

Schedule Is Made: Local Teams Ready for Fray

Open Season for Baseball Fans Will Begin on the 14th and Two Hood River Teams Are Rounding into Form--Fast Aggregations Are Promised and Lively Base Ball Season Is Expected.

Local baseball fans are already getting impatient for the opening of the Columbia League season on the 14th of this month and declare that prospects for two speedy local teams were never brighter.

Manager Kent of the Hood River team reports that his list of eligibles at the present time is as follows: Meyers, Gill, Moore, Baker, Wadde, Keller, Shiveley, Smith, Large, Groch, Wren, Lalang and Caster.

Manager Carson of the Heights team has the following bunch out: Hart, Hall, Koontz, R. Samuels, Gessling, Butterfield, B. Samuels, Tate, Davis, Mooney and Bucklin.

The Hood River team is to play White Salmon in a practice game at Columbia Park next Sunday.

The schedule of games for the season is announced as follows: April 14: Hood River vs. The Dalles at Hood River; White Salmon vs. Hood River Heights at White Salmon.

April 21: White Salmon vs. The Dalles at The Dalles; Hood River vs. Hood River Heights at Hood River.

April 28: Hood River vs. White Salmon at White Salmon; Hood River Heights vs. The Dalles at Hood River.

May 5: The Dalles vs. Hood River at The Dalles; Hood River Heights vs. White Salmon at Hood River.

May 12: Hood River vs. Hood River Heights at Hood River.

River Heights at Hood River; White Salmon vs. The Dalles at White Salmon.

May 19: The Dalles vs. Hood River Heights at The Dalles; Hood River vs. White Salmon at Hood River.

May 26: Hood River vs. The Dalles at Hood River; White Salmon vs. Hood River Heights at White Salmon.

June 2: The Dalles vs. White Salmon at The Dalles; Hood River Heights vs. Hood River at Hood River.

June 9: White Salmon vs. Hood River at White Salmon; Hood River Heights vs. The Dalles at Hood River.

June 16: The Dalles vs. Hood River at The Dalles; Hood River Heights vs. White Salmon at Hood River.

June 23: Hood River vs. Hood River Heights at Hood River; White Salmon vs. The Dalles at White Salmon.

June 30: The Dalles vs. Hood River Heights at The Dalles; Hood River vs. White Salmon at Hood River.

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MARRIAGE-WHITCOMB

The marriage of Miss Ruby Whitcomb and Charles Marchand was performed Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of J. B. Whitcomb on Sherman Avenue by Rev. E. A. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Marchand left at 3 o'clock for Portland for a brief honeymoon after which they will go to housekeeping near Parkdale, where Mr. Marchand is employed in the Mt. Hood Mill.

Miss Kate Earle spent the week end in Portland.

EXPERT HERE TO STUDY SPRAYING

Professor V. I. Safo, expert horticulturist of the O. A. C., has been spending several days this week arranging with local orchardists for co-operative experiments in spraying. Professor Safo has been making a specialty of this work and is in a position to draw some valuable deductions from work to be done here.

Experiments in spraying with lime-sulphur last year have led Professor Safo to believe that by spraying with this mixture, not once but several times during the season, the percentage of extra fancy fruit can be materially increased. The results of his work have convinced him that the use of this preparation freely makes the apples more perfect and more salable by keeping off all blemishes caused by insects and disease.

Arrangements have been made through J. R. Forden of the Hood River Spray Manufacturing Company, whereby Professor Safo will be donated with Triangle arsenate of lead and the necessary lime-sulphur mixture with which to conduct his experiments. The local company is furnishing similar sprays for experiments now being made at the Pullman, Wash., experiment station.

PORTLANDERS WILL BE HERE IN FORCE

Portlanders will be here in force for the blossom festival now being planned, according to Dr. John F. Beaumont of the Rose City who has been here this week inspecting his ranch. The doctor, who is an enthusiastic booster for Hood River, stated that the announcement of the festival has already aroused much interest in Portland, especially among the many who have interests here. Hundreds of others, Dr. Beaumont said, have heard much of the beauties of this valley during the blossom season and have long promised themselves the treat of seeing it at that auspicious season. These will welcome the opportunity to come on a gala occasion such as the proposed festival and a large delegation from that city can be counted upon.

The Portland Commercial Club has also entered into the plan with vigor and promises to co-operate to the fullest possible extent in interesting business men of that city in the festival. Announcement received from the railroads and steamboat lines that they will grant special rates was also welcome news received the last of the week.

