

# THE PROTECTION OF ORCHARD BY SMUDGING

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## Quantity of Material to be Used For Each Fire.

Experience has shown that the fires should not be large, since large fires tend to produce convective currents that are apt to bring in cold air; hence, the quantity for each heap need not be very large. Large fires also might scorch the blossom. From four to five pieces of cordwood, or its equivalent in any kind of wood or old rails, are sufficient for a single fire; very often when the low temperature is of short duration all of this material will not be consumed in a single firing. Figure 9 shows the pile of six cordwood with dry prunings used in firing an orchard of Mr. W. H. Brown. In case stable manure or rubbish was used a larger number of heaps were placed, and the quantity of material to each heap averaged about a bushel or a bushel and a half.

The cost of material for firing varied greatly, depending on how it was obtained. In some cases where good cordwood was used, the cost of firing was given at \$2 per acre.

Mr. W. H. Brown who used good fir cordwood, states that when using from five to seven sticks in a pile every second row one way or every fourth row the other the cost per acre for three hours' firing approximated 60 cents. However, it may be stated that the cost per acre for one night was between \$2 and \$2.50. In some cases the cost was estimated as high as \$4, but it is quite possible that more material was used than necessary, and that a higher price than usual was paid for it. When stable manure or rubbish alone was used the cost of firing per acre was from 4 to 10 cents. This was because the material was on hand and the only element of expense was for distributing it.

The cost of labor for firing an acre also varied, but a good general

average would be about \$1. Of course this item of expense varied with the type of material used as well as with the distance it had to be hauled.

## Necessity of Understanding Weather Conditions.

Before efficient work can be done in frost prevention a thorough understanding of local weather conditions must be had. In other words the grower should know when to smudge or fire in the orchards. Unless he knows beforehand that freezing temperature may be expected, the opportunity for firing at the right time may be lost. Again unless he is reasonably certain low temperature will occur during the night, he may waste a considerable amount of costly material when there are no use for it.

In order to carry on the work of frost prevention successfully, daily weather reports, or the weather map should be available. In many localities the weather map would be out of the question, since it may be at least twenty-four hours old, and of very little value when it is received. Especially on the Pacific coast there is very little gained by using the map that is so old. In case the map can not be used, telegraphic reports should be received every day. During the time the writer was at work on frost prevention in the Rogue River valley, weather maps were received from the Weather Bureau station at Sacramento, Cal., through the kindness of Mr. N. R. Taylor, observer. Mr. Taylor also gave valuable advice in regard to conditions on the Pacific coast, especially in the small inclosed valleys that are surrounded by high mountains. The Weather Bureau office at Portland, Oregon, kindly furnished telegraphic reports to the Medford Commercial club and weather signals were hoisted. The assistance from both the Weather offices was of the greatest importance in carrying out the work successfully.

# AUSTRALIA REGRETS RESULT OF BATTLE

MELBOURNE, Australia, July 6.—Although the result of the Jeffries-Johnson fight was regretted, it was expected here. Burns is condemned for ever lowering the white standard by accepting Johnson's challenge for mere gain, thus enabling the negro to win the title. Hope is expressed that the fight will lead to separate white and black championships being established.

The United Press flash of the result cabled from Vancouver was half an hour ahead of any other intimation that Johnson had won.

## Hotel Arrivals.

The Nash—C. J. Thorndike, C. A. Thorndike, Seattle; J. Neff, H. T. Gaines, San Francisco; W. Vest, Medford; R. V. Shaw, Stockton; M. E. Root, Medford; F. L. Walters, Seattle; E. R. Brophy and wife, Ashland; J. Earl and wife, Gold Ray; E. W. Smith, F. F. Johnson, Portland; J. R. Harvey, Galice; F. W. Estin, San Francisco; C. V. Boroman, Portland; Mrs. G. H. Durham, Grants Pass; C. H. Kirk, Weed; E. R. Lest, Cottonwood, Cal.

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## DOROTHY DEACON WEDS HER PENNILESS PRINCE

LONDON, July 6.—Princess Antoin Radziwill and Dorothy Deacon were married today in St. Mary's church, the ceremony being private. Immense crowds thronged the doors and it was necessary for police guards to hold them in check.

