

DAVIDSON DECLARES HOOD RIVER GROWERS SUPPORT GOVERNMENT

President of Association, by Telegram, Refutes Statement in Oregonian.

ANNUAL MEETING HELD

Report of Manager A. W. Stone Shows That Association Has Had Substantial Growth During Year.

Hood River, Or., April 1.—The third annual meeting of the Hood River Apple Growers' association was held today with several hundred members present.

While those holding controlling interests in the two latter companies desire that the affairs of the directors of the association relative to the cancellation of their contracts be deferred until representatives of the companies could canvass the matter with the board, it was deemed wise that the provisions for the cancellation of contracts as set out in the by-laws of the association be strictly adhered to, and accordingly they were cancelled.

Davidson Sends Letter.

A letter was read from H. E. Davidson, who is now in New York as the representative of the association, that his heart and soul is with the association and he pledges his loyalty to the organization and expressed his purpose to cooperate in its future plans of marketing and distribution.

Considerable excitement prevailed in fruit circles today upon receiving of the association as a result of the announcement in the Oregonian this morning relative to the attitude of H. E. Davidson and the Davidson Fruit company toward the local association and Fruit Growers' agency as proposed by the government representatives and known as the "federal marketing plan."

Telegrams and inquiries were sent to the local association officials asking explanation of the attitude of Mr. Davidson as announced in the Oregonian, and one of the leaders in the organization of the government marketing plan and uniform contract systems wired P. S. Dickerson, chairman of the board of directors of the local association, as follows:

Oregonian is Refuted.

"Oregonian announces under your date the opposition to agency plans on grounds it contemplates advertising the larger orchard districts. This is entirely wrong. The government would not suggest anything that is not for the benefit of all growers without regard to district. No provision is made for advertising other than necessary in developing new markets. Districts entirely independent as before in conducting advertising. The agency plan deals only with the large common problems and is for the benefit of all growers, whatever their district."

"Mr. Davidson replied as follows: 'Oregonian article this morning is not only cruel but untrue. Do not understand its purpose. It is as much in error regarding Davidson as it is regarding the Fruit Growers' agency. Our annual meeting today for election of new board directors, matters relating to agency must of necessity be put before growers later before positive action can be taken. Our board appreciates the government work, understands the common problems and will take the action in accordance with their good judgment. You may rest assured that Hood River stands for the north-west development and that our organization is wise enough to judge for itself. We deeply regret the Oregonian article.'"

Railroad Does Not Want to Pay Taxes

Oregon-Washington Company Files Suit in Hood River Court, Asking for Injunction Against Road Levy.

Hood River, Or., April 1.—The Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation company has filed suit in the circuit court of Hood River county against Sheriff Thomas Johnson, as tax collector, with several other members of the county court, asking for an injunction against the defendants restraining them from attempting to collect the sum of \$137,141 special road tax levied against the property of the railroad company in Hood River district No. 1.

Boosting "Buy at Home."

Hood River, Or., April 1.—"Buy at Home" week will be observed by Hood River citizens next week, when the local merchants will make many special sales on Oregon-made goods. The local Women's club, under the direction of a committee composed of the following: Mrs. W. H. Chipman, John Baker, H. T. DeWit and Ed Creighton, assisted by a committee from the Commercial club composed of C. O. Huebner, Harry Wood and Eric Kreson, has been conducting an active campaign among the merchants to have them make proper arrangements for the observance of the week by special sales.

New Supervisor at Work.

Albany, Or., April 1.—C. C. Hall today began his duties as supervisor of the Santiam national forest with headquarters in this city, succeeding F. E. Brundage, who was transferred to Portland to be supervisor of the Columbia national forest.

GOLD HILL COMING BACK



Henry Ray and George Haff holding lumps of tungsten-bearing ore on their Gold Hill claims.

Gold Hill, Or., April 1.—Not since early days of gold discovery in Oregon has there been a mining excitement here equal to that due to the discovery of high grade tungsten ore three miles north of Gold Hill.

Everybody who can leave town for a few hours goes out prospecting for tungsten. Business men run out in their automobiles, make a location, run home and lunch and back again in the afternoon to work on their claims.

