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Temperatures and Frost and Results

Observer Otto Thinks Fruit Trees Have Been Hurt—Low Temperature Accompanied by Frost More Damaging than Low Temperature.

There is much speculation among fruit growers of this location, says Observer Otto, as to whether the recent freezing weather has had a damaging effect on the fruit crop for the coming season.

The extremely warm weather through the greater part of January and February has caused a great many trees bearing small fruit, to burst forth an abundant crop of blossoms, many trees such as peaches and plums being in full bloom by the first week in March.

These trees will undoubtedly be damaged by the freeze of Wednesday last, the temperature at that time being about three degrees below freezing. It is thought, however, that those trees that were not in bloom, will not be greatly damaged, as the cold weather of the past week had, in a way, killed the trees in preparing for a temperature below freezing.

Stole The Dog And Razors Too

Will Edwards, a negro, was forwarded to the superior court by the recorder yesterday morning on two charges of house breaking. Not only is he accused of breaking into and stealing from the home of Mr. R. L. Bartley, 5021 Worthington Avenue, Dilworth, a lot of razors and silver ware, but he also, so it is alleged, stole a poodle dog from the home. The dog, the razors and the silver ware were found at the home of Edwards' sister, and she testified he brought all there.

The negro is also accused of stealing a double-barreled shot gun from the home of another person. The gun was easily identified, a hole being in the side of one of the barrels, as though blown out when the muzzle was choked.

when a search was made by the officers they found all of the property. Acting Desk Sergeant Irvine knew of the missing dog and asked the officers if they saw anything of the canine. When they answered in the affirmative he sent them for the dog, and Mr. Bartley readily recognized his pet poodle. It is the first time the police have arrested a thief who stole all in sight and the dog too.

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THE REAL ART CENTER

New York and Boston are now engaged in one of those unseemly squabbles, prompted by jealousy, that are so distressing to innocent bystanders, writes the Pittsburg Gazette. It began with New York's boast that its Metropolitan Museum of Art was visited last year by 741,419 persons and that this fact proved its position as the art center of America. Then Boston came back with the statement that its Museum of Fine Arts had 279,000 visitors last year, a larger number in proportion to population than the Metropolitan Museum could score up. After this the mathematicians butted in, figuring the probable proportion of visitors to the respective institutions from out of town and the purely local patronage. The Boston statisticians estimated that New York has from 100,000 to 200,000 out-of-state visitors every day in the year and that a good many of these take in the picture galleries, when they are not busy buying picture postals, while most of the visitors to the Boston exhibition are actual inhabitants of the Hub, wearing eyeglasses and a rising infection. To this New York retorts that the fame of its art collections naturally attracts pilgrims from all parts of the country, and that it doesn't care what owns hey hall from, and so it goes.

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\$65,000 Painting To Be Exhibited Here

There will be a free exhibition for a limited time Monday evening of the famous painting "The Holy Family" at the Parker-Gardner Company's store on West Trade street.
The picture is valued at \$65,000 and is one of the most famous paintings in the world. There will no doubt be a large crowd present to see it.

Mulberry School Closed on Friday

Miss Lella Alexander's school at Mulberry closed Friday evening with a program of recitations and music.

The Bigam brothers furnished the music. The recitations were as follows:
"Robin in the Cherry Tree"—Janie Lee Bigbam
"Sorrow"—Margaret Marshall.
"Betty Blue"—Edward McQuerry.
"Once I Was a Little Boy"—Everet Jordan.
"The first day of school"—Ella Springs.
"I'm the only one at home"—Lo-rene Springs.
Music.
"Vacation"—Banks Bigbam.
"Dare to do right"—Dewitt-paine-son.
"Specially Jim"—Louise Marshall.
"My Hefsey tore her apron"—Ne-ttie Neal.
"Old King Cole"—Gret Johnson.
"Evolution of a statesman"—How-ard Marshall.
"The Wisdom Beckett's poetry"—Celeste Springs.
"The inventor wife"—Mary Neal Deaton.
Music.
"Nebucnezzar"—Mack Johnston.
"Me an' Jim"—Joyd Springs.
"Lips that touch Lignor shall never touch mine"—Annie Rhyne.
"Little Boy Blue"—George Rhyne Sadder.
Music.
"The OldForshen school house"—Annie Springs.
"An Old Man's story"—Eloira Rhyne.

