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IN THE WENATCHEE VALLEY—HOME OF THE BIG RED APPLE—WHERE DOLLARS GROW ON TREES

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WENATCHEE VALLEY LEADS IN APPLE PRO- DUCTION; BUMPER CROP

FEDERAL FRUIT CROP SPECIALISTS ESTIMATES CROP IN VALLEY AT 11,500 CARS, WHICH IS BIG INCREASE OVER 1918.

The commercial apple crop for the United States, now estimated at 26,174,000 barrels, by the fruit crop specialists of the Federal Bureau of Crop Estimates, has over run even the most liberal estimates, particularly in the far West. There has been an increase of 1,758,000 barrels over the November 1st estimate and this increase has occurred principally in the box apple district.

It is now estimated that the far western or box apple states will produce 35,463,000 boxes, or an increase of 2,985,000 boxes over the November estimate, and 14,154,000 boxes over the crop of 1918.

"The commercial apple crop in the State of Washington is now estimated at 19,320,000 boxes or 25,556 cars. This is an increase of 2,282 cars over the November 1st estimate and 8,508 cars more than last year. The Wenatchee North Central Washington district, which is the leading center of production, is now estimated at 11,500 cars. On December 6th about 3,500 cars were still left in this district to be moved. Yakima Valley, including Yakima and Benton counties, is estimated at about 10,500 cars, with 3,600 cars of this yet to move; Spokane district is estimated at 1,500 cars, 190 cars yet to move; Walla Walla district 1,100 cars, fifty yet to move. The White Salmon district had over 400 cars, while Western Washington or the coast district produced about 500 cars in scattered localities. The crop in the state generally was of the highest quality, particularly in the Wenatchee Valley, where Winesaps ran nearly 90 per cent extra fancy. It was necessary to load considerable of the fruit in box cars in some sections, in which case the load often exceeded 756 boxes. At the present time, however, all fruit not moved is safely in storage or protected. In addition to the fresh fruit movement from Washington it is estimated that about 70,000 tons of fresh apples went to the by-products plants within the state. About 35,000 tons of this by-product fruit originated in the Yakima Valley."

"Oregon is now estimated at 5,335 cars. As in Washington, the fruit was of the highest quality, particularly in the Hood River Valley. The Hood River crop it is estimated will exceed 2,000,000 boxes as compared with 1,350,000 boxes last year.

"The Idaho crop is now estimated at about 4,762 cars, or an increase of 1,298 cars over the bumper crop of 1917.

"The California crop is estimated at 98 per cent of a full crop, or 4,533,000 boxes."—G. S. Ray, Field Agent.

A WORD TO DISABLED SOLDIERS

Every man who was in the military or naval service of the United States during the late war, and who on account of such service is not physically fitted to engage in a gainful occupation should at once notify the Bureau of War Risk Insurance in Washington, D. C.

Under the law this bureau is charged with providing for service men discharged because of disability incurred in active service in the line of duty, compensation and free medical treatment until such time as they are restored to physical fitness. During the summer of 1918 there was a general coming out of the military training camps of the country in an effort to bring up the standard of physical fitness, and many men discharged at that time may be unaware of their rights under an act of Congress to compensation for disability and medical attention and hospital treatment where necessary. All cases of this or a like nature should be brought immediately to the attention of the Bureau of War Risk Insurance.

NOTICE

On and after Nov. 30th, 1919, I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by my wife, Mrs. Theone Jamison.

(Signed) FRANK K. JAMISON.
(49-4 times)

RETAILERS NOT AFFIXING REVENUE STAMPS

Information reaching the Collector of Internal Revenue indicates that a large number of grocery stores, drug stores, cigar stores and small variety stores are not affixing proprietary revenue stamps to cough drops, vaseline and other articles of that nature sold by them.

Dealers are reminded that the war tax of one cent for each 25 cent or fraction of 25 cents included in the price for which toilet and proprietary medicinal preparations are sold must be paid by affixing to the articles the proper proprietary stamps for the value of which the purchaser is required to reimburse the vendor at the time of sale, and that failure to observe these requirements involves liability to heavy penalties.

