

## OPEN LETTER TO O. R. N. OFFICIALS

Printed below is a letter which the committee appointed by the residents of Mosier has sent Supt. Campbell in regard to changing the name of that place to East Hood River. The arguments set forth in the communication seem to be conclusive, and it is hoped that the railroad company can see its way to conform with the request of the committee.

Mosier, Oregon, Dec. 24, 1905.  
Mr. D. W. Campbell, Supt. O. R. & N. Co., Portland, Oregon.

Dear Sir: We are informed by Mr. H. E. Waite, your agent, that you have stated that your company "will not consider the question of changing the name of Mosier to that of East Hood River."

We earnestly deprecate your apparent position in this matter. While we have heard that the earliest history of your company's operations at this place contained many bitter contentions, yet, a most or all of the parties thereto have passed away, cannot we rightly invoke the statute of limitations, so that we may not be joined with a dead issue?

We cannot believe that you intend to understand that you wish to stop our mouths before we can even frame a request; but on the contrary, we are confident that you will carefully consider all that we have to advance on the subject, and if our points are well taken, that you will render us all the aid that is possible in this or any other direction, that will work for the improvement of the place.

As to the danger on account of the similarity of names, we will submit the suggestion of an experienced railroad man, that your train orders could use the abbreviated name of "East Hood" for the station, which would be so distinctly dissimilar to Hood River as to overcome all objection on that score.

If the manifest advantages that would accrue from the change are given due weight, we believe your department can readily find practical means to conserve the safety of your train operations, which, of course, will have our approbation also. This matter has been seriously talked, studied and thought over in all its phases, for several years and had culminated in a petition for the change being signed almost unanimously. (No objectors are known).

In accordance with our original intention to seek your concurrence as soon as the local sentiment had been definitely ascertained, we now wish, on behalf of our petitioners, to submit some of the reasons that impel us to desire to have the name of the postoffice and railroad station changed to East Hood River.

Hood River and Mosier valleys are in close proximity, although separated by a sharp mountain ridge. The general conditions of soil, climate, and products are identical.

Both valleys will and must make fruit growing their principal business. Mosier is the only place where fruits are admitted by Hood River growers to be as good as their own.

The fruit growers of Mosier have been contributing whenever they could to the "world wide" fame of Hood River fruit.

Many of the newer residents of Mosier have been fruit growers of Hood River and there learned what a name to conjure with was the name of Hood River, and they wish to reap the pecuniary advantage of it when their new orchards are developed and their fruits are ready for the market.

It would, perhaps, be a low estimate to say that it would add 25 per cent for our apples to be graded and marketed as Hood River apples. To give us this right, which we are logically entitled to will insure us the highest standing in the markets and create a prosperous fruit growing community.

It is not a question of sentiment in the slightest degree, but a question of dollars and cents. Maybe a question between profits or loss.

Literally, geographically and practically (except in name), this is already East Hood River—to call us that would not bring us into our own—to deny us that right would savor of oppression.

In this connection we wish to impress on your mind that the people of Hood River enthusiastically applaud us in the effort, as they say that by adding our fancy products to their output, we will together make a much bigger mark in the world's markets. They will feel that they have annexed that much new territory.

Another fact that we wish to invite your attention to is this: The high price of land in Hood River deters a great many "homeseekers" from locating there and has afforded a harvest to the "North Bank" land agents who have ferried a steady stream of them across the Columbia to cheaper lands that are right in sight of Hood River station. If this place had the maiden name of East Hood River, it would attract most of the "homeseekers" business that is looking for fruit lands at prices that obtain here, but which is now lost to you, after all the efforts of your passenger department to create and foster it.

In conclusion, while not wishing to weary you with a long letter, we urge you to come here and investigate the matter and use all the powers of your department to devise means to meet our wishes, and not engender hostilities, whose bitterness might last long and perhaps hurt both of us, which we should regret to see replace the present feeling of amity that exists.

Alex Stewart,  
Geo. Hanck,  
A. P. Batoham.

Oregon State Horticultural Society.  
The annual meeting of the society will be held in Knights of Pythias Hall, Portland, Oregon, January 9-10, 1906, commencing at 10:30 a. m. renewed interest in horticultural matters insures a good meeting. In fact this meeting promises to be the best we have had in years.

