



GARDNER CAUGHT

Cherry Crop to be Near 3,000,000 Pounds Estimate

Three and a Half to Four Cents Predicted As Price In View of Glutted Condition of Eastern Markets; Royal Annes to Comprise Two-Thirds of Total Production In Salem Area

Unless the rain damage is excessive this year, there will be approximately 3,000,000 pounds of cherries within hauling distance of Salem. For these the growers will be paid about 3 1/2 or 4 cents per pound—\$120,000, approximately.

Situation Explained

Should the Salem market for cherries prove to be unsatisfactory to the cherry men hereabout, growers naturally would turn to other markets in the hope of receiving better prices.

The answer is that the eastern states aren't wanting cherries—now. True, they were a short while ago. But the cherry men of California have rather ruined that market for the Oregon growers.

East Is Supplied. California cherry men failed to get what they wanted from the California canners for their fruit.

As a result, hundreds of cars of California cherries began to move eastward and the eastern markets were heavily supplied with fresh cherries.

Local canners are unable to say in what manner the cherries are to be handled this year. They are unable to guess at what proportion will be barreled, for this is difficult to determine early in the season.

Crop Is Lighter. Although this year's cherry crop is somewhat lighter than that of last year, it is, however, better than the average year.

Of the 1500 tons in this vicinity, approximately a thousand tons will be Royal Annes, and they appear to be of excellent quality. Thousands of pounds will be picked from "door yard" trees which are not considered in the official reports of cherry acreage.

Last year the Salem canneries handled about 50 tons of cherries daily, and it is believed they will take care of at least that quantity this season.

Shrine Plans Hospital For Crippled Kids

Des Moines, Iowa, June 16.—The Imperial council, Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, decided at a secret session to establish a hospital in St. Louis dedicated to the crippled children of North America.

Stillman Centers Case On Relations Of Wife and Guide

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., June 16.—Counsel for James A. Stillman centered his court fight for divorce today upon testimony regarding the relations of Mrs. Stillman with Fred Beauvais, the part Indian guide named by the New York banker as co-respondent.

Shortly afterwards they surprised Mrs. Stillman and her attorneys by producing four witnesses said to have come from Canada. Three of these were women. Presumably they were to tell of relations between defendant and Beauvais at the Stillman camp near Three Rivers, Quebec.

When the morning session opened, Bernard Kelly, former superintendent of the Stillman estate in the Pocantico Hills and his wife, Irene Kelly, were taken into the building where the hearings were held.

Bernard Kelly, it is understood, admitted on cross-examination today that he willfully evaded answering a question yesterday as to his knowledge of the whereabouts of Mary Kelly, the maid who is charged by Mrs. Stillman's lawyers with having stolen the letters alleged to have been written to Mrs. Stillman by Beauvais.

Today it was learned that Kelly told where Mary Kelly was living and explained that he had visited her several times recently. Efforts to call her as a witness probably will be made by the defense.

Twilight Ball Game Tonight

Tonight the American Legion and the State House will cross bats on Willamette field at six o'clock to fight off the result of a mutual tie-game earlier in the season.

Bulletins

San Francisco, June 16.—Refined cane sugar at the refineries reached a new low level today, \$6.15 a hundred-weight being the quotation, a drop of 25 cents. Today's refined beet sugar quotation is \$5.95.

Washington, June 16.—Conferences between the senate and house on the naval appropriation bill ended today in a deadlock and the four hundred and ninety four million dollar bill, with the Borah disarmament conference amendment was taken back to the house for action.

The conferees agreed to await action by the house. The conferees agreed to strike out an amendment of five hundred thousand dollars for a new pier (number four) at the Bremerton, Wash., navy yard but agreed to retain ninety thousand dollars for a rifle range at the Bremerton yard, a senate amendment.

New York, June 16.—Directors of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad company today voted that the stock of the company be increased from seventy-two million dollars to one hundred and twenty five million dollars. It also was decided to issue to stockholders a stock dividend of as much of the proposed increase of fifty-three million dollars as the interstate commerce commission might authorize.

Rapid Rise Of Mason Is Ended Illinois Congressman, Who Started Career As School Teacher In Iowa, Dead

Washington, June 16.—Representative W. E. Mason, 70, of Illinois, died here today from heart trouble. Although Representative Mason had been suffering from a heart attack for several days his condition yesterday was reported as showing improvement and death came unexpectedly after a sudden release. He formerly was a member of the senate.

Started as Teacher. Chicago, June 16.—From school teacher in a small Iowa town to representative and senator in both the state legislature of Illinois and the national congress, was the record of William Ernest Mason, who died in Washington today.

