

MOSIER FRUITMEN DISCUSS EXCHANGE

The question of whether or not Mosier will ship through the Northwestern Fruit Exchange was thoroughly discussed at a meeting of the fruit growers the last of the week. W. F. Gwin of the Northwestern Fruit Exchange addressed the meeting and outlined the plans and business methods of the exchange. The general sentiment of those present was in favor of adopting the exchange as their selling medium. A motion was carried expressing the desire to have a committee investigate the matter a little more fully and request a representative of the exchange to be present at the annual meeting of the Mosier Fruitgrowers Union April 1, at which time definite action will be taken.

SUPT. THOMPSON'S TERM TWO YEARS

That C. D. Thompson, who was elected school superintendent for Hood River county in 1910, serves but two years and that he must become a candidate at the next general election if he desires to remain in office, is the opinion of Attorney-General Crawford. Thompson was appointed to the office by the governor when Hood River county was created in 1908. The general statutes provide that beginning in the year 1900 all county school superintendents shall be elected for a period of four years. The Supreme Court in the case of Baker vs. Palne held that in such a case the officer appointed, when elected, was elected for the unexpired term, which would be until 1912 in the case of Mr. Thompson.

STORY SHOWS WHAT ROAD WOULD BRING

Wide publicity has been given the proposed road along the Columbia between this city and Portland by the story written by Leroy Armstrong of this city and appearing in the March number of the Sunset Magazine. A few excerpts follow: A road across the range! He remembered what his lawyer had said back there in the Indiana town. This strip of impassable land was the locked gate between the East and the West. Were it opened, would East and West use it? He calculated the motor-cars making the transcontinental journey, and choosing a desert pathway a thousand miles to the south. He thought of the growing cities from the Great Lakes to the Sierra, and knew they yearned for a drive to the ocean. He thought of the wealthy thousands to the west who would welcome a highway to the older states. And he thought of thousands in eastern Oregon who were barred from their own metropolises; from whom the splendid scenery of their own state was hidden; and who were strangers to their brethren beyond the range—beyond this Cascade wall across their commonwealth. And the purpose of making a road from the East to the West took shape in his soul. A hundred thousand teams and machines would travel over it in a year. All the nation would know about Cascade Pass. It would stimulate travel. Presently the world's fair will open in San Francisco. There would be a procession from the East all summer and fall. And since the snow would never block the way, here would be the course of travel always to California in the winter. It would be the most useful thing in Oregon. It would reach more homes with its benefits—more homes in more states—than any work within the power of man. And I think people would appreciate the beauty of it, and love America more. Valley Town bloomed as it never had bloomed before. Vacant and neglected lots bore the rich harvest of attractive homes. Corners that had caught the wind and the dust from the day of village founding sent up walls of wood and stone, and spread about them cool, green lawns with foliage and flowers. The broad streets were paved, the hill-sides terraced into use and beauty. The stores were bigger, and were better filled. Patrons multiplied in numbers. Business grew, and solidity was the name of Valley Town.

DEMAND FOR FRUIT EXPERTS IS STRONG

The agricultural colleges in the Pacific Northwest states and California have given the department of horticulture special attention during the last few years and today are recognized as among the leading institutions in this class of work. They are turning out increased numbers of plant pathologists each year and as yet have not been able to supply the demand. The reason is clear. Orchardling in the Pacific Northwest is rapidly developing along scientific lines and there is no class of farmer that realizes more fully the importance of expert plant pathologists, entomologists and horticulturists than the fruit growers. This is evidenced by the fact that districts are employing such men to study general conditions, carry on investigations, and locate the causes of trouble as they come along and provide remedies. Large orchardists are seeking the services of expert horticulturists and at the present time the Pacific Northwestern institutions are unable to supply the demand.

HOPE TO TALK FROM MT. ADAMS TO JAPAN

A party of White Salmon people is figuring on making the ascent of Mount Adams in July, taking with them professional guides and a portable wireless telegraph set. The apparatus will be evenly distributed among the men so as to practically make no additional weight to carry. W. S. Bates, one member of the party, a rancher on Burdett heights, south of Mount Adams, is a telegrapher of many years' experience and he is desirous of testing out the range of his extra sensitive apparatus of the De Forest type. If the rock formation prevents securing a first-class ground the experiment will be useless. If the ground can be secured in a stream where there is plenty of soil, it is more than probable that Honolulu can be "picked up" and possibly Japan, especially at night, at the point where the party will make its last camp at an altitude of about 6000 feet. Both men and women will be in the party.

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E. E. Coovert, the Portland attorney who was here with Governor West last week, and who represents S. S. Benson in the donation of \$10,000 for the Portland road, has announced his intention to become a candidate for the nomination as state senator on the Republican ticket. He declares against extravagant legislation, and in support of Statement No. 1 and "Greater Oregon." "I will favor legislation consistent with the needs of the growing state and the development of its resources," he says in his petition.

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