

# NORTHWEST CROP OF APPLES WORTH \$175,000,000

Tremendous Acreage Now Beginning to Produce Much Fruit—Splendid Crop and Prices Outlook for this Season.

Officers of state horticultural associations and commercial organizations in Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana report there is every indication that the fruit crop this year will be the largest and most profitable in the history of the four states. There is no danger of late freeze, but should the unexpected happen the owners of commercial tracts are ready to do battle with hundreds of thousands of smudge pots or orchard heaters. It is predicted that higher prices will prevail as a result of the heavy damage to the fruit crop in the middle western states.

It is reported that Washington will produce twice as much fruit in 1910 as in 1908, the year of the record crop. The apple crop in that state will show an increase of about 25 per cent. Oregon, Idaho and Montana will have equally large crops as the result of increased acreage and trees coming into bearing this season.

### 350,000 Acres of Apples.

With increased transportation facilities and the steady influx of settlers the early attempts in the valleys and uplands over the northwest have become more pretentious, sustained and systematic. Dry farming is practiced extensively and irrigation plants have been established by private individuals and corporations, also by the United States government, which is expending enormous sums in reclaiming the volcanic wastes so wonderfully rich and fertile and so peculiarly adapted to raising fruits, unblemished and perfect in size and color. The apple is king. More than 350,000 acres of lands are devoted to orchards in the four states and pomologists estimate the value of a full crop would undoubtedly equal \$175,000,000.

The World's Fruit Basket. Northwestern apples are in demand.

# BINGER HERMAN IS MUCH BETTER

Aged Statesman Improves So That He Can Set Up and Receive Visitors—Will Soon Be Able to Resume Active Life.

ROSEBURG, Ore., May 2.—Former Congressman Binger Herman is on the road to recovery, according to a bulletin issued today by Dr. Miller, the attending physician. The aged statesman spent the greater part of Sunday in a reclining chair and in the afternoon received a number of visitors for the first time since his illness became serious.

In case no unforeseen complications develop the physicians believe he will be able to resume active life in a few days.

NEW YORK, May 2.—Long Island was shaken by an earthquake late yesterday, according to reports today from Hempstead, Mineola and Harden City.

Although no damage was done, the shock was severe enough to rattle crockery and windows. The tremors lasted several seconds.

In the eastern and middle western states and in Europe and Australia and the markets are being extended year by year. American and foreign experts, who have studied conditions in the northwest, refer to the Pacific states as "the world's fruit basket," adding there has been established in a comparatively short time a domain where the first foot of soil, properly cultivated, is worth more than all the mines from Alaska to Mexico and all the forests from the United States boundary to the Arctic sea.

As gold was the strong magnet which sent the first Americans across the unknown wastes of this continent to the California coast in 1849, so today the apple, the emperor of fruit, is attracting thousands to the western orchard belts. Millions of dollars have been invested in apple lands west of the Rockies during the last decade and beautiful orchards of young trees today mark the spots where but yesterday was a waste of brown, barren sagebrush covered desert.

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# ENGLAND FINDS WORK FOR IDLE LABORERS TO DO

Not Quite 100 Out of 250 Labor Exchanges Opened Yet But Work is Being Found for Men at Rate of 5,000 a Week—Seems a Good Plan.

LONDON, May 2.—With not quite 100 out of the 250 government labor exchanges authorized by parliament six months ago yet opened, employment is already being found for British working men at the rate of 5,000 weekly, according to an official statement just issued by the board of trade. Altogether 33,000 have been provided with work thus far.

The showing has come as a decided surprise to the country, the exchanges having been looked on at first by the upper classes as Socialistic innovations and with disfavor by many working men because they did not absolutely guarantee work and, in many cases, failed to find it. The fact is, however, that large employers are beginning to resort to the exchanges for help, so that good is not only already being done, but there is a prospect of steady improvement.

Labor unionists, who thought that the institutions would be used for strikebreaking are not yet altogether satisfied that they are not dangerous in this respect. Still, it is admitted that the officials uniformly warn applicants for positions of the circumstances under which such places are offered and as yet no complications have resulted.

Advanced liberals admit, however, that the exchanges will not, without other legislation, solve the problem of British unemployment. They plan ultimately, as explained by Winston Churchill, former president of the board of trade and now home secretary in the English cabinet, to take the "whole area" or the great trades, "with all the workers in it and deal with them through the exchanges on a compulsory basis which will secure to all at least a minimum of work during fluctuations of employment.

