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? WHY THE WEATHER ?

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EARLY FROST IN CALIFORNIA

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According to the California Citrograph, orchard heaters were lighted for the first time this season on October 30 in scattered locations throughout southern California. This was the first time in the experience of Floyd D. Young as meteorologist of the U. S. Weather Bureau, covering some 20 years, that heating was needed so early in the season. The regular broadcast of minimum temperatures started on Nov. 15 over station KNX, Los Angeles. This broadcast is made by remote control direct from Mr. Young's office at Pomona each evening at 8 o'clock and will continue until February 15.

Growers have been particularly fortunate the past two or three winters as far as orchard heating is concerned, in that, except for a short period in late February of this year, little heating was necessary. The year before practically no heating was done.

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