

## APPLE CHAMPION GIVES INTERVIEW

Mrs. Rowland Tells How She Raised Fruit Which Won Her the Prize.

(Palladium Special.)

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Nov. 22.—"Other people could have as good luck as I, for the soil is here, the conditions are right, and the Yakima Valley country is the greatest in the world to raise not only fruit of all kinds, but other farm products are obtainable in abundance and are raised with very little effort."

This statement was made by Mrs. Ellis D. Rowland of the Zillah section of the Yakima Valley, who, on Nov. 4, at the New York Land Show, was awarded the first prize—\$500 in gold—for the best twenty-five box apple display any variety grown anywhere. Mrs. Rowland's apples—Winesaps—scored 982.56 points out of a possible 1000. While her exhibit competed with not only the finest samples from all other districts of the Yakima Fruit Valley, there were samples of the best produced in many other sections of the country—thus, without a doubt, the Rowland Winesaps proved to be the equal of any grown anywhere—a fact, which the Yakima Valley had always claimed—and as a clincher of the fact it may be stated that at the New York Land Show, Robt. Johnston, of Fruita, another important part of the great Yakima Valley, scored second, with 875.7 points, making the contest between Yakima Valley fruit raisers and feature of that great show.

Both of these winners own high-class orchards located in territory, which, only a few years ago, like all other sections of this valley, was a dense mass of sage brush—giving ample proof of the argument that Yakima Valley will and does produce the best fruit that grows.

"There is an abundance of just as good land all through the valley as this I have, and just as good results can be gained from it, with any sort of care of orchards," continued Mrs. Rowland.

"My husband and I came here eighteen years ago from Kansas," she said. "We raised hops while our young orchards were growing and as soon as they were along far enough we abandoned the hops."

"We paid \$40 an acre for the ranch on which my three orchards are located. The one bearing the prize winning apples is on just a little higher ground. Its elevation is about 800 feet, and is considered by fruit raisers in this section to be an ideal orchard."

Call Herself Novice.

"Really, I feel that I am sort of a novice at the business of fruit raising, as I have given the ranch my direct attention only since the death of my husband, E. M. Rowland, last June."

"Yes, I am happy over my luck," smiled Mrs. Rowland. "It was more than I had anticipated, for we had to make the pack in such a hurry that I had no idea that I would win any prize at all."

"As the apples were being gathered we put aside enough to make 66 boxes—from this number we selected the 25-box exhibit which won the prize."

"The packing, of course, was a strong point in my favor, as the packing counted. It was difficult to secure experienced packers at the time when I decided to send an exhibit. I secured the assistance of Miss Lena Milton, a young lady who had had some experience, and Mrs. J. D. Laughlin, whose husband is a 55-acre ranch adjoining mine and who is administrator of my late husband's estate. It is needless to say that their work was well done."

This particular orchard which produced the prize winners, is ten years old—was set out in 1901-2. It is located two miles northwest of Zillah and 18 miles south of North Yakima, which city is the center of the great Yakima Valley.

"I expect to realize between \$2,200 and \$2,500 this year on apples from this ten-acre orchard. The best year we ever had was in 1909 when we realized \$2.85 a box and had a large yield. Of course everybody knows that the season just closed was off for apples, but we had an fine, large crop, our orchards yielding other varieties than the Winesaps. While I have never set a price on the orchard land, I am told by near-by apple ranch-men that it is worth from \$1000 to \$1500 an acre. In the orchard producing the prize-winning Winesaps there are about 675 trees, 80 per cent of which are Winesaps and the remainder mixed varieties," concluded Mrs. Rowland.

To show the adaptability of the soil it may be stated that Mrs. Rowland raised other crops successfully—potatoes grew large and plentiful, as did grapes, melons, corn, etc.

Mrs. Rowland says she will not invest in any more land, but that she will probably keep what she now has, and with her little daughter, Miss Vega, will continue her residence on the ranch.

The elaborate silver cup, an additional prize, was donated by A. H. Hanauer of Spokane. The \$500 prize was from Howard Elliott, president of the Northern Pacific R. R. Company, this being passing through the prize apple territory.

