

Salem Is the Center of a Great Apple Industry, and It Will Grow Bigger and Better as the Right Varieties Are Set Out and Grafted and Proper Methods Used

WITH CARE AND JUDGMENT APPLE INDUSTRY PROFITABLE

L. T. Reynolds Is Too Busy Getting His Apples Packed and Shipped to Write Much—3900 Boxes from 500 Young Trees.

Editor Statesman:—We are so busy just now getting our apples packed and shipped that I have not the time to write an extended letter in regard to apples in this district.

There is, however, plenty of opportunity for the development of profitable apple orchards, and with care and judgment exercised in the selection of suitable varieties, the returns will be sure and steady.

From about 500 trees, one-half of them bearing their third crop, we have finished picking and are now busy packing 3900 boxes as

they came from the orchard. Yours truly,
L. T. REYNOLDS.
Salem, Ore., Nov. 23, 1920.

(Hon. L. T. Reynolds, who writes the above, is one of the pioneer apple growers of the Salem district. He has made his orchards yield interest on \$2000 an acre a year after year. He is a graduate of Willamette university and he brings to the attention of the apple industry a trained mind as well as diligently and personally applied industry. His place is just at the northern edge of Salem's limits, on the Pacific highway.—Ed.)

THE APPLE INDUSTRY IN THE SALEM DISTRICT IS GROWING

Acres in Both Marion and Polk Counties Shows Increase, and, with Right Varieties and Methods, Future Is Bright.

The section around Salem is going a little heavier each year into the business of apple growing, according to the 1919 and 1920 report of the state tax commission, giving summaries of agricultural and horticultural statistics.

In Marion county, the bearing apple acreage in 1919 was 2124, while for this year it is given as 2417 acres. The non-bearing acreage of apples for 1919 is given as 507, while for this year the report shows 131 acres non-bearing.

In Polk county, the bearing ap-

ple acreage in 1919 was not taken by the county assessor. But for this year the record shows 1587 acres in bearing apples and 240 acres non-bearing, which is regarded as an increase over last year's estimates.

The apple acreage of the state is 41,906 in bearing, with 7376 acres non-bearing. Hood River county ranks first in bearing apple acreage in the state with 8827 acres. Jackson county ranks second with 5091 acres. Douglas county ranks third with 3286 acres.

PLANT THE ORTLEY, GRIMES AND ROME BEAUTY, ADVISED

There Is Also a Good Demand for the Grayensteins, Advises Prof. Lewis, in Discussing the Apple Industry with Members of the Growers' Association.

In discussing apples before members of the Oregon Growers' Co-operative association, C. I. Lewis, Oregon state horticulturist, advised the growers to plant the Ortley, Grimes, Rome Beauty, and the Graysteins.

There is also a good demand for Graysteins.

It is especially on bench land that Mr. Lewis recommends the growing of apples in this valley, diversifying the crop with pears, loganberries or prunes. Apples are also recommended for the

hill or high land of the valley, along with pears, strawberries and cherries. For it is an diversification that the fruit and berry grower can play safe in this valley.

By proper thinning, fertilizing and care of apple orchards, larger sizes may be grown, Mr. Lewis tells members of the association. And it is in the large sizes that the growers can produce a fruit that will always find a ready sale in the eastern markets at figures that will make apple growing profitable.

REMARKABLE TESTIMONIAL WRITTEN BY MR. JORGENSEN

He Thinks the December Freeze of Last Year Will Come to Be Considered a Blessing in Disguise to the Growers of Salem District.

Editor Statesman:—About apple growing in this part of Oregon, I have but very little to say outside of what I stated a year ago. Although the severe cold weather last winter did a great deal of damage to the apple orchards here, I do not hesitate to plant apples again. I do not think it was a strange combination of forces which concentrated the

cold here. The freeze will eventually prove a benefit to the apple grower, as it will cause the elimination of inferior varieties. The future will see orchards of better varieties and trees planted a more correct distance apart, insuring better returns in the future. That we have perfect apple land in this part of the valley I am convinced. Irrigation for apples we do not need and do not want. We can

have from a deficiency to an excess of moisture to suit our fancy, simply by cultivating. Moderate cultivation will give the best results. I have had my orchard so free from codling moth that it was almost impossible to locate a wormy apple on the trees. I know that after the most careful sorting we would not have over one box of wormy apples out of a car load, and that from only three applications of arsenate of lead. Anthracnose is our greatest enemy; but by spraying in time and spraying well it can be kept out.

That we have soil and climate here which enable us to successfully compete in apple growing is my firm conviction.

