

Hood River To Have New \$30,000 Depot

Railroad Officials Visit Hood River and Assure Citizens of Its Early Construction—Structure To Be Handsome, Convenient and Commodious.

A new, handsome and enlarged passenger station is assured Hood River by the officials of the O-W. R. & N. railroad who visited here Thursday evening and presented the plans for the structure to the Commercial Club for inspection. In the party were J. P. O'Brien, vice president and general manager of the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific lines in Oregon; J. D. Stack, assistant general manager; Geo. W. Boscche, chief engineer; W. Bollans, superintendent; Wm. Jackles, assistant superintendent; F. L. Coykendall, assistant superintendent, and R. C. Charlton, signal supervisor.

A large number of representative members of the club were present and met the railway officials who courteously explained the details of the proposed new structure after a short talk by E. C. Smith, president of the club. The visitors were introduced by Local Agent J. H. Fredrick. Mr. O'Brien said that he had had in contemplation the erection of a new station here for some time and had determined that the first money available for this purpose would be spent at Hood River, which occupied a warm place in the heart of the company for its progress and enterprise, and also on account of the good feeling that had always existed between the officials of the road and the citizens here generally.

Two plans were presented, the interior finish and arrangement of both being the same. The exterior of one is of red pressed brick with the upper part finished in pebble dash, similar to the stations recently erected at Walla Walla, Wash., and Wallace, Idaho. The other provided for a concrete building.

The building will be 128 feet long

by 30 wide, outside measurements, with a concrete platform extending all around it. On the track side the platform is to be from twenty to thirty feet wide and eight feet at the back, adjoining the roadway. The waiting room will be placed in the east end of the building with an entrance leading to it from First street and also from the back and front. It will be roomy and will be well appointed with retiring rooms for both men and women and a smoking room leading from it. The ticket office is to be placed in the northwest corner, from which a corridor will lead to the baggage room, making it unnecessary to go outside to check baggage. The baggage room will provide twice as much floor space as the present room.

The express office is to be taken out of the depot and the express company will erect a building for this purpose adjacent to the station, presumably at its east end. The building will extend nearer to First street than at present and also closer to Second street. It will be necessary for the company to build a retaining wall back of the depot and also along Second street, and the officials asked that the lower end of the latter street be vacated.

It is the intention to approach the station from Second street by a sidewalk and concrete steps. The entrance for teams will be from First street along the roadway back of the station where a turn around will be made at the foot of Second street. After some discussion it was decided that the station will also be approached by teams by the road from Third street running along the railroad right of way.

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ELSON THREE-DAY ART EXHIBIT CAUSES WIDESPREAD INTEREST

The Elson art exhibit, under the auspices of the faculty of the Hood River schools, held in the assembly room of the Commercial Club Thursday, Friday and Saturday, was attended by a great number of spectators and created wide interest.

The exhibit was a representative one, showing examples of the old and modern schools of art, and included reproductions of many famous paintings, covering a wide range of subjects. Thursday afternoon Rev. E. A. Harris gave a talk on art to the school children, which interested them. The keen interest manifested by many of the youngsters in the exhibit showed that Hood River's future generation is imbued with an appreciation of art and its refining influences.

The pictures were hung in the assembly and ladies' room, some difficulty being experienced in finding wall space for the large collection. Various schools included in the reproduction were represented, giving spectators an opportunity to form judgment on their comparative values according to their powers of discrimination.

