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## Ideal Weather Brings Berry Season Quickly

First Shipment Expected to Go Out May 15  
Crop Largest and Finest in Several Years.  
Good Prices for Entire Crop Is Assured.

The rains and warm sunshine of the past week have forced the berry crop along and it is now confidently expected to ship out a few crates by the latter part of this week. This will bring the date of shipment about the 15th and will be the earliest berries have been put on the market from here in several years. In fact, Hood River will this year ship berries almost as soon as Kennewick and consequently good prices for early fruit are expected.

So far it has been necessary to irrigate but little. On account of the ideal growing season berries are large and plentiful and one of the best crops ever shipped from here will be put on the market. Hood River berries will this year reach Montana, Dakota and other markets ahead of berries from most other districts and will also be able to meet competition from others.

The crop is estimated from 60,000 to 70,000 crates with indications that it will be much nearer the latter figure. The Hood River Box Company has already sold 50,000 crates and has been compelled to reject orders which it could not fill. Several thousand crates have been supplied by the Bridal Veil Lumber Company and other sources.

Many acres of new berries will be marketed from here this season, including a large acreage from the Oak Grove and Mount Hood districts. Dealers are already in the market for shipments and are preparing to handle all the fruit that

they can get. The berry shipping season is expected to be a lively one on account of the fact that more fruit is ripening at the same period and it is expected that the crop will have to be handled in record breaking time.

A matter that is worrying shippers is that pickers may not arrive earlier this year than usual. It is stated that the Indians who have come to be relied on as a standby for picking berries may not come in until late and that it will therefore be necessary to secure a larger number of white pickers early in the season.

## SONG CAMPAIGN OPENED SUNDAY

The sweet song campaign opened Sunday morning with Prof. B. P. Stout, the singing evangelist, assisting Dr. Ford not only as a singer of sweet songs but as a high grade evangelist.

Mr. Stout sang a number of songs and talked to the people with such sympathy, earnestness and sincerity, with such depth of feeling and rich-



Prof. B. P. Stout

ness of experience and genuine eloquence that he justified the highest expectations. There was a large audience in the morning, and a great crowd in the evening. Prof. Stout gave a sermon in song—"The Prodigal Son"—in the evening. Mr. Stout comes highly recommended by Robt. J. Burdette, formerly pastor of the First Temple Baptist church, Los Angeles, and Robt. McIntyre, now one of the bishops of the Methodist Episcopal church and measures up to their description of his wonderful power in song.

Seven united with the church Sunday morning and a number were at the altar in the evening service and several made profession of faith in church. The services Monday evening were well attended considering the storm.

The tabernacle part of the church is being put in good condition—every preparation made for the accommodation and comfort of the crowd—and the success of the meetings.

Services every evening this week at 8 o'clock. Prof. Stout will sing in all the services.

## BOUGHT \$1000 ACRES FRUITLAND

J. A. Epping, a well known fruit grower here, and F. R. Bridle last week closed a big real estate deal by the purchase of 1000 acres of fruit land from the Stanley-Smith Lumber Company.

The land is on the west side of the valley in a section that has been logged off by the lumber company and which will be irrigated from the company's water supply. Interested in the deal are several Minnesota capitalists, and the acreage will be cut up into small tracts and developed for orchards.

## Doran Says Holdup Men Took Watch and Money

Invited By Strangers to Take Walk and Then Robbed at Fourth and Columbia Streets at Point of Thug's Gun.

According to a story told by Jos. Doran who was stopping at the Hotel Oregon he was held up and robbed Sunday night of a watch and \$35. The hold up occurred at the corner of Columbia and Fourth streets about 10 o'clock.

Monday morning two brothers named Rush who had been staying at the Gerdes House were arrested by officer Lewis on complaint of Doran who stated that they were the men who did the job. The brothers were searched but neither the money nor the watch was found. In their room a gun and gambling outfit was discovered. The men were let go and ordered out of town. Although no money was found on them when searched they dug up a sufficient amount from some place of concealment to pay their fare to Portland.

Doran in his account of the hold up says that he was invited by the Rush brothers to take a walk and started out Cascade avenue with them. When near the corner of Fourth and Cascade avenue one of the brothers made an excuse to leave and the other suggested that Doran and himself continue their walk down Fourth street to Columbia. When nearing the corner a man jumped out and confronted them with a gun ordering them to hold up their hands. Doran and his companion did so and the highwayman relieved Doran of his money and watch. The robber then disappeared in the direction of the railroad track. It is claimed by Doran that he was the other Rush brother. He immediately ran back to the Hotel and reported the affair, but the men could not be located until Monday morning.

