

### PRUNE CROP YIELD FIGURES REVISED

Northwest Harvest Will Be Around 30,000,000 Lbs. Says Paulus

With between 40 and 45 per cent of the 1924 prune crop sold, packers are revising their estimate of the northwest prune crop this year and now place the figure at 30,000,000 pounds, according to letters being sent to all brokers by the R. C. Paulus company. The letter is as follows: During the past two weeks harvesting has been going on, and growers are now beginning to find out about how their estimates and their final deliveries of prunes is going to check out. In most instances the deliveries are going to be under the earlier estimates. Just why this is true is hard to figure out, for the reason that some of the best growers, who have been in the game the longest, have missed their estimates the most.

The writer and his brother have 65 acres, and ordinarily we would expect from 55 to 75 tons of dried prunes from this acreage. We guessed the yield a little earlier in the season at 25 tons, and it is going to run very close to that amount. It has been hard to estimate prunes this year for the reason that there are, apparently, quite a few prunes on the trees. This is due to the fact that there are single prunes scattered all over the trees, but in ordinary years you get the same impression from looking at a tree, but there are more prunes in clusters of from three to a dozen each, and this is undoubtedly the reason why most everybody is overestimating on this year's crop.

Due to the fact that the crop is going to be shorter, and also the fact that the extremely hot weather the last two weeks has been putting sugar into the prunes, there are going to be more forties and less fifties than ordinarily anticipated. The total output of thirties, however, will not be affected very much for the reason that thirties will be obtained only from orchards which have extremely short crops, and they will run practically straight thirties anyway, so that the increase in sugar content will not materially increase the quantity of thirties which will be obtained from these short crop orchards.

Packers now have their ideas down to around 30,000,000 pounds for the total crop for the northwest and if this should turn out to be the final figure we would estimate that between 40 and 45 per cent of the crop has already been sold, and quite a considerable portion of the trade has not yet taken care of its requirements.

Packers have been buying the most desirable lots of prunes, especially those which will run heavily to thirties, and 30-40s, as far as the growers with unsold prunes are concerned, are getting very scarce.

### RATS ARE FEWER AT DUMP GROUND

Professional Rodent Exterminator Reports on City Garbage Heap

Salem's dump ground is remarkably free from rats and would be more so if the dump ground were not in such close proximity to the stables at the fair grounds, Mr. McGowan, professional rat exterminator for the Southern Pacific, told Alderman W. H. Dancy after an inspection of the dump. He highly complimented the city upon the condition of the dump, which was held to be small for a city the size of Salem. Through the constant use of a special spray the dump has but few flies this year. There is no use in the city seeking to rid the dump of rats as long as the stables are so close, Mr. McGowan said. As a result of his suggestions, efforts are being made for cooperation between the city and the state fair board to exterminate the rodents.

Alderman Dancy recently received quotations on incinerators, such as would be sufficient to accommodate a city of Salem's population and to take care of natural increase over a period of years. The cheapest price quoted was around \$45,000, with no provision for operating expenses. As a consequence, Alderman Dancy said, the city will not have an incinerator, at least not in the near future.

### DINNER CONCLUDES CONFERENCE HERE

Problems Pertaining to Prisons are Discussed in Informal Way

The allocation conference that has been in progress in Salem for two days was concluded last night by a dinner served at the Marion hotel under the direction of the National Committee on Prisons and Prison Labor. Warden A. M. Dalrymple of the state penitentiary presided over the dinner, which was an informal affair that gave opportunity for round-table discussion as well as the privilege of listening to brief talks by those present. Resolutions were adopted to be sent the National Committee on Prisons and Prison Labor expressing appreciation to the committee for sending its organizers and officers to Oregon to assist in working out the state institutional employment problems.

Speakers were LeRoy Hodges, chairman of the Virginia prison board; C. H. Gram, state labor commissioner; Mrs. Lola G. Baldwin, welfare worker for Portland; R. J. Hendricks, of The Statesman; R. S. Humphries, accountant for the National Committee on Prisons and Prison Labor; Mrs. Clara C. Patterson, superintendent of the state school for girls; Mrs. A. B. Todd, advisory member of the state parole board; Miss Cecilia Bollman, private secretary to Governor Pierce; George I. Smith, state parole officer; Jefferson Myers, state treasurer; A. M. Dalrymple, warden of the state prison; and J. W. Lillie, deputy warden of the state prison.

Besides the above named speakers the following attended the dinner: Miss Edna Garfield, Mrs. A. M. Dalrymple, Mrs. J. W. Lillie, W. A. Deisell, Mrs. R. J. Hendricks. Prison employment, the parole system, sentence laws, care of prisoners' dependents and other problems pertaining to prisons were discussed.

