

INE PEACHES SAM'S VALLEY

H. Fitzgerald Brings in Splendid Specimens of Wheatland Variety—Has Heavy Crop on Three-Year-Old Trees.

P. H. Fitzgerald of Sam's Valley is in Medford today with a number of splendid specimens of peaches grown upon his place in that section. They were of the Wheatland variety, large size and perfect coloring. Mr. Fitzgerald states that he is investing a splendid crop this year on his three-year-old trees.

YOUNG GIRL TRIES SUICIDE.

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"I can hear you say, 'Dear heart, you are very wrong to take your own life, whatever the motive,' yet it is really deplorable that a girl cannot do along honorably in New York. 'In some things I might have succeeded had I acceded to the wishes of men. They were cultured, yes, usually; with money—yes, but never moral. I couldn't submit to such things. Death is preferable to the ill repute that has pursued me through my brief span of life. To advance better than to stand still. To go forward is better than to retreat.' The letter appeared to have been signed 'Norah,' but the signature, faintly blurred with tears, is unrecognizable.

The girl apparently is not more than 25 years of age. She had received every mark of identification on her blue silk opera cloak, the stately clothing and dainty lingerie. She fired the shot she cried: "I've shot myself. I did it myself and now I want to die." The girl refused absolutely to tell her name at the hospital and wept for her failure to end her life. The letters "to sister" and "to fiancée" were not made public by the police. They seem to refer to a family disagreement and through the authorities hope to establish the identity of the would-be suicide.

A manuscript, in verse, entitled, "Aessalia," closely written on seven pages, was found in the girl's handbag. With it was a penciled note reading: "This is my pet story. I want to have it buried with me. I would like to take my books with me on my long journey."

IG CONTEST FOR APPLE PACKERS

SPOKANE, Aug. 30.—Expert apple packers in California, Washington, Oregon, Utah, Idaho, New Mexico, Montana and Colorado, which states comprise the apple group, will have an opportunity this year to ascertain which man or woman among them is entitled to championship honors. However, the contest announced for November 16 at the 17th national apple show in Spokane, November 14 to 19, is free and open to the world, and there is no limit to the number of entries. The national pack will be used.

Ren H. Rice, secretary and manager of the exposition, announced that the winner will receive \$100 in gold and a specially designed and engraved medallion watch chain, presented by E. J. Hyde of Spokane, second and third prizes being \$50 and \$25 in gold, respectively. A. P. Lehman of Mosier, Or., who was judged best packer at the second show, has been appointed principal judge of the contest and will select the assistants. "This contest promises to share interest with the competitions on card lots, of which we expect to have less than 20 this year," said Mr. Rice. "There is much good-natured rivalry among the packers in various parts of America, but so far they have never had an opportunity to set in competition to decide who is the premier packer in the country. The coming show will provide that opportunity, and we believe many will enter for the contest."

The plan is to have each contestant pack four boxes from a pile of 10 boxes of apples. The scoring rules follow:

Speed, 20; uniformity and alignment, 10 each; bulge, height at ends, mess and wrapping, 15 each; total, 100. To secure 20 points for speed the contestant must pack his four boxes in 40 minutes. Every three minutes fraction thereof will reduce the score two points, while if the pack is completed in 60 minutes the entrant will be ruled out.

PARTY REACHED BY RESCUERS

General Conditions in Northwest Fire Zone Are Encouraging—Rain Falls and All Flames Are Materially Checked.

LEWISTON, Idaho, Aug. 30.—Two of the three parties of forest fire fighters recently surrounded by forest fires in the Clearwater reserve have been rescued and the third party will be reached today by rescuers, according to a telephone message received at midnight by Major Fenn, the supervisor in charge of the reserve.

According to the message, the relief party was within three miles of camp 62, the place where the third party of seven men sought refuge last week while Ranger Watson started on his heroic ride through the blazing hills to Kooakia for aid. The general conditions in the fire district are most encouraging. Rain fell in the fire zone last night, while in the high mountains there was a snowfall of four inches. As a result the fires have been materially checked and it is believed that fire-fighters will have the conflagrations under control before night.

