

# FRUIT GROWERS' UNION DISSOLVES

## Old Hood River Organization Gives Way to Apple Men's Combine.

### WAS OLDEST ON PACIFIC

#### Dissolution Brought About to Turn All Fruit Business Over to Lusty Sister Union, Only After Hard Contest.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Jan. 22.—(Special.)—After a successful career of 18 years the Hood River Fruitgrowers' Union was dissolved today.

The defunct organization originally handled all the fruit at Hood River, but for several years has shipped the strawberries and sold fruits exclusively. It was the oldest on the Pacific Coast.

Its dissolution was brought about in order to turn all the fruit business handled by organized growers over to its justly sister union conducted by the Applegrowers.

The dissolution of the berry union was not accomplished without a strong fight in which the forces were evenly matched, though in favor of dissolution finally winning by the small majority of four votes out of a total of 173.

The property of the berry union, consisting of a warehouse, the former site, office furniture and shipping outfit, will be turned over to the Applegrowers' Union for a fixed sum agreed on by a committee from the two unions.

The shareholders will receive their pro rata share of the name and the parent union, which has been responsible for making Hood River fruits famous the world over, will be no more.

It is thought that, with the large warehouse and cold-storage plant which the Applegrowers' Union has recently completed, that the small fruits will be handled to better advantage to the growers.

It is stated that the berrygrowers were influenced in voting to turn over the business to the larger union by the fact that the latter was preparing to ship berries this year whether it absorbed the smaller organization or not.

The Hood River Fruitgrowers' Union was organized in 1892 and its incorporators were among the men who helped to organize the Northwest Fruitgrowers' Association. The closing of its affairs was placed in the hands of E. N. Benson, E. H. Shepard, N. Tostevin, C. G. McCall and R. J. McIsaac, board of directors.

# VOTERS MAY BE IGNORED

## Forest Grove Council Considers New Proposal for Lighting.

FOREST GROVE, Or., Jan. 22.—(Special.)—Setting aside the usual voters of the city, as expressed in the unofficial vote on election day on municipal lighting, the Forest Grove City Council today voted to mean municipal ownership, and which was carried by a big majority.

The new council may enter into a contract with the Pacific Coking and Mill Company of this city for the furnishing of lights.

According to the tentative proposal reported to the Council by Councilman Thornburgh, the company wants a 10-year franchise. The city must contribute light on a minimum cost of \$200 a month. The proposed rates are as follows: Under and up to 10,000 kilowatts, 5 cents per kilowatt; 10,000 to 15,000, 4 cents; 15,000 or more, 3 1/2 cents.

A representative of the company is to be here Monday to confer with the committee appointed by the City Council.

The Councilman hold the opinion that if a contract can be made at a cheaper rate than that for which the city could operate its own plant, they are justified in entering into a contract. Before the contract is ratified it is possible that another expression by the voters may be asked.

# FARMERS WILL GET IDEAS

## Demonstration Train on Oregon Short Line to Boom Agriculture.

ONTARIO, Or., Jan. 22.—(Special.)—A demonstration train for the farmers and fruitgrowers will pass through Ontario Thursday at 2 o'clock, stopping for a month on the Oregon Short Line, leaving Salt Lake this week, and making all towns on the Short Line and its branches.

On the train will be Eugene H. Crubb, of Carbonade, Col., expert on potato culture; H. L. Edgerton, expert on seed potatoes; James H. Hutton and M. Mahoney, experts on orchard heating and horticulture; J. E. Wing, editor of the Breeder's Gazette, of Chicago, expert on soils; W. S. Gullford, agricultural director for the Twin Falls North Side project, general agricultural expert. Lectures on raising apples will deal mostly with heating the orchards in the early Spring to avoid frost killing.

# FRANCHISE STARTS ROW

## Railroad Promoter and Council of Ashland in Deadlock.

ASHLAND, Or., Jan. 22.—(Special.)—The Ashland City Council and John R. Allen, a railroad promoter, are sparring over a franchise for the entrance of Mr. Allen's projected Rogue River Valley electric road into Ashland. Mr. Allen submitted to the Council a franchise desired, but the Council wanted to amend it before submitting to a vote of the people.

A committee was appointed to draft such a franchise as the Council would be willing to grant, but at a subsequent meeting Mr. Allen, through his attorney, submitted to the Council a franchise over the refusal of the Council to submit his franchise to a vote. The next move is yet unguessed.

