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under the Act of March 3, 1879. THE CITY CANDIDATES

Probably at no time in the city's his tory has an election of officers been of more importance than that to be held next month. The city has now reached the point where extensive improvements are to be made and a large sum of money will be expended within the next couple of years. The \$90,000 which is to be invested in the new water system will be expended during done, while many other matters of importance to the city will come up for administration is the need of the hour.

date for the position. The different the city. He was elected as a Recivic bodies of the city have given Mr. Blanchar their endorsement and there is no reason why he should not receive the united support of all citizens at the coming election. There is no doubt that such will be the case. Mr. Blanchar is especially well qualified to supervise the financial affairs of the city and his sound business sense will insure to the citizens a judicious ex- the annual meeting of the members penditure of the monies which are to and friends of the Congregational be spent during the coming administration.

which they are receiving. All three are representative business men of the city and Mr. Stranahan has al. This committee will investigate the ready earned the confidence and support of his fellow citizens during the period that he has been on the coun-

The more unanimous that the election can be made the greater will be officials elected. The positions are not easy ones to fill for the reason the community. It is a patriotic service which the mayor and councilmen perform and the greater harmony that can prevail between them and the INVESTS \$89.500 citizens the greater is their ability to act effectively in behalf of the muni-

The office of city recorder, which is also to be filled at this election, is one of the most important. Mr. Howe, the present recorder, is entitled to a unanimous support on the record here by A. Welch of Portland has which he has made. He has thor oughly systemitized the city's books and business. He has worked conscientously and effectually, because he was especially well qualified to perform its duties. Having thoroughly familiarized himself with the city's business and having demonstrated his thorough ability to do the work, he is the best man for the place.

THIS YEAR'S APPLE MARKET

Conditions in the apple markets of the country this year are not all that the growers of the Northwest might desire. The heavy crop that has been produced throughout the country has been unusual, not to say phenomenal. The natural result has been that the demand has diminished in inverse proportion.

Hood River has been in a more advantageous position to cope with conditions for two reasons. The greatly increased storage has made it possible to hold all the better grade fruit until the cheaper stuff that is now being dumped into the markets has been consumed. At the same time the superior quality of Hood River's standard varieties creates a more favorable demand than is the case with less famous sections. The result is that local growers can afford to hold their fruit, confident that they will obtain reasonably good prices later in the

When considered from a long-sight ed standpoint it is not unlikely that the condition prevailing the year may work out to the ultimate good of the fruit industry in the Northwest. During the past few years there have ben heavy plantings of apple orchards. While it is very doubtful whether all of these orchards will prove successful in producing high grade apples, it is probable that they will be sufficient, when in bearing, to supply the demand make life worth living. Be sure and ask for for some time to come. Of course the Mott's Nerverine Pills Price \$1.00 increased production in the Northwest will be offset to a degree by the decreased output in less favored sections which have found themselves up able to compete with the higher grade fruit produced here. Extension of markets will also materially increase the demand, but it is the part of wisdom to curtail to some extent at least

THE HOOD RIVER NEWS the heavy plantings that have been made throughout the Northwest. This should be prompted by a sense of mutual self protection of Northwestern

orchardists. With this in view it is probable that the present market conditions will have a salutory effect upon the future orchard conditions in the Northwest. is a cloud with a silver lining.

NEW REPRESENTATIVE IS AN OLD PIONEER

Under a cut of C. H. Stranahan. Hood River's representative elect, the Journal has the following:

C. H. Stranahan, elected state rep- ties. resentative for Hood River and Wasco counties by a majority of nearly 500. was born in New York, February, 1847. this period and the important work and settled near Damascus in Clackaof paving the city streets will also be mas county, where he engaged in vinegar plants and cold storage warefarming and remained until 1877, houses to be owned and operated by accomplishment. In view of these took up a homestead in the center of management. facts a thoroughly competent business Hood River valley. He engaged in the orchard business, and the Strana-Most important among the offices to han homestead is now one of the best be filled is that of mayor. For this orchards on the west side of Hood position Mayor Blanchar is the logical River. Mr. Stranahan has always candidate. A petition signed by the been identified with the progressive with the baton. "Every man in the leading business men of the city has element of the city and valley. He is band thinks he's a soloist. I'm the been presented to Mr. Blanchar and now in charge of the Wasco Warehe has consented to become a candi- house Milling Company's interests in publican.

REV. TATE IS RE-ELECTED PASTOR AT WHITE SALMON

The White Salmon Enterprise says: At the dinner recently held in the Odd Fellows Hall, the occasion being church, Rev. Tate was engaged as pastor for another year. B. W. Morgan The concilmen who were regularly was elected treasurer; George Read, nominated at the primary election are collector; Miss Knight, superintendent also worthy of the strong support of the Sunday School; E. Pinn, organist. A committee was appointed on the matter of proposed church union matter fully and approach the other churches.

Rev. Tate gives the greatest satisfaction to the members of the church and is of much help to the town of White Salmon in more ways than one. the consequent unity in support of the He says he has sometimes thought of making such arrangements for the care of his Hood River orchard, or the that the duties exacted are recom- disposition of it, that he can make his pensed only by the sense of service to home in this place. Nobody would be more welcome.

IN LOCAL REALTY

A recent dispatch to the Oregonian from Hood River says:

During the past 90 days the total purchase price of real estate bought reached \$89,500, and although no definite information can be had from any source, because of Mr. Welch's con nection with Willamette traction companies and his frequent visits here last summer, speculation has again been started relative to the rumors the construction of an electric loop railway in the valley.

The most recent purchases of Mr. Welch announced yesterday are of two tracts of ten and eight acres re bad. The kind we sell have spectively in the Belmont district. He purchased the ten-acre orchard from Charles H. Henney, a United States custom official located in Portland. paying the sum of \$13,500. The other tract was bought from Joseph Ricord at the same price. Both orchards are Bell Building . Hood River, Ore. highly improved, the latter in bearing trees and the former with about half of its trees bearing.

In September Mr. Welch bought from Devlin & Firebaugh, Portland realty men, tracts of orchard land adjoining the Belmont district, for \$50,-000. The purchase of the Wheeler ranch for \$12,500 brings the total of his investments to \$89,5000.

"Mr. Welch tells us that he does not contemplate making his home here, says L. C. Simms, of the Edwards Real Estate Company, which acted as agent in one sale. He says that the land is bought purely for investment and speculative purposes.

Pueblo Indians of the fifteenth century are discovered to have danced the "grizzly bear." Yes, and where are they now?

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PRIZES AWARDED AT THE SPOKANE SHOW

The judges at the fifth national apple show at Spokane made awards in carload lots as follows:

R. Morris of North Yakima won first prize of \$300 and the gold medal banner on a carload of Yellow Newtown

J. F. Estes of Zillah won first prize on a carload of Spitzenbergs. Other carload first prize winners were T. E. Black, Wenatchee, Winesaps; J. E. Bowen, Hunters, mixed: Mrs. W. S. Fullerton, Otis, Wageners, and Mrs. I. C. McIndoe, Prosser, standard varie-

The conference of fruitgrowers devoted considerable time to discussing the utilization of by-products through Mr. Stranahan moved West in 1875 the proposed establishing of commercial evaporators, canning factories. when he moved to Hood River and fruitgrowers under a headquarters

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