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SWEEPING CHANGE IN

Entire New Board of Directors Is Elected by "Progressives" in Spirited Contest at Annual Meeting of Hood \$2,500. **River's Great Marketing Organization=-Many Reforms** Are Promised by New Officials, Who Defeat Opposing Candidates in Decisive Manner=-All-day Session Held.

A sweeping change was made in | packed with stockholders and the | the ranchers had been dissatisfied the management of the Hood River halls were filled with interested spec- with the management. J. L. Carter took the floor and ex-

Fruit Growers' Union at the annual tators. meeting Saturday-the largest in point of attendance in the history of by President McCurdy, Dr. Stanton the meeting and in the disappointthe organization, practically every Allen named the ticket advanced by ment on the part of the defeated canshare of stock being represented in the "progressives." This ticket in- didates and their supporters which the balloting.

The entire ticket nominated by the editor of "Better Fruit." The latter Union. He spoke of the great imso-called "progressives" was elected had risen from a sick bed in order to portance to the valley that the orby an average vote in shares of about attend the meeting and made a short ganization be maintained at its 1700 to 1100.

Successful candidates for directors health and a multiplicity of other that no efforts be spared to maintain and the vote received by them follows: duties to become a candidate on it thus. W. B. Dickerson, 1826; C. W. Hooker, either ticket. He expressed his sin- C. W. Hooker, one of the candi-1708; Albert Sutton, 1685; L. E. Clark, cere wish, however, that the con- dates on the "progressive" ticket, 1667; O. L. Walter, 1664; John H. tested election would not cause any took the floor and spoke of his in-Mohr, 1638; L. E. Ireland, 1596; Dr. hard feelings, whichever side might terest in the Union as a selling agen-Stanton Allen, 1580; F. G. Hutchin- win out, and gave it as his earnest ey. He said that he had been prodesire that no rupture in the prietor of a large manufacturing conson, 1389.

The opposing ticket and the votes Union might result. His remarks cern in the East before coming to obtained were as follows: C. Deth- were heartily applauded. Dr. Allen thereupon substituted the particular experience in the placing man, 1112; J. R. Shelton, 1035; C. C. name of F. G. Hutchinson for that Carpenter, 1030; Oscar Vanderbilt, 1020; J. J. Gibbons, 1012; A. D. Ram- the opportunity to outline the quali- salesmen. That Mr. Hooker made a sey, 963; V. Winchell, 892.

fications of the candidates whose favorable impression is indicated by The meeting opened at about 10:30 names he had proposed. His nomi- the large vote which he received. o'clock. The first order of business nations were seconded and placed on was the calling of the roll and regis- the ballot.

leaders of the "progressives," made tration of proxies. Of the latter Mr. Sproat placed in nomination there were a large number. Com- the ticket of the opposing party and there will be took excepmittees appointed several months in doing so he spoke of the experibeen made that the committees had ago by the "progressives" had been ence which most of them had had in been stirring up dissatisfaction. He engaged in marshalling their forces managing the affairs of the Union stated that they had canvassed the and in obtaining from those unable ever since its incorporation and valley and that, finding the dissatisto be present their proxies. Accord- stated that, in his opinion, the great faction, had gone about finding ing to Manager Sproat, he and the success which the Union had enjoyed means whereby they hoped to do present directors had learned about was due in large measure to the away with it and place the Union in three months ago of the efforts being business-like management of those a stronger position. George L Sarmade to elect a new set of directors whose names were presented for regent made a short talk in behalf of and the result was that both factions election. He stated that their platthe new ticket. had been doing some strenuous cam- form was "increased cold storage paigning. Interest at the meeting capacity and shipping facilities, ecoby the "progressives," Mr. Sproat nomical management and a worldwas at a high pitch. acting alone in behalf of his col-

Manager Sproat read his report at wide market." He said that if they the morning meeting. This was were re-elected it was assured that more in the nature of a valedletory funds would be forthcoming with spect. He spoke of some of the probthan a campaign speech as it had al- which to build the additional store lems which the Union will have to ready been estimated that the bal- houses. He wanted to know what solve under the coming management ance of power probably lay in the specific charges could be brought and especially the need of larger cold hands of the "progressives." Perif against the present management, nent paragraphs from Mr. Sproat's A. I. Mason accepted the invita

report are given in another column. tion of Mr. Sproat. He spoke par- Balloting was started about four to Hood River on their special train Once or twice Mr. Sproat was inter- iteniarly of lax packing methods o'clock and it was over an hour berupted by members of the opposition which he said had been tolerated fore the last ballot was in the box. entire day here. In the evening a who took exception to passages of during the past two years and said The tellers-C. H. Sletton and C. C. that means should be taken to main- Lemmon-worked on the count until cial Club auditorium. It is expected his report.

