

APPLEGATE-JACKSONVILLE Beet Seed Crop Shipped

By HELGA MITCHELL

Applegate - Jacksonville — While other crops still are being harvested, a bumper beet seed crop at the Harlan Cantrall ranch has been shipped, and the new crop for next year is already eight inches high.

Cantrall has been in the business of raising sugar beet seed for over 20 years, and last month shipped the harvest to the West Coast Beet Seed company at Salem. He is awaiting results of tests as to germination and purity. Seed grown in the Applegate valley is said to be very high in germination qualities due to the cool nights here. Cantrall is one of six major growers in the county.

Each year his 20 acre crop is grown under contract for the West Coast Beet Seed company and Cantrall plants his own seed only when the company wants more of the same variety. He changes seed when an improved variety is offered. The beets are planted in 20 inch rows, and are harvested after ten days in the window, with a Massey-Harris combine, especially a Harris combine.

In the fall the crop is sprayed with liquid grass killer by the Western Air service, and in the spring the plane dusts for laugus bug. Cantrall, one of two growers of certified wheat in the county, had a wheat exhibit in the Jackson county Pomona Grange display at the state fair.

The W. A. Rhodes place, formerly known as the Newton Lewis ranch on Big Applegate, was purchased recently by Mr. and Mrs. Donald Tindall of Elmonte, Calif.

The new owners, with Mr. and Mrs. Harper of Elmonte, have taken possession of the place, and expect to develop a summer resort with lodge and cabins. The two families are breeders of pedigreed champion collie dogs, and have raised one world champion and several grand champions.

Bill Barker is a patient at the Ashland hospital, where he is undergoing spinal treatment.

A3-C Robert Cantrall, stationed in Biloxi, Miss., spent four days here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Cantrall, while enroute to Iceland, where he will be stationed for a year. Cantrall

is a radar repair man. Mrs. Abbie Dunnington has sold her ranch on Little Applegate, and is living in Jacksonville. The ranch was purchased by William Manning, who owns a grocery on Crater Lake highway. Mr. and Mrs. Manning will move to their ranch in October.

The Applegate Valley Garden club will reconvene for the winter months, and has scheduled an outdoor meeting at the home of Mrs. Lance Offenbacher for Wednesday, Sept. 18, at 1:30 p.m. Mrs. Ed Ramsay will speak on wild flowers. Anyone interested in becoming a member is invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Sinclair of McMinnville visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Brown and other friends here Sunday. The Sinclairs are former residents of this area.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hanson are operating the "Welcome Inn" on west McAndrews road in Medford, having purchased the restaurant earlier in the summer.

Mrs. Otis Buck will be hostess to the Little Applegate Knitting club Tuesday, Sept. 17.

Jerry Johnston, who has summer employment with a maintenance crew in Crater Lake national park, spent the week end here with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Hard have moved to Medford and are living at a trailer court.

Several members of the Rogue River Jersey Cattle club had a picnic at the Wilfred Pearson home Sunday. Attending were Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Poyer, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schutzwahl, and Mr. and Mrs. Karl Schutzwahl and son, of Ashland, and H. L. McCollm of Grants Pass.

With the final days of summer many are returning to their homes after spending vacations with friends and relatives. Mrs. Stella O'Brien left Wednesday for Richmond after visiting her brother, John Byrne, and other relatives. She accompanied Harold Watson and his sister, who returned to San Jose. Mr. and Mrs. Donald O'Brien and son, Mike, have returned to Portland, having visited O'Brien's

Murfreesboro, Tenn.—William R. Fouch and his mother were graduated from Middle Tennessee State College at the same time. Both are teachers and received bachelor of science degrees.

Pasco, Wash.—Tri-Cities' chambers of commerce will host a Tri-Cities Air Fair Sept. 29 at Pasco Airport.

mother, Mrs. Roland Smith, and other relatives.

Canadian visitors who have returned to Edmonton, Alberta, are Mr. and Mrs. Ken Robinson and three sons and Mrs. Andrew Black. They were guests of Mrs. Robinson's sister, Mrs. Harry Davis, and while here went to Crater and Diamond lake and attended the Shakespearean festival. Other guests of the Davis home have been Mr. and Mrs. Ed Park of Penticton, British Columbia, who had purchased property on Humboldt creek. They erected a dam while here. Those returning to California after visiting Mr. and Mrs. Davis were their sons Robert Davis of Englewood; Mr. and Mrs. Leo Davis, and Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Davis and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Thrasher have returned to Dallas, Tex., after visiting the former's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. George Sconyers. The Thrashers made a vacation out of Canada and the northwest, including Yellowstone park.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Shattick and daughter, Kathie, have returned to Westminster, Calif., after visiting Mrs. Shattick's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Mitchell.