It is not bad luck for a black cat to cross in front of an auto. Not if it crosses all the way.

### WHITE APPOINTS STAFF OFFICERS

Brumbaugh, Rilea and Kelley Three of Seven to Serve Brigade

Adjutant General George A. White, who recently received from President Coolidge an appointment as brigadier general in command of the 82nd infantry brigade, made up of Oregon and Idaho national guardsmen, has announced the appointment of three members of his staff. The staff when appointments are all made will comprise seven officers. Major Harry C. Brumbaugh of Portland is appointed brigade executive officer. Major Brumbaugh was the first secretary of the state bonus and loan commission. The appointment as brigade adjutant has been given Captain Thomas E. Rilea. Captain Rilea has been connected with the adjutant general's office for several years.

Captain Patrick W. Kelley of Portland has received appointment as brigade supply officer and commanding officer of the headquarters company.

### OREGON STATE FAIR BECOMES INSTITUTION

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nearly outnumber the regular awards. In the pigeon division for members of the Oregon Pigeon fanciers' Association, the following silver cups and specials are placed on the breeds named: B. A. Mitchell, Orenco, silver cup,

best Maltese; Dan P. Law, Portland, silver cups, best English Owl and best 1924 Muff Tumbler; W. J. Beaverton, silver cups, best Clean Leg Tumbler and best 1924 Magpie; Dr. Rudolph Thielmann, Portland, silver cup, best short-faced bird of the three breeds, Bluettes, Blondettes and Satinettes; Oswald Thielmann, Portland, silver cups for best Fantail, Swallow, and Dragon; E. D. Baker, Gresham, silver cup, best Careaux; Len Brothers, Milwaukee, silver cups, best Antwerp Homer and best Magpie, old bird; C. A. Matt, Portland, silver cups for best White King and best Pigmy Pouter; Roy & Mellin, Portland, silver cup, best English Pouter; Portland Seed company, pigeon feed for best Show Homer; Routledge Seed Co., pigeon feed for best Racing Homer; Oregon Seed company, feed for best Chinese Owl; Lilly Seed Co., Portland, pigeon feed for best Jacobin; Milwaukee Seed Co., Portland, pigeon feed for best English Trumpeter; Crown Mills, Portland, feed for best Saddle Tumbler; Sam Weiss Co., Portland, award for best Turbit.

In the pet stock division, there are numerous specials offered in the rabbit division. H. E. Oshorn, Portland, will give a silver trophy for best display; G. H. Morrow, Portland, silver trophy for second best display; J. F. Smith, Portland, silver trophy for best pair senior Flemish to be raised by the breeder; Mrs. C. O. Messler, Portland, silver trophy for best pair of checkered giants; New Zealand club, Portland, silver trophy for best display for members of New Zealand club; O. L. Dow, Portland, silver to woman making best display; New Zealand and Flemish Breeders of Portland, silver trophy to woman showing best senior doe or buck; Flemish Breeders club, silver trophy on best display of Flemish.

Breakfast bacon is just educated fat meat.

### Kings 1924 Revue Coming to Bligh Theatre

The management of the Bligh theatre has booked the King 1924 Revue for four days and the opening date will be on Monday, September 8th. The company recently closed a successful engagement for the National Theatres Syndicate and has since been playing the larger theatres on their tour up from the south. The best evidence of their merit is the many return dates they have played, in the larger cities in the southern part of the state. Judging from the newspaper reports this company has to offer the best attractions ever presented for the price of admissions charged. The opening bill will be Shean's honeymoon and the following bill will be "His Brother's Wife." These are but a few of the many new and snappy comedies offered by this company of artists. Outstanding features of the King Revue is the exotic dances of Miss Marjorie King, who for two years was a feature dancer with the Julian Eltinge Co., both in the United States and abroad and later a star dancer with the Shuberts Enterprises, New York. Local theatre-goers will have an opportunity to see Miss King in the same dances and costumes that made her a star in the eastern metropolis. Aside from the dances, specialties and fast comedy bills, three big time vaudeville acts will be given in conjunction with the regular picture program, thus making the biggest show ever given in this city at popular prices.

Trouser pockets are places that men put hands that get in the way.

### TO PAY FOR EDUCATION

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 5.—Exhortation for the sake of education was 17 year old Claire Seaton's solution of the problem of how to keep on going to school despite financial difficulties, according to the deputy sheriffs who brought him to the county jail today from Burbank, a suburb, where he had been attending high school. Burbank authorities said they trapped the lad in an attempt to obtain \$4500 from Mr. and Mrs. Ed. T. Allen by threatening to kidnap their daughter Helen. He was booked on a charge of extortion.

