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Increase Pear Production

INCREASINGLY stiff competition is being faced each year by fruit growers of this area. Their problem is the concern of every person who resides in the Rogue River valley—the raising, packing and marketing of pears in the number one industry of this area; an investment conservatively estimated at ten million dollars is represented in local orchards, packing and storage plants.

The serious nature of this competition is increasingly apparent. Statistics compiled six years ago, which show production in tons per acre for the Medford district as compared with some of the principal competing coast fruit centers, tell an interesting story.

Here the production was 5.3 tons per acre. Compare this figure with 12.3 for Yakima, Washington; 11.5 for Wenatchee, Washington; 9.2 for Hood River, Oregon and 7.4 for Lake county, California. The relationship of production in this area to that of others probably still holds true and the Medford district figures show only approximately 5.7 tons per acre for 1938.

THE unfavorable showing of this area can be explained, in a measure, by the fact that a portion of local fruit acreage is not being handled in such a manner as to assure satisfactory production; some acreage here devoted to orchards might better be converted to other forms of production.

Many orchard operations here however ARE highly successful; in these cases they are handled in an intelligent, business-like way; initiative coupled with sound judgment have brought new methods of preparing and marketing pears. The foresight of a few has spelled the salvation of the local fruit industry.

THE Medford branch of the Oregon Experiment Station is facing the problem of finding ways and means to place more Medford growers on an equitable basis with growers of competing districts. It is recognized that cost of production per acre is approximately the same here as in other sections; likewise the fixed operating costs—which include such items as pruning, heating, cultivation, spraying, etc.—change relatively little whether the production per acre is small or large. It is quite obvious that, taking the industry here as a whole, the per box costs are materially higher than they should be.

THE ANSWER SEEMS TO BE—INCREASE PRODUCTION PER ACRE; REDUCE ORCHARD ACREAGE SO THAT ONLY SOILS BEST ADAPTED TO PEAR RAISING ARE USED.—H. G.

Good Work by Govt. Station

IN 1931, the Jackson County Court established the experiment station on King's highway, near this city, to be staffed and operated by Department of Agriculture experts, working in cooperation with state officials.

Various government work projects have contributed in bringing the value of the county-owned plant and equipment (leased to the State of Oregon) to \$50,000. An important payroll was created, annual operating expenses average \$25,000. More important yet, valuable work has been accomplished in research and in the more recent program of "Soil Moisture Control" which bring increasing benefits to the fruit industry and general farming of this district.

The experiment station committee of the Fruitgrowers League has performed valuable service in advancing the objectives of this station. Since experiments here are restricted to irrigation problems with pears, there is no conflict with the important activities of the Southern Oregon Experiment Station at Talent, which deals with other major problems of pear growing.

IT is a well known fact that seasonal flow of streams can be determined with reasonable accuracy several months in advance from snow measurements taken the preceding winter and spring on key watersheds. In this area, and other portions of the west, nearly 90 per cent of the summer stream flow originates from precipitation falling as snow.

The orchardists and farmers now can know in advance how much irrigation water they can depend upon months later! How is this forecasting accomplished?

At carefully chosen points, high in the mountains, known as "snow courses", the water content of the snow is accurately measured by drawing and weighing cores of the snow mantle. After records have been obtained for a few years, a correlation between snow cover and subsequent run-off can be determined. Using these correlations, forecasts of the coming summer's water supply can be made with astonishing accuracy immediately after the last snow measurements in March.

How valuable this information is in planning for summer irrigation, mining activities, hydro-electric power generation and municipal water supplies! Important, too, are these forecasts in flood control, in the preparation of flood height predictions by the Weather Bureau, and in the activities of the U. S. Biological Survey.

THE Medford station has assumed this difficult, yet highly important job of coordinator of survey activities for the vast territory extending from Redding, California, to the Columbia river on the north and to the Snake river on the east! It's a big order—yes—but it all ties in with a vast "Soil Moisture Control" program here and throughout the west.

AS an outgrowth of these snow surveys, the Medford Experiment Station has initiated a series of "snowcasts" for the benefit of winter sport fans. Up-to-the-minute snow, road and weather conditions are supplied for the principal snow sport centers.

