

HOOD RIVER SUN.

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SALUTATORY.

With this issue the Sun casts its effulgent beams upon this big beautiful world, "with malice towards none and charity for all." Our little paper is not here to crowd anyone off the earth, but we believe that the genus homo is so wonderfully and fearfully made, psychically, morally, and mentally, as well as physically, that there is room in this garden spot—the paradise of America—for two well-meaning but wholly different weeklies. During our fifteen years newspaper experience in Oregon we have continually longed to be located at this particular place. Our longings at last dissipated in full fruition and we congratulate ourselves that our lot has at last been cast with the people of our choice—the inhabitants of Hood River valley.

The Sun will be interested in whatever concerns the upbuilding of this community or the betterment of the condition of any or all of its people. In national politics we are, and will be, republican. We both worked for and voted for McKinley at our last election. We believe in sound money—the gold standard. We are in favor of national expansion and holding the Philippine islands. We believe our country is enjoying a greater degree of general prosperity under the present republican administration than ever before in its history, and we believe that its future possibilities for augmented greatness lie chiefly along the lines of republican policy. In local matters we will stand for the best men, irrespective of religious or political affiliations, as we have always done in the past. Finally, we pledge our new friends and neighbors our best efforts in the line of our chosen work and bespeak for the Sun their loyal support and generous patronage.

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HOOD RIVER VALLEY.

It is generally conceded, by those whose travels render their opinions valuable, that the mountains of the Pacific coast, from Alaska to Mexico, do not hold in their embrace a more beautiful, salubrious and fertile valley than that of Hood River. No more delightful or healthful place of residence could be hoped for, and none where nature more willingly lends her aid to the efforts of man to surround himself with the beauties, luxuries and food products of the vegetable world. The river is a stream of pure mountain water, flowing northward from its fountain head amid the melting snows and glaciers of Mt. Hood, and goes roaring over the rocks with a voice that can be heard from the mountains above, till it finally sinks to rest in the bosom of the Columbia, about midway between the cascades and the dalles. Along its length, right through the heart of the Cascade mountains, lies a valley of remarkable beauty and fertility, one of the most charming, healthful and enjoyable summer resorts of the entire world. The mountains abound in large and small game, and the river and its associate streams are noted for the excellence and abundance of their trout, many of which are from 20 to 28 inches long. The waters, fed by the snows of the mountains, are so pure and cold during the entire summer that the fish taken from them are hard and delicious. To the north, across the Columbia, can be seen from town White Salmon river, heading among the snows of Mt. Adams, and winding through tortuous ways out through the mountains, and lashing itself into foam over huge boulders, till it enters the Columbia. On either side of White Salmon river, running up from the Columbia, are mountains rising from 2000 to 3000 feet, with large patches of prairie, dotted with farms and pastured with stock. The scene is grand, and to a poet, simply indistinguishable.

Many an invalid has restored his health, and many a man infirm with age has almost renewed the vigor of his youth, by surrendering himself to the full enjoyment of the pleasures of the mountains and streams afford, and by breathing the life-giving atmosphere. Dur-

ing the summer, the wind comes in strong, mild breezes up the Columbia, direct from the ocean. Hot, relaxing weather is not known here. The country and climate seem to be fascinating. People sometimes settle here for a time, when their migratory instincts induce them to go somewhere else; but they almost invariably return.

The railroad crosses the river near its mouth, and a short distance above is the charming little city of Hood River, built in a natural grove of magnificent oak and fir trees. It is a thrifty village of about 600 inhabitants, with perhaps 2000 industrious settlers in the valley immediately surrounding the town. This is the shipping and supply point for the many prosperous settlers in the valley, and enjoys a good and rapidly increasing trade. The Valley is renowned for its wonderful fertility, for the size and quality of its vegetables and the superior excellence of its fruits and berries, being noted from ocean to ocean for its production of strawberries and apples. Peaches are superior in flavor to those of California. Soft shell almonds are equal to the famous ones of Chili, and apples are of such superior size and flavor, that even the Willamette Valley, that famous land of "big red apples," has to take a back seat.