# LABOR MEN TALK STRIKE

## Eugene Unions Hold Smoker and Discuss Printers' Walkout.

EUGENE, Or., Jan. 22.—(Special.)—The labor unions of the city gave a

smoker last night at Eagles' Hall and held an informal discussion of labor conditions generally. The gathering included the unions of the carpenters and joiners, the plumbers, painters and bricklayers. The activities of organized labor has been somewhat accelerated by a recent strike of the printers in the Morning Register office, and the demand on January 15 by the carpenters and joiners' union, recently organized, for the recognition of the union and eight-hour work day and a uniform scale of wages.

The strike in the Register office was precipitated by the employment of a non-union man and the fact that the office does not recognize the union further than to pay the scale and accept eight hours for a work day.

There were 100 in attendance at the smoker last night, and as a discussion of the printers' strike it was stated by one of the printers this morning that a weekly paper would be started shortly by the striking printers to voice their cause and that of organized labor generally.

So far the Morning Register has not been seriously affected by the strike and the paper is being issued on time as usual. The paper is owned and operated by the four Gristrap brothers, all of whom are practical newspaper men and printers.

# FRESHMAN WINS HONOR

## EUGENE'S DEBATING HISTORY MADE BY 20-YEAR YOUTH.

### Carlton E. Spencer, of Roseburg, Takes Highest Place Possible for Individual Debater.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Ore., Jan. 22.—(Special.)—For the first time in history a freshman carried off the highest honors a university debater can receive, by winning the annual medal for the best individual debater, against seven other contestants, in the annual contest in Villard Hall last night.

The man who upset hallowed tradition was Carlton E. Spencer, of Roseburg, 20 years of age, who was also a member of the team which defeated the University of Utah debaters here a week ago. Spencer is a graduate of Roseburg High School, and gained his experience in the Oregon High School Debating League last year.

The night's contest also showed a tryout for selecting six men for the teams which will debate the University of Washington and Idaho on the subject of "The Effect of the Large Settlement." A number of factors combine to make the coming Spring and Summer term of great activity in this newly-irrigated country. Large farms are being organized to concentrate the travel to the new Jawbridge mining district through Hammett, the new town of Hammett, in Medbury Valley, is the closest main line point to the new mining discovery, and it is stated by many who know the country, as well that the trip from Hammett to Jawbridge can be made much quicker than by going around several junction points and then only reaching a few miles nearer on a branch line.

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# ONTARIO MAN COMING HERE

## Oregon Doctor Offered Position on Portland Health Board.

ONTARIO, Or., Jan. 22.—(Special.)—Dr. H. Silverwood, Deputy State Health Officer and Stock Inspector, who has been stationed at Ontario for some months, has been tendered a position by the health department of the city of Portland, as inspector of dairies and cattle furnishing milk in Portland.

The position of pure food enforcement in Portland, which has resulted in an aggressive war on unclean dairies and tuberculous cows, is a responsible one. The city has appointed several additional inspectors, some of whom will be Government men and others private men in private practice. Dr. Silverwood has long been an expert work in the West in the inspection of stock and the wending of diseased stock from Western herds.

# MRS. MILES IS GIVEN MORE

## Monthly Allowance From Contested Estate Increased to \$350.

CEHALIS, Wash., Jan. 22.—(Special.)—The estate of Mrs. John Miles, widow of the late John Miles, won a point in her contest for the estate before Court Commissioner Rhodes in this city today. The court has ordered that she be given an allowance of \$350 a month for her maintenance.

Her estate was estimated by him at \$100,000. The contest was brought on by Mrs. Miles' attorneys asked that she be allowed \$350 a month for maintenance, and the court has granted the request. The decision will probably be appealed from to the Superior Court and may go even higher.

# SMALL TOWNS STILL DARK

## Ontario Lighted by Candles—Power Grudgingly Allowed.

ONTARIO, Or., Jan. 22.—(Special.)—Ontario and neighboring towns are still in darkness on account of the crippling of the Idaho-Oregon Light & Power Company by the break in its canal at Horseshoe Bend three weeks ago.

At the power it is possible for the company to furnish is being turned to Boise, and the small towns are being lighted by tallow candles. No power at all is obtainable, except for a few lights at night, and the Commission will not allow time after midnight each night, when the company allows a short time for pumping reservoirs full to supply water to the city. The coal shortage is acute and kerosene is scarce.

# Cemetery Plans at Mount Scott.

To gather cemetery ideas in San Francisco and Los Angeles for use in developing the Mount Scott cemetery at Portland, J. P. Finley left yesterday for those cities, and will be gone several weeks. Mr. Finley is one of the directors of the company that is laying out the new burial ground at Mount Scott. The company will begin extensive landscape improvements this year. Its plans include extension of the electric railway from Lent's to its tract on Mount Scott, so that funerals can be conducted by trolley, and also to independent and Mount Scott via the L. & M. motor line. The daily stage service to Dallas and McCoy will be discontinued on the date that the mail service becomes effective.