Here is a service that will be welcomed by an increasing army of ski enthusiasts. This newspaper will add "snowcasts" furnished by the Experiment Station as a regular winter-season news feature, providing winter sport information for the entire Shasta Cascade-Wonderland area!

And so we say—whether your interests are in fruit, farming or mining, or if you look ahead to the fun of packing up skis and heading for snow-clad peaks, visit the Experiment Station on King's highway and learn first hand of the work a small but able staff is doing for YOU!—H. G.

Cold storage lockers to preserve meats, fruits and vegetables are now being used by from 800,000 to 1,000,000 American families, estimates show.

Personal Health Service

By William Brady, M.D.

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BEWARE THE OLD SPANISH IF YOU HAVE INFECTED TONSILS

Any competent, honest physician knows that as a rule more or less tonsil tissue remains in the throat after the standard tonsillectomy operation, no matter who removes the tonsils or what method he employs. In the great majority of cases patients never have any further trouble from the bits of tonsil remaining.

If your doctor is capable of thinking for himself or if he is capable of weighing the scientific and clinical or practical evidence which is on record where all physicians may examine it, he must at least question the wisdom of attempting to remove normal tonsil tissue from the throat by any method.

The weight of scientific and practical evidence seems to establish the efficacy in such cases of focal infection. It is not only justifiable but essential that if there is a septic focus in the tonsil area of infection be eradicated, drained, disinfected, pasteurized or otherwise destroyed or removed as the first step in the treatment of whatever systemic condition the infection may have caused.

Perhaps every doctor has seen some happy results from radical tonsillectomy in such cases of focal infection. But the disappointing results and, in many instances, the tragic results of this atrocious operation far overshadow the doubtful benefits to be gained from it, when we consider that, if only be a little better informed and a little more skilled, the doctor can obtain for his patient every possible advantage of tonsillectomy with virtually none of the grave risks of the major operation, by the use of diathermy, electro-coagulation, for pasteurizing, disinfecting, draining or destroying septic or infected areas in the tonsil.

Although it can scarcely be expected as a routine occurrence it is the experience in not a few cases that the patient notices an astonishingly prompt relief in the systemic manifestations—ache, pain, stiffness, etc., within a day or two after the first or second electro-coagulation sitting. Indeed this extraordinary result of pasteurization or perhaps actual disinfection of the septic area has been so marked and so complete in some instances that no further treatment has been necessary.

In order to make this clearer to

know her name. But of her I can say this: Many Broadway actresses could take lessons from her on the art of walking across a room. When she walked, time stopped. When she left the room the clocks started ticking again. I haven't the faintest idea who designed these gowns, or how much money their creators received in payment. But whatever it was, they were underpaid. Sinclair Lewis seems to have started something. Now it's Ludwig Bemelmans, illustrator and author of "Life Class" and many other books, who is sneering on greasepaint and having his say behind the footlights. Bemelmans is playing the role of a pompous general in Nathaniel West's Joseph Schrank comedy "Good Hunting."

NEW YORK—If I were good at describing women's clothes I would tell you about a couple of gowns observed at a recent Guy Lombardo opening. But I don't know much about women's clothes, and when someone asks me to describe what someone had on I always become involved in one of those "Well, she had on a sort of dress with one of those things down here with a bundle of something or other that sort of curled around there before it flared out yonder, and a red belt." Maybe this sounds like double talk to you, but it is perfectly clear to me.

And so I won't ask you to draw a picture of those two gowns after I describe them. I just happened to see them and they left pictures on my mind. In technicolor.

The first one was made out of what I will wager was gray net. Nobody told me. I just figured it out myself. On it was a lot of metallic stuff and as if it had been sprayed up and down the front. Those were sequins, silver sequins. It didn't have any shoulder-strap. It was very long and billowy, and when the girl walked, you could glimpse the toes of her silver sandals. Maybe they weren't sandals. Maybe they were extremely high-heeled I never saw the heels.