Proprietary stamps may be obtained from postmasters or from the collector of internal revenue. Stamp orders mailed to the collector should be accompanied by money order or certified check to cover.

CHAMELEON-LIKE BRAND OF WEATH- ER CONTINUES

METEOROLOGIST SEEKS RECORDS TO FIND WARMER DECEMBER DAY THAN THAT OF SUNDAY.

The chameleon-like characteristics displayed by the brand of weather Spokane has been having for the last month continued yesterday, says the Spokesman-Review. A week ago the weather bureau records showed there had been but few colder days in Spokane and that this December bid fair to break all previous cold weather records. Yesterday the weather bureau man was searching his records to see if he could find a warmer December day. The ones he found were few.

Yesterday, with the mean temperature of 43, was the highest mean temperature day for the month. Normal temperature for yesterday would have been 30 degrees. The maximum yesterday was 46 and the minimum 40. On Saturday the maximum was 48, but the minimum was 37, which made the mean 42, one degree less than yesterday.

The record warm December day was 58 degrees on December 19, 1917. On December 3, 1918, the temperature was 55. The temperature on December 21 a year ago yesterday was 37 high, 25 low and 31 mean. Sunday was 11 degrees warmer than the same day a year ago.

Beginning December 17, five days ago, the deficiency from normal temperature has been cut down from 370 to 326 degrees. It is not likely that this month will be even a normal December month. To remove the deficiency in temperature piled up by the first two weeks of zero weather the remaining days of the month would have to maintain a mean temperature of nearly 63 degrees. Spokane is too far north to get any weather like that this time of the year.

The rainfall Sunday was .26 of an inch. The rain started about 9:20 p. m. Saturday night and ended at 6:15 a. m. Sunday.

REINSTATE NOW!

Under a special ruling issued recently by the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, Washington, D. C., all former soldiers, sailors and marines whose Government insurance has lapsed or been canceled may have until December 31, 1919, within which to reinstate their insurance, by paying only two months' premiums on the amount of insurance they wish to reinstate.

The only other condition imposed is that the insured shall now be in as good health as he was when discharged from the service, or as he was when the grace period of his insurance expired (whichever is the later date), and shall so state in his application. Immediate advantage of this liberal provision should be taken by those interested. In the matter of securing life insurance protection, he who acts quickly acts wisely. No time as good as now.

Make the check or money order payable to the Treasurer of the United States and mail it, with your application for reinstatement, to Premium Receipt Section, Bureau of War Risk Insurance, Washington, D. C.

YOUNG BURGLARS CAUGHT RED-HANDED AT K. & V. B. HDW.

TWO MORE OF THE GENUS BURGLARI - PESTIFEROUS LANDED IN THE CITY BASTILE. HEARING SET FOR TOMORROW.

Two burglars entered the K. & V. B. Hardware store at this place Christmas night and now languish in the city jail awaiting hearing which is set for tomorrow before Justice Day.

The burglars showed up about 12 o'clock and by removing a pane of glass at the back of the store got inside and then by removing another pane from an inside window gained entrance to the main store. F. W. Spencer, an employee of the store, who has been sleeping there, heard them and was ready with a gun awaiting a favorable opportunity to get the drop on them. When they had reached the show cases and provided themselves with a flashlight each, Spencer turned on the electric lights and covered them with his gun. The rest was easy. The burglars, two fellows about nineteen or twenty, threw up their hands without waiting to be told to, and Mr. Spencer had them marched to the lockup.

The boys say they are from Snohomish. They sure are in dutch. Breaking into a house or store is a serious offense and they will no doubt draw not less than a couple of years. If they are under age, and such is proven, we understand they will be sent to the reformatory in case of conviction.

AGAINST WAGES FOR WIVES

Gathering of Women Ridicule the Idea, Labeling it as "Commercializing the Home."

Wages for wives were turned down by an audience largely of women here the other night after a debate on whether husbands should be required to pay such wages, says the Philadelphia Evening Bulletin.

One speaker drew a dismal picture of the future of romance with wives working for wages.

