

### HOOD FRUIT GROWERS URGED TO PAY MORE HEED TO THE QUALITY

Manager Stone of Association Reviews Work and Results of the Season.

### CREDIT MOST ESSENTIAL

Loss Because of Lower Grade of Fruit Is Estimated at \$200,000; One Way to Recover.

Hood River, Or., March 11.—The annual primary meeting of the members of the Hood River Apple Growers' association was held in Helldorfer hall Saturday afternoon at which over 600 fruit growers were present. The meeting was held, primarily, for the purpose of nominating directors for the association to be voted upon at the annual meeting to be held April 8. The vote at the primaries is based upon one vote for each member, known as a "membership vote," and in addition thereto each member shall have one vote based upon the amount of tonnage, being one vote for each 100 boxes of apples, pears or crates of strawberries shipped the previous season.

Manager Stone of the association stated in his report that if the growers expect to receive the returns for the fruit that should be realized, it would be necessary to grow a larger percentage of the better grades, instead of so large a quantity of the cheaper quality.

### Better Grades Necessary.

Mr. Stone said, "If you growers expect to get back to the valley the amount of money that you are justly entitled to, it will be absolutely necessary to grow much larger percentage of the better grades of fruit. The percentage of extra fancy this year was only 20 per cent as against 60 per cent in the year 1912. The fancy grade ran 30 per cent in 1912 and 37 per cent in 1915, and the grade was only 10 per cent in 1912 and 33 per cent in 1915. This is proof conclusive that better care must be taken of the orchards and better inspection rules enforced. The loss to the growers of Hood River valley this season by virtue of the lower grade of fruit grown over the year 1912, proportionately, is about \$200,000. This is a lot of money to lose and the grower is the loser. I want to sound a note of warning today to every grower here to take more care of the orchard as to insure the better grade of fruit.

"The credit of the association is also a serious matter. To get money in advance of the sale of the fruit to distribute among the growers in order to help them to carry their financial obligations is no easy thing, and in order that the association may establish a good credit with the banks, absolute confidence must exist between the growers and the management of the association.

### Assessment Is Suggested

"I would at this time suggest that each member be assessed one cent per box for each package of fruit shipped by the association to be placed into a sinking fund to be handled solely for the purpose of advancing the sale of the fruit and purchasing supplies. If we had such a fund as this it could be turned over several times during the season. The strawberry growers will soon want some more and we could lend it to them. Then the cherry business could get the use of it as the berry growers would have paid it back. We could then let the other berry growers use it in turn, and then it could be used in the purchase of supplies for the growers. We must hammer down the cost of our materials that we buy for the growers and this can be done most efficiently if the association has credit and a fund of this character with which to discount the bills when they fall due. I trust that you will think this matter over and be prepared to vote on this question at the annual meeting in April.

"The average price received on this season's apple crop as far as the settlements have been made up to and including March 10 are as follows: 'Spitzenberg', with 77 per cent of the crop settled for, average for the three grades, extra fancy and C grades, \$1.43 per box. Yellow Newtowns 23 per cent settled for, average three per box; 'Dona', average \$89 per cent settled for, average

### FISHER PRESIDENT OF ALBANY CLUB



A. L. Fisher.

Albany, Or., March 11.—A. L. Fisher, who was elected president of the Albany Commercial club at the annual meeting Monday night, is senior member of the firm of Fisher-Braden company, furniture dealers and undertakers. He has been a resident of this city but a comparatively short time, but during that time has taken an active interest in the welfare of the city. He has already served a term as president of the Albany Retail Merchants' association, and at present is president of the Central Willamette Valley exposition. He is also chairman of the committee in charge of the regular monthly municipal public sales.

Other officers elected were: Dr. C. V. Little, vice-president; W. A. Eastburn, secretary; Elmer Williamson, treasurer, and the following directors: W. A. Barrett, G. A. Flood, F. French, Fred Fortmiller, J. A. Howard, D. E. Nebergall, C. B. Wain, George Sanders, D. O. Woodworth and Fred Veal.

Three grades, \$1.17 per box; Orleyes, \$1.28 per box; Winter Banana, \$3 per cent settled for, average three grades, \$1.40 per box; Delicious, \$3 per cent settled for, average three grades, \$1.48 per box; Baldwin, 70 per cent settled for, average three grades, 95c per box; Black Twigs, 92 per cent settled for, average 85c per box.

