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TO SUPPLY THE LOCAL MARKET BETTER FRUIT

Fruitmen to See That Local Stores Are Furnished With a Higher Grade of Fruit.

MOST OF CHOICE FRUIT IS SHIPPED TO THE EAST

There Has Been Some Fine Fruit on the Market This Year, But Is Not Uniform.

Local fruit men are taking steps to see that the local market is supplied with better fruit, in order to more advantageously set off the valley in the eyes of visitors. By supplying better fruit to local merchants, hotels and restaurants will offer better fruit at meals. The complaint that Medford gets the worst of it on fruit is well founded. There's no doubt that most of the best fruit is shipped East. There are several reasons why growers do this. One is that they must ship their choicest fruit to sell it when it gets there. Another is that many of them have a special pride in having their product consumed in the Eastern market. A grower's ambition is to first get into the New York market and if he can't maintain his fruit there to cater to Philadelphia and Boston.

A third reason, and perhaps the most important, is that the Pacific coast market would not consume all that is produced, that is, first-class fruit. It must be shipped to distant parts and therefore only the best is shipped.

With all the talk of culls, however, some mighty fine cherries, peaches, plums, pears and grapes have been on the fruit stands this year. The trouble is that it is not uniformly good.

Local fruit men attribute the whole trouble to the very fact that this is a fruit country. On the principle that a prophet is without honor in his own land, so fruit is no good to the populace. There is so much of it hanging around on street corners that the sight of it does not excite the senses. The surfeit has destroyed the temptation. It is psychological.

WILL SOON START TO PAVE WEST SEVENTH
"The real work of paving West Seventh street will begin just as soon as all the pipe is laid," states City Engineer Foster. All the rock is ready to be placed on the road when the work is done.

For some time the crusher over at Jacksonville has been running full tilt and what is probably the best rock for the purpose is being shipped to the construction company's plant in this city. All bunkers are full now and everything awaits the laying of the pipe.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.
The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Siskiyou Copper & Gold Development company will be held this evening to elect officers for the ensuing year and to transact other proper business. Very flattering reports come from the property of the company lately, and it is proposed to push development work from now on as never before. 164

TAFT PLEDGES AID TO SAVING THE FORESTS

President Delivers His Long-Awaited Speech on Conservation to Great Throng in Spokane.

BACKS UP BALLINGER IN EVERY PARTICULAR

Praises Secretary for His Interpretation of Laws Relating to the Nation's Resources.

SPOKANE, Wash., Sept. 28.—President Taft delivered his much-heralded conservation speech today. As was expected he promised the people that he would use all of his influence to hasten the completion of the irrigation systems now under way or contemplated. He told them that he intended to save the forests and pledged his influence against the waste of water and the illegal gobbling of water power sites by corporations.

The president complimented the administration of Secretary Ballinger and said that under his watchful eye the laws would be administered impartially for the best interests of the people at large.

A great crowd gathered to hear President Taft speak, but after a few moments many left, being unable to hear his remarks.

Taft's conservation speech was not given to the press until "O. K." by Ballinger. It was not prepared until last night.

The train arrived at 6:30 a. m. A large crowd greeted the president when he appeared. He leaves for Yakima this evening.

STRIKE SITUATION IN OMAHA GROWS TENSE

OMAHA, Neb., Sept. 28.—The Omaha strike will pass into history at noon today," was a statement made by President Wattle of the Car company. Wattle said: "We have enough competent men to man the cars and will no longer recognize the strikers." The strikers maintain that the company has not enough and declare they will fight the company to a finish. There has been no violence in several days.

PHOTOGRAPHING SIGHTS OF ROGUE RIVER VALLEY

O. Weister, the Southern Pacific photographer, arrived in Medford on Tuesday and is to tour the valley photographing some of the natural wonders of the Rogue country. The work is being done in the interest of the publicity department of the Southern Pacific railroad and the halftones taken will be made into cuts and printed in the literature sent out by the transportation company.

WEST SIDE CONTINUES IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

That there will be no letup in the program on the West Side is evidenced by the fact that petitions have been filed for paving Fir and Grape streets from Main to Eighth and the alley between, and Orange from Main to Fourth. Most of the building done this year has been on the West Side, and nearly all the paving.

BALLINGER MAY VISIT CRATER ON THIS TRIP

Reported That Secretary Will Leave the Presidential Party to Visit Klamath Falls.

