

BARGAINS IN THREE FLATS

Three Bargains in Willow Flat

A flat—Forty acres, unimproved, all under irrigation, on good county road, 30 acres first class orchard land, balance good timber. Four Thousand Dollars. One-half cash.

B flat—Forty acres a little higher up on the scale, above irrigation, all good orchard land. Ten acres partially cleared; adjoining \$250 land. Four thousand and five hundred dollars. One-third cash.

C flat—Ten acres all improved; three acres of three year old trees; balance one year except small patch of hay and berries for home use; small house and barn—both new. One of the best pieces in Willow Flat. Six thousand dollars. Half cash.

Home, Sweet Home.

The Hood River District Land Co.
THE SMITH BLOCK HOOD RIVER, OREGON

Real Estate And Insurance

GEO. W. DIMICK & CO.
Next to Mt. Hood Hotel
Unimproved Farms a Specialty
Office phone 45-L, Residence 345-K

CENTRAL MEAT MARKET

P. C. YOUNG, Proprietor
Fresh and Cured Meats, Fish, Oysters
BUTTER AND EGGS
FREE AND PROMPT DELIVERY
Phone Main 6 Hood River, Oregon

DRAYING EXPRESS AND BAGGAGE

Furniture and Pianos Moved
All Kinds of Light and Heavy Work
Wood Yard and Feed Store in Connection
Office Phone 29
Residence 238K
TAFT TRANSFER CO.

Stanley-Smith Lumber Co.

Wholesale and Retail Lumber, Lath, Shingles Etc. Lumber delivered to any part of the Valley. . . .

W. S. GRIBBLE

The Mt. Hood Store

General Merchandise
Flour, Feed, Spray Material
Farm Implements :: and :: Stumping Powder

J. A. LITEL
MT. HOOD, ORE.

Balcksmith and Wagonmaker

HORSE SHOEING A SPECIALTY
25 Years Experience

IN THE APPLE WORLD

LATEST ESTIMATES ON FRUIT CROPS

Estimating general fruit crop conditions a bulletin from the Northwest Fruit Exchange says:

Crop conditions here in the Northwest are pretty generally known, and this bulletin will touch on them but lightly. Suffice to say that the indications are for a light crop in Southern Oregon; probably not over 50 per cent of last year in apples, though a good crop of pears; Hood River estimates 50 per cent to 60 per cent of last year's crop; Yakima now estimates 3,000 cars of all kinds of fruits against 4,000 last year; Wenatchee estimates 2,500 cars against 2,600 last year; Eastern Washington reports favorable showing; and Southern Idaho reports a considerably heavier crop in prospect for this year than she had last year. These estimates are all subject to very material revision, of course as the season advances. However, the consensus of opinion seem to indicate that the apple crop of the Northwest for the season of 1911 will run somewhere between 60 and 75 per cent of the 1910 crop.

Passing from our own conditions, what do we find in other apple producing districts of the United States and Canada? Colorado is our chief competitor. Authorities place the expected output of apples from that state at 1,500 cars—a reduction from first prospects, but still a large crop compared with the exceedingly light output for 1910.

New Mexico—Secretary of the New Mexico Bureau of Immigration is credited with an estimate of 500 carloads of apples from the Roswell district of the Pecos Valley; the largest crop in the history of the Valley.

Illinois—Reports from this state indicate that there will be a large crop of apples this season—the first for a number of years. Practically all the principal districts of this State report a heavy bloom.

Michigan—An important fruit state, which, however, has not produced heavily for several years. Secretary of State Martindale has issued a recent bulletin, that is accompanied with the comment that conditions point not only to a good crop of fruit this year but a "record breaker".

Arkansas—Benton county, Arkansas, according to a dispatch appearing in a recent newspaper, expects to ship 5,000 carloads of apples this fall. The growers are learning to take care of their orchards and every large orchard is protected with frost devices and spraying equipment.

Missouri—Reports from this state are not complete; one from St. Joseph states that Madison county is facing the brightest fruit prospects in its history, with all danger of losses eliminated.

New York State—This is the most important producer of apples in the east. The following is a confidential report from one of our correspondents: "There has been no change in the east and the weather continues favorable, and as the season is backward, it would appear that there is very little danger of frost damage now. At this writing the trees are in full bloom and the writer, just after returning from an extensive auto trip through the Hudson River section, can report from personal observation that the bloom is very, very profuse, and this includes not only apples, but pears, plums, cherries, peaches, and, in fact, all fruits."

