PARCEL POST RATE REDUCED

11 to 20 Pounds.

Change Will Benefit One-Third of Patrons-Further Reduction Thought Likely.

Washington, D. C .- Plans for the extension, improvement and reduction in rates of the parcel post are announced by Postmaster General Burle-

The changes, which are to become effective August 15, include an increase from 11 pounds to 20 pounds in the maximum weight of parcels; a partial reduction in the postage rates in the first and second zones and the abandonment of the parcel post map as a means of computing rates and the substitution for it of a rate chart individualized to every postoffice in the United States.

The plans contemplate the purchase of a large number of automobiles to be used exclusively for the delivery of parcel post matter.

While for the present the maximum weight limit of 20 pounds and the reduction in rates will apply only to the firts and second zones, from any given postoffice-a distance of about 150 miles the changes directed constitute the first long step toward a universal extension of the system and a general reduction in the rates of postage on parcel matter.

"It is my expectation and belief," said Postmaster General Burleson, "that eventually-and it may be 15 or 20 years—the postal service will handle practically all of the small package transportation business in the United States. The maximum weight limit, extended now from 11 to 20 pounds, I expect to see increased to 100 pounds, and experience may demonstrate the practicability of handling the parcel business at even lower rates than we now propose. I appreciate fully the sentiment for an increase in the weight limit and a reduction in rates to all zones, but it is necessary for us in a sense to feel our way. For that reason we have made the changes proposed apply only to the first and second zones.

Mr. Burleson announced the changes as follows:

"The first zone shall include the terwill apply to all parcel post mail deposited at any office for local delivery tributing the Wells-Fargo stock thus or for delivery by city carrier or on rural routes, emanating from that

"The second zone shall include the remainder of what is now the first area located in whole or in part within after deposits may be made by mail a radius of approximately 150 miles and withdrawals likewise effected from any given postoffice.

'The rate of postage on parcels reduced from 5 cents for the first rule. pound and 3 cents for each additional pound, to 5 cents for the first pound and 1 cent for each additional pound or fraction thereof.

"The maximum weight of parcel post packages will be increased from 11 pounds to 20 pounds, the increase made in the size or form of package.'

Friedmann Patient Dies.

Topsfield, Mass. — Alford Warriner Cooley, ex-United States assistant at-New Mexico Supreme court, the most prominent patient to receive Dr. Friedmann's "cure" for tuberculosis, succumbed to the disease here. His dramatic 3000-mile dash across

England clinic, was sensational.

mann had discovered a cure for con-

Bombs Thrown in Lisbon.

Lisbon - An organized attempt at bomb-throwing in various parts of the city early Sunday was frustrated by the police, who were warned and were on the lookout. They captured several automobiles in which they found party of the Canadian polar explorabaskets of bombs, and arrested many tion expedition to Victoria, arrived persons who had gathered in the streets. While the police were engaged in these operations, shots were stores and equipment was begun at fired, and several persons were wound- once. Captain Robert Bartlett, mased. One bomb, thrown from an auter of the Karluk, which is at Port tomobile, killed a policeman and injured others.

Dyke to Be Blown October 10.

Panama-Colonel G. W. Goethals, chief engineer of the Panama canal, announces that steamshovel work in

APPLE GROWERS ORGANIZE

Will Establish Agencies in All Large Business Centers.

Spokane, Wash.-Out of a conference of apple growers in Spokane last November has been evolved a coopera-Weight Limit Increased From tive marketing organization which will be launched immediately on a continent-wide basis, having exclusive agencies in 150 leading centers of North America, extending from Montreal to Texas, and from Florida to Eastern Montana.

Through these agencies most of the great apple crop of the states of Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana will be marketed cooperatively

under one central selling agency. The organization of Pacific west fruit growers is considered by bankers and business men to be the most important economic development freely asserting that this cooperative movement will mean the salvation of which last year produced 16,000 carloads.