"Imagine a scene like this," he said: "Honey, do you love me?" "Of course I love you."

"Then will you marry me?" "Well, maybe. How much do you pay?"

"Suppose the wives were to join the soviet of waiters-up and charge triple wages for waiting up nights for husbands," he said.

"Imagine a wife going into society and being labeled a \$15-a-week wife. A woman can take a last-year hat and make it look like new. But when she signed a contract for \$15 a week there would be no hiding it from the neighbors."

Another speaker pleaded that "woman shall not be brought down from her pedestal as a queen and made a mere employee of man." In depicting the future of romance under the wage system he said the marriage ceremony would have to be revised to read:

"With this ring I hire thee, and will pay thee \$15 a week by the aid of the world, the flesh and the devil."

Notices like the following he predicted would be published:

"Married—John Brown and Mary Smith, by Rev. Russell H. Conwell. They will live in Logan and the wife's wages will be \$15 a week."

Scenes like the following in court were forecast:

"Judge, he hired me for \$20 a week and he is now two weeks overdue in my pay. I'm going to get a new boss."

LOOKING AHEAD A FEW YEARS

Remarks That Will Be Merely Ordinary When the Blimp Has Been Finally Perfected.

Augustus Tolliver, the soap king, strode wrathfully out of his stateroom aboard the blimp and seized the arm of the porter.

"Idiot!" he roared, "why didn't you give me a call this morning? I told you I had to be in London for a directors' meeting at 9 a. m. sharp, and now London is Lord knows how many thousands of miles in our rear."

"Ah pounded on yo' door, boss, but yo' refuses to waken," replied the porter.

The soap king pulled out a watch. "Eleven-thirty," he grunted disgustedly. "Where are we now?"

"Jest passed over St. Louis, boss; we'll be back in N'Yawk at 12:05."

"Oh! well," said Tolliver, "I can attend that 12:30 meeting of the soap powder people and catch the 1:30 blimp for London."

WET WAVE TO HIT CANADA ON JANUARY FIRST

DOMINION REVERTS TO PEACE BASIS ON NEW YEAR'S DAY, LIFTING WARTIME PROHIBITION RESTRICTIONS.

Ottawa, Canada, Dec. 24.—Canada will revert to a peace basis on January 1, according to an official announcement today in which the government expressed the view that "although no proclamation has been issued declaring the war at an end, war conditions long ago ceased to exist."

Race track betting as conducted in 1917, and importation, manufacture, and interprovincial trade in alcoholic liquor will be among wartime restrictions to be lifted on New Year's Day, while orders-in-council to remain in force include control of paper, pulp, sugar and coal, silver coinage, trading with the enemy, gold export, internment operations, great production in Indian reserves and censorship.

Restrictions on the sale of liquor imposed by provinces are not affected by abrogation of the federal orders-in-council, but it is anticipated that by the end of 1919 there will be no restrictions on the importation of liquor for personal use from one province to the other. An existing federal statute forbids liquor importation into a province for sale when such sale is prohibited by the laws of the province.

The order-in-council signed by the governor general Saturday releasing prisoners sentenced under the military act will be followed by a proclamation Monday. A majority of prisoners have served their terms.

New Photo Dark "Room."

The dark room, necessary evil, has always been the one rigid obstacle to the perfect flexibility of the photographic art. Now, however, the operator can carry a complete dark chamber along with him, and develop his exposures when and where he pleases. The "room" described and illustrated in Popular Mechanics magazine packs in a case less than two feet long, about a foot wide, and four inches thick. It opens to a height, in the larger size, of 18 inches in front and 13 inches in back, with walls of light-proof fabric. Elastic cuts at the side admit the operator's hands, while he looks through a hood in front, equipped with two shutters that are opened by pressure on the hood, and instantly closes on release. Trays and plates are inserted through a ruby-glassed door in the top.

Laborer Builds Organ.

That workmen who are earning big wages possess a grand piano or even two pianos is evidence that a love of music is one of the first pleasures indulged in when a man begins to have more money than he wants for necessities.