### BAD LUCK CONTINUES

DETROIT, Mich., Sept. 5.—Friday again proved an ill day for Thomas L. Boyce, who became a bridegroom Friday, June 13 last. He was halled before Judge Frank Murphy in recorder's court today, charged with the murder of Clyde Keller, 45, last Sunday night. He pleaded not guilty and was ordered held without bail for examination tomorrow.

### TEN STILL MISSING

ST. PIERRE, Misquolon, Sept. 5.—Ten men of the crew of the three masted fishing schooner Raymond, wrecked off the Newfoundland coast near Fortune in a hurricane last night, were unaccounted for tonight.

Collars are choking strips wiled by men while laughing at foolish clothes women wear.

# Now in Full Swing Bishop's Annual BLANKET SALE

We started off with this Big Annual day before yesterday and you can believe us it is surely going strong. If you are going to need woolen blankets you should by all means take advantage of this sale. Read these prices, then come.

VIRGIN WOOL	
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Regular \$8.00, Pink, Lemon, Gray Plaid, now	\$5.50
Regular \$8.50, White, Blue Border, now	\$5.75
Regular \$9.50, Heliotrope, Blue Plaids, now	\$6.75
Regular \$10.50, Pink, Lemon Plaids, now	\$7.50
Regular \$12.50, White, Rose Border, now	\$9.50
Regular \$10.00, Yellowstone Park Blanket, now	\$7.50

VIRGIN WOOL	
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Regular \$14.00 Blue, Tan, Black, Pink, now	\$10.50
Regular \$18.00 White, Blue Border, now	\$11.75
Regular \$20.00 Pink, Hello, Blue, Plaids, now	\$13.50
Regular \$22.50 White with Blue Border, now	\$15.75
Regular \$24.00 White, Pink Border, now	\$17.00
Regular \$25.00, White, Pink Border, now	\$17.50

Dark Colored Doubles	
Defective and Discontinued	
Regular \$6.50 90% wool, now	\$4.50
Regular \$7.00, grey, 90% wool, now	\$5.00
Regular \$9.00, Grey, 90% wool, now	\$6.50
Regular \$10.50, blue, all wool, now	\$7.00
Regular \$12.00, Scarlet, all wool, now	\$8.00
Regular \$12.50, Red and Black Plaid, now	\$8.75
Regular \$12.50, Gray, 8 1/2 pounds	\$8.75

Dark Colored Singles	
Defective and Discontinued	
Regular \$7.00, all wool, Magenta, now	\$4.25
Regular \$7.50, all wool, Scarlet, now	\$4.75
Regular \$9.00, all wool, Scarlet, now	\$6.50
Regular \$10.50, all wool, Grey and Khaki, now	\$7.50
Regular \$11.50, all wool, Scarlet, now	\$8.75
Regular \$12.00, all wool, Vicuna, now	\$12.00
Regular \$15.00, all wool, Navy, now	\$11.00



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## OREGON WINS ARMY PRAISE

Western Headquarters at San Francisco Likes Defense Day Program

Oregon's energetic response and preparation for participation in National Defense Test day, September 12, were commended by western army headquarters at San Francisco, in a letter received yesterday at Defense Test day headquarters, and addressed to Brigadier General George A. White, state chairman. Major General Morton, in advising of a report to the war department of the Oregon plan of participation added his own commendation upon "the excellence and completeness of the program arranged by the state committee and the thoroughness of plans for its execution."

The big map of Oregon at defense test headquarters showed 61 cities participating in this state, each active city being indicated by a large red pin, and the cities that are not yet thoroughly active being marked with green pins. General White declined to give out the list of non-participating cities, saying that while there are few of them, in most cases lack of information is due to failure of mayors to report activities rather than to any lack of interest on the part of citizens and committees.

A small supply of yellow pins provided to mark cities that refused to participate has gone unused until today, when one appeared on the Defense Test day map over the name of Talent in Jackson county. Mayor Breese reported no interest and indicated that he was not in favor of the patriotic demonstrations.

Enrollment blanks sent out last Saturday to all reserve corps and national guard officers in Oregon are pouring in on headquarters with every mail. Among prominent men whose names were found on the rolls as one-day volunteers were those of George Griffith, state commander of the American legion, who will serve as a private in the motor transport corps on September 12 and Mayor George L. Baker of Port-

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