Albert Jacobsen has returned to Eureka, Calif., to attend high school after spending the summer here with his mother, Mrs. Lester Russell. Week end guests at the Russell home were Mr. Russell's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Russell, of Crescent City.

Rural reflections: When the young fry have entered school or camp for the first time or the last chick has flown the nest, parental reactions are varied and interesting — Gracie Pearson, "Peace! Wilma Travis, "It is so quiet we can't sleep at night." George Redhead, "Just two of us rattling around in the house, I tell you it is terrible." Verna Hall, "It was so lonesome I brought my little one in the house to keep me company."



TAKES FIRST PLANE RIDE—Miss Sidna Bender of Central Point took her first plane ride this week at the age of 86. She enjoyed it so much that she wants to go again—this time over Crater lake. Among others who were in the plane during the flight were 3-year-old Jerry Parrish, who was also on his first trip in an airplane. Miss Bender is Jerry's great aunt. In the picture above, Mrs. Dean Brandon helps Miss Bender out of the plane. Miss Bender is a great aunt of Mrs. Brandon and an aunt of Mrs. Lenore Hill who with them on the flight, making four generations in the plane at once. The party went up in a Cessna 172, piloted by Deane Brandon of the Rogue Flying Service.

GOLD HILL Schulz Family Has Reunion

By MRS. CLYDE KELL

Gold Hill — A family reunion was held last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Max Schulz in Sams Valley.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Carter of Gold Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Schulz, their son, Keith, and their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Schulz, and Mr. and Mrs. Cleon Botsford and their three children, Debbie, Cherrie, and Ronnie, all of Sams Valley. Mrs. Botsford is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Schulz.

Others from Sams Valley were Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Abbott, Mr. and Mrs. Linsey Houston and their sons, Clifford and Lyle. Attending from Medford were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Koger and daughter, Mrs. Donald H. Cheever, and her daughter, Kathy, and the Koger's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dawson and children, Denise and Johnny.

Mrs. Carter, Mrs. Abbott, Mrs. Houston, and Mrs. Koger are sisters of Paul Schulz. Their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Schulz will observe their 52nd wedding anniversary Sept. 23.

Relatives here of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gray, of Portland, received word last week from the Grays announcing the birth of a daughter, Mary Louise. The little girl is the couple's first child.

Charles attended the Prospect school before going to Portland, and is well known in Gold Hill. His mother, Mrs. R. D. Gray, of Portland, spent the Labor Day holiday visiting in Gold Hill at the homes of her father, Charlie Kell and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Kell and family.

The Amethyst Rebekah Friendship club will meet at the home of Mrs. Clyde Kell, Monday, Sept. 16 at 8 p.m. instead of at the Morrow home as previously announced. This will be the first meeting of the fall.

Mr. and Mrs. George Smith of Sams valley had had as their guest the past two weeks, Mr. Smith's mother, Mrs. Nellie Smith, of Walnut creek, Calif. The Smiths and their guest visited recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Evans and family in Central Point. Mrs. Evans is a granddaughter of Mrs. Nellie Smith, who also visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Smith at Medford.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard H. Olson and their children, Wayne

and Darlene, who have resided on the Old Stage road the past two years moved to Central Point last Sunday.

Over-night guests Sept. 4 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Smith were Mr. and Mrs. John Burke of Venice, Calif. The two couples hadn't seen each other for 20 years.

Among the newcomers to the community are Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Banry and five children, who have moved into the Leslie Walker home on the Upper River road. They had been residing in Jacksonville before moving to Gold Hill. Mrs. Banry is the former Betty Shoemaker.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Govreau and their two daughters of southern Calif., have moved into the home recently vacated by the Robert McLoughlin family. Mrs. Govreau is the former Carol Cameron. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Cameron, of Gold Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Abbott, their son, Tommy, and their daughter, Miss Myra Abbott, of Central Point, moved last weekend into the L. H. Olson home on the Old Stage road.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Dusenberry, who have resided the past year in the Washburn apartment, moved to their home on the Old Stage road last weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Waterhouse of Los Angeles spent last weekend in Gold Hill visiting their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Don Dusenberry. Their son Willard Waterhouse returned to Gold Hill with them, following a vacation in Southern California. He will remain here to attend high school.