## Hood River Defeats Goldendale and Gets Out of Last Place

In a game that was one-sided when it came to run getting Hood River defeated Goldendale Sunday and got out of last place. Although the visitors were outclassed in hitting, and by Hood River's battery they played a good fielding game with the exception of one inning. The score was 11 to 1 and should have been a shut out for Goldendale.

After the first inning in which Hood River got three runs in the first base. The visitors could do little with his delivery about a dozen of them fanning the air. Goldendale secured three hits off Druhob while Hood River got eight from Klaus. Armbruster was the star hitter for the home team, getting three hits. Charlie Morse got a two bagger. Grandpa John Castner also hit the leather for two sacks and Merrill Gessling pounded out a three sacker.

After the first inning neither side scored until the seventh when Hood River started the leather chasing, and made three more runs on hits by Armbruster, Morse and Druhob.

In the eighth the visitors scored their only run on a hit by Dill and



Grandpa Castner Waiting

errors which brought in Goldendale's only tally.

In their half of the eighth Hood River hit the ball so lively they rattled the visitors and before the procession was over scored five runs. The visitors could do nothing with Druhob in the ninth and the game

## High School Track Meet

Hood River high school athletes will engage in a track meet Saturday, May 14, with Jefferson high school of Portland. The boys have been training for the event and some interesting contests are expected. The events are as follows:

50-yard dash, 100-yard dash, 220-yard dash, 440-yard dash, 880-yard dash, mile run, shot put, hammer throw, broad jump, pole vault, high jump.

was Hood River's by a big margin. The teams were as follows:

Hood River—Grey cf., Castner lf., Armbruster c., Gessling ss., Morse 2b., Lemmon 1b., Buckley, 3b., Meyers rf., Druhob p.

Goldendale—Armstrong ss., Dill



Lemmon Playing Circus Ball

3b., McMasters c., Klaus p., Spalding 2b., Gleichrist lf., Homebrook rf., Thompson cf.

At The Dalles the Cherry City boys defeated White Salmon, the latter losing for the first time since the season opened. The standing of the clubs in the league is now as follows:

COLUMBIA RIVER LEAGUE		
White Salmon	4	1,800
The Dalles	3	2,600
Hood River	2	3,400
Goldendale	1	4,200

Next Sunday Hood River will play at White Salmon and the following Sunday will play The Dalles here.

## Garage Nearing Completion

The commodious garage which is being built by L. D. Boyed, Norm Young and O. H. Rhodes is nearing completion and it is expected to have it ready for occupancy shortly.

The garage will have room for fifteen machines. An entrance has been made to the well equipped machine shop of the Hood River Manufacturing and Engineering company. In charge of competent machinists the garage will do all kinds of repair work in addition to taking care of machines. It has a large wash rack and will have all the necessary equipment used in the business. A feature in the center of the garage is a turn table on which automobiles can be run and turned around and backed into any position desired. The building is a substantial brick structure at the corner of First and State streets and the company is already doing considerable repair work.

## Bishop Paddock Coming

Bishop Robt. Paddock of the eastern Oregon diocese of the Episcopal church will hold services next Sunday at St. Mark's church, morning and evening. The bishop will be here on Whitsunday, one of the important days in the church calendar, and will administer holy communion. He asks that all members of the church be present.

## Sells Water and Light Plant For \$112,000

Company of Portland Capitalists Complete Deal Which Takes Over Property of Hood River Electric Light, Power & Water Co.

By a vote of the majority of the stockholders at a meeting held recently it was decided to sell the plant and other property of the Hood River Electric Light, Power & Water Company to the Hood River Power & Water Company, a new company recently incorporated in Portland. In conformance with this action a majority of the stock was turned over to the new company Friday accompanied by a deed which included all the land, rights of way, water and water rights in Hood River county. The price paid for the entire plant was \$112,000. It is understood that N. C. Evans who owns 13 per cent of the stock of the old company and dissented against its sale has not as yet decided to turn his holdings over to the new corporation.