WILL GO IN BY WAY OF FAMOUS CRATER LAKE

Senate Committee Are Also Planning a Trip to Klamath County.

It is again reported that Secretary Ballinger will visit the Klamath project this fall. He is to leave the presidential party and make a trip to the Klamath country via Crater Lake, as was announced on his recent visit to the Pacific coast.

Owing to the conditions existing in the Klamath project it is probable that the report is correct and that the secretary will go there to acquaint himself with the problems that have arisen. The senate committee is expected in October to make an investigation of the project and to inquire into the complaints that have been made in regard to the excessive cost.

Should Secretary Ballinger come to visit Klamath project he will leave the railroad at Medford and go via Crater Lake.

The company is making a number of improvements at the lake. Larger and more permanent accommodations are being built. A dining room and kitchen are now in the course of construction on the rim of the lake. It is the intention of the company to close down for the season the latter part of October.

LADIES TO PARK SAGE GIFT TO CITY

Greater Medford Club Plans Improvement of Three-Quarter-Acre Tract on N. Central Ave.

At the meeting of the ladies of the Greater Medford club, held Monday, at the city hall, a committee was appointed to attend to the matter of grassing and parking the three-quarter-acre Sage donation tract on North Central avenue into a park. Means for relieving the poor and distressed of the city were discussed. Owing to the fact that no announcement of the meeting was made, there was a small attendance and not much business could be transacted. Many matters were discussed, however, which will be taken up at the next meeting.

In the absence of the secretary, Mrs. A. M. Alford, Mrs. Dr. Goble presided.

PERRY BUYS BIG TRACT OF LAND; PAYS \$42,000

J. A. Perry has purchased 120 acres of land from J. W. Thomas, on the Medford-Jacksonville road, paying \$42,000. The tract is a splendid one and will be planted to fruit. The tract adjoins 40 acres already owned by Mr. Perry.

WILL RESUME WORK IN THE COAL MINES

Contract Let After Driving Incline an Additional Five Hundred Feet—Other Contracts Pending.

PUMPS START WORK GETTING OUT THE WATER

Work Which Has Been Suspended for Some Time About to Resume.

E. C. Strumbaugh has secured a contract to drive the incline in the Cascade coal mine an additional depth of 500 feet. Work will commence next week and will be rushed. The contract price was \$5 a foot.

For some time work in the coal mines adjacent to Medford has been suspended, owing to a disagreement among the owners, and later while several matters could be adjusted. Now matters have been so arranged that work will be continued.

The pumps will be started this week and the tunnel cleared of water, then as rapidly as possible the work will be rushed. The letting of other contracts are pending.

DUCK SEASON OPENS FIRST OF OCTOBER

Quail Season on Fifteenth of October and Limit Is Fifteen in One Day and Ten in One Week.

Quail shooting does not begin in Jackson and Josephine counties until October 15. The open season is but two months. It is unlawful to kill china pheasants at any time. The duck season opens October 1 and closes February 15. Thirty-five is the limit that can be shot.

The section on quail reads as follows: "It shall be unlawful within the counties of Jackson and Josephine to hunt, pursue, take, kill, injure, destroy or have in possession, except for scientific or breeding purposes, or to sell or offer for sale, barter or exchange any quail at any time between the 15th day of December of each year and the 15th day of October of the following year, and it shall be unlawful in said counties during the open season and when it is lawful to hunt or kill the same, to kill, capture, destroy or have in possession, any greater number than ten of the game birds enumerated in this section in any one day or more than 20 of said birds in any seven consecutive days. (L. 1909, p. 417.)"

The limit is placed at five in one day and ten in one week.

STEELHEADS PROVE TO BE RUNT JACK SALMON

Complaints that steelhead were being seized at the government racks on the Rogue below Bybee bridge and given away by the contractors have proved on investigation by Game Warden Gay to be without foundation. The "steelheads" proved to be runt "jack salmon," too small to be of use in hatchery work.

FANCY PRICES IN SIGHT FOR SPITZENBERGS

Representative of Eastern Firm Dealing in Apples Says \$3 a Box f. o. b. Medford Is in Sight.

NEARLY ALL THE FANCY APPLES ARE IN NORTHWEST

Large Apple Crop Throughout the East, but Quality Is Inferior—Praises Valley.

