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BIG HARVEST IN SIGHT FOR LOCAL GROVES

Investigation Shows Early Promise of Abundant Fruit Crop Will Materialize—Little Damage From Frost.

RECORD PRICES FOR FRUIT ARE PROMISED

Here and There a Grove Has Been Slightly Touched, but Little Real Damage Has Resulted.

"I find but little damage done Medford orchards by frost," said C. A. Malboeuf, district freight agent of the Southern Pacific, who spent Wednesday looking over Rogue River valley groves. "Here and there are spots where the frost has touched, but the damage will not materially affect the total output."

Fruit Inspector Taylor and Professor O'Gara both state that the damage by frost is not heavy—only a few orchards having been touched. Some damage has been done to Bartlett's and Cargoe pears, but none to Comice or d'Anjous, and but little to apples. The apple crop will not be as heavy as first expected, except in certain localities.

None of the foothill orchards were touched. The Lewis, Burrell, Hopkins, Gore, Myers, Bennett and other famous groves were but slightly touched, and in most cases not damaged at all.

Record prices are assured by the failure of the crops in so many producing sections.

ROGUE RIVER SHEEP BRING GOOD PRICES

E. R. Hanan has purchased along the lower Rogue country in Curry county 5000 head of sheep for J. E. Pelton & Co. of Roseburg and Ashland. These sheep include about 2000 wethers and 3000 ewes. Of this number about 3000 head will be brought to Douglas county ranges and the remainder pastured in the coast districts during the summer. Sheep prices average about the same as last year, or possibly a little better.

Messrs. Pelton and Hanan have also purchased about 800 head of young steers in Douglas county which they are preparing to drive to their ranges at Fort Klamath. The first drive of 400 will start about May 1 and the second about three weeks later.

NEW GROCERY STORE BUILT BY CALIFORNIA

About two weeks ago C. A. Fowler left his California home and came to Medford. Like nearly everyone else in the civilized world, he had heard of Medford and its resources.

It didn't take Mr. Fowler very long to make up his mind that this was exactly the place he wanted. He purchased some lots on Jackson and Woodcock streets, went to the Woods Lumber company and ordered lumber for a store building and put some carpenters to work.

Mr. Fowler will carry a complete stock of general merchandise.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 28.—The senate judiciary committee has reported favorably on the nomination of Judge Bean.

The president nominated Edward E. Cushman, a brother of Representative Cushman of Washington, for federal judge of the Third Alaska division.

SMUDGING IN ROGUE GROVES BIG SUCCESS

Professor O'Gara States That No Damage Occurred Wherever Fires Were Built—Cool Nights in Groves.

SUCCESSFUL FIGHT AGAINST JACK FROST

Hereafter Fruitgrowers Need Not Fear Loss of Crops Through Unseasonable Weather.

"Smudging in Rogue River valley orchards has proved a big success this year," states Professor O'Gara, pathologist for the department of agriculture, who has superintended the fight against frost and pests in this section. "No orchard in which smudges were built have been touched by frost."

"Fires were built through the orchard at intervals. Old fence rails, stumps, logs and any kind of refuse were used. Snaks filled with shavings waste, etc., were saturated with oil and placed under the logs. When the thermometer neared the danger point these were fired, and the heat thus generated saved the fruit."

"A remarkable instance of the efficiency of smudging was shown on the A. C. Allen place, where the house orchard, located on a hill, was nipped severely, while the commercial orchard, on the surrounding lowland, was untouched. Smudges were used on the latter."

"Many of the fine orchards, such as the Marshall, Gore and Meyers tracts, will have fine crops through smudging."

On the other hand, those orchards, like the Hopkins and Burrell, which did not smudge, will have fine crops also.

CASEBIER FARM ON BEAR CREEK SOLD

The sale of the J. M. Casebier farm of 350 acres, situated on Bear creek, between Ashland and Talent, for a sum amounting to \$30,000, is reported, and the survey for the final papers is now under way. The buyer is an eastern man named Glasgow.

Most of the acreage of the place is cultivated land and there is a considerable amount of fine Bear creek bottom land included in the deal. There are ten acres set to grapes and five acres of orchard, the whole tract being counted valuable fruit acreage. —Tidings.

S'POSIN' BIG BILL GOT THE MEASLES

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 28.—Lunging the White House being quarantined, and against such a childish disease as the measles; yet that's what may happen.

Young Jim Cox—six year old, son of Representative Cox of Ohio, a democrat at that, visited the president with his father last Wednesday. Young Jim is now down with a well developed case of measles and there hangs the tale.

Had the president been infected? It happen in this way. Jib Cox has a great admiration for President Taft. For a long time he has been anxious to go and see him. On Wednesday of last week his father took him over to the White House. In his usual fashion, the president received his young caller, talked things over with him and finally gave him one of his autographed photographs.