Evans, it is stated, claims that the sale of the corporation's property and the winding up of its affairs is an attempt to freeze him out, and that the new owners have bought a lawsuit. He contends that the directors did not have his consent to sell the plant, and that at the time the option was given he offered to buy the plant at \$120,000 or to take over the stock of all the other shareholders on that basis of value. The other stockholders of the old company state that the plant was sold at what is considered a fair price and that Mr. Evans was consulted and tendered the same amount per share for his stock as the others. The sale of the plant it is stated was made to allow for extensive improvements and extensions which the new company was able to handle owing to larger capital. No attempt they

## LOCATED COMET THROUGH BOOTLEG

Being awakened before daylight a few mornings ago by a feline serenade we happened to think that it was about the proper hour according to Gene Bush to see the comet. Attiring ourselves in a pair of slippers and an expectant smile we fell over a chair and landed on the front porch. After scanning the horizon for some time through an old boot leg we located what seemed to be an extra large, size star that was up later than usual. We gazed in vain for a sight of the tail of the wonder that has been pictured in everything from Hostetter's almanac to the Police Gazette, but nary a tail could we find. The astral visitor was finally located over Frank Button's hen house and never having seen a comet before we thought Bert Stranahan was playing his old time joke of fixing a lantern in the top of one of the trees near Jack Rand's orchard. Not so, however, we are glad to say; the gigantic skyrocket was moving.

We were just becoming interested when the night watchman happened along and invited us to retire from view or take the consequences as it was getting daylight. Resolved, that these comets are not what they are cracked up to be and that any old time we lose any more sleep looking for a comet we hope somebody will give us a slap on the wrist, provided a club isn't handy.

## TENNIS CLUB OPENS SEASON

The Tennis Club which had such a successful season last year has been reorganized and play started for the season. The officers this year are J. H. Hellbronner president, H. D. W. Pineo secretary and J. H. Osborne treasurer. The first meet which was held recently was a very enjoyable affair. A tournament was held and the court and grounds filled with members and their friends. The ladies were attired in natty costumes and the men appeared in white. An impromptu outdoor reception was held and the affair highly enjoyed by all.

The club is growing and now numbers many devotees of this healthful outdoor game among its members.

say is being made to freeze Mr. Evans out other than that they want the entire control of the company in order to carry out the projected improvements.

The new officers of the new company are John D. Wilcox president, Robt. Smith vice president and Wirt Minor secretary and treasurer. Interests with which it is allied are said to make the company a financially strong organization that has projects under advisement that will be put into operation to develop the valley. It is understood that it will dispose of the water system to the city if the latter desires to buy it.

One of the projects of the new company is an electric railway for which it has secured several power sites. A. S. Hall, who has been here several weeks assisting in completing the negotiations between the two companies has been selected as the general manager for the new company.

## GROWERS MISSING FINE OPPORTUNITY

The Hood River Apple Vinegar Company is not meeting with the success in inducing owners of young orchards to plant cumber as a filler that it expected and believes that many growers are neglecting a fine opportunity to get a paying crop the first year.

The company, which has been experimenting with pickles, has discovered that a successful and paying business can be built up here in this line if it can secure the co-operation of growers, and also that cumber will pay as an orchard filler better than anything that can be planted and at less trouble and expense. The company has also discovered that cumber does exceptionally well here and produce a fine crop.

The Vinegar Company received inducements to take up this industry in the country surrounding Portland but hesitates to do so if it can get the support it wants at Hood River on account of the location of its factory here.

## MYSTERIOUS "G" SCARES RESIDENTS

For several days a good deal of apprehension has been manifested by Hood River residents because a large "G" has been found mysteriously chalked on their front doors which they believed had been placed there by a gang of housebreakers that has been operating along the O. R. & N. The scare was emphasized by the fact that a similar proceeding at Baker City and Pendleton had preceded a series of burglaries in the homes of prominent families.

On this account doors and windows have been carefully closed and many householders are reported to have slept with one eye open expecting to hear the tread of the stealthy crook on their front doorstep.

So far no housebreaking has been reported, but many are keeping a close watch in the expectation of being visited.

## Base Ball Association Elects Directors

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Hood River Baseball Association held recently at the office of John Leland Henderson a new board of directors and officers of the association were elected. The directors are P. S. Davidson, C. A. Bell, E. O. Blanchard, J. L. Morrison and Harry DeWitt. The officers are C. A. Bell, president; J. L. Morrison, vice-president; E. O. Blanchard, treasurer and P. S. Davidson, secretary. Lon Morse was made manager of the ball team and J. L. Morrison will have charge of the renting and care of the grounds.

## Ready for Business.

Kinnaird & Kinsey, who recently bought the Chapman store on the hill, announce that they are now prepared to serve patrons with a full line of staple groceries and feed. The new firm makes deliveries and invites a share of the public patronage.