According to Mrs. Clyde Walker, her husband is improving after several weeks illness, which caused him to be hospitalized for a while.

Mrs. Carrie Puhl is convalescing at her home following several weeks illness, during which time she was confined to the Rogue Valley Memorial hospital. Mrs. Sadie Sepers of Sams valley is visiting at the Puhl home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Avena of Sacramento, Calif., will arrive soon to spend their vacation with her mother, Mrs. Carrie Puhl.

Visitors one day last week at

Fay Bentley Discusses Recent Northern Lights

By FAY BENTLEY

During the evening hours of Sept. 4, and the early morning of Sept. 5, many people in northern latitudes witnessed a most beautiful display of the "northern lights" or aurora borealis.

Ever since the time of written history and probably long before, people have been frightened, awed, and thrilled by the spectacular appearance of this celestial drama. The rippling, glowing, dancing arcs and streamers of light in the starry dome were believed by the ancients to be warnings of evil to come. At such times the gods and spirits were supposed to be engaged in battle.

Only a few years ago, we were told that the aurora borealis was caused by the reflection of sunlight on ice fields in the Arctic Zone. They seemed to forget that the "northern lights" occurred many times during the long Polar night when there was no sunlight in that region of the earth.

Electrified Particles
Today scientists know that this gorgeous drama is caused by streams of ionized or electrified particles ejected by the sun during solar prominence and sunspot activity.

What are sunspots and solar prominences? On the surface of the sun are sometimes seen dark spots which are great swirling masses of gases much like a cyclone on earth. They may vary in size from 300 to 60,000 miles in diameter and usually occur in groups. The overall length of a group may reach 125 thousand miles in length.

Sunspots are usually accompanied by solar prominences or long streamers of gases shooting out from the surface of the sun. Prominences have been known to extend for 700,000 miles out into space.

Particles Ejected
During sunspot and solar prominence activity huge streams of electrified particles, mostly electrons, spout forth from the sun like water from a gigantic hose. As the sun rotates on its axis these streams of particles are ejected much as water from a rotating sprinkler.

When a stream reaches our planet, the earth is submerged in these ionized or electrified particles. This condition may last for a few hours or for several days.

The earth is a huge magnet and as such is surrounded by a magnetic field or field of force. If a tack is held near a small magnet it will "jump" to the magnet when very close but still not touching the magnet that is attracting it. The tack "jumps"

the home of Mrs. Carrie Puhl were her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Kesterson of Klamath Falls and their daughter, Mrs. James Skell and children, Margaret and Brian of San Rafael, Calif.

A dinner party was given Saturday, Sept. 7, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Quinn on highway 99 north, in observance of Mrs. Quinn's birthday. Those present included Mr. and Mrs. Charles Whitlock, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Whitlock, and Miss Sharon Whitlock, all of Medford, and Bill Barlow of Phoenix.

Mr. and Mrs. Quinn recently observed their 46th wedding anniversary.

Recent dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Carter on the Upper River road were Dr. and Mrs. Donald Cheever and daughter, Kathy. She is the former Miss Shirley Koger. Mrs. Cheever is a niece of Mrs. Carter.

The Cheevers were married two years ago in a garden ceremony at the Carter home. He recently completed his intern training at Denver, Colo. They have been house guests of her Koger, 2376 Howard ave., in Medford since they arrived in southern Oregon.

Mrs. Donald Morrow will be host at her home to the Amethyst Rebekah Friendship club, when the group will hold the first meeting of the fall, Monday, Sept. 16 at 8 p.m.

School Officials Schedule Workshop

Salem — Dr. C. O. Fitzwater of the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, will be consultant for a week's workshop of Oregon county school superintendents, Sept. 16-20 in Salem.

Superintendent of Public Instruction Rex Putnam said the county superintendents hope to develop some long-range objectives and insight into new school district reorganization laws.

Dr. Fitzwater has worked with Oregon county superintendents in four previous summer workshops.

WOMEN COLLECTORS

Yanai, Japan — Yanai town officials said Saturday there must be something special about women tax collectors. With about \$41,670 outstanding in unpaid residence and municipal property taxes, authorities hit on the idea of employing female collectors. The arrears were completely paid up in less than a month after the women started work.

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