But what caught my eye was a scarlet velvet wrap she wore with the dress. It came about to the hips, and the collar sort of flared up in a roll like flowers that has just begun to open. And she wore a scarlet flower in her hair. I haven't the remotest idea who she was. That is irrelevant. But that combination silver sequins, silver slippers, scarlet velvet wrap and flower in her hair—like a peach sundae, made paying attention to Mr. Lombardo very difficult indeed.

The other dress I liked and which left me pushing my cake around my plate in a dazed sort of fashion was the exact opposite. It was sort of rust color, or reddish brown, without any lines, and it sort of fell over the wearer like an extremely heavy and loose fitting robe. It hung in voluminous folds, almost like a monk's cloth.

But it was caught at the waist with a wide gold belt and the lady wore a wide gold choker or something around her neck. She finished off with a gold clasp in her hair. And the effect, though Grecian in severity was startlingly impressive and made her look like a modern Joan of Arc. I couldn't see her shoes. Nor do I

know her name. But of her I can say this: Many Broadway actresses could take lessons from her on the art of walking across a room. When she walked, time stopped. When she left the room the clocks started ticking again. I haven't the faintest idea who designed these gowns, or how much money their creators received in payment. But whatever it was, they were underpaid. Sinclair Lewis seems to have started something. Now it's Ludwig Bemelmans, illustrator and author of "Life Class" and many other books, who is sneering on greasepaint and having his say behind the footlights. Bemelmans is playing the role of a pompous general in Nathaniel West's Joseph Schrank comedy "Good Hunting."

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- 6:00—Good News of 1939, KPO, KGW, Concert, KEX, Major Bowes' KNX, KOIN, KSL.
7:00—Music Hall, KPO, KGW, Workshop, KNX, KOIN.
7:30—Americans at Work, KNX, KSL, KOIN; People I Have Known, KGO.
8:00—Amos and Andy, KPO, KGW, Vincent Lopez' Orchestra, KNX; Dance Hour, KGO, KOIN.
8:30—Kate Smith, KNX, KSL, KOIN; Clary and Gillum, KGO.
9:00—Ramos' Orchestra, KGO; News, KJR.
9:15—Voice of Hawaii, KEX; Savitt's Orchestra, KFI; Sleep Serenade, KPO; Musical Moments, KGW.
9:30—Deutsche's Orchestra, KPO, KGW, KFI; Weems' Orchestra, KGO.
9:45—University Explorer, KGO; Weems' Orchestra, KJR; Osborne's Orchestra, KSL, KOIN; News, KNX.
10:00—Field's Orchestra, KGO; Grant's Orchestra, KNX; Reporter, KPO, KGW, KFI; Dance Orchestra, KSL.
10:30—Rudy Vallee, KGO, KEX; Dance Orchestra, KFI; KOIN.
11:00—Sudy's Orchestra, KPO, KGW; World on Parade, KGO; Owen's Orchestra, KNX, KSL.

Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

PASTE this in your hat: Among the developments of the not too distant future will be old age pensions on a scale LARGER than the present scale. You may like it, or you may not like it—but it is coming. We'd better begin to give it some serious and HONEST thought.

IN giving honest thought to old age pensions, we must get rid of the notion that they will in some mysterious manner STIMULATE PROSPERITY.

They won't. Prosperity is created only by increased production—either through more work or more efficiency. Prosperity is the result of MORE THINGS—not more money. No matter how hard you try, you can't share what ISN'T PRODUCED. There are no shortcuts to prosperity. The sooner we make up our minds to that, the better off we shall be.

PENSIONS for the aged mean simply that money that is EARNED by one group of the population is SPENT by another group. If you earn money and give it to your neighbor to spend, the prosperity of the community won't be stimulated any more than if you spent the money yourself.

All that will happen is that you will have to work harder, whereas your neighbor won't have to work so hard. Economically, the effect of old age pensions will be exactly the same. They won't increase production, but they will make life easier and pleasanter for the aged.

If old age pensions are to be sound, they must be recognized clearly for what they actually are—which is deferred payment for WORK ALREADY DONE. The worthy aged have done their part. They have produced in their producing years. In an enlightened state of society (such as ours professes to be) those who have produced in their producing years are entitled to reasonable security in their declining years.