### Handling Cost Lower.

"Notwithstanding the small crop in Hood River this year, the cost of handling it has been below all previous years, which has been four cents and eight mills as against five cents and one mill in the year 1914 when we had a large crop. This is exclusive of the sales department charges. The apple handled at the Van Horn warehouse was handled for one cent per box and a total of 64,765 boxes were handled and shipped here. The cost of handling apples in the sales department in 1915 was seven cents and five mills; in 1914, seven cents and six mills; in 1915 an even seven cents. We have handled 498 cars this year and received an average price of \$78.40 per car or an average of \$1.24 per box for all the apples shipped of all grades and varieties.

"The gross business of the association will figure up this year at \$628,055.52 as computed from June to March 10. We have 18 cars of the standard varieties on hand and two cars of cookers. The increase of price per box this year over 1914 is 63 per cent.

The following members were nominated for office of directors for the ensuing year and which will be voted upon at the annual meeting. Only five are to be elected as six of the old board must hold over under the by-laws: E. W. Birge, J. E. Hall, J. R. Numanaker, A. C. Staten, E. R. Moller, A. D. Ramsey, C. E. Copple and A. F. Bickford.

### Married at Forest Grove.

Forest Grove, Or., March 11.—Miss Clara Aydelott, daughter of Mrs. Harriet Aydelott, and William Reeves of Portland, were married at the home of the bride here March 9. Judge W. J. B. Beach officiated. Mr. Reeves is a Baptist preacher. Mr. and Mrs. Reeves will make their home in Portland.

### SUMPTER VALLEY IS TO BUILD A ROAD TO TAP TIMBER TRACT

President Eccles Confirms Report of Extension From Dixie to Grant.

### IS A FIFTY MILE STRETCH

News Adds Color to Rumor of Eventual Entry Into Burns and Harney County Country.

Baker, Or., March 11.—A letter received here today from Ogden, Utah, from D. C. Eccles, president of the Sumpter Valley railway, confirms the report of a few days ago that the railroad will build 50 miles from Dixie to tap the rich timber belt in southeastern Grant county. Survey will start soon, and construction work will begin in early summer. The route is not yet entirely decided on.

"This extension conforms with the report last fall that the road intends tapping Harney county and Burns, but this is not confirmed by Eccles yet, although it is not positively denied.

### Firebugs Are Suspected.

Baker, Or., March 11.—Formal complaint will be lodged next week against the persons suspected of setting fire to Fairview Happy Home club house last night. One or more arrests will probably follow.

The club house was destroyed with a loss of \$2500, insurance \$1600. It was built four years ago and was the first rural community club house ever built in the country, leading the way to the establishment of other similar rural social centers.

It is said dissection among the members caused a recent disruption, and the former members are under suspicion.

### Woman Is Arrested.

Baker, Or., March 11.—Mrs. J. A. Foster was arrested this afternoon on a bootlegging charge. This is the second bootlegging case in Baker county since January 1. Mrs. Foster is held for hearing Monday. Her husband was last week arrested on a statutory charge, filed by a 13-year-old girl.

### Wasco Farmers Are For Bulk System

### Delegates Meet at Boyd and Decide That Costly Sack System of Handling Grain Must Go Sooner or Later.

Wasco, Or., March 11.—Forty-four delegates from the various farmers' locals of Wasco county met at Boyd local Wednesday, and unanimously endorsed the bulk handling of grain. Each delegate carried a share of the cost of this season's sacks to an elevator fund. Several members of unions who were not present have already subscribed to such a fund for providing local elevator accommodations and steps will be taken at once for handling this year's crop.

It is acknowledged on all sides that the bulk system for the northwest is the only one that will save the farmers from the costly sack system. Boyd's action is the result of the county meeting two weeks ago when Mr. Harra of Pendleton and Mr. D. J. Spoke of Spokane addressed the meeting of Wasco county farmers.

### Would Change Name of Corvallis School

Promoters of Agitation Maintain That Present Appellation Is Not Broad Enough to Cover Varied Activities.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Or., March 11.—Agitation has been brewing for some time among the students of the Oregon Agricultural college, as to whether the name "Agricultural College" is wholly fitting and representative of the work being done at Oregon's educational institution. Editorials appearing of late in student publications at the college, some of them penned by the editors themselves, and still others emanating from some of the college's interested alumni, would indicate that the name "Oregon State College" would be more acceptable than the present title of "Oregon Agricultural College."

It is argued among the reasons given that the idea of engineers graduating from an "agricultural" college is somewhat incongruous.