Signs' imports of electrical supplies have trebled in five years.

# RAIN BLOCKS RAILS

## Walla, Walla, After Repairs, Is Isolated Again.

# TORRENT RUINS REPAIRS

## Northern Pacific Has Line West Clear, O. R. & N. Completely Shut Off — Dayton Road Blocked, Creeks Subsiding.

WALLA, WALLA, Wash., Jan. 22.—(Special.)—Torrent upon torrent falling yesterday and last night after repairs were completed, today the O. R. & N. found itself blocked. New Walla is isolated as far as the Harrington line are concerned, and the Northern Pacific only has a line clear West. Washouts and soft tracks block the Northern Pacific's Dayton line. Water in some of the creeks is subsiding.

The O. R. & N. reports the following trouble: Small landside and several washouts near Moore, on the Snake River cutoff; bridge out in Hay Canyon between Riparia and La Crosse; Conell branch out; bad washouts on main line to Spokane between Bole and Starbuck; this part of the line to be tied up at least 10 days; washouts between Adams and Pendleton; washouts near Emmett; washouts between Dayton and Walla.

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NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—A settlement has finally been reached regarding the \$30,000,000 loan to the Chinese Government. It was reported in banking circles today, and the allotment of bonds will be announced the next day. The loan is for the construction of the Antung-Mukden line, and the United States, Britain, France, Germany and the United States are each to share a one-quarter interest, or \$7,500,000 of the loan.

The fact that the American syndicate in the negotiations, have, it is said, agreed to reimburse the Manchurian Railway Company, which had the original concession from the Chinese Government, for all actual outlays heretofore made in cash and give them a substantial interest in the new loan.

# CLATSkanie Will Co-operate.

CLATSkanie, Or., Jan. 22.—(Special.)—The Clatskanie commercial club was reorganized last night, with C. L. Conyers, president; Henry Kratz, vice-president; W. A. Hall, secretary, and C. H. Stockwell, treasurer. Representatives were sent to visit today to discuss mutual interests with a recently organized Commercial Club here in the Nehalem Valley, which the residents of that community propose to build themselves if outside capital cannot be interested.

# Hoboken Called Incurable.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—Rev. W. R. Adams is tired of Hoboken, N. J., where he has been a pastor for the last three years. He has announced his resignation with the following comment: "Any pastor who has worked in Hoboken has earned a place in heaven. My great joy is that I am going to leave Hoboken. It is an indifferent place and apparently no effective work can be done there. I could accomplish more and be happier in any other place."

# Native of Clark County Dies.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 22.—(Special.)—The funeral of John P. Moran, aged 31 years, was held from St. James' church here today. Mr. Moran was a native of Clark County, and was buried in the Catholic cemetery here. He was survived by his wife, Mrs. Sarah Burke, and Mrs. Boyle, of Vancouver, and Mrs. G. W. Boyle, of Battle Ground.

# Medford Gets Three Temples.

MEDFORD, Or., Jan. 22.—Among the large buildings for which plans have been prepared in Medford are three lodge halls, the I. O. O. F. having secured a desirable location on Sixth street in West Medford, and the Elks having options on several desirable tracts on both sides of the track. The Masonic order has also at last determined to build a three-story and basement block, and will begin construction in a short time.

# Clerk Pro-Tem Bureau Chief.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—After four years' service as chief of the Bureau of Equipment, Rear-Admiral William S. Cowles, retired, yesterday surrendered that office, which will be occupied by Chief Clerk O. C. Wrenn for the short time expected to intervene before the Equipment Bureau is abolished by Congress.

# Ashland to Plant More Roses.

ASHLAND, Or., Jan. 22.—(Special.)—The Civic Improvement Club, a strong organization of public-spirited women of which Mrs. E. V. Carter is president, will work for further beautification and care of roses in the home gardens of Ashland. A garden without roses is a rarity here, but the Civic Club believes more roses should be planted.

# Pupils Taking Examinations.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 22.—(Special.)—Examinations have been taken by 113 eighth grade pupils this week, divided as follows: At East Ground, 40; Sara, 10; Vancouver, 18; Canas, 20; Washougal, 15.

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city asking that mail service be established on the Oregon Electric between this city and Portland and including all intermediate stations.

# JAPAN BORROWS TO BUILD

## Answer to Know Is Loan for Antung-Mukden Line.

TOKIO, Jan. 22.—Almost simultaneously with the delivery of Japan's negative reply to the United States' proposal for the neutralization of the Manchurian railway, the Emperor has issued a significant rescript authorizing the South Manchurian Railway Company to borrow a sum of money equal to double its paid-in capital, but not exceeding the total capital.