That is the only theory of old age pensions that will work. If we are wise, we will kick the crackpots and the hocus-pocus artists out of the door, and will say honestly to ourselves: "Old age pensions WON'T stimulate prosperity. But they will provide reasonable security for those who have produced during their producing years. In order to provide security for those who have passed their best producing years, those of us who are still within the period of full production are willing to WORK HARDER."

That is the honest way to approach the old age pension problem.

PROBE SLATED IN LABOR CONDITIONS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Officials said today the senate civil liberties committee would open hearings in San Francisco about December 12 in an investigation of west coast labor conditions. In addition to an inquiry into general labor conditions, the committee is expected to take testimony concerning the activities of employers' associations, including associated farmers.

Robert O. Wehrforth, committee counsel, has been in San Francisco some time preparing for the hearings. Chairman La Follette (Prog. Wis.) and Senator Thomas (D. Utah) are expected to go to San Francisco shortly before December 12.

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The Capital Parade

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balancing and the restoration of confidence. At the same time, he does not depart from the New Deal line so widely as Morgenthau did last autumn, when he wanted to balance the budget by severe economy. Hans' theory is that, with an improvement of business, brought about by the restoration of confidence, the national income will rise to a point where the budget can balance itself.

Since the reversion to spending last spring, Morgenthau has come around to the Hans view. Their joint prayer now is that the national income will reach \$80,000,000,000 by 1940, in which case the budget can be balanced on the basis of present taxes. And they have real hope that their prayer will be answered.

Concerning the immediate future, several interesting inferences can be drawn from Hans' new power over taxes. In the first place, unless the president himself is willing to make a "Hans" plan, it's very unlikely that financing national defense will be made an excuse for revitalizing the undistributed profits levy. Generally speaking, punitive or disturbing taxes on business will be avoided.

There may be no call for new taxes of any sort, for Morgenthau and Hans are not yet convinced that the next fiscal year's armament and relief expenditures will be big enough to necessitate more revenue. If new taxes are called for, they will probably take the form of increased surtaxes on incomes between \$10,000 and \$50,000 a year. As one treasury expert rather grimly put it, "that's where the fat is." At present, total income taxes in the \$10,000 to \$50,000 range only from 11 to 31 per cent, and the rate to pay is there, and about \$4,000,000,000 of taxable income is also there.

Whatever the final recommendations, they will be based on careful, realistic examination of the entire tax structure. Some may be disappointed that budget-balancing has been deferred again. But they should recognize that, in the last election, even the Republicans hesitated to raise the cry of economy. And they should remember that, unless the national income rises or the government spending apparatus is dismantled, the budget cannot be balanced without a 50 per cent increase in taxation.

Wimer

WIMER, Nov. 30.—(Spl.)—Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Taylor, Mrs. Ellen Mee, and Mrs. Margaret Boynton were recent over-night guests at the home of Mrs. Mary Moore.

Mrs. Taylor, who received an injury while riding in a car, is improving nicely. A large number of local people attended the open house and barbecue supper at the CCC camp on Thanksgiving Day.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Rigel of Cave Junction, spent several days visiting their daughter, Mrs. Eugene Moore and family.

Jack Rambo, of Yakima, Wash., arrived recently to spend the winter with his mother, Mrs. Frank Lenhardt.

People of Evans Valley were glad to see the Wimer store being built again and hope it will soon be open for business. It is being rebuilt by George VanGothem.

Charles Owens had the misfortune to lose one of his work horses recently. George VanGothem and W. H. Gallnot made a business trip to Portland recently.

Dinner guests at the home of Eugene Moore on Thanksgiving were: Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Rigel, Orville and Jesse Rigel of Cave Junction; Irven and Noah Rigel of Williams, Sam Rigel of Grants, Paas, Mrs. Mary Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rigel and children, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lenhardt, Samuel Evmenster, Jack Rambo, Geneva, Nell and Stanley Moore and the host and hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Quinn and children and Mrs. Quinn's sister, Mr. and Mrs. Johnathan, Mrs. Mary Moore, Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Rigel, Mrs. Margaret Moore, Mrs. Butterfield and Edna Butterfield enjoyed a picnic at the Butterfield home given by Leland and Geneva Quinn, Joan Kathen and Geneva and Nell Moore, and Miss Gladys Butterfield. After the program refreshments were served.