Carload shipments will commence next week under direction of General Manager J. H. Robbins at the Spokane headquarters of the distributors. While apples perhaps will constitute the bulk of the corporation's shipments, all deciduous fruits of the four states will be distributed.

the North Pacific Fruit Distributors will have representatives covering the Middle Western gateways at Omaha and Minneapolis, as well as at Chicago and New York headquarters, two in the territory of Montana and the Dakotas and three in the provinces of Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba.

H. F. Davidson, a large grower of Hood River, Or., president of the distributors, will go to New York August 1, and H. E. Smith, sales manager treatments. from Southern Idaho, to Chicago, to perfect organizations at these head-

\$5,000,000 Melon Is Divided.

New York-The directors of the American Express company have decided to distribute among the stockholders of the company 45,000 shares of stock of Wells-Fargo & Co., with a market value of nearly \$5,000,000, which has been held by the company for several years. As there are 180,-000 shares of American Express stock, one share of Wells-Fargo will be alloted for each four shares of the

American company's stock. The American Express company obtained the stock several years ago when it was bought as a result of an the Union Pacific railroad for exten- pasture becomes poor.' ritory within the local delivery of any sion of its service over that line. The office and the first zone rate of postage purchase was made, the directors said, with the intention ultimately of disobtained.

Will Allow Mail Deposits.

Washington, D. C. - Banking by mail is the latest innovation entered zone together with the present second into by the government in connection zone, and shall include all the units of with the postal savings system. Herethrough the same agency.

When the postal savings system was weighing in excess of four ounces in first put into operation, postmasters duced 2½ bushels. One 50-foot row of Redding should be used weighing in excess of four ounces in the proposed first zone will be reduced from 5 cents for the first pound and 1 such persons as were not patrons of the proposed first zone will be reduced to permit deposits by string beans by carefully picking, that none got too old, provided the family the floors are tight, as it adds greatly they were picked up and borne to safecent for each additional pound or frac- the postoffice in which they sought to tion thereof, to 5 cents for the first bank. This was found to work a real pound and I cent for each additional hardship on a certain class of wouldtwo pounds or fraction thereof; and be depositors, and Postmaster General the rate for the second zone will be Burleson accordingly abrogated the

Roumanians Are Near Sofia.

London - Roumanian troops are at Plevna and Mesedra, the latter town within 30 miles of Sofia, and King Ferdinand of Bulgaria is suppliant to King Charles, of Roumania, for terms of weight to apply only to the first of peace. It is understood that the and second zones. No change has been powers are striving to induce Roumania not to occupy Sofia and are urging Bulgaria to appoint a delegate to confer with the Servian and Greek premiers. The facts of the situation are just becoming known in Sofia and are torney general and an ex-judge of the causing dismay among the people. M. Malinoff's efforts to form a cabinet appear to have failed.

Chinese Rebels Defeated.

Kiu Kiang, China - The northern mann was then holding his only New rebellious forces have been defeated and are fleeing to Lu Ling, about 15 Widespread belief that Dr. Fried- miles to the south. Heavy fighting the use of any ground. Plant squash- desirable kind, being tender and fine sumption renewed Judge Cooley's hope all around Kiu Kiang as the result of and it was through the offices of Colo- the dispatch of northern troops to Plant no more of anything than you nel Roosevelt, it is said, that an ap- drive out the Kiang troops, numbering will use, and can what cannot be used gravelly loam to sunflowers. They pointment was made with Dr. Fried- 9000. Reinforcements now are on the way to aid in putting down the revolt, which has spread all along the Yangtse Kiang.

Stefansson Loads Boats.

Nome, Alaska - The gasoline boat Alaska, bought by Vilhjalmar Stefans Stefansson that the Karluk was ready to sail. Stefansson is negotiating for another power boat to carry supplies.

Wreck of Dirigible Is Fatal.

Schneidemuehl, Germany-The milithe Culebra cut section hereafter will tary dirigible balloon Schuette-Lanz be conducted on the assumption that was torn from her moorings in a wind Gamboa dyke will be dynamited Oc- squall and wrecked. She carried up tober 10. The Gatun lake will flood in her cordage two sentries, one of the cut, thereby connecting the Atlan- whom was killed by falling 600 feet Do you think two can live as cheaply ty woman's handkerchief in a street

FARM AND ORCHARD

Notes and Instructions from Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations of Oregon and Washington, Specially Suitable to Pacific Coast Conditions

ous Plants.

