

Fresh Oregon Products Make Excellent Gifts

By ESTHER KIRMIS

Oregon's pears, apples, nuts, cheese, holly, and canned Pacific Coast salmon make wonderful Christmas gifts to send to those friends and relatives who are not able to raise or catch them.

Yours truly has found this the easiest way to do Christmas shopping and to please members of the immediate family of the middle west.

A recent item in the "Spotlight," food marketing paper published by OSU, listed quite a few interesting facts about Oregon pears.

Have you ever wondered why pears at the grocers are seldom ever ripe? It's because pears, like bananas, develop best flavor when picked green and allowed to ripen off the tree.

There's a knack to selecting good pears from the grocers' display—but it's not pinching or squeezing. All that does is bruise the fruit.

You can help prepare yourself for the arrival of the new conditioned ready-to-eat pears by learning the color that is to be expected of each variety when it is ripe. Some varieties are in top condition while still a green or greenish-yellow color; others may be yellow and yet be too immature for eating. Some varieties are characterized by a highly russeted skin.

There are over 3,000 varieties of pears, but only about ten are important commercially.

The three major winter pear varieties—all grown in Oregon—are these:

ANJOU (pronounced "An-Jo")—this pear is light green and changes very little ripe. It is thin skinned, very juicy, smooth textured and has a rich, spicy flavor that makes it a favorite for fresh eating and salads. In heaviest supply from Nov. 6 to 10 through March.

BOSC (pronounced "Bosk")—is distinguished by its symmetrical body and long, tapering neck. It is a rich golden-brown or russet color when ripe—tender, buttery and sugar-sweet. The Bosc is a favorite for baking or broiling as well as fresh eating. In heaviest supply during October, November and December.

COMICE (pronounced "Com-eece")—celebrated for its size, fragrance, and flavor, the Comice is yellow-green, often with crimson blue. It is the perfect pear for salads and fresh eating. The Comice has become famous and well known to many as the "gift pear." In heaviest supply during November, December and January.

Fresh pears are good . . . good for you . . . easy to eat . . . easy to prepare . . .

When you select pears, you might want to keep the following "pear arithmetic" in mind:

1 lb. — 3 to 4 medium-sized pears.
1 lb. — sliced or diced pears, about 2 cups.
2 to 2½ lbs. pears — 1 qt. canned.

Small lug (about 25 lbs.) 10 to 12 qts. canned.
Standard box or large lug (1 bushel, or about 50 lbs.)—20 to 25 qts. canned.

Pears May Be Ordered, Shipped Direct

A well known department store in Portland advertised these Oregon's products in last Sunday's paper. Most items are prepaid in the continental USA (except Hawaii and Alaska).

Comice pears were advertised for a box of 12 to 14 for \$5.10; Box of 18 to 24 for \$6.15; and a half box for \$10.25.

Kinzua Homes Greet Relatives over Holiday

By VIRGINIA KELSO

KINZUA—Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hudson and family of Portland visited here recently with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Medlock and son of Heppner spent Sunday visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Medlock.

Alt Emmons of Portland and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Roe and children of Oswego visited here recently with Mr. and Mrs. Milt Borng.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rhodes became grandparents recently when PFC and Mrs. Rudy R. Rhodes became the parents of a girl on Saturday, November 23 at Fort Campbell, Kentucky. The little girl weighed 5 lbs. 1 oz. and has been named Tammy Lynn. Other proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John King of Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Arnold of Condon spent Sunday here with Mr. and Mrs. Claude Sizemore.

Spending Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Perry were Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Rush and family and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Nesselrodt and family of Long Creek and Mr. and Mrs. Lige Long.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hollomon spent Thanksgiving at Heppner with Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hollomon and daughter. Other guests there were Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Hollomon and twin daughters of Hermiston.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Browning went to La Grande Saturday night to visit Mrs. Brownings mother, Mrs. Mae Watson and to get their daughters Joan and Linda who had spent the Thanksgiving vacation with their grandparents.

Lige Long and Vernon Perry were in Bend Sunday on Union business.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis McRoberts spent the week-end in Heppner visiting with relatives.

Mrs. Jack Sitton and Mrs. Cora Burnside of Spray went to Prineville last Saturday to take Mrs. Robert Clark and daughter Shellee to take the bus to their home at La Mirada, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Grogan of Weston arrived Wednesday to spend Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Sharp.

Mrs. Frank Ferrel and Mrs. Slim Rhoton were in The Dalles Wednesday to do some Christmas shopping.

