

MANY FRUITS ARE SERIOUSLY HURT

Apricots, Peaches, Almonds and Pears in Vicinity of Medford Badly Damaged.

EUGENE EXPERIENCES COLD NIGHT OF YEAR

Winter Apples in Valley Escape Uninjured and Believed That Other Fruits Will Be Ample for Local Use—Gardens at Toledo Suffer.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Medford, Or., March 18.—The freeze of the night of March 14 was more general in its consequences than at first supposed, as it now appears that the damage to the fruit crops is quite serious, more than three quarters of the buds being apparently dead after exposure to the sun of yesterday afternoon. It was known that the damage was extensive so far as apricots, peaches and almonds were concerned, but it was at first thought the pears had all escaped. Close examination shows the winter Neils and the Comice to be uninjured, but while the setting of buds on the Bartlett was very heavy, it is now questionable if there will be more than half a crop of them, while it looks as if the Howells and the de Anjou are wiped out. It is a little too early to pass judgment, but it will be only owing to the heavy setting of fruit buds, and the large proportion of dormant buds, if there are any of those two popular varieties of pears for shipment from this valley.

Fortunately the winter apples have escaped unharmed, and a large crop is looked for of the Yellow Newtown and the Spitzenberg varieties. The weather now prevailing leads to the supposition that the bloom will appear rather later than usual this season, and will be less liable than usual to damage from late frosts.

This is the first time in the history of the Rogue River valley when extensive damage has been done to even early fruits by a freeze such as that of Wednesday night, and it will doubtless prove to be the case as usually happens when fruitmen claim the crop is lost, that there will be ample for at least local consumption in the valley. The principal commercial fruits are winter apples and pears, and it is stated by those competent to judge that there will be an abundance, with the exception of the varieties noted.

ZERO WEATHER.

Walla Walla Fruit Men Now Say Damage Much Greater Than Expected.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Walla, Wash., March 18.—Fruit men are growing pessimistic over the continued cold weather in the valley and now assert that the damage to early fruits and vegetables will be much greater than first expected. Most of the damage, however, will be to fruit within a radius of a few miles of Walla Walla. In the Milton and Freewater districts the frost are practically uninjured. Thermometers around town yesterday morning registered as low as zero.

GARDENS DAMAGED.

Cold Wave Cuts Many Small Fruits Short in Vicinity of Toledo.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Toledo, Wash., March 18.—The cold wave that swept over this section of Washington, beginning last Saturday, still prevails, though slowly moderating. Old residents say it is the coldest weather known here for 25 years, and the coldest ever known at this season of the year. Early gardens are damaged, and the peach, plum and cherry crop will be cut short, if not completely destroyed. Poultrymen have also been damaged by the freezing.

COLDEST AT EUGENE.

Thermometer Reached Low Point of Winter—Little Damage to Fruit.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Eugene, Or., March 18.—The thermometer registered the lowest point this winter last night, registering 29 degrees above zero this morning at 6 o'clock. Some of the early fruit is thought to be damaged, but there will be no great loss, as most of the buds are not far enough advanced.

LUNCHEON AND SPEECHES WHEN FERRY IS OPENED

A formal opening of the new ferry between Clatsop and St. Johns will take place next Sunday. The ferry company is preparing an elaborate program, which is to include a meeting between the mayors of Portland and St. Johns and the governor of Oregon, a luncheon and speeches. The ferry will be free to the public for the first time since its opening. The exercises will take place at 2:30 p. m. The Portland guests will be taken in automobiles via the Linton boulevard, to the west landing of the ferry, and the St. Johns party will come across the Willamette river. The new ferry connects the city of St. Johns with the Linton road and affords a round trip for vehicles carrying passengers around the north half of the city and including some of the finest views to be seen on the coast.

ETHEL HORSMAN LURED BY FOOTLIGHTS' GLARE

Lured by the glamor of the footlights, Ethel Horsman, a 16-year-old girl of St. Johns, has left her home. Her parents reported her sudden departure to the police and detectives have been assigned to locate her. The girl is said to have come to Portland as soon as she left her home Tuesday night and to have endeavored to find employment with one of the theatrical employment agencies. Officers are directed to watch for her at the various theatres and among the theatrical troupes which leave the city.

The Market Basket

Milk-fed chickens are something of a novelty in this market but hereafter the markets will be regularly supplied with them. At present there is but one place in the country at which they are raised. Frank C. Barnes of Portland recently purchased seven acres of ground just back of Irvington and a staff out of the city limits. Here special buildings for the proper feeding of the chickens will be erected. According to Mr. Barnes, he can put on from a half to one pound of fat on a chicken in three weeks by milk feeding, besides giving the chicken an appearance and taste that will command a high figure. Just now the few milk-fed chickens coming to Portland are from the east and are shipped in dressed. They cost about 28 cents a pound to land in this city and by the time they are ready for the consumer are worth about 50 cents a pound. This would mean an average of about 11 cents for small fryers.

Quite interesting in itself is the feeding of milk to chickens. The houses are so planned that each chicken is allowed a certain amount of room. Each space faces a trough through which the milk flows. All the chickens have to do to get their food and get fat is to drink the milk which is but a short time before a scrawny-looking chicken grows plump.

At present there are but small supplies of chickens in the market and at retail the price has climbed. Never before has there been such a shortage in supplies of chickens as now. There is a scarcity everywhere. Chickens that usually sell in eastern wholesale mar-

kets around 8 cents a pound are now hard to secure at double that amount.

