

USE RAISINS OR EAT RAISIN BREAD

National Raisin Day, Now Four Years Old, Started by People of Golden State

WILL BE OBSERVED HERE

Tuesday, April 30, will be national raisin day, first observed four years ago and originating in a desire on the part of the people of California to educate the citizens of other states to appreciate the value of this fruit as an all-the-year-round article of diet. The fact that raisin growing is distinctly a California industry, and that each year more than 120,000,000 lbs. of raisins are shipped from that state to various parts of the world accounts for the importance that the people there attach to the observance of a day specially devoted to the praise and consumption of this fruit. To lovers of all good wholesome foods, the raisin appeals as one of the purest, best and most nourishing. It is also a food with a history. We read of it in the Bible, where first of all it is spoken of as dried grapes, later it appears in the role of peacemaker.

Raisins have been in all ages an important article of commerce. They filled in the earlier periods the place of a nourishing food and also of a simple and delightful sweetmeat. Sweet foods and drinks were made from raisins and honey. For men making long journeys they rank as food and are easily carried.

The earlier methods of curing the raisin differed somewhat from those employed today in California. The branches were partly cut thru and then twisted to stop the flow of sap, after which they were left on the vines to dry. The California method is to place them on clean trays laid between the vine rows to dry in the sun. At the end of ten days they are turned by taking an empty tray and turning them into that, repeating the process to the end of each row. They are then taken up and put into what are called sweat boxes. The reason for this is that after being dried in the sun they become hard and tough in the skin, but after being left in the sweat box a few days the moisture still left in the grape permeates the mass, making the fruit soft, tender and highly palatable.

Bulletin No. 142, published by the United States Department of Agriculture, gives the comparative food value of the raisin as follows: "One pound of California raisins represents food value equal to five pounds of bananas, six pounds of apples, four and one-fourth pounds of potatoes, one pound of bread, four pounds of milk, four and three-fourths pounds of fish (edible portion), two pounds of eggs, or one and one-third pounds of beef."

When Raisin day was first observed four years ago, one of the most

novel plans for advertising an agricultural product ever put into effect in any community was adopted by the farmers, packers and brokers of the San Joaquin Valley, the great raisin and grape belt of the Pacific Coast. On that day the raisin industry was advertised from one end of the United States to the other on every dining car and on every steamer and sailing vessel. Thousands of posters, pamphlets and other advertising matter were distributed, and statements of the food value of raisins were scattered on the doorsteps of private homes. In addition, the Harriman lines, and almost every other railroad in the world, the large department stores and the chambers of commerce displayed raisins packed or in their native bunches as taken from the vine.

The people of California are proud of the fact that their raisin industry is the best in the world, ranking second only to that of Smyrna in the amount produced. Raisins were described by Shakespeare as "raisin of the sun," and their tempting quality is that they are filled with the delightful essence of concentrated sunshine. The people of the United States, therefore, should scarcely find it a hardship to observe the last day of this month by using raisins or eating raisin bread.

Arrangements have been completed by the Raisin Growers' Association with the Alliance Grocery Company to put on a special sale at special prices on April 28th, 29th and 30th only.—Adv.

ALLIANCE FIREMEN HAVE BADGES

Secretary Pilkington has received the badges for the members of the Alliance Fire Department. These badges are of a convenient size, and have the words "Alliance Fire Department" and the name and number of the company to which the member belongs, on their face. Their purpose is to distinguish members at time of fires, etc. Those who have not received their badges can get them of Secretary Pilkington.

BORN

To Mr. and Mrs. L. I. Glarum, a baby boy, weighing nine pounds, on Monday, the 21st. Doing fine.

PERSONAL CARD OF THANKS

I wish to personally thank Herbert Nason for his kindness and help during the sickness and death of my brother William.

T. J. LAWRENCE.

Alliance druggists, as well as other merchants here, have the knack of good window dressing. Holsten's store has a window dressed with a brown velvet background, showing gold clocks, the centerpiece being a 400 day clock. Thiele has been displaying some attractive jewelry in a beautifully dressed window and Brennan's have had an attractive display of a line of drugs that sell widely.