Doug Baker of Portland spent the Thanksgiving holiday as a guest of David Sitton. Thursday the Sitton family and Doug went to Spray to spend the day with Mrs. Cora Burnside.

Mrs. Lowell Sharp and Mrs. Earl Norris were in Condon last Tuesday for business and shopping.

Mrs. Marie Rhoton and Mrs. Marie Hulett and Mrs. Nora Hall of Heppner spent Tuesday in Pendleton for business, shopping and medical care for Mrs. Hulett.

Mrs. Walter Bastian and daughter Karen went to Arlington Wednesday to meet Toni Leythan of Portland who visited at the Bastian home until Sunday. Also home for Thanksgiving was Miss Dolores Bastian of Portland.

Kenneth Norris left Thursday to spend Thanksgiving in Prineville with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Norris. While there he visited with Mr. and Mrs. Pat Owens, former residents of Kinzua who now live at Unity.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kyle and family spent Thanksgiving with Mrs. Kyle's parents at Madras, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Brown.

Miss Billie Jean Bastian and Miss Judy Culver were home from Oregon State University at Corvallis for Thanksgiving vacation. They returned to school Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mortimore and family spent Thanksgiving at Twickenham with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Mortimore.

Mrs. Elvin Beil entertained the members of the F. L. card club at her home Friday evening. Pinochle was played and high was won by Lola Ferrel, low by Marilyn Thomas, and floating prizes by Ann Bastian and Hazel Hulett. At a late hour dessert and coffee was served to the prize winners and Ann Asher, Carol Norris, Marge Asher, Barbara Mortimore, Lois Walker, Pat Hyatt, and Evelyn Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. George Smith were business visitors to Heppner Monday.

Mrs. Lucille Reavis entertained the members of the Friendship club at her home Monday evening. During the evening names were drawn for the Christmas exchange, and pinochle was played with high prize going to Jean Ann Adams, low to Naomi Rice, and floating to Carol Norris and Molly Day. Others playing were Rosie Graham, Vi Slinkard, Rita Conlee, Myrna Zilch, Ann Bastian, Joan Michel, and Marilyn Bailey.

Mr. and Mrs. Verlin Conner and family spent Saturday shopping in Pendleton.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rice and daughter Linda and Mrs. Don Slinkard returned home Sunday from Portland where Linda had been a patient in Emanuel hospital having some tests made.

Mr. and Mrs. James Walker spent last week-end in Portland on business.

Spending Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Coleman were Mr. and Mrs. Nate Coleman and family of Eugene.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ball spent Thanksgiving in Heppner with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Arlet Campbell and daughter Andrea spent Thanksgiving in Prineville with Mr. and Mrs. Avery Campbell.

Mrs. Bessie Myers and son Dale had as Thanksgiving guests Mr. and Mrs. George Smith and son Bill and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Billingsley of Lost Valley.

Recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Allen were Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Blank and infant son Travis Dean of Portland, and Mr. and Mrs. Claude Allen of Moses Lake, Wn.

Mrs. C. L. Flack and Mrs. Joe Browning were in Heppner last Tuesday on business. They were accompanied by C. E. Hastings. Also in Heppner that day were Mr. and Mrs. Arna Slinkard.

Engagement is Announced
Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Spivey announce the engagement of their daughter Sue Hite to David O. Mattison, son of Mrs. Twila Mattison of San Diego, Calif. The wedding is planned for the latter part of June.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Lorengel spent Thanksgiving in Richland with Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Mudd and family.

The card party sponsored by the Union Auxiliary at Jeffmore Hall Friday night resulted in the following prize winners. For bridge, high for men was won by Ed Wham with low going to Ernie Wall. Ladies high went to Meridel Wham with low to Marie Wall. In pinochle high was won by Jerry Sargent, Clarence Benson and Marian Tripp with low going to Louisa Fleming. Floating was won by Clarence Benson. Cake and coffee were served to all present by the Auxiliary.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Lorengel had all of their family home this year for Thanksgiving. Those from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. Dick Boyer and daughter Tammy of Beaverton and Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Zemmer and children Charlotte and Rodney of Bates.

Mr. and Mrs. Eric Mathews left Friday morning for Seattle where the newly married couple will make their home. They had been visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Zehner.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Fleming spent Thanksgiving in Fossil with Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Harrison. Also spending the day there were Mrs. Ed Jones and daughter Linda of Madras.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Main and daughters of Rainier spent from Wednesday until Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Reavis.

Mr. and Mrs. Verne Stelling and children Verna Lynn and Pat of Dugway, Utah spent from Wednesday until Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Flack.

