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NEWBERG AND CHEHALEM VALLEY.

Since our connection with the GRAPHIC we have been requested a number of times by our friends to write an article descriptive of Newberg and the surrounding country, suitable to send to parties in the east who are continually writing for information with a view of seeking homes in the northwest. While we write with this end in view it will not be our object to fill the "long leaf want" of the average latter day real estate boomer, but rather to confine what we say to facts that can be easily substantiated. Newberg is located in the northeastern part of Yamhill county, twenty-three miles from the city of Portland, and is reached by the Oregonian branch of the Southern Pacific railroad, and also by first class steamers on the Willamette river. Being situated so as to get the choice of ranges, either by rail or the competition thus insured always gives our people lower freight rates than other places that are entirely at the mercy of the railroads. While Newberg is a town of comparatively recent growth we already have a population of over 800 which is rapidly increasing. There are a number of causes for the rapid increase in the population of the town and surrounding country of which we will speak later on, but the enviable reputation of the town for good morals and good schools is attracting a very desirable class of new comers. People coming from Iowa and Kansas who have enjoyed the advantages of prohibition for the past few years, while they are anxious to reach a country where the climatic changes are less sudden and where fruit raising can be engaged in with satisfactory results, they very justly shudder at the thought of making a home in a community where saloons flourish as they do in most places in the northwest. For this class of people Newberg has attractions, and the opposition of law citizens to the whisky business has made for the town a reputation that is bringing a class of people who make substantial citizens who are energetic, thrifty and full of hope for the future. The class of people who founded Newberg believe in temperance, morality and good government, and are bitter enemies to the saloon business; and the law in nature often quoted, "Like attracts like," has been verified so fully in the building up of the town that at this date no saloon man need apply. Good elevation, natural drainage, nearness to the Pacific Ocean, with her purifying influence coupled with all the advantages of the mild and equable climate common to almost all of Western Oregon combine to make the healthfulness of this section all that could be asked. This is a feature not to be overlooked.

No one wishes to make a home in an unhealthy country, and on the other hand any one can readily adapt himself to almost any surroundings if he enjoys good health. But when health and almost all other desirable conditions are to be found in the same locality the ever-increasing immigration is easily accounted for.

Our citizens are a church going people, there being five church buildings in the town, and the following churches have organizations here: The Friends', Evangelical, Baptist, Christian, Presbyterian, Advent and Methodist. The public school which is graded, is a well managed institution being accommodated by a large new building which is situated in one of the most highly locations in the town. Two hundred and twenty-five pupils were enrolled last year. One of the greatest factors in the early growth of Newberg was Friends' Pacific academy which was located here in 1885, at a time when there was scarcely any town here and the country rather sparsely settled. This school while it is non sectarian is under the management of Friends' church and is the only school under the management of this church on the Pacific coast. The success of the academy since it was located here has been much greater than the most sanguine had expected in this length of time, and the demands of the town and country have increased so that it has been decided to extend the course and open a college to be known as Pacific College at the beginning of the next school year. Prof. Thomas Nowlin, of Indiana, a graduate of Harvard college, Pennsylvania, who has furnished the highest testimonials as a successful teacher, and known throughout his state as an educator of great ability has been secured for the presidency and the opening of the college is looked forward to with great anticipation by the friends of the school. An endorsement has been raised for the college and the expectation is to put the institution on a firm footing financially and make it second to no other in Oregon, being located as it is in a town where saloons and all the attendant vices so common in college towns are not only unpopular but are positively prohibited. In the past, building has been delayed by the lack of a lumber supply during the building season, but a first class saw-mill has just been put up on the river with a capacity sufficient to supply all demands and building material will be furnished at prices which make it easy for all classes to build comfortable dwellings. It is expected to put in a sash and door factory, also a box factory to be operated in connection with the mill at an early date. Other manufacturing interests are represented by a roller flouring mill, drain tile and brick factories, feed spring factory and large fruit evaporators. A practical fruit canner from near Baltimore, Maryland, has recently located in town and has associated himself with the principal capitalist of the town for the purpose of putting up and operating a fruit canning establishment. It is proposed by this firm to enter into the business according to practical business principles, with a determination to succeed from the start. They expect to have the canning running this season with a capacity sufficient to meet present demands and will increase the facilities for the proper handling of the fruit of the community as more orchards come into bearing. Considering the large number of orchards that are being set all around us, this means that Newberg will in the near future have an establishment running that will not only furnish a market for large quantities of such fruits as are calculated for canning, but will also furnish work for a large force of hands. The Bank of Newberg which was opened in January a year ago built a handsome two story brick building last fall which has inspired confidence, and better buildings are being put up than heretofore. The bank has a capital stock of \$50,000, fully paid up and is doing a good business. A stock company of business men built a large brick building late in the season of last year with business rooms on the ground floor and a large town hall above. One of the principal mercantile firms of the town has the walls partly up for a large brick store building which they expect to occupy by July 4th. Other firms who contemplate building are talking brick structures and we are now assured of a class of substantial business houses that give permanence to the growth of a town.

