

## Power Line Extension To Begin This Week

### Rights of Way Secured Between Here and Mosier and Construction Gangs Will Arrive To-Day--Line Will Make Irrigation Possible in Large Section in Hood River and Wasco Counties.

The extensive improvements in the local power and light line recently announced by the Pacific Light and Power Company, will be commenced this week, when work will be started on the high tension line between here and The Dalles. The company held a meeting last week at Kennewick, Wash., at which were present all of the managers of the plants along the Columbia river. A. S. Hall, manager of the Hood River plant, returned Saturday from the conference, which was in session several days.

## PAVING ON FIRST ST. NOW UNDER WAY

The first hard surface street paving work at Hood River was started on First street Saturday, and there fore C. A. Bell, father of active operations to give the Apple City paved streets, wears the smile that won't rub off. Bell is now in favor of going right on around the block with the paving, and also of having Cascade avenue graded immediately, if not sooner. It is reported that he can't be coaxed away from watching the work and that he talks street paving in his sleep. Anyway the work has been begun, and the laying of the concrete sidewalk is already calling forth many complimentary remarks.

The Commercial Club booth, which was in the way of the work, has been taken down. The booth, which many regretted to see demolished, although the necessity is realized, was given to Contractor Joe Wright for moving it. The hole where it stood will soon be graded off, and an enterprise which has accomplished much in the way of advertising Hood River will be no more.

The Aldred Company, which is doing the work on First street, has put a concrete mixer to work on the job and it is expected that it will now be pushed along rapidly. A concrete wall has been built along the property of the Mt. Hood Railroad, on top of which there will be an iron railing to protect pedestrians, and the building belonging to the company, formerly occupied as an office, has been moved back to the line. It was found necessary to excavate two feet at Blowers Bros' corner, and also to prop up the building of the Transfer & Livery Company. With the sidewalk on both sides of the street in place, it is stated the work will proceed rapidly and when finished will make a fine showing.

## WORK BEGUN MONDAY ON RAILROAD DEPOT

The preliminary move on the O.W. R. & N. depot was commenced Monday morning when work was started on moving the old station, which will be occupied until the new structure is finished.

The present station is being moved by "Cap" Randall, the veteran house mover, and will be taken east across First street to a position between the Mt. Hood Railroad and the O.W. R. & N. Company's tracks. During the time the new station is in course of construction, First street will be closed and a crossing opened over the tracks at Second street. On the completion of the new depot, 40 feet will be cut off the old structure and it will be moved down the track and added on the freight station.

Efforts were made to have the railroad company put the old depot across the track from its present location during operations, but there was nothing doing.

The new depot will be 130 feet long, ten feet longer than the old one, and will be built of brick and concrete, with a concrete platform around it. The west end will be twenty feet nearer Second street than at present. It is understood that the bank of ground back of the depot will be excavated and a high retaining wall be built, giving a large space for teams and a turn around. When the depot is finished, Second street will not be open to teams below Cascade. The structure is to be pushed along as fast as possible, and the contractor will be here this week to lay out the plans.

the company, who has been here for a week getting rights of way for the new high tension line, has about completed the work between here and Mosier, and will shortly take it up between Mosier and The Dalles. The line will run out the east side of The Dalles road, following it over the hill and then on to Mosier, which will be supplied with light and power; and from that place to Rowena and The Dalles. If there is a demand for it, power for irrigating pumps, as well as light, will be supplied all along the line, the current from which will be strong enough to furnish from 10 to 30-horse power. A considerable section which now has no irrigation will be able to obtain it, it is claimed, at small cost. The new line will be constructed of aluminum, which, although more expensive, is said to have a greater conducting power than copper.

A construction outfit of several cars of teams, tools and camp para-

## FOUR YEAR OLD BOY DIES FROM BURNS

After intense suffering for 24 hours, Marvin, the four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. McCarthy, recent residents of Hood River died Friday evening from the effects of being fatally burned by a fire in a vacant lot.

Securing a bunch of matches Tuesday the youngster and a number of neighboring children built a bonfire of broken boxes in the back yard of the McCarthy home and were dancing around it when the clothing of the child became ignited.

He ran in fright, the flames were fanned and before assistance could reach him, the lower garments were burned away, leaving the flesh a mass of blisters. His life was saved for the moment by the mother who was called by the screams of the child and the cries of the frightened companions.

Medical attendance was summoned at once and everything possible done for the little sufferer. He failed to rally however and died late Friday evening.

The body in charge of Mrs. McCarthy is being taken to St. Joseph, Missouri for burial, where the McCarthys formerly lived. Mr. McCarthy, who is a plumber employed by C. F. Sumner and the family came to Hood River from Tacoma, Wash.

