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A Typical Success
One of the best established and successful prune orchards of Oregon is that of A. M. Fanning at Sheridan, Yamhill county. For about fifteen years this has brought in clear two to five thousand dollars per year, and higher, but with one or two exceptions no one thought enough about it to start in and try to get a piece of the pie.

Mr. Fanning originally was in the railway mail service and in the early nineties started to put all of his earnings into a ranch. Then he had it planted to prunes and cared for until the prunes were about a bearing age and supposedly able to support him, instead of him supporting the ranch. He moved on with the place paid for and out of debt, but without a cent besides and has made the orchard pay big ever since, but in spite of that only one or two other plantings were made in the neighborhood up until a few years ago.

The location is naturally suited to prune growing. A breeze from the ocean comes through an opening in the hills, tempering the climate in winter and causing an air drainage that makes frosts scarce.

Some Petite Prunes

In view of the idea that the Petite or French prune will not do well in the Willamette Valley, or in most of Oregon, the experience of Mr. Fanning is interesting. He has four acres of French prunes which have been as profitable as the Italian prune, though for new plantings the latter would always be selected. He attributes his success to systematic and rather heavy yearly pruning.

If left alone the Petite prune would in this section, grow sixty feet high. The reason they do not do well is that they are not handled right. The common system is to prune the young trees till they are well shaped and about five years old, or at a bearing age, and then go on the idea that no more pruning is needed. As a result they fill up with a crop the size of grapes heavy enough to ruin the tree and neither tree nor fruit is worth anything. And if the tree does not bear, the top grows so fast and strong that it often overwhelms and ruins the root.

Pruning of the French prune is done by Mr. Fanning so that too much fruit cannot set. The yield has been heavy and sizes good though not as large as those of the Italian. French prunes this year from the four acres averaged 49 to the pound. However, the Italian is the typical Oregon prune for the section and does well. The trade looks to Oregon for it and it is the most satisfactory variety.

A Marketing Experience

Things have not always been a bed of roses. Markets have their bad spells. They had a particularly bad one 11 or 12 years ago. Mr. Fanning had the lease of another orchard besides his own that year and had

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Prune growing has been healthy and prosperous for several years back, and by the same token the permanent outlook seems better now than it has before, all of which is very pleasant. And although California is the greatest prune producing state and responded well to the profitable markets of the past few years, Oregon seems to have gone ahead even more rapidly considering her former production.

The greatest increase in prune interest in Oregon has been in the last five or six years, not because location and climate were not thoroughly satisfactory before, but because Oregon farmers have in large part only begun to realize what has been going on in orchards in their midst. It is probably perfectly true to state that Oregon prunes are in line for much more attention by both producer and consumer than they have had before.

One trouble is that the average farmer does not ordinarily become a first class fruit grower the first thing nor get interested in fruit easily if he has been raising just grain or stock. Fruit requires the right location, as well as the right care. Just because apples are a big success in some section, it is no sign that they will do all over the state, and the same thing is just as true with prunes. Early Oregon prune plantings were often made on the wrong spots

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145 tons of prunes to dispose of. Nobody wanted them, he could not sell them at any price. A pool was being made up around the state, but he saw nothing attractive about the proposition and finally went to see an acquaintance who did a small shipping business and wanted to know how to go about selling prunes anyway.

This party gave him the name of three brokers with whom he dealt himself back East and gave a few suggestions as to the ropes, so Mr. Fanning dug up an Armistice code book so that he could say a lot in a ten word telegram, and succeeded in getting rid of the 145 tons at 3 1/4 cents a pound, netting him \$3,500 above operating expenses to justify the year's work.

This plan of direct selling cannot be advised except under unusual circumstances, such as existed at that time. The prune packers put the fruit up in much better condition than the individual grower could and therefore can sell it to better advantage. Likewise, they do business on a small margin, and at less expense than the grower could if he had to hunt up brokers and conduct all the business. In addition there are great opportunities of making a gigantic failure of the venture. In this case the prunes could not be sold at all in the regular ways and direct selling was a necessity.

Taking one year with another the place has netted \$5,000 per year. The orchard now has 70 acres of prune trees, but for most of the time 50 or 55 acres. The most profitable year this orchard brought in \$10,000, of which \$2,500 was operating expenses.

Upkeep

An orchard cannot be considered a permanent investment unless the soil fertility is kept up so that continued production can be obtained. For most of the 17 years that Mr. Fanning has been on the place himself he has practiced clean cultivation, but he was decided that this is the wrong basis. Now his system is to plant vetch as early in the fall as possible, so that and to plow it under about May. This adds nitrogen to the soil and keeps up the supply of humus.

His next step will be to apply ground limestone to neutralize the acid in the soil. That, it seems certain, is needed and will be a great benefit. Except for cranberries, sour grass and a few insignificant plants, an alkaline soil will do better for what grows on it than a sour soil.

After knowledge of results of liming has been obtained, other steps in fertilizing will be made, until every kind of orchard care is of that kind that will bring permanent success. Meanwhile the Italian prune is making itself at home, it is bearing systematically and well, save in the few years when too much rain and too cold weather cuts off sap flow from bloom and fruit, and the size and flavor of this variety of prune is making a continually improving demand from dealers and consumers.

SEEKS \$10,000,000 LOAN.

New York, Jan. 10.—The Canadian Car and Foundry Company was seeking a loan of \$10,000,000 yesterday so it might complete the filling of war orders amounting to \$133,000,000 for the Russian Government. At the office of the company it was said late in the afternoon assurances had been given that the money would be raised today.

The Canadian company got no consolation from J. P. Morgan & Co., or any of the banks or trust companies in the Morgan group. Neither did it receive aid from the National City Bank, which is the New York depository and fiscal agent of the Russian Government. The President of a large trust company though the aid would be forthcoming from the Russian Government, which desires to have the contract performed.

The company's war orders were not obtained through J. P. Morgan & Co., who have placed most of the munitions contracts for the allies, but by personal negotiation between Senator Nathaniel Curry of Montreal, President of the company, and representatives of the Russian Government. The first order was for 2,500,000 shrapnell shells and 2,500,000 high explosive shells to cost \$83,000,000.

The contract was placed in the early

part of last year. The Canadian company did not have facilities for turning out a complete shell and was short of the capital needed for enlarging and remodeling its plants.

The latter difficulty was relieved by the Russian Government, which advanced \$20,000,000. The former difficulty was solved by subcontracting work to about fifty other companies, most of them in this country.

The contract with the Russian Government provided for payment on delivered under the contract, it was reported, showed that \$50,000 worth had been turned over in December and that the company calculated on delivering \$350,000 worth this month and \$700,000 worth in February. The contract calls for delivery of the entire 5,000,000 shells not later than the last of August next.

The stock was one of the blithest of the war brides in the early speculation in war stocks. It was fancied by Canadian speculators as well as by speculators on the New York curb. The common advanced to 119 and closed last week at 89. A sale was reported yesterday at 55 and at the close the highest bid price was 66. The deferred declined from 102 at the close of last week to a bid price at 89.

Senator Curry has been prominent among the Canadians who have done work on munitions. One son, Captain in a Montreal regiment, was killed on his first day in the trenches. Another son, Capt. V. G. Curry, served with the Canadian division which was so

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