N. C. JORGENSEN.
Salem, Ore., Nov. 22, 1920.

(The above is a remarkable testimonial, coming from Mr. Jorgensen. Last year, in his article in The Statesman, he recorded the fact that he had picked 2500 boxes of Baldwins from three acres. He concluded his article: "If I today were a young man with means, I would plant a large

apple orchard." Then came the December freeze, from which Mr. Jorgensen's apple trees suffered a very serious damage. The damage was worse in his district, a few miles north of Salem, than in any other locality in this section. The reader can gather for himself something of the spirit of Mr. Jorgensen, from what he has written this year. He is no longer a young man; but he is not sitting down and mourning over his losses; and he has had other personal losses in the year past. Was it Robert Bruce who watched the spider attempt to climb up the wall, and fall back again and again; and finally, after many attempts, reach the top? That is the spirit of Mr. Jorgensen. He even thinks the freeze of last December may prove a benefit to the apple industry of the Salem section, in that it will have pointed the way to better varieties and better methods. And he has not lost a whit of his enthusiasm. Mr. Jorgensen literally carved his farm out of the woods. Besides apples, his letter head shows that he specializes on pears, cherries, prunes, berries and poultry.—Ed.)

APPLE PRICES HAVE BEEN ON THE TOBOGGAN LATELY

The Larger Kinds of the Right Varieties, However, Go at the Fancy Prices, and Our Growers Are Urged to Produce These Kinds.

(By C. E. WILSON.)

With wheat, corn, oats, hides and pork all on the toboggan towards low prices, the apple grower is coming into his share this season.

This is due largely to the fact that the apple crop was the largest in years. Michigan and New York, apple producing states, report heavy crops. As these are rushed to market before the holiday season, it has resulted in an over-crowded market with extremely low prices.

From the standpoint of figures, there is reason for a low market. The commercial crop for the United States this year is a little more than 32,000,000 barrels, while the crop for 1919 was only 26,000,000 barrels.

The states back east which grow what is known as a barrel crop, produced this year 23,000,000 barrels, while last year it was only 14,369,000 barrels. The crop was all well colored, good-sized and the cleanest grown for years. High prices for labor in the eastern states and package charges, along with a light demand for low grade apples, has

caused a large per cent of the crop to waste.

When it comes to the western country or what is known as the box apple states, the yield this year is much smaller than one year ago. The 1919 crop of western apples was 35,415,000 boxes, while for this season it is only 27,633,000 boxes. Size has been below normal.

High freight rates to the east and the large eastern crop have made it hard for the western grower to place his fruit at profitable figures.

Experts in estimating crops state that the Oregon crop of apples this year will run, commercially speaking, about 2,625,000 boxes, compared to a crop last year of 4,071,000 boxes. Sizes in general are below average.

With the demand for larger western apples, C. I. Lewis, manager of the large eastern department of the Oregon Growers' Co-operative association, is urging its members to grow larger apples. It is the big apples that bring the fancy prices, he says. The fancy trade in the east wants apples from Oregon in sizes from 8's to 12's.

MUSICIANS WILL COME FRIDAY

Teachers' State Association Gathers Here for Annual Convention

The state convention of the Oregon Music Teachers' association which begins in Salem tomorrow is not only for musicians but for everybody who loves good music. A general invitation is extended to the public for every session, the outstanding one to be the organ recital, by Frederick W. Goodrich of Portland at the Oregon theater Saturday morning at 9:30 o'clock.

About 100 members of the association are expected to be in the city during the two-day session. The First Congregational church will be the scene of most of the activities.

The complete program follows:
November 26
9:30 a. m.—Opening of convention, reports of committees, routine business.
10:30 a. m.—Discussion: "High School Music and Cred-

its." Speakers: Hon. J. A. Churchill, state superintendent of public instruction for Oregon; Dr. J. J. Landsbury, dean of music, University of Oregon; Herbert Kimbrough, dean of music, Washington State college, president Washington State Music Teachers' association; Robert B. Walsh, supervisor of music, Franklin high school of Portland.

11:30 a. m.—Pianoforte recital, David Campbell, Elliston-White Conservatory of Music, Portland. "Jeux d'eau" (the Fountain), Minor, by Dohnanyi.

12:15 p. m.—Luncheon, First Congregational church, under auspices of Salem district. O. M. T. A. Speaker: William Frederick Gaskins, director Oregon Agricultural School of Music. Music by faculty members O. A. C. school of music. Rhapsody in B Minor, Brahms; Gustav Dunkelberger, pianist. (a) Souvenir de Posen, Wieniawski; (b) Slavonic Dance No. 1, Dvorak; Carl Grissen, violinist.

2:00 p. m.—Analytical recital on the opera of "Boris Godunov" (Moussorgsky) by Mrs. Dorothea Nash, assisted by Mrs. Henry W. Metzger, vocalist.