On the Banks Where the Hood River Flows

By O. P. DARNEY

Oh take me back to old Oregon shores,
To the land of the tall pine trees,
Where the billows of old ocean roar,
And where whispers the soft sea breeze,
Away to the land of the rose and fern,
And away to the land of flowers,
Where old Sol's rays doth never burn,
And it rains in gentle showers.

Yes, take me back to the mountains and hills,
All covered with verdure of green,
And the softly flowing sparkling rills
From the more capped mountains are seen.
Yes, to the land of the grand old oak,
And the cedar and juniper tree,
The place where the bull frogs croak
In the layous by the sea.

Yes, take me back to the Hood River vale,
Where the apple trees doth bloom,
Where they ship their apples all by rail,
And run water through the flume,
To the place where soft asphyrs blow
Over the land of the honey and bee,
Near the banks where the Hood River flows,
And the Columbia rolls to the sea.

Take me to the land of the great far west,
Where once the Siwaah did roam,
The home of the cheery robin red breast,
The land of the freeman's home,
Away to the land where the strawberries grow
In great profusion and kind,
In the vale where the Hood River flows,
Next the bank where the shushah twines.

To the land of college and school,
Where intellect knocks at the door,
Where peace and prosperity rule,
And people are fond of folk lore,
Yes, take me back to the mild winters clime,
Away from the blizzards and snow,
Then I can hear the church bells chime,
Near the banks where the Hood River flows.

Yes, take me back to the shade of Mt. Hood,
All covered with frost and with snow,
Where farms have been cleared of mountains of wood,
To raise apples in the valley below,
To the land where silver and gold
Are mined from the hills below,
And where manhood will ever unfold
In the vale where the Hood River flows.

Oh, take me away where the nightingale sings,
And lulls me to sleep until morn,
When the bright morning sun doth bring
Out the squirrels to gather the acorn,
Out to the land of the humming bird,
And where all nature seems aglow,
Where the bright rippling waters are heard,
On the banks where the Hood River flows.

Let me go back where the boat and the oar
Their whistles are heard on the line,
And the products they carry afar,
From the fields, the forests and mine,
To the land of fragrant perfume,
From the apple, the pear and the peach,
Is wafted o'er valleys of bloom,
Near the shores of Columbia beach.

Let me go back to the land of Multnomah,
Near the home of the old Klickitate,
And let me hear once more the story of Naomi,
And how Indians wore feathers in hats,
Oh, let me go back to the wild Cascades,
To the old bridge of the Cods,
Where the Indians had crossed for many decades
On ponies that never were shod.

Now, let me go back to the land that I love,
And the flowers in the early spring,
To the land of the turtle dove,
To the place where the mocking birds sing,
So that when I labor no more,
And my life is ended below,
They can bury me close to the evergreen shore,
Near the banks where the Hood River flows.

FROST AGAIN HITS COLORADO GROWERS

Frost struck the western slope of Colorado again on the morning of May 11, according to the Chicago Packer, but so far as can be learned the Grand Valley was more fortunate than some of the other fruit sections in the state. The temperature reached as low as 28 above in some sections of the valley and a few orchardists lighted their orchard heaters, although experts say it was not necessary. In the Plateau valley apricots and apples, which escaped the fatal frost of last month, were somewhat injured, as well as the small fruits. There will still be half a crop in that section, however, according to reports.

This freeze was five days earlier than that of last year which came May 15. The ranchers in the Grand valley are ahead of their fellow orchardists in the matter of protecting their crops from freezes. In the Plateau section it can be clearly seen now that but for the use of heaters this year there would have hardly been sufficient peaches to ship. As it is, however, the Plateau section will ship probably 250 cars. While this represents a 25 per cent crop, it does

CENTRAL SELLING AGENCY IDEA TO BE KEPT ALIVE

Although the proposed Central Selling Agency for Northwest fruits will not, it is said, undertake to become an active force in the handling of any part of this year's crop, the movement will not be permitted to lapse. Because several of the leading districts did not endorse it, an effort has been made to have it appear that the promoters had lost heart.

It is pointed out that all attempts to establish co-operation among the tillers of the soil result only after long time agitation.

