

EUGENE HAS GREAT SUCCESS IN SMUDGING

Lane County Fruitmen Have Tried Burning Crude Oil to Keep Away Frost and Are Successful.

EUGENE, Or., April 9.—The experiment of smudging in Lane county orchards to keep away the frost has been tried by a number of fruit growers this spring and as far as the results have been noticed, the plan has proved to be a success. During the winter the Southern Pacific company offered to furnish common crude oil, such as is used by the company's locomotives for fuel, for this purpose, and a number of orchardists have been using it since early spring. The oil is placed in smudge pots in various parts of the orchards and when there are prospects of frost each one of the smudges are lighted and the heat from the burning oil keeps the frost away. More than a thousand gallons of oil have been used for this purpose in the orchards and berry patches surrounding Eugene this spring. About 40 smudge pots to the acre are placed, and when all are burning there is a decided rise in the temperature in that vicinity.

Secretary Holt of the Eugene Fruitgrowers' association is working on a scheme to install thermostats in the orchards to warn the growers of the approach of cold weather during the night. These appliances will be attached to wires leading to the sleeping room of the orchardist and when the temperature reaches a certain point the action of the thermostat will send an electric current over the wire and ring a bell, awakening the fruitgrower, who will arise and light his smudges. When the smudge idea gets a firm hold on the fruit-growers of this county and they are installed by all fruitgrowers, there will be a saving of thousands of dollars each year.

WOUNDED ROBBER DIES AFTER CONFESSING

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 9.—After confessing the commission of a number of daring crimes in Seattle, Salt Lake, Los Angeles and San Francisco, Harry Hall, whom the police here believe to be Clyde C. Canfield of New York, died Friday afternoon from wounds received in a revolver battle with Patrolman J. J. Casey.

Hall had wounded Casey in the thigh. The patrolman, however, pulled his revolver, shot and handcuffed his man before other policemen arrived. When they came on the scene the police found both captor and prisoner unconscious from their wounds.

Hall made a lengthy confession to the police and recited a career of crime that clears up the mystery surrounding holdups in many sections of the country.

On his deathbed he said that he alone committed the famous American bank robbery in Seattle one year ago, and that while fleeing from the police he shot at the manager of the institution. The robbery, he said, took place on Saturday and on the following Monday held up the La-belle cafe on Yesler Way.

PERUVIANS FAVOR WAR WITH ECUADOR AT ONCE

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 9.—The Peruvian government continues warlike preparations, according to advices received by the state department today, from Charge de'Affaires Cresson of the American legation at Lima.

Cresson stated in his dispatch that mob violence has been checked and that the Peruvian government has announced that those who suffered at the hands of the rioters, or lost property will be paid damages.

There is no apparent change in the situation with Ecuador.

It is reported that fully 15,000 men have been recruited since Wednesday.

Several detachments of Peruvian troops are en route to strategic points along the frontier.

The whole republic is enthusiastically in favor of war with Ecuador.

New Aeroplane Record.

MOURMELON, France, April 9.—A new world's record for an aeroplane carrying two passengers in its flight has been established here.

Aviator Daniel Kinet, with one passenger, sailed 102 miles in two hours and 20 minutes in a Farman biplane.

The previous world's record was made at Berlin last September when Orville Wright flew continuously for 1 hour, 35 minutes, 47 seconds with Captain Englehart as a passenger.

Haskins for Health.

EAGLE POINT EAGLETS

(By A. C. Howlett)

B. A. Murdock and E. J. Phillips stopped a few nights ago and report things lively up at the Pankey logging camp. Mr. Murdock has just finished building a schoolhouse in the neighborhood of the old Chancy Nye place, near Prospect. Speaking about schoolhouses and schools, I may remark that that section of the country is the banner section for schools and school teachers. Some time ago I remarked in one of my letters that in the Peyton district they had at that time eight school teachers that in the Peyton district they raised and educated there, and they have in Prospect a high school that continues for nine months in the year and always employs 41 teachers; and let me tell you that we of Eagle Point are catching the disease, for I heard one of our business men—a married man, but no children—say that we would soon have to enlarge our school house and employ more teachers.

Percy Boothby came out the first of the week and went to Medford for seed oats to sow. He speaks encouragingly of the prospects in his section and expects soon to hear the shrill whistle of the electric car in his section, as that part of the country, upper Rogue river, is becoming noted for the fine fruit they raise.

J. F. Young, a Medford contractor, was out to our town last Wednesday looking for a contract to build somebody a house.

The contractors who have agreed to build the house for William Von der Hellen commenced work on the same last Wednesday. They were detained some on account of the lumber not arriving on time.

Norman Smith of Portland was a pleasant caller on his way to visit his old-time friends, Messrs. Peelor and Blanchard, who bought the Charley Knighton place near Florence Rock. He procured a saddle horse here and went on up last Thursday.

Benj. W. Harbush, an old citizen, now 80 years old, who lives on the old Joe Willson place and raises garden truck, ordered the Mail Tribune the other day. He said that he was taking the Oregonian, but that he wanted the home news; that, while there was a great deal in the Oregonian, that there was but little that was of interest to the general reader.

There have been two companies of surveyors pass through our town lately. The first company, mentioned last week, stopped at Musketer Swanoff's, on Willow creek, and the last one started Thursday morning, and they talked as though they were going to Fish lake, but what their business was they left untold; but so many people coming and going makes business in our lively little town.

The household goods of J. O. Gray, who has moved onto the old Moanaw place, arrived all O. K. on the 6th inst.

H. D. Foster, a member of the office force of the Foresters, was a

pleasant caller Wednesday night on his way to the big barn on Cat Hill, near Mt. Pitt. He and John Holts, another of the United States rangers, are going to plant seed in the barn to try to reforest the land. They are going to plant a few acres this spring and then this fall plant some more to see which will be the best time to plant the seed.

A. B. Zimmerman, our local railroad agent, and one of our live merchants, has just received a new supply of necessities for the store.

Last Thursday morning as the locomotive of the P. & E. was backing in on the switch it came with such force against the ends of some lumber that was on a car that it burst out the end of a car, and that frightened Gus Rosenstat's team, that had a part of a load of lumber on, and they started to run. Gus caught the horses by the bits, but they soon got away from him. The wagon came uncoupled and off the horses went pellmell up through town, where they were stopped by Charley Sherman. There was no damage done and no one hurt.

The report reached me this (Thursday) morning that William P. Smith had sold his tract of three acres to Ed Foster, consideration \$3900. There had been no money paid, but my informants, William Knighton and G. H. Wamsley, said that they thought it a bona fide sale. Mr. Foster is a young man with a wife and two children, and they are the kind of people we like to have come among us and help along with our schools.

W. A. Robbins, traveling salesman for Ireland & Antle of Medford, and A. H. Weber, salesman for Woodard, Clarke & Co., of Portland, were pleasant callers last Thursday. They were doing business with our merchants.

C. C. Kester of Bloomsburg, Pa.; J. M. McPhee, formerly of Portland, but now of Medford, and H. M. Coss of Medford were here Thursday for dinner. The two first named were looking for land and the latter was trying to find it for them.

Mr. and Mrs. Blanchard of Florence Rock came out last Thursday after a load of supplies. Mr. Blanchard says that times have been lively all winter; that they could sell everything that they could spare right at the house and then not supply the demand. They are more than pleased with the country and with the people as well.

Charley Morine of Elk creek dropped in Thursday night on his way home from Ashland, where he has been attending to business.

Our people are beginning to think about who they will put in for our school director next June. We want someone who will take an interest in building up the school and keep it growing.

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