"The Habit of Acquisition. It beats me," said the philosopher. "Most people will keep piling up money long after they have several times as much as they'll ever be able to use." Then he went out for a walk. Passing a bookstore, he saw half a dozen very cheap books, which, however, he knew he hadn't time to read and doubted very much if he ever would have time to read. But they were cheap, and he bought them and sent them home to be added to his library, which already contained several times as many books as he would ever have time to read.

Nevertheless he continued to wonder at the senseless accumulation of money.—New York Times.

## WORKS ON BIRTHDAY

And Hetty Green Talks of Charity.



NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—Plenty of hard work, a good conscience, a good appetite and a good will—this is the prescription for longevity recommended by Mrs. Hetty Green, the richest woman in the world, who was 77 years old Tuesday, an occasion which she celebrated by working and giving an interview.

Mrs. Green arose early and was at the National Park Bank for two hours' work by 9 o'clock. At noon she was in her office on the sixth floor of No. 111 Broadway with her son, Colonel Green, who had just presented her with a black hand bag, one which she can carry over her wrist, to take the place of the old-style bag she has carried for the last half century.

"I see the halves have me only 78 years old—well, I suppose they thought it would please me, being a woman, to have a year or so nipped off, but I tell you I am proud of my age and see no reason why everybody shouldn't know I was born in 1834. I've got the spunk of twenty men, and I feel five years younger than on my last birthday. Why, I have just saved one of the most expensive funerals in New York. This person I cured, as I have cured many others, simply by getting her interested again in life."

Mrs. Green was asked if there was not some good work she had done in the past year that she was willing to make public on her birthday anniversary.

"I am opposed to bragging," she said "and if I told you of my gifts they would not be gifts at all. One way to given money is to make a big show, and such a gift is not a gift in the eyes of the Lord. I might tell you of the school for boys and girls in this state which I have helped with between \$300,000 and \$400,000, and that is all I will tell you."

In conclusion she said that she intended to continue in active business for at least another decade.

### Mysterious.

"That was a mysterious robbery the other day," said Smith to Jones.

"Why, I don't see what mystery there was about it," remarked Jones. "The detectives caught the thieves the same day."

"Yes," returned the first speaker, "that's what I said."—London Answer.

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"My husband and I were up night and day wheeling him from one room to another in the hope of giving me some relief. I would sit for hours at a time in front of the fireplace hoping for daybreak. The pain was so great I was almost crazy. In fact, I would lose my mind for hours at a time. One day a friend of mine dropped in to see me. No more had she glanced at my foot when she exclaimed, 'Mrs. Finnegan, you are a fool to use Cuticura Remedies!' Being disgusted with the doctors and their medicines, and not being able to get any relief at all, I decided to have the Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment a trial. After using them three days I had a great success. I paid a silver dollar for eight long hours. I avoided the medicine with but very little pain, in fact, I thought was heaven. After using the Cuticura Remedies three days, my foot was restored to health, thanks to the Cuticura Soap and Ointment. I will be sixty-four years old next month and am still as hearty as present." (Signed) Mrs. Julia Finnegan, 2234 Hebert St., St. Louis, Mo., Mar. 7, '11.

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## Russian Orchestra Proved to Be a Brilliant Entertainment

BY ESTHER GRIFFIN WHITE.

Much had been said of the Imperial Russian Court Balalaika orchestra before its appearance in this city at the Gennett last evening, but no adequate idea had been given of its peculiar charm and musical appeal, and that the latter was persuasive was testified to by the overwhelming applause that followed each number and by the frequent recalls, M. Andreeff, its director, being most obliging and responding sometimes with a repetition and again with a different composition.

The extraordinary effects achieved by the balalaika in the ensemble may be native to the instrument or incident to its musical manipulation, but however that may be, the fact remains that it lends itself not only to the presentation of the folk music of Russia but also to the modern, exemplified on last evening's program by the Puccini number—the aria from "La Bohème," and by the brief Tchaikowski, "In Church," the latter giving the strange, melancholy impress possessed by this great musical genius not only in his sustained compositions, but through their excerpts.

