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John Gibson of Franklin avenue (Brother is Andrew Gibson) came to stay in 1892, on present place 15 y 15 years.

Helped survey N.P. in 1885 and 86 when the r.r. was built to bridge beyond Selah

The Dan Lesh place, which became the Frank Wheeler place is now owned by Mike Tenkeff. The first planting on it by A. Professor Miller. Later bought by Mr. Lesh. There were about 3 or 4 acres of apples and 7 or 8 acres of prunes, rest of what is ~~on~~ Tenkeff and Wachsmith places was in alfalfa or other farm crops.

There were 40 acres in the Wheeler place

The St. Louis ranch was planted by Lesh, the trees were not in when Mr. Gibson came to settle here in 1892.

Gibson and his brother bought land of Lesh and set out apples and peaches on 10 acres in 1892.

What was in Fruitvale then:

McCrimmon place was about in bearing or trees or trees three or four years old.

On Nob Hill lives Sam Cameron and Coronal Howlett but no orchards

Also the Vaughn place

Dr. Cornett grandson

Sam Chappell place, not sure as to orchard there but was row of cherries along road.

J.H. Neeham is brother-in-law of McCrimmon

Some trees on Brickhouse place

Shanne, Hubbard and P.P. & L Co. compa ditches were in then. Hubbard ditch water a part of Fruitvale and the company ditch some. Lower part is watered by Shanne ditch which has been ~~discont~~ discontinued at the city

Frank Sinclair had ice pond near spray plant. It was filled by the Shanne ditch.

Heavy planting in Fruitvale was some years after Mr. Gibson came here, probably in 1898 and in the few years following.