HOOD RIVER, OREGON, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 1912

UNION LOCAL TRANSFERS EAST IS ADOPTING **OF REAL ESTATE**

The following real estate sales are J. B. Castner, who returned las reported for the past week. week after having spent the winter

the old style of apple packing is still Parker, 10 acres west of Pine Grove,

Hood River and that he had had

of products on the market. He fa-

W. H. Goodenough, Jr., one of the

Most of the speeches were made

leagues and supporters in this re-

storage facilities and of maintaining

largest block of Ortleys in the valley.

The buildings include an attractive

prises the north 20 acres of the Cutler

HOMER ROGERS PLANNING

est American who ever climbed the

brothers' fifty.

a high grade pack.

Same-property to Arno T. Loeffler by the West of using boxes and gradand Loeffler to Harry R. Beale and ing the fruit carefully is coming into use in the more progressive sections Rebecca M. Lining and husband to of the East. Mr. Castner instructed

Wm. B. Tewksbury, five acres in a class of forty in apple packing at Barrett District, \$7,000.

Edwin J. Couchman to Phoebe Couchman, his wife, lots 2 and 3, block 2, Adams Addition. Annis Mayes, widow, to Charles T.

Foster and wife, lot 18, block 2, Idlewilde Addition, \$1,000.

Upon nominations being called for pressed the hope that, in the heat of Frances E. Chapman to Frances M. Chapman, lot 15, block 4, Stranahan's Addition.

cluded the name of E. H. Shepard, might follow, none would desert the Flora E. Hartley to Gladys Hammack, 10 acres in Dukes Valley,

Homestead Orchard Company to C. H. Cooke, lot 4, 5, 10 and 11, Spitzspeech declining on account of poor greatest efficiency and made a plea enburg subdivision, \$4,000.

sarah B. Carlisle, lots 7 and 8, block land in apples, and apply western was 420,000. 3. Park Addition. methods.

Portland Clubs Accept Invitation to Festival

BOXES FOR APPLES

in use the new method as adopted

1028; G. A. McCurdy, 1025. C. R. Bone, of Mr. Shepard. Dr. Allen also took vored the employment of traveling Special Train Will Bring Commercial Organization from Rose City to Spend An Entire Day at Blossom Carnival-Press Club Will Also Come from Nellis Metropolis to See Valley.

> Enthusiastic assurances received apple blossoms are at their best, and ries. Our D'Anjou pears rank high west. from the Fortland Commercial Club this cannot be determined for a in the market and when grown more Mr. Sproat read a number of letand from the Portland Press Club, couple of weeks yet.

> > val spirit.

for the four days.

APOLLO CONCERT CO.

auspices of the U. B. church.

as well as many expressions of interthe success of Hood River's Blossom two days will be reserved especially \$1.25 per box f. o. b. Hood River. Festival which is to be held early next month.

A large delegation from the Portland Commercial Ciab will spend an entire day here and arrangements are being made to take the party for a trip into the valley in order that they may see the carpet of apple blossoms with which the country will be covered at that season. The Portland men will spend Friday evening at The Dalles, according to

the plans now made, and will come early the next morning, spending th smoker will be given at the Commerwill be the guest of honor at that

Manager Sproat Submits **Annual Report of Union**

J. R. Phillips and wife to Howard in the East, reports that although Business of Year 1911 Is Reviewed and Suggestions Made for Better Handling of Fruit in Future-Production of Pears Increasing-Over \$13,000 Spent for Increased Facilities-Summary Given.