Reduced Price Of Car Tickets

"Twenty-one car tickets for \$1 in Charlotte, and 24, 28 and 32 in Winston-Salem for \$1.
"The above is the order of things in these two prosperous towns in North Carolina. How is it that Winston-Salem can so far excel Charlotte in car fares?"
"Is fact was tasted and this question was asked The News today by a gentleman who has just returned from Winston-Salem.
Six tickets, he states, are sold there without restriction or limitation to everybody for 25 cents, and seven tickets to school children up to 15 years to be used by them in school hours.
Eight tickets for 28 cents are sold to working people to be used between the hours of 5:30 a. m. and 7 a. m., and between 5:30 p. m. and 7 o'clock.
These tickets can be used by anybody between these hours. "How is it that we must plod along and pay the highest car fares of any town in North Carolina, and especially when more people are obliged to use the cars than possibly any other town in the state?" asks this gentleman.
"And we are informed that it is now being discussed by the new managers to stop the sale of tickets altogether. How will this strike the great masses of Charlotte who are compelled to use the cars?"

WOMAN ON TRIAL FOR MURDER OF SON

Albany, N. Y., March 11.—District Attorney Sanford predicted this afternoon that if a verdict of insanity is rendered in the case of Mrs. Edith Melbar, who is on trial for killing her five-year-old son, she will soon be a free woman, with a verdict which send her to Mattawan, from which institution she would soon gain her release because she is in delicate health and rational in all appearance. The district attorney regards as defective the law that makes this possible.
It is expected that the prosecution will close its case against Mrs. Melbar on Monday.
The more noise a man can make with his brains the less use he has for a megaphone.—Baltimore Sun.

Woodmen of World Meet in Greensboro

The second biennial convention head camp, jurisdiction "W." Woodmen of the World, will meet in Greensboro, Tuesday.

Program.
Tuesday, March 14, 1911, 10 o'clock a. m. hall J. O. U. A. M.
Called to order by Head Consul W. S. Charles, Charlotte, N. C.
Prayer by Rev. George A. Page, Charlotte, N. C.
Welcome on part of city by Mayor E. J. Starford.
Welcome for the local camp.—Judge N. L. Eure, Hon. Z. P. Smith, Responses—Gen. B. S. Royster, Oxford, N. C.; E. B. Lewis sovereign manager, Kingston, N. C.
2:30 o'clock p. m.—Business session.
Wednesday, 10 o'clock a. m.—Business session.
2:30 o'clock p. m.—Business session.
3 o'clock p. m.—Adjournment service.
7:30 p. m.—Expencilification of Armfield Protection degree of Woodcraft by Degree Team, Uniform Rank, Hornets Nest Camp, No. 96, Charlotte, N. C.
9 o'clock p. m.—Banquet to officers, delegates and degree team.
Hornet Nest Camp, No. 96 is the largest in the state. It has a membership of 350. This camp sends four delegates to the convention. The selection this year consists of Messrs. J. W. Weddington, J. R. Anderson, J. A. Hinshaw and J. I. Witzel.
Mr. W. S. Charles is district deputy and head consul.

Hawkins Supporters Listened to Talks

In the Hawkins headquarters last night several speeches were made by ardent supporters of the present mayor of the city. A goodly number of people gathered for the evening and the addresses were greeted with applause from time to time.
Now that the date of the primary has been fixed—April 4th—both orally candidates are putting forth extra efforts to reach all of the voters. Aldermen are lining up either with Mayor Hawkins or with Dr. Charles A. Bland who also aspires to the office. Each candidate has an organization behind him and before the date of the primary it is safe to say that no one will have escaped who can vote.
Republicans as well as democrats will participate in the primary, the rules adopted by the democratic committee permitting any male white voter who obligates himself to support the nominees. To vote in case of a second primary is necessary it shall be held ten days subsequent to the first one.
The campaign thus far has been free of all mud-slinging. Each candidate is placing himself before the people upon an business platform.
Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont is to open a school for farming for young women. That's the surest way to get young Paul Pioneer Press.

