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APPLE HARVEST APPROACHING

GRAVENSTEINS NOW BEING PICKED

Maturity of Hood River Apples Earlier Than Any Former Year—Orchard Conditions Never Better

The orchardists of the Hood River valley are now approaching the harvest of the finest apple and pear crop ever picked in this valley. The physical condition of trees, foliage and the fruit itself was never finer. The mild weather of last winter seemed to have had an invigorating effect on orchards. From the lower altitudes, just outside the city, to the orchards of highest elevation in the Upper Valley, every tree is in peak of condition.

"I have been in Hood River valley 20 years," said E. O. Blancher, "and I have never seen the fruit tracts loaded with a more regular lot of apples. It is cheering from the standpoint of community prosperity to see how well growers are going to be able to care for their harvest this year. The large crop of 1924 with its good prices, and the excellent returns from the crop of last year, left Hood River apple growers in fine financial condition. In every section today the visitor will find the fruitgrowers fully equipped to handle the bumper yield expected this season."

While it is agreed on every hand that the yield of apples this year will be at least 1,000 cars greater than for 1925, when shipments exceeded 2,000 cars, it is still too early to make definite estimates. Should the weather turn hot and remain hot, it would cause the apples to mature rapidly without doing materially. However, should the mid-Columbia experience a soaking rain within the next few weeks, and should the weather remain as moderately cool as for the past 30 days, the increase in size would result in tonnage by thousands of boxes.

The mid-Columbia apple harvest will begin this season about three weeks earlier than on normal years. In several districts growers are picking Gravensteins this week. The earliest of this variety, the earliest of any commercial importance in the valley, will be under way next week. By the middle of next week, it is anticipated, the first car of Gravensteins will have rolled from the district.

It is estimated by Mrs. J. W. Ingalls, who has charge of the employment bureau maintained here during fruit harvest season by the Apple Growers Association, that the Hood River valley will need an array of 6,000 apple harvest hands. Plenty of help is available to handle the earlier varieties. But by August 15, it is expected demands will be placed on Portland and Willamette valley for their surplus help.

Scores of orchardists have their regular crews each season. They have equipped their places with comfortable cabins, and already they have their picking crews lined up for the big harvest.

Two years ago the Apple Growers Association, cooperating with welfare organizations, established a day nursery for transient apple harvest hands. This will be maintained again this season. County School Superintendent Critch, too, is making ready to take care of the children of school age who will come into the district by the hundreds with transient families.

Hundreds of the apple harvest hands are known as "fruit camps." They spend the winters in southern California in the citrus districts, working north, picking apricots and peaches and then coming to Oregon for berries and prunes. As soon as the last of the apple crop is harvested they are off to the south again.

W. J. Koeken, county fruit inspector, who places the yield of apples here this year at 3,000 to 3,400 carloads, says he has never seen the crop so good. Koeken says that some sunburning has occurred on the West Side which will tend to lessen the tonnage somewhat. He does not look for a materializing of apples, even though a rain occurs in August.

Mr. Koeken says that the yield of apples here this year is the best he has ever seen. The export demand, however, because of the shortage of apple yield in England and European countries, bids fair to be good this year. Spent apples are of good size and quality this season.

In every section of the valley orchardists are busy completing additions to packing houses or new plants. In the aggregate, packing house construction was never of larger volume perhaps than this year, although in former years numerous large plants have been constructed by growers.

Maynard & Child, New York City apple merchants, are bringing to completion a four-story refrigerated storage house, which will cost in excess of \$100,000. This plant will be equipped to pre-cool and pack under refrigeration the earlier varieties of fruit for independent growers. It is the first time the independents have secured such a service. Apples will be received at the new warehouse next week. D'Anjou pears will be packed there under refrigeration.

The Apple Growers Association, which in former years has operated a community packing house at Parkdale, has started construction of a similar institution for its affiliated growers of the Dee Flat section. Work is being rushed on the new house which will be ready to receive fruit by the middle of August.

Growers are facing the season well supplied with boxes, which were purchased this year for 14 1/2 cents each, a cent cheaper than last year. Orchardists began last winter as soon as they had delivered the last of the 1925 crop, to draw home their box shooks. A large percentage of them have long ago had their boxes made up and ready to receive the fruit.

In spite of the tremendous tonnage of apples awaiting picking in all Pacific northwest districts, growers and shippers have been given every assurance that the rail lines will handle shipments with dispatch this year. No fears are felt as to a car shortage. The Pacific Fruit Express Co., which operates a large icing plant just east of the

city, will place a special representative here to distribute cars to shippers and to otherwise facilitate the handling of the fruit crop. The Mt. Hood R. R. Co., which handles all of the tonnage of fruit originating in the Van Lender district, at Odell, Dee and Upper Valley points, has been busy getting its road and equipment in shape for an early movement of fruit.

