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## FOR STYLISH DRESSERS

Anyone who contemplates buying a new suit or new overcoat should see those elegant new **ALL SUITS** at the Hub Clothing Store? If not, don't buy until you have. If you want good, honest, medium-priced clothing, we have it; and if you want a genuine hand-tailored suit, sewed with silk thread throughout, we have it in



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Don't your boy need a new suit for school? Buy him a suit from us and he will get a nice present with each suit or overcoat. We will give with each boy's suit or overcoat a nice box containing penholder, pens, colored crayons, eraser, pencils, etc.

We have added a complete line of the celebrated **Black Cat Hose** for Ladies and Children.

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WHOLESALE AND RETAIL  
Cold Storage Rates are Cheap. Our Ice is made of Pure Mountain Water.

## WHOLESALE AND TAIL MEAT MARKET

CONNECTED WITH OUR PLANT.  
We Guarantee the Choicest and Best Cold Storage Meats.

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We give a World's Fair Tour Coupon with every 25c purchase.

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WEATHER IN  
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Not why delay buying, when you can get a new lamp for the next 5 or 6 cents. Think of the pleasure and comfort to be derived from a good lamp, when after supper you take some interesting book or work and sit in the agreeable even- ing by your own fireside. We can furnish you with a new lamp and globe, and a fine sewing lamp.

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## October

## Sunset Magazine

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Gen. MacArthur and other army officers describe the recent military maneuvers in California, each article being profusely illustrated with half-tones and colored drawings by Edward Cucuel. Interesting articles on California and Oregon, How Olive Oil is Made, How Almonds are Grown; and fine descriptions of Plumas and Sutter, two great California counties. 224 pages of articles, Western stories, sketches and verses. 10 CENTS A COPY.

YOU CAN BUY SUNSET MAGAZINE at all NEWS-STATES.

## EDITORS VISIT HOOD RIVER

Oregon Newspaper Men Hold Enjoyable Convention and Attend Fruit Fair.

The country newspaper men of Oregon have had their annual vacation, and have returned to their homes congratulating themselves upon the wisdom of choosing Hood River as the place of the 18th annual meeting. No more pleasant social gathering than the one held in the famous Hood River valley last week has ever been recorded in the history of the Oregon Press Association. While the attendance was not as large as usual, the convention was composed of men and women who are actively engaged in newspaper work, and the usual crowd of idle pleasure seekers was conspicuously absent. As a result, the publishers were enabled to get down to earnest work, and steps were taken to place the Association on a substantial business footing and to carry out measures that will financially benefit every newspaper in Oregon. The members, one and all, express the belief that the days of idle junketing trips are over for the Oregon Press Association, and that a bright and prosperous future is in store for the country newspapers of the state.

### THE CONVENTION CITY.

Hood River is a beautiful little city of 1600 population, situated on the south bank of the lovely Columbia river and at the mouth of the stream from which the city derives its name. It is 64 miles east of Portland, and 24 miles west of The Dalles. Being on the main line of the O. R. & N. railroad, it has excellent transportation facilities, Portland being reached by a two-hours' ride. The town was platted twenty years ago, but up to within the past five years its population did not exceed 500 souls. Since that time it has grown in size and commercial importance by leaps and bounds.

The town has an excellent water supply, electric lights, well-improved streets, a \$20,000 hotel, and numerous stores and shops. A sawmill of 100,000 feet daily capacity and a large fruit-box factory give employment to a small army of men. Two large public school buildings and numerous handsome churches speak eloquently for the educational and moral tone of the town. Many costly brick business buildings are in course of construction. The residence streets are lined with beautiful homes, many of them belonging to Portland capitalists who have orchards in the valley.

The business interests in Hood River, as in Dallas, are controlled by young men, and it is needless to add that no opportunity or advantage is overlooked that will add to the welfare of the town. The people, young and old, are hospitable and are ever ready to extend the hand of welcome to the stranger within their gates. They are proud of their beautiful town and its rich surroundings, and are constantly on the alert to make known to the outside world the wonderful riches and resources of Hood River valley.

