

GROWERS FRIENDLY TO SELLING AGENCY

Association Meeting at Hood River Is Attended by 250 Fruit Raisers.

METHODS OF 1913 TOLD

Committee Appointed to Prepare Plans for More Solid Organization and Disciplining Disloyal Members Suggested.

HOOD RIVER, Or., March 14.—(Special.)—Despite rumors that dissension prevailed among the ranks of the growers shipping through the Apple-growers' Association, the local affiliate of the North Pacific Fruit Distributors, action was taken at a meeting here today, which was attended by more than 250 growers, that presages the continuing predominance of the two central selling agencies in the local field.

As was expressed by a number of the speakers of the day, the association was formed last Spring on a temporary basis, an amalgamation of the four shipping agencies then operating in the valley—the Davidson Fruit Company, the National Apple Company, the Hood River Warehouse & Storage Company and the Hood River Apple-growers' Union.

A committee, with A. W. Stone as chairman, was appointed today by P. S. Davidson, president of the association, to prepare plans for a more solid organization of the association. This action was taken at the suggestion of Mr. Stone, who is a member of the board of directors of the association and who devoted the afternoon to a series of investigations of co-operative selling agencies.

Members May Be Disciplined. Mr. Stone recommends a non-profit concern, the members to have both a tonnage and personal representation in the management. Provision will be made for rewards for loyal members, while disloyal growers will be disciplined, according to the proposed plans. Even the radical provision of expulsion of a disloyal member was suggested.

H. F. Davidson, of this city, president of the Hood River Fruit Company, general manager; H. C. Sampson, of Spokane, secretary; and Willmer Sieg, of this city, salesmanager of the Hood River sub-district, made addresses.

Mr. Davidson told his experiences of the past Winter in handling the Eastern and expert trade of the distributors. One of the features of last year's marketing under the distributors, he explained, was the opening of the market at moderate prices and a continual advance. This condition, he declared, increased the local storage, causing the retailers to reduce their prices over former years. "I find," said Mr. Davidson, "that formerly we have reaped under the artless impression that apples should not be shipped East during the Winter, and as a result the stocks have rolled back in the early season. However, from what I have noted under the artless impression that apples should not be shipped East during the Winter, our local storage plants have increased in value in my eyes materially. We should store as much of the fruit at home as possible, and it can be properly handled, as we demonstrated this Winter, by transported in the Winter months."

Financing Is Described. Mr. Davidson declared that Steinhardt & Kelly were the best friends of the box apple district in New York, and especially favorable to Hood River. They handle box apples exclusively, he said, and are continually boosting the Northwestern districts. Secretary Sampson declared that before 1912 the box apple sold itself as a novelty. "Now," he said, "it is a commodity and must be sold on a scientific basis." Mr. Sampson declared that the distributors had, during the past year, borrowed approximately \$455,000 from the Spokane banks, all of which but \$1000 had been repaid. This financing the movement of the crop, he declared, could not be carried on by private individuals or small associations. Salesmanager Sieg, in his report, gave the following net price averages of the association up to the present time: Spitsbergen, all sizes, extra fancy, \$1.59; fancy, \$1.38; special, \$1.14; C grade, \$1.00. Newtowns, all sizes, extra fancy, \$1.85; fancy, \$1.45; special, \$1.14; and C grade, \$1.30. Newtowns constitute 40 per cent of the local crop, while Spitsbergen form 24 per cent. The other 24 per cent is made up of about 60 different varieties.

HAY APPOINTEE IN DANGER

J. H. Wallace May Be Retired From Insurance Commission.

OLYMPIA, Wash., March 14.—(Special.)—As the result of friction existing between J. H. Wallace, holder of Hay appointee on the Industrial Insurance Commission, and Governor Lister's appointees, Lloyd L. Daggett and A. B. Ernest, the Governor had all three members make him written reports of the causes of difficulties. After having had these reports, it was reported to the press, Governor Lister, it is reported, is looking for a successor to Wallace. Reports have been current for some time that Wallace would be retired soon. He was appointed to the commission as a representative of labor and has been mentioned as a possible successor.

PASCO PUPILS TO SPELL

Track Meet Also Arranged for Present Month.

PASCO, Wash., March 14.—(Special.)—The Pasco schools are preparing for a championship spelling match and an inter-school athletic track meet to be held this month. Pupils of the city have been divided into three divisions, according to grades, at each school for the spelling contest. The best spellers in each division will have a final meet to decide the championship.

The athletic contest will be the local schools only. Several different events are being planned and championship medals will be awarded. A new course of study for the city schools has been prepared by Superintendent Ricks and will be printed in book form.

State School Work Ordered.