### Benton Favors the Chamberlain Bill

County Judge and Commissioners Send Telegram to Chairman of Leads Committee Relative to Disposition.

Corvallis, Or., March 11.—The following telegram, signed by County Judge Wade Malone and Commissioners Herron and Jolly, was sent to Congressman Scott Ferris, chairman of the public lands committee, at Washington, D. C., Friday and a similar telegram has been sent to every county judge in Oregon, whose counties have land grant lands, asking that it be reported to Congressman Ferris: "Benton county has been held up for more than 20 years in development by action of the railroad company in refusing sales of and settlements provided in Chamberlain bill, viz: 40 per cent to state schools, 40 per cent to counties in which the lands are situated for public road purposes and 20 per cent to the government. Benton county has been held up for more than 20 years in development by action of the railroad company in refusing sales of and settlements provided in Chamberlain bill, as recommended by Senator Chamberlain will only in a measure recompense the county."

### Mrs. McMath Speaks.

Cove, Or., March 11.—Mrs. McMath, state president of the National Congress of Mothers, addressed the Parent-Teacher association here Thursday, and later made an address in Union. Friday Mrs. McMath addressed the Congress of Mothers at La Grande at its "baby show."

Mrs. A. E. Ivanhoe, county school superintendent, gave an interesting talk.

### WHO KNOWS WHERE OSCAR HOLMES IS?



Oscar Holmes.

Mist, Or., March 11.—A. R. Holmes is anxious to hear from or of Oscar Holmes, who disappeared about one year ago from where he was working near Seattle. Nothing has been heard of him since that time.

Oscar is about 31 years old, and rather small for his age. Mr. Holmes will appreciate any information concerning him.

### CONTRACTORS MAKING GOOD TIME ON NEW GRANTS PASS PLANT

Materials Arriving in Satisfactory Manner; 200 Men Will Be Employed.

Grants Pass, Or., March 11.—Rapid progress is being made with the construction of the sugar factory being erected by the Oregon-Utah Sugar company here. About 80 men are now employed in excavating and in preparing the foundation, and this number will be increased to 200 as fast as materials can be assembled.

Four more carloads of structural steel arrived yesterday from Minneapolis, and 20 more are either now en route or are just being shipped from that point. Other materials are arriving daily, and the work upon the superstructure can commence within a few days.

The Dyer company, the contractors, have constructed their own blacksmith and machine shop, and including this, and the warehouses, all the major structures are already built upon the grounds at South Grants Pass.

The main factory building is located nearly half a mile from the line of the Twary railroad, and sidetracks are now being laid to the building. These sidings will be ready for use early in the week when the materials can be set onto them and not have to be rehandled.

The laying of the beams will be started March 15, though the heaviest plantings will not be until April.

### Dead Driver Held Responsible.

Grants Pass, Or., March 11.—The board of inquiry that investigated the collision and which held the driver of the auto responsible for the accident at Hugo Tuesday when C. L. Dillon was killed when an auto in which he was riding was struck by a special freight car of the Southern Pacific, held the driver of the auto was responsible for the accident. Mr. Dillon's son-in-law was driving the car, and the board found that he was "entirely responsible for the accident by reason of failure to exercise reasonable caution in undertaking to negotiate the crossing."

### Quinlan Gets Commission.

Grants Pass, Or., March 11.—W. P. Quinlan has just received his commission as postmaster of Grants Pass, and will take possession of the office on the fifteenth inst. Mr. Quinlan is at present secretary of the Commercial club, and his successor will be elected at the club meeting Monday night. This is also the annual meeting of the club, and new officers and directors will be elected.

### New Jitney Corporation.

Albany, Or., March 11.—Lebanon has a jitney corporation, articles of the Lebanon Jitney company being filed today. Incorporators are Alex Powers, H. R. Kinspatrick and M. R. Kirkpatrick. Purpose is to engage in general jitney business. Capital stock amounts to \$1000, and is divided into 100 shares of \$10 each.

### KLAMATH COUNTY DEBATERS WIN



Klamath Falls, Or., March 11.—Winning a unanimous decision in its debate with Medford high school, which had heretofore beaten all other entrants, the debating team of the Klamath county high school has won the championship of the southern Oregon district. The local debaters will next be matched with the winning team in the Willamette valley district.

Charles M. Dorr and Emma Honzik compose the Klamath team. The former is a senior and Miss Honzik a junior, and both have proven themselves exceptionally good in argument, logic, citation of authorities and the other principles of the forensic art.