### WHERE THE APPLE IS KING.

Hood River valley is about twenty miles long and averages five miles in width, containing an area of 64,000 acres. The Columbia river is the northern boundary; to the east is a mountain range 2000 feet high; the timbered slopes of the Cascades form its western boundary, while majestic Mount Hood stands sentinel at the southern end successfully disputing entry. The area of tillable land is estimated at 50,000 acres.

The high lands are generously covered with oak and pine, with little or no underbrush. These wooded slopes, when cleared for cultivation, are better adapted to apple raising than is the low land along the banks of Hood river and its numerous tributaries. The low bottom land is where clover and berry fields are seen in all their perfection. Water for irrigation purposes is plentiful, and dairying and vegetable raising contribute no small share to the prosperity of the people of Hood River valley.

There are now 2800 acres planted to apples, less than one-quarter of this area representing bearing commercial orchards. The Spitzbergen and Yellow Newton are the chief varieties planted, few of any other kinds having been set within the last four years.

The apple crop now being gathered is expected to fill 75,000 bushel boxes, or 125 cars. The entire crop of the Hood River Apple Growers' Union has been contracted for by a Portland apple buyer at the following prices: Four tier Spitzbergs, \$2.10 a box; four-tier Newtons, \$1.75 a box. The five-tier apples sold for \$1.75 and \$2.25 a box.

Hood River Spitzbergs and Yellow Newtons bring higher prices than any other apples in the United States. This, the buyers say, is because of the high color and superior quality imparted to the fruit by the volcanic soil of the Hood River valley. Hood River Spitzbergs retail for 10 cents each on the fruit stands of New York City.

Hood River apples find their way into the markets of New York, London, Berlin, Paris, Honolulu, Japan, China, Manila, and the mining camps of Alaska. In London, during the holiday season of 1903, Yellow Newton

pickings from Hood River sold as high as \$3.65 a bushel, netting the grower \$2.25.

The Clark's Seedling strawberry first made the Hood River valley famous as a fruit producing section. The berries are shipped in refrigerator cars to the markets of the Mississippi and Missouri river states. This year's crop of 90,000 crates netted the growers \$140,000.

### THE FRUIT FAIR.

The sixth biennial fruit fair of Hood River was held while the Editorial convention was in session, and proved a revelation to all who had never seen a display of the products of the famous Hood River valley. Language is inadequate to describe this exhibit—it was simply beyond comparison. Two long tables running through the center of the pavilion were covered with apples, peaches, pears, grapes and quinces on plates, while on either side, banked six boxes deep and rising tier after tier, were apples packed in boxes as if for shipment. It was not an uncommon sight to see 45 apples completely filling a 50-pound box. Such a wealth of color, quality and size has never been seen at any other fruit show in the world. It will be good news to every citizen of Oregon to learn that this magnificent display of fruit is to be forwarded to the St. Louis Fair, to be placed on exhibition in the Oregon section. The expense of shipping the entire display will be borne by voluntary subscriptions by members of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, the Lewis and Clark State Commission and the citizens of Hood River. This fruit display will go further toward advertising the productivity of Oregon than anything else that could be sent from the state.

President E. L. Smith, that grand old citizen of Eastern Oregon, was always on hand to look after the comfort and entertainment of visitors, and the newspaper men will never forget him for the many kindnesses shown them. The writer also desires to thank Superintendent G. R. Castner and F. C. Chandler, both prominent orchardists, for personal favors, not the least of which was the filling of our traveling bag with the choicest specimens of prize-winning apples. The press gang also remember with kindness Editor Arthur D. Moe, of the Hood River Glacier, and his able assistant, E. N. Blythe, who were always on hand to see that the boys did not miss any of the good things provided for their entertainment. The Glacier office kept open house, and the editors were shown every courtesy and kindness. The Daily Glacier, published during the three days of the Fair, and containing the late telegraphic dispatches, local news, and full reports of the proceedings of the press convention, was a triumph of up-to-date journalism.

### VISIT TO ODELL.

One of the pleasant incidents of the trip to the writer was his visit to Odell, where he was entertained at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Roswell Shelley. We were met at the train by Mr. Shelley, Thursday morning, and after our luggage had been safely stowed away in the hotel, we visited the fruit fair and were privileged to meet and talk with many of the leading business men and apple growers. At the close of the press session in the afternoon, Mr. Shelley called for us with his horse and buggy, and we were soon out on the country road among the strawberry fields and apple orchards. Mr. Shelley's driving horse has a track record of better than 2:30, and the seven miles between Hood River and Odell were soon covered, the roads being in perfect condition for fast driving.