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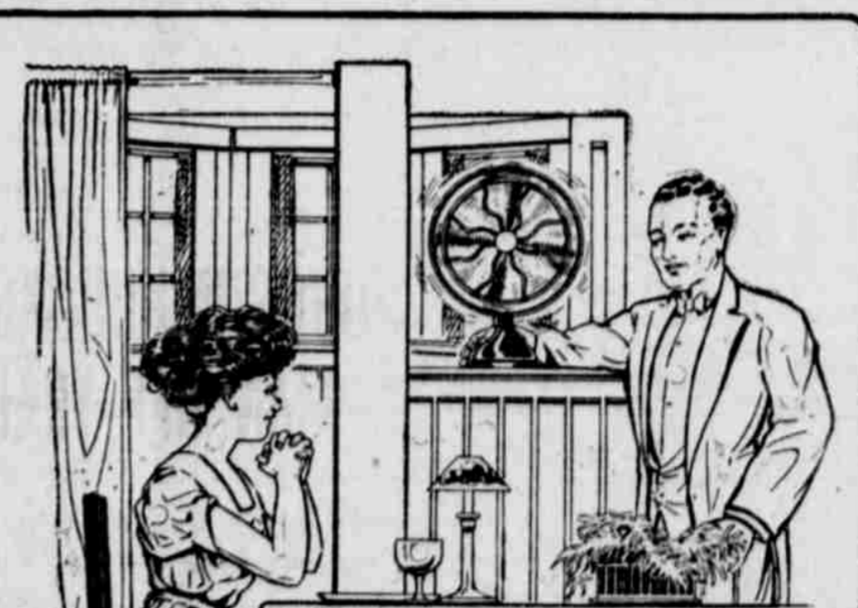
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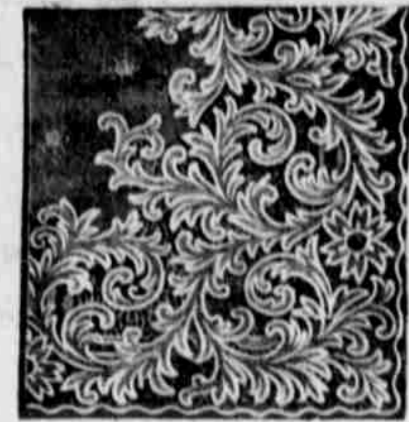
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# CENTRAL POINT NEWS ITEMS

Mrs. Melinda McDonald, wife of I. B. MacDonell of Table Rock, died at the family home last Sunday evening, aged 25 years. She had been a sufferer from rheumatism and a complication of ailments since the first of the year. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. Vincent, pioneer residents of the Table Rock neighborhood. A husband and one child two years old are left to mourn her death. The funeral was held from the family residence Tuesday afternoon. Interment took place in Antioch cemetery.

William W. Scott and Mrs. Maude Baker, two popular Central Point people, were united in marriage last Sunday morning in Medford, Rev. Hoxie of the Methodist Episcopal church officiating. They will make their home in Central Point, where they have hundreds of friends.

Mrs. H. C. Cook of Cottage Grove is spending the week with her daughter, Mrs. O. B. Nash.

The funeral services of the late Booth Lee took place from the family residence at 10 a. m. today and was largely attended by admiring friends, who had long known and respected him. Mr. Lee was a native of Tennessee, having been born in Nashville in 1846, and was at death 63 years, 7 months and 18 days old. Interment took place in Central Point cemetery. He is survived by four

daughters, Mrs. Owen, Misses Besse and Maude Lee of this town and Mrs. Nettie Chapman of Ashland.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Caley of Yoncalla are visiting in Central Point.

One Central Point preacher who has been hoping and praying that Johnson would everlasting wallop Jeffries is now an enthusiast on the efficiency of prayer.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hawk, who won the handsome \$100 gold prize for the best decorated automobile on July fourth, are still receiving congratulations from their Central Point friends.

Professor Ritner of the Ashland Commercial college was transacting business in Central Point recently. He thinks Ashland is going to be resuscitated from its Rip Van Winkle slumber.

Wallace King of Klamath Falls was a Central Point visitor this morning. He is traveling in the interest of a wool and hite company of San Francisco.

A small boy, whose name your correspondent could not obtain, was drowned near Woodville on the evening of July 4.

Dan C. Moorey, recently of Carson City, Nev., arrived in town this morning and will seek a location in the Rogue River valley for a home. He is extremely well pleased with all parts of the valley he has visited and says we are far ahead of Nevada.

# ROOSEVELT INSURGENT "IN HEART AND ACTION"

OYSTER BAY, N. Y., July 6.—Representative Poindexter, after a prolonged conference with Ex-President Roosevelt, declared Roosevelt to be with the insurgent movement "in heart and action."

Discussing his talk with Roosevelt with a representative of the United Press, Poindexter said:

"Roosevelt and I have always stood together. He is still with me and he assured me today that he will continue to be with me. We discussed politics in all its phases and I am heartily pleased with the colonel's views. The outcome of our conference is gratifying."

## Astronomer Is Dead.

MILAN, July 6.—Professor Schiaparelli, 75, Italian astronomer, died here today. He was the originator of the theory of artificial canals on Mars.

For some reason or another, the thing sought may be cheaper at one store than at another—than at any other. Ad-readers buy "in the light."

# WALLA WALLA NEGRO IS BEATEN BY MOB

WALLA WALLA, Wash., July 6.—Feeling between the whites and negroes here is exceedingly bitter today on account of the outcome of the Reno fight, and extra precautions have been taken by the police to prevent trouble.

A large colony of negroes resides here.

One negro was badly beaten up by a crowd of whites last night in the street. The negro had won on Johnson and was enthusiastically announcing the fact.

Most of the negroes left the streets immediately after Johnson's victory was made public. This prevented much trouble.

## New Cases Filed.

Jessie G. Robertson vs. Thomas B. Robertson, divorce; Withington & Kelly for plaintiff.

Gold Ray Realty Co. vs. M. P. Jacoby, injunction; A. E. Reames for plaintiff.

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