PATTERSON IS A CANDIDATE

To the Voters of Jackson County:

The undersigned begs to announce his candidacy to succeed himself in the office of county commissioner for the ensuing term, and in doing so begs to submit this statement to the voters of the county: There has been considerable talk to the effect that I would not again be a candidate for the position, and this talk has not been without some foundation; but I believe that there is no improvement constructed with public funds that returns as much to the average taxpayer as that of good roads. I am deeply interested in the matter of good roads. This question, together with the importunities of many people interested in public affairs, has caused me to again announce my candidacy for the position of county commissioner.

Many of the voters of the county may perhaps remember the condition of the roads of the county ten years ago, and when this fact is taken into consideration and the condition of the roads of the county at present considered, the unbiased judgment will be that the money spent on the roads of the county in their construction and improvement has not been "entirely wasted."

When I first became commissioner there was no road machinery or equipment for road construction. There is now on hand a comparatively complete equipment of road machinery and tools. It is no small item to secure good road machinery and the kind necessary, and it is not out of the way to say that the first road machinery purchased by the county under my recommendation is still in use and employed on the roads of the county.

Those who are acquainted with the facts and the salary connected with the office, know that a great amount of sacrifice of time and business must be sustained by any man who accepts the office of county commissioner. And it is therefore not for the salary that I am again a candidate for the position, but for the interest which I have in the matter of good roads.

There is a large amount of road work that is now under contemplation by the county court, and the undersigned, as a member of the court, desires to see this work completed. Would not the experience gained by previous service in this position be of substantial benefit to the taxpayers of the county?

If I shall be renominated and elected by the voters of the county, I shall endeavor to have the money available for road improvement, and the moneys appropriated for other purposes, expended in an economical manner and in a way that will return to the taxpayers the best return for the revenue furnished by them.

Very respectfully,
JOSHUA PATTERSON.
(Advertisement.)

Russia's Head in Germany.
BERLIN, Aug. 30.—The czar and czarina of Russia arrived at Friedberg today. They will remain there for several weeks, the czarina paying visits to a Nauheim health resort. The Kaiser will go to Friedberg to confer with the czar before the visit of the Russian ruler is ended.

CARPENTERS TO ASHLAND SOON

Excursion Is Planned for Next Monday, Labor Day—Basket Picnic Will Be Held in Chautauqua Grove—All Invited.

A big excursion to Ashland has been arranged by the members of local 1840, carpenters' union, which will be held on Labor day, Monday, September 5.

The carpenters will leave Medford at 8:45 a. m. and will return on train 18. They will meet the Ashland local at the Chautauqua park. Appropriate labor day speeches will be delivered and there will be lots to eat. Frank Poole and J. J. Seale have charge of the ticket selling. Everyone is invited to attend.

23 STARTERS IN THE AMERICAN DERBY

READVILLE, Mass., Aug. 30.—Uhlman this afternoon will be driven by C. K. G. Billings in wagon in the Grand Circuit meet in an effort to beat the champion's own record of 2:01 made at Cleveland this season. There are 23 starters in the \$15,000 American derby, one division of which is for trotters and one for pacers. Sonoma Girl and Bob Douglas are favorites among the trotters and Alleen Wilson is a favorite among the pacers. The derby distance is 1 1/2 miles instead of 1 1/4 miles as heretofore.

BAR ASSOCIATION MEETS IN CHATTANOOGA

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Aug. 30.—The third annual session of the American Bar association convention opened here today.

The association will consider plans to avert the "law's delays." A special committee, appointed at the last session to investigate certain questions regarding appeal, are expected to recommend that the association put itself on record as favoring the decision of cases on their merits by appellate judges and not on legal technicalities.

SHOOTS FIVE TIMES, BUT FAILS TO KILL

ST. PAUL, Minn., Aug. 30.—After firing five shots and hurling a can of nitro-glycerine at Al Ray, chief special agent of the Great Northern railway, Charles Welch, a discharged employe, was shot and killed by Ray in his office here today.

