

STAGNANT POND BELOW THE CITY

Below the railroad track a little to the west of the depot is a pond of stagnant water several acres in extent. As a disease breeding hole it is one of the worst sort of places.

Emptying into this pond is the refuse of half a dozen sewers. The stench that the stagnant water is sending forth these warm days is carried by the wind to the residence section in the east end of town.

Joe Wilson called the attention of the Glacier reporter to this filthy hole last Saturday afternoon, and had him go down and look at the mass of filth and decaying animal and vegetable matter that is constantly breeding disease germs and malaria, which if not checked, will produce an epidemic of typhoid and dysentery that will come so sure as the pond is allowed to remain.

Mr. Wilson is of the opinion that the Commercial club should take it upon themselves to see that this disease-breeding hole is drained and kept free from stagnant water. The Glacier reporter went with Mr. Wilson to the west end of the pond, where it was found that by making a cut of about 350 feet in the sand pond, could be easily drained into the running water of the Columbia.

This is the first year that water has remained in the pond below the city. Heretofore the water has filtered through to the river, but Mr. Wilson explains this from the fact that the heavy rains last fall drained sufficient clay from the hillsides of the city into the pond to "piddle" the same and make it water tight.

Wasco County Teacher's Institute. The Wasco county teachers' annual institute will convene in the assembly hall of the high school building at The Dalles, Tuesday morning, August 30, and will continue three days. Superintendent Justus T. Nef, in calling the institute, says: "In the preparation of this program the purpose of the annual county institute has been kept in view. To make the institute a most successful one."

Here to Buy Prunes. E. L. French, member of the French Prunes Co. of Ellsworth, Wash., was in Hood River during the week looking for prunes. Mr. French wants about 20 tons for his drier at Ellsworth, the crop being almost a complete failure in Clark county. He is compelled to secure outside fruit to keep the dryer going. Mr. French arranged with Joe Wilson, after making inquiry, finds there are between 30 and 40 tons of prunes in the valley. Mr. French wanted only about half this amount, says Mr. Wilson. Mr. French will pay between \$10 and \$15 a ton for the green fruit. Last year the growers secured \$8 and \$10.

Will Grow Dry Alfalfa. B. F. Shoemaker, whose land lies above the line of the Farmers' Irrigating ditch, intends to make the best of the situation and grow dry alfalfa until his neighbors of the upper West Side of the valley find the means to put in an irrigating ditch that will supply all the water needed in that section of the valley.

Right-of-Way Promised Once More. A quorum failed to materialize at the council chambers Monday night, so adjournment was taken until Friday night, when Mr. Holmes, as agent for Mr. Robinson, the gentleman who owns the land between town and the river, has agreed to furnish the city of Hood River the right-of-way for the sewer outlet for the sum of \$50.

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