

BLIZZARD HITS VALLEY, DAMAGE THOUGHT SLIGHT

The unexpected cold wave which struck the valley Sunday and which resulted in a heavy frost at a minimum of 24 this morning, damaged the early pear crop which was generally in blossom throughout the valley—the Bartlett, Howells, Anjou—and a few Comice, but how bad will not be known until late this afternoon.

The above varieties can stand heavy frost damage and still have a big crop left, as the blossom clusters are unusually thick and heavy set this year, presaging almost a record breaking crop. The apricots and peaches were hard hit by this morning's frost, as was the early garden truck.

Grave alarm exists among orchardists for tomorrow morning, as the San Francisco weather bureau predicts fair and continued cold weather with a heavy frost. Only a few smudged this morning according to reports. Just why more did not smudge is not known except that they decided to take a chance, as the clusters were protected somewhat with a coating of ice and snow.

Floyd Young, the frost expert will give out his prediction for tomorrow morning's frost outlook at 7 o'clock tonight, and his forecast is anxiously awaited.

It is pointed out that there have been heavy frosts before in the valley with as low a temperature at this time in April, which although doing much damage, yet did not prevent a good sized crop maturing. This was encouraging to the worried orchard men this morning.

All that saved the early crop this morning was the fact that the pear clusters had a protection covering of thin ice and over that snow, and the latter is a poor conductor of heat. The temperature of 24 degrees existed from 6 to 7:30 a. m.

Sunday's cold wave and storm with alternate falls of rain, snow and hail throughout the day was almost record breaking for early April and was all the more felt because of the spell of warm weather which had preceded it. Last Friday the maximum temperature was about 78, and Saturday's was 68. Then the mercury began falling until it reached a minimum of 32 Sunday morning, when the rain, hail and snow started in.

When at 5 p. m. Sunday the mercury had again reached 32 and was falling the orchardists were thoroughly alarmed and got into phone communication with Frost Expert Young, who all night was a very busy official.

The prolonged freezing period of this morning caused water pipes to freeze in several sections of the city notably far up on Siskiyou Heights, for the first time during the past winter and early spring.

LONDON—The first congress of women of the east has opened in Bakou, 40 delegates being present, says a wireless despatch from Moscow. The program included such subjects as what soviet Russia has given women; the liquidation of illiteracy; the safeguarding of motherhood; and the elections to the All-Russian Congress of Women.

The Congress of Women of the East is part of what appears to be a plan fostered by the soviet government of Russia to undertake widespread agitation and propaganda among Moslem women of that section of the world. It is an outcome of the Congress of Eastern Peoples which was held in Bakou in September last when the Congress of Women was proposed. It was then announced that soviet Russia would be represented in the Women's Congress by delegates from Astrakhan, Turkistan, Dakhistan and Azerbaidjan.

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The month of March had 1.66 inches of rain, whereas the amount of precipitation in that month a year ago was 1.45 inches. There were 11 days with .01 or more of rain, with the greatest in 24 hours being .31 of an inch, which fell on March 4 and 5. This brings the total for the year to 19.85 inches. The number of clear days was 8, 19 were cloudy and 2 partly cloudy.

The meteorological record for the month is partially as follows:

Character	Max.	Min.	Amt.	Day
1. Cloudy	63	43	0	Cloudy
2. Cloudy	58	48	.24	Cloudy
3. Cloudy	56	47	.08	Cloudy
4. Cloudy	58	38	T	Cloudy
5. Cloudy	56	38	0	Cloudy
6. Cloudy	56	32	0	Cloudy
7. Clear	46	30	0	Clear
8. Clear	61	26	0	Clear
9. Pt. Cloudy	64	30	0	Pt. Cloudy
10. Clear	54	27	0	Clear
11. Pt. Cloudy	58	42	.08	Pt. Cloudy
12. Cloudy	52	37	.17	Cloudy
13. Cloudy	52	41	T	Cloudy
14. Cloudy	64	40	.10	Cloudy
15. Cloudy	64	43	T	Cloudy
16. Cloudy	57	36	.06	Cloudy
17. Cloudy	51	34	.02	Cloudy
18. Cloudy	52	34	0	Cloudy
19. Cloudy	54	41	.08	Cloudy
20. Cloudy	52	33	.02	Cloudy
21. Cloudy	52	34	.06	Cloudy
22. Cloudy	58	36	0	Cloudy
23. Cloudy	56	40	T	Cloudy
24. Clear	56	31	0	Clear
25. Clear	70	28	0	Clear
26. Clear	70	32	0	Clear
27. Clear	66	37	0	Clear
28. Cloudy	72	31	0	Cloudy
29. Clear	72	31	0	Clear
30. Clear	70	35	0	Clear

