

HIGHER FRUIT PRICES SEEN

Okanagan Crop Losses Are Called Disasterous

By DENNIS ORCHARD
VANCOUVER (CP)—Wholesale prices for most Canadian fruit this year after crop losses in the Okanagan Valley described as "disasterous."
Peaches, apricots and cherries, vulnerable soft-fruit crops, were wiped out as a commercial factor by frosts in December and March.
Inspections in the last 10 days have for the first time showed damage to some pear and apple orchards from the same frosts.
The prospects of higher autumn prices for fresh fruit are already having an effect on the housewife's budget, at least in British Columbia.

Wholesalers are holding firm on their canned-fruit prices and supermarkets probably will not offer their usual specials for these lines.
Wholesalers are investigating the California market for imports of soft fruit, and one wholesaler said Monday that the necessary fumigation, duty and freight costs on these supplies would double his price to retail outlets.

GO AROUND WORLD
Okanagan fruit growers ship their products around the world, and losses in this province invariably affect the market for fruit from Canada's two other growing areas—Ontario's Niagara Peninsula and Nova Scotia's Annapolis Valley.
The extent of the blow to the Okanagan's 3,400 orchardists cannot be predicted for several weeks.

Fruit is a \$27,000,000 business in a normal year and Frank Walrod, who runs the marketing company B.C. Tree Fruits Ltd., for the orchardists, said Monday in Edmonton he knows the \$9,000,000 stoned-fruit crop will be hit hard.
"Over-all losses will reach disasterous proportions," he said.

A.C. Carter, chief provincial horticulturist, said in Victoria his inspection in the Okanagan last week showed "the situation was deteriorating."
"We don't know when it will hit bottom," he said. "I've never seen anything worse. Old-timers have never seen devastation so complete."
"I didn't see a single peach bud in the valley."

Donald Smith, supervising horticulturist who works out of Kelowna, said inspections in the last few days showed pear crops reduced by more than 50 per cent, with the Bartlett variety ending up "very heavy losses" and Anjou "down very sharply."
Prospects for the apple crop still are indefinite, but the main McIntosh and Spartan varieties look "near normal."

ST. LOUIS

John A. Arsenault and Tennis Gallant are patients in the Western Hospital.
Among students to spend the holidays at their home were: Maureen Gaudet, Patricia Gaudet, Austin Bernard, Willard Gaudet, Ida Gaudet and Virginia Shea.
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gaudet of Toronto are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Gaudet.
Wilbert Arsenault, two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Arsenault, is a patient in the Western Hospital.

Leo and Nelson Gaudet have returned to New Brunswick after visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gaudet, in De Blois.
Mr. and Mrs. Alphy Doucette, DeBlois, had as visitors Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd McInnis and son Richard of Borden and their son, Ivan of Charlottetown.
Mr. and Mrs. Keith Wark and daughter, Debbie are spending two week's vacation in Montreal and Toronto. Mr. Wark is the CNR agent in St. Louis.
Mr. and Mrs. Leo Deagle and two children have returned to Montreal after a brief visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Gaudet and Mr. and Mrs. Myrl Deagle.

Week-end visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Perry were Betty Perry and George McDonald of Charlottetown.
Marguerite Ann Perry of Halifax, N. S., spent the week-end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Perry.
Mrs. Camille Perry is a patient in the Western Hospital.
Mrs. Johnny Myers is also a patient in the Western Hospital.

ANNUAL MEETING
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND
TUBERCULOSIS LEAGUE,
CHARLOTTETOWN HOTEL,
WEDNESDAY, MAY 5, 1965
12.30 P.M.

Guest Speaker
Dr. G. E. Maddison,
Director, Tuberculosis Control, N. B.
Luncheon \$1.00 Public Cordially Invited

BRISTOL

Walter O'Brien, who underwent a serious operation in the Charlottetown Hospital recently, has returned to his home where he will convalesce for several weeks. This is the second time Mr. O'Brien has had surgery in less than two months.
The extension of the lobster fishing season is good news here as the shores are piled with ice and continued north winds keep them that way.
Peter McLellan, is a patient in Charlottetown Hospital where he underwent surgery. A resident of Indian River, he is well

known here as his wife is the former Mabel Sinnott.
Jack Arsenault, well-known painter, is a patient in the Charlottetown Hospital.
Edmund Gallant, manager of the Morell Credit Union, has been a patient in the Charlottetown Hospital for some time. He suffered a slipped disc in his back and has been in traction in hospital.
Mr. and Mrs. Anneas Gauthier, were here from Toronto last week to visit their old home and relatives in different parts. Mr. Gauthier has been with the CNR in Toronto as a car inspector for many years. His mother,

Mrs. Belle Gauthier, who spent the winter months with members of her family in Toronto and New York, came back with him and will remain home for the summer.
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had their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Dalton, Burton, and Mrs. Annie Howard, Cape Wolfe.
Joseph P. Clements, who spent the winter months in Bloomfield, has returned to his trailer home at White's Cove.
Edward S. Griffin, Burton, is a patient at Alberton Western Hospital.

BURTON

Denzil Cooke, Burton, recently visited with relatives and friends in Charlottetown.
Mr. and Mrs. Louis Dalton and daughters, Pattie and Jackie, of Sherwood recently visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Dalton, Burton, and Mrs. Annie Howard, Cape Wolfe.

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