When Jim went away he was the happiest boy in Washington.

SLAUGHTER OF CHRISTIANS BY MOHAMEDANS

Massacres Continue in Towns of Asia Minor and Africa—Meager Reports Indicate that Thousands Are Slain.

HUNDRED MISSIONARIES SLAIN BY FANATICS

Burned to Death in Church After Being Murdered in Adana District.

BEIRUT, April 28.—Scores of scattered villages in the Villayet of Adana were the scenes of massacres today. Meager reports indicate that thousands were killed.

KASABA, Africa, April 28.—It is reported that the Moslems have killed every Christian here.

LONDON, April 28.—A hundred Protestant missionaries have been killed by the fanatical Moslems in the Adana district, where their charred bodies were found in a church which had been burned to the ground. The missionaries were either burned to death or murdered.

ASHLAND TELEGRAPH OFFICE IS ENLARGED

Owing to the increase in business in southern Oregon, Manager Wilson of the Western Union company at Ashland was recently appointed telegraphic money transfer agent for all of southern Oregon and many points in northern California.

A consignment of instruments for the installation of the quad repeating equipment for the new printing telegraph system to be set in operation over the Western Union lines has been received for the relay office at Ashland and experts are expected within a week or two to install the same. With this appliance it will be possible to send 60 words in a minute over one wire and the message, fed into a machine at the initial point will come out printed on a permanent record from a machine in the destination office. The equipment is an invention of one of the officials of the W. U. company and is called the improved printing telegraphy.

MONSTER CHEESE IS OVER A YARD ACROSS

The largest head of cheese that was ever shipped to Medford was received by the Rex Grocery today. It is a large imported Swiss cheese and measures a yard across and weighs over 160 pounds. It has been long claimed that a perfect cheese must of necessity be large in order to properly cure the interior to the most perfect flavor. If this is true, the Rex cheese must be a dandy.

Hitherto merchants have been afraid to order in such quantity, even knowing the superiority of the article, for fear the trade would not justify it. But Medford is progressing.

GAME WARDEN UP FOR FIVE YEARS

RED BLUFF, Cal., April 28.—D. M. Bond, deputy fish and game warden, was sentenced today to five years at San Quentin. Bond was convicted of killing an Indian whom he caught fishing out of season. The defendant made a motion for a new trial, which was denied.

SHUT DOWN LUMBER MILLS IS ORDERED

Timbermen Plan to Curtail Output in Washington and Oregon Until Conditions Improve.

WOULD FORCE BRISK DEMAND FOR MATERIALS

Advocate Closing All Mills Until the Prices Are Sent Skyward—Manufacturers Meet in Tacoma.

SEATTLE, Wash., April 28.—A delegation of prominent Oregon lumbermen are today conferring with leading Washington millmen discussing ways and means of improving the condition of the northwest lumber market. They plan for the farther curtailment of the output from Washington and Oregon mills until conditions improve.

The plan will be taken up in detail. Many lumbermen of both states are openly advocating the closing of all mills until the demand becomes brisk.

INCUBATOR NOT SURE SUCCESS IN OREGON

The incubator has not proven a pronounced success in the hatching of chicks, according to the results of an extended series of experiments carried on by the department of agriculture.

At the Oregon station it was demonstrated that, notwithstanding the fact that hens sometimes break eggs and that they sometimes quit their jobs and go off to woman's club meetings—things the incubator is never guilty of—still the hen is a better brooder than the incubator. The incubators used hatched 78.5 per cent of eggs, and the hens 96.5 per cent.

But the most vital point is that the chicks hatched out under hens weighed heavier than those hatched in incubators. The mortality of hen-hatched chicks was but 10.8 per cent, while the mortality of incubator chicks was 33.5 per cent. Hen-hatched chicks made a greater gain in weight than incubator-hatched chicks whether brooded by hens or brooders. All experiments showed that the hen-hatched chick is stronger and better than the other.

ONE HEATING PLANT FOR ALL BUSINESS DISTRICT

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., April 28.—North Yakima will have a central heating plant by which the business districts and a portion of the residence districts will be heated. The plant will be in operation before the return of cold weather in the fall. After an investigation which has extended over a year a corporation of leading business men has been formed and articles of incorporation of the Yakima Central Heating company filed with the county auditor. The trustees of the corporation are Alex Miller, A. E. Larson, O. A. Fletcher, H. B. Scudder and John L. Hughes. Besides furnishing heat, the company will furnish hot water on a meter basis.

TERRIFIC HAILSTORM SMASHES WINDOW PANES

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., April 27.—Dozens of window panes were smashed in residences and downtown business houses here last night by one of the most terrific hailstorms ever known here.