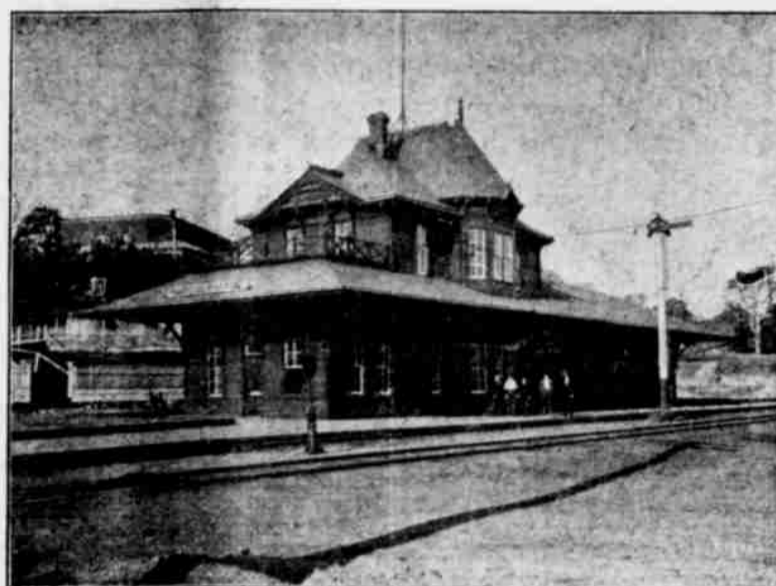
It is expected that copies of several of the pictures will be purchased, one of which is "Cicero's Denunciation of Cataline," which won high favor with the high school students. The subject is classic, and the original

canvas has won world-wide fame as portraying in artistic detail a historical event in Rome's most interesting period.

On Saturday afternoon a large audience listened to a very interesting paper on English art, prepared by Mrs. E. T. Simpson. Mrs. Simpson handled her subject entertainingly and with a knowledge that evoked

the admiration of her hearers.

In the evening an entertainment was given in the Monroe opera house in aid of the fund that drew a crowded house, in fact so large that chairs had to be placed in the aisles. The program provided was excellent and the proceeds from it will leave something substantial in the way of buying pictures for the schools.



HOOD RIVER'S PIONEER RAILROAD DEPOT
Which Will Soon Be Replaced With a \$30,000 Brick Structure

Hood River's pioneer railroad depot which is soon to be replaced with a new modern brick building, was erected at the time the road was completed from Portland to Huntington and was opened for business in 1882. The structure, which will be moved across the track for use while the station is being built, has been identified with the progress of Hood River from the time it was a little village with a few hundred people.

During that time it has had many agents, some of whom have achieved considerable success. One of them is E. E. Lytle, who has become a well known railroad promoter, and another C. D. Woodbury, now superintendent of the Oregon-Washington. One of the first agents was E. C. Mooney until recently a resident here. This was in 1884 and it is related that the railroad's business was so small at that time that Mr. Mooney was ticket agent, freight agent, express agent and telegraph operator, the duties of which he attended to personally. Notwithstanding this, time is said to have hung heavily on his hands and to amuse himself he constructed a pea gun and whiled away the hours by shooting flies on box cars that stood in front of the telegraph office window. On one occasion Van Johnson, an old time resident, went to sleep in the depot with a clay pipe in his mouth and was rudely awakened by having it shot out of his teeth by Mr. Mooney's unerring pea gun. The remarks of the old timer are said to have been more forcible than elegant.

In 1885 the depot was the scene of one of the most exciting incidents in its history when Coxey's army, which had captured a freight train out of Portland, arrived here in state and demanded largess from the citizens. Their coming had been announced and a crowd gathered at the station and provided the motley crew with food and clothing. The engineer and train crew had orders from headquarters to proceed as instructed by their captors but when the train got to Arlington it was met by a company of United States troops and the stolen train recaptured.

TEN ACRES OF BONE PLACE SOLD TO EASTERNERS

Wm. A. Combs of Springfield, Mass., has purchased through the office of G. Y. Edwards & Co., the 10-acre orchard belonging to Noah W. Bone in Willow Flat. Part of this orchard is in bearing.

As soon as possible improvements on the place will be made, and the balance not already set will be planted. This is the second sale by this firm of a portion of Mr. Bone's holdings.

The Men's League of the Heights will hold their regular monthly meeting on Thursday night in the social rooms of the Baptist church. A paper will be presented by Mr. Morrison.

Sunday visitors in Portland were E. A. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hellbrouner and Chas. Sletton.

COUNTY'S CENSUS BY RACE AND COLOR

The director of the census has furnished the Oregon state legislature, for its use in redistricting the state, a statement showing the population of Oregon by counties, distributed according to color and race. The figures given are the result of an unverified count, by color, of the returns of the thirteenth census and are, therefore, subject to some possible revision, but it is hardly probable that such revision would materially affect the figures as given.