Amherst, Mass. Quite a number At the annual meeting of the ing to be an absolute imposssibility were fruitgrowers of considerable ex- Union Saturday Manager C. H. for any Board of Directors and Manperfence. Four were young women. Sproat submitted his annual report, ager, though they be made to order, Mr. Castner also delivered a number excerpts from which are given below. to place our future crops of apples "The volume of business for the sea- on the market early in the season of addresses before New England fruitgrowers and impressed upon son of 1911 was very much less than without a great sacrifice of price, them how impractical it is to mix that of the season of 1910, owing en- and the growers must, whether they Heber W. Chapman, William and good and poor fruit indiscriminately. tirely to the very much shorter crop will or not, accustom themselves to "I took a trip through New Eng- for the season of 1911, as compared know that they cannot get all of land to obtain an insight of how the with that of the preceding year. The their money for their apple crop apple business is handled there," says total number of crates of strawber- early in the season, but that the Mr. Castner. "I found that some of ries handled this last season was 23,- apple-selling period from now on will the progressive growers are awaken- 000; cherries 726 boxes; peaches 559 extend over into mid summer each ing to the fact that there is a great boxes; pears 7980 boxes; apples 129,- following year, provided, of course, deal in the up-to-date western meth- 315 boxes. ods used by the western orchardists." He encouraged the eastern fruit being 161,580. The total number prices.

Geo. D. Culbertson and wife to farmers to put a few acres of good of packages of fruit handled in 1910

of cherries and peaches in Hood Riv- on the apple, the buyers having the er as a business of any commercial impression that our fancy grade was importance.

is gradually increasing. The last Wenatchee and Idaho, and it may season was not a very favorable one be well to suggest that the several in general for pears, as the produc- box apple sections of the Northwest tion of pears everywhere last season should certainly have a uniform rule was very large. However, we were of grading and the naming of the able to net our growers \$1.15 for several grades. Then a buyer in fig-Bartlett pears, 76c for small Bartletts, uring on apples from the different \$1.79 for D'Anjous, \$1.17 for Winter sections will know exactly that the

good shippers and are practically as and the word 'Fancy' also stands perishable as peaches or strawber- for the same all through the North-

it has been definitely decided to in the general market along side by Quite a number spoke of the apples est from residents of the Rose City have the festival extend over four side with the Southern Oregon D'An- having been picked when overripe, who have interests here, have gone days, beginning Thursday and con- jous. We desire to say that we had No complaints were received last far during the past week in insuring tinuing through Sunday. The first all the Winter Nellis pears sold at year as to extra fancy grades, exfor the entertainment of individuals, while Saturday and Sunday will have as their especial features the re- ples, of which there are about 16 var- Sproat declared that "the growers ception of the Portland delegations. lettes which have more or less of a crowded this grade to the very Local business men and residents reputation for quality on the general limit and over the limit," He will be asked to decorate for the occasion in order to add to the festiwill be fortunate if they receive in the unsightly blemishes. He advised The special rate of a fare and a third will be given by the railroads future the cost of production. We that when it is known that certain

you are not willing to have your "The total number of packages of goods sold in the fall at sacrifice "We had several turn-downs of Fancy apples under our grading this "We do not look upon the growing past year because of the blemishes without blemishes and was graded "Relative to pears, the production | the same as the apples from Yakima,

word 'Extra Fancy' from any sec-"Our Bartlett pears are not very tion means a certain quality apple,

extensively we think will take a place ters from last year's customers.

cept possibly on some of the five-tier "Relative to apples, we have listed stock. On fancy grades the comwith us 76 different varieties of ap- plaints were more numerous. Mr. markets of the country, leaving strongly urged the orchardists for about 60 varieties which are simply their own interest not to crowd into apples, and for which our growers this fancy grade apples which have unhesitatingly say that the grower shipments are for exportation that is going to waste his time in going they should be packed in heavier to the expense of undertaking to put boxes. With our increasing output these low class apples on the market, be advised that the question of by-APPEARS HERE TOMORROW and we suggest that the grower products be considered and the posought either to pull out these varies sibility of using apples not otherwise He also emphasized very strongly

Balloting for directors took place tain the integrity and reputation of about eight o'clock when the results that S. Benson, donor of the \$10,000 at the afternoon session. The audi- the Hood River pack. He outlined were officially declared by President for the Portland-Hood River road, torium of the Commercial Club was a number of points in which he said McCurdy.

BANK OBSERVES ITS **J. C. SKINNER BUYS** NOT A DEMOCRAT TWELFTH BIRTHDAY THE JOHNSON PLACE FILES FOR OFFICE

Democrats are modest in their political ambitions in Hood River county. When the time expired Friday evening for the filing with County tablished by Messrs. Leslie and Tru-Clerk Hanson of candidates' petitions not a single Democrat was on the list. This is the first time that this stantial growth is shown by the fact has happened since Hood River be- that when first started as a partnercame a county. The petitions show ship concern the capital stock was the following candidates for nomina- \$20,000. Five years later, in 1905, the tion on the Republican ticket:

For sheriff-Thomas F. Johnson and Frank Chandler.