Milo Prindle underwent surgery on his back Friday at Good Samaritan hospital in Portland. He is reported to be getting along very well.

Lone News

The Lions Club entertained their ladies on Monday evening with a banquet and entertainment at Stefani's. Mr. and Mrs. Carol Miller were guests and Mr. Miller told of his trip with the Grand Ronde Symphony Orchestra on a tour of Western Europe and showed slides he had taken. Another guest was Rupert Kennedy of the Oregon State Planning and Development Commission, who made a short talk. The Lions have ordered street signs, which will be erected at all intersections as soon as they arrive.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lundell and son spent the week-end here visiting relatives. The wife guests of his grandmother, Mrs. A. C. Swanson.

Mrs. Charles S. McElhinny of Salem spent Thanksgiving holiday here with her daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Norman Nelson. Other guests were Mrs. Nelson's sister and brother-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Bruce Rankin and family of Salem.

Mrs. W. C. Crawford visited her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Crawford and family at La Grande from Sunday until Thanksgiving Day when they returned to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tad Miller and family for dinner with other members of the Crawford family.

Other guests included W. C. Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Morgan and family, Peggy Voorheis, Rollo Crawford, and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Crawford.

Lloyd Morgan and son Virgil drove to Eugene this week-end to see the Oregon-Oregon State football game. They also stopped in Portland and saw the A-1 high school championship football game.

Mr. and Mrs. David Baker spent the week-end in Portland. While there, they attended the Ed Cheney dance program at the Masonic sunken ballroom.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Crawford and Mrs. W. C. Crawford drove to Pendleton on Friday. The ladies went on to Helix, where they attended a bridal shower for Mrs. Crawford's granddaughter.

ter, Janice Crawford, who teaches at Ontario. She will be wed on December 21.

A. A. Stefani and son Gerry went down to Eugene over the week-end to see the Oregon-Oregon State game.

Phill Emerl, Jr., returned to Willamette University on Sunday, after visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Phill Emerl, Sr. and family. He was accompanied as far as Salem by Kenny Lynn Smouse, who was returning to Oregon State after a visit here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Smouse.

Miss Anita James returned from the hospital on Tuesday, but is still confined to her home. Mrs. Wallace Matthews and Mrs. Roland Bergstrom have substituted for her at school.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Drake and

family of Tillamook arrived on Friday evening to spend the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Drake. Joining them on Sunday for dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Tucker and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Crabtree and Mr. and Mrs. William Gallinas spent the Thanksgiving holiday with the Crabtree's daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin McCabe and family. Mrs. McCabe and boys returned with them on Saturday. Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Al Marick on Thanksgiving Day were her mother, Mrs. Alta Lof-ten, and her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jaeger and family of Condon, and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Mulkey of Long Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Crawford and family of Portland were visiting her mother and other relatives this week-end.

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The Four-H annex in the fair pavilion was the scene of a Thanksgiving potluck dinner for many members of the Hughes family. Those enjoying the holiday get-together included Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hughes and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Pettyjohn and family, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Quackenbush, Mr. and Mrs. Don Bellenbrook and family, Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Piper and family and Rufus Piper.



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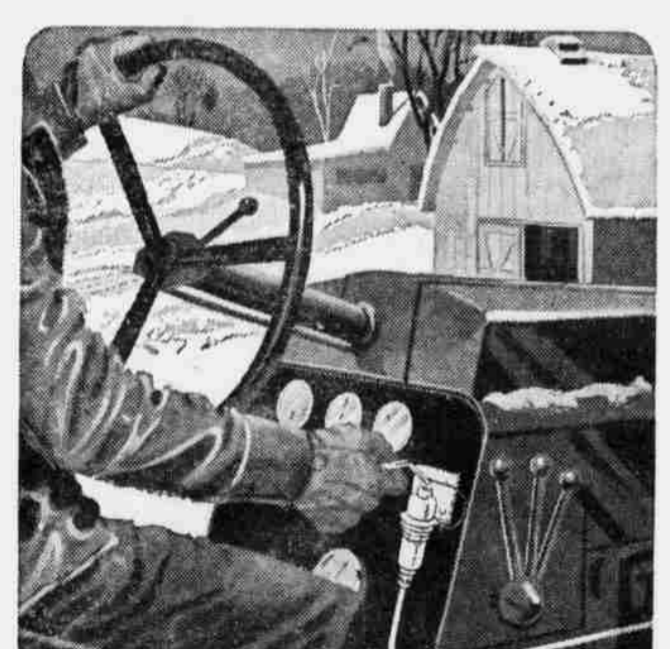
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