

APPLES OF NORTHWEST GO TO ALL CORNERS OF GLOBE

(By A. H. Harris in Portland Journal.)

With Washington and Oregon apples selling on the markets of London and Liverpool at \$4 per box, with fruit growers of the eastern and central states discouraged and destroying the worthless orchards which have been a burlesque on the ground for years, it is apparent that the world will look to the northwest for its future major supply of apples, peaches, cherries and other of the more hairy fruits. To California will be retained the honor of leading the world in lemons, oranges and other tropical and semi-tropical varieties.

The highest price ever paid on the London market for apples was for Washington apples, beautiful Rome Beauties, sent in the original pack across the water to the land of John Bull. Ten years ago such a thing was unknown. In ten years more it will be as common as the exportation of wheat and flour. But the profits to the grower will be greater than they are on an average in the production of the staff of life.

To Hood River, Or., belongs the credit of first exploiting fully the fruit industry of the northwest. Hood River has long grown the finest of strawberries and the most delicious of red apples, but for many years a market was lacking and the industry of fruit growing was unknown. The business features had been overlooked until Parisians going to the eastern and central states getting positions on the headquarters and yelling at the top of their voices at the people to sit up and take notice of Oregon fruit. And the people took notice. Then they bought. They liked the product of Oregon soil and water, scientifically mixed, and they bought more, then some more.

Land Values Shoot Up.
Where the Hood River orchard had previously looked upon his orchard land as a luxury for the wealthy, he soon came to look upon it as a source of profitable possibilities. Then the price of land jumped toward the moon. Young orchards were set out, people saw opportunity for snug fortunes—and the future of fruitgrowing in Oregon, that is, eastern Oregon—was assured.

The old idea that fruit had to be grown by natural moisture as manifested in rainfall, had long since been exploded, as it should have been. It is not difficult to remember when it was held that fruit grown under irrigation was watery, insipid, and had a tendency to spoil. That fallacy has also gone glimmering. Hood River had something to do with that good work, too.

Taking a cue from Hood River, "The Land of the Big Red Apple," soon got busy. Wenatchee had been a desert, or practically so, and it had not been considered a favorable section for anything save sagebrush, jackrabbits and coyotes, with once in a while a state politician. Perhaps to this day more than to any other section in Washington is due the credit for establishing the apple business on a strictly high-class commercial basis. North Yakima was a pioneer ahead of Wenatchee, but the development of apples had been retarded somewhat on account of the division of industry, the valley being partly given up to the growth of hops, partly to the production of alfalfa hay, and partly to the fruit business. While North Yakima is the center for the greatest fruit business in the state, the place upon which it is conducted is not so high and so scientific as that in vogue at Wenatchee.

Walla Walla's Production.
The Walla Walla country has long been famous as a fruit section, but as a matter of fact the fruit industry is only a good section for the market gardening development. Nowhere in the northwest is the growing of vegetables carried on in so large a way, and in such a scientific manner as is done at Walla Walla. Hundreds of carloads of fruit are shipped out annually, but the vegetable business offers much better profits on account of the very early season. Connected with the Walla Walla section is the Milson-Presenter district, in Oregon, where both market gardening and fruitgrowing is being established on a most advanced scale, and with the most modern principles known in the northwest.

In the state of Washington there are over 12,000,000 bearing fruit trees. They comprise largely apples, peaches, cherries, peaches, plums and prunes. There is no way of securing an estimate of the other varieties because no account of them is kept by any department. To produce these trees and the fruit they bear requires over 200,000 acres of land, which is estimated to be worth \$500 per acre. Much of the land is worth double or treble that price. The largest individual orchard is that of the Blalock Fruit company at Walla Walla, set out by Dr. N. G. Blalock, an early orchardist in the northwest, at Walla Walla. It consists of 1200 acres, and at times requires the labor of 200 men, women and children to care for the fruit.

In Oregon the average does not quite equal that of her sister state, but some of the land is in a more perfect condition and better results are secured. In all parts of the state the development of orchards is nothing short of wonderful, and it seems that scarcely a beginning can be said to have taken place. While in the Willamette valley orchards have been destroyed on account of pests rendering the trees unproductive, the other sections of the state are more than making up for the loss in that section.

Apples Lead All Fruits.
In both states apples lead as the principal fruit. They perhaps take fully one-half of the orchard areas of both states, and produce more than half of all the fruit shipped and consumed. Peaches come in second, with pines a good third. Apples are produced large

ly because of the cost with which they can be handled and the safety with which they can be shipped long distances. Yet peaches have been shipped, and there sold at 15 cents per pound. Peaches and pears are delicate shipments and require extreme care in handling. Clarke county, of which Vancouver is the principal city, leads the state in the production of pines and plums, over 500,000 bearing trees being reported last year. Over 5000 acres of land are given up to the pine culture alone.

