

VALLEY CHERRY PRICES HIGHER THAN LAST YEAR

According to Carl Y. Tengwald, resident manager of the Western Orchard, the cherry crop of that property was sold this year for the best price in many years. It received around nine cents per pound. The cherry crop totaled close to 18 tons. The Western tract is one of the largest cherry producers in the valley. The Rogue River Canning company this week completed its cherry pack for the season, which totaled about 70 tons. The canning price was from six to nine cents per pound, and the cherries were of exceptionally high quality and size. The apricot crop of the valley will be picked within the next ten days, as the fruit is ripening fast under the warm sun. It will be a large crop than forecasted in the spring. Apricots are selling in the stores of the city for \$1 per box, with a brisk demand from housewives, who favor the apricot for canning and preserves. The Bartlett pear price situation is the same as it was the first of the week, following the announcement that the California Pear Growers' association had fixed prices per ton ranging from \$38 to \$48 per ton. No California buyers have yet visited this section, and few if any offers have been made for the local Bartletts, which are better than the California fruit. It is expected that the canners will make public a price offer within the next week. The shortage of the eastern peach crop, is a favorable sign for Bartlett growers, and will increase the shipments east from the coast districts. The first two cars of California Bartletts sold in New York last week at a higher price than last season.

NUNN-BUSH RADIO PROGRAM MONDAY PROMISES TREAT

Radio listeners of station KMED should be sure to tune in on The Toggery-Nunn-Bush program at 7:00 p. m. Monday, for this week's program. The Nunn-Bush symphony orchestra will open the program with that fascinating composition, "Black Eyes," which comes from the pen of the composer Horlick. Betty Baxter Harvey, popular radio and concert contralto, who has won a host of radio admirers, will follow with "O Promise Me." Following two verses of this beautiful number, the soloist will read a special arrangement of the third verse, which was written especially for Jessie Bartlett Davis. The Nunn-Bush singers then follow with songs from "The Rose of Algeria," one of Victor Herbert's most beautiful compositions. "The Rose of Algeria" is a full opera, but its haunting melodies will live forever. The program: "Liebestraum," Liezt; Nunn-Bush singers. "Black Eyes," Horlick; Nunn-Bush orchestra. "O Promise Me," De Koven; Betty Baxter Harvey, contralto. "The Rose of Algeria," Victor Herbert; Nunn-Bush singers. "Liebestraum," Liezt; Nunn-Bush singers. The cold wintry blasts of January will be recalled to listeners on the Toggery-Nunn-Bush broadcast, by the Nunn-Bush trio singing selections from "Winter Medley" including "Jingle Bells," "Winter," and "If Winter Comes," which will be part of this program, sung by William Pohlmann, Walter Pfeiffer and Walter Stevenson. Listeners in the warmer climes, will also be given a treat of old song medleys. One of these features a bass solo, "Old Black Joe" sung by Walter Stevenson. The program will also include the airy march from "Tarnhauser" by Wagner, played by the Nunn-Bush symphony orchestra. This program is part of a coast-to-coast broadcast sponsored by The Toggery-Nunn-Bush every Monday night, 6:30 to 7.

SALEM, Ore., July 12.—(AP)—Although today is the last day allowed by law for the filing of affirmative arguments on initiative and referendum bills to be voted on in November, no arguments had reached the secretary of state's office up to noon on some of the most important of the measures. Among these was the state income tax bill which holds an important place in the setup of the state's new taxation system. This bill was passed by the legislature and the referendum was invoked against it.

SALEM, Ore., July 12.—(AP)—Growers "must apply themselves promptly to removing objectionable material from the finished product of prunes," A. W. Hansen, federal food and drug act administrator of Seattle, told a meeting of prune orchardists here yesterday.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 12.—(AP)—J. Milton Johnson, Los Angeles, was elected president of the Eastern Young People's union at the business session of the national convention here today. He succeeded J. W. McCrosson, Philadelphia.

MIAMI, Fla., July 12.—(AP)—Seafarer Al Capone was acquitted of perjury on a directed verdict in criminal court here today.

"Pop" Gates Has "It"

"The Oregon Voter," in its issue this week, prints a character sketch of C. E. (Pop) Gates of this city, mentioned as a candidate before the Republican nominating committee, scheduled to meet Friday, July 25. The article is as follows: "When it comes to personality, C. E. Gates of Medford radiates it like the rising sun on a poppy bed—he just naturally warms you into opening up. He would fill the governor's chair to overflowing, with an abundance of genial physique. Light on his feet as a quick in understanding, sympathetic as a listener, and as persuasive, he is neither a hard salesman nor a Wall street magnate. He made one fortune selling bathtubs and another selling Ford's. His home town he served by becoming its mayor without salary but with success and re-elections. His larger public service in recent years has been as a member of the state highway commission, to the affairs of which he has given a considerable part of his time. No man ever looked more like a business governor than he. He has plenty of insight to back up his impressive front.