The handsome set of eight cups offered as prizes for the best plates of Lady Apples, Winesap, Spitzenberg, Northern Spy, Yellow Newtowns, Arkansas Black, Jonathan, and a sweepstakes for the best five commercial varieties, ought to bring out a lively contest. Speaking of these cups last October the Rural Northwest said: "They are very handsome articles and the grower who carries one of them home may well be proud of it for its own beauty as well as for what it will signify."

These cups are given by the business men of Portland. Will our growers show by their attendance and exhibits that they appreciate the spirit that makes such an offering?

Not only will there be ample inducement for a good display but there will be an "old time program" really warm by spots, and you don't want to miss this feature. Only a few fixed topics will be discussed, but the whole field will be open. Here are a few of those that have promised to help in the papers: E. L. Smith, J. B. Pille-

ington, Asa Holaday, Geo. H. Hines, Lloyd Reynolds, H. E. Doeb, H. C. Atwell, A. T. Mason, W. R. Newell, Judd Geer, A. H. Carson, R. H. Weber, W. L. Sibson, E. P. Sheldon, and the talkers on the floor will be a host in themselves.

Brother, you'll miss one of the big horticultural events of your life, if you're not present at this meet. Those cups and the hot race for them will be one of the most exciting fruit scraps ever witnessed in the Northwest.

Get a R. R. certificate from your home office. This year we will surely be entitled to a return rebate. Ship fruit intended for exhibit to 141 Front street, care of J. H. Reid, E. R. Lake, Secretary.

## PROTEST AGAINST BUILDING SEWER

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come before the meeting, the chairman declared it adjourned, and announced that the committee would have a conference with the attorney.

It has not been learned what the result of this conference was, but it is hoped that the matter will be dropped, as it can only result in useless expense, with the payment of the sewer assessment in the end. The building of the sewer is not only going to be a benefit to the city in a sanitary way, but it is going to mean much for a great many of the men who were in attendance at this meeting. It is going to mean work for them, for if expectations are half fulfilled there will be more building done here next summer than at any time heretofore. In addition to this, buildings will be remodelled and altered to accommodate the sewer connections, which will mean employment for not only one class of mechanics, but for all.

We forgot to report the death of P. D. Miller, county clerk, recently. He was one of the old pioneers of Hood River. He was here when your correspondent came to live in 1875. There is but one person living in the vicinity of Lyle that was here when we came and that is J. O. Lyle. He is the oldest settler at Lyle.

The dwelling house of Harry Powers together with all the contents were burned to the ground at Bickleton last Monday. The fire was caused by the use of a stove pipe flue, the soot getting on fire and as the usual result, the entire upper part of the house was on fire before it was discovered, no one being at home except Mrs. Powers. It was impossible for her to save anything. Several loggers who were boarding there lost all their clothing. The loss to Mr. Powers will be quite severe, as no lumber can be obtained before next spring.

A very sad accident occurred near Dot last Thursday when Joseph Jenkins was killed in the stomach by a shed horse. Dr. Dodson was called but the injury proved fatal, and he passed away Saturday morning after suffering intense agony. The remains were buried Sunday in the Cleveland cemetery. Mr. Jenkins leaves a mother, one sister and four brothers to mourn their loss. Mr. Jenkins was a member of the Goldendale lodge, Woodmen of the World, and carried \$2,000 insurance in that order. He was also a member of the Cleveland lodge of Modern Foresters. He was a stout healthy man of 29 years and had lived nearly all his life in this vicinity.—Goldendale Sentinel.

Torture of a Preacher.  
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Permanent Road Improvement.  
A meeting of the taxpayers of road district No. 3 will be held at Barrett school house next Saturday at 10 o'clock for the purpose of voting on a road tax.

The residents of this district are considering a levy of ten mills for the purpose of putting it into permanent road improvements. It is said that there is no opposition to the proposed levy, and that they have come to the conclusion that it is more economical to spend more money and make good roads than to keep patching up the old ones.

The matter of purchasing a rock crusher will also be considered, and it is thought that by purchasing a crusher and making a stretch of road that will be sound and good the year around users of the road will see the advantage of making good road and will want to continue the tax until the roads in that section are all of a permanent nature.

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