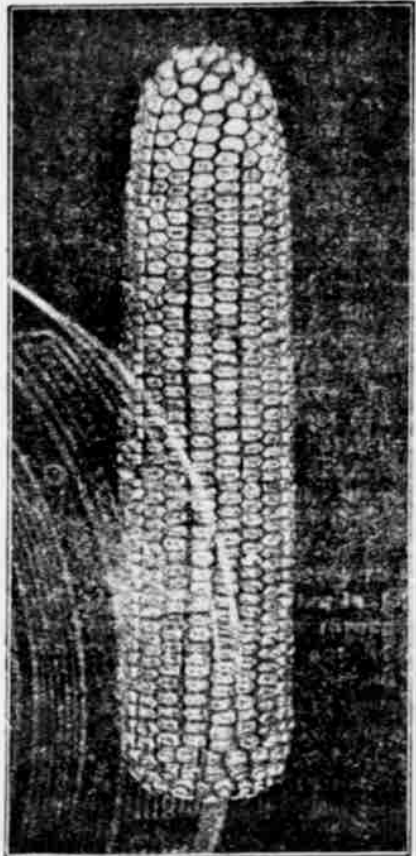
## Experiment Station For Stayton

Arrangements have been completed between the Oregon Agricultural College and the Willamette Valley Irrigated Land Company for an experiment station across from the S. P. depot at West Stayton. The experiment station will adjoin the Company's demonstration farm. Irrigation will be available this summer, and all kinds of crops will be grown to demonstrate what water during the growing season will do for the farmer.

## \$1000 PRIZE FOR BEST EAR OF CORN, WHY NOT FOR BEST BOX APPLES

An event of recent interest was the award of a \$1,000 prize for the best ear of corn grown in the United States. The magnitude of the selection of the best ear of corn from the millions of bushels grown in the United States will be appreciated by Hood River apple growers if they stop to think what it would mean to award such a prize for the best apple or indeed the best box of apples. As a matter of fact an open to all contest for a prize for the best box of apples grown in the United States would be interesting and why could it not be inaugurated?

In regard to this prize corn R. A.



Form 3  
World's Best Ear of Corn for 1910

James, of Charleston, Ill., has the proud distinction of having grown the best ear of corn in all the 3,125,713,600 bushels of last year's bumper crop. At the National Corn Show held recently at Columbus, Ohio, this gentleman was awarded the W. K. Kellogg National Corn Trophy, donated in 1909 by W. K. Kellogg, president of the Kellogg Toasted Corn Flake Co., of Battle Creek, Mich.

Thousands of ears of corn from all parts of the country and of all varieties were entered in the competition. The selection of the grand champion Sweepstakes and the award of the Kellogg trophy were made on general points of superiority.

The ear of corn grown by Mr. James is of Reid's Yellow Dent variety. It is 10 inches long, 7 1/2 inches in circumference, and has 20 rows of kernels, 6 to the inch in the row, average 1/2 of an inch in depth, and 5/16 of an inch in width. It is indeed a very correct type of yellow dent corn.

Mr. James, the winner, is a vigorous farmer about 40 years of age and of pleasing personality, a man who has given careful study to corn culture, and who has achieved his success.

phernalia, is expected here today, and a big gang of men and shipment of poles will follow this week.

Six triple carloads of poles for the extension have been distributed at The Dalles, Mosier and Rowena, and the engineer has nearly finished the survey.



Form 1  
The W. K. Kellogg National Corn Trophy

James as a grand champion winner only by years of hard work and painstaking seed selection and careful breeding from season to season.

Illinois growers are especially elated over the result for the reason that this is the first time in four years that the honors have been wrested from the state of Indiana.

## \$45,000 DEAL FOR ORCHARD PROPERTY

The biggest deal in orchard property that has occurred this year took place Saturday, when Chas. S. Chapman, an eastern Oregon rancher, invested \$45,000 in 60 acres on the west side, including three separate properties.

The sale, which was made through W. S. Nichol, includes the Vanauddale, C. L. Morse and Lehman places, which U. S. Farris bought recently. The deal was fully consummated Saturday, the buying being given immediate possession.

Mr. Chapman, the purchaser of this large message, is the owner of several farms in the Bend country and has also been engaged there in the mercantile business. He was formerly located at Escalante and is a man of large means. Mr. Farris still owns another orchard at Hood River, having recently bought the Hengst place.

## CAZANAVE ORCHARD SOLD TO IOWA MAN

Another Hood River orchard sale at a good figure occurred last week when the ten-acre orchard of A. Z. Cazanne on the West Side near town, was sold to C. A. Schukel of Iowa for \$13,000.