In scores of apple packing plants this year will be found wiping machines. These, used for the first time this season, will make the apples more attractive and will eliminate from the surface of the fruit all spray residue. The apples are put through the wiper and pass thence to the mechanical sizing machines. The wiper, it is said, will enable the sorters who remove small, defective apples, to work much faster. Because of this feature many growers say they will be economical.

The application of sprays has been more uniform and general here this year than in any former year. Growers say they have not seen the fruit cleaner from disease and codling moth injury in many years. The percentage of cull and cooking grade apples this year will be lighter than usual.

No shipper or market man will make any predictions as to the trend of the market this year. To date no sales have been reported. A few offers, ranging from \$1 for a large block of fancy to \$1.35 for extra fancy stocks, have been reported. The market, it is said, will not display any activity until after the International Apple Shippers association convention to be held in Buffalo August 19 to 23.

HOFFMANN, WINCHELL HAVE FINE APPLES

Gravenstein apples, the most popular of the early varieties grown in Hood River, have reached perfection this season at the Central Vale place of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Hoffmann. On his 37-acre tract Mr. Hoffmann, who up to 10 years ago was a successful Portland music merchant, has 75 31-year-old Gravenstein trees, among the oldest of this variety in the valley. Some of the trees will produce more than 50 boxes. He figures that they will average 100 orchard boxes, and that more than 1500 packed boxes of the higher commercial grades will be secured. The 75 trees cover an approximate 1 1/2 acres.

Visitors have been attracted to the Hoffmann place this fall by the neatness and uniform set of fruit on the Gravenstein trees. The apples in the tops of the trees were taking on a magnificent coloring this week, and crews of pickers were started Tuesday to remove the more mature apples. When they had finished the ground between the trees was covered with boxes filled with the luscious spheres. The trees have grown until their branches interlap, and it is necessary to use a tractor and a towing wagon in hauling in the picked fruit.

Another Gravenstein orchard is that of V. Winchell on the East Side. Mr. Winchell has eight acres of 15-year-old Gravenstein trees, which he will start to pick Monday. He expects 5,000 to 6,000 boxes of this variety.

Mr. Hoffmann, who expects to pack 10,000 boxes of apples from his place this year, has just completed an addition to his packing house. The place is conveniently arranged. At one end of the building he has constructed a concrete storage room for his cooking grades.

"Whenever it seems that there will be a good demand for this class of fruit later in the season," said Mr. Hoffmann, "I will have mine in good condition."

Mr. Hoffmann has rigged a portion of his packing plant for the making of boxes. He will be able to make up his own and neighbors' boxes.

The Hoffmann place is one of the most productive and attractive in the valley. The orchard is planted with vetch and alfalfa cover crop. Because of this, sunburning of fruit there was negligible.

Mr. Winchell, too, is just completing an addition to his packing house. Both he and Mr. Hoffmann have installed wiping machines.

Mr. Winchell will haul his Gravenstein apples direct from the trees to the new Maynard & Child storage house, where they will be stored and packed out.

FUNERAL FOR MR. KELSAY HELD SUNDAY

Funeral services were held at the Hartness chapel Sunday afternoon for A. M. Kelsay, pioneer of eastern Oregon, whose death occurred here Friday afternoon. Mr. Kelsay, whose 70th birthday had occurred the day before his death, was a native of Clinton county, Mo. He left for the Pacific Northwest in 1878, and Miss Eliza Jones, who survives, were married at Kelsayville, Calif.

For six years Mr. Kelsay was county clerk of Wasco county, making his home at The Dalles. Twenty-two years ago Mr. Kelsay moved here, spending two years with the Davenport Lumber Co. He then moved to Burns and for a number of years engaged in the sheep business in Harney county.

In 1921 Mr. Kelsay moved to the Imperial valley, California, where he was active in business up to two years ago, when he became ill. He and Mrs. Kelsay came to Oregon last summer, Mr. Kelsay hoping that the climate would benefit his health.

Rev. R. A. Hutchinson, pastor of the Upper Valley Community church, officiated at the funeral services. The body was taken to Portland for cremation. A number of oldtime friends of The Dalles were here for the service. Pall bearers were: S. Bolton, W. H. Wilson, Truman Butler, A. D. Moe, Dr. J. F. Wait and Dr. C. H. Jenkins.

Mr. Kelsay, in addition to his widow, is survived by the following children: W. C. Kelsay, of Canyonville; Mrs. Geo. I. Slocom, of Hood River, and Mrs. J. G. Hall, of Los Angeles. Dr. Sylvia Kelsay, of Portland, a son, died seven years ago. A brother, A. R. Kelsay, lives at Salem.