QUEEN ELIZABETH

Spectacular Photo Play at Empress Tuesday Night Drew Big Crowds

SARAH BERNHARDT & COMPANY

The popular Empress was crowded to the limit Tuesday evening. The occasion of the big interest was the presentation in four parts of the spectacular photo play, "Queen Elizabeth," acted by Mme. Sarah Bernhardt and her all star company.

The story of the play, as shown in the moving pictures, is as follows: When the Spanish Armada lay nearby threatened to destroy England body and soul, Elizabeth and her court anxiously awaited news of the impending battle at Plymouth. The long night of sorrow and suspense is past at last, and the news of the ruin of the Spanish fleet is followed by a wild gale and jubilation.

At the time of this scene in "Queen Elizabeth" Robert Devereaux, Earl of Essex, is the acknowledged favorite of the Queen and the pampered pet of her court. A new Lord Lieutenant is to be appointed to Ireland, and Essex obtains the coveted position. The scene shows the favorite's departure for Ireland.

There is a "But" in every man's life. Lord Essex admired his generous sovereign and appreciated her regard for him. But—she was many years older than himself, and his affections have turned to the Countess of Nottingham, to whom he comes to bid farewell before his departure. Fate enters the room with Essex, and Nottingham observes his young wife in his enemy's arms.

Bent on Essex's downfall, the Earl of Nottingham accuses him of treason and deceit, and when the Queen subsequently learns of his clandestine love for the Countess she orders his arrest. In the present scene, torn between her emotions, her wounded pride battling with the real desire to spare him, she yields to the jealous subtleties of her ministers and her own vanquished vanity and signs Essex's death warrant.

Lord Essex was brave, bold, courageous. Little wonder that as Queen Elizabeth watched him pass thru the crowded street on his return from Westminster after his condemnation, she sobbed in self-reproach and repentance, and realized, in the moment of his impending death, that his life was necessary to hers and its happiness.

From the day of Lord Essex's execution, every hour brought Queen Elizabeth nearer the grave. The ghosts of the happy minutes of the past, when she lived in Essex's smile would steal into her memory and leer at the futility of her repentance. The gaiety and laughter of the palace were succeeded by the somber silence of a thing worse than death—hopelessness, until at last the broken heart and the weeping soul found peace in the Final Rest.

CARPENTER.

Mrs. Clark was visiting Mrs. Hawkins Thursday.

It is reported that the Clark children have the whooping cough.

Miss Dollie Hagaman and Dora Coker were visiting at the Hagaman home Sunday.

W. S. Coker and wife and two children visited last Sunday at the home of G. G. Clark and report a good time.

J. C. Wright and wife and children visited at the home of J. C. Hawkins Sunday while Mrs. Wright and the children were out on the ranch from Friday till Monday.

There was quite an exciting time at the Miles Hagaman home Sunday evening for a little while when his house roof caught fire, but the Lettan fire boys' prompt action soon had the fire under control with only slight damage done.

This part of the country was visited by a nice rain yesterday and last night, the first of the season. It appears as if spring was here to stay. The earth is beginning to take on a dress of beautiful green and the farmers are getting busy in the fields. The outlook is good for a fine crop.

Thursday, the 17th, was Miles Hagaman's sixtieth birthday, and all the old neighbors gathered to fence the cemetery and the ladies furnished the dinner, and altogether there were 25 present; so Uncle Miles had a general good time, and Miles said it was his first birthday dinner and he did not suppose he would have another for 60 years.

A DRY ROT OF THE IRISH POTATO TUBER

The Nebraska Experiment Station has just issued Bulletin 134, on "A Dry Rot of the Irish Potato Tuber." This bulletin may be had free of cost by residents of Nebraska upon application to the Agricultural Experiment Station, Lincoln, Nebr.

NORTH WESTERN INVENTORS

The following patents were just issued to North Western clients reported by D. Swift & Co., Patent Lawyers, Washington, D. C., who will furnish copies of any patent for ten cents apiece to our readers.

