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PRUNE DRIER CAPACITY IN UMPQUA VALLEY PRACTICALLY DOUBLED DURING PAST YEAR

Fruit Inspector Reports to County Court that Growers are Giving More Attention to the Maintaining of a High Standard in Dried Fruit

Over 240,000 prune trees have been set out in Douglas county during the past year according to the report submitted by the county fruit inspector to the county court. This report covers the work of the past year and gives some interesting facts and figures concerning the fruit crop of the Umpqua valley. The drier capacity in the county has been practically doubled. Mr. Armstrong reports while progress is being kept in keeping up and raising a higher standard of fruit. Altogether the report is a very satisfactory condition.

Aside from the duties required by law I have taken up some other work that will be helpful to the fruit growing industry. At the request of some fruit growers and sanctioned by the County Court I made a trip to California to investigate the merits of the Date prune. I need not go into the details of this matter in this report, but will say, I am sure this was time well spent, as I have been able to tell growers the conditions as I found them where the prune originated.

There are 198 prune driers in Douglas county. Of this 36 were built this year, consisting of 194 tunnels. In addition to this a great many new tunnels have been added to the old driers. I think the prune drier capacity was almost doubled during the past year. The new recirculating fan system of drying introduced by the Agricultural college has been tried out by eight different persons in this county this year and has proven universally satisfactory.

In my rounds of the driers this year I find almost all possible conditions. The great majority of the driers are kept clean or fairly clean, but some were found too filthy to produce fruit fit for human consumption. Less rotten fruit was dried this year than common. It is possible this was caused by the fact that there was a less amount of rotten fruit in the orchard this year than common. But, it is to be hoped that the real cause of the improvement is that there is a growing desire to market only good, clean fruit. Surely if the prune prices are to be kept at a profitable figure the growers must see that all fruit marketed is absolutely clean and wholesome.

Briefly this sums up the major points in the year's work. Many calls have been answered and orchards inspected that cannot be recorded in this brief report. The coming year bids fair to be as busy as the year just passed as there are many acres of orchards still being neglected that must be cleaned up or destroyed.

Respectfully submitted,
 E. C. ARMSTRONG,
 County Fruit Inspector.

SECRETARY OF LABOR SAYS NO FOREIGN DEBT CANCELLED

(By United Press.)
 PORTLAND, Nov. 1.—Secretary of Labor James J. Davis told a Portland audience Tuesday night that the Harding administration had no intention of cancelling Europe's war debt to the United States. "The debt will never be cancelled while the present party is in power," Davis said.

NEWS-REVIEW STRAW VOTE TO BE BROUGHT TO AN END ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON

The News-Review straw vote on gubernatorial candidates will be made up to the hour of 6 o'clock and after that time no more will be received. This notice is given in order that the supporters of the candidates residing in outlying districts may get their ballots in before the voting ceases.

Three added five more to his lead but Olcott made a decided gain yesterday's showing. The race very close in today's count Olcott having 49 votes and Pierce 45.

The total vote up to and including today's count is as follows:
 Olcott 229
 Pierce 299

CITY STARTS SUIT AGAINST GAS CO.

Claims that Obnoxious and Offensive Gas Allowed to Escape is a Menace

INJUNCTION IS ASKED
 Complaints Made by Residents in the Vicinity of the Gas Plant Results in Council Taking Action to Abate Existing Condition.

City Attorney Carl E. Wimberly today filed suit in the circuit court on behalf of the city of Roseburg, against the Southern Oregon Gas Company, asking for the issuance of a permanent injunction to prevent the company from allowing the escape of obnoxious gases from the generating plant on North Pine st. This matter has been dragging along for several years and more or less complaint has been made to the city council from time to time in the manufacture of gas huge clouds of smoke and gas escape from the plant and residents in that district complain of the odor which pervades the atmosphere in and around their homes, and also maintain that it is injurious to their shrubbery and trees.

