

TO ASK FOR COUNTY FRUIT INSPECTOR

State Board of Horticulture Will Apply to the Legislature

E. L. Smith, president of the state board of horticulture, returned Friday from Portland, where he was engaged with Secretary Lamberton in compiling the eighth biennial report of the board.

When in Portland, Mr. Smith conferred with Commissioner Newell of Washington county, who is also a member of the state legislature which convenes in January, regarding the proposed legislation which the state board of horticulture will ask for.

There is no use to expect any appropriation from the state for a fruit inspector, says Mr. Smith, and as the plan or county fruit inspectors seems to work satisfactorily in California, Idaho and Washington, it should be given a trial in Oregon is the opinion of the members of the horticultural board.

The state board of horticulture has compiled an unofficial report of the year's fruit crop and finds that it will aggregate \$2,240,000, distributed as follows: Apples, \$885,000; prunes, \$310,000; peaches, \$175,000; small fruits, \$710,000.

In Southern Oregon the yield was 400,000 boxes of apples, 100,000 of pears, 250,000 baskets of peaches, 75,000 crates of small fruits and 3,000,000 pounds of dried prunes.

The Hood River Valley is long on apples and will continue to be so now for all time. The younger orchards have not come into bearing yet, however.

There are several times many young trees in the Hood River valley as those in bearing, and in three or four years the yield there will rival that in Southern Oregon.

This year there are 100,000 boxes of apples, 100 carloads. In a half dozen years the present orchardage will produce 600,000 boxes.

The best apple crop has long since been contracted for. The Hood River Newtowns sold for \$1.75 a box and Spitzenbergs for \$2.10. Ben Davis apples were sold for 85 cents.

Speaking of the fruit situation, Mr. Smith was quoted by a Portland paper as follows:

"The most notable thing is the number of young orchards being set out. The fruit crop of today is increasing compared to what it will be in a few years. New orchards are very common all over the state, especially east of the mountains.

Southern Oregon is also receiving a great deal of attention, but the Willamette valley is the center of diversified farming and the growth of the large commercial orchards is not so marked as elsewhere. The Hood River valley and Grande Ronde valley seem to be getting the most attention.

The partial failure of certain varieties of fruits this summer does not seem to have affected the increase in the least. Even though there were fewer prunes than usual, no one believes that a short crop like that is likely to happen again soon.

"As to the market for prunes, I believe it will be better every year from now on. It has long since reached its lowest mark and better prices will be had each year."

Isenberg Thanksgiving Reunion. Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Arnold gave the usual family reunion and Thanksgiving dinner last week. There were present 27 in all.

The dinner menu was as follows: Clear Soup, Olive Pickles, Celery, Salted Almonds, Roast Turkey with bread stuffing, Giblets Sauce, Chicken, Potatoes, Cranberry Sauce, Washed Potatoes, Boston Baked Beans, Cabbage Salad, Water-cress.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Arnold, Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Isenberg, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Isenberg, Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Isenberg, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Saling of Weston, Ore., Mrs. James Smith, A. C. Kennedy of Portland, the Misses Bess, Pearl and Leah Isenberg, Anna Sben and Maggie Garrahrant; Messrs. Marsh, Walter and Elmer Isenberg, Frank Quinn, George Calton and Floyd Arnold, Master Clyde Arnold, Vernon and Marsh Isenberg, jr., and last and least Baby Isenberg.

Everybody reports a good time. One guest was heard to say that everything was furnished but one luxury and that was an appetite big enough to do things justice.

Grip Quickly Knocked Out. "Some weeks ago during the severe winter weather both my wife and myself contracted severe colds which speedily developed into the worst kind of grippe with all its usual symptoms," says Mr. J. S. Egleston of Maple Landing, Iowa.

"Knees and joints aching, muscles sore, head stopped up, eyes and nose running, with alternate spells of chills and fever. We began using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, aiding the same with a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, and by its liberal use soon completely knocked out the grip."

Protest Against Increased Rates. The recent advance by western transportation lines of the minimum in carload weights for east bound dried and canned fruits from 30,000 to 40,000 pounds has raised a protest among a number of the California shippers. They are now circulating a petition for signatures asking that the old weight be restored on the ground that the advance is unfair.

The reason assigned for the advance is that the railroad companies desire to relieve the present congested condition and shortage of cars, but the contention is openly made by the smaller shippers that the advance was really effected for the benefit of the large concerns.

It is held by shippers that the raising of the minimum weight seriously handicaps Eastern buyers in their purchases for it means they will have to buy more

than they can really handle, especially in small towns where 30,000 pounds of canned goods is about all the consumption demands.

"Success to the Glacier." Portland, Dec. 9, 1904.—Editor Moe: A shake, a long, heartfelt shake over your discarding the "patent outside." Success to you, success to Hood River, success to everybody, Oregon in particular. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year—particularly for the twins. Yours truly, George H. Harris.

BOARD OF TRADE SENDS GREETING

Secretary Lee of Portland Says Next Year will be a "Hammer."

