

FARGO ORCHARD TRACTS

Description of the Beautiful Fruit Tract City Just Born on the Oregon Electric Railroad Midway between Portland and Salem, Ore. Address Fargo Orchards Co., 83 Fifth Street, Portland for beautiful illustrated folder written by Col. E. Hofer, President of the Willamette Valley Development League.

One of the most unique fruit land and orchard enterprises in the Willamette Valley is the Fargo Orchard Tracts at Fargo station on the Oregon Electric railroad about midway between Salem and Portland. A beautiful station house has just been completed and all local trains stop there. New houses and store buildings are going up and in a few years there will be clustered about the station an ideal little home city, within an hour's ride of the metropolis or the capital of the state.

Most Enticing Feature.
The presentation of a free building lot with each fruit tract sold is a feature that indicates that not only a fruit colony is to be built up here but a home city, with fruit union and shipping station are part of the program. The rapid increase of values in the Willamette Valley will interest people in the Fargo Orchard Tracts because the payments are so easy and the offer so large that it ought to interest people of small means who want to lay the foundation for a home.

A Region of Beauty.
The pen of the poet and the vision of the seer is required to comprehend the beauty of the Willamette Valley. From any point in the valley it is beautiful, but from no place in this expanse of unbroken natural fertility does the eye traverse richer landscapes than from this spot now designated on the railroad maps as Fargo. Standing beneath soft and languorous white-blue skies, perfumed breezes lifting the spirit and filling the lungs with aroma and ozone at the same breath, the spectator cannot find words to express his feelings, provided he has any sense of beauty. On all sides are backgrounds formed of serried walls of blue-green firs. The skies are always softened with mists, and their pale porcelain blue is veiled most of the year beneath a network of filmy, lace-like vaporous clouds. The amethyst skies of the sage brush country are hard and metallic compared

to the azure effects in this paradise valley. Here is the most beautiful location for homes of rest and comfort, and yet the region is rich in the resources that enable people to make a living with the least possible outlay of labor and capital.

A Wonderful Region.
French Prairie is the old name for the most fertile spot in the Willamette Valley. It is rich in soil as in historical associations, settled by the strenuous voyagers who came with the Hudson Bay Company. Many of them were gardeners and fruit growers in old sunny France and they found these soils mellow and rich. What will not these soils of fabulous depth and inexhaustible wealth produce? Certainly all in the line of vegetables, grains, grasses and the whole range of deciduous and semi-tropical fruits. Nowhere in this wonderful vale of wealth and contentment has nature poured out her rich gifts so lavishly. Nowhere else will small areas turn off such large yields of products from onions to peaches, celery to cauliflower. Once a vast lake bed, these lands have the stored-up potencies of all the ages. No wonder it is famous as apple land, peach land, cherry land, strawberry land—golden land for small fruit culture. All around these wonderful French Prairie fruit and garden lands there are belts of forest, fir, oak, ash and the beautiful flowering dogwood—an abundance of cheap fuel for all time to come. The same is true of the water supply. Underlying these lands at from ten to twenty feet are strata of purest cold water.

Planting Model Orchards.
With over 100 acres already planted in Baldwin, Spitzenberg, Newtown Pippin and Winter Banana, there are five hundred acres more being prepared for planting and the whole six hundred acres will be in orchard by fall. The lands are all cleared and growing to clover and grain, and is just rolling enough to have natural drainage. The orchards are

skirted on the north by the main Butteville and Aurora roads, and a new road has been opened east and west to the Donald and Butteville road. A number of new cottages are going up and the opening of the townsite and the beginnings of a new little city are in evidence on every hand.

Orchard Adjoins Fargo.
H. L. Bents, whose orchard is in plain view of Fargo station has quite a large orchard with apples, peaches, plums, pears, cherries, and small fruits of all kinds. "The orchard has been bearing for 12 years. The apples are Baldwins, Winesap, Yellow Newtown and Red Cheeked Pippins, and there are large crops every year. We do not pretend that we have any peach land but there are always plenty of peaches. The same is true of all our small fruits. It is a natural small fruit country and we are fairly swamped with small fruits. The cherries, peaches and all our fruit is of high color and excellent flavor. The apples keep well and are solid. The orchard on our old homestead has been bearing for over forty years, and this proves that we have a natural site for orchard tracts." Mr. Bents is the banker at Aurora.

Fruit Grower and Shipper.
John Murray who has farmed here 33 years has grown all kinds of fruit successfully for that time. He has about 20 kinds of apples two of prunes, ten of pears, two of peaches, six of cherries, five kinds of small fruits and one of apricots. He has peach trees forty years old that bear full crops. He has about 25 peach trees in bearing, and they bear crops every year. "There is no trouble," said Mr. Murray, "in growing fruit in this section. Not all land is adapted to it, and not all fruit will do well on all kinds of land. I have shipped apples out of this section to San Francisco for about eight years. We can grow the Yellow Newtown and Spitzenberg to perfection for commercial purposes in this part of

Marion county. I speak from long experience as a fruit grower and shipper. The loganberry, blackberry, raspberries, gooseberries and currants are very successful here and we have all the fruits referred to in proof of what we claim." Mr. Murray is owner of about one thousand acres of land in this part of the county and is so well thought of that for many years the people of Marion county have tried to get him to be one of their county commissioners.