### CROOK COUNTY WILL CREDIT BIBLE STUDY IN THE HIGH SCHOOL

Beginning Next Fall Students Who So Desire May Take Up the Work.

### WILL FORMULATE PLAN

Decision Is Reached at Session of the Educational Institute, Held Saturday at Redmond.

Redmond, Or., March 11.—The Crook County Educational Institute, in session here today, decided to give credit in Crook county high schools for Bible study, and beginning next fall Bible study can be made a part of the work in the English courses if the student so desires.

A committee consisting of three ministers and three high school teachers was appointed to work out plans for introduction of the new work next fall.

The principal addresses delivered before the institute were: "Supervision of the Bible Study," by Rev. W. L. Walker, Prineville; "Relation of the Teacher to the Community," by P. M. Nash, Redmond; and "The Public School and Personal Achievement," by H. L. Hopkins, Bend.

Forty-two teachers were in attendance. A banquet was served at noon by the domestic science class of the Union high school of this city.

### Announce Program of Prohibition Meet

Conference Will Be Held Wednesday at Vancouver; Number of Addresses Scheduled.

Vancouver, Wash., March 11.—The program for the prohibition conference to be held here Wednesday morning was announced today by the committee in charge of arrangements. The conference will commence at 10:30 o'clock in the morning and will continue all day. It will be held in the First Baptist church.

The program consists of an opening prayer by Rev. A. D. Skaggs and an explanation of the object of the conference by J. C. Patey, field superintendent of the Third congressional district. Committees on resolutions and selection of delegates to the state conference and the completion of a permanent county organization and two addresses, during the morning session. Mrs. F. R. Whelan will speak on the "Relation of the W. C. T. U. to a National Prohibition Party," and J. C. Patey will speak on "National Prohibition by Amendment to the Federal Constitution or Statutory Law Enforcement—Which?"

The afternoon program consists of reports by the committee; an address by Rev. Skaggs on "Good Men for Good Causes," a stunt by the "Smart Set" athletic club, and refreshments. The student body and high school faculty are interested in the affair. A small admission fee will be charged to cover expenses.

### Athletes Plan Carnival.

Vancouver, Wash., March 11.—The athletic club of the local high school will stage a carnival in the high school gymnasium Friday evening, March 17. The program will include vaudeville, an exhibit of Turkish Biceps, a stunt by the "Smart Set" athletic club, and refreshments. The student body and high school faculty are interested in the affair. A small admission fee will be charged to cover expenses.

### Correspondence Husband Divorced.

Vancouver, Wash., March 11.—A divorce was granted today by Judge R. H. Back of the superior court to L. A. Graham from Inga Graham, with whom he became acquainted through a correspondence matrimonial agency. That he did not know the defendant well enough at the time he married her, and that she had been keeping company with other men during his absence from home, were the grounds on which the decree was secured. They were married at Spokane, July 2, 1913.

### Three Plead Guilty.

Vancouver, Wash., March 11.—Bert Depein, who was arrested here Thursday on a warrant sworn out of the superior court, was arraigned today on two charges, one of taking an automobile without the owner's consent and the other of reckless driving. He pleaded guilty to both charges. Walter Baton and Mrs. Annie Hendrickson were arraigned on charges of unlawful cohabitation and pleaded guilty. Sentence has not been passed on any of the trio.

### Vancouver Marriage Licenses.

Vancouver, Wash., March 11.—Marriage licenses were issued here today by the county auditor to the following persons: J. L. Ballard, 32, of Portland, and Mrs. Lena Nicholson, 31, of Hillsboro; Ben Jones, 22, and Miss Marie Petersen, 19, both of Portland; Henry S. Simonson, 27, and Miss Katharine C. Larsen, 22, both of Brush Prairie; John J. Fraser, 28, and Miss Edith Lester, 24, both of Portland.

### Idaho Convicts Will Work Out Doors

Ontario, Or., March 11.—Spring work has started on the Idaho state prison farm, located near Homedale, a few miles from here. Arthur McChesney, superintendent of the farm, arrived recently from Boise with a number of prisoners, who will experience outdoor life during the planting season. Plans are perfected for seeding in 400 acres to grain and 50 acres to alfalfa this season. Fully 20 acres of potatoes will be planted. About 15 men will be employed at the farm, and besides taking care of the crops several hundred acres of raw land will be prepared for crop for next season. The farm paid good returns last year and in a few years it will be able to support the Idaho state penitentiary. A large number of hogs are being raised at the farm, 50 head of brood sows being retained for this season's breeding.

