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WOULD UNITE WHITE SALMON CHURCHES
The White Salmon Enterprise says: Rev. Hargreaves of Hood River preached a sermon in this place recently which is still mentioned by those who heard it. His subject was federation of churches. His remarks were forcibly presented. He called the practice of denominations in trying to establish and maintain churches in little towns when one would suffice is foolish, not only from a financial standpoint, but actually retarded the spread of the gospel. Rev. J. G. Tate, one of the local pastors, said he heartily favored union and is perfectly willing to step aside for some younger or abler man if that should be requested. Rev. Grimes, until recently preaching in a Presbyterian church in Minnesota, now ranching here, says union of White Salmon churches would be a wise step. Members of the Congregational, Methodist and Baptist have expressed the same thing.

RETURNS ARE GOOD FOR STRAWBERRIES
Manager Newton of the White Salmon Union has about wound up the strawberry business for the season. Financial returns have been delayed because of some difficulty in making two collections from business men. When these payments are secured the balance of the money due growers will be immediately sent out. The Manager reports returns as follows:
Sales 1912, about 14,000 crates at an average of \$2.50 a crate.
Sales 1911, about 13,000 crates at an average of \$2.94 a crate.
Sales 1910, 12,000 crates at \$2.23 a crate.
The prices are net F. O. B. White Salmon. The price this season, while lower than a year ago, is relatively higher considering market conditions and the poor quality of the berry this year.

WORK STOPPED ON MOUNT HOOD ROAD
Work has been stopped, temporarily at least, on the automobile road from the Sandy River across the upper end of the Bull Run reserve to Hood River Valley.
This road is being constructed by the Forestry Service, with the assistance of Portland automobile enthusiasts. At a recent meeting of the Portland Water Board, however, Superintendent Dodge declared that the road would be an avenue where parties would go into the reserve and set fires or contaminate Portland's water supply. As a result of this complaint a halt was called to the further construction of the road, and the Forestry Service and Oregon representatives in Congress will be asked to prevent further encroachment of the public inside the limits of the water shed of the city's water supply.
T. H. Sherrard, superintendent of the Bull Run reserve, appeared before the board with maps and explained what work had already been done on the road and what was contemplated. The road, he said, was designed to connect the Sandy Road with the Hood River Valley. It would be a great attraction to campers and tourists on account of its scenic features. About six miles is already constructed.

STRANGE FREAKS FROM APPLE SEEDS
An apple tree is the result of a graft from the tree that is known to be a producer of a certain kind and flavor of apples. If the seed were planted and one relied on it to produce a select grade of fruit the result would be disappointing, for the reason that from the seed the most remarkable varieties will be shown. Perhaps they will be miserable little crabapples or misshapen, bitter fruit or a useless conglomeration. The seed somehow or other harks back to its origin, notwithstanding years of cultivation. The varieties of apples known today are a result of careful selection and constant grafting of the better kind from year to year until the present development has been attained.—Harper's.

WANT ALL APPLE TREES AT STAYTON DESTROYED
As the old fruit trees around West Stayton, being principally in home orchards on grain farms neglected for a score of years, are a menace to the orchards set out by new settlers, efforts are being made to have the Marlon county fruit inspector take steps to do away with these old fruit trees in order to protect the coming fruit center.
The News for good printing.

EAGLE CAP CANNOT RIVAL MOUNT HOOD
Mount Hood's title as the highest peak in Oregon is still clear. Eagle Cap, reputed to be the highest mountain in Eastern Oregon, is no rival of the local peak.
Clyde B. Atchison, chairman of the State Railroad Commission, and well known in Hood River, removed all doubt in the matter when he climbed Eagle Cap the last of the week. His aneroid barometer showed its elevation to be about 9700 feet. Mount Hood's peak towers up 11,225 feet.
On the summit of Eagle Cap, in bottles, are records of two previous barometer readings, both being close to what Mr. Atchison's instrument showed. Surveyors also say the elevation is only about 10,000 feet. The climb to the summit is not difficult, but it is wonderfully interesting.
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NEGLIGENCE COSTS APPLE GROWER \$70
An orchardist in the Naches valley, Washington, was recently fined \$50 and costs, amounting to a total of more than \$70, for failure to cut blight out of his apple and pear trees after having been notified to do so by the horticultural inspector. The instructions of the inspector were to cut all infested branches of apple trees twelve inches below infection, and to cut all branches of pear trees thirty-six inches below the infection. It was charged that the orchardist failed to do this.
Neighbors who were trying to control fire blight in their orchards testified against the defendant, claiming that his infested trees threatened their orchards. The case has been appealed, but in the meantime all orchardists in the Naches valley are being warned to fight blight vigorously. This shows how this disease is being fought in the Pacific Northwest.

SIEG HAS HANDS FULL ARRANGING FOR MARKETS
A dispatch from the meeting of the International Apple Shippers Association at Chicago says:
Wilmer Sieg of Hood River, Ore., and but recently of Milwaukee, was receiving congratulations on his selection as general manager for the Hood River Apple Growers' Union. The convention was the first opportunity that Mr. Sieg had to see the leading apple men of the country all together since accepting his new position and he had his hands full talking over their various markets with them and making various arrangements for handling part of the fine Hood River crop this season. Mr. Sieg is one of the best known apple men in the country.

