

HAPPENINGS HERE IN OREGON

FROST BLIGHTS PRUNES.

Change of Weather Catches Fruit in Blossom—Pears Also Affected.

Albany—The prune crop of Linn county will be almost an entire failure this year, according to an orchardist who was in Albany a few days ago. The frost that visited the valley came at a very inopportune time for the orchards. The cold weather that held on until an almost unprecedented late date for this valley had kept the fruit back until orchardists were confident of escaping the spring frosts that usually catch the fruit in March, if at all. But the warm weather during the first week of April brought the fruit out rapidly, and when the cold rains came again, fruit of every description was in full blossom. The heavy frost found the fruit in full blossom and did much damage.

The prune trees were well loaded with blossoms, which had begun to fall. A close examination of the trees reveals now that although the embryo fruit within the blossom is green, yet the fruitstem leading from the limb of the tree is turning yellow. This is said to mean that the fruit will drop from the tree just as soon as the prune becomes large enough to add weight to the stem. The dead stem can not bear up any load. The statement of the prunerower is that at least three-fourths of the prunes are affected in this way, and that orchardists will do well to save one-fourth of this year's prune crop. As prunes constitute the greater part of the fruit crop of the county, the loss will fall heavily upon fruitgrowers in this part of the valley.

Pears are affected in the same way. The young pears were just beginning to form when the frost came and were hit just as hard as the prunes.

Apples are looking well at this time. They were not affected so seriously by the late frost, and the trees are now covered with blossoms that look healthy and give every promise of developing into fruit of Oregon's usual excellent varieties. This crop will, however, depend largely on the weather during the next two weeks. Another frost such as that of recent date would injure the apple crop.

GOLD IN GREAT LUMPS.

Rich Pocket Struck in the Bonanza Mine, in Eastern Oregon.

Baker City—A wonderfully rich strike is said to have been made in the Bonanza mine in the Greenhorn district recently. A pocket of very rich ore was opened upon the 1200-foot level, out of which less than five tons of ore were taken which is reported to have yielded \$64,000 in gold bullion.

It is against the policy of the mine-owners to give out any facts about rich strikes of this nature, and it is only in a roundabout way that anything can be learned about the opening of the pocket.

It is unusual to find such rich pockets so far below the surface. The old Virtue mine, near this city, has the best record for rich pockets, but they have all been found near the surface and usually by professional pocket hunters, who make it their business to search for these phenomenally rich deposits.

It has always been the theory of experts that while rich ore might be encountered in the depths, that there never would be any "pockets," as the term is usually understood, found below 500 feet from the surface.

The Bonanza has been yielding steadily for several months, since the new three compartment shaft was sunk to the 800-foot level, about a year ago. This strike will encourage deep mining in this part of the state, something that has not been attempted until within the past two years.

May Fly to St. Louis.

La Grande—Union county is to have an entry in the flying machine contest which will take place at the St. Louis exposition. For several years Grant Key, who lives on Cricket Flat, near Elgin, has been experimenting along the lines of aerial navigation, and now firmly believes he has devised a plan whereby a journey through the clouds will be easily made with his apparatus. He has ordered the engines and is erecting a large shed on a flat near his home, where he will assemble the various parts of the machine.

More Butter From Tillamook.

Tillamook—Tillamook county's output of dairy products will be much larger this year than formerly, owing to the quantity of excellent grass feed now on the grazing lands. The late season delayed the grass growth for a time, but the herds and especially the milk cows are now in good condition.

Gift to Willamette University.

Salem—Banker A. Bush has donated \$2,000 to aid in the erection of a building for the medical department of Willamette University. The building will be erected on the university campus, and when completed will cost \$15,000.

NEW BUILDING FOR PACIFIC.

University President Hints of Plans for the Future.

Forest Grove—President W. N. Ferrin has left for the East on an extended trip in the interests of the Pacific University. He will visit Chicago and other Eastern cities, and will not return before the middle of June. In speaking of his trip President Ferrin said:

"We were never more encouraged over the prospects of the university than at present. Our finances were never in a better condition and everything indicates an increase in the school's endowment in the near future. Although I do not wish to make a definite statement, I believe that we will erect several buildings before long. We are planning to build one of the largest and best equipped gymnasiums in the Northwest. We also look forward to a new science hall and will provide a building for the exclusive use of the literary societies and other student organizations as soon as possible."