### Moore Engages Larm.

Seaside, Or., March 11.—Gus Larm, hotel manager, has been engaged by Dan Moore, an assistant manager of the Hotel Moore, for a term of five years connected with the Annex in Chicago, was manager of the Hotel Maux at San Francisco and opened the Carlton hotel in Portland.

### MRS. DOROTHY RAKEL BURIED FROM HOME



Mrs. Dorothy Rakel.

Oregon City, Or., March 11.—Funeral services for Mrs. Dorothy Rakel, widow of the late Frederick Rakel, who died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. P. J. Winkel, of West Linn, Friday evening, after an illness of several months, were conducted Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, at the family home at Canemah, Rev. William Kraxberger, pastor of the German Lutheran church, officiating. Miss Elva Blanchard sang "Shadows" and a trio, composed of Mrs. Stall, Miss Augusta Hopp and Albert Hopp, sang "Mach Der Heilmach Mach Ich Seien."

### Woodland Reports New Prosperity

Steel Rails and Logging Trucks Are Being Handled by Rail and Steamer; Busy Season Ahead.

Woodland, Wash., March 11.—A car of steel rails and another car of logging trucks and other equipment are being unloaded here for the DeBois Logging company, and placed on the river bank for reshipment by steamer for the logging camp of the operators about 16 miles up Lewis river at Ariel. Another car of rails, also another car of logging equipment will arrive within a few days, for the same company.

Captain Lurline Gray of the steamer Etna operating between Woodland and upper Lewis river points, will sail for Astoria Tuesday evening, Wednesday, March 16, and from that date on will make three trips weekly until business justifies daily trips. The railroad and logging equipment will make about 150 tons to be transported, besides other necessary supplies, which with local business will in all probability keep the Etna busy until the low water of the summer season sets in.

### Politics Is Brewing In Yamhill County

McMinnville, Or., March 11.—Democrats are stirring for the primary campaign and are bringing out two candidates for sheriff, Pratt Sittion of St. Joseph, who comes from the finest family, and H. E. Walter of this city, formerly of Portland. Walter is chairman of the county central committee, and was a candidate for the local postmaster. Capt. H. S. Maloney has announced himself for the county recordership, the office he has held for several years.

On the Republican side, the shrewdly planned to bring out an interesting contest as W. G. Henderson, the present incumbent, is to be opposed by Roy Faulconer of Sheridan and A. P. Fletcher of Lafayette. D. M. Warren of McMinnville and H. V. Stott of Wapato have been mentioned for the same office.

For the commission William Gunning, incumbent, and R. C. Henry of this city will contest for the nomination.

Webfoot Dairymen Organize. McMinnville, Or., March 11.—About 40 dairymen met in the Webfoot settlement Thursday evening and organized a cooperative creamery with President Fuller and Secretary Lewis in charge of the organization. M. S. Shrock, county agent, delivered a talk along dairy lines. H. E. Walter of McMinnville, delivered a talk on poultry raising as the neighborhood is considering the organization of an egg circle.

### Boy, 18, and Ill, Takes His Own Life

Roseburg, Or., March 11.—Bert Fisher, aged 18 years, son of Fred Fisher, committed suicide by shooting, at his home north of Wilbur, this evening. Ill health is assigned as the cause. He left a note to his parents.

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### E. E. Gray, President Of Clatsop Co. Bar

Twelve New Members Admitted to Association; Referee in Bankruptcy Is Wanted in Astoria.

Astoria, Or., March 11.—At a meeting today of the Clatsop County Bar association 12 new members were admitted and officers to serve during the ensuing year were elected as follows: E. E. Gray, president; O. B. Setters, vice president; J. L. Hope, secretary.

A resolution was introduced asking the federal court to maintain a referee in bankruptcy in Astoria. A committee was appointed to revise the constitution and by-laws of the association, as well as the fee schedules and a committee was directed to arrange for having a banquet in the near future.

### Iiwaco Bank Buys New City Property

Site Formerly Owned by Morgan and McNary of Portland Will Be Improved by New Office Building.

Iiwaco, Wash., March 11.—President P. E. Sinclair of the Southwestern Bank announced today that title has been transferred to the bank, to a parcel of land, 100x100 feet, located on the corner of Main and Spruce streets in this city. He says that as soon as the leases on the bank's present quarters and acquired property expire, the bank will erect a modern office building on the new site. This is the most important realty transaction announced on the peninsula in some time. Morgan & McNary of Portland were former owners of the property. The consideration was not announced.

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