

Valley Improvements Continue Unabated

Trip Over Mt. Hood Railroad Reveals Many New Homes and Apple Houses in Course of Construction--Orchards Being Propped to Sustain Heavy Loads of Fruit Now Maturing.

A trip over the line of the Mt. Hood Railroad Friday discloses the fact that everybody along the line has supreme faith in the ultimate success of the valley.

A cooperative apple house is being erected at Pine Grove that will require over 500,000 feet of lumber to complete and it looks large enough to hold all of the apples in Hood River.

W. B. Sherman is just putting the finishing touches on one of the finest private apple houses in Hood River valley. Mr. Sherman has a large bearing orchard and he is preparing to place his fruit in the best of condition for shipment by rushing it into the apple house for precooling.

All along the line new houses are being erected which indicated a healthy condition of the valley. The growers are not waiting to see whether they are going to get a crop or not for this fact is assured and many are building on futures.

The Oregon Lumber Company's mill at Dee was running full tilt with the pond bulging out with logs and as soon as we stuck our heads out of the door the boss wanted to give us a job. The side track was full of cars from the Great Southern Railroad for which the mill is cutting several million feet of lumber for their extension work.

Parkdale is getting to be one of

the cities of the county and the store here is doing a big business with a long list of pleased customers.

The apple growers along the line were busy propping the apple trees and preparing for the final windup of the crop. The Yellow Newtowns appear to be very large for this season of the year which indicates that the crop will be in the very best of condition from the standpoint of size.

WHY ONE BUSINESS MAN ADVERTISES

A prominent business man explains why he advertises and why he uses newspapers for that purpose, as follows:

"I advertise in the newspapers because I am not ashamed of my goods or my work, and to let people know my stock; because I cater to the intelligent class and they read the papers, and believe in increasing my business because I can talk to more people through the newspapers at a greater distance in less time and at a more reasonable price than in any other way; because my newspaper advertising has brought me greater returns for the least expenditure of any advertising I have done; because when I write an ad I am not too stingy to pay for placing it in the best possible medium or to have it inserted so it is attractive; because I know my ad is seen and read by every one in the house where the paper goes.

Local Grange Chieftan Dons His War Paint

A. I. Mason, State Grange Committeeman, Who Assisted in Framing Good Roads Bills Adopted by the State Grange, Sends Challenge to Champions of Other Good Roads Measures to Debate.

A. I. Mason, champion good roads booster for the state grange, and member of the state grange committee that framed the present good roads bill to be voted on at the ensuing election, is running over with enthusiasm to get a whack at some fellow who espouses the "Harmony" road bills or the southern Oregon measures.

Mr. Mason desires to arrange a debate with the best speakers in the state on the roads measures to be voted on in the November election, and when it comes to talking about roads, we will all have to take off our rubbers to A. I.

The Commercial Club recently ap-

pointed a committee to investigate the several good roads measures submitted to the people for vote and report back the bill that Hood River county should stand by. Mr. Mason stated that he is anxiously awaiting the report of this committee, and you can depend upon it, that if a report is made counter to the purposes of the grange bills that the fur will fly, and the committee will need to give a mighty good reason "for the faith that is in them."

Pollies are dead just now and if A. I. can start something the newspaper reporters would be mighty glad.

RETAILERS WILL BUY DIRECT

Twenty-five retail fruit dealers in Spokane have organized a sort of co-operative association for the purpose of buying their supplies in the Wenatchee valley, says the Wenatchee Republican. They plan to do business with growers, associations and wholesale concerns here and have the shipments sent to one of their number in Spokane, who will make the distribution there. Their scheme eliminates the Spokane commission man or wholesaler, and assures them at moderate cost of high grade fruit.

The idea of this co-operative association of Spokane retailers originated with J. H. Pool, head of the J. H. Pool company, in the Inland Empire capital. His firm retails large quantities of fruit. The Spokane merchant was surprised to learn of what seemed to him the low prices at which fruit could be contracted from growers and shippers here. Upon his return to Spokane he explained conditions to business men engaged in the retail fruit trade, with the result that twenty-five, including himself, agreed to get jointly through him all their supplies in this valley. He is quite enthusiastic over the proposition and feels confident of its success.