NEBR. Smith E. Campbell, Grand Island, Package gauge for typewriters, Frank H. Folds, Blair, multi-molding concrete block machine, Jas. Frondak, Morse Bluff, Device for hanging wall paper;

N. D. Michael G. Eisenreich, Dogden, Shocker; S. D. Wilhelm Becker, Emery, Power transmission device.

Mrs. Joe L. Westover has returned from her visit with relatives on the Northwestern. Joe returned several days ago.

500 ACRES OF FLAX

Experiments Have Proved Flax to Be a Profitable Sod Crop in Box Butte County

WILL PLANT LARGER ACREAGE

C. E. Marks and G. B. Carr raised a fine crop of flax on sod last year and did fairly well with it, although the price was low. They have learned a thing or two more about growing flax in this country and will increase their acreage this year to 500 acres, confident that there is good money in it. The entire crop will be planted on sod. Bert Carr expects to start the steam tractor about a week from next Monday and run it night and day until the crop has been planted.

The outfit will consist of the thirty-two h.p. steam traction engine, a six h.p. stationary engine, a plow of four gangs, each having two plows; a two ton roller, and the seed drill. Last year a dynamo for making the electric lights for night work was run by the power from the tractor, but it was found unsatisfactory for the reason that when the engine stopped the lights went out. For the electric lights this season they have a six horse power stationary engine mounted on a platform erected for that purpose. This will furnish ample power for the lights and is expected to give very satisfactory service.

First following the tractor will be the eight plows for turning the sod. Then will come the two-section roller, each section weighing two thousand pounds. A little experimentation last year in the matter of rollers proved the value of the heavy roller. Before the roller was decided upon last year, C. A. Newberry, who has given careful study to the development of agriculture in this country, was consulted and his advice asked.

He advised the use of a heavy roller to press down the sod before planting, the heavier the better. As a roller could not be purchased from manufacturers as heavy as was wanted, one was made, concrete being used for the body and to give weight. This roller was used for a while, but got out of commission and it was thought perhaps a lighter one would do as well. Accordingly, a wooden roller, much lighter, was made and used to complete the season's work. The result was that where the heavy roller was used the yield of flax was more than twice as much as where the light roller was used.

Following the roller, which pressed the upturned sod down so tightly no air can get under it, comes the seed drill.

VISITING COUNTY SCHOOLS

County Supt. Della M. Reed started out Arbor day on another school visitation trip. She expected to visit the Hemingford and Marsland school on this trip, besides some schools in the country. Marsland is in Dawes

county but the school is in a joint district between Dawes and Box Butte counties and is officially visited by the superintendents of both counties.

YOCKEY TO BRUSH TO VISIT

Chas. Yockey, who sold his interest in the Central Cafe to "Bill" Beckler last week, has gone to Brush, Colo., for a visit with his wife's relatives. From Brush they will go to Denver and probably locate in business near the big city.

SUIT ATTRACTS ATTENTION

The Herald's reporter is not an expert on fashions or he might be able to fully describe the suit which garbed a young man at the Burlington depot on Tuesday at noon and which caused him to become the cynosure of all eyes. The young man was from up the valley on his way to Omaha. The boys predicted that if he got as far as Omaha with the new suit he would be taken for a Mexican and extradited. It was a new one, cut Mexican style good and strong, and surmounting it all was a genuine Mexican sombrero.

MOVING BACK TO ALLIANCE

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Kaiser, who resided in Alliance a year ago last winter, are moving back into the pretty residence which they own at 712 West Second street, known as the James McCue place. Since living here before they have traveled in the south and recently have been with a son on his ranch eight miles from Whitney, Dawes county. Mr. Kaiser is an old soldier, and he and his wife, wishing to take life easy amid pleasant surroundings convenient to church privileges, decided to make this city their home.

Here's a new one by Walt Mason. It was written during spring campaign time:

The joyous spring is close at hand, the spring that renovates the land! And once again the birds will sway on bending boughs, and sing all day; the skies will be serene and fair, and we shall breathe the fragrant air, and girls will swing on garden gates, and there'll be swarms of candidates. The world will wear its garb of green, but we will not enjoy the scene; the birds will sing their songs in vain, for we can't hear the gentle strain; the candidates will get us all, and back us up against a wall, and twist their fingers in our coats, and tell us that they need our votes. In vain the fragrant breeze will blow, in vain the twinkling stars shall glow; we won't have time for things like these, we'll listen to the same old wheeze from patriots who tell us why they come once more to bleed and die. And so I dread the gentle spring; I like the zephyrs she will bring, I like the bees, I like the bowers, I like the what-you-call-'em flowers, I like the bluebirds and their mates, but oh! I hate the candidates!