STRONG INTEREST IN UNION MEETING

Interest among local fruit growers, especially stockholders of the Union, centers this week in the annual meeting for the election of a board of directors which is to be held Saturday. The interests of a number of candidates are being strongly urged by their friends and some active campaigning has been done during the past few days.

Not a few growers are looking with some concern upon the activity along this line for fear that a possible rupture may occur, which, they point out, might seriously cripple one of the selling agencies upon which the local growers depend to a considerable extent in marketing their crop.

There are not a few members of the Union who are frank in expressing the wish that whichever candidates may be elected all members of the Union should, in behalf of the common good, abide by the result and hold together in the interests of the community at large, which, they declare, has a vital interest in the issue. These sentiments are being endorsed by many who realize the important part which the Union fills in the marketing of Hood River fruit.

INDIANS DON'T WANT BERRY FIELDS SOLD

The Klekittat Indians are bitterly opposed to the proposed sale of their berry fields near the Indian race tracks north of Mt. Adams, which they understand the government contemplates, and because of the fear that the fields will be sold, old Chief Skookum Wallabee of the Klekittats, accompanied by Joe Stahl and Charlie Parker, two other Indians, has gone to visit President Taft, with the view of entering a plea for the preservation of the lands.

Every season the Indians from Klekittat county, Yakima, Warm Springs, Umatilla and other places go to the berry fields for their annual races and berry-picking. Last year the berry crop was short, for the reason, it is claimed by the Indians, that sheep had damaged the vines.

Skookum Wallabee, the aged Indian who will attempt to get President Taft to influence the Forestry Department to not sell the Indians' fields, is one of the best known Indians in Klekittat county. He took with him his best suit of buckskin and beads, feather head dress, or war bonnet, and will don the equipment when he calls upon President Taft, hoping to make a more favorable impression in this way.

HANS LAGE TAKES A PORTLAND BRIDE

A beautiful though quiet wedding took place at the home of the bride in Portland last Thursday, March 28, when Hans Lage and Mrs. Lena Von Goerres were united in marriage by the Lutheran minister, Rev. A. Krause, in the presence of most of the children of the participants.

The rooms were appropriately decorated with spring flowers. After the ceremony a beautiful wedding dinner was served by the daughters of the home.

Those attending from Hood River were: Henry Lage, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Lage, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Lage, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Koberg.

Mr. Lage has lived in Hood River Valley for 36 years and, on account of his many sterling virtues, is one of the best-known and best-liked men in the county. The bride is endowed with many womanly virtues and has won the esteem of all who have met her. That Mr. and Mrs. Lage may live long and happily in their new relations is the wish of a host of friends.

WORK ON CHURCH TO START AT ONCE

The work of building the new Methodist church is to start at once and it is now hoped that the edifice will be completed by August 1. Pledges having been recently secured for the \$10,000 which it will cost to complete the structure, efforts have been made to raise the necessary cash to start work immediately. It is now announced that the Board of Home Missions and Church Extensions stands ready to make an advance of \$5000.

A meeting was held Friday at which time it was decided to call for bids on the construction work without further delay.

Passion week is being observed at the Baptist church (The Heights).

ORGANIZED THEFTS ARE NOW SUSPECTED

Evidence tending to show that a number of organized thefts have been perpetrated in this city recently has been disclosed through an arrest made in Vancouver, Wash. The man arrested is said to have had in his possession a number of articles which it is believed were stolen from the Mt. Hood Railroad here.

Following the attempted burglary of C. N. Clarke's drug store last week a considerable quantity of brass work was taken from an engine belonging to the Mt. Hood Railroad left standing in the yards here.

The articles taken included the brass lubricators, whistle and bell. Ashley Wilson, the agent, read of the arrest of a man in Vancouver with similar articles in his possession. This man is said to have confessed that he had a partner working here who shipped the goods to him for disposal. Marshal Lewis and Engineer C. G. Metcalf went to Vancouver Monday to identify the goods if possible and in hopes of obtaining some clue of the thief who worked here.

THESE HENS ONLY REST ON SUNDAYS

Egg records having been in order of late, E. F. Batten, who was among those who submitted to the News his record for January, says that his flock acquitted themselves with still greater credit during March. His 48 Rhode Island Reds laid 1256 eggs—an average production per hen of 27.16 eggs—showing that each hen was on the job nearly every one of the 31 days in the month, thus giving them only the Sundays for holidays. Mr. Batten thinks this a remarkable record considering that his flock has been laying since last September and producing throughout the winter when eggs were high. He says that if there is any poultryman in the valley who can beat this he wants to be "shown."

Both Bond Issues to Be Re-Submitted to People

Initiative Will Be Resorted to in Order to Remedy Defects in Present Charter Governing Voting of Bonds, After Which Issues of \$90,000 and \$37,250 Will Again Be Submitted for Vote.