OSIE'S MAX GETS IN BAD

Otto Max, who was recently arrested at St. Paul, Minn., and who says he is one of Governor West's "boys" is in jail in St. Paul charged with having robbed a dozen homes in St. Paul and as many in Minneapolis. Max is said to have admitted that he had robbed a number of Minneapolis homes.

Max said he was one of the prisoners liberated from Oregon State Penitentiary under a plan inaugurated by Governor Oswald West. He is said to be one of the few convicts who have broken their word to the governor.

Otto Max said he had been under a sentence for 20 years, of which he served five.

When Detective Martinson, of Minneapolis, went to St. Paul today to look over loot that St. Paul detectives had found in Max's rooms he found two suitcases of stolen property taken from Minneapolis homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Frazier of Hood River spent the week end with their daughter, Mrs. C. E. Galligan. They returned home Monday, being accompanied by Miss Gladys Porter of Wasco, who has been here the past month.—Dufur Dispatch.

VISITING PASTORS FILL LOCAL PULPITS

Dr. A. H. Lathrop, of Creston, Iowa, who is visiting his son, Albert, and daughter, Mrs. E. O. Hall, preached in the Methodist church Sunday morning to a large congregation. Dr. Lathrop's sermons are always scholarly expositions of his theme and the Hood River citizens always crowd the church on the dates that it is announced that the former pastor will preach.

Rev. W. G. Elliot, of Portland, who was a former Hood River boy, preached to a large congregation at the Unitarian church Sunday morning, and his hearers were delighted with his splendid sermon. The musical program of the Unitarian church was especially fine Sunday. Mrs. C. H. Stetten is soloist.

GOLD BRICK ARTISTS UP AGAINST IT

"Fly-by-night" real estate brokers operating near Malaga in the Wenatchee Valley have recently handed out scores of "gold bricks" to land speculators in Oregon and other Northwest states. It was discovered recently by the Wenatchee Commercial Club. Action will be brought at once. In the interest of the good name of the Wenatchee Valley against the alleged fake operators.

Instead of "high class orchard land under the ditch, and possible of great wealth production" investors are awakening to the disheartening reality that they have paid hard earned cash for precipitous and barren mountain land, incapable of producing anything save quarry rock, pine squirrels and stunted timber.

DR. M. E. WELCH RETURNS HOME

Dr. M. E. Welch, who left Hood River about a month ago, returned the latter part of the week from his visit to the middle west where he has been visiting relatives and old time friends.

Dr. Welch has a son residing in New Richmond, Wis., who is in charge of the largest and best newspaper in that section of the country. It's a club the doctor isn't stuck on the climate of that section. Lightning, thunder, wind storms, etc., such as would break a hole in the sky had no charm for the Oregon acclimated veterinarian, and it took Doc. several days to get the fumes of brimstone out of his hair after coming back to Hood River.

PICNICKERS KILL LARGE RATTLER

A number of young ladies from the city, who went on a picnic trip Sunday to the summit of Bald Butte, encountered a large rattler while meandering around. Some of the ladies had almost stepped on the reptile before he sounded the warning for them to mind their own business. Robert Husbands was delegated by the picnickers to deal death to the fiery serpent and accordingly administered a shower of sticks and stones that caused the specimen of crotalus horridus to give up the ghost. "Bob" was awarded the eight rattles and button as a trophy for his bravery.

MAIL FLIRTATIONS MUST SOON END

"The proposed order by Postmaster General Hitchcock regulating the use of the general delivery windows of postoffices is one of the best moves made in the service for years," declared Postmaster Merrick of Portland. "Clandestine correspondence carried on by the use of these windows is very large and I will welcome the order to put a stop to a great deal of it. Many men and women make use of this window who have no cause to do it except for the sake of receiving letters they are ashamed to receive at their homes or places of business. I think it a splendid provision to make all who wish to avail themselves of the window tell their reasons. I will certainly enforce the law here."

HOOD RIVER STUDENT BECOMES EDITOR

In a conference at the University of Oregon recently, Carl Outbank of Hood River and Andrew Collier of Eugene laid plans for the publishing of the Oregon Emerald, the student newspaper of which they are editor and manager respectively. When college opens in September they will increase the number of issues each week from two to three. Several hundred dollars was turned into the treasury as net earnings of the paper during the last school year under the efficient management of Wendell Barbour, and it is hoped by the new officers that they will be able to successfully finance a tri-weekly paper.