The location of Newberg and Chehalam valley in which it is situated, is an enviable one. Taking the train on the Oregonian E. R. at Portland a ride of twenty-six miles brings you into this valley, and nearly all this distance is through a rough country cut up by canyons and covered with a heavy growth of timber, so that this valley is the first agricultural country of much consequence out from Portland on this west side line. This fact of our being in close proximity to Portland the metropolis and trade center of this great and rapidly-developing northwest, is an important one, and the fact that persons of wealth in Portland are investing in our lands is good evidence of this fact. The annual wholesale and jobbing trade of Portland reached the proportion in 1899 of \$1,000,000 for the year, and one-third of this was the result of its growth since 1880; the results for the years 1886, 1887, 1888 and 1889 being as follows:

For year '86 trade was over \$50,000,000;
" " '87 " " " 60,000,000;
" " '88 " " " 75,000,000;
" " '89 " " " 115,000,000;
" " '90 " " " 113,000,000;

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In speaking of the Chehalam Valley persons who are not acquainted here often get the impression that it is not in the Willamette Valley. This is a mistaken idea. There are a great many hills or low ranges of mountains extending out from the Coast and Cascade ranges, that sub-divide the great Willamette Valley into sections that often take a special name from the adjoining range of hills or from the river or creek by which it is traversed. Chehalam is an Indian name meaning "the valley of flowers." The hills on the north and the principal creek both bear the same name as the valley. It is in some of these minor valleys that we find the best country in Oregon, and especially are some of them eminently adapted to the raising of the finer fruits common to this climate. This is especially true of this valley; almost all valleys extend north and south on the coast, but Chehalam extending east and west is protected on the north and south by a range of hills which cut off the bleak winter winds from the upper Columbia while the south and south-west are open to the gentle breezes from the ocean, tempered by the Japan current. To this extremely favorable physical arrangement, together with a suitable soil, is largely due the popularity of this valley as a fruit-growing section.

The soil of the Chehalam Valley consists of a surface of loam containing a large proportion of vegetable mould and a feet in depth. This great depth of soil accounts for the fact that a failure of crops from lack of moisture was never known in Oregon, and also for the fact that crops are never injured by excessive moisture and that the soil, no matter how steep, does not wash. The soil acts like a vast sponge to absorb the moisture and give it out as it is needed. The soil and climate are especially adapted to the production of wheat and the cultivation of this cereal has in the past been the principal industry of the producing classes, but wheat fields are now giving way to thrifty orchards and an era of prosperity is dawning upon us. Thousands of fruit trees are being set each year of prunes, plums, peaches, apples and cherries, in orchards of from one to forty acres in size, and it is difficult to estimate the importance of this industry or the wealth of this valley in a few years hence. Much has been written and said about the profits of fruit raising in this country and many statements of results have been made which, while true, are liable to be misleading owing to particularly favorable circumstances which brought about the results. Take a fair and conservative estimate of the profits to be realized from a prune orchard that has been properly cultivated and in good bearing and the figures will show up in a way that will convince even the skeptical that money invested in a prune orchard anywhere in the vicinity of Newberg will yield handsome returns. The time has been so short since our pop-

ple became awakened on the subject of fruit culture and began to plant trees in large quantities that only a limited number of the younger orchards have come into good bearing, and yet several tons of green fruit are shipped annually from this valley, finding a ready market in various places, some varieties being shipped far into the eastern states. The owner of one of our large evaporators has established a trade and sells all his dried fruit to a wholesale grocery firm in Indianapolis and another in Philadelphia, while the product of the others goes to Portland and other points.

The profits derived from the prune orchards that have come into bearing have been such that different parties have set largely of prune trees and others are preparing ground for extensive prune orchards. Our locality is considered so favorable for prune raising that different Portland capitalists have bought large farms near town and are making extensive preparations for prune culture on a large scale. Dried prunes are already legal tender in Newberg, and considering the fact that there is no other location in the northwest better calculated for the successful cultivation of this standard fruit, our lands are destined to bring a high figure at no distant day.

The Oregonian has our thanks for special mention of the GRAPHIC under head of "notes and comments," the column which, it is said, is edited almost exclusively in Portland.

"No-Shier" is the name of the Walla Walla chief chosen to succeed Chief Hiofio, deceased. It is to be hoped that the gentleman will be enabled on account of his present exalted position to change his manner of dress, if not his name.

WHAT with drunken shooting scrapes and dervations, Walla Walla's garages is being thinned out soon. The barbarous custom of keeping a lot of able bodied men trained to meet an exigency that never arises, is coming to be looked upon by many people as a great piece of foolishness, on the part of the United States government, and the only wonder is that such an enforced state of idleness does not result more disastrously than it does.

Newberg Fresh Fruit and Flower Exhibition.

The above exhibition will be held under the auspices of the Horticultural society at their next regular meeting, Saturday June 29th, when the following prizes will be awarded, viz:

For the largest and best collection of Cherries, \$1.00. Second, 50 cents.

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For the finest specimens of Strawberries, \$1.00. Second, 50 cents.

For the largest and best collection of Roses, \$2.00. Second, 50 cents.

The exhibition will be governed by the following rules: 1. All entries shall be open to the public. 2. Entries must be made before 2 p. m. 3. All exhibits must be grown by the exhibitors. 4. Not less than 1 qt. box of each variety of fruit shall be accepted for entry. 5. The judges shall be appointed in the face of the meeting. 6. All exhibits shall become the property of the Horticultural society, when the premiums are awarded.

PROGRAMME.

12 to 2 p. m. Entries.

2 p. m. Regular business meeting of the society.

Election of officers.

Report of committee on arrangements for the state Horticultural meeting in July.

Paper, "Strawberry Culture," G. L. Stadler.

Paper, "Roses," Awarding of premiums.

The public are cordially invited. A full attendance of members is especially requested as there will be much important business to transact.

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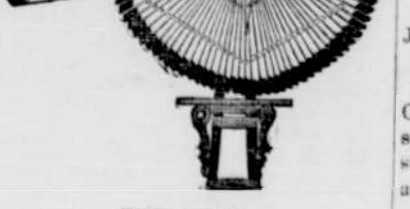
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