Henry Ray and George Haff, the discoverers, have two veins of scheelite, or wolframite, the tungsten-bearing ore. These veins, 700 feet apart, are six to eight inches wide. The locality in which they are found has been very rich in gold, and it is believed that thousands of tons of tungsten-bearing ore is in the dumps at the mouths of the several tunnels. The gold-bearing rock has been known for some years as the Oxley or Sylvanite group. The discoverers have secured options on the Cheney, Simmons, Ray and Lyman properties.

The ore has been tested by several firms, and has shown high values.

item and disclaim any responsibility for its issue.

New Fund Created.

An amendment to the bylaws creating a fund of one cent per package on all fruit of the 1916 crop handled by the association, of the standard grades on which association's charges are 19 cents per package for handling, and a pro rata amount on all packages on which handling charges are more or less than the standard, was adopted by unanimous vote. The fund thus created is to be used exclusively for purchasing supplies for growers and advances in handling crops.

The matter of signing a uniform contract proposed by the government plan to be carried out through the Fruit Growers' agency, recently incorporated, was deferred to a meeting of the growers to be called later, as the directors of the association are preparing a report covering all the details set out in the uniform contracts upon which it will make its recommendations.

Wilmer Slieg outlined the value of a more widely conducted advertising campaign to especially advertise the Diamond brand of Hood River apples, and stated that the reports current that the English government had placed an embargo upon fresh fruits was not true, and that the embargo only applied to tinned, canned and preserved fruits.

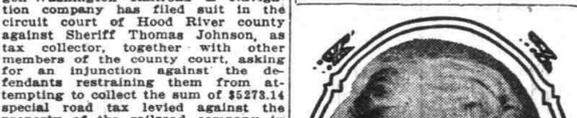
By practically a unanimous vote it was voted to increase the levy of 2 cents per box to 5 cents per box on all the Diamond brand of fruit and equal grades to be used for advertising purposes during the season of 1916, and 2 cents on all other grades. Mr. Slieg advised the growers to give their attention to raising the smaller sizes in Yellow Newtowns for export trade, stating that the 16's and 20's brought a better price than the larger sizes, but that the apples for the American market could not be grown too large in the Spitzberg variety.

The following members were elected directors of the association for the ensuing year: P. S. Davidson, W. B. Dickerson, Walter Kimball, A. G. Lewis, O. B. Nye, J. C. Porter, A. Reed, H. H. Wallace, E. H. Shepard, J. R. Nunnaker and E. W. Birge, the first eight named being members of the old board. Wilmer Slieg has been re-elected by the board of directors as sales manager for the ensuing year.

Auto Salesmen Prosper.

Woodland, Wash., April 1.—Prosperity in general may not have struck everyone in this community, but it seems to have at least taken a "side swipe" at the farmers and dairymen, and obviously to the automobile dealers, as in addition to the large number of machines already owned in this vicinity, a large number have made recent purchases.

MRS. LOVINA PAYNE DIES AT COVE HOME



Mrs. Lovina Payne.

Cove, Or., April 1.—Mrs. Lovina Payne died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. O. Huntley in Cove, Or., March 24. The immediate cause of her death was heart failure, though she has been an invalid for several years.

Lovina Jaycock was born in Middlesex, Yates county, New York, July 13, 1843. She came with her parents to Astoria, Wis. In 1860 she was married to James Payne. To this union four children were born. In the fall of 1872 they came to Cove, Or., where she has since resided. Her husband died in 1889.

Mrs. Payne is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Pearl Huntley, whose permanent home is in Cuprum, Idaho, and Mrs. Edna Conklin of Co. Or., and two sisters, Mrs. S. A. Bridges of Fort Atkinson, Wis., and Mrs. Lee Payne, Cove, Or., and one brother, O. F. Jaycock of Walla Walla, Wash.

Silk fabrics heavily impregnated with the salts of lead or tin are being made in France for X-ray garments.

Will Observe Day.

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PLATINUM FOUND IN GOLD ORE SENT FROM HIGHLAND PROPERTY

San Francisco Assayers Notify Owners and Plans Are Made for New Plant.

ORE VALUES ARE GROWING

Development Work to Be Pressed on Larger Scale Because of Recent Encouraging Showing.

Medford, Or., April 1.—The Highland gold mine on Footh creek, has made its first discovery in this district, realizing that the ore has overlooked precious metals more valuable than gold in their hurried search for the latter. Native platinum, now worth \$135 an ounce, has been found in the gold bullion sent to the refiners at San Francisco, the determination showing that .032 of an ounce was taken from 10,024 ounces of gold.