For county clerk-W. E. Hanson. For county treasurer-Frank A. last year to \$100,000. The Messrs. Bishop.

Henderson and Murray Kay.

For county commissioner-John R. Patnam, F. P. Friday and George M. Wishart.

For justice of the peace-A. C. Buck. For constable-E. S. Olinger,

No candidates have filed for the offices of county school superintendent or coroner. It is understood, however, that the present incumbents, C. D. Thompson and Dr. H. L. Dumble, respectively, will permit the use of their names as candidates for re election.

Market Axioms

In selling apples the first requirement is a thoroughly good pack. Good fruit, good all the way through; top and bottom just the same. Cheating is an unsatisfactory business policy.

Only the best pays in these days of high-priced labor and packages. When there are market quotations for knots and worms it will be time to quit spraying and grading.

Money in hay land, B. E. Duncan.*

Last Thursday the Butler Banking A deal was closed here the last of Company quietly observed its tweifth the week whereby J. C. Skinner, Club and have promised to turn out anniversary, it having first been es-Club and now connected with the Davidson Fruit Company, comes inman Butler on April 4, 1900. That the bank has had a rapid and sub-Johnson, Jr. The price paid is not made public, but it is understood that Mr. Skinner made a good buy as the place is one of the company was incorporated and the most desirable in the valley. Seven capital stock increased to \$50,000. acres of the tract are in 15-year-old After six more years of growth the trees and the balance in five yearcapital stock was again increased olds. The trees include Spitzenburgs, Newtowns, Arkansas Blacks and the

Butler, both able and conservative For county surveyor-Louis A. bankers, have been closely identified with the prosperity and public confidence which the institution has en-Joyed.

> 0000000000000000 **BLOSSOM WEEK POST CARD DAY** This is what everybody should do to make Blossom Week the greatest possible advertisement for Hood River

TO LEAD ALPINE PARTY and its apples. Do it now. Homer A. Rogers of the Upper Buy five Post Cards of Hood Valley, near Mt. Hood, is planning a River views. Stamp them. Address them to five people within 200 miles of Hood River. perfenced mountaineers and members Write them a personal mesof the Slerra Club of California. Mr. sage saying to keep their eyes

Rogers has passed five summers to glued to the Portland papers the Alps and has climbed Mount he forged Mr. Underwood's name to for the details of Hood River Blanc, Finster-Aarhorn, Jungfrau and Blossom week and to be sure other noted peaks. He is the youngand come for a day.

Matterborn.

Do not mall these cards until you are told to do so in this same space. Then when you get the word let them go, SECRETARY COMMERCIAL CLUB.

relatives here.

time. On Sunday the Portland Press Club the valley and its mass of blossoms. The pencil pushers in the Rose City have already accepted the invitation extended by the local Commercial

former secretary of the Commercial in force.

It is impossible to decide positively upon the dates for the festival at to posession of the 20 acre, highly this time, but it will be held either success. improved fruit ranch of William H. from May 2 to 5 inclusive, or from Mrs. Anna K. Baker of Parkdale the 9th to 12, according to when the is spending a week in Portland.

> AMOS UNDERWOOD STRUCK BY TRAIN, **SUES FOR \$1.000**

Amos Underwood of Underwood, Wash., filed suit in the circuit court two miles west of this city, John 00 per month. here the last of the week alleging Trager, an aged German, sustained "Now our Fancy grade of apples ing normal crops this year The eight-room bungalow, barn, garage, that L. J. Stewart, a former employe, injuries Sunday morning which re- this past season was crowded be. mild winter and the low mean temtenant house and poultry houses. forged Underwood's signature to a sulted in his death a short time after youd measure in the way of putting perature of March have provided con-Mr. Johnson bought the place last certificate of deposit for \$1000 in the he was brought to the hospital here. in apples with more and larger defall from the Cutler brothers. It is First National Bank here and cashed Mr. Trager was an elderly man fects than the general grading rules vorable for fruits. located at Lentz station and com. the certificate.

injuries could be dressed. the other papers in the box, but that

the note and secured the cash.

his attorney.

