, spent Thursday in Cecil.
 Jack Hynd and George Wilson left for Heppner Friday.
 Hazel Dean and Bob Pope were Cecil callers on Sunday.
 Miss Esther Logan visited with Miss Pettijohn on Sunday.
 Cecil Abalt spent Sunday at the home of K. W. Farnsworth.
 Miss Crabtree and Roy Stender were Cecil callers on Sunday.
 Carl Yount and family were Cecil callers on Monday from Ione.

Boyd Logan and son Willie, spent Monday and Tuesday in Heppner.
 M. V. Logan of the Willows returned home from Heppner Thursday.
 Mr. and Mrs. A. Hendriksen and John Nash were Arlington callers Friday.
 J. W. Logan and Homer Nash were visiting friends at the Willows on Sunday.
 Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Nash and daughter spent Sunday with Mrs. John Nash.
 T. H. Lowe and Walter Pope left Thursday for Arlington enroute for Portland, and other points.
 Mrs. K. W. Farnsworth and Mrs. Jesse Forkner were business callers in Arlington on Wednesday.
 N. Pettijohn and family from Butter Creek visited with Fred Pettijohn Friday and Saturday.
 T. H. Lowe, Herb Hynd and Mesdames Hynd, Bennett, Lowe, called

on Mrs. G. A. Miller on Sunday.
 G. C. Morey of Oswego arrived in Cecil on Friday to spend his vacation with his daughter, Mrs. Henry Streeter.
 W. H. Morgan and Mr. Boyne from Spokane, accompanied by friends from Wisconsin, were Cecil callers on Friday.
 Miss A. C. Lowe and Robbie Lowe, who have been spending their vacation in Portland and Yamhill, returned home Wednesday.
 Ora Hendriksen, one of Uncle Sam's sailors, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Hendriksen, before leaving to join his crew.
 Mrs. T. H. Lowe, accompanied by Miss M. H. Lowe and Miss E. Logan, Willie Logan and Robbie Lowe visited Mrs. Henry Streeter on Thursday.
 W. W. Bryant and family of Colville, Stephens county, Wash., who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Winters of Shady Dell for the past few weeks, left for Prosser, Wash.

DANDELIONS USED AS GOPHER BAIT

This Enemy of Farmers is Particular About What He Eats—Results of Experiment

O. A. C., Corvallis, August 7.—Dandelions are an effective bait for poisoning the pocket gopher, the enemy most dreaded by the Willamette Valley farmers, according to G. F. Skyes, professor of zoology in the Oregon Agriculture College.

"Experiments made during the last two years," said Professor Skyes, "show that the hard baits such as parsnips and carrots, generally recommended by state and federal bulletins throughout the country are not greatly appreciated by the pocket gopher. The little animal, it seems, forms a habit of eating some particular food, much as human beings do. Gophers in the vetch patch prefer vetch to almost any other food, gophers in the clover like only clover, while those on the hillside eat different food from their relatives in the valleys.

"In selecting a bait for poisoning, therefore, it was found necessary to cater to the appetites of the gophers according to the prevalent vegetation, or to find one plant that they would take in preference to any other food." Many varieties of food were tried and it was found that on an average gophers of all localities would take dandelion first.

It was found that the hard baits were picked up and carried back to the general storage house where they were seldom if ever touched. Dandelions, however, were eaten at once, tucked under the edge of the nest where they could be easily reached. When the dead gophers were dug up they were always found near the point in the runway where the dandelions had been placed, or lying by the nest. These feeding experiments have been carried out and brought to a successful completion by H. M. Wight, former instructor in zoology, who is now with the 91st division on his way to France.

Enjoy Fine Trip.

S. W. Spencer and wife and A. L. Ayers and wife returned home Thursday last from a vacation auto trip of two weeks duration. The trip took them across the mountains and down to the coast country, their destination being Crescent City, California. Pleasant weather was experienced the entire trip, and they were especially pleased with the northern California country where they visited. Del Norte county in the extreme northwestern portion of California is a beautiful spot and the people living there are very prosperous to all appearances, having beautiful homes, fine farms and fine fat stock. The harbor at Crescent City is being greatly improved and a couple of million dollars is to be expended in making docks, etc. These tourists pronounce this the finest trip they have yet taken.

