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"We have had a great many growers ask us recently as to the possible demand for export apples this season and how this should affect thinking the apples on the trees," says J. C. Duckwall, of Duckwall Bros. "To get the benefit of increased growth apples should be thinned in June. Excess fruit taken off at this time leaves the fruit to be harvested. It is our belief that apples that produce 300 sizes or smaller should be thinned off the trees, as they are not the desirable export sizes. These apples sometimes sell at a discount as high as \$1 a box over sizes such as 160, which seems to be the most desirable export size."

"If thinning is made with the idea of growing only the sizes 160 and larger, the grower will have at harvest time a crop of practically all commercial apples. There will, of course, be some apples that will be smaller than the 160 size but the percentage should be small. This will give an export assortment with the very large percentage of a desirable size, and if prices at the marketing season warrant 100 and even 138 size can be added to the export sizes, and are much more profitable than the sizes smaller than 160."

"A district such as Hood River," declared Mr. Duckwall, "should never put out the large percentage of sizes of 200 and smaller such as was done last season, which retard export sales and which generally show a loss. If a grower will check over his percentage of sizes 138 and smaller, he will see that there is never a shortage of these sizes."

"When the fact is considered that our exports not only in fruit, but other commodities, are used as a means of taking care of the surplus which we have to sell, we should use every precaution to see that our export apples are of a nature that will bring us the most return. Extreme small sizes not only do not do this, but often actually decrease the number of boxes exported."

KLIKITAT PIONEERS TO MEET

The annual meeting of the Canan Prairie and Vicinity Pioneers' association will be held Saturday, June 12, at the Baker & Coe warehouse at Bingen. The program, which begins at 9 a. m., will be as follows: "America," chorus; two numbers; oration, J. N. B. Brooks; reading, Mrs. Schwartz; dance, Mildred Skandorf; solo, Mrs. E. L. Heaman; recitation, Margaret Bartholomew; recitation, Bertha Schwartz; book, new meeting and election of officers. Basket dinner and music. Bring your cup and basket lunch; the committee will furnish cream and sugar. At 2 p. m., sports; 3 o'clock, baseball game; 8 o'clock, Indian pageant. "From the Yellowstone," will be rendered at the Jewett Room; 9 p. m., grand ball at Baker & Coe warehouse, music by the Columbia Street 6-piece orchestra.

Everybody is welcome to attend the entire day's program. The committee is as follows: J. L. Stump, A. H. Quinn, Wm. Underwood, John Gilman.

Medford Apples Decrease
"The season of 1925 will be more or less of a disappointment to fruit growers of the Hood River valley, as to those of California, the Willamette valley, Hood River, Yakima valley and other Pacific sections," said C. C. Cate, Jackson county pathologist, in a review recently issued on local fruit prospects, which two months ago led many Medford growers to expect 3,000 cars of pears.

"Due to the winter freeze last December when the top was not thoroughly down, the trees, with heavy dropping of fruit has occurred in the entire northwest on most varieties of fruit," continued Mr. Cate.

"However, the prospect is for from 1500 to 1800 cars of pears, in comparison with the highest number ever shipped from the valley, 2400, in 1923. In 1924 about 1200 cars were shipped and in other years from 600 to 1600 cars.

"The apple crop will be about 70 per cent in this valley. The heavy dropping in the valley this year was mainly due to the December freeze and rainy and cloudy weather during blossom time. The valley as a whole is in fairly good shape from the blight standpoint."

Willis Has First Red Raspberries
J. A. Willis, who has a tract of fruit within the city limits on Railroad street, Monday set a record for the earliest harvest of Outbert red raspberries in the mid-Columbia. He marketed a carload of six pint hallocks at local stores. The fruit retailed for 15 cents per hallock.

Mr. Willis said he expected to net another record by getting the first Oregon raspberries to the Spokane market by tomorrow night. He has sold his entire crop to Pupo Bros., Spokane.

