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Berry Shipping Season Will Close This Week

Crop Which Totals Over 50,000 Crates Successfully Marketed—Returns Will Be Better Than \$2 Altho Season Was Early

This week will about wind up berry shipments which are now going out in small lots by express. The berries now being received are coming from the Upper Valley, being shipped from Parkdale. The season in the main has been a successful one, although growers were hampered for crates and pickers, and it is expected that they will show returns of considerably better than \$2 per crate. Altogether something over 50,000 crates have been shipped out. Over 40,000 of these went out in carload lots, the total number of cars shipped is 75, the rest being sent out by express. Fewer berries were shipped by express this year than for several years owing to the congestion in the markets at nearby points. This was caused by the fact that Kennewick, Milton, Freewater, and berries from other districts were in the markets at the same time as the Hood River fruit, necessitating more long distance shipments. The hot weather caused some trouble with berries, as in some instances they were received at their destination in bad shape and were turned down at the quoted price when they were shipped. One or two breakdowns also caused several cars to be received in bad condition. Apart from this the crop has been handled in good shape and

berry growers will receive profitable returns. With the exception of the limited cherry crop and a few black berries the shipping season for small fruits will soon be brought to a close and preparations made to handle the first apple shipments, which are expected to go out about the last of August or first of September. Gravensteins, Wealthies, Kings and other early varieties of apples will mature considerably earlier this year, and as usual it is expected that Alaska will get several shipments before navigation closes to the northland.

CHAPMAN SUCCEEDS TOM RICHARDSON

Tom Richardson, manager of the Portland Commercial Club for the past six years, and secretary of the Oregon Development League, who retired this month, will be succeeded in the work by C. C. Chapman. The latter is by no means a stranger to the club, and is an acknowledged advertising expert with several years experience that especially fits him for the position. He was nominated by H. Beckwith, president of the club, and the nomination was seconded by Manager Richardson. He was chosen unanimously. In a letter to the members of the Oregon Development League, announcing the change in officials, Secretary Richardson bespeaks all possible assistance and support for Mr. Chapman, whom he recommends to the various communities as a man who is thoroughly conscientious, earnest and capable, a natural born advertiser and a tireless worker.

RATE MUDDLE CAUSES TROUBLE

Shippers in the Pacific Northwest are rather between two fires in the fight of the western railroads to increase their freight rates, a move which the federal government has so far been unable to prevent. The railroads unable to increase their rates at once declared that they would have to economize on expenses, and 12,000 men have been laid off, some 4,500 of these being on the Northern Pacific and Great Northern. Most of the men laid off were on construction work, which has been practically suspended.

The railroads seem to be in deadly earnest. They insist that while expenses have been mounting year by year, labor going up, material rising, fuel going up, rates have not been revised and as a result the margin between receipts and expenditures has dwindled until it is hardly perceptible. Hence the suspension of new work until rates can be increased. Business men in the northwest are not yet ready to concede the higher rates, yet they hate to see a crimp put into general prosperity by the stopping of railroad construction. The quicker the rate question is settled, the better it will be for business conditions.

Oregon Pioneers Honored
Pioneers of Oregon are honored guests of Portland this week, the occasion being the annual reunion of the Oregon Pioneer Association. The white haired band of empire builders who blazed the trail to Old Oregon will be greeted by an address of welcome by Mayor Simon and there will be other notable talks. A big banquet at the armory is a feature of the reunion.

Sumpter Valley Celebrates
Oregon communities will be fairly busy this year welcoming new railroads. Prairie City is one of the first of the season to hold a Railroad Day celebrating the advent of the extension of the Sumpter Valley line to that thriving city. Addresses were made by many prominent men, telling of the good to be expected from the railroad and a big barbecue was held.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Datsun, Tuesday June 21st, a boy.

Committees Secure \$3,500 Toward Orchard Expert

The meeting held Tuesday afternoon to organize the Hood River Apple Growers Fellowship was largely attended, representatives from all parts of the valley being present.

P. S. Davidson acted as chairman and A. W. Peters as secretary. The committees appointed to receive subscriptions reported that they had been successful. On an assessment of \$1 per acre \$3,500 was subscribed. It is expected that this amount will be raised, several thousand dollars by non-residents who own orchards and others whom the committees have not been able to see.