The only known way to prevent sheep poisoning by poisonous plants is to keep them away from infested pastures and ranges when they are very hungry for green feed, is the conclusion reached by Mr. G. R. Sampson, instructor in animal husbandry at the Oregon Agricultural college, after exhaustive research. Inquiries have come to the college for methods of prevention and cure, and in reply Mr. Sampson says:

"Several plants poisonous to sheep of the present decade, and they are are normally found in many localities. Sheep frequently come in contact with them without serious injury. When the apple industry of these states, pastures become poor, due to drought or overstocking, or when sheep are first put on summer range, deaths sometimes occur and serious losses may follow.

"Treatment of poisoned sheep is very difficult, as the animal frequently shows little sign of sickness until a few minutes before death. Regurgitation or vomiting after food has reached the digested stage is nearly impos-In addition to 150 exclusive agents, sible for the sheep, so that emetics ne North Pacific Fruit Distributors are of little avail, and physic works too slowly to get the poison out quick enough. These treatments which may relieve poisoned people, are less efficient for sheep, because of the more complicated stomach of the latter. For the same reason, antidotes are difficult to get into action unless administered hypodermically, and unfortunately the commoner plant poisons in sheep do not yield readily to known

"It is therefore evident that sheep or only allowed on such pastures when there is an abundant growth of wholesome plants and after the sheep have soil by growing and plowing under been allowed to eat their fill on unin-

fested pastures. plants. The fact that sheep normally ing the manure. run on pastures containing one or

Big Return From Garden.

It is astonishing the amount of garden produce one may raise on a small patch of ground. Last year from a plot 75x132 feet a family of four were supplied with fresh vegetables all summer. Besides using all the early potatoes needed, 39 bushels were put into the cellar together with enough onions, carrots, parsnips, salsify and cabbage to supply the family for the and Home

Six 50-foot rows of popcorn pronone got too old, provided the family with these, besides enough to pickle and can 28 quarts. Not a pod was wasted. One 50-foot row of beets sufficed for summer pickles, canning 25 quarts, and as much more to give away. Thirty tomato plants furnished enough for use fresh and the winter's supply of canned tomatoes, besides selling two bushels.

From 30 currant bushes, 10 gooseberry bushes, and three 50-foot rows of red raspberries, many quarts of fruit were used fresh, 75 quarts canned and enough sold to buy the reof pieplant is found at the end of the wise winterkilled, bleak and bare.

How was it done? The ground is kept well fertilized, well worked, and in the county of Kent there are 6000 a complete rotation of crops is prac- acres devoted to this fruit. Ameriticed. Every foot of ground is used. Small vegetables like radishes, let- Wall in Farm and Home. tuce, onions, etc., are planted 14 inchsquare between the squash hills. early, a fault of many kinds. fresh, letting nothing go to waste.

Use for Mouldy Berries.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corthese damp summer mornings.
"These loganberries are all mouldy. They are such lovely berries that I do hate to throw them away." Well,

Regretted Losing Good Thing.

Ella-"Mrs. Gayboy looks very sad alimony."-Club-Fellow.

For the Old Man to Decide.

Old Gotrox (savagely)-"So you

Protection of Sheep From Poison- stroyed hundreds of dollars' worth of otherwise good berries. But Pro-fessor C. I. Lewis, head of the Horticultural department, has been conducting scientific experiments to determine the fitness of loganberries which have

grown a mould but are otherwise sound, for domestic use. The above surprising conclusions are the result of this investigation. Although of great economic value, the results are easily accounted for. Professor Lewis says that mould is a vegetative pro- Industrial Workers of the World headcess as truly as the growth of lettuce, and the high temperature merely kills

Directions for the use of the mouldy loganberries are easily followed. The mould is washed from the fruit and it is put into a saucepan with just enough water to keep it from stick-With a quick fire it is brought to the boiling point without continuing to boil. It is then removed from the fire and the juice strained out. The juice is then mixed with one-third the stove, and again heated as before. It may be mixed with an equal quantity of apple juice and the mixture made into a jell with the right amount of sugar. Or it may be set aside to Colorado and California. cool, mixed with four times its measurement of water, and used as a wholesome and delightful beverage.