According to the figures Hood River County has the largest Japanese population in the state with the exception of Multnomah county. Its population according to race and color is as follows: Total, 8,016; white, 7,513; negro, 17; Indian, 15; Chinese, 6; Japanese 463.

The population of the state is as follows: Total, 672,765; white, 655,810; negro, 1526; Indian, 5001; Chinese, 7317; Japanese 3286; all other, 25.

LOAN FUND DAY MEETING SUCCESSFUL

A fair attendance was present at the Scholarship Loan Fund day meeting held in the Commercial Club rooms Wednesday afternoon and the affair was one of the most pleasing that the Woman's Club, under whose auspices it was held, has ever had.

The rooms were prettily decorated for the occasion and a very entertaining and interesting program given. During the afternoon refreshments were served.

The proceeds which will go to the fund were about \$18.

Hood River-White Salmon Game

The White Salmon Enterprise says that the game between the Athletic Association basket ball team and the Hood River Collegians on the local "field" resembled football more

than anything else. It was furious, fast work from the start, in which there were many comical mix-ups and the carrying of one or two off the gory field. Until Hood River began to get winded, they shot the baskets with better precision and took the lead right at the start, the locals gradually creeping up until it was several times a tie, the first half ending with the visitors groggy and hanging over the ropes, while the opposition shot baskets at their leisure. The Collegians took a spurt in the beginning of the second and cut down White Salmon's lead, but not enough to win, the game ending with a score of 48 to 36. Keefhaver threw the most baskets for the locals, but Flynn and Cain made the most spectacular throws, negotiating the basket for long distances. Talbert and Stockton did good work as guards, Cain playing center, Keefhaver and Flynn forwards, a dance followed the game.

Central Selling Plan Fails To Materialize

Delegates Decided They Had No Power To Form Organization, and Will Try Again at Walla Walla—Discussion Interesting.

Unable to agree upon an immediate plan for forming a corporation which would handle the apple crop of the Pacific Northwest, the 100 apple orchard owners who had been in session for two days at the Y. M. C. A. at Portland, adjourned Wednesday afternoon to meet in Walla Walla February 28.

Inability to agree was due, it is said by the Oregonian, to the large number of fruitgrowers present and their divergent views. There also existed the fact that the growers were present in their individual capacities and not as authorized representatives of their various associations. Hence they were not in a position to bind anybody but themselves if decisive action had to be taken.

A resolution was adopted which sets forth the substance of the action taken by the convention. It recognizes the fact that a central selling agency is essential to the welfare of the apple industry. To secure one, it is suggested that all districts not organized form an apple-growers' association; that district associations select one delegate to the Walla Walla meeting and that this delegate body, small in numbers, have the duty of organizing and defining the duties of the new organizations.

The value of last year's crop was placed at \$6,000,000, but it will increase rapidly in coming years. H. G. Otis, of Wenatchee, Wash., chairman of the committee of sixteen which had for its purpose the forming of a central selling agency, reported at the morning session. He said that the committee had worked until midnight and had been unable to come to any other conclusion than that the Portland meet-

ing did not have the required authority, for there was no official delegates from the apple-growers' association. For this reason, the committee had reached the conclusion that it would be better to have another meeting, at which the official representatives could be present.

The committee appointed by President Atwell to consider the subject of "Storage of Fruit in Transit"—composed of H. M. Gilbert, of North Yakima, Wash.; H. E. Bacon, of Spokane, Wash.; and C. E. Whistler, of Medford—recommended that the meeting appoint a standing committee of five to present the demands of the apple-growers to the proper authorities and co-operate with other organizations now working to secure a storage in transit rate for apples. It was argued that the apple season now lasts only 100 days and that it was desirable through storage houses to extend it several months. To accomplish this there must be some plan to ship the apples direct to cold storage in the east.