The interesting aspect of the program, however, was in the interpretation of the folk songs of the country to which the balalaika is native, these being given with a realistic charm hard to define, the verve of the "Danse d' Auvergne,"—a dance in wooden shoes—being no less appealing than the poignant charm of "The Young Princess Walked About." The dangled a Golden Key," or that of "A Juicy Berry's Floating on a Sweet Sea."

The attraction of this part of the concert was enhanced by the singing of Russian airs and folk songs by a quartet of singers from the Imperial opera houses in St. Petersburg and Moscow, all in the picturesque native costume, and given with great musical and theatrical éclat.

These latter appeared in quartet, double and trio numbers, their voices blending admirably in those seemingly bizarre effects unusual to the lay and musical ear of this country because unfamiliar with the folk music they interpret—that music full of subtle minors of curious musical accent and in a language with dominant consonants.

## AUTOMOBILE SHOWS TO COME

JAN. 1-5—Automobile Manufacturers' Association of America, Grand Central Palace, New York, City.

JAN. 6-13—Automobile Board of Trade (pleasure car division), Madison Square Garden, New York City.

JAN. 6-20—Motor and Accessory Manufacturers, Madison Square Garden, New York City.

JAN. 10-17—National Association of Automobile Manufacturers Grand Palace, New York City.

JAN. 13-27—Philadelphia Automobile Trade Association, Philadelphia.

JAN. 13-19—Milwaukee Automobile Dealers' Association, Milwaukee.

JAN. 15-20—Automobile Board of Trade (commercial division), Madison Square Garden, New York City.

JAN. 27-FEB. 10—National Association of Automobile Manufacturers, Chicago.

FEB. 3-10—Automobile Club of Canada, Montreal.

FEB. 17-24—Minneapolis Automobile Dealers' Association, Minneapolis.

FEB. 21-28—Toronto Automobile Association, Toronto.

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## A BIG UNDERTAKING

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(Palladium Special)

PITTSBURGH, Nov. 22.—At an estimated cost of \$2,975,000, the Pennsylvania lines west of Pittsburgh are eliminating grade crossings at Cleveland, Ohio. Two million and sixty-three thousand dollars of this expenditure will be met by the railroad company.

Since 1900 the Pennsylvania Railroad system has avoided grade crossings in all new construction work and has been doing away with those already in existence as rapidly as possible. Many millions have been spent in this work with the result that 673 grade crossings were eliminated from the lines east of Pittsburgh between January 1, 1900 and September 1, 1909.

Three hundred and eighty-five of these were on the lines of heaviest traffic between New York and Washington, Philadelphia and Pittsburgh. Their elimination involved the elevation or depression of tracks in Jersey City, Newark, Elizabeth, Bristol, Trenton, Philadelphia, Chester, Wilmington, Baltimore and Washington. The remaining grade crossings on these lines are dispersed over 574 miles of road and are, with few exceptions, at light.

The track elevation work in pro-

gress at Cleveland covers a distance of about two and one-eighth miles. In this territory there are now sixteen streets intersecting the Cleveland and Pittsburgh railroad tracks at grade. The abolition of all these crossings will be effected; four of them by closing the streets, and the other twelve by raising the tracks and depressing the streets. Solid floor steel bridges supported by masonry abutments on the street lines and steel columns at the curb lines will be used.

In connection with this the passenger and freight facilities at Euclid Avenue will be rearranged. The passenger station will be moved slightly but will remain on the present level, that it, a little above the street. Platforms with shelter sheds will be erected at the new track level, and will be connected with the station by a subway and stairs.

Palladium Want Ads Pay.

## GOMPERS VICTOR

ATLANTA, Nov. 22.—The committee of the American Federation of Labor which considered a resolution asking the federation officers to resign from the National Civic Federation reported adversely on the resolution. They could find no fault with the organization. It was a personal triumph for Gompers, Mitchell and others.

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