The matter was first brought to the attention of the council when the gas plant was in the hands of Gas and Electric Company. That organization finally went bankrupt and the plant was taken over by the Southern Oregon Gas Company, which has made substantial improvements particularly in the quality of the service.

Although the complaints have extended over a protracted period the city has hoped that the company would put on some special burner to dispose of the gases. This, however, has not been done and the city is now bringing suit, alleging the escape of gases to constitute a nuisance and asking that a permanent injunction be issued to force the company to take some action to abate the condition.

SAFE BLOWERS GET LOOT UNDER NOSE OF POLICE

(By United Press.)
 PORTLAND, Nov. 1.—Safe blowers looted a safe in a loan office two blocks from the police station headquarters last night and escaped with \$700 in cash.

PROSPEROUS CONDITION IS SHOWN IN REVENUE REPORT

(By Associated Press.)
 DETROIT, Nov. 1.—The payment of one manufacturer of excess taxes representing the sales of \$60,000,000 worth of automobiles during October was announced by the internal revenue collector today. The luxury tax here last month exceeded the total for many months and indicated a prosperous state of business as a whole.

Former Roseburg Girl Is Dead

PORTLAND, Nov. 1.—Alta M. Inman, well-known Portland girl and stepdaughter of the late R. D. Inman, pioneer lumber manufacturer of Portland, died yesterday at Los Angeles as a result of injuries suffered in an automobile wreck which occurred more than a year ago. The body will be shipped to Portland for burial.

Miss Inman was the daughter of Mrs. R. D. Inman and grand-daughter of Rev. John Mansfield, pioneer minister of California. She spent much of her life in Portland but since her mother moved from Portland to San Mateo, about a year ago, has been living in California. Miss Inman recently completed a special course of study at the University of California and was preparing to go abroad to continue her work. The funeral will be held from Finley's chapel Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Miss Inman was formerly a resident of this county having been born at Looking Glass where she resided for several years before moving to Roseburg. She moved with her mother to Portland and later to California. She is a niece of Charles Kyes of this city.

The road connecting Mill street and the Pacific highway is to be laid out at once, it was announced today. The new road will cross the Parrot property and will connect up with the proposed bridge approach at the approved location for the new bridge.

SEVERAL ANGLES TO MURDER CASE

Today's Developments in the Havre, Montana Killing Are Interesting

CHARGE WHITEWASHING

Dead Woman's Husband Says That Attempt is Being Made to Cover Up Real Character of the Sain Pastor.

(By United Press.)
 The shots which slew Rev. L. J. Christler and Mrs. Margaret Carleton at Havre on the morning of October 27th echoed in three sections of the country today. At Havre the authorities considered the advisability of reopening the inquest which followed the tragedy. A post mortem examination showed the course of the alleged suicide bullet to be such as to possibly be sufficient cause for probing the suicide verdict deeply.

At Los Angeles, ex-Judge Carleton, the dead woman's husband, issued a statement declaring the inquest findings a "white-wash" of Rev. Christler. In the east, Mrs. Christler had reached Waterloo, N. Y., with Christler's body for burial. Mrs. Carleton will be buried today at Helena, Montana.

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 31.—Mrs. Margaret Carleton, who, with Rev. Leonard J. Christler, was found shot to death in the Christler home at Havre, Mont., last Friday, had confessed her love for the Rev. Mr. Christler to her husband, Frank B. Carleton, ex-judge of the district court at Havre, Mr. Carleton declared tonight in a signed statement to the Associated Press.

The statement follows: "I can no longer remain silent in the face of the studied and desperate attempt to whitewash this bishop of all outdoors and shield his church from stigma, and which attempt was climaxed by the startling statement of Bishop Faber given to the Associated Press that 'I believe as a result of the investigation I have made of the tragedy which occurred in the Christler home early Friday morning, and after questioning those who knew about it, that if this woman had been able to work her will on Mr. Christler he would have been alive today, unfaithful to his wife, but still living.'"

Recto: Held Not So Good.
 "This attempt to make it appear to the world that Margaret threw herself upon this man and that he tried to remonstrate and lead her into a spiritual path has goaded me into expression.

