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FIRE BLIGHT WARNING IS SENT OUT

(W. J. Kocken)
Fire blight to date has been found in seven orchards by the county fruit inspector. It has been confined to the Spitzenburg and Yellow Newtown varieties. No blight has been found on pears. These orchards are all located along Wasco ridge and with the exception of one are southeast of Parkdale. The infection was spread at blossom time and has probably in most cases run its course.

It is very important that all symptoms of blight be reported to the county fruit inspector. It is now easy to detect and its complete removal will lessen the chances of development next year. While the disease does not appear to be a virulent form this season, one cannot afford to leave even a small hold-over canker.

Leroy Childs reports that considerable fire blight has occurred in the Santa Clara valley this season. Presumably it has been claimed that Santa Clara valley was practically immune to fire blight. Some people claim the same fact for Hood River valley. No one, however, can afford to experiment with this, as fire blight is a disease which may be in a mild form for a few years and then at any time break out vigorously.

The diseased tissues should be cut 8 to 12 inches below any indications of the blight and should be immediately removed from the orchard and burned at once. The tools and wounds after each cut should be thoroughly disinfected. There are many formulas recommended which are no doubt effective. The following is the one recommended by Professor Reimann, of the Southern Oregon Experiment Station, who is a leading authority on pears in the United States: Mercuric chloride 1.500, mercuric cyanide 1.500. To increase the efficiency of this disinfectant, it is now common practice to use glycerine and water in equal parts.

Fire blight is a bacterial disease and anyone not familiar with the nature of the disease may spread it unknowingly throughout his orchard. This has occurred in many instances over the country where proper precautions were not taken. Therefore, it is very important that anyone who has not had experience in the removal of the blight, call upon the Experiment Station or fruit inspector for further instructions.

Just Little Stories
This story of a negro cotton farmer will no doubt be of interest to apple growers.
The colored rancher had sold his cotton crop. White friends a few weeks later asked him what he had made on the year's yield. "Oh," he replied, "de ducks got it all."

The white man evidenced his mystification and the darky explained by producing a statement from his dealer.
"See heah," he said. "All dem de ducks don't leave a nigger nothing." The man scrutinized the bill and saw various deductions for commission, storage, freight and what not. In fact, it was a case where "de ducks" had it all.

Lost Lake Popular
While huckleberries of the earlier varieties are reported to be ripening around the Lost Lake country, the blackberry crop, usually abundant on the logged off areas north of the lake along the West Fork of Hood River, will be short this season because of the drought.

Record crowds of motor tourists have visited the Lost Lake area the past week. Every available camping place of the West Fork, Lake Branch and Lost Lake country was taken by motor parties over the week end. It was estimated that around 5,000 vacationists visited the lake district the past week.

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FLOWERS OF EDEN PARK WONDERFUL

By C. E. Graves, secretary, Wyeast club, in the Union Pacific magazine.
The mountain parks of the Pacific Northwest hold the unique annual flower show. These parks are found at an elevation of from 4,500 to 6,500 feet on the slopes of the snow-covered volcanic peaks which distinguish the Cascade range from all other mountain ranges of the country.

Eden park, on the northwest slope of Mount Hood, boasts of one of the most luxuriant of all the wild flower displays.
The early flowers begin to bloom as soon as the snow disappears from the ground. On the exposed ridges and along the lower reaches of the trail leading to the park, this is usually about the first of July. At this time the red rhododendron, the Northwest's most showy flower, blooms in glorious profusion in the heavy woods bordering the trail.

About the same time the avalanche lilies, cousins of the lowland dog-tooth violets, are beginning to open their pink buds in the more open woods. The mature flowers are pure white, turning to lavender in old age, with conspicuous orange-yellow anthers. They are by far the most striking and beautiful feature of the early Eden park bloom, blooming in large quantities in and around the open groves. They might well furnish the inspiration for a poem like Wordsworth's "Daffodils." Ten thousand saw I at a glance, tossing their heads in sprightly dance."
Two other very picturesque early season arrivals are the western anemone and the bear grass, otherwise known as squaw grass, elk grass or basket grass. The bear grass in many places often peaks its thick waxy stem up through the edge of a snowbank. After its white petals fall, it passes into its most showy stage. The anemone or snowflake grows in grassy silty trails which give the head of the plant the appearance of a large pale-green fluffy plume. These waving plumes, sometimes picturesquely called Old Man of the Mountains, form one of the most conspicuous landscape features of the late park season. The bear grass shoots up its thick brittle flower stalk from two to four feet high from a spreading clump of long slender grass-like leaves. On the tip end of the stalk is a conical cluster of densely massed, creamy white flowers, with a sweet, not too excessive fragrance. They start blossoming in the latter part of June among the red rhododendrons, but are found in the greatest profusion in the upland parks about the middle of August. Whole fields of them, acres in extent, wave their stately plumes like an army of soldiers on the march.