The fall-winter season for catching salmon in the Columbia river has come to an end—and this is Lent. The scarcity of fish is even more pronounced than a week ago and the prices have advanced steadily. In the retail markets today Chinook salmon is quoted scarce and firm at 25 cents a pound, while the Steelheads are not over plentiful at 15 cents. In a few days all fresh supplies will be entirely exhausted.

All other lines are affected. Even the smelt seems to have taken its departure, for this week the price at retail has moved up to 19 cents a pound, while a week ago they were over plentiful at 5 cents. Colder weather probably the only cause.

This is the time of the year when cases of colds are really good to eat. Most of those now being received in the markets are young and tender. Fifteen cents a dozen the average at retail.

Weather conditions were entirely responsible for the holding up of the egg market during the past week. The cold caused much smaller receipts and there was an improvement in the demand from all sides.

Meats are going to cost more money if the present plans of the meat trust do not go too far astray. As now planned there will be an entire absence of competition among the dealers—all being expected to charge the same price. In a measure they may be compelled to do this, for the wholesalers have fixed things so that they will be unable to buy elsewhere.

MRS. M. C. McPHILLIPS DIES AT M'INNIVILLE

McMinnville, Or., March 18.—Mrs. Margaret C. McPhillips, wife of Arthur McPhillips, cashier of the First National bank, died here yesterday. She was troubled with a complication of disease and an operation was performed Wednesday from which she never rallied.

The funeral was held today at 10 o'clock from St. James' Catholic church. Rev. Father Burri conducted the services.

Mrs. McPhillips was a prominent member of the Catholic church and an earnest worker in St. James' Aid society. She was also quite prominent in social circles.

She leaves, besides her husband, a little son.

Building Permits.—Building permits have been issued as follows: J. P. Shea, store, corner Second and Ankeny streets, cost \$3,000; Mrs. Alice Larrin, cottage, corner East Sixth and East Couch streets, cost \$1,500; Woodard, Clarke & Co., masonry for warehouse, corner Ninth and Hoyt streets, cost \$12,000; Louise Strube, cottages, East Burnside between East Ninth and East Tenth streets, cost \$1,500.

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1-lb. can fancy table syrup 25c
1-gal. can fancy table syrup 25c
1-lb. French prunes 10c
Shredded wheat blent, per pkg 10c
6 lbs. Louisiana rice 25c
Fancy Early June Peas, per doz 90c
10-lb. bag best bird \$1.00
20-lb. bag best bird \$1.90
Best picnic ham, per lb 10c
Best cottage hams (homeless) per lb 10c
Shredded coconut, per lb 15c
Hard wheat flour, per bag \$1.00
Scotch oats, per bag 10c
Postum cereal, per bag 20c
Falls Napa soap, per bar 5c
Best soft-wheat flour, per sack \$1.00
Falls Napa soap, (regular size) 5c
Falls Napa soap, (about 10 lbs.) 50c
Falls Breakfast tea, per lb 15c
Falls Granular tea, per lb 15c
5 lbs. broken Java coffee 25c
2 bars tea soap 5c
Crosse & Blackwell, per pkg 5c
Tiger cream (10 lbs) 5c
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LEFT \$4,800,000 BY HIS FRIEND

Frank H. Johnson, Formerly of Portland, Now of San Francisco, Bequeathed Fortune.

REMEMBERED IN WILL OF WEALTHY LUMBER KING

A. A. Ashley, Who Was a Victim of the Iroquois Disaster, Leaves Large Part of His Estate to His Young Associate.

(Journal Special Service.) Oakland, Cal., March 18.—Because of the fact that for many years he was the intimate friend and confidant of the late A. A. Ashley, a millionaire lumberman of Michigan and the northwest, and had been his trusted representative on the Pacific coast, Frank H. Johnson, formerly of Portland, now of this city, has been the recipient of \$4,800,000 in cash, in a bequest made in the will of the deceased capitalist.

The fortunate beneficiary first met Ashley at Dacot, Michigan, many years ago while on a visit. He was at that time one of the foremost lumber men of that district. Johnson was introduced to Ashley during the conversation which followed made the statement that he would like to learn the lumber business, believing there were great possibilities in it for a young man. To his delight the lumber king stated that he had taken a liking to the young man and offered him a position. Johnson accepted promptly and until Ashley's death, was his business associate and trusted friend and agent, as well as his most warm personal friend.

"I began my employment with Mr. Ashley at a salary of \$50 a month," said Johnson, "and worked out in the woods in Washington, beginning at the very bottom of the business. In the course of time I worked myself to the top and Mr. Ashley made me sole agent on the Pacific coast with a salary of \$500 a month."

Ashley was connected with the Western Coast Lumber company, with headquarters in Chicago. Johnson was agent on the coast with headquarters at Portland. Since Ashley's death the company has discontinued business. His estate amounted to about \$16,000,000. While Mr. Johnson was on his way to Chicago Mr. Ashley lost his life in the Iroquois fire. The estate was tied up in the courts and a few days ago Johnson received word that the bequest of \$4,800,000 cash was at his disposal. He will go to Chicago at once.

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5 lb. Can Schilling's Baking Powder \$1.75
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2-lb. Cans Table Apricots 10c
2-lb. Roll Puritan Creamery Butter 60c

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3 1-lb. Cans Cove Oysters 25c
1-lb. Can Barataria Shrimp 20c
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1 qt. Pure Vanilla or Lemon Ext. 20c
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3 Pkg. Crisco 25c
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1 Sack Liberty Bell Flour \$1.00
Full Cream Cheese 15c
Imp. Swiss Cheese 15c
10 lbs. Worcester Table Salt 15c
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