



Meeting of Fruit Growers.

The fruit growers meeting, held in Crater's hall on last Saturday afternoon, was quite well attended and much interest was shown in the subjects discussed. J. H. Rees, the chairman of the meeting, stated that it had been hoped that Prof. Cordley, of the Corvallis experiment station, could be present, but that there was so much interest being shown at present throughout the valley in fruit growing that many public meetings were being held, and consequently the demand for public speakers at these meetings could hardly be met.

A. C. Goodrich, of North Yamhill, the county fruit inspector, took up the subject of spraying and gave many practical hints respecting the various details of mixing spray materials, illustrating his talk by the use of a sample of the preparation which he obtained from a gentleman who was engaged in spraying orchards about Newberg. He inclined to the use of materials of his own mixing, yet he and others who have had experience stated that the prepared sprays sold by dealers were good, though as a rule costing a little more than the home prepared article.

Regarding the fight against the much dreaded San Jose scale Mr. Goodrich said there was little trouble to be experienced in keeping it in check if prompt and vigorous effort was made. He cited an instance to prove his ground, stating that last season a neighbor of his found his orchard to be badly infected with the scale and by thorough work in spraying twice during the season he eradicated the scale so thoroughly that at the present time he was unable to find any in the orchard after making a close investigation throughout.

W. S. Allan, of Dundee, who is one of the most experienced orchardists in this part of the county, stated that he had little concern for the scale as he expected to spray several times during the season anyway and Mr. scale was always well taken care of if he appeared in the orchard. His argument was very much in line with that of some other fruit men who maintain that since the grower of fruit should spray his trees in season and out of season, the presence of the scale in the country only spurs him up to do the spraying that should be done anyway to insure any degree of success.

H. M. Williamson, editor of the Oregon Agriculturist and secretary of the State Board of Horticulture, was present and made a short talk that was full of interest and very helpful to everyone interested in the subject of horticulture. He said his first visit was made to Newberg sixteen years ago, at a time when there was much interest being manifested in fruit growing and that while he now noted many improvements about the town, he was sorry to note that the interest in horticulture had scarcely kept pace with other interests. The town he said should be the center of influence in a community, and there should be sufficient civic pride among the citizens to demand that fruit trees and shrubbery should be kept pruned and free from pests, and everything of an unsightly appearance cleaned up and put out of sight. While we boast of the fertility of the soil in the Willamette valley, statistics show that the average of production is only about \$10 per acre which is entirely too low for the prices put on the land. We can't have good farm buildings, good roads and other desirable improve-

ments until the productive power of the soil is brought up to a higher standard, and nothing short of \$50 per acre should satisfy. The soil is here and intelligent cultivation will bring the results, while slipshod methods will continue to be disappointing.

Mr. Williamson stated that the board would take legal steps in extreme cases to protect the horticultural interests, and yet the very best results to be obtained would come as a result of interest aroused among the people by holding meetings throughout the state, and he was glad to note the demand that was being made for speakers at different points where meetings were to be held.

Council Meeting.

The regular meeting of the city council was held Monday night with Mayor Edwards in the chair and Councilmen Forsyth, Harrold, Stratton, Wilson and Woodward present. F. H. Caldwell, councilman from Third ward, tendered his resignation which was accepted.

Samuel Anthis was elected to inspect the laying of pipe and the construction of the new reservoir at a salary of \$3 per day.

The special committee on marshal recommended that the services of a regular day marshal be dispensed with, that the regular marshal be made the night watchman, that a deputy marshal be appointed for collection of dog taxes, etc., his services to be paid for in fees and that a street commissioner be employed when needed. The recommendation was adopted and A. S. Parker was elected marshal.

Dr. Harrold was elected acting mayor and Orange Elliott water superintendent.

BILLS ALLOWED.

J. J. Woods, marshal \$40 00
W. W. Nelson, recorder 30 00
Yamhill Elec. Co. 100 00
Clarence Butt, attorney—20 00
A. S. Parker, night watch 15 00
Gordon & Irelan, livery 5 50
Wm. Noble 2 00
Orange Elliott, water supt. 18 10

The marshal was instructed to arrest anyone found riding a wheel on the walks at a rapid rate, or for riding without a bell on wheel, or if after dark, without a lantern.

P. C. Wins the Debate.

One of the best literary treats of the season was given at Crater's Hall on Friday night of last week, when the Pacific College debating team lined up against the Monmouth Normal team, the question being, "Resolved that the railroads should be owned and operated by the National government."

Both teams had failed to note the change made in the constitution last year, until a few days previous to the debate, both thinking they had two weeks longer in which to make preparation for the fray. This in part was responsible for the rather meager attendance, and yet the thinking people of Newberg ought to wake up and get out to hear the students of our institutions when some original thought is offered. Anybody can commit to memory and repeat what some one else writes, but it requires study to meet another man in debate and be able to refute his argument.

Maris, Rees and Brown, representing P. C. took the affirmative, while Ragsdale, Allen and Stroud supported the negative for the Normal. The full two hours time allotted for the discussion was taken up, and the boys held the closest attention of the audience, but it was evi-

dent to all that the home team had the best of the argument from start to finish. The decision rendered was three firsts for P. C., the judges being Prof. Bates, of Pacific University; Prof. Newbill, of the Portland schools, and Attorney Bert Haney, of Portland.

On the same night at Albany the Albany College and McMinnville College teams debated the same question, the former taking the negative and winning. In accordance with the previous arrangement P. C. will now meet Albany in six weeks to debate the same question, P. C. again taking the affirmative and Albany the negative.

Those who heard the debate here are hoping that Newberg will be selected as the place for the contest as they desire to hear it.

From Oregon Agriculturist.