The orchard has good buildings on it and is partly in bearing. Mr. Schukel will occupy the place and make his home here. The sale was made by the Hood River Realty Co.

## Columbia Street Improved

The grading of Columbia street which is in progress is making a fine thoroughfare of that street and when finished it will present a very attractive appearance. The work which is being done by the W. G. Aldred Company has been completed for two blocks.

Arthur Tift and J. H. Temple were among the week end visitors at Hood River from Portland.

Last year's champion ear, the first winner of the Kellogg trophy, was grown by Mr. C. Palm, of Newtown, Ind. It was also of Reid's Yellow Dent variety, crossed with Alexander Gold Standard. Last year's prize winner is the most perfectly formed ear of the two, though it requires a careful judge to distinguish the points of superiority.

The trophy awarded to Mr. James was made by Tiffany of New York, for Mr. W. K. Kellogg, at a cost of



Form 2  
R. A. James, Winner of W. K. Kellogg National Corn Trophy for 1910

\$1,000. It is made of Sterling silver, bronze and enamel, and is a truly artistic creation. It stands thirty inches in height.

## Tennis Season Opens

It is now apparent that Hood River will have some good tennis this year. The Benedict Tennis Club reorganized last week and elected officers for the ensuing year. J. H. Hellbrunner was re-elected president, Harry Dewitt is secretary and Truman Butler treasurer.

The club will use the Cram lots again this season and, as announced last week, during the year steps will be taken to secure permanent grounds and build a club house, something on the order of the Irvington Club of Portland. This will enable all those in the valley, who enjoy tennis, to become members.

At present the membership is limited to twenty-five. A spring tournament is being arranged, and later in the summer several social functions will be given by the club.

## Dalles Team Reorganizes

The Dalles baseball team of the Mid-Columbia league, which was disbanded, has been reorganized and strengthened, and played the Stevenson aggregation at the Washington city Sunday. The nine is now strong, especially in the hitting department. The players, none of whom will be paid, are Alexander, Melnery, Murray, Pickett, Ferguson, Wetzel, Harper, Conrow, Fagan, Woodcock and Wettle.

## Frost Damage Heavy To Yakima Valley Fruit

### Estimate of Crop Cut From 4,500 to 1,500 Cars--Apples and Peaches Hurt Worst--Kennewick Berry Crop now Estimated at Only 20 Per Cent--Growers Advise Heating Pots.

Damage from frost at Yakima and Kennewick this year has been the most disastrous in the history of those places and it is now admitted by growers at both points that it is widespread and heavy.

At Yakima it is estimated that the 4,500-car fruit crop of last year will be cut down to 1,500 cars. At Kennewick the strawberry crop it is stated will not exceed 20 per cent.

These figures are taken from 6 reports in the papers in those districts and are verified by a well known Seattle commission man who made a close investigation and who visited Hood River Saturday and Sunday. The commission man claims that the peach crop at Yakima is as good as ruined and that other 3 fruits were damaged there very badly.

The Kennewick berry crop which is a competitor with Hood River he believes will cut but little figure this year.

To protect themselves in both places the use of heating pots is be-

ing urged by growers who say they have got to come to it. The Yakima Herald the most optimistic of the papers in that district says:

"Those best informed say that an estimate of the amount of damage that has been done by the frost of April to the fruit of the Yakima valley is only a guess. However the Herald has obtained information from J. H. Robbins general manager and W. P. Romans secretary of the Yakima Valley Fruit Growers' association, embracing thirteen district

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## HOOD RIVER AGAIN WINS DOUBLE EVENT

The Dalles high school baseball team was defeated at Hood River Friday afternoon by the high school nine of the Apple City, the score being 4 to 0. One hundred and twenty-five rooters from The Dalles accompanied the aggregation to Hood River, making the trip on the steamer Tahoma.

The battery for the home team was Blagg and Franz and the game was the most interesting that has been played at Hood River this season and was attended by the biggest crowd of the year. The local high school boys put up a game that surprised the spectators who were kept in a whirl of excitement and expressed their approval in noisy fashion.

Sunday the White Salmon aggregation of the Mid-Columbia League journeyed to Hood River and met defeat at the hands of the Hood River League team the score being 4 to 3. A good sized crowd was in attendance and the day was ideal for a first game. Considerable luck was attached to Hood River's victory the visitors making a number of costly errors. The local leagues however played a steady game and are developing into a goodly bunch of players. Hood River now has a good start in the pennant race and barring accidents will make a strong bid for first honors.

## COMMISSIONER BISHOP HEARS CONTEST CASE

A homestead contest case in which A. M. Kelly of Mt. Hood is the defendant, was heard before United States Commissioner Bishop in this city Friday. Mr. Kelly was represented by Attorney John Gavin of The Dalles, and the government by D. F. McGowan and B. M. Booth.

