

Questions by C. H. Walker of Warm Springs Oregon, for an orchard near Albany Or of 9 acres.

- 1" Would you put out more than one kind or variety of fruit, in an orchard of that size, near a town or city? I would see on the leaf where I go into particulars
- 2" If but one kind; what kind, ^{and} variety of that kind?
- 3" How far apart - would you set the trees?
Sixteen (16) feet gives enough room.
- 4" In underdraining, how far apart - should the drains be?
Every four rows - or 4 feet - should be right +
- 5" What would the probable cost be per acre for underdraining?
I cannot say, but not less than \$50. an acre and not more than \$60. an acre I think, from what I learn.
- 6" Would you put in the tiling before, or after setting out trees?
Just as suits your convenience, but it is best to do the drainage beforehand
- 7" What aged trees would you set out? Two year olds
- 8" When would you set the trees out? In the fall, by all means, if possible

The Columbia is a large plum & makes a good prune that sells as well & as high as the Italian. It comes about Aug 20. The Petite (or French) Sept 1. The Italian Sept 10. The Golden Drop (or Silver) Sept 15, and they form a succession that lasts twice as long as the Italian. I am usually ten weeks drying my prunes.

I should plant 1500 trees on 9 acres, and put out 300 Petites, 600 Italians, 300 Silvers, The Columbia 300. makes the 1500 trees, but if you don't wish to try the Columbia, add 100 to each of the other three.

My health is my affair. A Saline doctor drove me wild with suggestions of a cancer, but a well educated dentist looked me in the mouth & in two seconds took out a piece of an old tooth that made all the trouble.

Nine acres, well managed, should bring you an income of \$200 to \$1500 per an, and even more than that in time.

Twenty (20) acres makes a large enough orchard for any man to tend.

I am glad to furnish any information in my power.

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