The refiners immediately marked the showing in platinum and hastened word to the owners of the Highland because of the discovery. Inasmuch as the platinum was found in the gold bullion, the miners have no idea from what character of rock it came, but will at once install an equipment necessary to develop it.

Expert miners in this city are studying the ore that is being mined, which runs high in gold, some of it over \$200 per ton. Workmen engaged in opening up the Highland, though their operations cover a period of only a few months, find the value of the ore is increasing rapidly as depth is attained. The plant for operating it will be enlarged and the work pushed.

Medford District Booming.

Medford, Or., April 1.—The Bell Oro mine of Applegate river, 17 miles from this city, has been sold to Pitts & San Francisco. D. B. Bell, who had bought it six months ago and at once equipped it for operations. Messrs. Fritz & Pitts will enlarge the equipment in every respect.

The Opp mine, seven miles from this city, is now running its ten-stamp mill three eight-hour shifts a day on high grade ore. The plant will be enlarged.

Mining men from all of the prominent mining regions of the northwest, as well as from California and Colorado, are investigating various properties in this district.

Unusual activity marks the revival of development work in the Blue Ledge district on account of the promise of an early extension of Southern Oregon Traction company's line to that territory this season.

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Cinnabar Deposits Rich.

Tacoma, Wash., April 1.—(U. P.)—Samples of the cinnabar deposits, the discovery of which was announced several weeks ago near Mount Tacoma, are pronounced by E. H. Bennett, assayer, chemist, today the richest ever found in this section, 20 per cent has been extracted runs about 20 per cent mercury. Mercury before the war was valued at from \$40 to \$50 a pound, but now it is valued at \$100 a pound. Progress is being made on the Medford-Bulls deal.

Pendleton Board Favors Chamberlain

School Directors Send Telegrams to Senator Chamberlain and Representative Sinnott Concerning O. & C. Case

Pendleton, Or., April 1.—Indorsing the Chamberlain bill, providing for 40 per cent of the funds from the sale of O. & C. grant lands to go into the irrevocable school fund, the Pendleton school board tonight telegraphed to Senator Chamberlain and Representative Sinnott expressing their attitude.

The board is composed of Circuit Judge G. W. Phelps, J. V. Tallman, retiring president of the Commercial club, Assessor C. P. Smith, J. T. Brown, merchant, and E. K. Train, well known farmer.

Old Association Opposes Bonds.

Pendleton, Or., April 1.—Opposing the proposed county bond issue, the old Umattilla County Good Roads association, of which H. J. Taylor is president, and which was thought by many to be defunct, met this afternoon at an indoor reception providing for a special millage tax for the improvement of roads. The other road association of the same name is backing the bonding issue.

Thrown From Automobile.

Pendleton, Or., April 1.—Miss Pauline Breeding, Miss Nelle Chamberlain and Harvey Hanavan are all suffering from injuries today as the result of an auto accident last night while en route to Walls, Walls. The machine, driven by George Daubner, skidded when nearing Athena and catapulted the occupants of the back seat into the road. Miss Breeding is the most seriously hurt, the physician fearing internal injuries.

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EUGENE CLUB PROSPERS



Joseph H. Koke, new president of the Eugene Chamber of Commerce, left, and C. D. Rorer, retiring president.

Eugene, Or., April 1.—Joseph H. Koke, the new president of the Eugene Chamber of Commerce, elected at the annual meeting Monday night, represents the younger element in the city's business life. In fact, the affairs of the chamber have been conducted by the young men for the past year or two.

C. D. Rorer, the retiring president, who served a year, is among the youngest leaders of the organization. Mr. Koke is a member of the printing firm of Moran & Koke, and for a number of years past has been foremost in the chamber's activities.

Under Mr. Rorer's administration all departments of the chamber have grown and the membership is now larger than ever before. It was through Mr. Rorer's efforts largely that the form of organization was changed two months ago and the name changed from Commercial club to Chamber of Commerce. The organization is now conducted through bureaus and the head of each bureau becomes a director of the chamber.

STATE'S COMBINED BANK STATEMENT

Salem, Or., April 1.—The following is the combined statement of the state and national banks at the close of business March 7, as compared with the call of March 4, 1915:

Table with columns for RESOURCES and LIABILITIES, showing financial data for various banks and categories like Loans and discounts, Overdrafts, Securities, etc.