"Pop" Gates, as he is affectionately called by his intimates, is an Oregonian by choice. He was a business man of national reputation in his line before he came here nearly twenty years ago, having been president of the Enamelled Wire Manufacturers association of the United States, re-elected six times after his first year's term and seeing his handsome portrait republished time and again in bathtub, washstand and kitchen sink trade papers. He also was vice-president of the Soil Pipe Manufacturers Association of the United States, with his picture published alongside of hollow iron cylinders. It was a breakdown in health that caused him to visit Medford, and he became so enamored of the place that he sold out his manufacturing interests, located there in 1911 and started an automobile agency at once, at a time when Ford's were just rattling in as a new kind of a road nuisance.

Gates is a native of Indiana, where the per acre yield of potatoes is the highest of any state. He was a Christmas present, but arrived one day early, December 24, 1871, and has been prompt ever since. His parents removed to Winamac, Indiana, and he was raised there, got some high school education and earned his way through a Logansport business college. When sixteen, he actually got himself hired to teach a rural school, thus proving what appearances can accomplish in impressing an education board. But his inclination was for business, and he went to Chicago hunting for clerical work. He found it in the statistical department of Chicago Economic Gas company, rising during eight years to an administrative position in its accounting office.

In 1907, Gates removed to Indianapolis to enter the employ of the McElwaine Richards company, wholesale plumbers' supplies, and three years later was sent by that company to Noblesville, Indiana, to manage their enamel ware manufacturing plant. He became vice-president and general manager of the Union Sanitary Manufacturing company, and rose to the prominent position in the trade that we have indicated above. In his full dress suit at association banquets everyone who didn't happen to know him asked who that handsome gent was. "Medford had just undergone its first big boom when Gates arrived, and even the advent of his numerous and healthy family did not save it from a heavy depression in population. They city had been paved enthusiastically but the assessments didn't yield enough to meet the improvement bonds, and the city government was as broke as if it had been located in Florida. There was a million dollars due and nothing to pay it with except real estate and future prospects.

"Pop" made himself part of Medford, and he was there to stay. The business men and taxpayers turned to him to take the job of mayor. He did so on condition that at the same election when his name was submitted, a charter amendment would be carried abolishing the salaries of mayor and councilmen. The measure carried almost unanimously and "Pop" was elected. He served six years without salary or expense account, from 1916 to 1922.

Refinancing the city was the first task. Improvement bonds had been sold as low as 66 in order to get paying in front of every lot before new lots were subdivided. Pop's administrative success consisted in refunding the city debt by selling a big new bond issue at par, and was smart enough to stick the bond buyer with the \$1,575 cost of engraving and printing the bonds, so the city got the entire face value of the issue without a nickle discount.

With the city's finances straightened out, Pop got busy with the chamber of commerce. He was the embodiment of the spirit that has made Medford famous, and he represented the community in negotiations for industries and investments. Medford started to grow again, and when he quit mayoring in 1922 it was beginning to be a city of substantial pay-offs. The 1920 census finds it one of the largest cities of the state in population, and economic statistics reflect its prosperity. Pop's influence was in favor of community sentiment friendly to industry, and Medford is justly proud of its fine payroll institutions.

When Pop came to Oregon, the good roads movement had hardly been conceived. He was one of its pioneer organizers. Jackson county was the first in Oregon to pave highways—it was ahead of Multnomah in this enterprise, which has transformed the state. He served as executive committeeman

in the first campaign for state highway bonding, appeared before the legislature to promote good roads and became a statewide figure in that cause. It was logical that when the late Governor Patton was reorganizing the state highway commission in 1922 that he would choose Gates as one of the three members. Gates brought to bear a wide business experience along with his enthusiasm for highway development, and by his services on the board has demonstrated caliber. "So impressed was Oregon by the Gates personality that he had lived here hardly ten years before he was mentioned for governor. Naturally tolerant, he stepped into trouble by permitting himself to be boomed by Ku Kluxers in the heyday of their power in 1922, but gracefully stepped out again when he discovered the fanaticism of the movement. None who know him hold this episode against him, for he is the reverse type from such "hot" as he has been among those mentioned during every pre-primary gubernatorial prospecting since, issuing a statement that "I have decided not to become a candidate this year" has become a habit with him. Usually he didn't issue it until after he got a lot of mention, as he visibly luxuriates in the sensation basic in political sunshine.