Carl Outbank was the editor and Andrew Collier, the manager of the Oregon Emerald, the junior annual, this last year. Their year book was the largest that has ever been put out by the students of the University, being nearly two inches thick. Although five hundred expensive cuts were used which brought the expenses of the publication to nearly \$3,000, a small dividend was returned to the class from the advertising and sales of the book. Their success was so marked with the year book that they were selected to handle the Emerald for the coming year in the student elections last May despite the opposition from the members of the staff of the Emerald who were in line for first honors on the paper.

The Oregon Emerald has a circulation of nearly a thousand. It is sent to the alumni of the University throughout the state and in all parts of the world. On the evenings of publication, it is carried to the doorstep of the students. It was charged by the alumni in the last annual meeting during commencement that the student editors and reporters became so engrossed in their own little world that they neglected to give sufficient space to news which was of interest to the alumni subscribers. Judge Slater of Salem, who is president of the University of Oregon Alumni Association, was authorized to appoint a committee of three to advise the editor as to the policy of the paper and to look out for the interests of the alumni. The alumni stated that they desired to have more news printed concerning the serious work of the University and less space in the paper devoted to athletics.

Messrs. S. F. Goss and C. T. Bennett were transacting business in Hood River between trains yesterday afternoon.—Bulletin.

RAILROADS TO AID EMPLOYEES

The Harriman railroads have authorized the appointment of a General Safety Committee, which will consider ways and means to protect all employes against hazards and accidents. This system has an absolutely clean record as to the safety of its passengers during the past two years, having had no fatality over its 20,000 miles of trackage. Now, attention is to be given to the thousands of men working for the railroad in shops, yards and on train crews. The men will be encouraged to call attention to improvements that might be made for their own protection. This work has already been started on the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation Company, and good results are looked for immediately.

MAZAMAS BREAK CAMP AT HOOD

The camp fires of the Mazamas have been put out for this year and the campers have returned to their homes. Thirty campers came down from Mount Hood Monday and took the local for Portland. The Mazamas have been in charge of Mr. Francis Benefield of Portland, who has managed this year's trip in a most successful manner. Some of the climbers stated that the hardest portion of the mountain was at the upper end of Cooper's Spur where the mountain is steep and the rocks lay very loose. No accidents have occurred this year that have been fatal. The registration books show that 101 registered at camp this year. It is thought that the Mazamas will climb Mt. Ranier next year.

Horticultural Chatauqua Fixes Definite Date

Governor West Will Deliver Address--Lava Beds to Be Scene of Activities--Important Horticultural Subjects Discussed--Music and Vaudeville to Be Among the Entertaining Features.

The Hood River Horticultural Chatauqua is a sure go. In fact it could not be otherwise with the character of the personnel back of the movement and on the several committees.

The committee on grounds has selected the Lava Beds in the Upper Valley as the site for holding the first session of the meeting, and there is no spot more beautifully out of doors than this ground.

The first meeting will be called to order on August 22nd, at 2 o'clock p. m. by President Leslie Butler who will deliver the address of welcome and to which Governor Oswald West will make a response.

President Kerr of the O. A. C. will deliver an address in the afternoon on the subject—"The Relation of Agricultural Colleges to Farmers."

The first evening program will be devoted entirely to music. Dr. Withycombe will lecture on the afternoon of August 23rd on the subject—"Diversified Farming as Applicable to Hood River Orchardists." State Superintendent of Schools Alderman will speak on the subject—"What Can Our Country Schools Do

Old Church Edifice Now Being Dismantled

Riverside Congregational Church Congregation Hold Last Service in Pioneer Edifice--Local History Reviewed--New Stone Edifice to Be Dedicated the First Sunday in September.

A large congregation gathered at Riverside church last Sunday morning for the last service in the old church. The Philathea Class of young ladies under the direction of Mrs. W. H. McClain of the Decoration committee, had the building very appropriately adorned in asparagus and roses. The choir was assisted by Miss Rosset who rendered a violin solo. Rev. J. H. Hershner occupied the pulpit with pastor Harris. The pastor prefaced his sermon with the following historical statement:

"Riverside church was organized April 29, 1890 in Blowers' Hall with four members—Geo. P. Crowell, who was elected secretary, Mrs. Anna Middleton, and Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Heald.