The land in question is situated in Grant county, Oregon on which Mr. Kelly lived for several years before coming to Hood River and also fulfilled the requirements in other respects. After he moved away the land was placed in the forest reserve by the government.

It is believed the defendant will have no trouble in establishing his right to possession.

## WOMAN'S CLUB HAS INTERESTING MEETING

The last meeting of the Woman's Club was a very interesting one. The vice president, Mrs. Fordling, gave a lecture on "Parliamentary Law," which was greatly enjoyed by the members.

After the program, a reception was given Mrs. A. A. Jayne, president of the club, who has returned from San Diego, Cal., where she has been spending the winter for the benefit of her health.

## Heard Water Rights Case

A dispute over water rights was heard Friday before George D. Culbertson, Sexton and Thompson were the plaintiffs and the East Fork Irrigation company defendants. W. H. Wilson of The Dalles is attorney for the plaintiffs and Jesse Stearns of Portland and A. J. Derby of Hood River for defendants.

## TOO STRONG TO WORK MEN START STRIKE

Hood River experienced its first labor strike Saturday, when a gang of men employed by W. G. Aldred & Co. on the First street paving job, quit work. The trouble was caused by the United Order of Wheelbarrow Pushers refusing to infringe on the rights of the Knights of the Shovel.

The Wheelbarrow Pushers, who were wheeling concrete into place, found that the mixture would not dump out clean from the barrows without the use of a shovel. When the first man dumped his barrow, only half of the concrete slid out. He was told to shovel out the rest, but he stood pat.

"What's the matter there?" shouted the tall, brawny foreman with a suggestion of Bob Fitzsimmons in his attitude.

"The concrete won't dump," said the champion of labor.

"Shovel it out, then," said the foreman.

"No, sir," replied the apostle of Sam Gompers. "I'll wheel, or I'll shovel, or I'll do nothin'!"

"You've said it," roared the captain of the street paving job. "Nothin' for you. Get your time."

Six more as husky, flannel-shirted bucks as ever stood in front of a bar, went through a similar scene and then retired, while their places were quickly filled from the watching crowd.

"Well," said one of the bunch as they moved away, "we had to stek by the principles of the union. Besides it's gettin' pretty warm and I'm tired of sleepin' in a bed. I haven't had a touch of the simple life since last summer. The jungle looks good to me."

"Yes," growled his companion, "we couldn't do dirt to the Knights of the Shovel. Anyway, it's some time since I had a Mulligan; besides, I noticed a man on the job wearin' a white shirt. It's agin the constitution of the order, an' it's a fine day to be ridin' 'n a box car."

## PREDICTS THAT CITY WILL BE BEAUTIFUL

George Otten, the landscape architect of Portland, who planned the improvements to the grounds of Mrs. McLaren, has made two trips to Hood River to personally inspect the work. Mr. Otten says:

"My first visit was business, the second a pleasure, for I am simply charmed with the beauties of Hood River. Where nature has been so bountiful, there is not much left for those in my profession to do, still I can see a few spots where nature can be helped.

"A little 'sabe,' a little money and time, can do wonders. I am specially impressed with the beautiful building sites along the bluffs of the Columbia, and am surprised that more homes are not building in that direction; but it will come, and before many years, too, for it is the history of all cities that they follow the river.

"A few years ago you could hardly give away some of the land along the bluffs of the Willamette; now only the wealthy can buy it, and magnificent homes are building along the river seven and eight miles out. I predict the same for Hood River.

"The proposed auto road will help your town more than anything else, for it will make Hood River a suburb of Portland."

## EVENTS OF WORLD WIDE INTEREST PICTURED FOR BUSY READERS



## News Snapshots Of the Week

O., died in his fifty-seventh year; funeral services were held in Brooklyn, N. Y., where he was buried. More than 200,000 fans witnessed the official opening of the baseball season by the two major leagues in eight cities, and from now until October the "What's the score?" question will be supreme.

Craige Lippincott, head of the J. B. Lippincott company, Philadelphia publishers, committed suicide. Wasday is a regular occurrence among the troops at San Antonio, Tex., and the supply of soap is fast running out owing to the energy with which the troops tackle the work. Dr. R. Clark Hyde of Kansas City, Mo., convicted of the murder of Colonel Thomas H. Swope, a millionaire, has been granted a new trial by the Missouri supreme court. Tom L. Johnson, four times mayor of Cleveland, will be the challenger of the incumbent, Mayor Tom L. Johnson, in the city of Cleveland, Ohio, at the next election.