I could tell you of a workman in a Midland town, who, being of a musical and mechanical bent, has built himself a small organ in his living room. The instrument possesses a reed stop and several pedal notes, and is a marvelous piece of ingenuity.

As the family is a large one and the room about 12 feet square, it can be imagined what inconvenience the family is willing to undergo in order to indulge its love of music. The organ fills about one-third of their only living room.—London Chronicle.

Why Not?

Clymer Jeffries, Jr., of Williams, Ariz., four and one-half years of age, recently acquired a small dog and a few days later the following conversation occurred between him and his next-door neighbor:

"Mrs. M., I want you to keep your chickens out of our yard."

"Why, Clymer, what do you mean by that?"

"Well, I have a dog over here, and if your chickens come over here I am afraid that he will get the chicken pox."

An epidemic of chicken pox was on at the time.

The triumph over the disability of a lost limb is not only exemplified in the case of the one-legged cricketer.

"There is no need to be downhearted about a lost leg or arm," writes a correspondent. "I have lost my left arm and can do practically everything that a man with two arms can."

"I can tie my tie as neatly and quickly as I ever did, lace my boots, ride a horse and bicycle, drive a horse and trap, drive a motor, play billiards (using a block of weighted wood with three grooves in it as a rest), golf, hockey, tennis and swim quite easily."—London Chronicle.

RESTRICTIONS ON COAL REMOVED

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 24.—All restrictions on the movement of coal or coke by wagon or trucks have been removed by order of the regional coal committee at Chicago, of which T. W. Proctor is chairman, according to an announcement made today by L. C. Gilman, district director of the railroad administration. Notification of the action of the regional committee was given the Seattle Chamber of Commerce and the State Fuel Dealers association here.

The order from the regional committee indicates that the coal situation is rapidly returning to normal and that coal may be purchased in any quantities obtainable and delivered without interference by government orders. It is thought, however, that coal dealers will meet the demands of those completely out of coal with small lots until enough is procurable to insure everyone being supplied with fuel for immediate use. The order from the regional committee follows:

"Effective noon Thursday, December 18, 1919, all restrictions and regulations on delivery of coal or coke by wagon or trucks are withdrawn.—T. W. Proctor."

SERVICE CLUB NOTES.

If plans inaugurated at the Leavenworth Service Club meeting held last Tuesday night do not go astray, Leavenworth will soon be enjoying house to house delivery of mail. President McKeown has been gathering information relative to the necessary things to be done to get the service and the requirements of the postal department and it is found that it is not only not impossible but is probable. A committee was appointed to take charge of the matter consisting of Wm. McIntosh, Thos. Pipkin and H. S. Rearick. The matter was brought up before the city council at its regular meeting and definite arrangements made to go ahead with the matter, the city council agreeing to do everything they could to facilitate getting it through.

Immediate steps will be taken to put it before the postoffice department and the help of the congressman for this district will be solicited to put it through.

A number of other important things were taken up at the meeting, among them being the securing of a deputy sheriff for the town, the establishment of a sewer from the school house to take care of their sewage, the appointment of a man as scout master for the Boy Scouts, and the abolishment of the toll between points in the Peshastin district and here.

The need of a deputy sheriff empowered to go beyond the city limits and make arrests was brought up and in view of the recent robberies and forgeries it was thought important that Leavenworth should have one and a committee consisting of R. F. Taylor, C. S. Taylor and George Hauber were appointed to act in the matter and consult with the sheriff of this county.

The matter of a sewage system for the school house was brought up. It appears that the cess pools now used are entirely inadequate for the purpose and with the additional sewage from the new building it is necessary to do something to relieve the situation. It was suggested that a sewer be dug from the school, underneath the viaduct and thence out of town and a new improvement district be created to take care of the cost. A committee consisting of Mr. Carlquist, Rearick and Hauber were appointed to take the matter up with the city council and the school board to devise plans.