RESUME OF WEEK'S DEALINGS ON WALL STREET

(BY THOMAS C. SHOTWELL.)

New York, March 11.—Strength of Canadian Pacific, weakness of Central Leather and a loss of surplus reserves by the banks were the only things to attract attention today in the dull market of the year. Trading for the entire season amounted to only about 65,000 shares.
The government's monthly report showed that exports are still largely in excess of imports and are gaining over last year. There was the usual Saturday expectation of supreme court decisions for Monday with no more than the usual excuse. Leading financiers would not be disappointed if these decisions did not come until about the first of May.
Stocks had practically no market at all throughout the week and if there was any tendency at all in prices it was upwards. Securities are cornered by the big men who have been compelled to take such vast loads that they have now taken a defensive position that makes it undesirable for any person to sell. Professional selling is discouraged by putting the stock market up after every attack. Investment selling is discouraged by dropping the price on the appearance of liquidation but holding it firm in its absence. Thus an equilibrium is established that is without precedent from the history of Wall Street.

The market in the past week has withstood blows that would have caused wild havoc under almost any other circumstance. The extra session of congress caused no selling at all because it is now understood that the members will avoid any radical program of tariff reform.
The Copper Producers' Association showed an increase in daily output of the metal for February and a material increase in the stock of the metal on hand.
The United States Steel Corporation reported an increase of unfilled orders on hand March 1 amounting to 289,624 tons as compared with the previous month. This was something of a disappointment to the street, but it really is favorable, because the plants of the company have been operated more extensively.

Concentration of the American army on the Mexican border created considerable excitement politically, but it was reassuring to the financial world. Americans have about a billion dollars invested in Mexico of which about one-third is in railroads and nearly one-half in mining. Presence of the American army in Texas as insures the safety of this vast investment and the British investments of fully \$700,000,000 in the republic also are insured. The civilized nations have fully two billion dollars invested in Mexico and even should the American army cross the border they would feel safe. The incident is not a bearish argument on stocks.

The New York Central reduced its dividend rate from six to five per cent and the stock proved that it has discounted the change. Dividend reductions are expected elsewhere in the list but they will not be bearish arguments.
The Bank of England reduced its discount rate from 3 1/2 to 3 per cent. World-wide ease of money is one of the most important features of the situation and it accounts for a great deal of the strength in the market.
Everywhere except in Wall Street cheerful reports are made of business conditions and chief among these is the report that the farmers have carried over the largest volume of grain on record and are preparing to plant a record acreage of all the principal crops.
The facts point to a year of increasing prosperity with the continually improving prices for stocks and bonds.
New York, March 11.—Today's cotton market was quiet but strong during the first hour's trading. At the hour of the New York opening the Liverpool market had closed practically unchanged as compared with Friday's close. Sales of 6,000 bales of spot cotton were reported from Liverpool today at one point advance to 7.67 a middling.
These cables were not as good as expected but the New York market opened steady at from 1 to 2 points advance and during most of the session was strong with good support and only moderate realizing and other pressure. The principal subjects of discussion were the strength of the week-end statistics and claims that unfavorable weather conditions have already set in over Texas.

Cotton Seed Crushers to Meet

New York, March 12.—The general committee on arrangements of the New York Produce Exchange for the Inter-State Cotton Seed Crushers' Convention to be held at New York June 7, 8 and 9 is steadily getting plans perfected for the great event. The general committee is meeting weekly and the sub-committees have been at work for the past month or more on preliminary plans.
The arrangements are so far perfected that a royal good time is now assured for the visitors to the convention. The plans are broad in scope and include all arrangements possible for the visiting delegates. The transportation committee has already secured from the passenger associations the entire country, special convention rates for the association, which will make the expenses of transportation very moderate. The hotel accommodations arranged for all will be of the best, and at special rates.

A Sense of Immunity

"Don't you get weary of winter weather?"
"No," replied Mr. Sirius Barker. "So long as there's a little snow on the ground here and there, I know it's still too early to start another Christmas shopping."—Washington Star.
Upon the action of the majority at the forthcoming session, and of the regular session to follow, will largely depend the result of the next presidential campaign.—Houston (Texas) Post.