TO DISCUSS EXHIBIT FOR SEATTLE FAIR

Commercial Club Meets Tonight to Dispose of Question of Advertising County at A-Y-P Exposition.

MUST ACT NOW OR LOSE OPPORTUNITY

Kiser, Whose Oil-Painted Photos of Crater Lake Will Be Considered, Goes to Northern Pacific.

The Commercial club will meet tonight to discuss the proposed exhibit at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition. Speedy action is forced by the fact that Mr. Kiser, who will prepare an exhibit of Crater Lake paintings, has joined the forces of the Northern Pacific.

A letter from Will G. Steel from Portland tells of the need for action as follows:

"Two or three days ago I saw something about the proposed exhibit of Kiser pictures, and as I knew there was a probable change in Mr. Kiser's business, I took it upon myself to hunt him up yesterday and learn the condition of affairs."

"While in Portland a few days ago, Mr. Louis Hill, president of the Great Northern railroad, entered into a contract with Mr. Kiser by which he becomes the official photographer of that company, under extremely favorable circumstances, and will enter actively into the work just as soon as a car can be properly equipped, which is being done regardless of expense. How long this will take I do not know, but certainly not very long, so I would suggest that if anything is to be done at Medford it had better be done as soon as possible, or it may be too late. I think it is an important matter, and believe you feel the same way; so I have taken the liberty of writing to you about it."

ROSEBURG SECURES ADVERTISING BOOKLETS

The new Roseburg and Douglas county booklets were delivered Friday, the edition comprising 20,000 copies. The cover is somewhat of an improvement over the former one, being printed in a combination of colors appropriate to Oregon. The illustrations are well printed, showing to a measure the fruits that can be grown in Douglas county. In its entirety the book is well gotten up, and it is needless to assert that it will be the means of bringing many comers to this section of the great northwest.—Uniqua Valley News.

MEDFORD AND ASHLAND ELKS TO SEE ROSEBURG

Medford and Ashland Elks are planning to attend the Roseburg strawberry fair on May 15, which will be "Elks' day" in Roseburg, and from indications the event will prove most interesting. In response to invitation the members of the local herds will visit Roseburg on the above date, 250 strong, making the trip by special train. They will be accompanied by a musical organization. Among the features of the day will be a grand street parade, in which it is expected that several hundred Elks will take part. In the evening the visitors will be entertained by the members of the local lodge, it being the intention of those interested to initiate a number of candidates into the mysteries of the order—just to entertain the strangers.

UNCLE SAM IS FIRST TO BOW TO NEW RULER

United States Immediately Takes Steps to Recognize Reshad as the Sultan of Turkey.

DETHRONEMENT OF ABDUL PERMANENT

Mehemmed, the Fifth, Is Official Title—Formal Decree of Removal Signed.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 28.—The United States will immediately recognize Mohammed Rehad Effendi as the lawful sultan of Turkey, according to an announcement made in the state department today. American Ambassador Leishman has sent an official notice of the dethronement of Abdul Hamid II.

The formal decree removing Abdul Hamid from all power of the Turkish empire was issued by the Sheik Ul Islam, the head of the church, in the regular form prescribed by the tenets of the Mohammedan faith. Mehmed Reshad Effendi was proclaimed as Mehmed V.

MEDFORD TO PLAY HILT ON SUNDAY

What promises to be the best baseball game of the season will be played at the ball park Sunday between the Hilt baseball team and the Medford Colts for a \$150 purse.

The Hilt team is managed by President Leach of the Northern California Lumber company, and under his management last season won the championship of the Northern California league. A number of this team are imported for the ball team every season, and consequently the team is unusually strong for an amateur organization.

Crippled by the loss of several of the regular team two weeks ago, the local team was easy prey for the Hilt team at the latter place. Sunday Medford will have the regular lineup and will be out to win if it is in them.

The team deserves the support of every live man in Medford. Backed by no one, the boys have purchased the best suits procurable and are putting up gift-edged ball. Every game this season has been well worth the admission, and all that is needed for a winning team is the support the team justly deserves.

The O. R. & N. team of Portland will probably meet the local team in the near future, as Manager Daniels is now negotiating for the game, and a trip to the north for the local team later in the season is probable in case the season proves a successful one.

In order to send the Hilt team back the same day, the game will be called at 1:30 Sunday.

GRAND GATHERING OF SUFFRAGETTES

LONDON, April 28.—Many prominent women are arriving in London for the quinquennial convention of the International Women's Suffrage alliance, the sessions of which will begin in St. James' hall Wednesday. The congress undoubtedly will be the largest and most influential gathering that has taken place in the history of the woman suffrage movement. No less than 20 countries will be represented at the congress, and the speeches, which are to be interpreted, will be delivered in every European language.