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**PUBLIC INVITED
TO INSPECTION OF
FRUIT PACKING**

On Tuesday afternoon, July 31, at
2 o'clock the packing house and cold
storage plant of the Rogue River
Fruit & Produce association will be
open for visitors. All who are in-
terested in the association's methods
of operation are cordially invited to
attend. Loose fruit in picking boxes
will be conveyed by machinery from
the truck level outside the building
upstairs and thru the entire length
of the packing room.

How It is Handled.

Packed fruit will be similarly con-
veyed from the different nailing
presses thru the packing room on the
second floor, downstairs thru a
spiral chute and thru the entire
length of the cold-storage floor and
to one of the cold storage rooms.
This will give the growers an oppor-
tunity to see exactly how the asso-
ciation will handle the fruit from the
time it is taken off the auto truck,
loose, until it is placed in the cold
room, packed. It will also enable
growers to inspect the cold storage
rooms and all of the equipment for
packing and handling.

All improvements and repairs have
been completed and the entire plant
is now ready for operation and will
furnish constant and efficient cold
storage for at least forty cars of
fruit. In addition to its own cold
storage facilities, the association has
under contract its proportionate
share of commercial cold storage in
outside houses in this valley.

Bartlett Prices Good.

The association receives daily
wires giving the Bartlett auction
market prices in New York, Chicago,
Boston and Philadelphia. These are
posted generally by 2 o'clock each
day in the association's office, where
any interested parties can see them.
Up to date the Bartlett market has
ruled high. Friday's tonnage in New
York consisted of fourteen cars, or
7000 boxes, and the average price
was \$3.32.

The bulk of the Sacramento river
crop has yet to be received and dis-
posed of, but it is worthy of note
that a comparison of this year's
markets with corresponding markets
of last year shows this year's prices
from 25 to 75 cents ahead of last
year's. The Rogue River Bartlett
picking will probably not commence
before the 15th or 20th of August,
and it is quite possible that the Cali-
fornia Bartletts may be very largely
disposed of before that date.

Equivalent to \$2.25 Here.

Friday's average of \$3.32 New
York is equivalent to over \$2.25 f. o. b.
Medford, all selling charges out.
Taking all these factors into consid-
eration, the association does not feel
that our Bartletts should be con-
tracted at this time at a less price
than \$2.00 per box f. o. b. Medford.

Another interesting feature of this
year's markets is that all advices so
far received indicate a very short
crop of Anjous this year. Rogue
River Anjous of good size and qual-
ity should bring exceptionally high
prices, unless all signs fail.

**SPLIT IN CHINA
SEEMS PROBABLE**

LONDON, July 28.—The outlook in
China is very serious and a complete
rupture between the north and south
seems inevitable, according to a dis-
patch from Shanghai to the Times.
Dr. Sun Yat Sen, who recently was
reported to be leading the rebels near
Swatow, has gone to Canton to or-
ganize a league of the southern and
southwestern provinces. Proclama-
tions refusing to recognize the gov-
ernment at Peking have been issued
in Kwang Tung, a southeastern prov-
ince.

THREE YEARS OF WAR

ON July 28, 1914, Austria declared war upon Serbia,
thus precipitating the conflagration which has grad-
ually extended until every first-class power in the world
is involved.

A trifle furnished the pretext for the war. For fifty
years Germany had been preparing to strike for world
dominion, and the blow was delivered when the time
seemed propitious.

On June 28, Archduke Francis Ferdinand, heir to the
Austrian throne, was assassinated by an alleged Pan-
Serbian fanatic. July 23 Austria sent an ultimatum to
Serbia, followed five days later by declaration of war.
July 31, Germany sent an ultimatum to Russia over the
mobilization of troops, and August 1 Germany declared
war on Russia, and the already assembled German troops
invaded Luxemburg. The following day, August 2, the in-
vasion of the neutral nation, Belgium, was begun by Ger-
many, in violation of treaty, as preliminary to the in-
vasion of France.

August 4, England in an ultimatum to Germany de-
manded that Belgian neutrality be respected, and the Ger-
man reply was the attack upon Liege. The following day
England announced a state of war with Germany.

August 7 the Germans captured Liege, and the French
invaded southern Alsace. Within the week, August 12,
France and England declared war upon Austria, and
three days later Austria began the invasion of Serbia, the
same day Germany received an ultimatum from Japan.

August 17, the "contemptible little British army," as
termed by the kaiser, completed its landing to assist the
Belgians, who were desperately resisting the overwhelm-
ing forces of the invader. Two days following, the battle
of Lorraine was begun, and the following day the Germans
entered Brussels. After numerous engagements, on Aug-
ust 24, the British were forced to begin the retreat from
Mons, and the next day the French were driven from
Lorraine.

The drive of the Germans toward Paris proceeded rap-
idly. The French government fled to Bordeaux, and the
Russians occupied Lemberg. On September 5 the battle
of the Marne began and a week later the Germans, now in
full retreat, halted on the Aisne, and trench warfare be-
gan. Meanwhile the Russian advance in Galicia contin-
ued. Jaroslav was taken and Przemysl invested.