Big Value of Farm Manure.

chemical elements and supplying it with organic matter. The organic FIRE WRECKS OREGON TOWN matter by decomposition forms humus. A soil deficient in humus has lost its should either be kept away from pas- power to retain water for the growing tures infested with poisonous weeds, crop, according to a Farm and Home contributor.

poison oak, sage brush and laurel, are keep up fertility by applying commerall more or less injurious to sheep and cial fertilizers alone the soil will will cause death if the sheep eat much eventually become depleted of humus. \$400,000, with \$100,000 insurance. of them or if they are compelled to This makes necessary the keeping of subsist to too great an extent on these stock and saving and properly apply-

ill effects, simply indicates that these the feeds used and the class of stock er stop remain to supply the town. much as are normal forage plants, and important. On an average three- of the river were destroyed. agreement whereby it contracted with will be left very largely alone unless fourths of the manurial value of the feed is voided by the animals in the three hours. McMinnville, Carlton manure, and in case of certain chemical elements with some stock nearly crews to fight the flames. McMinnall of it is voided.

to the fields with the least labor. In of the river. the first place the stable floors should winter, writes an authority in Farm almost get away. Even in cases where stant menace to the firemen and resi-

to the comfort of the animals, and ty before seriously injured. when it is of the right sort, it adds to the quality of the manure. A considerable portion of the organic matter of manure is in the bedding. A shed with a tight cement floor and a completed a flying boat trip from adjusted only on the basis of judicial good roof, in which manure is kept wet down to prevent fermentation. makes good manure, but is often objectionable because of extra expense.

Farm and Home.

Evergreens make "all the differthe canning. A bed of asparagus and brighten and enliven gardens other-

Garden and Orchard.

The importance of the gooseberry in England is shown by the fact that cans do not half appreciate it, says C.

Give Golden Ball lettuce a trial. It es apart. The first little rows of rad- is round and compact, as the name imishes are planted between the currant plies, and must be sown thinly, as it radishes were put in wherever any good flavor and nice to garnish or for has been in progress for several days es in with the corn, leaving four hills flavored, and is not inclined to seed

> Last spring I planted a piece of grew very rank, some having heads measuring from 9 to 12 inches across. When harvested the sunflower seed was fed to a sow that had farrowed 10 vallis-"Just look here," exclaims pigs in June. No feed that I have many a disappointed housekeeper ever used gave faster gain with this sow and pigs.

Scientific Point Cleared Up.

A German astronomer has published don't do it, then. Just turn them in- a series of tables which seem to show to a delicious drink or sparkling jell, a connection between the appearance for which purposes they are excellent. of sun spots and the wabbling motion Of course, most people have not of the earth on its axis, due, perhaps, known this, and as a result have de- to a variation in the sun's magnetism.

What He Wanted.

Four-year-old Myron was served sion. since she divorced her husband." Bel- with some waffles one morning for the la-"Yes, she didn't know what a first time in his memory, and upon good husband she had until she saw finishing them with a relish he called: how generously he behaved about the "Mamma, please bring me some more of those pancakes with windows in."

Then Few Men Have It.

"Pop, what's poise?" "Poise, my

Civilians and Naval Reserve Aid-Police Don't See.

Seattle, Wash. - Crowds of sailors from the Pacific Reserve fleet, at anchor in the bay, aided by hundreds Potlatch celebration, attacked the Socialist and Industrial Workers of the World headquarters Friday night, sacking the buildings and dumping the furniture into the streets. Two distinct parties made attacks.

The first, in the northern part of the business district, wrecked the Socialist headquarters near Fifth avenue and Virginia street. They then nailed U. S. flags across the front of the building. The second, in the southern part of the down-town section, attacked the quarters, dumping the furniture into the street and making a bonfire of it.