Rufus C. Holman, former Multnomah county commissioner, accompanied by J. M. McClelland, editor of the Longview Daily News, were visitors in the city last week. They made the trip around the Loop.

BROWN RETURNS FROM SOUTH

CALIFORNIA TRIP ST. AUGUST 1

Only Superlative Adjective Describes Temperature of South Says Experimenter

(By Gordon G. Brown)

July 11 the writer in Hood River for a two weeks' study of certain phases of fruit growing in California. I scarcely hoped to cool off much by so doing and in the main was not disappointed. A fair degree of sun and sunburn acquired in The Dalles district before leaving the state was gradually intensified and deepened as we proceeded southward. This was also true of Prof. F. C. Rehner, superintendent of the Southern Oregon Experiment station, who also makes the trip. It was hot at Sacramento and a great deal more so at Fresno and Visalia. Only superlative adjectives adequately describe the temperatures at Bakersfield. On several occasions the thermometer registered 112-115 degrees. The relief we experienced at Paso Robles, Santa Cruz, Watsonville and San Jose where the ocean breeze predominates was delightful.

That California is warmer in California otherwise. The steady, intense heat of the interior (which no one in that state will admit exists) is the predominant factor which makes for diversity, richness, quality and big tonnage. The grapes cannot get sun into his grapes without heat and lots of it. As a general rule all fruit crops are looking good and are well cared for.

A third and final picking of Bartlett was made in the Sacramento river bottom district around the 15th. The crop was heavy and tree growth tremendous. Fire-blight has not proved serious this year except in a few places and is being effectively handled. Growers generally fully appreciate the need of prompt handling of this disease.

A rather chaotic condition existed this year in handling packed Bartlett. Many of the growers did not take seriously the recent rulings regarding mechanical residue and wipers. The result in many rejections, rejecting and considerable loss.

One large Bartlett grower showed the writer results of some chemical tests to determine the amount of arsenic on commercial quantities of this fruit before and after wiping. Results were very inconsistent. In some cases the analysis showed more arsenic on wiped fruit than on unwiped and vice versa. Most of the analyses showed less than the maximum of 100 parts per million tolerance. These facts were (Continued on last page)

SUPERB HYDRANGEA AT FERGUSON HOME

Last winter was mild, and the more tender flowering shrubs on lawns of this city emerged from the winter months in the pink of condition. Never was the display of hydrangeas here this year more beautiful.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ferguson has been a sight worth traveling miles to see. Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson have the biggest hydrangea bush in town. It is unique, in that several different colors of the flower bloom from a single plant. Everyone who has motored up or down State street this year has expressed an appreciation of the beautiful flowering shrub. While the plant is not now at its best, it is still magnificent. Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson have a beautiful setting for their magnificent hydrangea bush. Their lawn slopes down toward State street, and with walks, winding up to their home encircling it, the hydrangea sets there to be admired.

Mr. Ferguson offered a prize to friends who would count the blooms on his hydrangea plant this year. It would, however, be better to count the stars. Those magnificent blossoms seemed numberless, and no one attempted even to win the prize.

RAILROAD AD MEN SEE THE VALLEY

The touring railway advertising agents of the United States and Canada who arrived in Portland Wednesday morning of last week, enjoyed a trip Thursday around the Mount Hood Loop highway. They reported that night that this was an outstanding feature of the tour thus far.

The party was taken on the journey in buses donated by Hoyt Brown. The beauty spots along the Columbia River highway were first enjoyed. Columbia Gorge hotel was reached about noon and there all were guests of the hotel at Junction. Hood River citizens became temporary hosts at this point and accompanied the party through the Hood River valley and to Cloud Cap Inn. Thence the visitors were taken to Government camp and back into Portland. No special entertainment was given them there, the guests being left to their own diversions for a rest.

Friday morning the party proceeded to Astoria. After being entertained there by the Chamber of Commerce they visited Seaside and Gearhart, remaining at the Gearhart hotel over night. Saturday they visited Lewis and then proceeded through Portland to Spokane.

MOSER REFUSES TO NAME PROSECUTOR

District Attorney Baker Tuesday received a letter from Acting Governor Moser, who stated that he had declined the request of Harry Erickson, Lewiston Falls, almost exclusively for a special prosecuting attorney to come here and investigate alleged malicious destruction of property on the part of crews of C. T. Smith, of Cascade Locks, a rival fisherman. Mr. Moser stated in his letter that he told the petitioner that he was confident that Mr. Baker would handle the matter expeditiously.