"Genial, Pop is a joiner. He is a high up Mason, belonging to all the orders; has served numerous terms as Elks Club trustee; is a prominent K. of P. and D. O. K. On so many Medford and state committees that we have lost count. Twice president in the state AAA. Was a state fair commissioner, President of the Jackson County Fair association, President of the Northern California Southern Oregon Development association. Vice-president of the Farmers & Fruitgrowers bank of Medford. Owns his own business premises and home, and considerable other Medford real estate, and is a substantial investor in real estate elsewhere in Oregon and in securities. Busy all the time and finds lots of time in which to visit, to laugh and to play. Drop in and see him among his new Fords and you'll feel like a family reunion.

"Oregon was a big winner by Pop Gates' arrival in our state. We wish we had more like him. He is of gubernatorial stature—both ways—and is sound of wind, limb and judgment. Rings true—no plugs."

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as Edison's statement that woman should remain in the home and out of business asks: "The home, where is that?" Woman has been kicked out of the home, according to Mrs. Conole, and finds it hard to succeed in business because "Chivalry has fallen to the ash-can."

"When you see a woman working," says Lawyer Conole, "some man has fallen down on the job of providing for her support."

Schopenhauer said all women were in league to compel every man to support some one woman all her life, and marriage was part of that conspiracy. "That," he said, "was why women never forgive the woman whose loose life breaks up the plan. Business seems to be interfering with it, as immorality once did."

HOLLIS, Okla., July 12.—(AP)—Jess Lee, negro, snatched from the hands of a gathering mob at Shamrock, Tex., yesterday after he was alleged to have slain Mrs. Henry Vaughan, white, was rushed to the county jail at Hollis, but removed again last night, apparently being taken under cover of darkness to the state reformatory at Granite, P. C. Grison, Harmon county jailer, said today.

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Communications

To the Editor: Of late I have noticed that several people of a distasteful state of mind have been airing their views here on the streets in regard to what they think of the fair little city of Medford. Now, while I am not personally acquainted with any of these men, and will say that I have been in a dozen different states in the last year, and have been in a number of the large cities, I expect that Medford will rank about as far up in the column as a city as some of those fellows would rank if placed in them.

Now, Mr. Editor, if you please, I draw my conclusions from being acquainted with some people that are always using their hammer and are never satisfied with the way other people handle their business. You know that is one of the easiest things in the world to be a knocker. Some people let that habit grow on them and they just do overtime on it. They start in the first thing in the morning and keep it up until they fall asleep at night.

So far as Medford is concerned I believe that it ranks as well as any city in this western country and in my travels I have heard a good many able people speak well of Medford. Of course there are some things that could in all probability be improved on to some extent, but that will never be brought about by some outsider using a hammer.

In my short life I have been in several cities and I never found any of them that thought so much

of my presence but what I could leave any time I so desired. I really believe that if we have so much interest in the welfare of Medford that we could help out a whole lot more if we would help boost for the city instead of finding fault with everything that we come in contact with. Medford may not offer as many inducements for the fellow that would like to make a living doing nothing as some of the other cities but for the fellow who really wants to work, and is willing to give value received, there is always an opening. Quite time there is always a dull season in the line of work just the same as there is in any other city. GEO. BENKER, Central Bldg., Ore. July 12.

FRESNO, Cal., July 12.—(AP)—While Willie Mastio, 23, was held today sheriff's officers were seeking his half brother, Joseph Eglio, 19, for questioning concerning the death of A. J. Mattinson, 23, who was fatally shot while seeking the signature of the boy's mother, Mrs. Angela Eglio, to a co-operative grape contract sponsored by the farm board. Eglio, at first reported under arrest at Sanger, scene of the shooting, eluded officers and was still at large today.

SALEM, Ore., July 12.—(AP)—If the people of California, in the fall election, approve a proposed constitutional amendment whereby the personal tax on automobiles becomes a part of the state license fee, similar to the Oregon system, Secretary of State Bloss expects fewer California license plates on cars that are really owned in Oregon.

Social Events of Church Societies

Circle Will Meet Wednesday The Priscilla Circle of the First M. E. church will meet with Mrs. C. A. Pikel, 1916 Court street, on Wednesday afternoon.

St. Paul People Entertained Here Reverend and Mrs. Leland Porter and daughter Mary, and Miss Martha Sice of St. Paul, Minn., who are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Conger, have been the inspiration for considerable entertaining during the past week.

They were honor guests at a luncheon given at Hotel Medford Tuesday by Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Meeker and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Corey. An informal musical was given in the evening at the Meeker home. The Porters have been touring the west for the past three weeks. They are visiting friends here, who formerly lived in Minnesota and enjoying several trips through the Rogue river valley and to southern Oregon resorts.

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