To do this the apples must be shipped across the Rocky mountains before winter sets in, and in doing this, it was contended, the apple-grower should have the same privilege as is accorded the stockmen and miller. The storage-in-transit rate committee named by President Atwell is composed of H. M. Gilbert, of North Yakima; H. W. Otis, of Wenatchee, Wash.; Fremont Hood, of Boise, Idaho; C. E. Whistler, of Medford, and C. H. Sproat, of Hood River.

On the grades of apples the convention was divided. H. M. Gilbert, of the firm of Gilbert & Richards, of North Yakima, favored the naming

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Will Develop Orchard Land on Big Scale

Company With 300 Acres Incorporated For \$300,000 And Will Make It Possible For Small Investors To Engage In Apple Raising.

A new mode of going into the apple raising industry that has just been fully organized by a company largely composed of Hood River men, will no doubt commend itself to those who prefer the profits of the business minus the work.

The company, which is known as The Oregon Apple Company of Hood River, has been incorporated with a capital stock of \$300,000. Of this, \$240,000 is in common stock which has been fully subscribed, and \$60,000 in preferred stock. The latter is now being put on the market on a payment plan which provides that it will draw the first ten per cent of the profits. It is being sold at \$10 a share, the payments to extend over a period of fifty months at 20 cents a month if desired, the buyer, however, having the option of buying the stock outright if preferred. The common stock is to participate in all profits over the first ten per cent paid to the preferred.

In carrying out the enterprise the company has acquired 300 acres of the finest apple land in the Upper Valley, which will be cleared and made ready for planting this summer. The tract is centrally located and when improved will be one of the most valuable in the valley. Geo. I. Sargent has been selected as the orchard manager and horticulturist, and will have full charge of planting and bringing the big orchard to the bearing stage. Mr. Sargent is looked upon as one of the most expert horticulturists in the valley, as well as an orchardist who has secured some of the greatest practical results, and it is stated that he believes that the proposition will prove a very profitable investment. The plan under which the company is selling the stock is meeting with a good deal of favor by home investors who cannot go into the business themselves, but who are anxious to make an investment in a business that is showing such profitable returns as the apple-raising industry.

In a prospectus recently issued by the new company, many claims are made for the superiority of the Upper Valley over other sections for

growing apples, among which is the fact that it has not been found necessary there to spray for codling moth.

The company has established its home office in the Hellbrouner building, but also has an office in Portland. Its officers and directors are as follows:

H. C. Allen, Agriculturist, Wisconsin University, President; Fred F. McCrea, Manager of Clearing Operations, Vice-President; W. B. Allen, Expert Accountant, Secretary and Treasurer; George I. Sargent, Expert Horticulturist, Manager of Orchards; Roger B. Sinnott, Portland, Oregon, Attorney; R. A. Sullivan, Deputy City Attorney of Portland, Frank F. McCrea, Indianapolis, Indiana.

It is stated that the company's prospects will be mailed to anyone interested, on application.

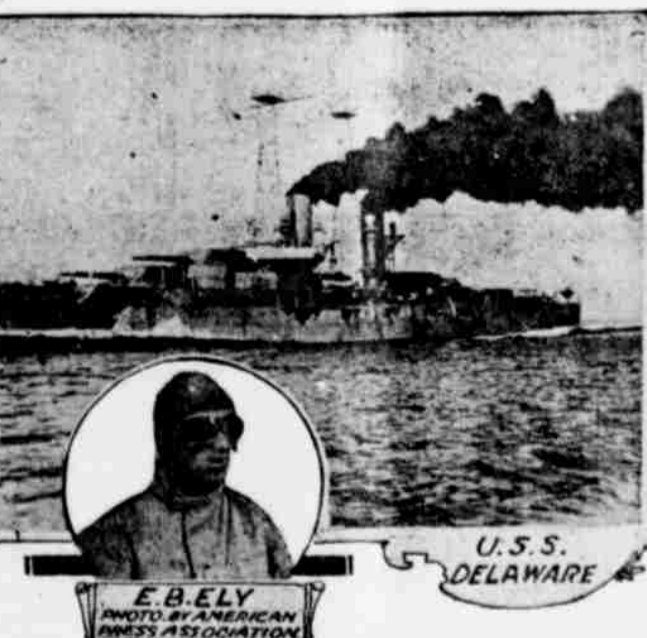
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REAR ADMIRAL BARRY