"From \$2.50 to \$3 a box, f. o. b. Medford, can be expected for fancy Rogue River Spitzenberg apples, according to present indications," states W. F. Gwin of Crutehfield and Woolfolk, producers sales agents of Pittsburg, who make a specialty of selling apples, much as Stewart does of pears. The firm has branches in Chicago, New York, Cincinnati, Washington and Jacksonville, and forward fruit where the demand is best. Fruit from some of the Washington growers' associations was satisfactorily marketed last year by this firm and from present indications a pool of Rogue river growers will place their red apples with this firm the coming winter.

"Practically all the fancy apples in the country will come from the northwest this season," continued Mr. Gwin, "consequently high prices may be expected. There is a large apple crop throughout the east, but the quality is inferior. The northwest, generally, has a small crop, but of excellent quality.

"The Rogue River valley is a wonderful fruit country and destined to be one of the most famous fruit regions in the world. A fine crop of excellent quality is on the trees, and prospects are that top prices will be realized."

SERIOUS RUNAWAY ON SEVENTH STREET TODAY

While J. J. Stuart was loading pipe on his wagon preparatory to hauling it to the mains on West Seventh street, his team took fright at an engine and fled. Across Seventh street they went, upsetting the wagon and dragging it across the sidewalk and up to the very entrance of the bowling alley, where one of the horses fell and prevented the team from crashing into the place. There the team left the remnants of the wagon to take care of itself and proceeded on together until separated by a telegraph pole.

Mr. Stuart claims that when the train passed him the engineer was letting off steam and the noise frightened the team, causing them to run away.

STOCKMEN MEET DEATH IN TAIL-END COLLISION

CHICAGO, Sept. 28.—Six stockmen are dead and a score injured as the result of a Panhandle Cincinnati flyer colliding early today with the caboose on a Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul stock special. The two trains were running in the same direction at a good speed. The stock train rounded a sharp curve and did not see the freight until upon it. The caboose was filled with stockmen when the engine crashed into it. Six were horribly mangled. The flyer was derailed, but no passengers were injured.

MRS. M'KINLEY TELLS OF "7-11" LAND FRAUDS

Says She Joined in Conspiracy for \$50—All Names Used to Secure Lands Were Fictitious.

PUTER TAKES STAND, CORROBORATES STORY

Made No Attempt to Hold Back Details—Throws Light on the Famous Case.

PORTLAND, Or., Sept. 28.—That she had full knowledge of the fraud alleged by the government to have existed in the famous "7-11" land cases, and received \$50 from S. A. D. Puter for joining in the conspiracy, was the admission made in the federal court today by Mrs. Horace G. McKinley, formerly Marie Ware, United States commissioner at Roseburg.

Mrs. McKinley was called to the stand in the government suit to regain title to lands near Eugene and Cottage Grove.

She testified that all the names on the papers in connection with securing the disputed lands were fictitious and were placed on the papers by Puter, who has been tried and convicted of fraud, though pardoned recently.

The woman made no attempt to hold back the details. Puter took the stand and corroborated her story. The case continues several days.

GOVERNOR SUGGESTS THAT COMMISSIONERS GET TOGETHER

SEATTLE, Sept. 28.—For the purpose of getting together on the question of rate regulation, Governor Brady of Idaho suggests a conference of the railway commissions of the three states making up the northwest, viz.: Washington, Oregon and Idaho. He wants to see a common basis adopted that will insure this section of the country practical independence from the railways and the interstate commerce commission. By taking time by the forelock now, Governor Brady believes steps can be taken to organize commerce so that the northwest will reap substantial benefits from the Panama canal. This proposal is of particular interest because of the coming sessions of the interstate commerce commission in Spokane, Seattle and Portland, early next month. New York merchants have filed a protest against the preliminary decision in the so-called Spokane rate case, which may be considered further at the coming hearings.

"APPLE DAY" AT FAIR WILL BE GALA TIME

SEATTLE, Sept. 28.—"Apple day" October 6, will see the Washington apple in all its glory. Visitors to the exposition will know that it is apple day even before the carloads of apples are distributed, for every avenue and walk of the grounds, to say nothing of the buildings, will be decorated with luscious fruit. Directly in front of the Cascades will be erected a pyramid of apples 32 feet high and measuring 16 feet square at the base. Every county in the state that raises a pippin has offered barrels of apples, and these will be given away to fair visitors.