Angered at his dismissal from the service, Welch went to Ray's office. Finding his former chief sitting at his desk, Welch drew a revolver and fired at him. Ray grabbed a pistol lying in the drawer of his desk and returned the fire, one bullet striking Welch and killing him instantly. Welch fired five times at Ray and then hurled a package wrapped in a newspaper. The package was found to contain a pint can of nitro-glycerine, which, however, did not explode.

DR. CRIPPEN SUFFERS A NERVOUS BREAKDOWN

LONDON, Aug. 30.—Dr. Hawley H. Crippen, accused of having murdered his wife, was removed to the hospital ward of Brixton jail today, following a nervous breakdown. Miss Leneve, his companion in the flight to Canada, is said to be on the verge of a breakdown.

RIPLEY ON CARPET BEFORE COMMISSION

CHICAGO, Aug. 30.—President E. P. Ripley of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railway, and attorneys for the Santa Fe system, were before the interstate commerce commission today at the resumption of the hearings in the western rate cases before Special Examiner Brown.

Ripley declared if the rate increase the roads have asked and planned is not permitted his road still would be able to pay operating expenses, but that dividends would suffer. He declared that the earnings of the Santa Fe in the last year had increased \$10,250,000 and that operating expenses had increased \$10,500,000.

"Ordinarily we can increase the earnings enormously without employing additional labor," he said. "The last two years, however, have been exceptions to this rule."

Cotton Market Quiet

NEW YORK, Aug. 30.—There was no repetition today of the sensational scenes of yesterday in the cotton market. It is believed that the shorts settled privately yesterday.

Haskins for Health.

KANSAS SPURNS TARIFF BILL

Progressive Republicans Control Convention and Pledge Party for Progressive Measures—Conservation Is Favored.

TOPEKA, Kan., Aug. 30.—The republicans of Kansas today adopted a platform pledging Kansas congressmen to vote for conservation measures along the lines of the "Roosevelt policies as against policies laid down by those hiding behind the worn-out doctrine of state's rights."

The Payne tariff law was declared unsatisfactory and a violation of party pledges. The Kansas platform also demands revision of the tariff, "using as a basis for the duties the difference between the cost of production at home and abroad, with a reasonable profit for the manufacturer added."

The platform demands a stricter enforcement of the anti-trust laws and asks that violators be placed in jail and that over-capitalization of corporations be prohibited. It demands an amendment to the interstate commerce law giving the interstate commerce commission authority over common carriers, stock and bond issues of corporations, and that private interests be prevented from unrestrictedly owning and controlling unchecked the mineral and timber resources.

Governor Stubbs eulogized Colonel Roosevelt and Gifford Pinchot, calling Roosevelt "the greatest living man."

BRYAN DISCUSSES LETTER OF TAFT

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Aug. 30.—Expressing the belief that President Taft should speak more respectfully of democratic principles in past campaigns, William Bryan today discussed the president's letter on the issues of the coming congressional election. "The president has written congressmen a letter in which he strives to bring together the factions of the republican party," said Mr. Bryan. "I do not believe he realizes how wide the breach is and that such measures are insufficient to heal the wound. The letter indicates that Taft now believes it is wise to reduce the tariff by separate bills and not by a general measure. When we tried to do this in 1892 the republicans ridiculed us. Probably hereafter they will speak more respectfully of this and other ideas of ours which they have adopted."

SENSATION SPRUNG AT TRIAL OF BROWNE

CHICAGO, Aug. 30.—Charles H. Simmons, a new witness in the trial of Lee O'Neil Browne, charged with legislative bribery in connection with the election of William Lorimer to the United States senate, sprang a sensation at the hearing today.

Simmons testified that he saw Browne and State Representative C. A. White in the lobby of the Briggs house and that he saw Browne hand White five \$100 bills. White was recalled to the stand and was asked if he had received \$500 from Browne at the Briggs house. White replied that he had not.