The following complimentary letter was received by A. D. Moe, secretary of the Hood River Commercial club:

"I have been present at the organization of the Oregon Development league, I have felt a strong interest in the progress of its work. I should consider myself derelict in duty should I allow the year to close without saying word of commendation and encouragement to those who are doing the initial work in the different counties.

"In my recent annual report to the Portland board of trade, I took occasion to make complimentary mention of the Development league, and of Tom Richardson of the Commercial club, who conceived and directed the movement to its culmination, but I wish to do more. I wish to congratulate you upon the efficient work being done by your league for the upbuilding of the county in particular and for the state in general.

"Push the good work along. Next year will be a 'hammer.' When things are active the same outlay of energy will accomplish vastly more than when they are dull.

"If you have leaflets, folders or booklets relating to your county, you might send some to the Portland board of trade and they will be distributed to good advantage.

"Remember me, please, to President Smith and tell him that Hood River gets a good recommendation from this office to Eastern inquiries.

"Wishing you the greatest success, I am very truly yours, 'J. D. Lee, Secretary Portland board of trade."

Basket Ball Game Next Thursday. The basket ball teams of the gymnasiums have arranged for a match game Thursday evening, December 22.

The two teams are the Hood River team and the A. R. team. The lineup for the game is as follows:

A. R. T. Zed Bridges, Earl Bartness, Bill Gebelher, Harry Richardson, George Emry, Harry Filmer, East Filmer, Will Morgan, Umple—Professor Wiley.

Referre—Meigs Bartness of Hill Military academy of Portland. The boys are practicing hard for the fray and promise the spectators a good scientific game of basket ball.

The Hood River boys have received an invitation to join the state basket ball league, and they expect to accept. As members of the league games will be arranged with Portland, Salem, Astoria and other towns of the state.

SOUTHERN YOUTH TELLS OF OREGON

Writes Florida Friends of Beautiful Scenery and Hallow'en Pranks.

Albert Anson Graham, newsboy for Slocum the bookman, writes the following letter to his home paper, the Ocala (Fla.) Star:

"Since arriving in this country I have completely fallen in love with it. Such scenery cannot be duplicated anywhere this side of the Pacific. Scenery among the Cascades and along the world famous stream, the Columbia, is certainly pleasing to the eye, and the white peak of Mount Hood in Oregon and Mount Adams in Washington, Oregon's neighbor across the Columbia, are wonderful sights. An artist would hold his job here in the Cascades and on the Pacific slope for a thousand years—that is, ever-or, if he lives that long.

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DATE DEFECTIVE IN THE PETITION

Did not State Day When the County Court was to Receive Same.

The petition of the West Side farmers for a bonding district for the construction of an irrigating system above the Farmers' Irrigating Co's, ditch, was denied by the county court at its special session last week because the petition failed to state the specific day when the petition was to be presented to the county court. The fact that it was to be presented at "the special session of court in December" was insufficient notice, and therefore made it impossible for the court to recognize the petition.

The farmers had no representative at the meeting of the court, the petition being sent from here by Commissioner Hibbard, while Attorney Jayne and N. C. Evans appeared to oppose the granting of the same. Attorney Jayne made a short address to the court, pointing out the legal defects in the petition and giving a few reasons why he objected to the petition being granted.

Commissioner Hibbard remarked on his return that the court could do nothing but reject the petition since it was incorrectly drawn up.

The other business before the court was the granting of a long list of bills for expenses of election judges and clerks of election.

G. R. Gastner was up from Hood River with a petition to have road district No. 3 divided, but as such matters are given a hearing only at the regular sessions of the county court, it went over to the January session. Districts No. 3 and 4 were consolidated last spring and now there appears to be a sentiment favoring a division of the district. One part of the people want a division running north and south on the county road running south from the city limits, while another desire is to have the line running east and west at the same point. The question will be decided at the January term of court.

No More Suffering. If you are troubled with Indigestion get a bottle of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure and see how quickly it will cure you. Geo. A. Thompson, of Spencer, Ia., says: "I have had dyspepsia for twenty years. My case was almost hopeless. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure was recommended and I used a few bottles of it and it is the only thing that has relieved me. Would not be without it. Have doctored with local physicians and also at Chicago, and even went to Norway with hopes of getting some relief, but Kodol Dyspepsia Cure is the only remedy that has done me any good, and I heartily recommend it. Every person suffering with indigestion or dyspepsia should use it." Sold by G. E. Williams.

Given Certificates to Teach. The following persons in Klickitat and Skamania counties were successful in the recent teachers' examination: Klickitat county—L. Bailey, George L. Bowman, Isabelle B. Boyd, Thomas M. Brown, Clementine Davis, Kimball F. Keeping, Nellie Knox, Lulu Kroenung, Janice Noble, Sadie Powell, Ella Fryer, Ed. Reynolds, Ellen Taylor, W. H. Walker.

Skamania county—Mary Cheyne, Verena O. Emmons, Nellie Hewitt, C. H. Cronwell, George M. Cole.

A Certain Cure for Croup. When a child shows symptoms of croup there is no time to experiment with new remedies, no matter how highly they may be recommended. There is one preparation that can always be depended upon, and a consequence a large number of new settlers will enter the Roseburg country.

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