But the fruit business in Washington is, as yet, hardly even in its infancy, if facts can be relied on. In every county in the state the demand for fruit trees last year far exceeded the available supply from all sources and thousands of acres in the state were not planted to trees because the young saplings could not be secured. No less than half a dozen new nurseries have been established in the hope of securing an ample supply of young trees within at least two years.

Over 2,000,000 trees were set out last year, of which more than half were of apples. Half that many more would have been planted had it been possible to have secured the trees at any fair price from reliable nurseries. In the warmer sections of the state peaches are becoming more of a favorite fruit, and last year more trees were planted than had been planted in any two previous years.

Millions of Boxes Shipped.
The mystery of it all is, where did all the fruit produced from the millions of trees get? Where did it find a market? Millions of boxes were gathered and shipped east, while for local consumption on the coast other millions of boxes were demanded. Last fall apples were sent as far east as New York, as far north as Winnipeg, as far south as St. Louis, as far north as Alaska. Isn't that room for a good sized market place?

Next year the markets of the world will again be found waiting for the big class fruit of the northwest. The supply will be greater, and the demand with it. Growers should make a good pack, and in every box should be placed a piece or pieces of good advertising from the section which produced the fruit. In this way can be carried the news of the northwest to millions of people in the eastern and central states who eat the fruit, praise it, but know little of the country which produced it, or the American people know of the Isle of Pines.

Nor is the market open only to fresh fruit. Last year Washington sent out over 1,000,000 cases of blackberries and nearly as many cases of raspberries. In all the state sent out over 3,000,000 cases of fruit, produced in the several districts, usually from the choicest of the production after it had ripened too fully to stand shipment. The cannery industry needs development all over the states of Oregon and Washington.

The people are rapidly getting away from the old-fashioned idea that wheat farming is the only line of agriculture toward the top rapidly, modern methods of home building and modern conveniences are forcing the community plan of living, and the suburban settlement is bound to take the place of the big farm and of the city tenement as well. And the fruit industry will play an important part in the transformation which is coming, surely but slowly.

One of the features of the Japanese exhibit at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition will be the tea house in which Admiral Sperry and his officers were entertained in Tokyo, with the same goshus eating for the guests.

Marriage Licenses.
Royal M. Potter and Maude Leota Cochran.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.
Notice is hereby given that the city council will receive bids for the construction of curbing on Central avenue from Sixth to Eighth streets to and including March 23, 1909.

Bids may be filed with or mailed to the city recorder up to 4 o'clock p. m. of the above date.

Work to be done in accordance with the specifications for curbing on Central street and may be seen at the office of the city engineer or the city recorder.

NOTICE.
is hereby given that the undersigned will apply at the regular meeting of the city council of Medford, Oregon, on March 2, 1909, for license to sell malt, wines and spirituous liquors in less quantities than one gallon for six months at lot 15, block 29, in Medford, Oregon, for a period of six months.

PREPAID RAILROAD ORDERS.
Something which is of considerable interest to the public generally and which is perhaps not generally known is the system of prepaid orders now in effect between stations of the Southern Pacific company and all points in the United States. By means of this system tickets may be purchased at Medford from any place in the United States and from any place in the United States and mailed or telegraphed direct to the party wishing to come here. Sleeper accommodations and small amounts of cash in connection with these tickets may also be forwarded at the same time.

