

BIG ICE PLANT AND WAREHOUSE

DAVIDSON TO EXPEND \$15,000

Will Erect Brick Structure this Spring—Joe Wilson has Another Brick in Contemplation.

A two-story brick cold storage warehouse and ice plant will be erected during the coming spring at a cost of \$15,000 is under contemplation by the Davidson Fruit company. This company has purchased the warehouse and lease of rail road property from Joe Wilson, who in turn accepts a lease of ground between the warehouse of the Fruit Growers' union and Page & Son. Mr. Wilson also announces that when he puts up another warehouse it will be a two-story brick structure.

The proposed warehouse of the Davidson Fruit company will be 40x100 feet in extent and will be erected on the present site of the Wilson warehouse, which will be moved immediately to ground near the cannery formerly stood. Here it will be used during the coming winter as an office and receiving warehouse.

The ice plant to be installed will have a capacity of seven tons a day, and will be erected chiefly to make ice for the refrigerator cars loaded here. As one fruit car requires five tons of ice to meet the need of 15 or two dozen cars a day a large quantity of ice will have to be manufactured early in the season and kept on hand in a large cold storage room. This same room will be used later in the year for storing winter apples. It will have a capacity of 35,000 boxes of apples.

Mr. Davidson says he first learned the regular art of cold storage work from apples from Bert Van Horn. Mr. Van Horn has a large ice plant and warehouse near Buffalo, where he stores his winter apples until late in the spring.

Van Horn says that apples packed in October will shrink inside of a month if not placed in cold storage, but fruit like the Baldwin apple if packed when picked and immediately placed in cold storage will be first class when placed on the market next spring. With this means of keeping Hood River apples, this new chemical cold storage plant of the Davidson Fruit company will mean much to the apple growers of the valley.

The cold storage ware rooms will be useful in the berry season. Berries received in the heat of the day will be shoved into the cooling room before being placed in the refrigerator cars. Mr. Davidson says he has found out from California shippers that it is the sudden changes of temperature and moisture precipitated in the refrigerator cars by the warm fruit placed therein and allowed to cool that produces mold on fruit. The warm fruit melts the wax and sends the temperature up in the car. When the car is re-loaded the temperature suddenly goes down again. It is believed to cause the mold.

California fruit men are enabled to ship cherries all the way to New York by cooling the fruit before putting it in the refrigerator cars, while Hood River cherries spoil in going to Denver.

"Whether or not this plant will be erected this spring depends altogether on the weather," said Mr. Davidson. If the weather is such as to permit us to begin building operations in February there will be plenty of time to complete the work before the berry season. "If we cannot begin in February operations will have to be postponed until later in the summer, as such a delay would throw the work into the shipping season."

Rev. Nelson Installed as Minister.

Rev. O. J. Nelson was formally installed minister of the First Unitarian church in this city Sunday morning. A large congregation filled the auditorium of the church, and there was special music, among the numbers being a selection by Mrs. H. L. Vorse.

T. J. Canning, president of the board of trustees, delivered the charge on behalf of the church. Dr. T. L. Eliot, pastor emeritus of the Church of Our Father, Portland, then stepped to the door of the auditorium and delivered the charge to Mr. Nelson. As Dr. Eliot is pleased to call Hood River one of his homes, he considered it more suitable to the occasion that he deliver his charge to the new minister from the pulpit of the church. His kindly words of advice to one taking a new charge in the ministry were listened to attentively.

After a prayer, Rev. W. G. Eliot, Jr., reminded the members of the church of their monetary obligations to the new minister and delivered the morning sermon and the charge to the congregation. Mr. Eliot took for his subject, "Greater Hood River." Mr. Eliot spoke not from the standpoint of commercialism, but pictured the attainment of that state of perfection when the citizens of the town will point with apology to anyone not considered thoroughly honest and upright in all dealings with their fellow men. His eloquent words of appeal to the members of the Unitarian society in Hood River should be productive of much that is good.

The church starts its new minister without a dollar of indebtedness, and with no subsidy from the society in the East.

Horses Smash Buggy in Runaway.

Mrs. Bert Lane and another woman whose name could not be learned yesterday, narrowly escaped serious injury in a runaway on State street, Monday evening. The women were thrown out of the buggy in front of the residence of Frank A. Crane, the horses continuing on, and when near the west end of the street, in front of the house of Mr. Snow, the top of the buggy cracked, and the horses ran and was broken clear off.

Mr. Snow noticing the running horse, started down the road, when he met the women, whom he took into his house and then telephoned for a livery rig to take the women to their home at Menominee. Jim Stranahan drove the party home, and when very nearly there met Mr. Lane and the husband of the other woman, who had seen the runaway team come home with nothing but the running gear of the buggy, so had started immediately for town, fearing their wives had met death in going over the high bluff at Haynes hill.

The horses were uninjured and the women only slightly bruised, but it is an occasion they do not wish to repeat very soon.

Improving Pine Creek Flume.

Hood River, Or., Dec. 6, 1904.—Editor Glacier: As I believe the farmers like to hear what is being done on the Farmers' Irrigation company ditch, I would like to write a few lines on what I saw done.

I took some provisions to Mr. Staton's camp December 1, and then went down on the flume where Mr. Staton and his men are at work on the Pine creek improvement. This improvement cut out

the high trestle at Pine creek, and puts the flume on a rock grade around the bank. This is a fine improvement. We needn't fear the old trestle any more. Mr. Staton spoke in praise of his men being good workmen, and seeing what they had accomplished in a short time in rain and mud, I think they are all O. K. Mr. Staton showed me other repairs they had made on the main flume. I could see a number of new logs had been put in. I think we have a right man in the right place. Yours truly,

J. T. N.

FRUIT MEN CALL A MASS MEETING

A. I. Mason, president of the Hood River Fruit Growers' union, announces that a mass meeting of the fruitgrowers of Hood River valley will be held at some date in the near future, when questions of vital interest to fruit men will be taken up.

The matter of asking the legislature to provide means for a fruit inspector will be one of the chief topics to consider. The date will be set next week. All fruit men are asked to attend and take part in the discussions for the good of the cause.

BUSINESS GROWS AT PARADISE LAUNDRY

Glen Fabrick, who has been conducting the Paradise laundry for the last month, is well pleased with the increase in the business. Mr. Fabrick has stood well by his determination to make quality his watchword, and as a result many people are patronizing the home laundry, who were accustomed to the old-time laundry works to Partford, fearing that the young institution could not do such good work.

Things are different now. The work being turned out by Mr. Fabrick is strictly first class—the equal of the best anywhere. Many people have given up the Paradise laundry a trial and have found out for themselves that the previous statements to this effect held true on trial.

A Glacier reporter dropped into Mr. Fabrick's establishment one day last week, and found a busy lot of men and women turning out the finished product in snow-white laundryed goods. Mr. Fabrick stole a few minutes of his time to show the reporter the workings of the intricate pieces of machinery that make the old-time wash-day ashamed of itself for the drudgery it used to cause. The smiling girls who manipulate the machinery appeared well pleased with their work.

"We don't attempt to rush our employees," remarked Mr. Fabrick. "When we find the work increasing, extra help is put on, as the business demands. In this way we aim to instill the idea of thoroughness. Nothing is permitted to be wrapped up and sent from here unless we know our best efforts have been expended in turning out an article that can be compared with it.

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