Catherine Wood, owner of an East St. Louis cigar stand, testified that White told her he was writing a history of the Illinois legislature and that he would get money out of Browne or "know the reason why." She testified that she warned him he would get into trouble and that White replied he was able to take care of himself as he had killed a negro and a white man in Tennessee.

HOLDING FIRST PRIMARY IN THE STATE OF IDAHO

BOISE, Idaho, Aug. 30.—The first primary election under the new Idaho primary law is in progress today. Fully 75 per cent of the voters of Idaho have registered.

The main issue before the people is whether the state shall remain wet or go dry. Local option obtains in a number of counties already.

Governor Brady, Paul Clagstone, former speaker of the Idaho house; George Fletcher of Boise and B. F. O'Neill are out for the republican gubernatorial nomination. Fletcher and O'Neill are supported by the wets.

J. H. Hawley and John C. Rice of Caldwell are seeking the democratic nomination for governor. Rice is the dry candidate. Practically all candidates for nomination are backing the proposed initiative and referendum law.

What is the Use

OF WAITING SIX OR SEVEN YEARS FOR A PRODUCING ORCHARD WHEN YOU CAN SECURE ANY SIZE BLOCK OF EITHER APPLES OR PEARS OF THE HIGHEST CLASS, JUST COMING INTO BEARING

Sensible People

USUALLY CONSIDER AN INVESTMENT OF ANY KIND VERY CAREFULLY BEFORE PUTTING IN THEIR MONEY.

Trainload of Pears

ANOTHER FOUR CARS OF PEARS WERE LOADED OUT FROM THE BURRELL ORCHARD YESTERDAY, MAKING

Thirty-four Cars

AND STILL THERE ARE MORE TO COME. WHAT BETTER EVIDENCE THAN TRAINLOADS OF PEARS YEAR AFTER YEAR DO YOU WANT? BRUSH THE COBWEBS AWAY AND GET DOWN TO REALITIES. THERE ARE PEOPLE, HOWEVER, WITH WHOM "ANTICIPATION IS GREATER THAN REALIZATION."

Just Suppose

THAT YOU COULD SECURE A PART OF THIS OLD BLOCK OF PEARS; THAT IT WOULD TURN OFF EVERY YEAR, AS IT HAS FOR THE PAST TEN, SEVERAL HUNDRED DOLLARS PER ACRE; THAT YOU CALLED TO TALK WITH US ABOUT IT, AND YOU FOUND YOU COULD HANDLE IT EASILY—YOU CAN, IF YOU ONLY THINK SO. COME IN AND SEE US ABOUT IT.

Jno. D. Olwell

Agent

EXHIBIT BUILDING,
MEDFORD, ORE.

SELLING AGENT,
BURRELL ORCHARD.

BOY KILLED BY LIGHTNING AT OSWEGO

OSWEGO, Or., Aug. 30.—Old settlers of Portland today declare that Ray Thomas, 23, son of the mayor of Oswego, who was killed by lightning yesterday, was the first victim of thunderbolt in western Oregon.

The young man was killed during the storm which swept over the western part of Oregon during the afternoon. Thomas was feeding horses in a barn near his home when the bolt struck the cupola of the structure and grounded through a post against which Thomas was leaning at the time.

MORE HATCHERIES ARE NEEDED, SAYS CLANTON

LA GRANDE, Or., Aug. 30.—After a tour of a major portion of the state, Master Fish Warden Clanton reached the conclusion that more trout hatcheries are greatly needed, and also that the sportsmen throughout the state favor a revision of the laws for the distribution of funds accrued from anglers and hunters' licenses. Mr. Clanton said, when in La Grande, that there was general desire that part of the proceeds of anglers' licenses be diverted into a fund to promote the propagation of trout in Oregon.

"I have found," said the fish warden, "that there is a majority in the state demanding a change in laws. Personally, I can see merit in the demands. The cost of equipping salmon hatcheries so as to hatch trout eggs is slight—trifling in fact—and the difference in the seasons of maturing makes it convenient to use the same troughs and ponds."