A. C. Miller and family, who have been living on the Jim Neathome place for the past two years, have moved to Sweet Home.

Flight o' Time

TEN YEARS AGO November 30, 1928 (It was Saturday)

Medford high's "Black Tornado" pounds out a 30 to 0 victory over Benson high of Portland, before 12,000 people. Brilliance of locals amazes crowd. School wins state title, and game is proposed with Everett, Wash., high school.

Influenza epidemic hits UofO campus. Huge crowd at depot to welcome Coach Callison and football team.

Birdseye Creek mining prospect is brightened by gold find. Christmas-eel sale opens.

President-elect Hoover on South America tour makes speech in Ecuador. Green colored plane put in service in air mail and lands here.

TWENTY YEARS AGO November 30, 1918 (It was Monday)

German plot to restore ex-Kaiser as ruler; American troops take charge of areas along the Rhine. President Wilson ready to release railroads from government control as soon as readjustment is worked out.

Hot lunches are now being served in about half the schools of this county. Ashland city tax levy to be 16.58 mills.

John Kirkpatrick is confined to the hospital with the flu. Small freight wreck south of Ashland delays train service.

STARGLASS POLICEMEN GLAD GRID YEAR OVER

PORTLAND, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Two starling policemen are glad the Multnomah field football season is over. Patrolman A. F. Crabtree lost his star when he attempted to stem a student rush for the goal posts after the Oregon-Washington contest. Patrolman J. J. Hochmuth's badge disappeared while he broke up a scrap between undergraduates following the Oregon-Oregon State struggle.

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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

Salem reports say "the legislative horse-trading has started." It is just as well to get it over before the legislative horse-play.

Amid the hellishness of Nasmam, the onerousness of Poland is overlooked by the public. Poland has been consistently nagging at Czechoslovakia, since that unhappy land was whacked up by the peace of Munich. Given a share, the Poles have been greedily aggravating, whenever opportunity offered. This week unable to wait for the formal date of occupation, they moved into the area a day ahead of time, and occupied more territory than granted.

A new note says that a study of 1500 churches in Chicago revealed they had 1000 athletic teams, more than 200 gymnastics, 3000 individual clubs, 500 ping pong tables and more than 100 bowling alleys. It didn't say, but we assume the inventory showed some religious equipment, too.—(Cincinnati Enquirer)—Peripetous observation.

The duck shooting season ended Monday. Many duck hunters now have colds, which they insist were not contracted while lying all day in a Klamath county mud puddle.

CAROLINA SOCIAL WHIRL (Sylvan (NC) Times) "About 3000 people were present and a nice amount was raised for the church. The schedule of prizes for the event was: Two-minute bug, 15 cents; 15- to 25-minute bug, 50 cents; another man's wife, \$1; old maids, no time limit, three cents."

The visit of the King and Queen of England to America next spring, has caused several here to start hating their British accent, and say "Bah Jovel" instead of "Tarnation Cats!"

A plan has been advanced to divide handling the government equally between men and women. Working together the women could do no worse than the men have by themselves.

"The plan for 30 bucks every Thursday was defeated in the election, so we still have to depend on the boss every Friday."—(Jersey Journal)—The capitalistic, horse & buggy profit motive comes in handy.

YULE GREETINGS "Sing Ho! Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year! The lack's on the wing, and the wolf's at the door, and the income tax people keep asking for more (Which is painful at best... but I wouldn't much grudge it) once they'd use it to balance the budget). The house has a mortgage, the dog's run away, and the cook took a job with the WPA. The sorn's I th' bud, and the world's out of tune, the car's repossessed, and there's food on the moon. Be you rich man, or poor man or beggar or thief, here's the best I can wish—may you get on Belle!—(JCP.)

GRIFFIN CREEK FOLK INVITED TO PROGRAM

GRIFFIN CREEK, Nov. 30.—(Spl.) Griffin Creek will sponsor an entertainment Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the school gym. The program will be in charge of county recreational leaders and an enjoyable evening is promised those attending.

There will be no admission charge and all are invited. Pies and candy will be sold and donations for the hot soup fund for the school will be gratefully received.

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