Anne Follows Hurt
Anne, eight-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor C. Follenius, sustained a painful scalp wound Thursday when struck by a rock cast by a little boy playmate at Park Street school, who was trying to dislodge a ball from a tree. The little girl fainted, and it was feared that her hurt might be serious until a medical examination revealed no fracture or concussion.

Talk with Young, Ten to 70.

Motor Boat Trip Across Coast
John E. Hoag, Val Wentworth and Frank A. Wilton, all of Los Angeles, passed up the Columbia last week on the way across the continent by motor boat. They will portage from Lewiston, Ida., across the Rockies and resume their water trip in the Yellowstone river. Mr. Hoag will write a series of articles for the National Geographic magazine, and Mr. Wilton will take motion pictures en route.

Notice to Creditors
In the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Hood River, In the Matter of the Estate of Y. Ogita, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Samuel E. Weinstein, has been appointed administrator of the estate of Y. Ogita, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Hood River County, and has qualified.

All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same duly verified as by law required, to the undersigned at the office of Alfred P. Dobson, attorney for said estate, 508 Gasco Building, Portland, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.

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(Signed) Samuel E. Weinstein, Administrator.

Alfred P. Dobson, Attorney for Administrator. m714

Notice of Sheriff's Sale

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Hood River County.

Jennie Ritchie, as Executrix of the Last Will and Testament of C. T. Ritchie, deceased, Plaintiff, vs. Alice Merrin, Arthur L. Merrin, H. Gardner, E. H. Harper and Annie Harper, Defendants.

By virtue of a writ of execution and order of sale issued out of the above entitled court and cause to me directed and dated the 2nd day of April, 1925, in favor of the plaintiff and against said defendant for the sum of \$300.00 with interest from the 1st day of November, 1924, at the rate of 7% until paid, for \$75.00 as attorney fees and the further sum of \$15.00 cost and the sum of \$9.77 with interest thereon from December 2nd, 1921, cost and disbursements, commanding me to make sale of the following described property in Hood River County, to-wit:

The West Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section Twenty-nine (29), in Township Two (2) North of Range Ten (10) East of the Willamette Meridian, containing 20 acres.

Now therefore, by virtue of the said decree, execution and order of sale and in compliance with the terms of said writ, I will on the 15th day of June, 1925, at ten o'clock in the forenoon at the east front door of the court house in Hood River, Hood River County, Oregon, sell at public auction, subject to redemption and confirmation by this court to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title and interest of the defendants in said suit or any of them in and to the above described real property or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy said judgment and accruing cost.

Dated May 14, 1925.

m1411 Wm. H. Edick, Sheriff of Hood River County, Oregon.

Notice of Sheriff's Sale

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Hood River.

The Federal Land Bank of Spokane, a Corporation, Plaintiff, vs. Frank M. Edwards, Katherine E. Edwards, husband and wife, East Hood River National Farm Loan Association, a corporation; William Roy Kendall and Hood River County, a Municipal Corporation, Defendants.

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to an execution and order of sale issued out of the above entitled court and cause to me directed, dated the 21st day of May, 1925, upon a judgment in foreclosure in favor of the above named plaintiff, and wherein by consideration of said court the said plaintiff, The Federal Land Bank of Spokane, a Corporation, recovered from the defendants Frank M. Edwards and Katherine E. Edwards the sum of \$3005.04, with interest thereon at the rate of eight per cent per annum, from and after the 20th day of May, 1925, and accruing costs and interest of said defendants and each of them, except Hood River County, Oregon, in and to the mortgaged premises hereinafter described and commanded by said order to be sold, which said judgment was made and entered on the 20th day of May, 1925:

I will on Monday, the 22nd day of June, 1925, at the hour of 10:30 o'clock a. m. of said day at the front door of the Courthouse in the City of Hood River, Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in and to satisfy said decree, all the following described real property, to-wit, situated in Hood River County, Oregon:

The South Half of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section Thirty-six, Township Two North of Range 10 East of the Willamette Meridian, containing Twenty acres, more or less.

Dated and first published May 21st, 1925.

Wm. H. Edick, Sheriff of Hood River County, Oregon.

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