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# MADRIZ WAITING FOR MORE POWDER

With Army Encamped Near Bluefields President Awaits Arrival of Steamer From New Orleans With Supplies.

BLUEFIELDS, Nicaragua (by wireless to Colon), May 2.—Fighting on land and water is expected to begin here almost hourly. The forces of President Madriz encamped within forty miles of Bluefields are waiting the arrival of a steamer from New Orleans, bringing arms and supplies.

Provisional President Estrada, head of the revolutionists, has sent three small vessels, heavily armed, to meet the steamer that Madriz is expecting and attempt to capture it. Although couriers report that Madriz will not attack Bluefields until the arms arrive, the city is in fear that the attack may begin at once. Madriz, it is declared, has probably allowed the impression to be given out that he will not fight, in order to throw the city off its guard.

Sending provisional soldiers to try to capture the Madriz supplies has weakened Estrada's forces defending Bluefields and it is feared Madriz will take advantage of the fact.

### POLICEMAN WILL BECOME HONEST FARMER

J. J. Brophy, who has held down the night shift on the police force for the past several months, has resigned his position and has been succeeded by Harry Kincaid, who is as big and husky as is "Jeff" himself.

Mr. Brophy will take charge of the McAndrew ranch on the upper Rogue and will remove his family thither.

"I want to get the boys out of town," said Mr. Brophy. "The older ones I will send to Mt. Angel, while the little fellows will do well enough for a time at the local school near the ranch. They will all have the advantage of good, wholesome mountain air and plenty of out-door exercise, which is the real thing for growing boys."

Haskins for Health.

# WESTON SWINGS HAMMER ON ALL THINGS WESTERN

Pedestrian Nears New York City—Hands Roast to San Francisco and Los Angeles—Glad to Be in East Again.

YONKERS, N. Y., May 2.—Edward Payson Weston, the aged pedestrian, left here at 7:20 o'clock this morning for New York, 18 miles distant. He expects to arrive at the city hall in New York about 4 o'clock this afternoon, completing his walk from Los Angeles, Cal.

Weston, apparently rested and ready for the last lap of his long tramp, declared that he would not stop until he reaches New York this afternoon.

"I'm glad to be away from California," said Edward Payson Weston today just before he left for the last leg of his trans-continental hike from Los Angeles to New York. Weston is twelve days ahead of his schedule. "If I had a house in San Francisco I'd rent it," continued Weston with the hammer swinging vigorously at things Californian.

"Los Angeles isn't much better. There are lots of unprincipled people out there."

When Weston arrives at New York he will have proved to his own mind that walking will bring health to the most sickly of persons. He said that if he were 45 years of age, instead of 71, he would complete the trip in sixty walking days instead of 78.

"I suppose this will be my last long walk," was his comment "but I intend to keep walking ten or twelve miles daily to keep in condition." Then Weston adverted to his pleasure of being away from California.

Weston has been handicapped by a number of accidents on his trans-continental journey. He injured his left leg by falling.

Real values find buyers promptly when advertised—for people nowadays have come to "know."

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# CENTRAL POINT NEWSLETTER

Miss Josephine Huston of Trail was visiting friends in town last Saturday and Sunday. She is much improved in health.

The baseball game between our grammar school boys and the baseball laddies of Jacksonville last Saturday resulted as usual in a victory for the Central Point players, the score being 11 to 7 in favor of our little chaps. Why, there's baseball blood in even the babies of Central Point.

Dr. Ray returned from San Francisco last week and was in Central Point Saturday with the good news that a carload of furniture is on its way to this city, which upon its arrival will be installed in the Central Point hotel. The proprietor of the hotel, Mr. Holt, has been forced to all kinds of stunts to accommodate the people who must and would be entertained in spite of the fact that there are not at present beds enough to go around.

A. L. Kendrick, a representative of a Chicago shoe house, made his first trip down in the valley last Friday and during his intervals of business took occasion to look around a bit. He was so surprised and delighted with what seemed to him the amazing possibilities of this section that he took options on several pieces of property and said before leaving that as soon as he could get a vacation he would be down here on a thorough prospecting trip. His home is in Portland and he remarked to the writer while here that the Portland people are all studying the map of Jackson county. Good thing, too. They will find that lots of things can be raised here that Multnomah county never dreamed of.