"Though he be a bishop and a Christian man I challenge the sincerity of his belief as expressed in the statement, above referred to." The so-called "investigation" alluded to by his reverendness must of necessity have consisted of taking a few perfunctory statements from the close friends and protectors of the pastor, for any thorough, fair and impartial delving into the facts and circumstances surrounding this matter would have so conclusively shown the true part that Christler played that escape from his condemnation would have been impossible.

Condoning Sins Protested.
 "I protest against this attempt to condone the sins of the pastor. Is that the Christian spirit that was exemplified by the life the Christ? Does such a statement come with good grace from the lips of one who is the temporal representative of a great church?"

"The bishop refers to this poor girl as 'his woman'."
 "Can it be that a representative of the church can do no wrong as in the olden days the king was accredited with that attribute?"

"I wonder did his reverence know when he made the statement above referred to that this pastor who, it is now said, maintained only a friendly and ministerial interest in the Carleton family, had written letters to Margaret Davenport, my wife's maiden name, and sent them care of general delivery. What occasion for this subterfuge if his interest in her was such as the bishop and friends of the man would have us believe?"

Influence Called Hypnotic.
 "The citizens of Havre well know the part that he has played and any investigation that was worthy of the name would have completely forestalled any such an expression of opinion as has been given by Bishop Faber."

"It is to be well understood that in making this statement I intend to cast not the slightest reflection or condemnation upon my wife, for no one knows as well as I do the influence which this man held over her and which could reasonably be termed hypnotic. Pray tell me if this minister had practiced the teachings which he espoused from the altar why this influence which he had over her was not utilized to save her this infatuation."

"Pray tell me why it was necessary for him to seek her out in Chicago and elsewhere?"
 "Oh, no, it is extremely important from the standpoint of Bishop Faber and the church he represents that the

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GOVERNOR OLCOTT TO SPEAK THURSDAY

Will Address Mass Meetings at Oakland and Sutherlin Before Coming Here.

LUNCHEON IS PLANNED

Community Lunch to Be Given At Oakland At Noon and This Will Be Followed by a Public Mass Meeting.

Governor Ben W. Olcott, will be in Douglas county Thursday in the interest of his own campaign for reelection. The governor will be accompanied by Thomas B. Kay, now representative from Marion county and formerly state treasurer. He will speak at Oakland, Sutherlin and Roseburg and will meet with the voters and discuss the various issues concerned in the present political campaign.

Arrangements are now being made to entertain the governor with a community lunch at Oakland at the noon hour. He will reach Oakland shortly before 12 o'clock and at noon there will be a big community lunch served in which the residents of the Oakland community will be given an opportunity to meet the governor personally. At 1:30 he will address a public meeting at Oakland and immediately following this will go to Sutherlin where he will speak at another mass meeting at 3:30.

It is expected that the governor will be accompanied through the county by a number of his friends and immediately following the speech at Sutherlin the party will come to Roseburg.

A banquet will be served at 6 o'clock at the Umpqua hotel. There will be room for only a limited number of persons at the banquet and those who desire to attend are asked to make their reservations at once as none will be accepted after an early hour tomorrow morning. Persons desiring a place at the banquet are asked to notify District Attorney Neuner.

Immediately following the banquet Governor Olcott will speak at the armory. He has been drawing big crowds wherever he has appeared and it is expected that there will be a large crowd to hear him in Roseburg.

ITALIAN AMBASSADORS TENDER RESIGNATIONS

(By Associated Press.)
 ROME, Nov. 1.—Italian Ambassador Ricci at Washington presented his resignation like Ambassador Sfora at Paris and Frassati at Berlin. Premier Mussolini replied to Sfora's resignation, reproaching him for his action and asking him to remain at his post. Minister of Industry Rossi has taken steps for the immediate reopening of the Bourse.

