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The Columbia Highway

The announcement by Henry Wemme, president of the Automobile Club in Portland, that work will be started in Multnomah county this fall on a hard surface highway from Portland to Hood River should spur residents here to activity in providing means to construct the part of the road necessary in this county. In his statement of the benefits of such a road Mr. Wemme calls attention to advantages that are most patent and convincing. The completion of a highway along the Columbia river such as is proposed will form a connecting link with the big city of Portland in many ways more beneficial than any other mode of transportation and will insure to Hood River and eastern Oregon a wealth of visitors and cementing of interests that will cause the development and growth of population in these sections to increase many times over in a comparatively short time.

Its stimulus in bringing tourists to Hood River will be one of its greatest assets, resulting in the location of resorts in the scenic portions of the valley that will become world famous. As an added source of attraction and revenue to the valley its scenic beauties are of the foremost and if fostered will eventually be second only to its great industry of fruit growing. The promoters of the Columbia river highway should receive every possible encouragement from the residents of Hood River and eastern Oregon who should bring to a successful completion a project whose benefits will be inestimable.

The State Assembly

The results of the Republican state assembly are on the whole satisfactory. Some of the nominations made did not meet with the approbation of all the delegates, but this was to be expected.

However, there is no question but what they will support the ticket and that it will also receive strong support from the rank and file of the Republican party throughout the state, if the votes of the delegations from the various counties is a criterion. The strength developed by Mr. Bowerman for the nomination for governor indicates that he has a much larger following in all sections of the state than was believed, as with the exception of Crook he received support from every county in the state. His nomination, notwithstanding the number of candidates in the field, was made unanimous as was also that of most of the candidates placed before the assembly.

The selection of a Republican ticket to go before the people was not, however, the most important result to the party in the state. More far reaching and of greater benefit was the re-organization effected of its elements from east to west and from north to south. The great movement that manifested itself in bringing together over 1200 Republicans selected at open meetings to represent the voters of the party at the state assembly and the unanimous accord with which they worked in re-uniting demonstrated that it only required the fusing of its various elements to insure its former influence coupled with renewed vigor and harmony. After a lapse of six years the Republicans of Oregon are again united for the principles that have won

prosperity for it at home and abroad.

Apple Prices

The fact that a greatly increased crop of apples is this year to be harvested from the northwest should not cause timidity among growers. As we have frequently said before, whatever price other sections get for their apples Hood River will get more.

The situation, however, should cause those who have apples to sell to look at it from a logical, matter of fact standpoint and expect to receive for their fruit whatever the market conditions warrant. There is no question that the local Apple Growers' Union and others who may handle apples from this section will be called upon to use slightly different methods in disposing of the crop here this year than heretofore and for this reason growers should adapt their ideas in conformance with what may be necessary in advance. It is probable that the fine fruit of the valley will be spread over a wider area this year than formerly and that it will be sold in several of the large cities of the country instead of being more or less confined to one. This means something of an experiment, but one that is highly necessary owing to the increase in the crop, as it is believed that it will be better to have several big markets competing for the high priced apples from Hood River than one. There is good ground for this belief in apple products as well as others.

The main requisite is for the shipment to be above reproach in every particular, which will do much toward solving any problem of prices or marketing that may arise.



GANDERBONE'S FORECAST

FOR AUGUST

Copyright 1910 by C. H. RIETH. Of August it may first be said, its name is from Augustus, whom men have likened unto Ted, perhaps without injustice. He made the world go round about as many times a minute, and the news was always dull without the great Augustus in it.

He had his Ananias Club for liars and for fakers, and he loved to sail his little tub among the Roman breakers. He counted peace a sort of plague, and never did pursue it, but let it rally at The Hague, and you couldn't beat him to it.

He preached about the same old things that Teddy has been preaching, and most of Rome's awakenings resulted from his teaching. He battled hotly for the right and valiantly imbued it, and the stork could not attempt to light but what he up and shooed it. There was, however, one affair to tell which is to tattle, and that was where this Roman bear was coming in from battle. He had, of course, put everything opposing him to slumber, and Rome awaited him to sing some laudatory number.

But here the parallel desists. Augustus said them, No, sir! and when he entered with his lists it might have been the grocer for all the greeting that he got from that admiring chorus, the which desire, of course, was not a bit like Theodoros. But however, when he died the month that loves to grill us was being written far and wide the season of Sextilus. They wanted to commemorate the hot time he presented the nation with, at any rate, so August was invented.

The dog days will resume again. And the man who voted water with the weather down to eight or ten

Below will grow the hotter with wishing that he had foreseen the season hot and stewing. And nothing but a choice between Pink lemonade and bluing.

It will not strike him, we'er afraid, as when the cold was stinging, and up and down the wind-swept street the icicles were clinging. There's nothing like a dry parade, the shouts of hallelujah, and the children skillfully arrayed for what you want to fool you.

At any rate the world will spin with very small pretension.

And the fall elections will begin To clamor for attention. The next few weeks will fire the gun Repeatedly and otly. And a lot of folks begin to run For office very softly.

The bold insurgent will have polled the principal chautauquas, and will by that time have been told how far discreet his bark was, or if to follow his attack with further demonstration, or quietly to tip-toe back upon the reservation.

There'll be some dust put up, it seems, when this event gets going, and some things starting at the seams that wanted proper sewing. No wonder Roosevelt came back, and nowadays his gun is rusting in the shooting rack, when here is where the fun is.

The time of green and growing things will near its termination, and the song the thresher sweetly sings will come with moderation. We'll sort o' think of autumn time, the hunter and the nutter, and the fishing hole will wear a slime as thick as apple butter.

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