D. C. Green, our pioneer teamster and transfer man, says that Central Point is getting too busy for a quiet man to live in and that his work is becoming so strenuous that he hasn't any time to grow tall. But we notice that he is not wanting to sell his business or his home, and that he takes all the business that comes his way and looks cheerful.

The big steam roller that is to be used in the construction of the water system will be brought here from Medford on Wednesday, and after that begins operation we will be able to see something doing.

Whether it is through fear of what the comet may do to us on May 18 or whether the religious influence now being exerted in Medford has extended Oliver to this section, Central Point is surely at present the model town. Our marshal, J. B. Holmes, has nothing to do but look pleasant. T. M. Jones has gone to Portland for—nobody knows how long; everybody except the people who have gone up to the revival services at Medford is in bed and asleep when the curfew bell rings, and when the comet hits us—if it should—we feel reasonably sure that such a good little town will not be wiped off the planet, but will be left, as Noah's family was, to repopulate the Rogue River valley with model inhabitants.

The local gardeners around Central Point are furnishing the market with plenty of fine strawberries, splendid in size and color and very reasonable in price.

The Presbyterians of this city are just waiting for some benevolent citizen to donate a lot and when this is done they will at once proceed to build a house of worship. They ought not to have to wait a day.

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# Land Buyers

## Gilman---Andrews Tract

### On Sale

We are now sub-dividing and selling the famous Gilman-Andrews Orchard property, consisting of 296 acres, situated four miles northeast of Medford, between the celebrated "401" Orchard and the "Vilas Ranch" orchard.

We can furnish you with unset, cultivated land; one and two-year-old trees; four-year-old trees and six and seven-year-old orchard just coming into bearing.

This property will be transferred in tracts of forty acres or more at a price that cannot be duplicated in Rogue River Valley.

There is no better soil in Oregon than upon this tract and numerous features, such as drainage, fuel supply, transportation facilities, irrigation (if wanted), general improvements, etc., combine to entitle it to first place as an investment.

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# Siskiyou Heights

ADDITION NO. 1, TO MEDFORD, OREGON. A BEAUTIFUL RESIDENCE PARK.

We have not been saying much about the improvements going forward on this property, but have been steadily sawing wood. A visit to this beautiful residence district will convince you that within a few months it will far surpass any other section of the city. Early buyers of lots are already beginning to take their profits.

ONE LOT WAS SOLD LAST WEEK AT A PROFIT OF ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS OVER THE PRICE PAID A MONTH AGO.

### REASONS WHY

You should build your home in SISKIYOU HEIGHTS.

It is naturally the most beautiful section of Medford.

Building restrictions exclude undesirable neighbors and unsightly buildings.

You will not have to wait for street improvements.

All elements combine to make a healthful location for your family.

Property values will increase more rapidly in Siskiyou Heights than anywhere else in the city.

Your family will not need to cross a railroad track to get to stores or school.

The social and moral atmosphere will be refined.

It is the only district in the city where these conditions obtain.

### SISKIYOU HEIGHTS

Is a natural park whose beauty has been preserved by winding boulevards and generous parking strips. The land is high and rolling, affording magnificent views of mountains and valley. The perfect drainage and its elevation above surrounding country make it a healthful location. The lots are broad and deep and so varied in contour as to afford an unlimited choice of style in building.

Here will be located the finest residence district in the city. The rich, loamy soil will produce, in the greatest profusion, anything that may be grown in this climate. The luxuriant growth of flowers, palms, shrubbery and trees will shortly make it a Residence Park of great beauty.

The arrangement of streets provide for a forty-foot roadway, a twelve-foot parking strip abutting the cement curb, a five-foot cement walk, and a three-foot parking strip between the walk and property line. The broad parking strip will be set to shade trees and shrubbery and the whole improved to give a magnificent esplanade effect.

Purchasers of lots will be fully protected by building restrictions and everything of an objectionable character will be excluded.

If you appreciate the advantage of building your home amid a beautiful environment where all improvements will be of a high character, where the moral and social tone will be uniformly superior, we invite you to make a selection NOW. For prices and other information see or communicate with

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