Fighting is Reported.
 LONDON, Nov. 1.—(U. P.)—Fighting is reported along the Serbian-Italian frontier as a result of the Fascist coup in Italy, according to Belgrade dispatches in the Daily Express today. The Fascist coup has caused great excitement in Serbia, the fighting being particularly fierce near Srebrenica, both sides losing in killed and wounded. The Serbs are sending forces to the frontier and getting ready to mobilize if necessary.

MEXICAN REBEL LEADER CAUGHT AND EXECUTED

(By United Press.)
 MEXICO CITY, Nov. 1.—General Francisco Murguía, principal leader of the Mexican rebel forces, was captured while hiding behind the altar of a church at Tepic, state of Durango, according to a message received here by the secretary of war. General Abraham Carmona, commanding the federal troops were pursuing the rebel general's forces and effected the capture.

A firing squad executed General Murguía after a court martial shortly following his capture.

OLD INDIAN FEUD IS RE-NEWED; FAMILY INJURED

(By United Press.)
 BELLINGHAM, Wn., Nov. 1.—Suffering from shotgun wounds, John Brown, an Indian, his wife and 15-year-old daughter are in a local hospital and Andrew Ballow, used 18 years, an Indian youth has been jailed and is facing a charge of attempted murder as the result of a renewed Indian feud on the reservation. The shots were fired through a window at the Brown family.

ROUND TRIP FROM U. S. TO LONDON BY AIR IN ONE DAY IS FORECAST

Planes With Variable Pitch Propellers and Oxygen Tanks Will Travel 500 Miles an Hour, Says General Mitchell—Prediction Startles Entire Nation.

(International News Service.)
 DETROIT, Mich., Nov. 1.—A flying machine which will hurtle through space at the rate of 500 miles per hour, hop off from New York at 6 a. m. with six passengers and their baggage, arrive in London or some European metropolis in time for lunch and return before dark will be developed within a comparatively short time, Brigadier-General William Mitchell, assistant chief of the army air service and holder of the world's record for speed, declared in an interview here.

In ability to perfect a device which will supply sufficient oxygen to pilot and passengers is the only barrier to such an achievement, the noted aviator said. America may solve the problem, Brig. Gen. Mitchell intimated. A plane with an enclosed cabin and equipped with a large oxygen tank has been constructed at Washington, and experimental tests are now being conducted, the general revealed. A variable pitch propeller allows the pilot to make the necessary adjustments to reach high altitudes and to create sufficient power to travel fast, he said.

Round the World Trip.

The greatest thing ever undertaken in the air, a round-the-world trip by a squadron of six planes, is being arranged for Brig. Gen. Mitchell asserted. The fliers will hop off from New York, make the first stop at Iceland, then jump off to England and from there continue around the world.

The terrific speed necessary to make a round trip to Europe in one day is attainable only at an altitude of approximately 55,500 feet, the highest ranking flier in the U. S. declared.

"The extreme speed can only be made at a height where the atmosphere does not carry moisture," said Gen. Mitchell. "This altitude is approximately 55,500 feet. We have carried out experiments showing that a flying machine can dash through the atmosphere at this height much faster than at the lower levels. The air is much finer and offers less resistance to the aircraft, say at 5,000 feet.

Must Supply Oxygen.

"The barrier which the army engineers are now trying to overcome is that of supplying air to the passengers and pilots. At this altitude, which I believe is the ideal altitude, oxygen must be supplied to both human beings and the engine.

"We have constructed a plane at Washington with an enclosed cabin, which houses the passengers and motor. A large oxygen tank supplies the air. We have made several tests with this plane, but we are not ready to give the results of our experiments. The plane has a variable propeller which allows the pilot to make the necessary adjustments to reach high altitudes and to create sufficient power to travel fast.

"It soon will be possible for a business man in New York to leave at 6 a. m., arrive in London or some other European metropolis in time for lunch, transact business there and return before dark.

"Running an airplane is just like operating an automobile," Brig. Gen. Mitchell said, as he was buttoning up his flying togs preparatory to taking a trip to Dayton, O. "I admit flying is a trifle more hazardous, but I believe that the heavier-than-air machines are now becoming much safer.