3:30 p. m.—Pianoforte and vocal recital. 1. (a) Barcarolle, Rachmaninoff; (b) Rigaudon, "Il Mio bel Socio," Benedetto Raff. Lillian Jeffry Petri 2. (a) Mar-

DATES OF SLOGANS IN DAILY STATESMAN (In Twice-a-Week Statesman Following Day)

Loganberries, Oct. 7.
Prunes, Oct. 14.
Dairying, Oct. 21.
Plax, Oct. 28.
Filberts, Nov. 4.
Walnuts, Nov. 11.
Strawberries, Nov. 18.
Apples, Nov. 25.
Raspberries, Dec. 2.
Mint, Dec. 9.
Great cows, Dec. 16.
Blackberries, Dec. 23.
Cherries, Dec. 30.
Pears, Jan. 6, 1921.
Gooseberries, Jan. 13.
Corn, Jan. 20.
Celery, Jan. 27.
Spinach, Feb. 3.
Onions, Feb. 10.
Potatoes, Feb. 17.
Bees, Feb. 24.
Mining, March 2.
Goats, March 9.
Beans, March 16.
Paved highways, March 23.
Rice, March 30.
Silos, April 6.
Legumes, April 13.
Asparagus, April 20.
Grapes, April 27.

cello (1680-1739); (b) "Ideale," Tosti; (c) Arietta; (d) "Vida; Paul Petri. 3. March from "Tannhauser." Wagner-Liszt; Lillian Jeffry Petri. 4. "The Last Home," Kramer; (b) "O Peter, Go Ring Dem Bells," negro spiritual arranged by Burleigh; (c) "A Memory," Rudolf Ganz; (d) "The Fiddler at Dooney," Sidney Homer; Paul Petri.

Evening Program
8:30 p. m.—Evening concert under auspices Salem district, O. M. T. A. Organ solo—impromptu O. M. T. A. Coleridge-Taylor; Thomas S. Roberts; Vocal solo—Pillgrim's Song, Tschalkowsky; E. W. Hobson, piano solo, prelude, C. Minor, Rachmaninoff; Alice Holman; vocal solo, Autumnal Gale, Grieg, Lena Heitler Tartar; Tuba—Medley, Meitner; violin, Mary Talmadge-Headrick; piano, Beatrice Shelton; organ, Thomas S. Roberts.

November 27
9:30 a. m.—Organ recital under auspices Salem district, O. M. T. A. Organist, Frederick W. Goodrich. 1. Overture, "If I Were King," Adam. 2. (a) Intermezzo from organ suite, Truette. (b) Adagio from Symphony in B Flat, Pleyel. (c) Minuetto Antico e Musetta, Yon. 3. Characteristic numbers. (a) "Funeral of a Marionette," Gounod. (b) Slavonic Cradle Song, Neruda. (c) "A Japanese Sunset," Jessie L. Deppen. (d) "Chinese Lullaby," Bowers. 4. Alla Marcia, Petrali.

10:30 a. m.—First Congregational church. Discussion on "Modern Harmony." Speakers: Mrs. Jean Park McCracken; Frederick W. Goodrich, instructor in harmony and analysis, University of Oregon. (Portland Center.)

11:15 a. m.—Paper "Concert Co-operation for Oregon Teachers." Miss Fay Ruddock, Portland.

11:45 a. m.—Election of officers and concluding business.

12:15 p. m.—Luncheon under auspices Salem district, O. M. T. A. Speaker: Mrs. Charles Heintze, president Roseburg district. O. M. T. A. Music by faculty of McMinnville.

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THE NAMES OF SOME OF OUR LARGEST GROWERS OF APPLES

Marion County's Heaviest Apple Growing Sections Are in the Districts Around Shaw, Sublimity, Stayton and Silverton, with North End Well Represented

The heaviest apple growing section in Marion county, according to records of the state tax commission, is in the section around Shaw, Sublimity, Stayton and Silverton.

In the Sublimity neighborhood are the following large growers and their acreage: Alfred Fox, 100; Adam Subbauer, 70; Joseph Zuber, 50; John Robens, 60; G. D. Scott, 50; John Peterson, 50; Herbert A. Brown, 75; Jesse L. T. Cooley, 50; John Kinz, 50; Tony Steinkamp, 60; Adam Lulay, 50; C. E. Heater, 50; Frank Frazer, 50 and J. T. Halfner, 50.

Growers who have large acreage in bearing apples receiving their mail at Shaw are as follows: A. C. Harrows, 60; A. W. King, 75; B. P. Fresh, 60; Geo. A. Schmidt, 50; Ira B. Carier, 50 and W. H. Downing, 40 acres.

