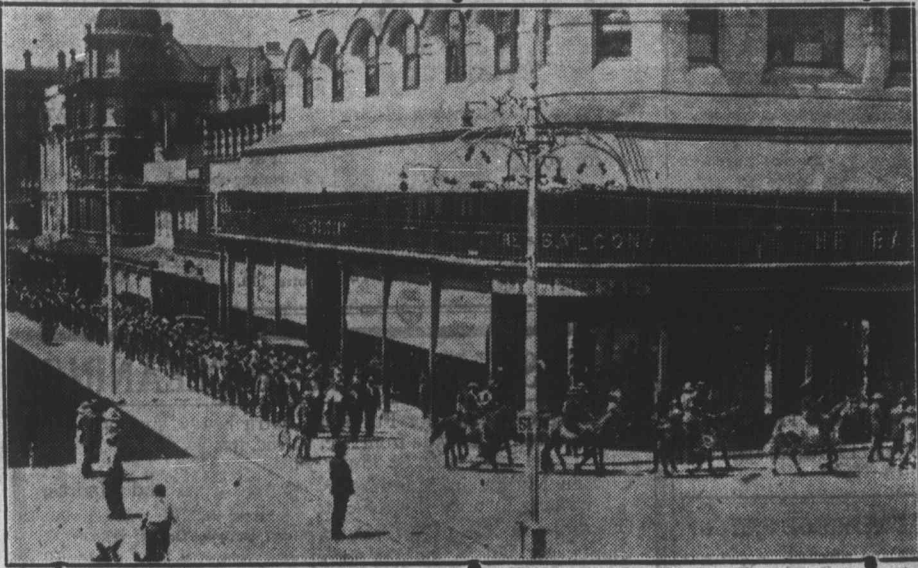


THE JOHANNESBURG STRIKE



An Army of strikers, from the goldfields of the Rand, marching through the principal streets of Johannesburg, South Africa.

PRUNING

(Experimenta Farms Note).

The season when pruning operations may be commenced is close at hand, and orchardists should now be considering the best scheme to adopt in their particular case. Except in extreme cases, pruning should be moderate and should consist more of thinning out here and there, with as little heading in as possible. In young orchards newly set out, it may be necessary to adopt a system of heading back to give out lateral growth, which will be able to produce fruit spurs in later years. In bearing orchards light annual pruning should be given, so that at no time will it be necessary to materially alter the balance between root and top by a severe heading back or excessive cutting out. In old bearing orchards, which have been somewhat neglected, a considerable amount of top should probably be removed to encourage new wood growth, so that a new fruiting surface may be established. As before mentioned, however, light annual prunings are to be recommended, for recent work has demonstrated that unpruned trees have yielded slightly better, up to a certain age, than trees pruned, but that trees pruned lightly have yielded almost as well, while those severely headed back were not only later in coming into bearing and poor yielders afterwards, but were also less vigorous than the lightly pruned and unpruned lots.

Where light heading back practiced for the first three years was adopted, the comparison between trees pruned and unpruned showed little difference in favour of the unpruned, but those trees which have been pruned were of decidedly better shape and in better condition for future work than the ones where pruning had been neglected. These results have simply justified the practice of pruning during the first few years of a tree's life with the express purpose of obtaining a desirable amount of growth placed where we want it. In the case of some trees this will require considerable cutting out and some cutting back for the first three or four years. In other cases it will require very little wood removal, but in all cases the trees should be attended to annually.

The vigour of the tree is in inverse ratio to the amount of severe heading back practiced. This does not mean, however, that no pruning is to be advocated, for a certain amount is necessary in any case to maintain the proper shape of a tree and some pruning should be given to eliminate the possibility of having to give drastic treatment at a later date to rectify long neglect. The lesson is, however, that only sufficient pruning to maintain the shape and general vigour of the tree is to be recommended.

Indiscriminate heading back delays fruitfulness and reduces vigor. Light annual pruning will not materially impair or delay fruitfulness and will eliminate future trouble. A little enlargement on this later statement is perhaps necessary to make clear the point. We are all aware of the advantage to be gained by heading a tree properly. A tree with its head starting from one point on the trunk is weak and doomed to an early death. To correct this, pruning is necessary. Again, we all know that in pruning one should try to cut out all crotches which are acute-angled, and limbs thus crotched are sure to split open; the limb that comes closest to forming a right angle with the main trunk is the strongest. This is also

attained by pruning, so here are two reasons why pruning or training is necessary in the life of the young tree.

