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MR. CROSBY WRITES OF HIGH APPLES

Brooks, Maine, Oct. 5, 1921.
Editor Glacier: Just a few lines to my old friends in Hood River as I often find myself thinking of Hood River, especially after reading the Glacier. I never fully appreciated your paper until I got away from my home town and craved news from home. I left Hood River September 12 and arrived in Brooks, Maine, the 17th without mishap. I had a fine trip, and found my sister well.

I will soon start for Arcostook county to visit old time friends. From there I will go to New Hampshire and Massachusetts to visit brothers and a sister. Now, as to how I found my boyhood home. It is impossible to tell whether it is I or the country that has changed, but there is surely a change. The old red pine trees have all gone and been forgotten by all but your humble servant. This has been a very dry year in Maine, only about one half crop of hay. Some think hay will be \$50 per ton this winter. Other crops don't seem to feel the drought so much. I should judge that 90 per cent of the wells are dry. It has been my job to haul water since I came and you can imagine how an Oregon man would enjoy hauling water one mile, or less for that matter. Apples are about a 75 per cent crop, and are bringing good prices. Canners are \$40 per ton, ciders \$10, and barrel apples are bringing from \$1.50 to \$2, according to size and variety. Harvesting is in full swing now. A large percentage of the apples go out marked Unclassified. Everything goes but the ciders. I have not yet learned of an apple sizing machine in the whole state. They tell me the law is very strict in regard to misrepresentation, so they mark Unclassified to get around that; it saves time and expense in handling. The main crop is Baldwins, but they raise quite a lot of Wolf Rivers. They are well colored here and sell well.

Your humble servant,
J. R. Crosby.

RECORD NUMBER MOTORISTS SEE VALLEY

Estimates of transient motorists here Sunday to see the valley at apple harvest time range from 5,000 to 10,000. The ideal Indian summer day lured visitors from the Willamette valley as well as Portland. Hundreds started out Saturday afternoon. Hotels, restaurants and garages declared that the record number of out of town cars remained over night here Saturday.

Many slept in their machines. Others were assigned to private homes, until available places were filled, and it is estimated that more than 100 parties, unable to secure accommodation, returned to Portland or journeyed on to The Dalles. Automobiles Sunday moved over the Columbia Highway in a constant stream both ways. As no rain has fallen in the past three weeks all valley highways, with a continual procession of machines, were marked by the rising clouds of dust.

McClain Chagrined at Story

W. H. McClain, formerly of Marion, Ohio, where for many years he was a fellow tenant of the building occupied by President Harding, continues to read the Marion Star.

"I was filled with chagrined interest the other day," says Mr. McClain, "when I happened on a story telling of a recent visit of S. F. Shorts, prominent Marion Elk, to the Pacific coast. He was entertained and shown the sights. On his return home he gave an address at a public meeting. Mr. Shorts declared that one of the things that impressed him most was the Columbia River Highway, which he saw between San Francisco and Seattle on the Shasta route. Portland was not mentioned. There is either something wrong with us Oregonians or Mr. Shorts. We certainly should have received a little bit of mention from that sight, of the Columbia River Highway."

Apple Thieves Busy

The motor truck and highway facilities to outside points has resulted in the recent thefts of many boxes of apples, according to reports of orchardists. Growers, during periods of good weather, are accustomed to leave orchard boxes stacked in large numbers under the trees. The fancy fruit has proven too great a temptation for thieves.

The heaviest recent sufferers from operation of apple thieves have been W. T. Price and Mrs. G. K. Johnson. Mrs. Price believed that she saw the truck move away from their place on the Highway west of the city. Authorities were notified, but no trace was obtained of the thieves, although highways were patrolled immediately.

Mrs. Murray Sent to Asylum

Mrs. W. H. Murray, who gave her birth place as Nova Scotia, and who rested under the observation that Luther Fagan, paroled convict who was recently killed here was her nephew, has been committed to the Pendleton insane asylum. Mrs. Murray was arrested by Deputy Sheriff Slater, while on her fourth visit to Hood River. She claimed that she knew the dead convict was her nephew because of the pictures that appeared in newspapers at the time of the tragedy. A ticket to Salt Lake was found in her possession.

Non-Partisan Organizer Here

While no public announcement has been made, the authentic statements have been given out by "Well Side" ranchers that a Non-Partisan organizer has appeared in the Hood River valley, and that a number of \$18 membership fees have been paid by orchardists of the district. No word, however, has been undertaken by the League in any other district. A speaker of the organization, it is stated, will appear in the district in the near future.

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