Odell is properly termed the hub of East Hood River. It is situated at the junction of the Cloud Cap Inn and the Falls roads, and has a church, schoolhouse, blacksmith shop and store. Mr. Shelley is the founder of the little

## BONE FOOD

Soft and crooked bones mean bad feeding. Call the disease rickets if you want to. The growing child must eat the right food for growth. Bones must have bone food, blood must have blood food and so on through the list.

Scott's Emulsion is the right treatment for soft bones in children. Little doses every day give the stiffness and shape that healthy bones should have.

Bow legs become straighter, loose joints grow stronger and firmness comes to the soft heads.

Wrong food caused the trouble. Right food will cure it. In thousands of cases Scott's Emulsion has proven to be the right food for soft bones in childhood.

Send for free sample. SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, 409-415 Pearl Street, New York. Get and \$2.00; all druggists.

## A Shaking-Up Sale!

Old-time Methods relegated to the past, and new innovations introduced. The happy-go-lucky days have gone, supplanted by modern and practical ideas in merchandising. BEGINNING SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, and continuing until the end of month, this store will cut prices on lines indicated below. We mean CUT PRICES—no measly 5c reduction. All new goods and up-to-date

Dress Goods, Laces, Umbrellas,  
Waistings, Embroideries, Silks,  
Underwear, Furs, Linings,  
Ribbons, Neckwear, Domestic,  
Several lines of SHOES  
Belts and numerous other items.

52-inch Broadcloth, \$2.00 grade at.....\$1.39  
52-inch Broadcloth, \$1.50 grade at.....1.19  
50-inch Granite Suiting, \$1.35 grade at.....1.00  
\$2.50 Men's Shoes at.....2.00

Men's Goodyear Welts, \$2.50, \$2.75 and \$3.00  
other lines of Shoes at correspondingly low prices.

42-piece Dinner Set, handsomely decorated, Sale.....\$4.50

## Two Weeks Only from October 15th.

YOURS FOR BUSINESS

## Pollock's Cash Store

UGLOW BUILDING, - - - DALLAS, OREGON.

village, having opened a store there two years ago. He prospered from the beginning, and today no store in the valley is better known or more widely advertised. He recently built a substantial warehouse and fruit storage room across the road from his store and is prepared to handle all the products of the valley. He is assisted in his business by Mrs. Shelley and his son, Ralph. Living in the most beautiful portion of the famous valley, where the soil is rich, the climate is delightful, and the surrounding scenery is grand beyond description, it is small wonder that the family is contented and happy. Mr. Shelley still has a warm spot in his heart for Polk county, and wishes to be kindly remembered to his old friends in Dallas and Independence.

### EDITORS IN CONVENTION.

The 18th Oregon Press Association held two business sessions in the rooms of the Hood River Commercial Club, and also a public session in a large auditorium adjoining the fruit pavilion. [The latter meeting was open to the public, and the large building was packed with citizens and visitors, who availed themselves of the opportunity to hear the speeches and discussions.

The members of the press in attendance united in declaring that the Hood River meeting was the most earnest business session ever held by the association. Of the business transacted at the meeting, we shall have more to say hereafter.

At the closing session the following officers were elected: B. J. Hendricks, Salem Statesman, president; J. C. Hayter, Polk County Observer, first vice-president; A. D. Moe, Hood River Glacier, second vice-president; Albert Tozier, Portland, secretary; Francis E. Gotshall, Portland, treasurer; George H. Himes, Portland, historian. Portland was selected as the next place of meeting, the date to be fixed later.

Robert J. Hendricks, the newly-elected president, is a native of Polk county, and is one of the ten charter members of the Oregon Press Association. He is the last of the ten to fill the office of president, and is the only one today engaged in active newspaper work. Mr. Hendricks is a progressive newspaper man, and will give the association a good business administration.