Consider for a moment the relation between pruning and nutrition; the roots of a tree function by gathering from the soil plant foods in solution, which is transmitted to the different parts of the tree for elaboration by the leaves. The plant food gathered may roughly be divided into two classes; nitrates, as supplied, for example, by nitrate of soda and carbohydrates. These latter are the elaborated forms produced by the leaves from the solutions obtained by the roots, and are stored close to the point of manufacture. In order that the leaves can manufacture these carbohydrates sunlight is necessary, so that if a tree becomes too thick in the head, thus shutting out sun from the centre or lower portions of the tree, those parts shut off from the sunlight will not be able to manufacture carbohydrates and will, as a consequence, become unfruitful; another reason why some pruning is essential, is to maintain the vigor of all parts of the tree by admitting the necessary sunlight.

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HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Narrow loaf pans insure thorough baking.  
Dates should always be washed before eating.  
A thin hair pillow is best for the baby as feathers make the head perspire.  
Worn out hot water bags can be cut into rounds and used as mats under flower pots.  
To clean silver, cover with water that potatoes have been boiled in, and let boil until bright. Wash and wipe. No rubbing necessary.  
Keep one pint jar just for melting chocolate. Simply place it in hot water. In this way no chocolate is wasted, and any amount may be measured out, according to the recipe.  
CROUTONS for soup can easily be made in the corn-popper. They will crisp in a moment. Cut the bread the desired size, place in the popper and toast over hot coals.

"Now, Robert, tell me what an engineer is," said the teacher.  
"He is a man that works an engine," replied Robert.  
"Correct," said the teacher. "Now William, can you tell me what a pioneer is?"  
"Yes, sir," answered William, "he's a man that works a piano."

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WEDDING AT WALBROOK

The home of Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Mitchell, Walbrook, was the scene of an interesting event on Wednesday afternoon, March 29th, when their daughter, Evelyn Juanita, was united in marriage to Mr. Leslie E. Trenholm, of Grand Pre. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. W. Whitman, in the presence of the relatives of the contracting parties. The bride looked very attractive in a tailor made suit of navy blue Tricotine, with a becoming hat in contrasting color. The parlors were tastefully decorated with blooming plants, the cheery daffodils lending a golden glow to the festive scene. Immediately after luncheon, the bridal party, amid showers of good wishes and confetti, left for a short wedding trip to Halifax. The bride was the recipient of many beautiful and valuable presents from her numerous friends, with whom she is deservedly popular. Mr. and Mrs. Trenholm will make their home at Grand Pre.

Chicago murderer has been caught after 47 years. Which holds out eventual hope for the end of the Taylor case in Los Angeles.

WOLFVILLE ENTERTAINS AT DAYTONA, FLORIDA

The following item taken from the Daytona (Fla.) Daily News of March 26th, will be of interest to our readers:

A Canadian rally and reception was given Wednesday afternoon, March 22, by Dr. and Mrs. G. E. DeWitt, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Chambers and Mrs. G. K. Prescott, all of Wolfville, Nova Scotia, Canada, but at present residing at 413 South Palmetto Avenue.

The house was expressly decorated for this occasion with palms, Spanish moss, sweet peas and Canadian flags. Refreshments were served from 4 to 6 o'clock by Miss Sara Prescott and Miss Hayes.

Those present included: Mr. and Mrs. Mortimer Smith, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Crichton and daughter, of Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada; also Mrs. Hayes and daughter, Miss Winnie Hayes, of Halifax; Mrs. Staple, formerly of Nova Scotia, but now a resident of Daytona; Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Bairs, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Rockwell and Mrs. Harold Foote and little daughter, Frances, of Wolfville, Nova Scotia; Mrs. Robertson and Mrs. A. M. Boyington, formerly of New Brunswick; Dr. and Mrs. G. E. DeWitt, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Chambers and Mrs. G. K. Prescott, of Wolfville.

SMALLEST BOOK

The smallest book in the world must surely be a little volume printed in 1674. It contains 49 pages, and the title is "The Court of Flowers." This tiny book is perfect in every way. It is superbly bound in calf, ornamented on the sides and fastened with a solid gold clasp of exquisite workmanship. If three other similar volumes could be found the four together would just cover a postage stamp.

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A man informed the verger that he wished to be married on a certain day. The verger inquired the man's name. It was given. "And your fiancée?" The man shook his head. "We're not going to have any of that," he replied. "It will only be a quiet affair."

And soon it will be time to take the mothballs from our last year's summer suit and send it to the cleaner's. Our hat may look like a bird's nest, but the wife should worry, so long as she cajoles a new easter bonnet out of us. Oh, well!

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