The abolishment of the phone toll between here and Peshastin district was taken up, the committee appointed at the last meeting reporting that it had been taken up with the Pacific Telegraph and Telephone Company and they had refused to discontinue the charge. Mr. McKeown reported that practically every business man in town had consented to paying the tolls on phones to their respective business houses originating around Peshastin and that notice to this effect would be given the phone company shortly and public notice made of the fact. The matter will be taken up further with the Public Service Commission to see if some arrangement cannot be made looking toward the discontinuance of the charge.

Practical Sympathy.

James Shaffer of Uniontown, Pa., struck a foreigner who made disloyal remarks and was fined \$10, but the money was paid by ten members of the local Christian church, who on their way home happened to stop in the "burgess' office. Each of the men plunked \$1 down on the desk of the official and the case was ended.

NEW ELECTRIC INSTRUMENT NEAR- LY COMPLETE

HUBBARD DECLARES MODEL FOR EXHIBIT TO PATENT OFFICE OFFICIALS IS HIS MOST POWERFUL.

Seattle P.-I.—"I believe that the instrument I am now building and which I expect to demonstrate at Washington, D. C., before patent office officials, will be the largest and most powerful generator I have yet constructed," declared Alfred M. Hubbard, 19, Seattle inventor of a device he calls an atmospheric power generator, Sunday afternoon.

Hubbard is now ready to place the machine in operation as soon as material ordered from the East some time ago, and delayed in transit, arrives. He expects to have the large model in operation before the middle of this week, and after Rev. William E. Smith, physics professor of Seattle college, has an opportunity to conduct an exhaustive test of the device, Hubbard has agreed that it will be given a public demonstration.

"An invention which is destined so completely to overturn existing methods of power distribution cannot be made public before patent rights are absolutely secure," Hubbard said Sunday. "While with inventions of minor importance greater chances might be taken, the colossal possibilities of my device make it unwise, my backers feel, to exhibit it prematurely."

Hubbard rested most of Sunday, after spending a few hours in his rooms in the morning, putting the finishing touches on the model and making it ready to receive the parts on their way from the East.

PESHASTIN NOTES.

Charley Miller is visiting in North Carolina.

Charley Foster has purchased the Homer Gilbert property.

Mrs. B. W. Taylor, Mrs. Homer Gilbert and Mrs. F. F. Gilbert were shopping in Cashmere Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Starks were in Wenatchee Saturday.

P. R. Bradley's were in Wenatchee Saturday.

The pupils of the High school with Mr. and Mrs. Bradley and Miss Hannah as chaperones enjoyed a sled ride to Dryden Friday night and went to the North side school. A program and Christmas tree was enjoyed by all. Miss Elizabeth and Miss Mary Hauber and Bill and George were all in Wenatchee Saturday.

Miss Grace Young came home Saturday morning from Pullman, where she is attending school, to spend the Christmas vacation with her parents.

Miss Maude Wilson, teacher in the schools here, is spending her Christmas vacation in Seattle.

Jacob French left Monday morning to spend two or three months with relatives in Spokane.

F. A. Wingate left Saturday to spend Christmas with relatives in Seattle.

Mr. J. A. Warman was in Wenatchee Tuesday.

Al Darlington was in Cashmere Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Craig and young daughter arrived from the Big Bend country Tuesday where they have disposed of their property. They are here with the intentions of possibly locating.

Mrs. Carricker and children went to Wenatchee Wednesday.

Miss Grace Lanphere left Wednesday morning to spend Christmas with her parents at Waterville.

Mrs. P. R. Bradley, Miss Elizabeth Hauber, Miss Glenda Smith were in Leavenworth Wednesday.

Miss Madeline McCoy has been quite sick this week, being in the first stages of pneumonia.

Miss Ida Coons was in Leavenworth Tuesday.

John McCoy has sold the Burke property which he purchased this last summer.

Mrs. Wilma Moore and children are spending Christmas vacation in Everett with Mrs. Moore's parents.

The ware house has finished the packing and the crew have scattered, leaving Peshastin pretty quiet.

HOW AN EDITOR GOT RICH

A man tells of an editor who started poor twenty years ago and has retired with the comfortable fortune of \$50,000. This money was acquired through industry, economy, conscientious efforts to give full value, indomitable perseverance, and the death of an uncle who left the editor \$49,999.50.