CENTRALIA, Wash., March 14.—(Special.)—Yesterday the State Board appointed to locate a site for the new state training schools for girls, accompanied by Theodore Ross, of Centralia, from whom the site at Grand Mound was purchased, visited the site

and picked out the location of the various buildings, work on which will begin as soon as the ground is staked out. Several of the buildings will be completed this Summer. A farm will be operated in connection with the school.

HENS STOLEN; WATCH LEFT

Missourian Finds Thief's Timepiece on Chicken-House Floor.

WARRENSBURG, Mo., March 3.—Charles F. Marshall, of Warrensburg, on entering his chicken-house the other morning was surprised to find a gold watch lying on the floor. Attached to the watch was a broken chain. The discovery of the strange timepiece caused him to suspect that a thief had entered his premises during the night, and he found on involving his poultry he was two dozen pullets short. He has advised for the owner of the watch, but does not expect him to claim his property.

CASTLE ROCK SCHOOL OPEN

Modern \$18,000 Building Probably Will Be Used as Social Center.

CASTLE ROCK, Wash., March 14.—(Special.)—Dedication of Castle Rock's new \$18,000 public school building was an event of the past week. The structure is a model of its kind, contains 13 school rooms, has a fine library on the first and second floors and 18 rooms in the basement. These include a fine gymnasium, girls' play room, boiler room, lavatories, shower baths for both boys and girls, and a large, well-lighted domestic science room. The use of this school as a social center was advocated by speakers.

CHAMPIONSHIP DEBATING TEAM PROVES WINNER OF HONORS

BY 10 POINTS OUT OF POSSIBLE 12



ANEITA CLOSE, FLOYD HOGGATT, GLADYS SKEELS.

KALAMA, Wash., March 14.—(Special.)—The Kalama High School debating team, winners of the debating championship in the southwest district of Washington, won 10 points out of a possible 12. Chehalis was second, with nine points. The members of the Kalama team are: Aneita Close, Gladys Skeels and Floyd Hoggatt.

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RUSH ON FOR CLERKSHIP

Four Republicans and One Democrat Seek Linn County Office.

ALBANY, Or., March 14.—(Special.)—Nominating petitions were filed in Linn County today by Walter M. Eaton, of Albany, candidate for the Democratic nomination for County Surveyor and by C. B. Winn, of Albany, candidate for the Republican nomination for County Clerk. The filing of Mr. Winn's petition makes the Clerk's office the most sought-after position in the county this year. Four candidates have filed already for the Republican nomination, the others being R. M. Russell, present chief deputy in the office; Ralph Thom, of Lebanon, and W. W. Bailey, of Brownsville. Frank C. Stelmacher, of Albany, has announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination. Eaton is the second Democrat to file formal notice of candidacy for a county office, the other being W. J. Moore, of Brownsville, who is a candidate for Sheriff.

EDUCATIONAL RALLY HELD

College and School Workers Attend Chehalis Meeting.

CHEHALIS, Wash., March 14.—(Special.)—A well-attended educational rally was held here today. The principal speakers were: Head of the extension work of the State College; Mrs. Josephine Preston, state superintendent of public instruction of Olympia; L. L. Benbow, superintendent of Pierce County; Professor Thompson, of Morton; and Professor Klemme, of the State Normal at Ellensburg. The afternoon was given to a discussion of "Consolidation." Professor Klemme delivered a lecture on "The Unfinished House" to night.

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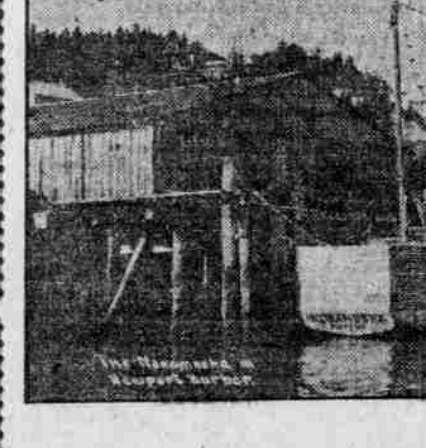
\$50 cash secured receipt for \$100. Gray Music Co. adv., page 12, section 8—Adv.

Orengo Band Gives Concert.

ORENGO, Or., March 14.—(Special.)—Orengo Military Band gave its first concert Friday before a large audience. The proceeds will be applied to paying off balance due for instruments.

FARMER REBUILDS CRAFT AND EQUIPS IT WITH A BARN

IN PLACE OF A CABIN



—Photo by Stevenson.

FREAK SCHOONER NENAMOSHA.