### VISIT 1905 FAIR GROUNDS.

In response to an invitation from the Lewis and Clark Fair Commission, the Association appointed a committee of 10 to visit Portland and go over the grounds of the exposition. The committee arrived in Portland Saturday evening, and spent Sunday forenoon at the grounds. Here every courtesy was shown the committee by Vice-President L. N. Fleischner and Secretary Henry E. Reed. The buildings and grounds were examined, and all the visitors expressed surprise at the

magnitude of the proposed fair and the progress that has been made. After returning from the grounds, the party was entertained by a luncheon given by Mr. Fleischner in the Portland Hotel grill room. Here Director-General Goode joined the party, and the fair and its advertisement was thoroughly discussed. The officials were informed that the members of the Oregon Press Association stand ready to do all in their power to advertise the fair, and that this publicity will be given without thought of remuneration.

The committee visiting the fair grounds was composed of Albert Tozier, R. P. Bacon, W. C. Woodward, J. W. McArthur, William J. Clarke, C. L. Starr, William Matthews, Walter Lyon, S. L. Moorhead and J. C. Hayter.

Travis McDewitt visited relatives in Dallas, Sunday.

Mrs. Claude Dunn is visiting relatives in Woodburn.

Mrs. Dr. L. N. Woods left Saturday for a several months' visit in Iowa and Pennsylvania.

Mrs. D. M. Metzger and son, Norval, went to Portland, Friday. Mrs. Metzger attended the regular business meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Odd Fellows' Home.

This is the age of advertising, and progressive business men have found that they can as easily do without goods as without newspaper publicity. The merchant who fails to advertise will soon find the grass growing up through the cracks in the sidewalk in front of his door.

Mrs. A. N. Holman received a letter from her brother, James McTimmonds, this week, dated at Auckland, New Zealand, and another dated at Sidney, Australia. A few months ago she received a letter from him, written in Honolulu. The young man says it is his intention to make a tour of the world, earning his way as he goes.

Smith Gilliam, of Walla Walla, is visiting his sister, Mrs. F. M. Collins. He was Sheriff of Polk county in the pioneer days and has many acquaintances in Western Oregon.

James Crawford, a prominent merchant of Pondleton, accompanied by Mrs. Crawford, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Holman this week. Mrs. Crawford is a sister of Mrs. Holman.

Mrs. Margaret McMillan, of Monmouth, was in Dallas, Thursday, attending to business connected with her late husband's estate. She will leave in a few days for a six months' visit to her old home in Canada.

U. S. Grant is of the opinion that one reason for the fineness of the Turkish mohair is the scanty herbage of the country in which Angora goats are kept in Turkey. He has observed that the finest hair in his flock is found on kids whose growth has been in some way checked so that they are more or less stunted. As goat feed grows sparsely in Turkey, it is presumed that the goats there grow slowly and do not attain the size they would have if more plentifully fed. There is plausibility in Mr. Grant's theory. A goat which is on plentiful food from the date of its birth until it is mature is much larger than if it had been kept on scanty rations throughout its period of growth. The number of hairs on it is no greater because it has been well fed and has grown large, but each hair is in all probability as much thicker proportionately as the goat is larger than it would have been if dwarfed by scanty rations. Of course, mohair like wool is seriously injured in quality by such scarcity of feed as materially affects the health of the goat, but this applies to the mohair on the goat at the time it is on starvation rations. It is also probable that a goat's growth can be materially checked by scanty rations without materially affecting the quality of its hair.—Rural Northwest.

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Also Purifies the Blood.  
Don't become discouraged. There is a cure for you. If necessary write Dr. Fenner. He has spent a lifetime curing just such cases as yours. All consultations FREE.  
"This is to certify that I was laid up with Sclerotic Rheumatism 16 months, being unable during that time to perform any labor and had paid out \$800 to physicians without benefit. Being advised by a friend to try Dr. Fenner's Kidney and Backache Cure I did so and 4 bottles cured me. Since then I have recommended it to hundreds suffering with kidney troubles and the result has been a cure in every case. O. S. SPRAY, Bloomington, Ill.  
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We have sold many dozens of Dr. Fenner's St. Vitus Dance Specific and every case has been cured by it. It is a blessing. ALLEN-CLARK DRUG CO., ARKANSAS.  
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