\*Decrease.

Arrange for Mails To Coos Country

Marshfield, Or., April 1.—Superintendent Miller of the Southern Pacific received a message today from Engineer Roy stating that the postoffice department had made arrangements with the railroad to have the mail carried in and out of Coos Bay beginning April 5, the day passenger service on the railroad will be inaugurated.

Yeager Announces Candidacy.

Pendleton, Or., April 1.—J. Alton Yeager, at present sealer of weights and measures for eastern Oregon, today announced his candidacy for the Republican nomination for assessor in this county.

HOOD RIVER MAN ANNOUNCES SELF

Halsey, Or., April 1.—The largest crowd that ever assembled in Halsey to witness a home talent play was present at the Halsey opera house Thursday evening, March 30, to greet the "It's All in the Pay Streak" a mining play presented by the members of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor of the Christian church.

Centralia Republicans Banquet.

Centralia, Wash., April 1.—The capacity of the Hotel Wilson dining room was taxed last night at the banquet held there by the Young Men Republican club. Fred Campbell acted as toastmaster and the guests of honor were Clark V. Savidge, state commissioner of public lands, and James McNeely of Tacoma, a candidate for governor. Other addresses were made by C. D. Cunningham, Arthur H. Ward and Dr. David Livingston.

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Lectures at Clatskanie.

Clatskanie, Or., April 1.—Professor Sweetser of the University of Oregon gave an illustrated address on "economy in state appropriations," economy in state appropriations, and the elimination of all unnecessary and freak laws from the statute books, and averse to the multiplicity of state boards and commissions.

Farm Loans Need In Grays Harbor

Purpose of New Undertaking is Development of Dairying Industry, Chamber of Commerce Is Taking Part.

Aberdeen, Wash., April 1.—A system of farm loans, the purpose of which is the development of the dairying industry in Grays Harbor county, will be inaugurated in this county by W. J. Patterson of the Hayes & Hayes bank, as the result of a conference with W. C. Mumaw of the farm development bureau of the Chamber of Commerce and County Agriculturist C. F. Monroe. The farm loan system is to help the small farmer improve the quality of his stock and to cut operating expenses by building silos.

Five thousand dollars at six per cent has been set apart for loans.

Steamship Men Fined.

Aberdeen, Wash., April 1.—A fine of \$50 each was assessed against Captain Axel Erickson and Steward Brunn of the steamer Coronado, after both acted.

Kendalls Have Not Given Up Hope

Telegram Announces That Railroad Promoter Will Have Another Plan to Offer the City of Roseburg.

Roseburg, Or., April 1.—C. E. Selman, representative of Kendall Brothers of Pittsburg, today received a telegram from S. A. Kendall stating that he would return to Roseburg on April 10 and would submit a new proposition to the people of Roseburg for the construction of the railroad to the Chamber districts and a sawmill at Roseburg. The feeling here is that some favorable agreement will be reached.

Knowledgeable having an oversupply of liquor on board the ship. They were arrested yesterday.

Sunshine Shows Dirt.

Now that smoggy days are more frequent, it is well to have your dust cleaned by the steamers Coronado, after both acted.

Advertisement for Goodyear Tires, highlighting public preference and tread quality.

Advertisement for Goodyear Tires, showing a tire and listing various tread patterns.

Advertisement for Let TRU-BLU, featuring a large image of a tire.

Advertisement for Let TRU-BLU, featuring a large image of a tire and the slogan 'Be Your Baker'.

For Piles

Pyramid Pile Treatment is Used at Hood River and Has Saved Many from the Horror of Operation.

Don't permit a dangerous operation for piles until you have seen what Pyramid Pile Treatment can do for you in the privacy of your own home.

Remember Pyramid—Forget Pills.

No case can be called hopeless unless Pyramid Pile Treatment has been tried. It has failed. Let us help you breathe the joy of the writer's Test Pyramid Pile Treatment four times a day for a week. You will know your druggist or mail the coupon below right away for a perfectly free trial.

FREE SAMPLE COUPON

Pyramid Drug Company, 525 Pyramid Bldg., Marshall, Mich. Kindly send me a free sample of Pyramid Pile Treatment in plain wrapper.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_