With some slight changes the by-laws were adopted and a motion carried that it was the sense of the meeting to employ two experts, one for each side of the valley, if the funds would permit.

It was stated by Prof. Henderson that a considerable amount in addition to the salary of an expert would be necessary in order to properly equip an experiment station.

To nominate a board of trustees a committee of five was appointed to select twenty-two members of the association who would select eleven of their number to be brought before

the meeting for election.

The matter of incorporation was discussed and also that of determining whether ranchers who entered the association would be liable to the assessment in case they sold their holdings. Another matter that was brought before the meeting was how to reach those who would not join the association but who would get the good of its benefits.

The association starts off with a large membership, the majority of the ranchers in the valley having signified their willingness to join and when perfected the organization will be a strong one and is expected to be a big help to the community.

The trustees elected are as follows: G. R. Castner, C. D. Thompson, Geo. I. Sargent, Jos. E. Hall, A. I. Mason, M. M. Hill, F. Cutler, P. S. Davidson, Sam Campbell, A. W. Peters, Jas. Porter.

In order to give Odell and the Upper Valley representatives on the board two members of the present board of trustees will resign and two residents of those districts will be appointed later. A meeting of the board of trustees will be held Saturday at the Commercial Club rooms at 2:30 p. m.

Coast Freight Agents Visit Valley Orchards

Visitors Go to Parkdale on Special Train, Take Dinner and See Points of Interest—Pleased With Trip and Also Entertainers

The Pacific Coast Freight Agents' Association, which held its annual convention to Portland last week, wound up its program Saturday by a visit to the Hood River valley.

The visitors arrived here in two special O. R. & N. cars, in charge of Assistant Freight Agent W. L. Robinson. An engine belonging to the Mount Hood Railroad was attached to the coaches and the visitors were given a 22-mile ride up the valley through the apple orchards to Parkdale, where the ladies of the upper valley served dinner in the big hall over McIsaac's store. Afterwards speeches were made by W. J. Hardy, president of the association; J. B. Glover, of Portland; Charles T. Early, superintendent of the Mount Hood Railroad; Rev. W. L. VanNuy, pastor of the church at Parkdale; Truman Butler and C. H. Sprout. Before leaving the dining room the railroad men gave Mr. Early, the citizens of Parkdale and the local Commercial Club a vote of thanks

to marvel at such fruit at this time of year. Many ladies were in the party which was composed of as pleasant and appreciative a lot of people as has ever visited the valley.

On arriving in town a few minutes before train time the railroad men and their wives made a short visit to the business part of town. Before leaving they were supplied with several boxes of cherries from the Nunnamaker ranch which were distributed to them on the way to Portland.

The Hood River delegation which accompanied the visitors were E. O. Blanchard, Truman Butler, Jos. A. Wilson, J. C. Skinner, J. A. Montgomery of the Glacier, C. H. Sprout, C. R. Bone, W. H. Walton of the News and Chas. T. Early who took charge of the train arrangements. At Dee C. D. Cederson of the Oregon Lumber Company accompanied the visitors to Parkdale.

The visitors were: J. R. Stehly, The Dilles; H. W. Lyon and wife, Bakersfield, Calif.; J. W. Dickinson, Oakland, Calif.; J. K. Keeney, La Grand, Ore.; J. W. Lewis, San Jose; A. D. Haggerman, Ontario, Ore.; O. A. Sinks, Portland; F. F. Wamsley, Tacoma; M. H. Dougherty, Baker City; W. J. Hardy, San Francisco; L. W. Potter, Oakland, Cal.; J. W. Emmons, Fresno, Cal.; F. D. Hunt, Portland; G. W. Lupton, San Francisco; J. B. Glover, Portland; R. E. Elishman, Grants Pass; H. W. Watkins, Portland; G. F. Egan and wife, Portland; W. L. Robinson, W. F. Merriman, Portland; T. W. Pate and wife, Los Angeles; A. H. Richman and wife, Mrs. A. J. Peffer, J. R. Wood and wife, W. L. Banton, R. T. Lilaney, wife and daughter, W. L. Atkins and wife, Mrs. W. Henbach, Mrs. J. P. Pierson, A. B. Caldwell and wife, C. M. Huggins, D. E. Miller, R. W. Sheppard and wife, O. E. Durkee and wife, E. E. Land and wife, Mrs. J. Clark and daughter, L. W. Potter and wife, R. K. Montgomery, A. S. Rosenberg, Mrs. J. W. Halley, R. W. Emmons, E. Powers and wife, Mrs. G. Foster, R. W. Osborne and wife, W. A. Milner and G. A. Besse.