Joe Smith and family returned the first of the week from a week's visit with his mother in Omaha.

ATTENTION - FIREMEN

Alliance offers prizes amounting to \$1990.00 to be awarded to the winning teams at the N. S. V. F. A. Tournament to be held here June 25, 26 and 27. We want more teams to compete for this prize money. Will you come?

Win enough prize money to more than pay your expenses. Alliance is doing her part. Will you do yours? Come out and see Western Nebraska. You will be treated royally and be glad you came. Help us make this the biggest and best tournament ever held in Nebraska

PROGRAM

Wednesday, June 25th, 1913

9:00 A. M. Band Concert.
10:00 A. M. Firemen's Parade.
Largest delegation attending Tournament with team:
1st Prize \$25.00
2nd Prize 15.00
Best appearing Company in attendance with Team:
1st Prize 15.00
2nd Prize 10.00
Team entering that came the longest distance, distance to be counted by shortest route by rail:
1st Prize 25.00
1:00 P. M. Band Concert.
2:00 P. M. Program.
250 yard straight away hose race, Class A:
1st Prize 75.00
2nd Prize 45.00
3rd Prize 30.00
250 yard straight away Hook and Ladder race:
1st Prize 75.00
2nd Prize 45.00
250 yard Firemen's race:
1st Prize 15.00
2nd Prize 10.00
3rd Prize 5.00

250 yard straight away Hose race, Class B:
1st Prize 60.00
2nd Prize 36.00
3rd Prize 24.00

Thursday, June 26th, 1913

9:00 A. M. Band Concert.
10:00 A. M. 100 yard wet hose race.
1st Prize 25.00
2nd Prize 15.00
1:00 P. M. Band Concert.
2:00 P. M. Program.
250 yard Regulation Hose race, Class A:
1st Prize 75.00
2nd Prize 45.00
3rd Prize 30.00
Regulation 250 yard Hook and Ladder race:
1st Prize 75.00
2nd Prize 45.00
100 yard Chief's race:
1st Prize, Fireman's coat, val. 25.00
2nd Prize, Fireman's coat 15.00
50 foot Coupling Contest:
1st Prize 25.00
2nd Prize 15.00
250 yard Regulation Hose Race, Class B:
1st Prize 60.00
2nd Prize 36.00
3rd Prize 24.00
7:30 P. M. Water Fight:
1st Prize 15.00
2nd Prize 10.00

Friday, June 27th, 1913

9:00 A. M. Band Concert.
10:00 A. M. 100 yard Wet Hose race:
1st Prize 25.00
2nd Prize 15.00
1:00 P. M. Band Concert.
1:30 P. M. Program.
250 yard state championship regulation hose race, Class A:
1st Prize 100.00
2nd Prize 60.00
3rd Prize 40.00
3-foot State Championship Coupling Contest:
1st Prize 35.00
2nd Prize 21.00
250 yard State Championship Hook and Ladder regulation race:
1st Prize 100.00
2nd Prize 60.00
State Championship Ladder Climbing Contest:
1st Prize 25.00
2nd Prize 15.00
250 yard State Championship regulation hose race, Class B:
1st Prize 75.00
2nd Prize 45.00
3rd Prize 30.00
250 yard straight away hose race, open to the World:
1st Prize 125.00
2nd Prize 100.00
3rd Prize 75.00

The NEBRASKA STOCK GROWERS' ASSOCIATION

holds its yearly meeting at the same time. That means big crowds and entertainment for all. Not a dull moment during the entire three days. You will never have another opportunity like this.

Chiefs of departments should advise our secretary, C. W. Spacht, at once that they are coming in order that proper arrangements may be made. Write today

COMMITTEE P. E. Romig, Bruce Mallery, E. G. Laing, F. D. McCormick, Carl W. Spacht, A. D. Rodgers