He was born in Franklinville, N. Y., and when he was eight years old, he moved with his parents to Bentonport, Iowa, where he received his preliminary education at the Bentonport academy.

When sixteen years old he began teaching school in Bentonport. Later he began the study of law. Moving to Chicago he was admitted to the bar in 1872, and was identified with the legal profession here for more than forty years. In 1873 he was married to Edith White of Des Moines.

In 1879 he was elected to the general assembly; to congress in 1890; and was defeated for re-election in 1892 and was elected United States senator in 1897. In 1916 he was elected representative at large from Illinois.

Labor Urges Senate Probe Of 'Lockout'

Denver, Colo., June 16.—The American Federation of Labor today, by resolution called upon the United States senate to adopt the LaFollette bill providing for a federal investigation of the nationwide "lockout" of seamen.

The resolution, introduced by the International Seamen's union declared that "a combination of European and American ship owners aided by the United States shipping board have up to this moment been busy thwarting the American people in their legitimate desire and purpose to share in the overseas commerce, and, in building for America a sea power corresponding to the American sea board."

The convention adopted a resolution calling for a congressional investigation into conditions in the cotton mill's of the south.

Little Spent on Bill. Expenditures in the interest of the hygienic marriage bill, defeated at the recent election, were limited to a few dollars for a stenographer and for hotel bills and traveling expenses all of which she paid out of her own funds, according to Dr. Owens-Adair, author of the measure, who has filed a statement covering these facts, with the secretary of state's office.

Five Die In Train Wreck

Cloudburst Believed Responsible; Baggage and Chair Cars Drop From Bridge

Omaha, Neb., June 16.—Five persons are known to have been killed and thirty-three injured, a number seriously, when a Chicago & Northwestern passenger train from Lander, Wyo., to Omaha was wrecked last night by the collapse of a bridge over a creek near Whitney, Neb.

The dead, according to advices from Chadron, which is about 20 miles from the scene of the wreck, are: Robert Scott, Chadron, baggage-man; F. M. Stewart, Gordon, Neb.; Frank Bosner, Lander, Wyo.; C. M. Buck of Grand Island, Neb., and F. B. Skiller of Chadron.

Either a cloudburst or heavy upstream pressure in the creek caused the bridge to give way. General Superintendent Dickinson of the Northwestern lines here said, adding that there had been no high water there this season. The engine cleared the bridge, but the baggage and mail cars plunged into the bank while the chair car was thrown into the water.

Reports here said the injured as given by Mr. Dickinson included: Charles Duntze, Cheyenne, Wyo., head bruised; Elmer B. Smith, Portland, Or., body and leg bruised.

Wrecking crews were sent from Casper, Wyo., and Chadron, Neb., and it was predicted by Mr. Dickinson that the line would be cleared by early tonight.

A. Rousseville of Chicago, assistant chief maintenance engineer for the Northwestern, was among the Pullman passengers on the train and assisted in the first relief work.

All of the dead and injured, Chadron advices said, were found in the smoker and baggage cars.

State Weaves Chain Around Lyda Southward

Twin Falls, Idaho, June 16.—Revealing progressive links in the chain of evidence upon which the state expects to convict Mrs. Lyda Southward of the murder of Edward F. Meyer, her fourth husband, prosecuting Attorney Frank L. Stephan, at the outset of the preliminary examination before Probate Judge O. P. Duval here this morning introduced testimony of H. Granville Haight, manager of Blue Lakes ranch, where Meyer was employed, to the effect that Mrs. Southward, a fortnight after her marriage to Meyer, came to make her home with him and introduced the use of a type of poison fly paper, alleged to have been used in causing Meyer's death. Two days later Haight testified, on August 26, 1920, Meyer was stricken and died September 7 at a hospital here where he was taken, Haight stated, over the objection of Mrs. Southward who, he said, declared she would "rather have him here where I can take care of him."

Barber to Retain Insurance Job Governor Says

A. C. Barber will be reappointed as state insurance commissioner at the expiration of his present term June 30, next, according to an announcement by Governor Olcott this morning. Barber was appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Harvey Wells as insurance commissioner August 1, 1919. Prior to that time he was for several years deputy insurance commissioner.

Soft Drinks Slump To 5 Cents Here

In one of his recently proposed questionnaires for college youths, Thomas A. Edison put the query: "What is coke?" And one Salem drink merchant this morning came back with the answer: "Five cents with war tax." It's a fact. A most soothing reminder, confectionerly speaking, that the war is over, was felt by local soft drinkers today when they saw the announcement conspicuously made by one thirst quenching emporium that the once practically worthless five cent piece will in the future purchase sodas of various kinds. The drop in price, however, has not as yet become general over the city.