H. W. Otis, of Wenatchee, chairman of the executive committee having charge of the movement, says a meeting will be held in the near future to decide what further steps shall be taken. A campaign, it is stated, of education on systematic distribution will be undertaken. Enough districts approved the proposal for uniting all fruit sections, to prove that it possesses real merit.

Big Dance at Mt. Hood

A big dance is advertised to take place at Mt. Hood hall, May 26th, under the direction of the Good Times Club. Music will be furnished by Newman's orchestra. Tickets \$1.50, including supper.

not mean that the heaters saved only that proportion of the crop, but that one fourth of the ranchers smudged and saved practically their full crop.

John F. Moore, manager of the Grand Junction Fruit Growers Assn. has revised his former estimate of the crop and now figures on 2,000 cars of apples instead of 1,500. The prediction made heretofore of 3,000 cars of fruit from the Grand Valley seems likely to be borne out, unless some thing unforeseen should occur. The fruit now has set.

OUR STOCK OF SHOES

IS NOW COMPLETE

We have spared neither time nor trouble to get the shoes best adapted to this locality

Ladies' Shoes
in button, tan and Oxfords; high top for mountain climbing

Children's Shoes
The kind that wear

FLORSHEIM

Shoes for Men

EVERY KIND AND SHAPE FROM INFANTS' SLIPPERS TO WATER PROOF LOGGERS

Honest Goods at Honest Prices

R. J. McISAAC & CO.

PARKDALE, OREGON

Water Works on the Farm

Yes, that's just what we mean—real water works; running water in the kitchen, the bathroom, the laundry, the barn—in fact, all over the place. And it's all done by that tank you see in the lower left hand corner of this picture—the Leader System. It's a vastly different tank from the old-fashioned elevated tank which worked by gravity. For the Leader Water Supply System is operated by compressed air—reliable, safe and clean. Your windmill pumps water into the tank (which is already full of air). The air, being elastic, is compressed into upper part of the tank, and forces the water out through the pipes.

This gives you a pressure, so that a powerful stream of water is on tap at every faucet, no matter where it is located. And this means absolute fire protection, for the pressure is always on and always ready.

Now, the old style gravity tanks were either put in the attic or situated on a high tower out of doors. In the former case, their weight when full, cracked the plastering; or they overflowed or leaked, flooding the rooms below. In the case of the outside tanks, the water often froze solid in winter, necessitating expensive plumbing bills; or it became hot and stagnant during the summer and unfit for use. The Leader System avoids all this, because the airtight tank is either in the basement or buried underground below the frost line. Every outfit is complete, with full directions, and is easily installed. The Leader System needs no repairs, is suited to small buildings or large, and is moderate in price.

Let us send you our free booklet, "How I Solved the Water Supply Problem," the story of a man who successfully equipped his country home with modern water works. Write for it today, before you forget.

Leader Water Supply System

Apple Land and Orchard Company
Office, No. 9 Oak Street, Phone 26 or 2002K, Hood River

THE MANUFACTURERS

HAVE COMPLIED STRICTLY WITH THE GOVERNMENT PURE FOOD LAWS IN THE MANUFACTURE OF

WHITE RIVER FLOUR

It Is Unbleached

The Parkdale Hotel

NOW OPEN
Modern in Every Respect
Located in the Heart of the Upper Valley

Rooms 50c and \$1 Meals 35 Cents Rates by the Week
PARKDALE, OREGON
J. M. CLARK, Proprietor

For Lime, Cement and House Plaster

See

STRANAHAN & CLARK

Merchants' Express and General Delivery

Be sure to order from your merchant by noon on day of delivery

Long Hauls of Fruit Solicited

We are in a position to handle Tonnage. Figure with us, for we can do your hauling cheaper with our auto truck than you can by team.

Phone 115-K. A. O. HERSHEY

Upper Valley Lumber Co.

We are now in a position to furnish

ROUGH AND DRESSED LUMBER

of the various kinds

Apple Boxes and Strawberry Crates for this season. Orders and bills promptly filled.

HAY & WEISEL 1 1-2 miles Southeast of Parkdale

Electrical Contractors

Bailey & Colby
Bartmess Bldg. Phone 60X

Estimates Cheerfully Furnished

High Grade Electric Fixtures Up-To-Date Glassware
Westinghouse Electric Motors Heating Apparatus, Etc.
Full Line of Electric Wiring Supplies
We Guarantee Satisfaction