HUCKLEBERRY CROP OF 40,000 GALLONS PICKED
It is estimated that at least 40,000 gallons of huckleberries will be taken from the patches in the vicinity of Trout Lake, Wash., this season. The roads are lined with dust-laden vehicles and persons on horseback, all going for "ollali" or returning from the fields. Many people from as far away as Yakima are there for berries. On this side of the river the crop has also been exceptionally heavy and many parties have combined business and pleasure by camping out in the huckleberry patches.

WENATCHEE'S CROP 5,000 CARS IS NOW ESTIMATED
Five thousand carloads of fruit will leave the Wenatchee Valley this season. This is the estimate of buyers, growers and the Great Northern Railroad. This year's apple crop will be practically double that of last year and 50 per cent larger than any previous season. The increased acreage is responsible for the big gains. The Great Northern Railroad has planned to handle 100 carloads of apples a day—more than twice the number of any previous year. New markets have been opened in Canada, Australia and California this year.

RAIN MATERIALLY BENEFITS ORCHARDS
Material benefit to the local apple orchards resulted from the two-day rain which came the last of the week. Although considerable damage was done to crops in other parts of the state, the apple crop was helped by the abundant moisture. The precipitation here was four-fifths of an inch. This was sufficient to make up for the slight deficiency of moisture previously this season. The rain coming in an intermittent drizzle served to thoroughly soak the ground and to provide water sufficient to meet the stratum of moist subsoil. This will tend to increase the size of the apples.

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Notice of Summons
In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Hood River.
Hood River Orchard Land Company, a corporation, Plaintiff, vs. Herman G. Gileher, Defendant.
To Herman G. Gileher, Defendant above named: In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby summoned and required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit within six (6) weeks from the first insertion of this publication, and if you fail to so appear and answer herein, the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint, to-wit:
For a judgment and decree to correct a mutual mistake between the parties hereto by reforming a certain deed, given by plaintiff to defendant, covering certain property in Hood River county, Oregon, which deed was recorded November 5, 1911, in volume six (6) of deed records of Hood River county, Oregon, at page 428 thereof, so that the description in said deed will read as follows:
Beginning at a point on the south line of the southeast quarter (SE 1-4) of section thirty-three (33), township three (3) north, range ten (10) east of the Willamette meridian, Hood River county, Oregon, which point of beginning is one hundred and thirty-five (135) rods east of the southwest corner of the southeast quarter (SE 1-4) of the southwest quarter (SW 1-4) of said section running thence north parallel to the west line of said quarter section 34.7 rods, thence west 15.25 chains, more or less, to the center of Phelps creek; thence in a southerly direction along the center of said creek, as follows: south fifty-three (53) degrees, west 3.12 chains to a point in said creek; thence south five degrees, thirty (30) minutes, west 2.62 chains to a point in said creek; thence south forty-six (46) degrees, east 2.212 chains to a point in said creek; thence south fourteen degrees, forty (40) minutes, west 2.456 chains, more or less, to a point where the center of said creek intersects the south boundary line of said section thirty-three (33); thence east along the south boundary line of said section 15.25 chains to the point of beginning, containing 15.11 acres, more or less, and except a strip of land thirty (30) feet wide commencing at the southeast corner of the above-described tract, and running thence west along and north of the south line of said land to the intersection with Phelps creek, to be used for road purposes.
For the costs and disbursements of this suit and for such other and further relief as the court might deem just and equitable.
This summons is published pursuant to an order of the Honorable W. L. Bradshaw, judge of the above entitled court, dated June 12, 1912.
Date of first publication July 10, 1912.
Date of last publication August 21, 1912.
R. E. YOUNG, Attorney for Plaintiff.

Notice to Creditors.
In the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Hood River.
In the matter of the estate of William Henry Williams, deceased.
The undersigned having been appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Hood River, administratrix of the estate of William Henry Williams, deceased, notice is hereby given to the creditors and all persons having claims against said deceased to present them, verified as required by law, within six months after the publication of this notice, to Louisa Williams at her place of residence at West, Hood River county, Oregon.
LOUISA WILLIAMS, Administratrix of the estate of William Henry Williams, deceased.
Dated this 24th day of July, 1912.
Date of first publication July 24th, 1912.
Date of last publication August 14th, 1912.

Notice for Publication
(9442)
Department of the Interior
U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon,
July 22, 1912.
Notice is hereby given that Susan C. McIntosh of Parkdale, Oregon, who on June 3, 1908, made Homestead (Serial 9442), No. 10055, for NE 1/4, Section 13, Township 15 S., Range 9 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Three Year Proof to establish claim to the land above described, before the Register and Receiver at the U. S. Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon, on the 20th day of August.
Claimant names as witnesses: John Fortino Cooney, Alex. M. Anderson, Charles E. McIntosh, D. A. Harvey, all of Parkdale, Oregon.
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