In the Stayton district the largest apple growers and their acreage is as follows: Albert Arthur, 20; L. S. Bennett, 25; M. Toeffler, 25; C. H. Rossiter, 25, and Martin Dierker, 20.

In the Silverton district J. C. Ritchey is credited with 50 acres

of apples in bearing, and Peter Rostrack with the same acreage. A. T. Savage has 60 acres. J. D. Darby, 50 acres and F. M. Miller is given 100 acres in bearing. Other large apple tracts are: H. E. King, 49 acres; J. Jacobs, 25; Jacob Zurcher, 40 and John Goplerud, 30 acres.

In the Macleay district, Alfred Meyer has 50 acres of apples in bearing, and Fred Linbeck, 50 acres. The Fargo Orchard Co. of Aurora has 350 acres in bearing, according to the assessor's report. A. H. Litchfield of Turner is given 140 acres in the same report.

Thomas Shearer of Gervais is given 30 acres of non-bearing apples while C. Joy of Salem, rural route, is credited with 20 acres non-bearing.

In the Sublimity apple district, Joseph Schultze has 25 acres non-bearing; Philip Steffes, 24 acres and Frank A. Bell, 60 acres non-bearing. William H. Tate of Sublimity has seven acres in bearing with 50 acres which have not yet reached the producing stage. John Master of Silverton is given 30 acres of non-bearing.

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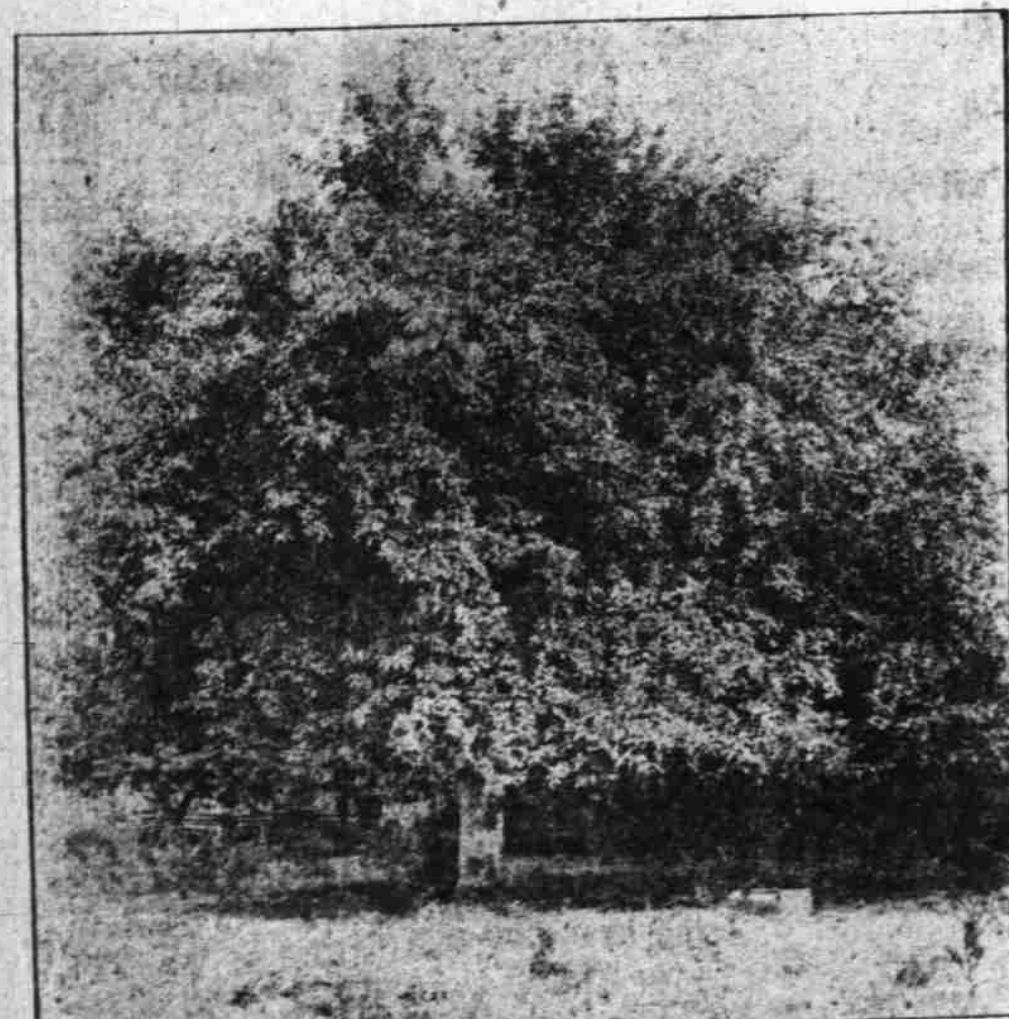
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