

TRADE INCREASES IN BOX APPLES

West Gradually Overcoming Prejudices of East in Regard to Growing of Apples.

The box apple trade is each season given more attention in the great distributing territory east of the Rocky mountains. For several years wholesale dealers in the big cities pursued an attitude of indifference, or possibly silent opposition to the bushel boxes so much in evidence in the Pacific northwest and in Colorado. But in recent seasons so much fruit appears in markets from these western sections, where the box is wholly in vogue, that eastern dealers are obliged to recognize it. The matter came up for serious discussion at the 1909 meeting of the International Apple-Shippers' association held at Buffalo. It was discussed at some length by E. P. Loomis, a prominent dealer of New York City.

"The tendency of our association," he said, "is too much an association of barreled apples. I believe packing apples in boxes is an advance in the industry. The crop of 1909 varies greatly in quality. Dealers should accentuate the merit and necessity of handling No. 2 apples as No. 2. Push them out on their merits for cooking purposes. The tendency is growing to pack the fancy quality apples in boxes, and it looks to me as though there will be as many boxed apples as in 1908.

"From one apple grower in New York I buy Northern Spy apples, picked and packed with special care. He puts up 100 barrels of Spy, carefully picking by hand, using cotton gloves, and places these in new flour barrels, the barrels lined with paper. For four or five seasons I have sold these apples at higher prices proportionately than I have secured for box apples. This proves to me that there is nothing in the mere fact of apples being packed in boxes which determines selling values. Really it is quality that tells the tale. I believe the day is coming, however, when a goodly percentage of New York Baldwin apples will be packed in boxes. I believe if the 1909 crop of

apples proves as poor in quality as now reported by many growers, and is packed practically all in barrels, these must largely sell in what might almost be called the vegetable class, while the really fine table trade will go largely to box apples.

A feature of the New England fruit show, held at Boston late in October, was the extensive array of eastern-grown apples packed in bushel boxes. As to sales in this form, operators indicate a growing demand for box apples. Showing just what can be done in eastern fruit, compared with the splendid trade in western box fruit, a commercial orchardist in the Hudson valley of New York has just sold a round lot of fancy table apples at \$3 per box f. o. b. local railway station.

It is noted that in the London and Liverpool markets for American apples last season the price of boxed fruit, which meant the most exclusively far western fruit, ran much more even than barreled apples. The reason given by the trade is the very even character of the apples packed in boxes. English buyers can depend upon the western box apple as to quality. They know it will run uniform, and say they can afford to handle this fruit at a much narrower margin of profit than apples in barrels. They claim that the latter run uneven in quality, and they must insist upon wider margins in handling.

A prominent Canadian exporter says that growers and dealers this side may just as well recognize the fact that apples in Europe are not a necessity, but a luxury. Through his own personal observation he knows that when wholesale prices for America apples in the English markets exceed 12 to 13 shillings a barrel, even for sound stock, consumption rapidly falls off.

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RIVER BROKE ALL RECORDS

Never Since 1861 Has the Rogue River Been Up to Height Attained Last Week.

The Rogue river, according to government gauge at Gold Ray, registered on November 23 the highest known water since 1861, the raise being over 20 feet at the gauge, a wall of water 13 feet high pouring over the dam.

The river above the dam was two miles wide, a raging torrent, terrifying, yet awe-inspiring in its mad stampede to the sea. It swept away 2000 feet of the new Modoc ranch fence and flooded the valley at Bybee bridge.

No damage was done to the dam or power house, and the light and power service of the Rogue River Electric company gave its usual first-class continuous satisfaction without interruption. The Rogue River Electric company's power plant is one of the most up-to-date plants on the Pacific coast. The dam is 400 feet long, semi-circular in shape, with its concrete side up-stream, and is braced in every direction. It is constructed of massive peeled fir logs, bolted together in the form of cribs, then filled with a concrete core with a base 100 feet wide in the center, sloping up-stream at an angle of 35 degrees. The dam is embedded in solid granite, the entire river being diverted and the granite bedrock cleaned and blasted to permit of this construction. No expense was spared in its construction, and the Ray dam is as solid as the Granite hills which tower on each side of it, and stands as a monument to the enterprise of Colonel Frank Ray, of New York, its projector, the original booster of the Rogue River valley in the metropolises.

The power house has the same solid and substantial construction. Solid granite bedrock for its foundation. Its walls are ten feet thick at the base, tapering to four feet thick at the top, being constructed of solid concrete. The water turbines and electric machinery are of the most modern type. There are 120 miles

of main high voltage lines, and nearly 100 miles of branch lines. Electric light and power is supplied to Ashland, Phoenix, Talent, Medford, Jacksonville, Gold Hill, Woodville, Central Point and Grants Pass, and its power lines extend 20 miles beyond Grants Pass to the Greenback mine.