October 9, Antwerp was occupied by the Germans, and
ten days later began the first battle of Ypres, which halted
the German rush upon Calais. Meanwhile, the Germans
were defeated before Warsaw.

October 29, Turkey entered the war as an ally of Ger-
many, and England on November 5 declared war upon
Turkey. The following day Tsing-tao surrendered to the
Japanese.

Thus began the great contest, deliberately provoked by
German militarism with a view of aggrandizement—a con-
test between a thoroly prepared and unscrupulous nation
and an unprepared world. The advantages of prepared-
ness are apparent to all—it took Great Britain two years
to prepare. America has been at it four months, with
small progress.

The conflict, begun over the excuse of the murder of
an autocrat by a fanatic, has spread rapidly. The year of
1915 was a disastrous one for the entente allies—Germans,
while making no progress in the west, overran Russia, in-
vading Poland and part of Luthania. Italy joined the
entente and began the invasion of the Tretino, while allied
forces wrested away German colonial possessions all over
the globe, but Germany overran Serbia and Montenegro,
Bulgaria having joined the central empires.

The year 1916 saw French and British assume the
offensive in the west, wresting the Somme region from the
Germans, who for four months had relentlessly and fruit-
lessly attacked Verdun. The rehabilitated Russian army
made a successful drive against the Germans in Galicia
and Bukovina. Rumania joined the entente and was
overrun by the forces of the central empires.

The present year has witnessed a renewal of the offen-
sive by British and French in the west, a retreat by the
Germans, and the winning of a considerable portion of
French and Belgian territory occupied by the Germans in
1914. It has witnessed the Russian revolution and the col-
lapse of Russian armies. It has seen the Grecian king
expelled and Greece join the entente allies. It has wit-
nessed the adoption by Germany of unrestricted subma-
rine warfare, which forced the United States into the con-
flict, as well as Cuba and Brazil, and the severance of dip-
lomatic relations with Germany by China and the ensuing
revolution. With practically the entire civilized world
arraigned against her, Germany is now clamoring for
peace—and peace, even without annexation and indemni-
ties, would leave Germany victorious.

Peace is impossible, for the war has left Germany
supreme in Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey, and
realized the militarist dream of "Mittel Europa." The
enlarged empire would regard peace as merely a breathing
spell. When prepared, she would again crush Belgium
and France and extend her empire to the Persian gulf.
There can be no peace without restitution and indemni-
ties and punishment for the aggressor who has plunged
the world in misery.

America is in the war, not only because forced to by
Germany's warring against her, but because the future
welfare of humanity demands an end, for all time, of
medieval autocracy and mad militarism. America does
not seek territorial aggrandizement, nor oppression of
weaker nations, nor increased wealth or the empty glory
of the conqueror. She is in the war to secure a lasting
peace that humanity may work out its problems without
brutal exploitation and slavery.

When the world is relieved of the menace of kaiserism
and militarism, America will be willing to talk peace, and
then she will demand it along ideals enunciated by Pres-
ident Wilson:

For the things which we always have carried nearest our hearts—for
democracy, for the right of those who submit to authority to have a voice
in their own governments, for the rights and liberties of small nations, for
a universal dominion of right by such a concert of free peoples as shall
bring peace and safety to all nations, and make the world itself at last free.

**KERENSKY CALLS
UPON NATION TO
SUPPRESS ANARCHY**

PETROGRAD, July 28.—Premier
Kerensky, referring to the situation
in Russia, said:

"It is a spectre of anarchy which
needs to be obliterated. Stout hearts
and stern hands are required to stay
the rout in the army. There is
plenty of good material in Russia,
but it has been allowed to go to
waste."

LONDON, July 28.—Dispatches
from Petrograd dealing with the mil-
itary and political situation concur
that Petrograd itself is outwardly
calmer than it has been for months,
which is attributed to Premier Ker-
ensky's strong repressive measures,
including the disarming of rioters
and mutineers. Among the arrested
extremists is said to be Madame
Kollontae.

The ministry of justice is said to
have issued a statement that it has
no clear proof that Nikolai Lenine,
the radical socialist, and two of his
associates, Zinovieff and Kamenoff,
were concerned in a German plot
against Russia. None of the corre-
spondents, however, mentions the ar-
rest of Lenine. The whole internal
situation is said to show signs of
improvement, and according to the
Times' Odessa correspondent it is
generally recognized that the vari-
ous drastic problems must now await
the end of the war for solution.

On the other hand, this correspon-
dent records the victory of the ex-
tremists in the recent re-election of
the local executive of the council of
workmen's and soldiers' delegates.

PETROGRAD, July 28.—The ex-
ecutive committee of the council of
workmen's and soldiers' delegates
have adopted by an overwhelming
majority a resolution censuring Nik-
olai Lenine, the radical leader, and
his associate, Zinovieff. The reso-
lution also demanded obedience by
all factions of the central govern-
ment.

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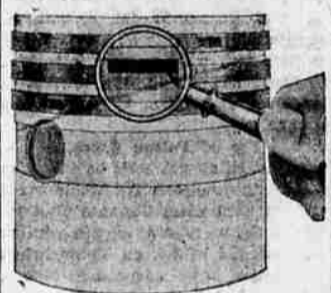
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