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W. R. Jackson to T. D. Smith, 30 acres in township 37, range 1 W \$ 300
Sarah Elizabeth Weeks to Alfred J. Weeks, property in block 44, Medford 1
George A. Duman to J. A. Lyon, property in block 2, Medford, Nelis C. Miller to Howard S. Dudley, 160 acres in section 2, township 37, range 1 W 1
James Kent to W. R. Bullock, S. E. 1/4 section 25, township 36, range 1 W 10
Hiram Doubleday to Emanuel Poole, lot 3, block 27, Barte Falls 1
P. M. Harris to Emanuel Poole, lot 5, block 4, Butte Falls 100
T. Hartley to C. O. of Ashland, land in D. L. C. 45, township 39, range 1 E 40
J. H. Beeman to Merritt & Co., lot 10, block 15, Gold Hill 500
A. H. Houston to Nora Roberts, 2 acres in township 38, range 1 W 1
Sisters of the Holy Names to M. W. Weber, lots 5 and 6, block 69, Medford 900
P. B. Salas to C. E. McCumb, 1 acres in section 25, township 37, range 2 W 10
J. T. Gagnon to Baptist Church, land in section 2, township 38, range 3 W 10
George W. Canning to Joseph Zeigler, 1 acre in Ashland 10
Elbie Prader to E. B. Shaw, property in Ashland 500
Shoriff W. A. Jones to T. W. Wright, water lot 8, Phoenix Elmsa A. Wright to Thomas William Wright, property in Phoenix 1
J. C. Emerick to T. D. Spafford, 30 acres in section 19 township 37, range 1 W 2200
J. C. Emerick to J. T. Gagnon, N. 1/2 of S. E. 1/4 and S. 1/2 of N. E. 1/4 section 2, township 38, range 3 W 1
Benjamin J. Trowbridge to Frederick H. Peters, lot 6, block 49, Medford 500
United States to Annabell Hendry, S. 1/2 of S. W. 1/4 section 10, township 40, range 3 E patent

\$250,000 FROM AMERICA FOR ITALIAN ORPHANS

ROME, Feb. 23.—Ambassador and Mrs. Griscom, received by Queen Helene today, presented to her majesty \$250,000 from the American Red Cross society for the foundation of an orphanage for 100 children who lost their parents in the Calabrian earthquake. The queen said she could not find words to express her gratitude.

The international committee has decided to set aside \$2,500,000 to found ten orphanages, each accommodating 100 children, thus providing for 1000 earthquake orphans. America is the only country so far which, through the gift of the Red Cross, has undertaken to pay for the establishment of one of these institutions.

Queen Helene said to Ambassador Griscom that she would express her thanks directly to the American Red Cross, but she wished the ambassador to supplement her words with the statement that she could not adequately express her gratitude to Mr. Taft, the president of the society, and to its members for the feeling which they have shown throughout in connection with the calamity. "The Americans have been like brothers to us," she said.

BANKER IN BRIBERY CASE TURNS INFORMER

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 23.—The trial of William Ramsey, former president of the German National bank, charged with bribing a congressman, had three thrillers for its first day. The prosecution got a shock when it was discovered that John Klein, congressman, the alleged collector and distributor of graft funds, was a fugitive. A bench warrant was issued for him. It was said tonight that his counsel have sought him and locked him in a room, under guard, and will produce him when necessary.

The defense received a blow when A. A. Vilsack, ex-counsel of Ramsey's bank, and indicted with him, went on the stand as an informer to save himself.

The next solar plexus was for the jury. The 12 men were so surprised that they could protest only feebly when Judge Pradier told them that in order to prevent outside communication with them they would be locked up at night until the trial was finished.

DEAF MUTES WILL DANCE TO SILENCE

YANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 23.—The annual pupils' masquerade party at the state school for the deaf will be held in the chapel at 7:30 o'clock on the evening of February 22. Every child in school will be masked and appear in the grand march. The committee this year is making elaborate preparations and the program of tableaux, which follows the grand march, will be extensive. The masquerade party is the most elaborate given to the children during the year.

The older children will get up their own costumes, and prizes will be given for the best dressed and best sustained characters. While the entertainment is entirely for the children, it is very interesting and entertaining to spectators, who are always welcome and seats will be provided for all who attend.

The children dance entirely without music, but they are capable of keeping perfect time.

The Great Northern railroad estimates that not less than 1,000,000 persons bound for the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition in Seattle this summer will be handled through St. Paul alone.

MAKE THEIR WAY ACROSS NIAGARA DRYSHOD

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., Feb. 23.—Four men this afternoon crossed the Niagara river close to the brink of the American falls, making the trip from Goat Island to Prospect Point without even wetting their feet. This is the first time the crossing has been accomplished other than by bridge.

Everett Mason of the city engineer's office was the first to reach the main landing. He was closely followed by John Conroy, assistant street superintendent, and C. H. Webber and J. H. Sigford.

Mrs. Ernie McCall of No. 123 Maryland street, Buffalo, made an effort to cross, but slipped into a pool of water and was compelled to abandon the trip.

The head mills have been compelled to close down because of lack of water and the power companies are all operating under a greatly reduced voltage.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—Becoming science-stricken in a hospital because he had not returned a \$5000 necklace which he found a year ago and retained, although he saw advertisements for its recovery, a young man whose name is withheld, communicated to a friend that he wished to return the jewels before dying. In this way Mrs. Max Bernstein of 129th street received her necklace last night. The jewels were lost on February 15, 1903.

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