

APPLE GROWERS ARE PREY OF SPECULATORS

Arthur M. Geary Investigating Eastern Market Conditions.

MILLIONS IN PROFITS MADE

Established New York Agencies Charged With Being Unfaithful to Men They Represent.

After landing in New York from overseas on the 16th of last month, Arthur M. Geary, an attorney of this city, obtained a ten day leave, during which time he investigated the box apple marketing conditions in eastern markets.

"Any apple grower of the Northwest," says Mr. Geary, "who desires to feel badly can figure, roughly, how many hundreds of dollars he has contributed this year toward the several million that speculators are receiving in profits."

Agencies Making Big Profits. "I do not consider that the term 'speculation' applies to all of the situation. It is a common scandal in the Eastern cities that a few market men who have organized agencies, the business of which is to represent the interests of the growers, are making profits that run well into six figures."

"Market men in New York with orders in their pockets have been able to purchase carloads of apples in the Northwest by wire at figures that have netted them \$1 a box profit, without their running any risk whatsoever."

Crop Value \$30,000,000. "There were produced in the Northwest last year about 24,000 cars of box apples, and the crop this year is approximately 21,000 cars. That speculators are getting such a large share of the \$30,000,000, which is a conservative estimate of the gross value of this year's Northwestern apple crop, is not felt so much by the growers, because the prices they have received have been better than ordinary."

Agencies Exchange in Speculating. "This is not an attack on the honest out-and-out speculator, but upon those who sell indirectly to themselves on a rising market, and for the account of the grower when the price is off."

"The impression one gains from these manipulators is that, in their opinion, the growers are 'guys.' It is my belief that the growers are not 'guys,' notwithstanding the present mood as regards marketing."

"Any soldier who has been on duty in England and France during the last few months has had an opportunity to realize that the growers of the Northwest have been able to raise the perfect apple, which is an accomplishment that has not been attained by the old world, or any extended district in this country except the Northwest."

Broad Future Predicted. "The growers' demand that their product be bought in the Northwest before it is shipped has been a factor in producing a situation that all market men predicted a few years ago would be impossible. Speculators have been willing to purchase the whole crop of the Northwest for cash on this basis."

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Magic! Costs a few cents! Just drop a little Freezone on that touchy corn, instantly it stops aching, then you lift the bothersome corn off with the fingers. Truly! No humbug.



Try Freezone! Your druggist sells a tiny bottle for a few cents, sufficient to rid your feet of every hard corn, soft corn, or corn between the toes, and calluses, without one particle of pain, soreness or irritation. Freezone is the mysterious ether discovery of a noted Cincinnati genius. Great!

JOHN LIARD DENIES TWOMBLEY MURDER

Motives of Augusta Carlson Attacked by Witness.

FRENCH LIKE PERSHING

American General Stakes His Reputation, and Wins.

Thomas F. Logan, in Leslie's General Pershing's happy days were not so uneventful throughout the period of his service in France. No stain of criticism or glaring error mars his scutcheon. His record of achievement as Commanding Officer of the American Expeditionary force in France has been unusual in that from its beginning until today there were no untoward events or reverses to impair the feeling of almost awed confidence with which he is regarded by the American people. Pershing came through clean. He has

NEWLY INSTALLED OFFICERS OF PORTLAND AD CLUB START YEAR WITH ACTIVITIES ALONG AGGRESSIVE LINES.



Marshall N. Dana, President; Fred L. Kelley, First Vice-President; Geo. G. Bowen, Second Vice-President; Oscar W. Smith, Sec and Treas.