SPARKS FROM TODAY'S WIRE

PASADENA, Cal., April 4.—Edmund Cogswell Converse, financier of New York City and Greenwich, Conn., died suddenly here today. His family was with him.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Great Britain's drink bill increased by more than \$400,000,000 last year, as compared with 1919 says a report to the department of commerce from Consul Hunter Sharp at Edinburgh, Scotland. The total amount, estimate at \$2,285,735,050, is about 24 per cent less than before the war.

DAYTONIA, Fla., April 4.—Starr J. Murphy, counsel for the Rockefeller foundation and legal adviser of John D. Rockefeller, Sr., died in a hospital here today after a brief illness.

TACOMA, April 4.—George Aki, a Hawaiian and formerly a court interpreter, was held in the county jail today in connection with the slaying of Henry Bacon, 50, a railway employee, whose body was found yesterday in his home near Dupont. A hammer, used by the slayer, was discovered by officers today. Bacon was known to have carried considerable money. He is believed to have been killed Friday night. Aki and Bacon occupied adjoining rooms.

BRADON, Miss., April 4.—Sandy Thompson, who shot and killed B. E. Dolson, a planter, near here Friday, was lynched near Langford during the night. The body was found springing from the limb of a tree.

STILLMAN MUST PAY

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The lawyers then left the court room for a conference.

Will Take Appeal
WHITE PLAINS, April 4.—Counsel for Mr. Stillman announced today that an appeal would be taken to the supreme court in Brooklyn today against Justice Morschauer's decision last week in expunging from the records the letters said to have been written by Mrs. Stillman and the Indian guide.

The letter from Mrs. Stillman to her husband was barred from the proceedings on the ground that it was confidential between man and wife, and therefore privileged. Letters alleged to have been written by the guide were barred on the ground that they were presented with an affidavit by Mr. Stillman, who was not qualified to testify in the case. The court indicated that the Beauvais letter would be admissible if presented with affidavits by some one else than the plaintiff.

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UNCLE DOBE TUCKER SAYS THE SPRING BUILDING BOOM IS HERE, SO FAR HE'S SHARPENED THIRTEEN SAWS AND MADE FOUR HAMMER HANDLES—

WHAT ARE THE ACTUAL CONDITIONS IN CHINA NOW?

From a Letter Written by an Eye Witness.

Mrs. J. P. Warren of Medford, has kindly allowed the Mail Tribune to print the following account of conditions in China written by a personal friend of hers, Clarence Dittmer, who has been attending a missionary school in that country and is now engaged in American relief work. Coming as it does from a person known in Medford the details are of more interest than the average article regarding the Chinese famine could possibly be. We are comfortably located in Tang county now at Tang Hsien, the county seat. It is about the same as Wang Tu, but being away from the railway, it is a bit harder, perhaps, to get all the supplies we want.

Dear folks, well fed in America, you can't imagine what it means to see people starving to death. To have a cook and a trunk full of canned goods along with you and be compelled to eat your meals with the cry of starving wretches in your ears. When they come into our courtyard, we just have to put them out. The famine is so great and all inclusive, that we can't spend even a minute on those who come to us. We must go to their villages, go into their houses, and if no food at all is found in any evidence of it, then we give them a ticket which calls for a pittance and which they may get by coming to headquarters on distribution days, once a month. They try to force their way through our front gate but a policeman is stationed there, they find our back gate and we have to look that, they discover a hole in the wall, there is no keeping them out. And who is to blame them. If I were starving I wouldn't stop at breaking in and knocking.

Tell the people that \$25 of your money, or \$50 of ours, will support the starving of a village for one month. My figures are not exact, but this is about the amount. The suffering in the spring is going to be far more acute than it is now. The nearer they come to the harvest the less there will be left to eat.

Now you people have a representative right on the spot. Wouldn't it be fine if different organizations would undertake to raise \$25 each for this work. There are a dozen different bunches and lodges in the city each one of which could easily do as much. Never mind if your subscription comes later. The greatest suffering will be six months from now.

