

Cooking Fruit.
It will help the housewives at this time of year in their fruit canning to have the following table handy, giving the length of time various kinds of fruits should be cooked:

Minutes	
Blue berries and cherries	5
Currants, blackberries, raspberries	8
Gooseberries and halved peaches	10
Strawberries	15
Whole peaches	20
Halved pears and quinces	20
Sliced pineapple	20
Whole crabapples	30
Sliced pears	30

Umatilla county will have a great wheat crop of about 6,000,000 bushels. This county grows about 1 per cent of the cereal produced in the United States.

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FAIRVIEW
T. F. Mahler, a stranger, applied for work at Claud Clutes on the Strucker place, Sandy road, last Friday and was put to work in the hay field on Saturday. While at work he was stricken with heat. A doctor was called, the man was hastened to town, but expired enroute. He was about 55 years old and an entire stranger here. The coroner took charge of the body. The first case of this kind ever known in this locality.

Mr. Angle and family of Portland were early callers on Oscar Wallin, Sunday morning. They were out trying their new auto on the Base Line before the rush was on.

It has been years since the mosquitoes have been as bad as at present and when homes are surrounded with much shade it is a serious question how to get sleep at night.

John McLin, who is spending the summer with his father at Cherryville, is spending a few days with his aunt, Mrs. W. A. Rowen, of Columbia View.

Mrs. Savage of Eastern Oregon is spending a few days visiting around Rockwood and Curtis.

Haying is in full blast, of good quality and quantity with fair price. Some mixed hay selling at \$15 per ton in field. There was some cut and got wet by our last rains which is spoiled, but the rains overbalanced the loss by improving the remainder. Grain is showing up well and will yield well if hot weather does not continue too long.

C. E. Cree of Fairview sold his east Fairview property to Mr. Grees of White Salmon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey have gone to Newport.

Fredrich Stone lost his fine gold watch in the hay field yesterday.

Dr. Lowe, July 20th.

PLEASANT HOME

Rev. A. B. Calder went to Port-matrimony Mr. Albert Quay of Pleasant land last Saturday and joined in ant Home and Miss Ada B. Looney of Oregon City. They will reside at Pleasant Home.

Mrs. Wade gave very good elocutionary entertainments at Pleasant Home and Boring, but owing to the hot weather the audiences were small.

The Missionary department of the Boring Epworth League of which Mrs. A. B. Calder is vice-president, held the missionary meeting at the home of Mrs. Mary Dolan on Tuesday evening last. A Korean program was given. The following persons took part: S. H. Knox, Miss Violet Perret, G. H. Bickford, Rev. and Mrs. A. B. Calder and J. P. Willmarth. Music by the Boring M. E. choir. Refreshments were served. There were thirty-five present.

Hay harvest is in full swing. Several office men from the city are taking their vacation in the fields.

Mrs. Shumway and Robert have gone to Bull Run to remain some time.

Mrs. E. M. Douglass is sojourning at Troutdale.

Mrs. Stephens is busy closing a timber deal on the creek where the raging waters of Johnson glides swiftly by.

Mr. Hunter and family of Portland are visitors at the Cannon farm.

Several town folks went to Estacada to see the great river dam, the largest constructed dam in the Northwest. They pronounce it a marvel of engineering. A cement walk way is made in the bottom of the dam in order to walk through at any time.

One hundred and fifty autos passed through here Sunday on the way to the mountains.

Mr. Northrup's son and family of Washington is spending a week here. A reception Monday evening was given to Alfred Quay and wife. Many friends exchanged pleasant greetings, wishing the young couple a joyous life on the matrimonial sea. Their residence will be at the parsonage. They will be at home after the 20th.

Burl McKinney is laid up with a carbunkle on his neck.

Mr. Dobson and wife are boarding with F. McKinney's family. Mr. Dobson has charge of the Mt. Hood Electric construction work.

Alice Stephens, who has been in the Western Union Telegraph office in Portland, is on a well earned vacation. After spending a week at home she will attend the Potlatch in Seattle and visit many relatives.

Alva Louderback and wife from Portland are visiting his parents.

The best throw of the dice is to throw them away.
There is satisfaction in knowing you have done something worthy of approval.
God has given you a mind and heart capable of high and holy resolve, self-sacrifice, and enthusiasm. open it to the Divine Spirit without fear of consequences.

**FIRELESS COOKER
A GREAT BOON**

The fireless cooker ought to get in its claims during this warm weather, if at any time, and those who possess this modern convenience have doubtless counted themselves fortunate while those not so fortunate have wished for the freedom from hot fires.

The Outlook would like to print short experiences from those who have been using the fireless cooker. Why not tell others what success you have had with it? Pass the good word along. Is it a homemade cooker, does it save time and fuel, has it given satisfaction, in what ways do you find it most serviceable?

If you haven't a fireless cooker—do you want one? What do you want to know about its use? We will try to get answer to any questions you may ask.

Here are two or three experiences to start with:

There is no help to housekeeping that I don't welcome, and my fireless cooker is one of my best friends. My washing machine is another, the bread kneader another, and the tent for summer use the greatest of all. Now what we want is to make our own ice; can anyone who has experience give us some information along that line?—Tom's Wife.