Mrs. Gardner Glad Husband Is Captured

Napa, Cal., June 16.—Mrs. Roy Gardner said she was glad that her husband had been captured, because it would mean he would have no more opportunity for committing crime or shooting anyone.

"I am glad to know he still loves me, but tell him to say I did not give him that gun because I didn't," she said on being told that her husband wanted word sent to her that he still loved her. "I don't want suspicion cast on me because I never have been implicated in any of his crimes. I don't want him to betray a friend, however."

Autos May Go Back On Tax Lists

Creation of Poll Tax Also Considered As Means of Lessening Property Levies

Restoration of the automobile to the personal property list for taxation purpose and creation of a poll tax similar to that in effect in the state of Washington, are two of the straws at which the tax investigation commission will clutch in its effort to dig real property out from under the load with which it is burdened under the present system of taxation in this state.

At least such was the indication in an informal discussion of the task that has been laid out for the members of this commission created by the last legislature at its first meeting here Wednesday.

Among other problems with which the commission will grapple in the next few months preliminary to the compilation of its report and recommendations to the legislature of 1923, as indicated by the discussion at today's session are:

Revision of the method for taxing public service corporations. Taxation of timber lands and cut over lands.

A uniform basis for the assessment of all taxable property throughout the state.

Today's session was limited to organization of the commission and informal discussion of the task at hand. In order to expedite matters sub-committees were named to consider various phases of the taxation problem to report at the next meeting in Portland, probably on July 2. These committees are:

Walter M. Pierce and Coe A. McKenna, farm lands and city property.

C. S. Chapman and Charles A. Brand, timber lands and horticultural lands.

School Budget Is Favored By Local Ministers

Following a discussion of the school budget by members of the school board and teachers, the ministerial association this morning approved of the budget by resolution urging its adoption.

Within a week or two Sunday meetings will be given in the park in the afternoon by the Salem ministerial association in cooperation with the Y. M. C. A. of this city, according to the plans of the association who appointed a committee to get the work under way. It is the same plan that is followed in Portland by the two organizations there, who conduct meetings regularly in the parks.

Bandit Captured By Centralia Cop In Room at Hotel

Bandaged Face Leads To Arrest On Suspicion and Identification; Chatty and Affable, Prisoner Tells Details of Chase from Time of Escape; Left Castle Rock on Train Tuesday

"What'll I Do Next? 50 Years," Is Answer

Admits Presence In Royal Restaurant; Denies He Stole Chickens or Milked Cows; Lost Gun Early In Game; Never In Kelso; Sends Love to Wife and Insists He Played Fair

Centralia, Wash., June 16.—Roy Gardner, fugitive bandit for whom a posse has been searching Cowlitz county, Wash., was captured in Centralia shortly before noon today by Patrolman Louis Sonny. At the city jail where he was taken, Gardner admitted his identity.

Gardner's face was heavily bandaged to make it appear that he had been in an accident. Sonny, noting that the man's general build was similar to that of Gardner as carried in descriptions sent out by postoffice department agents, "took a long chance" he said, and arrested him.

Policeman Sonny first saw Gardner early this morning, which he later escaped, pulled in to Castle Rock Tuesday evening and made up his mind that there was his chance to "make my getaway."

"Nearly Touched 'Dicks'." The engineer got down out of his cab to oil his engine, and two special officers came forward and talked to the engineer. They then walked back along the train with him.

"I made a rush for the tender and crawled underneath," said Gardner. "Just as I crawled under, the officers came back. They were within three feet of me. I thought I was gone, but they didn't see me."

Portland, Ore., June 16.—In an interview with the Portland Telegram by long distance telephone, Gardner explained his movements from the time he escaped from a train at Sattle Rock, Wash., last Saturday morning, after holding up his two guards, to the time of his arrest. He declared he had boarded a train at the Castle Rock depot the night following his appearance at the Royal restaurant Tuesday morning.

Chase Too Short. "It was a good chase, while it lasted," said Gardner, "only it was too short. 'I'd like to have kept it up for a couple of months, at least. Asked what he was going to do next, Gardner replied cheerily: 'Fifty years at McNeil. I'm done with the escape.' 'Just get word to my wife that I love her still. 'I'm going to take my medicine now; go to McNeil tomorrow, I guess. 'And say, just say so the people will know, that I always played square. 'Played Fair,' He Says 'I never hurt a man in my life—and I never will. 'Why man, you know I took off the Oregon boot from Mulhall and that other officer when they said they hurt 'em. I took 'em off, then jumped off the train. 'I can't tell you where I got the gun that I had when I escaped—that would be telling you know. 'You don't blame me, do you? 'You know I play square. 'And I'm through—absolutely,' continued Gardner. 'I was never more than a