The air is of such crystal clearness that Mt. Hood, 22 miles southwest and Mt. Adams, 40 miles to the north, both glistening with eternal snow, and both in plain view of the town, appear as though they were only a few miles distant. The tourist seeking a few days of rest in a paradise of nature, the overworked business man seeking a relaxation from mental toil, the sportsman and the invalid, will all find all that heart can desire in Hood river valley; while the immigrant, seeking a place where patient toil and intelligent industry may build a home for himself and family, will need to look no further for the golden opportunity.

There are many magnificent homes in and around Hood River, notably those of Dr. W. L. Adams, W. P. Watson, Capt. H. C. Coe, Hon. J. W. Morton and Capt. A. S. Blowers, about which the Sun will have more to say later on.

Among the grandest and most beautiful homes in Oregon is that of Dr. Adams, just west of town. The Doctor is an old pioneer, having driven his own ox team across the plains in 1848. After several years of travel through North, Central and South America, taking in the Sandwich Islands, and California, he selected Hood River valley as the most desirable place for a home he had yet found. To sum it all up, in the words of an intelligent lady artist from Australia, "I have been all over the world, and I never saw as beautiful a place as Dr. Adams has in Hood River valley."

Hood River has a gravity system of waterworks, which are supplied from a large, never-failing spring, at an elevation of 250 feet above the town. The water has been analyzed and pronounced to be the purest and best in the world.

There has as yet been no electric light system established here, but likely will be soon. There are, however, a number of individual acetylene gas plants in operation.

Hood River's social advantages are as desirable as can be found anywhere. There are three beautiful church edifices here—Congregationalist, Methodist and United Brethren—all strong, vigorous and healthy societies.

Our graded school, of six departments, is one of the very best in the state; the magnificent new building costing nearly \$10,000, and the school is under the supervision of as able corps of teachers as can be found.

Hood River is an ideal place of residence; a lovely little city of homes, churches and schools.

Owing to the dense population around Hood River, this section has been favored with the rural free delivery daily mail system, a distinction not enjoyed by any other place of its size in the western country. Credit for this great convenience is due Hon. E. L. Smith, one of the most respected and prominent pioneers of the town, who has been for many years prominently identified with local and national politics, and who is very popular with the administration at Washington.

All lines of business are represented here and those who are best able to judge, confidently predict a very rapid growth for Hood River, from this time on, and that it will doubtless double in population within the next year.

All who are interested in the upbuilding and advancement of Hood River and vicinity should do all in their power to encourage good citizens and newcomers who come here to reside and spend their money making improvements, thus enhancing the value of our own property. Do not let us impress the stranger with the idea that, because we were fortunate enough to locate here first, no one else has any right to come here. Such selfishness never built towns or cities. Let us extend a welcome hand to the newcomer, and in helping him we help ourselves.

Hood River is already one of the best towns on the Pacific Coast, and is sure to become a great deal better town in the near future. It is pronounced by those who have traveled the world over, to have the most delightful climate in the world, not even excepting that of Italy; it being a happy medium between the extremely damp climate west of the Cascade mountains and the extremely dry climate east of the mountains. The place is rightfully termed "The Paradise of America."

There are always many annoyances and unlooked-for difficulties encountered in getting out the first issue of a paper. The Sun has been "up against" every one on the list, and added others. No apology will, therefore, be made for any delay or specified defects in this number.

CLIPPINGS.

News of Local Interest From Our Nearby Exchanges.

Times-Mountaineer. Hans Lage, one of the prosperous farmers of Hood River valley was in the city Monday.

Married—At the home of Mrs. C. G. Hansen, in this city, Sept. 20, 1899, Mr. Harry Hackett and Mrs. Emma Crapper. The groom is a prosperous young farmer of Hood River, where they will make their future home.

Edward A. Johnston, who is employed by Davidsons in their large mill at Hood River, was in the city last week. He states that the contractor was piling up to such an extent in the yards that the mill had to shut down for a few days in order to give the men time to store it properly so that it would not be ruined by careless piling. Captain Davidson has proven that he is an experienced mill man and has one of the finest milling plants in the state.

