

**STORAGE PROBLEMS
HERE ARE STUDIED**

Professor B. B. Pratt of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, who has been spending a month here studying storage problems, left Monday. He will spend a month in Washington, D. C., and will return in January to continue his tests of the fruit then in storage.

Professor Pratt has collected a great variety of apples from the four leading districts of the Northwest—Hood River, Rogue River, Wen-

atchee and Yakima. About a carload has been shipped to Portland, where they have been placed in cold storage.

The investigations are a continuation of those made last year and cover the effect of soil, color, spraying and the like on the keeping qualities of the fruit. In the spring Mr. Pratt will make public the result of his further investigations in addresses to be given in the different districts.

There are some very desirable office rooms for rent in the Heilbronner Building at from \$10 to \$15 a month. 211f

**KERBY S. MILLER
OF MEDFORD DIES**

News has been received here of the death at his home in Medford of Kerby S. Miller, manager of the Rogue River Fruit and Produce Association. It is stated that he died of acute dilation of the heart, "presumably caused by overwork and the great mental stress and worry incident to his position."

Mr. Miller is well known by the fruit men here, having been the originator of the "Rogue River Plan" for

the unification of the fruit interests of the Pacific Northwest, which was much in the public eye last Spring. He made a number of visits to Hood River at that time and addressed the massmeeting of growers at the Commercial Club.

Mr. Miller leaves a wife and three young children.

Special Harvest Dances will be held at Heilbronner Hall every Saturday night from 9 to 12 p. m. Everyone welcome. 39fc

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**FEW MORE APPLES
THAN LAST SEASON**

In a recent issue "Nebraska Horticulture" says:

Since early in the season the produce papers representing the apple dealers and commission firms have been crying an enormous production of apples for 1912 in almost all parts of the country. The International Apple Shippers' Assn., an association of dealers in apples, have also attempted to make the present crop appear by far the largest for many years. These forces are evidently trying to force the prices down while the fruit is yet in the hands of the producers so they may be able to buy at their own prices. Reports received by the State Horticultural society from other societies and experiment stations in all parts of the country as well as the government reports show but a slight increase over 1911 and the quality not so good. When the fruit is picked we believe there will be no more fruit with quality sufficiently good to be stored than last year and that as soon as the middle man is in possession of it that prices will take an upward trend. Last season similar reports were circulated from these sources, the crop being estimated as the largest since 1896, but when the fruit was gathered only 33,000,000 barrels could be accounted for and which was below the average of the country for the past 15 or 20 years. There is a purpose in this large production noise by the middlemen and it is evidently having the desired effect in bearing down the prices to be received by the producers.

Selling associations and co-operation among the producers is what is needed to cope with the shrewd dealers in apples. When the crop is actually heavy the grower can afford to sell for less per bushel, but when the crop is normal or below it is a pure steal on the part of the dealers to bear the prices down by exaggerating the production. The commercial growers of purely fruit sections, where the growers are organized for selling their fruit, pay no attention to such reports, as they keep "wise" to the situation, but the growers of this section who are not organized, and the bulk of the fruit not fit for storage because of poor care, are up against it at the present time.

**NEWS NOTES FROM
AROUND THE STATE**

Dr. Francis J. Bailey, of Portland, ex-Army surgeon, has bought the W. R. Rust residence, the finest private house in Tacoma, for \$60,000. The house cost \$123,500 and was sold two years ago for \$50,000.

Two men and one woman caused the tragedy at Condon in which Miss Virgie Hart met instant death and "Bob" Morgan, her unaccepted sweetheart and a deserter from the United States Army, a fugitive from justice, with a price of \$350 on his head and the sheriffs of three counties on his trail.

Discovery of a hunk of ambergris valued at \$33,280 near Seward Harbor, Alaska, by two men recently, enriched an actor now appearing in Portland to the extent of about \$1800.

E. M. Croisan's goat strayed into the peach orchard of W. J. Ball, near Salem, and as a result a jury in circuit court awarded Mr. Ball \$500 damages.

Eleven hundred and seventy jack rabbit scalps were brought to Klamath Falls by John Faught from his home in the Dairy country. A bounty of 10 cents each was collected from County Clerk DeLap.

The tentative budget for the state insane asylum at Salem, Oregon's largest state institution, calls for an appropriation of \$752,691 for maintenance and improvements at the main asylum and also at the cottage farm, which is an important branch of the institution located about five miles from Salem. This probably is a greater sum than will be asked for all the other institutions combined, with the exception of the Eastern Oregon asylum.

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E. E. Kaesser

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Been selling some Wagons lately. A lot of Bolster Springs too. We've been selling the Harvey Bolster Springs--best we can find on the market. You would hardly expect people to come in and ask for "Harvey Double Crank Bolster Springs," 'cause there is no reason why they should remember that name particularly--but they do. Queer isn't it, how some names stick to a person's mind?

And what do you think of a Cider Mill called the "BUCKEYE"? Nobody but a man from Ohio would ever think of such a name. But that's what they are called. They come in three sizes: SENIOR--that's the big size. MEDIUM--well, the name gives it away--and JUNIOR--the kid brother. The last one may be the "Kid Brother" but he is a gamey little duck, and can get away with his share of the work. The Senior sells for \$33.00, and the Medium for \$24.00 and the Junior for \$17.00. We've got all three sizes in stock--first thing you see when you come in the door.

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