Thousands of neglected and practically worthless fruit trees have been cut down or pulled out of the ground and burned this winter. The idea is fast taking hold of the people that it does not pay to have neglected fruit trees on one's land.

There is no other thing which is a greater obstacle to the success of the state and district fairs in Oregon than the selling of pools on races at these fairs. The practice is a foul blot upon Oregon. Pool selling is one of the most demoralizing forms of gambling known. It takes hold of those who could not easily be led into any other form of gambling. The practice keeps many people away from the fair. It also, in a large measure, ruins the horse races at the fairs. This has been proved by observation in the states which have abolished pool selling on their fair grounds. In such states there has been far less complaint of sold races, and a great deal more interest in the races since the pool selling was abolished than before. A number of state fairs entered upon an era of great prosperity after they stopped pool selling and liquor selling upon their grounds.

The alarm over the San Jose scale is increasing in the East literally by leaps and bounds. We have learned out here that we can keep the pest from doing serious damage by the use of thorough methods, but San Jose scale will put millions of apple and other fruit trees out of business in the East in the next few years. The alarm as to this pest will greatly defer the planting of new orchards in the East for a few years. The reduction in the production of apples will not be at all in proportion to the number of trees which will be ruined by the scale because the up-to-date orchardists will take care of their trees. There may, perhaps, be no reduction in the crop, but there will certainly be a decided check to the orchard industry in the East, and a failure to increase the crop in proportion to the increasing demand for fruit. This makes the present an opportunity which may never again be equalled for the states of the Pacific Northwest to establish their apples in all the leading markets of the United States. It is clearly within the bounds of possibility for one of the states of the Pacific Northwest to become within a decade the leading producer of first-class apples among the states of the Union. Whether this state will be Oregon or Washington, or perhaps Idaho, will depend upon which of these states places upon the markets the largest quantity of strictly first-class apples.

Real Estate Transfers.

Reported by the Yamhill County Abstract Company, McMinnville.

Rachel H. Franklin and hus to Vivan M. Miller 1 a t 4 s r 3 \$150.

John D. Gordon and wf to A. C. Anderson 29 a cl 50 t 4 s r 4 \$1414.60.

Mary McDonald et al to Saml Yarns 3 a cl 49 t 4 s r 4 \$420.

R. B. McDonald and wf to the public it "O" Oak Park add McMinnville \$1.

Artemus Williams and wf to Edwin Sights 20 a and r of w in cl 68 t 4 s r 4 \$2850.

U. S. to Andrew Riggs 80 a sec 16 t 5 s r 8.

Bank of Newberg to Chancey L. McNay nw 1/4 blk 10 Deskins 2nd add Newberg \$400.

R. B. McDonald et al to Ellen Lawler 5 a cl 49 t 4 s r 4 \$700.

M. G. Naylor and wf to J. D. Housley and wf 148.44 a cl 45 t 2 s r 4 \$4440.

T. A. McCourt and wf to Lester Shippy 100.96 a cl 59 t 4 s r 4 \$6562.

Peter Thomasen to Martin Johnson lts 1, 2 blk 18 Wennerbergs 2nd add \$600.

Ira G. Nelson and wf to Wesley Brooks 15 a sec 14 t 2 s r 4 \$150.

J. N. Olmsted and wf to J. A. McDonald 5 a w 1/2 lt 2 Fair Lawn sub \$600.

Walter C. Garner to E. J. Brown lt 8 blk 59 Oak Park add McMinnville \$200.

W. S. Houck and wf to A. L. Holdridge 1 a Mary Jeffreys dlc \$30.

Mary Richardson to Wm. Huston 1 a cl 42 t 2 s r 4 \$10.

Kate Durst and hus to W. H. Nelson and wf lts 7, 8 blk 10 Central add Newberg \$1600.

Nels Dennison and wf to O. G. Estes lts 1, 2 blk 1 and lts 1, 2, 3, 4 blk 2 South Park sub \$1425.

B. W. Cave and wf to Geo. W. Deihl 40 a sec 24 t 2 s r 4 \$500.

John Noice to Adam Dell and wf 35.84 a cl 51 t 4 s r 4 \$1254.

A. P. Oliver to Sadie C. Colcord lts 7, 8 blk 13 Central add Newberg 600.

Sarah U. Cole and hus to W. A. Howe 240 a secs 28, 33 t 2 s r 5 \$3150.

Thomas Robertson and wf to W. A. Howe 120 a sec 20 t 2 s r 5 \$800.

W. A. & R. D. Calavan and wf to Anna L. Frasier lts 13, 14 Calavans add Carlton \$200.

Gertrude J. Denny to M. C. George 1/2 int in land in Dundee and Dundee Orchard Homes Nos 1 and 2 \$1.

H. T. Prince and wf to G. W. Byers Sr lt 1 blk 7 Dundee \$225.

Geo. Willis Sr and wf to Anna M. Laughlin 160 a sec 20 t 3 s r 5 \$1.

I. P. Reese and wf to Wesley Houck and wf und 1/2 lts 1, 2 blk 17 McMinnville \$3100.

Investment Co. to R. B. McDonald lt "T" Oak Park add McMinnville \$25.

The Cardinal Gold Mines of Eastern Oregon.

M. L. Keizer, representing the Cardinal Gold Mining Co. of which he is president and manager, will be in town for a few days in the interest of his company and while here will make the real estate office of Morris & Smith his headquarters. The Cardinal gold mines are situated at the head of Stice's Gulch in the rich Burnt River district in the southern part of Baker county, this state, and bear every indication of being second to none in the entire mineral zone reaching from Mexico to the Klondike. A limited amount of the stock in this company is for sale solely for equipment purposes and, as this is a true miners proposition, every one investing in the stock can rely on a square deal.

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