City Hall Plans Chosen.

La Grande—At a special meeting of the city council held in the council chambers for the consideration of the many plans submitted for the \$25,000 city hall, those drawn and adopted by J. L. Satler, a La Grande man, were selected. The building will be two stories high, not including the stone basement, 83x91 feet. All the offices will consist of a suite of two rooms. The offices of the water superintendent and city recorder will be provided with roomy vaults for the proper protection of records. This will be one of the finest buildings of the kind in Eastern Oregon.

Foster Ranch Sold Well.

Pendleton—The sale of the real property of the C. B. Wade bankrupt estate was held last week. All the property was sold at figures above the appraised value. The most important parcel was the Foster ranch, located on Umatilla river west of Pendleton, which was bid in by R. N. Stanfield, of Echo, for \$8,700. Its appraised value was \$5,000. The Dixie stock ranch was sold to J. S. McCloud for \$8,050. The ranch consists of 21,000 acres and is considered one of the finest in the county. The city property sold well.

Heavy Rainfall at Ashland.

Ashland—The rainfall for the season at Ashland thus far has broken all records and amounts to nearly 25 inches. The average for the past 23 years, according to the official records of the weather bureau, is only 14.13 inches.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 73c; blue-stem, 81c; valley, 83@85c.
Barley—Feed, \$23.50 per ton; rolled, \$24.50@25.

Flour—Valley, \$3.90@4.05 per barrel; hard wheat straight, \$4@4.25; clears, \$3.85@4.10; hard wheat patents, \$4.40@4.70; graham, \$3.50@4; whole wheat, \$4@4.25; rye flour, \$4.50.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$1.17@1.20; gray, \$1.12@1.15 per cental.

Millstuffs—Bran, \$19@20 per ton; middlings, \$25.50@27; shorts, \$20@21; chop, \$18; linseed, dairy food, \$19.

Hay—Timothy, \$45@16 per ton; clover, \$10@11; grain, \$11@12; chest, \$11@12.

Vegetables—Turnips, 85c per sack; carrots, 80c; beets, \$1; parsnips, \$1; cabbage, 2½c; red cabbage, 2½c; lettuce, head, 25@40c per dozen; parsley, 25c; cauliflower, \$2; celery, 75@90c; cucumbers, \$1.75 per dozen; asparagus, \$1.25; peas, 4@5c per pound; rhubarb, 3c; beans, green, 16c; wax, 20c; onions, Yellow Danvers, \$2.50@3 per sack.

Honey—\$3@3.50 per case.

Potatoes—Fancy, \$1.25@1.50 per cental; common, \$1@1.25; new potatoes, 3½@4c per pound; sweets, 5c.

Fruits—Strawberries, \$2.50@2.75 per crate; apples, fancy Baldwins and Spitzenbergs, \$1.50@2.50 per box; choice, \$1@1.50; cooking, 75c@1.

Eggs—Oregon ranch, 18@18½c.

Butter—Sweet cream butter, 20@22½c per pound; fancy creamery, 17½@20c; dairy and store, nominal.

Butter Fat—Sweet cream, 19@21c; sour cream, 19c.

Poultry—Chickens, mixed, 13@13½c per pound; springs, small, 20c; hens, 13½@14c; turkeys, live, 16@17c; dressed, 18@20c; ducks, \$8@9 per dozen; geese, live, 8c per pound.

Cheese—Full cream, twins, 12@13c; Young America, 14@15c.

Beef—Dressed, 5@7½c per pound.

Mutton—Dressed, 6@6½c per pound; spring lambs, 8c.

Veal—Dressed, 6@7c per pound.

Pork—Dressed, 7@8c per pound.

Hops—1903 crop, 23@25c per pound.

Wool—Valley, 16@17c; Eastern Oregon, 11@14c; mohair, 30@32c per pound for choice.

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20 Prizes—50.00 "	1,000.00
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