The police offered not the slightest resistance to the sailors. Some of the officers said that all the force was busy handling the Potlatch crowds, and no reserves were available to cope with the rioters.

The damage is estimated at \$3000 or more.

The police and the provost guard have taken hold of the situation and believe that no further damage will its measurement of sugar, put back on be done. The provost guard rounded up all the sailors ashore and sent them back to their ships.

Most of the sailors in the first party wore the name-bands of the crusiers

About a dozen men, all youthful, were in the wrecking party at the start. They were aided by several members of the Washington naval militia and by hundreds of young civil-Manures benefit the soil by adding ians, who made most of the noise.

Business Section of Sheridan Gone, Also Many Dwellings.

Sheridan, Or.—The husiness section Organic matter can be added to the of Sheridan has been wiped out, and would be left in charge of Secretary green crops, but this method adds but sult of a fire which started Friday correspond to that of the Mexican emlittle new chemical material. On the night at 5:03 o'clock and swept an bassy in Washington, which is under "Larkspur, loco weed, wild parsnip, other hand, when farmers attempt to area covering three blocks on the the care of Secretary Algeria. Recsouth side of the Yamhill river. The

The fire started from a gasoline stove explosion in a small restaurant. Of the entire business section there The value of farm manures depends is one blacksmith shop and one garage more of these plants and yet suffer no chiefly upon the kind and quality of standing. One bakery and one butchplants are not relished by sheep so kept. The first is by far the most About 30 buildings on the south side

> The fire raged a little more than and Willamina, Or., sent fire hose and ville is about 14 miles away and Carl-There are several good ways of sav- ton about 22 miles. The crew and ing and applying manure. We as hose arrived at 7:03 o'clock, and the farmers have to consider how we can men swam the river with the hose to save all of the chemical elements and attach it to the hydrants there, so at the same time handle it and get it fierce was the heat on the south side

> Exploding cartridges, ammunition be tight so that the liquid portion of and dynamite in the various wellthe manure containing the nitrogen stocked hardware stores were a cona large amount of bedding is used, if dents of the city who joined in fightthe floor is poor some of the liquid ing the flames. Six of the workers

Long Airboat Trip Finished.

Detroit, Mich. - Beckwith Havens Chicago to Detroit shortly before 4 o'clock Saturady afternoon. He followed the route planned for the Chibeen the most remarkable trip ever undertaken by flying boats.

Although it was announced a few days ago that the cruise, which started maining fruit needed for the rest of ence" in the winter garden. They from Chicago July 8, had been called off because of the private committee which raised the bonus money was reported to have withdrawn the prizes, E. P. Noel, steward of the Aero Club of America, said here that the cruise itself would stand and that Havens would be the winner of it.

Civil Service Is Applied.

Washington, D. C .- A large numthe continent from Silver City, N. M., troops have taken possession of Kiu bushes, as the early cultivation helps has a tendency to rot if closely set. ber of nominations for consular offices to Providence, R. I., where Dr. Fried-Kiang and the forts. The southern them. The two succeeding crops of In color it inclines to yellow, is of will be sent to the senate in a few will be sent to the senate in a few days. The list will include many of seeds failed to grow, so we do not lose salad. Boston curled is also a very the names contained on the slate which failed confirmation at the close of the Taft administration.

It is said this will be the first demonstration of the purpose of President Wilson to continue the application of civil service principles in the consular service, as many of the officers named for promotion are neither Republicans or of known political affiliations.

Old Oregon Will Be First.

San Diego, Cal.-It is the purpose of the Navy department to send the grown potatoes is threatened by the entire battleship fleet through the Panama canal from the Atlantic to the count of the prevalence of tuber moth, Pacific as soon as Colonel Goethals a new and dangerous pest, on potato notifies the government that warships shipments from the South. may pass through the waterway. Sec- Morrison, deputy commissioner of agretary Daniels made this unequivocal riculture, has asked the attorney genstatement in an interview here. He added that it was intended that the Oregon should lead the naval proces-

Poisoned Mash Effective.