The annual installation of the new officers of the Portland Ad Club was attended by the festivities of the annual high jinx. Report of the signing up of banks and business firms in support of the better business bureau of the club insures that the effective work done in the way of purging the business world of misrepresentation is appreciated. Plans for the continuation of the aggressive effort that characterized activities of the Ad Clubbers during the war, set forth in the addresses of the new officials, contemplate making it a forceful factor in civic developments of the post-bellum era.

a tremendously hard record to live up to. Pershing did not avoid mistakes by avoiding decisions. He struck and at such hard for his own ideas. His aggressive personality and confidence is his own estimate of one phase of the military situation in France turned the tide of battle against Germany. That phase was the morale and fighting ability of the American troops. The French General, even Marshal Foch, it is said, did not believe the American forces were sufficiently trained to be relied upon in a vital way, even as reserves.

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White Salmon Boys Dumaru Victims. WHITE SALMON, Wash., Jan. 10.—(Special.)—C. F. Sampson, of White Salmon, has received a letter from his grandson, Lyall Sampson, one of the survivors of the steamer Dumaru that was struck by lightning when two and a half miles from the coast, and destroyed by explosion being laden with gasoline and high explosives. A brother of Sampson and Frank Bolin, both of White Salmon, were on board when the catastrophe. Mr. Sampson describes graphically his experience, being so weakened by exposure and privation that he hovered between life and death for three weeks on arrival at Manila. He is now awaiting passage home.

Lewis County Report Issued. CHEHALIS, Wash., Jan. 11.—(Special.)—County Attorney Herman Allen has issued his annual report for 1918. Forty-four informations of a criminal nature were filed, two being first degree murder cases. One was convicted, one acquitted. There were six statutory crimes, two being convicted; two robbery cases, 15 grand larceny, one embezzlement, six burglary, six liquor law violations, two gambling charges, four forgery cases, one inciting to riot, two auto theft cases. Crime apparently shows a marked decrease, according to Attorney Allen's report, there being but 72 criminal cases in all compared with 119 in 1917.

Cowlitz Legislators Leave. KELSO, Wash., Jan. 11.—(Special.)—Frank G. Barnes, State Senator from Cowlitz County, of Silver Lake, and W. H. Adams, of Castle Rock, who were elected Representatives from this county in November, have left for Olympia to be on hand for the opening of the Legislative session. They spent Friday and Saturday in Tacoma attending a meeting of legislators. Cowlitz County's greatest need is legislation for better roads, and this county's representatives will devote much of their effort at the Legislature to road problems.

Parent-Son Banquet Arranged. ABERDEEN, Wash., Jan. 11.—(Special.)—A parent-son dinner, planned by the boys of the high school here who are members of the Young Men's Commercial Club, will be held February 22. Arrangements were made at a meeting of the sons at the Chamber of Commerce rooms last night. The purpose is the cultivation of a closer intimacy between the boys and their fathers.

Dallas Flu Ban Partly Lifted. DALLAS, Or., Jan. 11.—(Special.)—Upon recommendations given by the physicians of Dallas in backing up Health Officer Dr. B. H. McCallion, the "flu" ban, which has been down hard in this city since the day after Thanksgiving, was lifted in part. The moving picture theater, the churches and lodges will be permitted to open.

Humphreys' Coughs, Colds, Catarrh, Sore Throat, Quinsy, Tonsillitis and Grip. All Druggists.

At birth the pulse of a normal individual beats 25 times a minute; at the age of 30, 70 times.

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We Vacate 285 Morrison at Fourth—Moving to the New Eilers Music Building, 287 Washington St., Near Fifth.

Over \$18,000 worth of small musical instruments, sheet music and supplies at heretofore unheard-of low prices, including the famous C. G. Conn and King Band Instruments and Saxophones, Orpheum Banjos, Guitars, Mandolins, Ukuleles, etc. A partial list of BARGAINS:

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ATHLETICS TO BE REQUIRED

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UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Jan. 11.—(Special.)—Combined with the department of military science, athletics will be required of all undergraduates at the university this year.

Cottage Grove Officers Change.

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Jan. 11.—(Special.)—It is now Mayor A. B. Wood and Councilman Nelson Durham, there being no other changes in the Council or city officials.

PIMPLY? WELL, DON'T BE!

People Notice It. Drive Them Off with Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets

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