This means that the South Manchurian Railway, whose total capital is \$100,000,000, of which \$2,000,000 has been paid in, can borrow \$198,000,000. It is understood that \$20,000,000 will be borrowed immediately and devoted to the rapid development of the Antung-Mukden line and the improvement of Port Arthur as a great commercial port.

# TRANS BRING MORE

## Delegates to Y. M. C. A. Convention Keep Coming.

# PORTLAND WAY DESCRIBED

## Perkins of Portland, Tells How to Interest "The Strange Young Man"—Open-Air Meeting in Downpour.

NORVALLIS, Or., Jan. 22.—(Special.)—Early trains brought additional delegates to the Oregon-Idaho Y. M. C. A. convention in session here, a total of 150 being registered now. Much enthusiasm for the convention has been expressed by the delegates from the Northwest.

H. J. McCoy, secretary of the San Francisco Y. M. C. A. the past 28 years, gave an address that aroused interest. R. H. Perkins, of Portland, favored the plan in a 20-minute address in which he gave the Portland method of interesting "the strange young man" in Y. M. C. A. work.

Reports were heard this morning and in a downpour of rain a street meeting was held at noon. E. B. Naughton, of Portland, presided at the afternoon session, and addresses were made by T. S. Lippy, of Seattle; A. B. Richardson, of Pocatello; E. M. Bosworth, of Salem; President P. L. Campbell, of the University of Oregon; Claud Shaw, of Dallas; Gale Seaman, of Los Angeles, and E. B. Smith, of New York.

The programme for Sunday follows: 9:30 A. M.—Quiet hour service in shepherd hall, led by Fred E. Smith, pastor of the First Baptist church; addresses by convention speakers in various churches of the city.

3 P. M.—Men's meeting at Armory Hall.

5 P. M.—Men's meeting; address by Fred B. Smith on "The Strange Young Man"; meeting at First Christian Church; address by R. H. Perkins on "Tongues, Ecstacy and Faces."

8 P. M.—Closing meeting at Armory Hall; addresses by Dr. D. L. Rader, Henry J. McCoy and others.

# NEW COOKERY IS LEARNED

## Preparing Meals for Troops to Be Experimented Upon.

VANCOUVER BARRACKS, Wash., Jan. 22.—(Special.)—Major George B. Bull, Inspector-General, Department of the Columbia, has returned from detached service at Rock Island arsenal, at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, where he was a member of the Infantry Equipment Board convened to investigate and report upon a proposed new method of cooking for troops in the field. An experimental test under actual field conditions will be made soon by a company filled to war strength at the Presidio, of Monterey, Cal.

Private Robert Enlow, Band, First Infantry, has been transferred to the Eighth Infantry Band and left for his new station today.

Colonel Ralph E. Hoyt, Twenty-Fifth Infantry, has been promoted to grade of Brigadier-General.

First Lieutenant Stanley A. Campbell, First Infantry, has been detailed assist-

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The person whose digestive and nutritive functions are adequately performed generates within himself a power of resistance against which disease or disease germs will battle in vain.

Every normal person possesses a certain amount of reserve power, and when the functions of digestion are up to the highest point of activity and capability they create conditions which are very unfavorable to the growth or development of disease germs, while, on the other hand, should the nutritional and digestive powers fall below the average, germs develop rapidly and the system falls an easy victim to disease.

The importance of the stomach in the maintenance of the general health, and the power to resist disease or bacterial invasion, cannot be overestimated, and if this organ is weak and inefficient you are simply not getting what should be coming to your general system from the food ingested, and the constitution is being partially starved.

It is always a easy matter to get all that is coming to your system from the food eaten when you use STUART'S DYSPEPSIA TABLETS after meals. In other words, anti-dyspepsia remedy can get you so much digestive power as is embodied in these tablets, a single grain of which will quickly digest 5000 grains of all kinds of food.

When you use these tablets, you have the absolute assurance that all of the nutritious food eaten will be digested and assimilated, and will go to build up new tissue and new cells; and when the building-up processes of the body are equal to, or in excess of, the tearing-down processes, then the good health and integrity of the entire general system will continue indefinitely unimpaird.

Purchase a box of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets from your druggist for 50 cents, and use them regularly in order to make sure that your body and all its organs are receiving from the food the nutrition necessary to keep it built up and enable it to resist disease. A postal card mailed to the P. A. Stuart Co., 100 Stuart Bldg., Marshall, Mich., will bring a free sample of this great remedy for dyspepsia and indigestion by return mail.

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