

EXPERT LOOKS OVER ORCHARDS

Apple Crop of Northwest Is Superior in Quality to That of Last.

SPOKANE, Wash., Sept. 24.—Superior in quality, though materially reduced in quantity, is the apple crop of Washington and Oregon, according to Ren H. Rice, secretary-manager of the national apple show, who has just returned from an extensive tour of the large commercial orchards in the two states. He said:

"Withstanding the fact that the crop is reduced in almost every one of the large districts in Washington and Oregon, the growers realize what it means to have their best fruit at the coming exposition, and that alone assures its success from the start.

"So far as I have been able to learn, the districts reporting curtailment in their better varieties are: Wenatchee, North Yakima, Cashmere, Ellensburg, Chelan, Hood River, Waitsburg, Dayton, Walla Walla, Missoula, Lewiston and points in British Columbia. These districts produced bountiful crops the season of 1908.

Overbearing Last Year.

"Most of the growers I met on my trip contend that the apparent shortage this season is due to over-bearing last year, and this appears to be borne out by the fact that younger trees which had only a small crop last year are fairly well loaded this season, while in nearly every instance the older trees, which were heavily loaded last year, are now making only a half crop.

"Such varieties as Winesaps, Jonathans, Spitzenbergs, Yellow Newtowns and other high scoring apples are of splendid size and they are taking an excellent color, and the growers who are able to compete in the carload class will, I believe, bring exhibits to Spokane that will equal anything yet seen.

High Prices Prevail.

"I found, too, that high prices prevail in all districts and that growers are slow to make contracts, fully realizing that with a short crop the prices must advance because of the unusually heavy demand for high grade fruit. Buyers are numerous and there is keen competition for the outputs of the large orchards.

"Unfortunately the adoption of the rules of the American Pomological society by the National Apple Show, Inc., has placed a handicap upon some of the best known and most popular commercial varieties in the northwest. Winesaps, Jonathans, Rome Beauties and Arkansas Blacks are giving ratings which, in comparison with Spitzenbergs, Grimes' Golden and Delicieux, are not fair, according to statements by growers and buyers in various districts."

CENTRAL POINT ITEMS.

(The Herald.)

Miss Marguerite Holmes left Sunday to begin her term of school near Talent. Her many friends wish her success.

T. M. Jones' new funeral car arrived from the east the fore part of this week. It is of the latest design and can be surpassed by none in southern Oregon.

Editor Pattison left on Wednesday of last week for Condon upon business.

John Baker of Dawson City was in town one day last week visiting with his cousin, J. F. Hopkins, and family. Mr. Baker has been engaged in mining at Dawson for a number of years.

S. K. Warrenburg of Marion, Kan., arrived Tuesday night, upon a short visit with relatives in this city. Mr. Warrenburg is an uncle of Mrs. Kyle.

H. T. Pankey of this city has accepted a position as foreman of the Bellinger orchards near Jacksonville, and moved his family there the fore part of this week.

C. E. Wolverton was down from Butte Falls one day last week making arrangements to make final proof on his homestead. Mr. Wolverton says that the people of that section are feeling pretty jubilant over the prospects of the completion of the P. & E.

C. A. Beaman, who for the past several months has been in charge of the Southern Pacific depot in this city, expects to leave Saturday for

Woodburn, Or., where he will visit with his family before going into the service of the Northern Pacific railroad. Mr. Beaman will be succeeded by D. E. Blackburn of Woodville as agent at this station.

Mrs. Mark P. Welch has the thanks of the Herald office for a fine basket of peaches. They were placed in our windows for exhibition purposes, but are disappearing so rapidly that we are afraid their mission will never be fulfilled.

The Herald office force was treated to a mighty fine watermelon on Monday of this week by George L. Neale, Central Point's watermelon king. You can make a safe bet that it wasn't kept for exhibition purposes for any great length of time.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Hopkins of the Snowy Butte orchards motored down to Gold Hill Sunday and spent the day with Portland friends, who are visiting there.

The Southern Pacific painter completed their work of repainting the depot in this city Wednesday. The new coat of paint makes a decided improvement and should have been done long ago.

W. D. Lewis & Son's team took a lively spin around town last Saturday morning while hitched to their butcher wagon. They became frightened in some unknown manner and ran for several blocks before they were stopped. No damage was done to the wagon or team. Andy Magruder was the hero of the occasion as he climbed into the wagon and secured the lines and stopped the team in their run.

The Rogue River band has again resumed their practice under the direction of W. A. Moon. A few of the members are still away from town, but the band will soon be up to its usual standard.

HEAVY INCREASE IN INTERNAL REVENUE

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24. — There was an aggregate increase of \$1,190,037 in internal revenue receipts for last month as compared with the corresponding period of 1908, the receipts aggregating \$20,284,835. For spirits, the total revenue was \$9,319,872, which is an increase of over \$285,000 as compared with the 1908 receipts for the same month; tobacco receipts aggregated \$4,740,083, which is an increase of almost half a million dollars; fermented liquors \$6,078,546, which is an increase of almost \$500,000.

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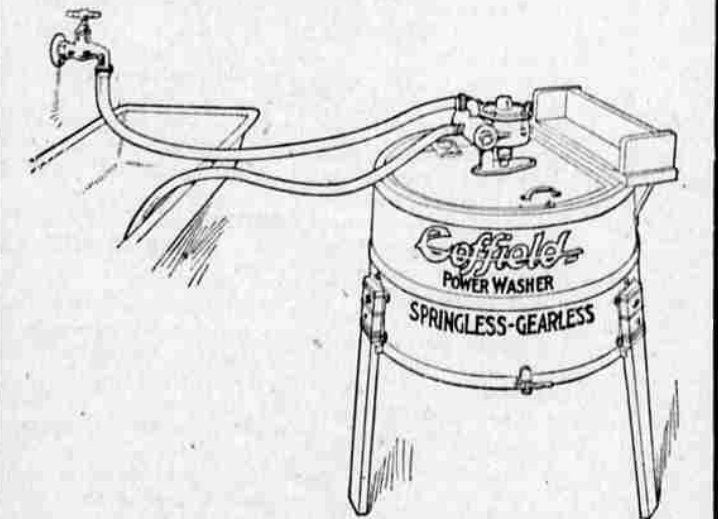
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