None Hurt in Race.

"Take the recent air races as an example. Not a person was even seriously injured during the entire meet, despite the fact that hundreds of planes were in the air and the greatest speeds known to man were made.

"Of course, you know, when you're driving a machine at the rate of 225 miles an hour you can't stick your head out of the cockpit to see what is going on down below. I tried to do that very thing, when suddenly I heard a rip on the top of my head. I sat down in the cockpit quite suddenly, wondering whether the machine had collapsed.

"The first thing I did when I landed was to find that the helmet which I wore had been split on the top from the rushing air. That's the queerest thing that has happened to me in a long time."

Mitchell's mark, which broke the speed records at 224.88 miles an hour. He won the honors when he flew the Curtiss army racer winning plane in the 1922 Pulitzer race four times around a one-kilometer course in accordance with the speed trials of the Federation Aeronautique Interna-

tionale. This speed supplants the mark of 212 miles an hour made last month in France by Sadi Lecointe.

America Leads World.
 "America is now the leading nation in the air—and it must keep that position," the general said quite forcibly. "The U. S. leads in speed, altitude and endurance. It is not so much the machine that the country must develop, it is the personnel. Capable pilots who can stand the strain of flight must be selected and trained before supremacy is assured. I believe that America now has one of the finest air forces in the world.

"I believe that it is necessary to have an air brigade of 600 ships on the east coast, one air brigade on the west coast of 600 ships and one air division of 600 ships distributed throughout the central part of the country. Only one-fifth of this air force need be constantly with the colors, the remainder may be in reserve. France, for instance, has 2,000 ships on active status and is ready to increase with her reserve to 4,000 within two weeks after the declaration of hostilities. England has great air power, and Japan is obtaining it rapidly."

To Circle Sphere.

"Is it true that the army intends to make a transatlantic flight?" he was asked.
 "We are going to go that one better. I am arranging for a round-the-world trip with a squadron of six planes. We intend to hop off from New York and make the first stop in Iceland. From there we'll jump off to England and continue around the world."

Gen. Mitchell said the greatest trip ever undertaken by plane would be started before the first of the year.
 "We are going to make Jules Verne's story of 'Around the World in 80 Days' realistic and then some," were the last words of the general.

Cottage Grove Men Buy Local Theatres

A deal involving ownership of the Antlers and Majestic theatres, that has been pending for several weeks, was concluded this forenoon, Mr. Hill, who has so successfully conducted these two popular playhouses for the past few years, transferring his interests to Messrs. L. L. Harrel and W. W. McFarland, of Cottage Grove. The new owners of the theatres are both experienced showmen, and will continue to bring to this city only the very best of high class pictures, following along very much the same lines pursued by the retiring manager. They hold contracts with the best film producers in the country, and only productions of real worth will be put on in their theatres here.

It is the intention of the new managers to improve, if possible, the excellent service of the Antlers and Majestic, and they will cater to the highest ideals of the theatre-going people of Roseburg.

While regretting to see Mr. Hill withdraw from the active business circles of the city, his many friends will be glad to learn that he does not contemplate leaving Roseburg immediately, but that he expects to still make his home here for some time. His plans for the future are, however, somewhat unsettled, he having not determined as to just what he will engage in.

Messrs. McFarland and Harrel, the new owners are both married, their families having already reached this city, where they will make their future homes.

Aged Soldier Passes Away

William Hasselton, a resident of the Oregon Soldiers home passed away this morning, following a long illness. Mr. Hasselton had been confined to the hospital for several weeks. He was 78 years of age at the time of his death.

The deceased was born in Pennsylvania and had been living in this vicinity during the past six years. The funeral services will be held tomorrow at 2 o'clock at the chapel. Interment will follow at the Soldiers home cemetery. His many comrades will mourn his loss.

A marriage license was issued yesterday to Taylor A. Lucas and Marion Edmonds, both of this city.