Encouraged by the statement that the fish warden is not adverse to the change, local sportsmen will exact every possible effort to persuade representatives and senators to work for the change in the law when the legislature convenes. Sportsmen of Union county, Umatilla, Baker and Walla-walla counties are asking for this change, and it is a safe prediction that it will be made.

PORTUGAL TO FIGHT VATICAN.

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calls particularly resent the excuse that the king is seeking advice in France and England, one country Protestant and the other opposing the church.

Alfonso is also censured for leaving the country when revolutionary talk is rife and while a big industrial strike is on. He is regarded as indirectly responsible for the Barcelona riots last year, although pleads that his ministers acted without his consent. It is pointed out that the riots and bloodshed probably would have been avoided if the king had not been amusing himself at the summer capital of San Sebastian when he should have been in Madrid.

A little store that is advertised well and to the utmost limit of its resources, never will stay little—not even for a little while.

MISS HENRY WILL APPEAR HERE TUESDAY

The Methodist Brotherhood having planned a series of lectures and concerts to be given during the winter months, the proceeds to apply towards their share in the new church building fund, will give the first concert on Tuesday evening, September 6, at the First M. E. church, corner North Bartlett and Fourth streets.

The Brotherhood were very fortunate in securing, and are happy to announce that Miss Talma-Zetta Henry, a dramatic reader of rare ability, is to appear at the concert in a program which cannot fail to delight and entertain the most exacting audience.

Miss Henry's numbers will include several acting monologues by Pauline Phelps, who, with Marion Short, was co-author with David Belasco in writing "The Grand Army Man" for the famous actor, David Warfield. Miss Henry will also portray some of those charming child characterizations by Eugene Field and James Whitcomb Riley, which are so dear to every heart.

One remarkable feature of Miss Henry's reading and which places her in the foremost rank of the readers of the day, is that she is as capable of producing tears as laughter, and the one particularly dramatic reading which she will render will demonstrate the wonderful gift that all readers strive to attain, but few possess.

Deaf Man Hears on Mountain.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., Aug. 30.—The summit of Pike's Peak, 14,147 feet above sea level, has established a new record in its effect on Edward R. Hainey, a Chicago delegate to the world's congress of the deaf. He has been deaf for forty years. While on Pike's Peak, in company with other delegates, a peculiar buzzing in his ears gave him an expression of bewilderment. He explained that he heard sounds. As Hainey descended his hearing left him as deaf as ever.

Dog Tears Child's Face.

PARIS, Ky., Aug. 30.—The efforts of seven men were required to make an angry bulldog release its hold on the face of Samuel, the 5-year-old son of Gus Margolen, of this place. Twenty-seven stitches were taken in the boy's face and it is probable the lad will lose the sight of one eye. The dog was killed. The child had been playing with the animal when it suddenly attacked him.

COUPLE LIVE SIX YEARS WITHOUT SPEAKING

NEW YORK, Aug. 30.—Think of being married to and living with a man for six years without even passing the time of day—without saying a word, excepting about once a week saying, "Where's my money?" That was the condition of Alfred and Pauline Lothes of Jersey City, as set forth in the complaint filed by the wife before Vice-Chancellor Garrison in her suit for separate maintenance. The Lothes were married on July 15, 1888, and that's 22 years ago.

They lived together happily, with an occasional spat to season their affection, until six years ago. Then one bright morning up came a subject at the breakfast table upon which they could not agree.

Alfred held to his own opinion to show that he was a regular man, and Pauline was stubborn and wouldn't give in. Neither thought it was a matter of serious moment, yet neither cared to say the first word.

Now six years have elapsed and it is said that neither husband nor wife can remember the cause of their trouble—it was so trivial. Lothes was surprised when he learned that his wife had filed suit for separation. He will oppose it to the utmost.

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Robert F Maguire

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FOR SALE

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