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## PLAN NEW HIGHWAY FROM HERE TO MOSIER

A subscription petition is being circulated for a better road between Hood River and Mosier, and is meeting with favor. Seven hundred dollars has been subscribed toward the project by private subscription, and later the county court will be asked to aid in its construction.

As outlined, the plan is to start the road in by the gravel pit on the east side road, near the place of H. S. Reed, and extend it to connect with the present highway on top of the hill. It is stated that this will give a grade of seven to eight per cent, instead of 16 to 18 per cent, as at present, and the proposed new road will also be trifle shorter. Peter Saitzman and other property owners along the road are taking an active interest in the matter and believe that the valley and city will both benefit by having a better road from Hood River to Mosier.

## STARTLING RUMOR FROM UPPER VALLEY

Editor Hood River News: Dear Sir:—I write in haste and in great anxiety regarding a matter which concerns me greatly. It pertains to a very persistent rumor which has been repeatedly heard in these parts, that the Lower Valley is about to be DISCONTINUED—ABOLISHED. And this on the ground that it is in the way in getting to and from the Upper Valley. You would confer a very great personal favor to the writer if you would advise if this rumor has foundation in fact, and, if it has, to use your best efforts to preclude any such unfortunate consummation. For though I appreciate that the accomplishment of such a plan would very greatly increase our convenience in getting to and from Hood River, however, I am sure that we would all more than willingly sacrifice any such convenience on consideration of the evil which such a drastic measure would work to many good friends in the Lower Valley.

I trust that I may be favored with an early and a reassuring reply.

Very truly yours,  
HOMER A. ROGERS.  
[We do not think you need entertain any fears of the vanishment of the Lower Valley. While your letter is somewhat ambiguous, we judge that you refer, in the matter of inconvenience, to the bad roads. We would suggest, therefore, that you procure an aeroplane, as you should have no difficulty in getting a good start and plenty of momentum, from your lofty place of residence, to cross the Lower Valley.—EDITOR.]

**Change Newtown P. O. to Odell**  
The department has notified postmaster Atkinson at Newtown that the name of that office will be changed to Odell the first of April. The change in name is due to a recent visit of the Inspector and petitions by residents asking for it.

# New Spring Dress Goods

We have just received a lot of Dress Goods in the latest novelties, stripes, checks and mixed goods, all of which are strictly all wool, from 36 to 52 inches wide, at 50c to \$1.25 are exceptionally good values. Call in and look them over. We are sure you will like them and be surprised at the values offered **50c to \$1.25**

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## BRAGG MERCANTILE COMPANY

## MINERAL SPRINGS CO. GETS STRONG SUPPORT

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Hood River Mineral Springs Company, held Saturday, C. A. Bell and Dr. Malcolm Bronson were elected directors. C. A. Bell was elected president.

The Mineral Springs project is gaining ground rapidly and subscriptions to its capital stock are being made daily. The members expect to begin active work within a very short time.

The company now feels sure of success, as the citizens of Hood River, realizing the benefits to be derived from a resort of this kind, are lending support, both financially and morally, to successfully launch the enterprise.

Several of the local physicians have carefully examined the mineral water taken from the springs and have highly endorsed it for its great health-giving powers. In fact, it is stated by several of the local physicians that the water is equally as good as famous springs in Europe and America.

that can mean a good deal to Hood River. It will be the means of employing a large number of people and will be instrumental in bringing a great many people here. From conservative estimates taken from other resorts of this kind, it should mean a visit from at least forty to fifty thousand people a year, all of whom will leave some money in our community, and a great many of whom will, no doubt, invest in Hood River apple lands and city property.

The personnel of the officers and directors of the company are competent business men. The president has been successful in the hotel business. Apart from this, the orchard on the property is one of the most profitable in the valley.

The company is assured of outside money as soon as a certain amount shall have been subscribed here. The enterprise is one that should receive the voluntary assistance of every citizen of the city and valley, as it will be a benefit to all.

The News believes in encouraging the proposition and in it being aided in every way possible, as it is firmly convinced that the resort can be made one of the finest on the Pacific coast and a big asset to the community.



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UNDERWOOD, WASH.

Teachers' Meeting April 8th  
A local teachers' meeting will be held Saturday April 8th at the high school to which all teachers are invited. An interesting program will be prepared. The meeting will be in charge of County School Superintendent C. D. Thompson. State Superintendent L. R. Alderman will be present and make an address. It is announced that more minute details of the program will be given later.