During the first two weeks of August the last of the snow in the park disappears and the repressed vegetation makes up for the lost time, knowing that the visible period of its life cycle is limited. The open meadows and parks become covered with a profusion of many kinds and colors of flowers. The various shades of red, from the palest pink to the yellow monkey-flowers. Conditions are very favorable for the development of these handsome flowers and there are many remarkable gardens of them. The mountain gentian, delight of all flower lovers, is rare enough to add considerable zest to the joy of discovery, but several exquisite beds of them have been found. On the higher ridges near the timberline, there is a surprising variety of dwarf flowers such as the dwarf saxifrage, lupine, the mountain phlox, anemone, goldenrod, beard-tongue, the spreading stone-crop and others. It is a marvel that they are successful in their struggle for existence with so many unfriendly forces of nature pitted against them.

The species mentioned above are only a few of the more conspicuous and common mountain park flowers. There are in fact about 100 species that can be said to be fairly common in the park, and there are in addition many other less conspicuous and rarer varieties. It is not an exaggeration to say that nowhere else in nature, not even in her tropical abundance, can one obtain such an overpowering sense of the beauty of color, form and outline as in these flower-strewn meadows, groves and hillsides.

Oak Street Work Under Way
P. L. Tompkins, representing residents on Oak street between Ninth and Tenth, appeared before the city council Monday night and asked that the thoroughfare, which was recently scarified preparatory to the construction of concrete paving, be sprinkled to keep down dust. He declared that the dust clouds raised by a heavy traffic had proved a nuisance. Mr. Tompkins was told that the street would be closed immediately, as H. W. Hopkins, a Portland contractor, will start the paving of the thoroughfare.

Dr. J. D. Guttery asked the council why the Oak street paving should not be for the entire width instead of 18 feet. He was told that the original contract could not be altered under the charter, but that another contract for paving the full width of the street would be let if it appeared that it would be advisable.

The suggestion was made that the charter should be changed. The document is 30 years old and does not fit modern business needs. It was said.

Officials May Attend Convention
City Fire Marshal Morgan and Fire Chief Volterff may attend the 31st annual convention of the Pacific Coast Fire Chiefs' Association, at Pasadena, Calif., soon. A letter of invitation to the fire officials from Jay W. Stevens, secretary of the organization, was read to the city council Monday night. The matter of paying the expenses of the officials was referred to the finance committee.

STAGE AND SCREEN

Trust to luck! Be a gambler! This, the advice a mother gives her daughter in the Sam Wood Paramount production of "The Next Corner," coming to the Riialto theatre Friday and Saturday, is exactly what the director did not do. Instead of relying on fickle fate, plans for the picture were worked out with extraordinary care.

Conway Tearle, in a leading masculine role, has the part of Robert Maury, globe-trotting mining man who leaves his wife to the destinies of fate for two years.
Dorothy Mackall, former Follies beauty who is making her Hollywood debut in the production after notable appearances in stage and screen plays east, is the wife.

Others in the cast of this highly exotic modern screen drama, which includes in its locale action taking place in Paris, the Pyrenees of Spain, and Venezuela, are Louise Dresser, Ricardo Cortez, both featured, and Remedla Radzina.