ASBURY METHODIST CHURCH AS IT WILL APPEAR WHEN COMPLETED



The new church, which will be erected facing State street, will be 48x60 feet. Under it there will be a basement equipped with kitchen, dining room and a gymnasium and reading room for the young people. The front will be half stone veneer with half timbered gables. At the southwest corner an entrance will be provided and another at the side. The structure will be topped with a tower and will be lighted from three sides with large gothic windows. It will be ventilated from a main skylight placed in the central dome of the auditorium. The old building will be divided from the new structure by a big roll curtain which can be rolled back, throwing the two into one. The combined seating capacity will be 800.

Inaugurate Tennis Tournament.

The Tennis Club has inaugurated a tournament that will extend over the rest of the month. The first series of games was played Monday, when J. H. Osborne won from E. A. Cram in the singles, E. C. Smith from C. W. Wentz and Harry DeWitt from J. H. Hellbroner. In the ladies' doubles, Mrs. Hellbroner and Mrs. Slocum defeated Mrs. Osborne and Mrs. Bronson. Mrs. Osborne and Mrs. Bronson were victors over Mrs. Duncan and Mrs. Derby.

The schedule includes games to July 1st.

Bought Upper Valley Fruit Land.

M. R. Woodburn Monday, through the agency of the Hood River Realty Company, bought 40 acres of fine unimproved upper valley fruit land from Chas. T. Early. The property is situated along the railroad opposite Woodworth station and near the Boneboro tract. The purchase price was \$6,000. Mr. Woodburn owns two other tracts of fruit land in the valley and bought his additional holdings on account of the rapid development taking place in that section.

Evans Files Suit.

N. C. Evans, through his attorney Jesse Stearns, has filed suit in the circuit court to set aside the transfer of the property of the Hood River Electric Light, Power and Water Company to the Hood River Light and Power Company. The papers in the suit were filed Monday, June 20th.

Auto Party to Trout Lake

An automobile party consisting of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Duncan, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Derby, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Bone, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. I. Slocum, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Sherman, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Friday Mr. and Mrs. Truman Butler and the Misses Nellie and Grace Michell started for Trout lake this morning. The party was transported in five cars. Mr. and Mrs. Duncan and Mr. and Mrs. Derby will remain several days. The rest of the party will return Thursday.

Park Grange to Celebrate

Park grange is planning a big Fourth of July celebration which will take place at the grange park. Music for dancing will be furnished and the program will include patriotic addresses, a big dinner and other attractions that will make the day an attractive one to those who attend. A more detailed program of the events will be furnished next week.

Nelson Emery Marries Ruth Wood

Nelson Emery and Miss Ruth Wood daughter of Rev. J. A. Wood, who was formerly pastor of the Christian church here, were married last week. The groom is manager of the Bridal Vell Lumbering company. Mr. and Mrs. Emery are keeping house on the heights.

Woman's League Meeting

The American Woman's League will have a special meeting Tuesday afternoon, June 22nd, at the League rooms to arrange for a grand rally. Every member requested to be present. By order of President.

for their entertainment.

The visitors were loud in their praises of the fine dinner provided for them and insisted on taking up a collection to give the ladies which will be applied to the fund for the erection of the new church. At Parkdale the wants of the visitors were looked after, in addition to the ladies, by R. J. McIsaac, Rae Babson, Chas. I. Moody, John Goldsberry and Rev. W. L. VanNuy. After a stay of an hour to allow the visitors to look around the train started on its return trip.

