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APPLE DAY PLANS MADE.

Hood River Entertains Lavishly the First Week of May.

Hood River—With the Commercial Club, Automobile Club and business organizations of the city exerting every effort to make the occasion the biggest of its kind that the Hood River Valley has ever witnessed, the little apple city is planning to entertain hundreds of guests which are expected here during the first week of May, when the orchards are in full blossom. From present indications the blossoms will be in full bloom by the first week of May and there will be more of them than ever before.

The board of directors of the Commercial Club have settled on definite plans. Letters have been written to the O. W. R. & N., North Bank, and river boat line officials, asking their co-operation. It is planned to have special trains run from Portland. Members of the Automobile Club will meet the visitors at the station and give them excursions through the orchards.

BEE EXHIBITS FOR FAIR.

Cash Prizes Will Be Given for Best State Fair Exhibits.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis—In a letter from Secretary Frank Meredith, of the State Board of Agriculture, in charge of the state fair exhibits, to Prof. H. F. Wilson, of the entomology department at the Oregon Agricultural college, a list of twenty-three cash prizes amounting to about \$110.00, to be offered at the coming State Fair for exhibits in apiculture. It is through the efforts of the State Beekeepers' association that space for the exhibits and the funds for the prizes have been secured.

The entries will close September 1, and the entry fees have been fixed at ten per cent of the first premium. The exhibits must be in place by 6 a. m. September 2, and it has been decreed that all exhibits must have been produced in the apiary of the exhibitor during the year 1912.

Premiums will be restricted to exhibits from within the state of Oregon.

No premiums will be paid unless there is competition, and none will be awarded where the exhibits are not individually worthy. The judge will in no case give first prize to a second grade product, even though there are only two exhibits. The honey must be pure nectar, sugar or syrup honey being barred, and the judges will open the packages to satisfy themselves on this point. Sections less than three-fourths full will also be barred.

EUGENE-COOSELINE RUSHED.

Grade Work Westward Will Be Commenced This Week.

Eugene—Upon the arrival of four carloads of mules, Fuller & Company, sub-contractors on the Southern Pacific line to Coos Bay, began grading operations westward from Eugene. This company has had perhaps 200 men scattered along 13 miles of right of way all winter, clearing the land ready for the grading work with the settling of weather this spring. Power graders will be put to work as soon as possible.

Twohy Bros., contractors, have made a good start on the 2300-foot tunnel at Noti Pass, and this week completed the transportation of ten wagon loads of compressor machinery, so that the tunnel men may use air drills.

Deeds for sections of right of way west of Noti Pass are being filed every few days.

Bumper Crop Expected.

Hood River—Although the Hood River valley will have a much larger crop of strawberries this year than last, according to estimates of growers and buyers who are already beginning to contract for the crops, the production next year will probably be the valley's greatest output of this fruit. Reports from every part of the valley indicate that a great many plants are being set. Especially will a great many new tracts be set in the Upper valley. The fruit there is later, but is of excellent quality.

Building for Faising Bugs.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis—An insectary has just been built in the college orchard at O. A. C., for the purpose of studying the life history of a large number of insect pests infesting the orchards, truck gardens, and flower beds of Oregon, with a view to finding the most effective methods of combating them. A long list of experiments have been planned by the entomology department for the coming season.

Work on Big Dam Started.

Astoria—The Bidwell-Hayden company, to whom was given the contract for building the big dam for the 100,000,000-gallon reservoir at the headworks of Astoria's water system, have taken out a donkey engine and two large boilers to be used in connection with their operations. The firm will operate a rock crusher. The actual construction work will be commenced as soon as the camp is completed.

Bridge Over the Grand Ronde.

La Grande—Steel for the new bridge spanning the Grand Ronde river at Riverside park is expected any day. The bridge will be 15 feet in length and will have a walk on either side six feet wide.

OREGON MAY GROW FLAX.

Move On Foot To Revive Industry in Marion County.

Salem—Possibility of the development of 2,000 acres of Willamette Valley land and the inauguration of the first gigantic step toward placing the flax industry on a firm basis in this section of the valley is presaged by the visit here of Western Manager Smith, of the American Linseed Oil company, and H. A. Brewer.

With Secretary Olcott and State Treasurer Kay the visitors were taken to the home of Eugene Bosse, the pioneer flax grower of the Pacific Coast. Smith made a proposition to Bosse to make arrangements for the development of 2,000 acres of land, to be sown to flax and to do it immediately.

The American Linseed Oil company has established a branch industry in Portland. It is now necessary to send a large quantity of the flax from Michigan, but the representatives here declared that the Oregon flax surpasses the world in quality and that great quantities of it can be used by the company.

FERTILIZING YAMHILL PRUNES.

College Experimenting in Improving Quality and Production.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis—Fertility experiments in the prune orchards of Yamhill county are being run by the division of horticulture of the Oregon Agricultural college, covering both the bottom land orchards and hill orchards. The experiments include not only the use of fertilizers, but also various methods of tillage, the thinning of the fruit, pruning and like matters, to see if the general outlook and quality of the prune can be improved.

An elaborate set of experiments is also being conducted in this connection as to prune evaporation. In the fertilizing work, for example, it is desired to ascertain not only if the size of the fruit can be increased by this means and the quality improved, but what relation fertilization will bear to the evaporation of the fruit. The relation of various cultural and orchard management methods have to the evaporation of the prune will be closely studied.

Apple Growers Get Busy.

Albany—Forty members of the Albany Apple Growers association met here in the Commercial club rooms to discuss matters important to the fruit industry of Linn county. The meeting was presided over by H. Bryant, president of the association, and talks of interest relative to the protection of fruit trees from codlin moth and San Jose scale were made by various members.

The annual Albany Apple Fair, which will be held in November, was discussed at length and efforts will be made to make this year's event the biggest in the history of Linn county. The president was authorized to appoint a committee from the association to work in conjunction with a similar committee from the Commercial club toward making it a success.

Loganberries, which are fast becoming a profitable small fruit, was the subject of considerable discussion, and as a result, many acres will be planted this year.

Treatise on Walnut Culture Out.

Portland—The second of the circulars by the chamber of commerce illustrating the possibilities of different industries in Oregon is out. It is a treatise on walnut culture containing a symposium of facts and information about the growth and methods of this branch of horticulture in Oregon, written by prominent and successful walnut growers. The first bulletin contained a narrative of "What One Hundred Dollars Did in Oregon," telling of the personal experiences of one family in clearing a wooded tract.

Orchard Bulletin Almost Gone.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis—The issue of Prof. C. I. Lewis' bulletin No. 111 on orchard management, published in 20,000 copies, by the Oregon Agricultural College Experiment station, is now rapidly being exhausted, in spite of the fact that the Oregonian published the matter entire, in an edition of 30,000 copies. The pressure of present calls for the bulletin will probably be relieved somewhat when the magazine "Better Fruit" prints it also in an edition of 15,000 copies.

Pear Growing in America.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis—Prof. C. I. Lewis, chief of the division of horticulture at the Oregon Agricultural college, is the author of a 100-page brochure containing 60 fine illustrations, many of them photographs taken in Oregon, which is to be issued shortly by the International Correspondence schools as a course on "Pear Growing in America." Prof. Lewis has spent several years in special study on this subject.

Gresham Fair Dates Fixed.

Gresham—At a meeting of the board of directors of the Multnomah County Fair association, the dates for the fair this year were definitely fixed for October 2-5. So far as known these dates will not conflict with those of any other fair or festival to be held this year, and it is believed that the agricultural displays will be at their best about that time.

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