Power and light are supplied to dredges and mines and lines are being rapidly extended to farms and fruit ranches, furnishing them with the luxury of electricity for light, heat and power, electric cooking, pumps for irrigation, power for grinding feed, sawing wood, etc. The electricity is now being put to a new use, that of promoting the growth of fruits and plant life, increasing the quantity, flavor and size of fruits and vegetables and warding off frosts and all fruit and vegetable pests. This process has been in successful operation in Europe for several years. A tree in the northwest corner of the Medford park near the electric lights shows green leaves when all the rest of the park trees are bare of leaves. Illustrating one of the beneficial effects of electricity upon plant life.

HOME CURE FOR ECZEMA

Oil of Wintergreen, Thymol Glycerine, Etc., Used as a Simple Wash

It really seems strange that so many people suffer year in and year out with eczema, when it is no longer a secret that oil of wintergreen mixed with thymol, glycerine, etc., makes a wash that is bound to cure.

Old, obstinate cases, it is true can not be cured in a few days, but there is absolutely no sufferer from eczema who ever used this simple wash and did not find immediately that wonderful soothing, calm, cool sensation that comes when the itch is taken away. Instantly upon applying a few drops of the wash the remedy takes effect, the itch is allayed. There is no need of experiment—the patient knows at once.

Instead of trying to compound the oil of wintergreen, thymol, glycerine, etc., in the right proportions ourselves we are using a prescription which is universally found the most effective. It is known as the D. D. D. Prescription, or Oil of Wintergreen Compound. It is made by the D. D. D. Compound Company of Chicago, and our long experience with this remedy has given us great confidence in its merits. Medford Pharmacy.

OREGON APPLES NEW YORK FAD

Delicacy Is Served at the Big Hotels at 35 to 60 Cents a Portion. Consists of Two Apples to Serving.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—Oregon apples have become all the fad in New York this season, and the peculiar thing is that it is not owing to anything that has been said or done by an American.

Some months ago a French nobleman arrived from Paris. He stopped at the Knickerbocker and informed the waiter that Oregon apples were all the rage in the French metropolis. He discussed the matter so enthusiastically that the hotel employe was impressed, and the result was that a sample case was ordered. The fad, for it was a fad at first, spread, and now you can get all the Oregon apples you want in the big hotels by asking and paying for them. In the Terrace, at the Knickerbocker, in the Waldorf, the Astor, the St. Regis and at Sherry's they occupy a prominent place on the bill of fare, although a few months ago they were practically unknown here.

For the information of Oregon readers it might be said that the Pacific coast delicacy is quoted at prices ranging from 35 to 60 cents a portion. And then all you get is two apples. In the fruit stores, where they occupy the most prominent places, the regular price is 10 cents for each and every apple, and the general opinion is that it is cheap.

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Medford National Bank

No. 8236.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

The MEDFORD NATIONAL BANK, at Medford, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business, November 16th, 1909:

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts	\$253,378.39
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	8,073.50
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	49,800.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	1,795.87
Bonds, Securities, etc.	27,037.98
Banking house, Furniture and Fixtures	35,071.14
Gold dust on hand	410.23
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	245.00
Due from State and Private Banks and Bankers, Trust Companies, and Savings Banks	3,366.54
Due from approved Reserve Agents	193,766.91
Checks and other Cash Items	4,363.20
Notes of other National Banks	4,090.00
Fractional Paper Currency, Nickels and Cents	260.35
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie	\$37,340.85
Legal-tender notes	37,340.85
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	2,490.00
Total	\$621,489.98

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus fund	10,000.00
Undivided profits, less Expenses and Taxes paid	3,614.78
National Bank Notes outstanding	49,800.00
Due to other National Banks	159.88
Due to State and Private Banks and Bankers	26.14
Individual Deposits subject to check	477,484.33
Demand Certificates of Deposit	26,525.18
Time Certificates of Deposit	3,879.67
Total	\$621,489.98

State of Oregon, County of Jackson, ss.

I, John S. Orth, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd day of Nov., 1909.
C. L. REAMES,
Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:

T. E. MERRICK,
W. H. GORE,
J. A. PERRY,
Directors.

The above statement shows an increase in deposits, since September 1st, 1909, of \$107,372.04. The largest growth in the bank's existence.

ORCHARD SPRAYS

WE WISH TO ANNOUNCE TO THE FRUIT GROWERS OF ROGUE RIVER VALLEY THAT WE HAVE TAKEN THE AGENCY FOR SWIFT'S ARSENATE OF LEAD. THIS ENABLES US TO SHIP DIRECT FROM THE FACTORY IN CAR LOADS, MAKING THIS THE DISTRIBUTING POINT FOR ALL SOUTHERN OREGON, AND WE HANDLE ONLY SPRAYS THAT HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFULLY USED IN THIS AND OTHER SECTIONS WHERE FANCY FRUIT IS GROWN.

WE MANUFACTURE NIAGARA LIME AND SULPHUR SOLUTION, AND SHIP BLACK LEAF AND THE BEST EASTERN BLUESTONE IN CAR LOAD LOTS.

Prices Are Always Right

LET US KNOW WHAT YOU WILL REQUIRE EARLY. THIS WILL HELP US IN PLACING OUR ORDERS WITH THE FACTORIES.

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