A. J. Douglas, of Dufur, was in the city Friday. He states that since the city council of the town of Dufur have passed an ordinance closing bowling alleys and pool rooms in Dufur he thinks very seriously of moving to the Palouse country where he will have an equally good field to operate his large steam thrasher, a good country to farm and a municipal corporation where a bowling alley and billiard room can be conducted without the council passing ordinances against such innocent amusements. Mr. Douglas is one of the best citizens in that community and such a man can be ill spared from any place.

Goldendale Sentinel. Miss Emily Palmer, of White Salmon, has been visiting friends in Hood River.

John Dethman, of Bingen, H. D. Cole, of Faldia, and Pomeroy Steadman, of Trout Lake, are attending court.

C. W. Moore, of Trout Lake, has now the contract for carrying the mail between White Salmon and the lake. He has done a very good business the past summer, as the tourist travel this season has been quite large.

Four candidates are mentioned for the census enumeration in the west end of the county: T. M. Whitcomb, of Lyle, H. C. Cook, of White Salmon, C. M. Moore, of Trout Lake, and H. D. Cole, of Faldia; any of whom would be satisfactory to the general public.

Commissioner Wm. Coate, of Trout Lake, has a handsome new dwelling just nearing completion. The Coate Bros. are doing a big dairying business. Their separator and churn are run by water power taken from the White Salmon. They have just finished harvesting their second crop of red clover hay, which grows nicely in Trout Lake, irrigation being used extensively.

Antelope Herald. M. E. Miller, formerly editor of this paper, left Monday with his wife for Canyon City, where they will reside. Mr. Miller now conducts a stage line over there.

At last Tuesday's council meeting Bob Greer's application for liquor license was granted. Antelope will have five saloons in full blast, just as soon as Bob's building is completed.

The Dalles Chronicle. The blackberry crop of Hood River was not more than half a crop, owing to the canes being injured by the severe winter. Prices held up well, however, selling for \$1.50 per crate. While we have but a half crop in this vicinity, the difficulty has been mostly with the berry; the cold and sunless days preventing their ripening and making them dwarfed and flavorless. Dewberries, which are such favorites for canning, are simply out of the question this year.

Stevenson Pioneer. D. W. Mann, of The Dalles, has purchased the Ginder place at Home Valley, and will make his future home in Skamania county, near the place he will retire from the farming business.

Dufur Dispatch. Miss Mellie Olinger, who had been visiting in Dufur for some time past, has returned to her home in Hood River.

Prineville is in the midst of a building boom such as has not occurred for years. It is not the result of speculation, but of the growth of business and the surrounding country, says the Crook County Journal.

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- Yosemite Coffee, 1 lb., .10
- Arduckles, 2 lb., .25
- Mocha and Java, 1 lb., .30
- Sun dried Japan Tea, 1 lb., .45
- Star Tobacco, 1 lb., .45
- Battle Axe " 1 lb., .45
- Scalloping Knife, 1 lb., .35
- Big Nickel, 1 lb., .50
- White Beans, 33 lbs., 1.00
- Pink or Black Beans, 30 lbs., 1.00
- No. 1 Rice, 16 lbs., 1.00
- No. 3 " 20 lbs., 1.00
- C Diamond Flour, warranted, bbl., 3.10
- H. O. Mush, pkg., .50
- Grandma's Mush, 3 pkgs., .25
- Feed—Cash Market.
- Pyramid Washing Powder, 4 lbs., .20
- Lard, 50, .45
- " 100, .90
- Calumet Baking Powder, per can., .25
- Folgers " " " .35
- Prize " " " .40
- Salmon, " " " .10
- Tomatoes, " " " .10
- Corn, " " " .10
- Sardines, " " " .10
- Condensed Milk, " " " .15
- Pickles, per keg, 1.05
- Pickles, per bottle, .20
- Syrup, Ex. Heavy Drip, per gal., .50
- Lemon Sugar, per can., .20
- Peaches, " " " .10
- String Beans, " " " .10
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