I have seen famine villages in China thirty years after the famine was over. They are a pitiful sight, just acres of ruins with only here and there a survivor's hut. Thirty years ago, or was it fifty, Shausi lost more than half of her total population through starvation. I was there summer before last and wherever we went were the ruins of once prosperous villages. I wonder if this country will look like that after this famine is over.

The seriousness of my last letter to you makes me laugh. I was somewhat worked up, of course, but since then I have arrived on just the edge of the real thing. They told us that Tang Hsien would be worse, and it is. As soon as we began getting into this district we found the land poorer and the villages more numerous and much more poverty-stricken in outward appearance. As soon as the foreigner stepped his foot in the city the poor began knocking. Some of them got right down in the dirt of the street. Soon our compound was filled and we had a job getting rid of them. These people are not doing this because they like to. The kotow is serious business. They are doing it because it is their last and only resort. Poor folks! It kotows would only produce rice what a lot you might have.

The same afternoon we arrived we visited the Yamen, sent our cards to the police department and to the board of education, visited the hair-net factory, and investigated a village. How is that for a little over three hours work? The magistrate has returned our call and has invited us to a feast. I do hope K. L. Chao will get here in time for it. Jerome and I feel that it is a shame that the native workers should have labored so long doing the real work and that we should be getting all the honors. Well, they told us that this would be part of our job. The native workers would, in same

ready been given the minimum but we cut it down some forty per cent and thus saved enough wheat to take with us into several more villages in the vicinity.

Listen, my dear to this. We have in this province 270 villages, all are suffering, but 70 of them are what the committee calls 100 per cent famine. Now we have been given so far 85 bags of grain per month and \$400 as a monthly allowance. Now listen to what this will do. The \$400 will go to nine villages in the mountains. Thirty-four bags will go to nine villages in the north and 51 bags will be used for the city and the surrounding villages. If you could only see the little dabs we send them away with you would realize that they are just getting enough grain to mix with their bark and leaves in order to sustain life and not enough to work on. In all we will cover much less than half of the 100 per cent famine villages to say nothing of those which are merely suffering. Love to you all.

CLARENCE DITTMER.

Tank Hsien, Chihli, North China.

REFUSES TO OBEY ORDERS

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men of West Hungary, have been adopted by the Hungarian national assembly, it is reported to newspapers here.

A Vienna dispatch says the Hungarian government has fixed August 20 as the date upon which a king will be elected.

PARIS, April 4.—Negotiations for the departure of former Emperor Charles of Hungary are still continuing. It is said in dispatches to the French foreign office from Budapest. There is no confirmation of reports that Charles is ill.

BERNE, Switzerland, April 4.—Switzerland will be only a way station on the return journey from Hungary of former Emperor Charles, it is stated semi-officially here. Permission for him to re-enter this country is said to have been given only for the purpose of obtaining peace for Hungary and Austria. It is a general supposition that Charles will join his family at Prangins and take his wife and children to Spain.

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of New York, in the State of New York, on the thirty-first day of December, 1920, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

CAPITAL	
Amount of capital stock paid up	\$ 2,000,000.00
INCOME	
Net premiums received during the year	\$18,245,741.83
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year	1,842,787.35
Income from other sources received during the year	1,863,826.45
Total income	\$20,127,855.63
DISBURSEMENTS	
Net losses paid during the year including adjustment expenses	\$ 7,158,079.87
Dividends paid on capital stock during the year	4,000,000.00
Commissions and salaries paid during the year	6,025,110.22
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year	517,537.10
Amount of all other expenditures	2,044,124.76
Total expenditures	\$16,445,862.25
ASSETS	
Value of real estate owned (market value)	\$ 1,218,833.46
Value of stocks and bonds owned (market value)	18,068,444.79
Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc.	600.00
Cash in banks and on hand	755,412.89
Premiums in course of collection written since September 30, 1920	2,240,400.85
Interest and rents due and accrued	181,297.89
All other assets	430,568.83
Total admitted assets	\$24,470,003.77
LIABILITIES	
Gross claims for losses unpaid	\$ 5,590,219.88
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks	9,053,804.12
Due for commission and brokerage	234,242.69
All other liabilities	721,741.04
Surplus over all liabilities	1,887,256.13
Total liabilities, exclusive of capital stock at \$2,000,000.00	\$24,470,003.77
BUSINESS IN OREGON FOR THE YEAR	
Net premiums received during the year	\$ 21,862.58
Losses paid during the year	21,255.31
Losses incurred during the year	4.88

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