NEWPORT, Or., March 14.—(Special.)—When the stern wheel river boat Uncle Sam, built on a farm near Harrisburg, Or., arrived in Portland last Spring to be inspected for a license to run, it caused more comment than the advent of any other new boat on account of its impossible construction. It was in reality laughed out of comment. The gasoline schooner Nenamosha, which plies between Newport and Silette Bay, formerly commanded by "Wild Bill" Smith, an old sailor, is a rival of the Uncle Sam in odd construction, since the present commander, Everett Cook, an Elk City farmer, has rebuilt the craft. The Nenamosha must cross rough ocean bars, cope with storms when caught outside and be ready for any marine emergency. Captain Cook was not satisfied with the capacity of his boat, so he added, not a cabin but a real barn, with a hayloft instead of a deck.

ROAD WORK PUSHED

Columbia County Hires Supervisor of Highways.

CREWS OF MEN EMPLOYED

Separate Projects From Columbia Route Are Undertaken and Stone Quarry and Crusher Begin Operating at St. Helens.

ST. HELENS, Or., March 14.—(Special.)—Columbia County, inspired by the example of her voters recently in passing the bond issue for the Columbia Highway, has begun a separate work in building up the roads and has employed a county supervisor of roads. Leo G. Titus, formerly of the Washington State Highway Department, is highway engineer. Mr. Titus reports that there are three

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Domestic Science Expert Experimenting With All Varieties of Product of State.

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Plan Is to Open New and Shorter Roads Across Mountains Between Sumpter and John Day Valley.

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The older portions of the road are to be repaired and the grade lowered as fast as money becomes available. The old stage road between Sumpter and Granite will be the first section to receive attention. Last Fall the citizens of Sumpter pledged \$1500 toward repairing and relocating the road on a grade not to exceed 10 per cent and the Baker County Court placed its stamp of approval on the project by pledging \$1500 more. This road is chiefly in the Whitman National forest and through the efforts of the supervisor of the Forest Service has added \$500 to the \$3000 already available. The new right-of-way has already been surveyed and partially cleared. The work will be taken up again in the Spring as soon as weather permits.

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within sight of the auctioneer, Nick Johnson.

Of the 44 cows sold, 13 were with calves. Only one thoroughbred Jersey bull went under the hammer.

The total realized for these animals was \$3256, or an average of \$116.75. This is the highest price ever paid for a head than any other bunch of dairy cattle ever before bought in Coos County. Dairymen have about \$50,000 invested in herd and ranches here and there are no dairy farms for sale in this valley.

The recent report of the Coquille Valley Creamery, one of the 15 in the county, showed \$75,000 was paid for butter fat last year, at an average of 35 and 2-11 cents a pound. This was 15 per cent higher than in 1912.

The entire valley is green now, and dairymen are looking forward to another profitable season.

Cow-testing associations are being formed by J. L. Smith, county agriculturist, who came here last Fall from the State Agricultural College at Corvallis; and it is proposed to eliminate the animals whose milk is deficient in butter fat. When that is done it is expected to raise the annual product of each cow to away above the \$100 figure that has been so generally regarded as the maximum.

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ED RAND ENTERS RACE

BAKER COUNTY SHERIFF CANDIDATE FOR RE-ELECTION.

Governor West's Reported Assertion of Peace Officer's Fear to Run Brings Out Announcement.

BAKER, Or., March 14.—(Special.)—Ed Rand, Sheriff of Baker County, tonight announced himself finally as a candidate for re-election on the Democratic ticket. Mr. Rand did not make up his mind until his last trip to Portland. He returned from there last night.

"I learned at Portland," said Mr. Rand today, "that Governor West said I did not dare run for Sheriff. He, or rather his agents, have been saying that 'Oswald West has Sheriff Rand over a barrel and he dare not run.' Now, I had not intended running for re-election until I heard this. He has forced me to it. I can now go before the voters of Baker County on my own record, of

which I am not ashamed. I believe I will have the support of the law-abiding citizens of Baker County.

"Up here we realize just what the entire Copperfield crowd meant and means. If Governor West wants to make a campaign slogan of Copperfield, he shouldn't have done it in Baker County."

Mr. Rand is the seventh candidate to announce himself for the primaries for the office of Sheriff. There are now five Democrats in the race and two Republicans. Many of the candidates entered the race thinking that the incumbent would not enter.

PAPER PRINTED BY PUPILS

School Bulletin Turned Out After Two Weeks' Instruction.

First copies of the School Bulletin, which were printed on the school press at Jefferson High School, type being set by the pupils in the class in printing, were mailed to teachers of the district yesterday. The Bulletin has been issued by mimeograph heretofore. The Bulletin, in its new form, contains four printed pages, filled with current news of the schools and announcements of school meetings and other affairs.

The printing class has been organized a little more than two weeks and is under the direction of A. W. Lawrence. It is aimed to print all future copies of the Bulletin on the Jefferson High School press and later to have much of the printing of the district done in its own job office.

Among those who were present Friday when the Bulletin was printed, was Mrs. Bertha T. Voorhorst, who took the first copy as a