In order to insure so far as possible the legality of all future bond issues by the city and to pave the way for the re-submission to the voters of the city of the \$90,000 bond issue for the construction of the water system and the \$37,250 issue for the purchase of the present water system from the Pacific Power & Light Company, the council decided at its meeting Monday to invoke the initiative in order to revise the present charter without further delay.

The decision of the council in this matter was prompted by the recent refusal of the \$37,250 bond issue by a Portland banking house on the ground that it was illegal. The present, antiquated charter of the city provides that the exact amount of a bond issue must be specifically stated on the ballot and the council has found this impossible. It is in order to remove this serious handicap that the special elections are to be held, one to revise the present charter and the others to re-submit the two bonding propositions.

At the council meeting Monday an ordinance giving the council authority to invoke the initiative and referendum in submitting a revised charter passed its first reading. The sections to be revised are those dealing with the issuance of bonds for the purpose of constructing sewers and building and owning the city waterworks.

This will probably delay the construction of the proposed waterworks and paving of the streets for another season, although some work on the waterworks may be done late this summer.

When the first unfavorable report

on the sale of the \$37,250 bond issue was received about two months ago, an appeal was made to the banking house to have the question of their legality submitted to other legal firms in hopes that they might approve them. Word recently received, however, is to the effect that the North Dakota Supreme Court has made an adverse decision and although, according to the attorneys, this decision was "strained and unreasonable," still it was directly in point and was supported by other decisions so that they could not approve the bonds until the Supreme Court of Oregon has taken a contrary view.

WANT LAFOLLETTE TO MAKE EVENING ADDRESS

Having been informed that LaFollette would probably make only a 30-minute speech from the rear end of his train while passing through Hood River on his trip west this month, local admirers of the progressive leader have written and impressed upon LaFollette's manager the importance of Hood River from a political as well as horticultural standpoint and insisting that he make an evening address. A reply has been received by A. I. Mason stating that arrangements would probably be made whereby LaFollette would make an afternoon address at The Dalles and an evening address here, spending the night. Large delegations would be expected from White Salmon and other Washington points.

NO ROWDYISM IS TO BE TOLERATED

To the baseball patrons of Hood River: Inasmuch as considerable comment is being made by patrons of baseball in Hood River regarding the disorderly conduct of some spectators attending the games at the local grounds in the past, we take the opportunity at this time to assure each and every patron of baseball that in the future we will do our utmost to discourage any disorderly conduct.

The young men who compose the undersigned club have agreed to undertake nothing in the way of rowdyism and have submitted a petition signed by all the candidates for the Heights Ball Club to the city council asking for police protection to preserve order.

It is our aim to play a clean and true sportsmanlike game, to help uphold the law and we extend an invitation to all the local fans to come out and help us make the coming season a success.

Thanking you for your liberal patronage in the past, we beg to remain Very respectfully yours, HEIGHTS BASEBALL CLUB, Joe Carson, manager.

CHAFIN SCORES THE U. S. SUPREME COURT

Ridiculing the so-called sacredness of the courts and vehemently attacking the personnel of the present Supreme Court bench, Eugene W. Chafin, candidate for President on the Prohibition ticket four years ago, made a scathing arraignment of the Administration in the course of a debate between himself and J. Frank Burke, president of the Anti-Saloon League, held at the U. B. church Friday evening.

That the present Supreme Court, five of whose members have been appointed by President Taft, is allied to the liquor and other interests was the accusation made by Mr. Chafin in replying to the arguments of Mr. Burke. He referred specifically to the recent decision of the Supreme Court in which that body held that liquor shipped from state to state constitutes legitimate interstate commerce and that the shipment of intoxicating liquors from a wet into a dry state is therefore legal. Mr. Chafin contended that liquor causes disease, that it should therefore come under the interstate quarantine laws and that there should therefore be power to prohibit its shipment into dry states.

In the course of his arguments Mr. Chafin described the standpat as the man who "has stopped and can't get started again," the progressive as the one who "has started and can't stop." In his opinion the Prohibitionists constitute the real Grand Old Party.

Mr. Burke presented some forceful arguments in support of the Anti-Saloon League and its work in eradicating the liquor traffic from certain sections.

UPPER VALLEY LADIES TO DISCUSS TEMPERANCE

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the United Church of the Upper Valley will hold a temperance meeting on Wednesday, April 10, at the home of Mrs. Smullen. All are cordially welcome.