What a Fruit Grower Says.
Wm. Bents, Sr., has about 100 acres adjoining the Fargo Fruit Tracts and has farmed it all his life. He has apples, pears, prunes, cherries, peaches and small fruit. His apples are Yellow Newtown, Waxen, Red Cheeked Pippin, Gravenstein, June Red, and Red Astrachan. He has late and early Crawford peach trees about 16 years old and they grow a crop every year. Ten bushels was the crop on one tree. The pears are Bartlett, Winter Nellis, Vicar of Wakefield and Fall Butter. The prunes are Italian and Petite. The cherries are Royad Anne, May Duke and Black Republican. In small fruits he has strawberries, raspberries, dewberries, and Lawton blackberry. "We always have plenty of fruit of all kinds and with good care and attention there is no trouble to raise all kinds profitably. This may seem like a big statement, but I know of no kind that cannot be produced here successfully. The apples especially have good keeping quality and stand shipment well."

First Nursery Started Here.
J. W. Batchelor of Olympia came to Oregon in 1853. His father located in a log cabin half a mile from what is now the townsite of Fargo. A nursery was started in 1854 from seeds of apples and pears brought across the plains in an ox team. This was one of the first places where fruit growing got a foothold on the Pacific coast. There are still six fruit trees standing that were planted in 1854—two Gravensteins and four Baldwins. They are sound as

a dollar and good for another half century. Mr. Batchelor is enthusiastic about this section of the country and considers that any well drained land in this part of the county will grow fruit.

"The orchards, gardens, wheat fields, clover fields and potato patches will do anyone's heart good merely to look at them. The Golden State to the south, the Evergreen state to the north where I live, have nothing to compare with this particular garden spot of Marion county," says Mr. Batchelor.

Grows Any Kind of Fruit.
Fred Bents has part of the original Scheurer donation land claim on which the Fargo Orchard tracts are located. He has a beautiful home on 102 acres, with many varieties of fruit. He has apples, cherries, prunes, and peaches all in bearing. He has been here about thirty years and has never failed to raise large crops of fruit. He showed the writer winter apples on June 10th—Winesap and Red Cheeked Pippins—that had kept perfectly. The prune orchard is twelve years old and has borne regular crops for eight years. He sold last year seven tons prunes off 82 trees. He grows Waxen, Winesap, Red Cheek, Gravenstein, Baldwin and June Red, the Italian and French Petite prune, Bartlett pears, late Crawford peach, Black Republican, Royal Anne, Oxeheart, Late Duke and Kentish cherries. He has 16 acres in hops that turns off 1500 to 2000 pounds cured hops to the acre. Mr. Bents says: "There is no better fruit land in the Willamette valley than right at Fargo and we have the fruit of all kinds to show for it. I can recommend it from thirty years experience. With the same attention I can raise any kind of fruit here that can be raised anywhere in Oregon. Small fruits grow in abundance and this seems to be the natural soil for their successful production. I have also English walnuts."

What an Official Says.
One of the officials of the Fargo

townsite was seen at the station and told the writer:

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[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE] London, July 7.—Conservative and progressive leaders today are planning and devising ways to "smother" a suffragette bill pending in parliament designed to permit women who own or rent property to vote for members of parliament. The bill restricts the voting power to those women only who are now entitled to vote in elections similar to the city and county elec-

tions in American cities. The best substitute offered by the leaders, who admit their fear of the effect of the bill upon the governing class should the measure become a law, is the introduction of an amendment or substitute measure limiting suffrage to those women who actually own property. This latter measure is practically assured of passage. Members of parliament are the most important candidates for whom anyone in England can vote. The pending bill, if passed, would place English women on the same footing politically as Englishmen, in the parliamentary elections, and the next step would be the granting to women of all electoral rights possessed by men. And as women greatly outnumber the men, it would mean that England would be governed by women. Heretofore Englishmen have looked upon woman suffrage as a thing to come at some time in the indefinite future. Now it appears very near, and Englishmen are growing uneasy. "It would be absurd to disguise," says the Globe, "that the bill now before the house of commons is the first step toward a gigantic change. We are not concerned to argue at this moment whether the change be good or bad. We only ask that the logical outcome of this measure be appreciated. "If the bill passes it means inevitably the enfranchisement of all adult women. Since women compose the majority of the adults of the population, it follows that they will determine the results of elections, will make and unmake governments and will guide the policy of the nation at home and abroad. It may be a very good thing that they should do so. On the other hand, it may not."

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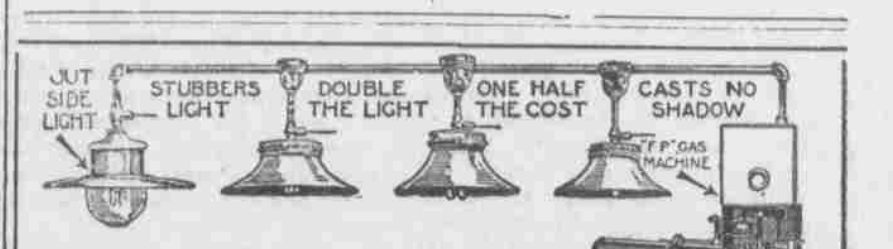
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