Fruit and Vegetable Evaporation

O. A. C., Corvallis, August 6.—"Evaporation of Fruits and Vegetables in the Home," is the title of Extension Bulletin No. 296, just off the press, in which A. F. Bares, assistant professor, of pomology, gives sufficiently detailed information to enable anyone to construct and operate an evaporator and to evaporate satisfactorily most of the fruits and vegetables used in the average home.

The object in evaporation is to preserve the fruits and vegetables through removal of moisture and to do this with as little change from the fresh state as possible in taste, odor, nutritive qualities, and general appearance. The particular method used may vary, but the object sought is the same in every case. In some instances there may be a change in color and flavor between the fresh and dried products, but the nutritive value, so far as has been determined, remains practically unaltered, there being merely a concentration of the food material through the removal of water.

The principle upon which the process of evaporation is based is that by removing enough of the moisture present in fruits and vegetables, the organisms which cause food to spoil cannot live and grow, thus bringing about preservation. Evaporation will also arrest the natural processes of ripening and decaying.

Ben Griffiths left for Portland Saturday and will take up work in the office of the general superintendent of the O. W. R. & N. Co. Ben has been freight agent at the local depot for the past two months and now steps into a better position with the company. His place here is being filled by Jasper Crawford.

Sam Turner and Berl Gurdane, two of Uncle Sam's jackies, returned to Mare Island, Calif., Saturday, having run the limit of their furloughs. The boys got busy in harvest work while home.

Gasoline Ignites From Friction.

What came near being a very serious affair occurred last Saturday evening when Mrs. C. L. O'Neill was cleaning some clothing with gasoline. While vigorously rubbing a cloth garment between her knuckles to remove an obstinate spot the gasoline ignited from the friction and the flames quickly communicated to Mrs. O'Neill's clothing and also to a partly-filled five-gallon can of the oil standing near by.

Luckily the work was being done in the yard and the lady had sufficient presence of mind to throw herself upon the ground and smother the flames upon her person by rolling on the grass, after which, with the assistance of a neighbor, the fire in the clothing she had been cleaning was extinguished by throwing earth on it, thereby preventing it from communicating with the house.

Mrs. O'Neill was quite severely burned about the body and hands, but not seriously, and considerable clothing was destroyed. That the utmost care should be exercised in the use of gasoline is again proved by this occurrence.—Ione Independent.

James M. Leezer, formerly a farmer in the Echo country, died at Portland this week at the age of 77 years. He farmed on the Meadows in 1887.—Echo News.

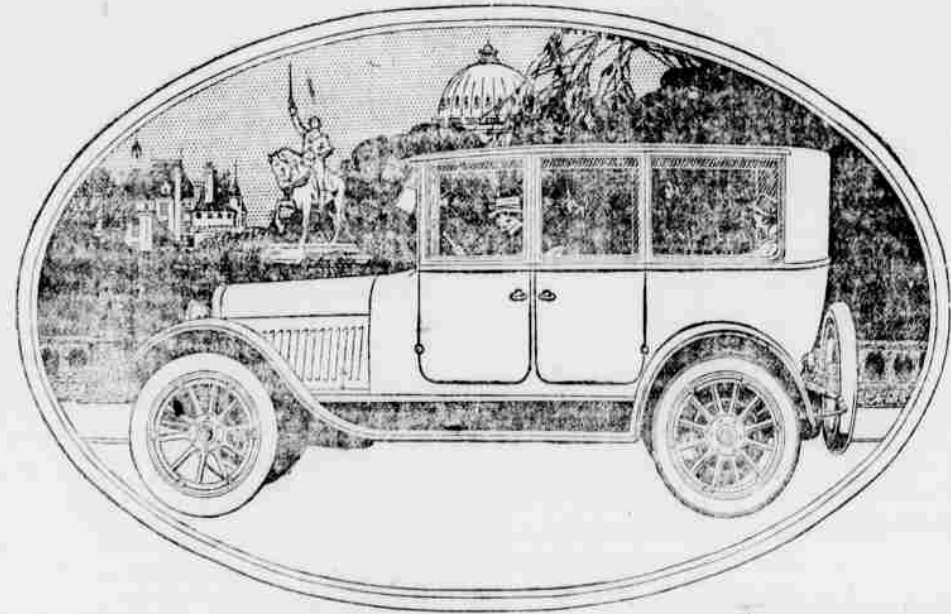


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