Unclaimed Letters

Unclaimed letters at the Hood River postoffice are as follows: Mrs. Guy Conners, Angelo Grant, J. M. Hood, Huey E. Hoy, Samuel E. Koplin, Mrs. Lulu, Mrs. Mildred Lyness, Mrs. Jessie Mills, Frederick Mark, Bill Mantle, A. D. Mills, A. N. Rahn, W. A. Smith, J. S. Wells.

The News for good printing.

Safe and Sane Politics. We Must Stop Taxation and Legislation Iniquities. By Bishop WARREN CANDLER of the Southern Methodist Church.

THERE is too great a disposition to look to the government for everything that some classes want and to lay taxes for the relief of every popular demand.

There are many representatives at Washington who boast of their ability to get things for their constituents or, in other words, who are proud of USING THE PUBLIC FUNDS TO BUY POPULAR FAVOR with the thoughtless and the venal.

IN THE LEGISLATURES OF THE SEVERAL STATES WE SEE THE SAME TREND. ALL SORTS OF PROPOSALS ARE BROUGHT FORWARD TO SPEND THE MONEY WHICH IS FORCIBLY TAKEN FROM THE PEOPLE BY TAXATION. CORPORATIONS BEING BOTH IMPERSONAL AND UNPOPULAR, THEY PROCEED TO LEVY TAXES ON THEM TO THE LIMIT. IN THE END THAT SORT OF POLICY DISCOURAGES ALL INDUSTRY AND INJURES BOTH CAPITAL AND LABOR.

CHILDREN INVITED TO MAKE ENTRIES

Bulletins have just been received here announcing the prize list to be given for the children's exhibits at the state fair. The lists come from L. R. Alderman, superintendent of public instruction, as the children's exhibit at the state fair will be in the nature of a sequel to the county fairs to be given throughout the state for the children. One of the latter is to be held in Hood River county and promises to be extensively participated in by the local school children.

Copies of these circulars from Mr. Alderman have been forwarded to the school teachers throughout this county by Secretary Scott of the Commercial Club.

The state fair will be held September 2 to 7. Every boy and girl in Oregon under 21 years of age is eligible to enter these contests. Entry blanks will be sent upon application to secretary State Board of Agriculture, Salem, Ore.

The prizes offered include ponies, dogs, calves, sheep, pigs, goats, chickens and a variety of other animals as well as many useful articles. Express and freight charges on exhibits will be refunded by special arrangement with the Southern Pacific.

BURLEIGH CASH IS HONORED AT O. A. C.

University of Oregon, Eugene, Or.—The Young Men's Christian Association of the University of Oregon recently held its annual meeting for the purpose of electing officers. By a previous recommendation of the nominating committee, A. Burleigh Cash was the only candidate for the office of president of the association, and he was elected without a dissenting vote. Mr. Cash has always taken an active part in student body affairs and has devoted considerable of his time to Y. M. C. A. work at the University. He was associate editor of the recently issued special edition of the Oregon Emerald and has for the past year held a prominent position in the Y. M. C. A. cabinet.

Notice to Stockholders

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Hood River Apple Growers' Union will be held at the Commercial Club hall in the city of Hood River, Ore., on Saturday, April 6, 1912, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing a board of nine (9) directors, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting. G. A. McCURDY, President. C. H. SPROAT, Secretary.

EXPLODES DYNAMITE; BOY IS BADLY HURT

Explosion of a quantity of dynamite a few days ago seriously injured Cecil McCrory, a boy living at the corner of Twelfth and Pine streets, Young McCrory, in company with a number of other boys, laid a train of powder up to the dynamite and touched it off. The explosion followed almost instantaneously, blowing young McCrory's face full of powder, seriously lacerating one of his eyes and his left hand. Other portions of his body were also badly burned and lacerated by the explosion.

EVENTS OF WORLD WIDE INTEREST PICTURED FOR BUSY READERS



News Snapshots Of the Week

The bodies of the men recovered from the wreck of the battleship Maine were buried with military honors in Arlington cemetery in Washington. The Savannah river overflowed at Augusta, Ga., and the city was flooded. Millions of dollars damage to crops was done by the spring freshets throughout the country. Senator R. L. Taylor of Tennessee was forced to undergo an operation in order to save his life. Victor Rosewater was made head of the national Republican committee to succeed the late J. F. Hill. President Taft invited John Mitchell, former president of the United Mine Workers of America, to confer with him in regard to avoiding a strike among the coal miners in this country, but Mr. Mitchell declined to go to Washington. Premier Asquith of Great Britain faced the crisis of his career when A. J. Balfour, the Unionist leader, urged the government's minimum wage scale bill in the house of commons.