On the way back, stops were made at Dee, where the party visited the big sawmill and power plant of the Oregon Lumber Company, and Van Horn station. At the latter point the party ascended the butte to get a view of the orchards, and were entertained for a few minutes by Mr. and Mrs. Willis VanHorn.

The big expanse of orchards viewed from the top of the butte astonished and delighted the visitors who kept the Hood River members of the party busy answering inquiries about Hood River and the fruit business. J. H. Fredrick who accompanied the freightmen from Portland and arranged the trip made it interesting for the visitors by calling attention to points of interest. J. C. Skinner secretary of the Commercial Club assisted by Mr. Montgomery supplied the party with Newtown Pippins from the union warehouse that were as crisp as the day they were placed in storage and caused the strangers

ASKS COMPANY TO FILE \$4000 BOND

At a short session of the city council which was held Monday night a few matters of minor importance were transacted. W. G. Aldred asked to be released from his bond in connection with the 12th street improvement, but no action was taken. The judiciary committee reported that it was unable at present to take any further action on the water bonding proposition. An ordinance declaring an emergency to exist for a payment on the 12th street improvement and providing for the same, passed the first reading.

The negotiations between the council and water company are being held up at present, pending the decision of the company to file a \$4,000 bond in connection with its offer to sell the water system for \$40,000. The bond is being required by the councilmen to insure the city against damages in case of litigation, should it purchase the plant. The company has not decided as yet whether it will furnish a bond, but it is believed it will do so.

A Complete Gas Machine.

The Automatic Gas Light Company, represented by John A. Robinson, is making a demonstration of its gas making machine at the shop of Gould & Snyder this week. The gas making machine is the most complete and satisfactory ever shown in Hood River and can be used for heating and cooking as well as light.

A strong point for the apparatus is its economy as compared to other heating and lighting devices. It is claimed that it can be operated for 75 per cent. less than city gas and is cheaper than any other kind of heating for cooking. One machine will supply thirty lights as well as furnish heat for cooking. The apparatus can be put underground and is especially adapted to the use of ranchers who can pipe their houses and secure the conveniences of a modern lighting plant.

ANNUAL MEETING OF SCHOOL BOARD

The annual meeting of School District No. 3 was held at the Park Street building on Monday, June 20, at 2 p. m. The attendance was fairly good, about 25 being present.

The chairman of the School Board, C. H. Vaughan, reported a successful year of school work and, after the approval of the minutes of the last annual meeting, called on the clerk for the regular annual report, which appears below.

In connection with the discussion of the improvement of the school properties the question of the street between the High School block and the block next east of it came up, and it was moved and carried that it was the sense of the meeting that no street be opened between these blocks, and that said action be reported to the city council. The idea prevailed that the ground is needed for school purposes more than for a street.

The term of C. H. Vaughan as director having expired, his successor had to be chosen. Mr. Vaughan declined a re-election and urged the selection of someone else; but as no one was found to accept the office he was unanimously re-elected. A. W. Outhank was also re-elected clerk of the district.

Besides the information given concerning the school finances, the clerk took occasion to say that he believed we have one of the best corps of teachers in the state and that we ought to be more friendly with our teachers and do more to make their life in Hood River a pleasant one. Their work is very taxing and we cannot do too much for them. They are ladies and gentlemen that we can well afford to invite into our homes. By the proper attitude on our part we can help them in their work and even make them better teachers. If time were taken for a visit to the school room by the fathers, as well as the mothers, it would magnify the importance of the work and the schools would be the better for it.

The following is the financial report:

RECEIPTS.	
Cash on hand June 21, 1909	\$ 2,464.09
Received from district tax	22,984.32
Received from county school fund	5,964.96
Received from state school fund	1,454.19
Received from tuition	630.00
Received from loans	5,700.00
Received from other sources	202.40
Total	\$37,299.97
DISBURSEMENTS.	
For teachers' wages	\$12,968.50
For fuel and supplies	776.41
For repairs and improving grounds	2,738.36
For loans and interest	7,334.96
For insurance	140.00
For clerk's salary	190.00
For all other purposes	1,952.75
Total	\$25,123.98
Total receipts	\$37,299.97
Total disbursements	\$25,123.98
Balance on hand	\$12,085.99

A. W. OUTHANK,
Clerk of Board.