News Snapshots Of the Week

Eugene Ely flew in his aeroplane from San Francisco to the deck of the cruiser Pennsylvania, lying in the bay, and after dining with the officers of the ship flew back to land without a mishap. City Chamberlain Charles H. Hyde of New York city returned from his long vacation in the south to straighten out the tangle of the city's finances caused by the recent bank failures. A boiler explosion on the battleship Delaware on its way to Chile instantly killed eight men. Charges of a grave nature were made against Rear Admiral E. B. Barry by his subordinate officers. His request for retirement quickly followed and was accepted. Brain hemorrhage caused the sudden death of Paul Morton, president of the Equitable Life Assurance society and former secretary of the navy.

Market Now Indicates Profitable Apple Cleanup

Steady Demand Takes Inferior Fruit off Market and Causes Movement in Better Grades—Export Shipments Increasing According to Reports.

Chicago, Jan. 20.—The apple market is better, and prices on barrels advanced about 50c. Boxes have not advanced, but the movement is heavy, with prospects improving. The reason for this better outlook on boxes is the uneasiness of holders and their determination to push inferior grades. Over a month ago The News began to hammer it into the minds of owners of boxed apples that their only salvation was to clean up inferior fruit as rapidly as possible. This stock consists of fruit which buyers who went to the Northwest shied at, and was consigned by the owners out there. Most of it that came to Chicago was sold at auction. Great quantities went into immediate use, but the amount stored was also large. This fruit was either of weak quality or of not long keeping variety. A great deal of it was picked when too ripe. Dealers who have been offering this stock the last month have had in their favor the high prices of barreled apples, likewise the fact that the boxed fruit which was bought at growers' prices must be sold at \$1 average higher than the present market to let owners out even. For cheaper boxed apples the demand at \$1.50 average has become heavy, and owners are pushing it hard, with prospects of an early clean-up.

The high priced boxed fruit has not advanced especially, but holders feel better and are confident that in a short time they will be able to put up the prices. The few Jobathans left, Winesaps, Arkansas Blacks and Spitz can be bought at \$2.00 to \$2.50 in a small way. The great quantity of miscellaneous varieties average about \$1.50.

Barreled apples are 50c higher than last week. The News hears of a large owner of stock in New York state who this week closed out at \$4.50 a number of boxes which last week he offered at \$4. Chicago holdings of barreled apples are much lighter than last year, and at no time have owners been uneasy. Because of the plethora of boxed fruit they are putting their barreled stock

out rather sparingly. Daily offerings are cleaning up closely. The principal offerings of barreled apples are Baldwins, Ben Davids and Greenings. The latter are of irregular quality, and prices take a wide range. Baldwins and Ben Davids hold up well. There are no Kinges here except poor stock, which can be bought cheap.

Holdings of barreled stock here are not increased by offerings from the east to any extent, because, firm as the market here is, eastern prices are higher. New York state prices are such that Chicago owners of stock at New York state points can sell to better advantage than here. Chicago dealers expect to close out a large part of their holdings without bringing their fruit here, which will give boxed apples every show. For this reason an early clean-up of the indifferent boxed stock is expected.

New York, Jan. 20.—Boxed apples are doing a trifle better this week. The demand shows some improvement, as do prices. One thing that is helping the deal is the strong apple market abroad. Receivers say that in spite of reports to the contrary, practically all of the fruit that has been put into cold storage is holding up remarkably well and coming out in fine shape. Hood River Spitz and Newtowns this week are selling around \$2.50 to \$2.50, which is better than they have been doing previously.

The foreign markets have been so satisfactory recently that receivers are shipping abroad this week as much boxed fruit as the steamers can take. Wednesday's boat had all the available apple room taken and other heavy shipments go forward Saturday. It is feared that with heavy shipments the foreign apple markets will break badly.

Farm Residence Burned

Mrs. Moore's residence near White Salmon was destroyed by fire Thursday, the 15th. The fire was caused by an overheated pipe, and had gained great headway before it was discovered. Very little was saved, and as the house was a new one, the loss will be keenly felt.