Dodge City, Kan. - More than half of the grasshoppers in this country want to marry my daughter, do you? son, is when a man can pick up a pret- sen, after a 40-miles drive through the from Paris to a dealer in London.

SAILORS WRECK I. W. W. HALL SUMMON MEXICAN MINISTER HOME

of men and boys who came to join the President to Confer in Person With Representative.

> Return of Ambassador Doubtful-Step Long Contemplated, Says Secretary Bryan.

Washington, D. C .- The announcement was made formally at the White House that Ambassador Wilson had been summoned from Mexico City for a conference with the President on the Mexican situation.

Commenting on this, Secretary Bryan said that this step had been in contemplation for some time. He refused to discuss a suggestion that this statement indicated the ambassador's recall and was not brought about by the action of the diplomatic body in Mexico City in formulating a joint complaint against the attitude of the United States toward the Huerta gov-

The secretary would not confirm or deny the report of the meeting of foreign representatives in Mexico. There is much speculation in official circles regarding Ambassador Wilson's future, but it is believed generally that his return to the Mexican capital is by no means certain.

President Wilson has received recently reports from individual Americans not connected with the State department on Mexican condition, so that he will be prepared to take up the discussion with the ambassador with considerable personal knowledge on the subject.

If the President should conclude that it is not necessary to return Mr. Wilson to Mexico, the embassy there several residences destroyed as a re- O'Shaughnessy. Thus its status would ognition of the Huerta regime would loss will reach between \$350,000 and be involved in the dispatch to that country of a new ambassador.

BRYAN REPLIES TO JAPAN

Diplomatic Victory Is Complete-Now Up to Courts.

Washington, D. C .- The American reply to the last two Japanese notes on the California anti-alien land law has been delivered by Secretary Bryan to Ambassador Chinda, who at once cabled it to Tokio. As in the case of the preceding notes, the contents of the latest one were withheld from publication.

There is some expectation in official circles that the delivery of this last note will conclude the negotiations on this subject between the two countries for the present at least, if not altogether.

It is declared that the American reply to the various points of objection to the California legislation has been made so complete as to remove most of them from the field of discussion. Even in cases where the Japanese contentions have not been manifestly completely negative, the expert diplomatists are said so to have framed their responses as to reduce the points to clear issues, which probably can be

decisions. Unless the Japanese foreign office concludes that there is something in cago-Detroit aviation cruise and cov- the American note delivered last reered 900 miles. It is said to have quiring immediate attention and reply probably there will be no further diplomatic exchange for at least another month. At the expiration of that time the Webb alien land-owning act will become effective and the way will be opened for a judicial test of its constitutionality.

Mrs. Smith's Body Found.

Woodland, Wash,-Word was received here that the body of Mrs. Clinton Smith, of Portland, who, with her husband, was lost on Mount St. Helens, has been found. It was about 1000 feet from the place that Mr. Smith's body was discovered.

It is supposed that Mrs. Smith met her death in much the same way as did her husband, whose body was found at the bottom of a 300-foot precipice of ice and lava above Toutle canyon, on the southwest slope of Mount St. Helens. It is apparent that Mr. and Mrs. Smith became separated while trying to make their way down the mountain in the blizzard of Sunday, July 6,

California Potato Hit.

Olympia, Wash. - Declaration of quarantine against all Californianew department of agriculture, on aceral for a formal ruling as to his powers in the matter. The tuber moth is a new pest, which lays its eggs in the eyes of the potato. The worms burrow in the root and destroy its food value.

\$625,000 Pearls Stolen.

London-The theft of a pearl neckwere killed by the poisoned mash the lace valued at \$625,000 was reported farmers recently scattered over their to the Scotland Yard authorities Frifields, according to a report by P. A. day. The pearls are alleged to have Classen, state entomologist. Mr. Clas- been stolen during transit by post country, said from 50 to 60 per cent of robbery was discovered in London tic and Pacific, although navigation of the canal probably will not be attempted for some time thereafter.

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