

FRUIT CROP RATHER SLIM

Apples and Cherries Short Yield

BERRIES VERY GOOD

Orchards in Favored Places Escaped Severe Frosts of Early Spring

Fruit Inspector O. A. Stearns has made a thorough investigation of the yield in all parts of the county and he states that in a few favored spots there will be a fair fruit crop. The frosts in the spring destroyed most of the blossoms and as a consequence the yield will be limited to a light crop of pie cherries and apples. Berries of all kinds will be as good as the average and Klamath county blackberries, strawberries and raspberries will soon be in the market. Currants and gooseberries are a very short yield.

The fruit crop is lighter this year than it has been for several years. Last year the yield was very good and of an exceptionally fine quality. In some instances throughout the county the trees were protected from the frosts, but it was a hard matter to keep up the smudges, and even in cases where protection was attempted the yield is not as good as usual.

Mr. Stearns says that many of the trees on which the bloom was killed by the frosts are blossoming again. He says he cannot account for this except that the trees have such a strong disposition to bear that it takes more than a spring frost to discourage them.

Reports from various parts of the county are to the effect that the apples will be better than was expected in the early spring, but that the yield will not be up to the average in any part of this section. In common with most of the Pacific Coast section the Klamath region had an unusual spring, and the fact that the fruit yield is not good this year is not a criterion that, with the proper care and under normal conditions, this section will not prove profitable for apple growers.

BRYAN HAS MADE TEN RECORDS.

Bryan has made ten records for the Edison Phonograph, of startling clearness, force and individuality. Come in and hear some of these Bryan records at Mullers. 31f

"The Poor Inventor."

William V. Mong and company will appear at the opera house tonight in the star play of the repertoire, "The Poor Inventor." In this play Mr. Mong will be seen at his best, and those who have seen the company in this production say that the company gives him the strongest possible support. The Lakeview solo orchestra will render a number of high class musical selections and the people of this city are promised something that will be entirely satisfactory and will please in every particular.

The play last night, "Comrades," was not attended as largely as the company deserves, but there is every assurance that the house will be crowded tonight as there is a strong advance sale of seats. Mr. and Mrs. Mong pleased their many friends with the parts they portrayed in "Comrades," and B. B. Cobb, as the war comrade of Matt Windsor, was in his element and added greatly to the strength of the play. Every member of the company rendered his or her part in a way that made the play appeal to the audience.

The orchestra music and the piano solo, together with an encore, by Prof. Clarence Price, were again pleasing features and the audience by its hearty applause showed thorough appreciation. Mr. Cobb's reciting was well received and showed that he is possessed of rare talents.

Natural Conservators Meet.

C. B. Watson returned Saturday from Portland, where he was called to attend a meeting of the Oregon State Commission for the Conservation of Natural Resources, the members of which held a conference with Secretary of the Interior Garfield on his visit there Thursday. The work in hand is that which had its inception at the recent famous conference of the governors of the states held at the call of President Roosevelt at Washington. Although Gov. Chamberlain was not present at the national conference, having urgent political business at home about the date of the gathering, he was the first to accept the recommendation of President Roosevelt which followed the Washington conference, for the appointment of state commissions to further the work in hand. Governor Chamberlain named a committee of fifteen for Oregon and Mr. Watson was one of the number.—Ashland Tidings.

They are swell and down to date—they have the quality and are useful—some new things at McHattan's.

OPPOSE ANNEXATION

Taxpayers' Opinions on Extension of Corporate Limits

PROPOSED PLAN UNFAVORABLE

Boundary Lines of Klamath Falls Will Not Be Changed Without Strong Opposition on the Part of Interested Property Owners

The movement on the part of Mayor Stitts and the city council to extend the corporate limits of Klamath Falls so that the municipality will include a number of the additions is to meet with considerable opposition. A number of the persons who are interested in the additions that have been platted to this city are strongly opposed to being annexed, and it is quite evident that a fight will be made on the matter. In speaking for the Hot Springs Improvement company, A. H. Naftzger, the president of the company, said:

"No, we are not in favor of an extension of the city limits to include the Hot Springs tract, nor are we likely to favor such a move until annexation promises some benefits. So far the only reason we have heard for taking us into the city is that the old town needs more territory to mortgage in order to raise money to pay its debts and make improvements. We expect to pay our own debts, when we have any, and to make improvements as they may be needed. When our tract has a population to be benefited and deserving annexation, such a move will be fair and proper, but not now."