The fireless cooker is, in my opinion, the greatest help to the housewife. This is especially true in hot weather, when it is so hard to stand over a hot stove. One can partly cook a meal on the stove while getting breakfast, then put it to finish in the cooker, and have no more worry about it. Many kinds of food are much more palatable when prepared in this way than when cooked to a finish on the stove. This is especially true of all kinds of breakfast food, of rice, soups and many kinds of meats. Meats should be browned on all sides in the oven, or in a skillet, and partly cooked, then put in the fireless cooker and left undisturbed until wanted. The juices are better retained when the meat is cooked in this way, and there is no danger of its becoming overcooked. We made our cooker from a box obtained at the grocery store. It was just a common pine box, two and a half feet long by a foot and a half in depth. We pressed hay solidly in the bottom to the depth of eight inches, then put in three stew kettles, pressing the hay closely around them. Then we made a pillow of hay to fill all the space between the kettle and the cover of the box. It was not at all difficult to do, and has been such a help! One day, when going to the state fair, we had to leave home at 5 o'clock in the morning; but we put our breakfast to cook the night before, and it was ready for us when we were dressed. On Sundays, it is fine to know when we come home from church, we have only to take the Sunday dinner out of the cooker and enjoy it, as we could not do if we had to prepare it over a hot stove. And on hot afternoons in midsummer it is mighty comfortable to know that the supper is cooking without a fire!—Mrs. Albert Leeds, Amelia, O.

**MANY FARMERS JOIN
SOCIETY OF EQUITY**

C. R. Keller has completed his charter list for a Gresham local of the Farmers' Society of Equity with 192 names. In about three weeks the charter will arrive and a meeting will then be called. The charter for the Powell Valley local is on the way and is expected this week. A meeting will be called soon of this local at the Grange hall at Orient. There are 125 charter members.

Will Osborn is organizing the Damascus territory and Mr. Keller is now working in the Corbett district.

As soon as three locals are organized in the county a county local will be formed. The prospect is good for a representative of the society in Portland in the near future.

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We are so in love with the fireless cooker that we have two of them. One we bought, the other we made. The one we bought is as large as we could find; but we have a big family, and a great deal of help during the summer, and this cooker was not large enough for such kettles of meat and soup and vegetables as we are obliged to prepare, so we made one. We bought kettles purposely for it—the largest we could find on the market, and there are four of them, all with covers that fit so closely as to be nearly air tight. We had sheet-iron receptacles made to hold the kettles, and packed the hay closely around them. By doing that, we can easily remove the kettles without disturbing the packing. We have covers for the sheet-iron cases, as well as for the kettles, which not only helps to keep in the heat, but also serves to protect the food from any wisp of hay that might work through the cloth cover of the cushion that is fastened to the under side of the box cover. Our box is so very large that we have fourteen inches of hay packed under the receptacles, and more than that all around them. The heat is thus retained even longer than in the cookers you buy. We put flat stones that we heat and put under the kettles when we think extra heat is required. They are especially useful when we are cooking things in Mason jars set in kettles of boiling water. There are many kinds of food that may be cooked in this way without the addition of water, and are perfectly delicious. Our large cooker stands on the back porch,

and we have a padded cover for it which converts it into a very comfortable lounge on occasion. We are talking of using the same idea for a receptacle for milk and cream, believing it can easily be kept cool in this way. Has anyone else tried it?—Regina Oscarson.

WELCHES.

Frank Gibbs has purchased two lots of Mr. Welch in Deer Park and expects to erect a neat bungalow this season.

Roy Gibbs and wife have purchased two lots in Deer Park and intend building a bungalow on them this season.

Mrs. Anna Welling has purchased a lot in Deer Park and will have a building erected soon.

Mr. Hensley of Troutdale expects to have his mountain bungalow completed on his lot in Deer Park this month.

Mr. Watson of Portland is having a house built on his lot at Deer Park.

Mr. Dupuy, a Portland architect, is having a neat and substantial bungalow built in Deer Park on Riverside drive next to Chas. Gedamke's summer home.

Mr. and Mrs. Cotton of Gresham are spending a few days in recreation in their mountain bungalow, "Hearts Delight," and expect to be here off and on most of the season.

Chas. Gedamke and family of Portland, formerly of Gresham, are spending their vacation at their mountain home in Deer Park.

Nearly all the cottages on the campgrounds are occupied while a number of tents are being used as shelters, which makes Welches resort resemble a small city.

Welches hotel is accommodating about 65 guests, and Mr. Welches expects quite an increase of boarders before the end of the week.

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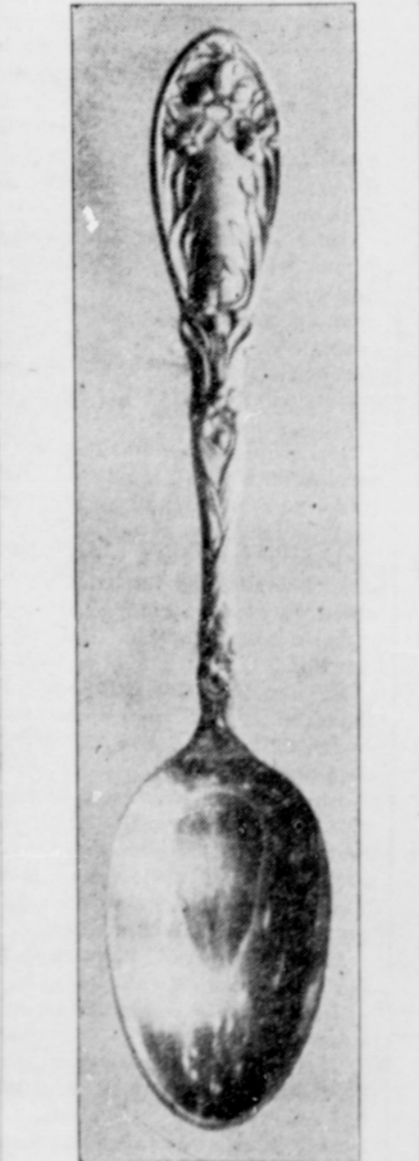
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