The noted Apollo Concert Com- ties and put up to date varieties in disposed of for canned goods, jeilles, pany will appear here tomorrow their place or top work them by cider, vinegar and evaporated apples, Thursday | evening in the final num- grafting them. ber of the Hood River Lyceum "The total number of shippers who the urgent need of providing addi-

Course, which is given under the have allied themselves with the Un tional storage facilities. ton this last season have been as fol-

The company is said to be ideal lows: Growers of strawberries and from the lyceum standpoint. The small fruits 183; growers of apples EASTERN FRUIT IS will be the guest of Hood River and fact that it ranks among the half and pears 316. The number of new will be given an opportunity to see dozen "best sellers" in the country stockholders who have joined the proves the popularity of the com- Union during the past year are 54, pany. Individually they rank "We have bought real estate diamong the best soloists in the coun- rectly south of our city warehouse try on their respective instruments. at a cost of \$2100.00 upon which we cultural department at the Oregon but they are not so anxious to "show think it will be necessary in the very off" personally as they are to make near future to erect a warehouse. We the program of the company a great also expended \$2000.001n the building

known as the Wilson Water Power throughout the states east of the OLD MAN SUCCUMBS System which has a total capacity of the sum of the sum of the Guild district. \$45,000.00, of which for the first two

and was traveling from Edgewood, issued from the office prescribed, Allegations contained in the com- Iowa, to live with his daughter at with the result that very many critiplaint are that last December Mr. Mt. Angel, Oregon. He had a ticket class came back relative to the qual-Underwood deposited \$1000 in the through to Portland, but upon ity of this particular pack and in First National Bank and took a cer. reaching this city got off the train many instances we had to allow retificate of deposit. A few days later by mistake. Being rather feeble, bates in order to appease the buyer

Taft Speaker Here Tomorrow Arrangements have been made to necessary for the growers of this val- community and is outcould quali-

A large attendance is expected.

HURT BY THE COLD

Prof. C. I. Lewis, head of the horti-Agricultural College, is receiving reports from the Middle West and Eastern States relative to the prosof a receiving warehouse at Odell pects for the 1912 fruit crops, which station on the Mt. Hood railroad, indicate that practically all possibilmaking a total of over \$13,000.00 in litles of an Eastern fruit crop have money which has been paid out since been destroyed by one of the longest April 1st, 1911, for increased facilities and most severe winter seasons on "We have also purchased what is record. This is the general situation

The Oregon fruits, which have ad-Struck by a train at a point about years we pay a monthly sum of \$400. vanced far enough to permit an examination, give promise of producditions in this district anusually fa-

STRONG SUPPORT IS GIVEN E. C. SMITH

he was preparing to leave for Call, minded on account of his age, he and have him accept his car. We Attorney E.C. Smith of this city fornia and entrusted Stewart with started to walk towards Portland. found that the more yellow the New- who is a candidate for nomination the certificate along with other pa. As he was rounding a curve west of town was, the more scald seemed to as district attorney on the Republic trip through the Alps this summer pers, which he instructed Stewart to the city a westbound freight struck develop, which leads us to think can ticket, is receiving strong supwith a party of friends. All are ex. place in Mr. Underwood's safety des him, crashing his right side. The that the Newtown apple should be port throughout the district and posit box at the bank here. Mr. traincrew picked him up and brought picked earlier than we have done in particularly in his home county Underwood alleges that Stewart put him back here, but he died before his the past and not be allowed to be, where he is best known and has a

come over-ripe on the trees, and we host of friends. Mr. Smith has taken further believe that it is going to be an active part in the sivie life of the

According to the complaint, Mr. have Ex Congressman Raiph D. Cole ley to generally pick their apples fiel to fill the position for which he Underwood did not discover until of Ohto deliver a speech in behalf of earlier than has been the custom, is a candidate with credit both to his recent return from California that Taft's candidacy at the Commercial which means that we must sacrifice himself and to the district. He is in the certificate was not in the safety Club anditorium here tomorrow some degree of color in order to a position to give an absolutely im-Mrs. L. H. Arneson and children deposit box. He is suing the bank evening at eight o'clock. Mention of have our apples retain their keeping partial administration and to encame from The Dalles the last of the to recover the sum paid on the note. Mr. Cole's bigh standing as a poll-qualities, for it is keeping quality force the law in every respect. He week to spend a couple of weeks with George E. O'Byron of Stevenson is tician is made elsewhere in this issue, after all that is the made factor promises an houset and vigorous on which we must recognize. It is go "forcement of the laws