The lot upon which the church stands was deeded to the church by the Townsite Company and was the gift of E. L. Smith. The old building was dedicated July 12, 1891. Its cost was approximately \$2100, \$500 of which was furnished by the Church Building Society and a like sum given by friends throughout the state.

Rev. F. M. Aunks served the church as pastor together with the church in the valley until April 1892. Rev. H. F. Gilt began his pastorate in July, 1892, and was ordained and installed on Sept. 20 and served until in May, 1894, for the munificent salary of \$300 a year. Rev. J. L. Hershner

served the church for ten years beginning in Sept. 1894. During his pastorate the church had a large growth. Beginning with a membership of 26 he left the pastorate with a membership of 99, notwithstanding the fact that 60 members were removed by death, letters and revisions. Rev. W. C. Gilmore came to the pastorate in 1904 and served until Sept. 1910 when pastor Harris began his work. The present membership is 221. The 21 years will see the church going into ten times as good a building with twenty times the membership.

Mrs. Rose McCoy-Shelley of Carson, Wash., was in Hood River over Sunday to attend the closing service in the church of which, she with her husband, the lamented Deacon McCoy, were pioneer members. He turned the first spadeful of earth for the building of the old church. Deacon McCoy died in 1898. Mrs. McCoy-Shelley may well be denominated the mother of Riverside church, for, although not a charter member, she was one of the earliest members and as faithful and influential as any the church has had.

The pastor's sermon was on the power of man to create and to give to things a monumental value and spoke of the new church as a stone taken from the hillside and erected to witness the life and faith of the congregation, even as did the Ebenezer of Old Testament fame.

The new building is practically complete. The dedication services will be held Sunday morning Sept. 1. There will be no services until then. The pastor's vacation plans have been upset by his recent accident but he will rest near by, as his injured limb will permit.

At a meeting of the committee appointed by the trustees last Sunday, Hans Hoerline will preside at the pipe organ for the ensuing year.

The dismantling of the old church was begun early Monday morning. By vote of the church and trustees the old bell was tendered to be used for public purposes, inasmuch as it was provided by a popular subscription some years ago, provided the city has use there for.

BULGARIAN CITIZEN GOES TO SALEM

M. Topobsky, a native of Bulgaria, was examined by the county health commission Saturday and the condition of the gentleman warranted the commission to have him cared for by the state for a term. The man has been working as a section hand at Viento and it is stated that he entertained constant fears that some one was on his trail to take his life. He reported that he had relatives in Illinois, but it was with difficulty that information could be secured.

Feast for Valley People. The fine stock of general merchandise, consisting of dry goods, hardware, paints, shoes, drugs, groceries, etc., now being unpacked in the Mt. Hood Hotel Annex Building at First & Oak is the W. S. Griffler stock from Mt. Hood Oregon. It is in the hands of Special Appraiser C. E. Williamson of Portland, and will be put on sale commencing Saturday, August 3. Mr. Harry Simon, also of Portland, acting as sales manager. It will be well to look over the big ad on page 3 for an idea of the bargains offered under the circumstances. It is hardly likely that Hood River valley people will have another such opportunity very soon for buying staple goods at such big reductions.

TWO HONOR MEN MAKE ESCAPE

Hood River county is shy two more citizens in the persons of John Miller and Henry Hoffman, who were helping to build the automobile road from Portland to Hood River. The men left camp Tuesday evening and left their honor behind them. This makes three men who have escaped from the Shellrock camp this season. It is presumed that the escapers are headed toward Hood River. The trains are being watched and the avenue of escape are closely guarded.



News Snapshots Of the Week The battleship New Hampshire went into drydock in New York for repairs after being rammed by steamboat. Carmi Thompson succeeded Charles D. Hilles as secretary to the president. Illinois authorities investigated Chicago and Alton wreck near Chicago, in which thirteen were killed. Lieutenant Becker of the New York police was accused of being partner of Herman Rosenthal, the gambler who was assassinated. Arbitration board began hearings on demand of railroad engineers for more pay. Members of the board are: 1, Daniel Willard; 2, O. M. Elditz; 3, Dr. Albert Shaw; 4, P. H. Morrissey; 5, C. R. Van Hise; 6, Oscar S. Straus, chairman; 7, Frederick N. Judson. The board is meeting at Manhattan Beach, New York. Many engineers have been called as witnesses and have told of long hours of duty at pay they consider inadequate considering the risk and responsibility.