County School Superintendent J. G. Wight, who has interests in one of the additions that the city proposes to annex, says:

"I don't favor the move because they are trying to force us in to help pay the city indebtedness in which we have no interest. My interests are in the Shive addition, just beyond the lower portal of the tunnel, and all the people in that neighborhood are opposed to being forced into the corporation. I think it is not fair to us to force us to help pay off the indebtedness. We are offered absolutely nothing for coming in and bearing a financial burden in which we are not interested. We have no complaint against the present conditions. We have nothing to ask of the city and are satisfied to remain the way we are for some time at least."

"I think the movement is premature," said Major C. E. Worden, when asked if he favored the extension of the city limits. He continued, "There is nothing to annex that has any value attached to it. The property must be improved and occupied before it will be of any value to the city. Klamath Falls needs a sewer system. No one is more anxious to see it put in than I am. I have all my interests here and want to see

MEETING TONIGHT WILL BE OF IMPORTANCE TO TAXPAYERS

Indications are that the mass meeting at the court house tonight will be largely attended for much interest is being taken in the matter of a better fire protection and also the extension of the corporate limits of the city. Mr. Gates will be present and will present to the people the plans of the Light and Water company and it is expected that a number of taxpayers of the city will give expression of their views on both of these matters. This is not a matter

Farmer Building Laterals.

J. W. Jory, one of the farmers of this section, was awarded a contract for the construction of five and a half miles of laterals for the government system some time ago. He has been working on the contract for a little over three weeks and he has two miles of ditch completed with the exception of putting on the finishing touches. Mr. Jory says that he is not in a position to say how he will come out on the contract but he is not discouraged and, while he does not expect to make big money, he thinks that he will not lose anything on the contract. Other farmers are awaiting the result of Mr. Jory's contract and if he makes a profit on it there is a probability that more of the farmers will bid on portions of the irrigation system.

Worden Buys Melhase Ranch.

Major C. E. Worden has purchased the Al. Melhase ranch in Wood river valley, comprising 720 acres all under irrigation, and known as one of the best ranches in this section of the county. Mr. Worden paid \$18,000 cash for the place, buying it as an investment. It is situated two miles from Fort Klamath on the automobile road being built by Harriman, and is irrigated by two ditches belonging to the property. An artesian well supplies the water for the house and the improvements on the place are among the best in Wood river valley.

Mr. Melhase has not decided upon his future plans, but it is very probable that he will remove to this city with his family.

Low Rates This Fall.

Commencing September 1st and continuing until October 31st special colonist rates from Eastern points are announced to all California cities. Klamath Falls will get the benefit of these low rates and the fare from Chicago to this city will be but \$46.70 and from Missouri river points it will be only \$38.70. Parties having friends in the East whom they desire to have come to this country can get the tickets at the local Southern Pacific office. The tickets will have five day stop over privileges at all towns in California except Los Angeles and San Francisco.

Good Things Go Fast.

From 6 o'clock last night until 2:30 this afternoon the Portland Store sold forty boxes of "Hole Proof" sox, every box containing six pairs of the sox. Many of the people of this town know a good thing and those wanting some of this celebrated footwear should call at once at the Portland Store.

Merrill. Property is reasonable.

DIRECTORS WILL MEET

To Consider Sunset Proposition

PLANS FOR VISITORS

Portland Excursionists Will Visit Interesting Points in Klamath Section

Probably the most important matter to come up before the directors of the Chamber of Commerce tonight at their regular meeting will be the consideration of the Sunset Magazine advertising proposition. It is very probable that the proposition will be accepted and that the contract for the page advertisement for one year and the twenty thousand pamphlets will be signed.

During the past few days the directors have had a number of informal meetings at which they discussed the itinerary for the Portland excursionists who will arrive here about the first of August. The plans so far are yet incomplete, but provide for one day in this city, for a trip down the valley to Merrill, an excursion to Odessa and a camping trip to Crater Lake.

It is not known at this time how many will be in the party, but it is stated that a number of Portland business men and capitalists will avail themselves of this opportunity to see the Klamath country.

General Satisfaction Given.

Everyone who who has worn the "Hole Proof" sox has a good word for the well known footwear. W. O. Smith, the editor of the Herald, was among those who purchased a box out of the shipment just received and he said in answer to the question if the others that he purchased were satisfactory that he considered them the best footwear that he had ever purchased and that none other would do. He is only one of the many that say the same thing.

Two cases of "Hole Proof Sox," in assorted colors, have just been received at the Portland Clothing and Shoe Store. The colors are black, brown, gray, navy blue and black with white feet. Since taking the agency for this celebrated footwear the Portland Store has sold more than 150 dozen pairs and less than ten pairs have been returned because six pair failed to wear six months.

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