Robert B. Mantell, noted actor of the famous heroics of Shakespearean plays, was engaged by Cosmopolitan Productions for the film version of Stanley Weyman's novel, "Under the Red Robe," which will be the attraction of the Riialto theatre Tuesday, because of his distinguished stage characterization of the same historical character which he portrays in "Under the Red Robe"—that of Cardinal Richelieu. The great cardinal is one of Mr. Mantell's favorite roles and one that he has acted many times in Bulwer-Lytton's old play. He still gives that play in his Shakespearean repertoire and it is always a favorite with the public. The character of Richelieu has had more to do with the play's success than the intrinsic merits of Bulwer-Lytton's drama, and Mr. Mantell has always given a vivid, forthright performance.

Several of the motion picture reviewers on the New York newspapers compared Mr. Mantell's screen version of Cardinal Richelieu with his stage impersonation of the character. The film-character to be the greater of the two.

David Higgins, one of the stage's best known players, has an important role in Thomas Meighan's latest Paramount picture, "The Confidence Man" which will be the feature of the Riialto theatre Monday and Tuesday.

Mr. Higgins was one of the principals of "Welcome Stranger" during its long run on the stage in New York City. Mr. Higgins is also the author of "The Last Dollar," one of the most famous of old time melodramas, and "Piney Ridge," another famous melodrama. This play was produced by him at the American theatre in New York City in 1897 with Frank Bacon, of "Lightning" fame, as its business manager. The American theatre, at the time "Piney Ridge" was produced, was the only theatre on 42nd street.

The best comedy picture of the year will be the general verdict next Wednesday and Thursday nights when Buster Keaton's latest film, "Our Hospitality," a Joseph M. Searce production, will be shown at the Riialto theatre.
The story concerns the troubles of the last of the McKays when he returns to his home in Kentucky and makes the technical mistake of falling in love with the beautiful daughter of the house of Canfield, which family has wiped out the McKays in their long-standing feud. Keaton is simply immense as the naive youth, and his adventures left the spectators with jawbones aching from laughter.

Keaton is supported by his wife, Natalie Talmadge, while Buster Keaton II, one year old, also appears. The story and titles were by Jess Haves, Joe Mitchell and Clyde Bruckman, photography by Elgin Lessly and Gordon Jennings, historical sets by Fred Gabouri, and the direction of Buster Keaton and Jack Blystone.

Next Wednesday and Thursday the Motion pictures of the Legion convention festival activities in Portland will be shown. These pictures show Walter Shay's "Puddle Jumper" and numerous local legionnaires in action.
"The War-Path," the first episode of the new Pathe serial, "Leatherstocking," featuring Harold Miller and Edna Murphy, will be shown Saturday and Sunday at the Liberty theatre, introducing to its patrons a new story and titles were by Jess Haves, Joe Mitchell and Clyde Bruckman, photography by Elgin Lessly and Gordon Jennings, historical sets by Fred Gabouri, and the direction of Buster Keaton and Jack Blystone.

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Chimney Construction Criticized
Jack Piercey, known to people of Northwestern towns as "Happy Jack," the chimney sweep, who has been here the past two weeks on his regular summer tour, has warned citizens that they should give greater care to the construction of their chimneys and the installation of furnaces.
Happy Jack, who learned his profession as a boy in England, says he has found the majority of furnaces characterized by faulty installation. Chimneys, he declares, are often of improper construction and are liable to cause a serious conflagration.
Mr. Piercey has asked the city fire department to investigate chimneys and promote an ordinance which will call for proper construction and safe installation of furnaces.

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Orchards Please Brown
W. G. Brown, owner of East Side orchard property who arrived last week from Fargo, N. D., for a visit with A. G. Lewis, official of the Apple Growers Association, says his apple returns have been more favorable the past five years than from varied agricultural interests in other parts of the country. Mr. Brown owns a peach grove in Mississippi, alfalfa ranch in Idaho and a wheat ranch in North Dakota.
"The apple man should not be discouraged," said Mr. Brown. "His business has gone through no greater a crisis than has been faced by other agricultural enterprises. I am as well satisfied with Hood River apple orchards as with any property I have."

Aid for Walther Sought
A bill granting \$10,000 to George Walther, who was injured several months ago by the shot from the gun of John Montgomery, United States prohibition officer, at a still near Underwood, has been introduced in the house of representatives and is now in the hands of a committee on claims, according to the attorney for the boy, who has returned from Washington. The sum would be settlement in full of all the claims Walther might have against the government.
The peculiar nature of Walther's injury has paralyzed him from the waist down.

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