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The meeting of the State Horticultural Society at Portland last week was well attended by Hood River growers, and while the number of exhibitors was not large, yet those who did have exhibits and competed for prizes carried off the honors as usual. In other words Hood River made good, and the many communities who have been claming that they could raise apples "as good as Hood River" were not in evidence. Some of the Willamette valley growers who have been particularly active in making boasts as to what their territory could do, were conspicuous by their absence

There was not the attempt this year to get up fine exhibits as last year, nor as many of them, on account of the jealousy of other sections and the unwillingness on the part of many to give Hood River credit where credit is due, under the general term of "Oregon apples," in instances where merit has belonged entirely to Hood River. Some took the view that it might be a generous thing on the part of Hood River to make no exhibit this year and give some other section a chance to win some prizes.

The list of prizes won by other sections were on varieties which Hood River did not exhibit or makes no claim for perfection. The following is a list of prizes:

The sweepstakes prize, consisting of $50 in cash, offered by the Hazelwood Creamery company, for the five best boxes of baking apples, was awarded to E. H. Shepard of Hood River. The exhibit, which is in the basement of the Woodmen of the World Hall, will be open to the public today.

Other awards were made by the committee of judges as follows:

Three-tier displays—Yellow Newtowns—C. K. Marshall, of Hood River.

Spitzenbergs—E. H. Shepard, Hood River.

Winter Bananas—R. H. Weber, The Dalles.

Baldwins—L. E. Clark, of Hood River.

Red Cheek—L. E. Clark, Hood River.

Wagoner—C. K. Marshall, Hood River.

Ortley—C. K. Marshall, Hood River.

Ben Davis—C. K. Marshall, Hood River.

Winesaps—C. J. Kurtz, Salem.

Four-tier displays—Northern Spy—A. Holladay, Scappoose.

Baldwins—D. C. VanDorn, Dayton, Yamhill county.

Best five boxes Willamette Valley apples—D. C. VanDorn, Dayton.

Spitzenbergs—E. H. Shepard, Hood River.

Yellow Newtowns—E. H. Shepard, Hood River.

Miscellaneous—P. Barry pears—A. Holladay, Scappoose.

Winter Nellis pears—F. H. Hopkins, Central Point.

English walnuts—Thomas Prince, Dundee.

The judges were: Geo. L. Davenport, of Davenport Bros., and J. M. Koskey, of McEwen & Koskey.

The following is a list of exhibitors:

Newtowns—Hunt Lewis, Medford; L. D. Harris, Medford; Thomas Pankey, Medford; W. H. Horcross, Medford; Oscar Lund, Cove; C. K. Marshall, Hood River and E. H. Shepard, Hood River.

Spitzenbergs—F. E. Merrick, Medford; J. A. Perry, Medford; J. E. Watt, Medford; R. H. Webber, The Dalles; L. E. Clark, Hood River; E. H. Shepard, Hood River; F. H. Hopkins, Medford; C. K. Marshall, Hood River.

Winesap—F. E. Merrick, Medford; J. A. Perry, Medford, and L. E. Clark, Hood River.

Baldwin—L. E. Clark, Hood River; H. C. Van Dorn, Dayton; W. K. Newall, Forest Grove; C. K. Marshall, Hood River; H. C. Atwell, Forest Grove; M. C. Jorgensen, Salem.

Red Cheek—L. E. Clark, Hood River, and E. H. Shepard, Hood River.

Ortly—C. K. Marshall, Hood River.

Ben Davis—C. K. Marshall Hood River; H. C. Van Dorn, Dayton.

Best five boxes, sweepstakes—F. E. Merrick, Medford; C. K. Marshall, Hood River; E. H. Shepard, Hood River, and H. C. Van Dorn, Dayton

FIRST MEETING OF THE NEW COUNCIL

The new council met Monday evening for the first time and all members were present. After reading of the minutes Mayor Blowers announced the following committees:

Finance — Hershner, Moe and Wright.

Streets and Public Property—Moe, Wright and Hall.

Health—Buck, Hershner and Hall.

Judiciary—Hall, Arnold and Buck.

Fire and Water—Wright, Arnold and Buck.

Police and Public Printing—Arnold, Hershner and Moe.

Sewer—Wright, Hershner and Moe.

Mayor also announced the following appointments, which were confirmed:

Marshal and Street Comissioner—Wm. Ganger.

Watchman—Robert Lewis

City Surveyor—P. M. Hall Lewis.

Health Officer—Dr. J. Edgington.

Mrs. M. Sue Adams was present and made a protest against the creating of a new sewer district which would include her property, stating that there was but one residence on the street, and the sewer was not needed at this time, and would impose a burden upon her.

The sewer committee reported that they had consulted an attorney in regard to the matter, and that the provisions of the charter would prohibit changing the boundaries of district nine to exclude any territory in the district, and recommended that no new district be made at this time. A written opinion on the subject from Attorney Derby was read and referred to the chairman of the sewer committee.

The mayor read his annual message, after which J. L. Hershner was elected president of the council.

The bond of Treasurer Blanchar was approved.

The ordinance granting a franchise to the Pacific States Telephone and Telegraph Co. came up for second reading, but new members of the council asked the matter to be laid over for two weeks to give them an opportunity to examine the proposed franchise. The ordinance was referred to a committee.

A communication was received from the W. C. T. U. asking that the curfew ordinance be enforced, and the same was referred to the marshal to that effect.

A petition signed by the number of legal voters was received, requesting a transfer of liquor license from Otis Savage to George Fox, and the same was granted and the bond approved.

A memorial to congress asking for an appropriation to survey and dredge a channel from deep water in the Columbia through the bar to a point near the O. R. & N. depot, which had been passed by the Commercial club, was adopted by the council.

An ordinance for the grading of Pine street passed its first and second readings and also final passage, by unanimous vote.

The deed to the extra 20 feet of road leading to the boat landing, from the Oregon Lumber Co., was accepted and ordered recorded, the provision for the payment of $500 having been previously ordered.

A motion was passed requiring that all bills against the city be presented at the first meeting of the month, and that they be laid over until the next meeting for auditing by the finance committee, except that where an emergency existed for immediate payment, as in the case of laboring men, they may be ordered paid the first meeting.

The chairman of the street committee recommended that the matter of taking over all the county roads in the city be investigated by a committee to be appointed by the mayor, so that the tax could be collected from the county. This matter has come up from time to time, but heretofore there was thought to be too much liability and expense connected with keeping up the east side grade and the liability at any time of replacing the bridge across Hood river.

This year the county tax for road purposes levied by the county amounts to about $2000 while but a small portion of that amount has been expended for the past year or two by the county on the roads inside the city limits. It is said that the county court is willing to turn over all this money if the city will take over the roads.

Councilman Wright stated that the city should have more lights, that we were far behind other cities in that respect, and he would like to see the city well lighted. The matter of cost was discussed, and it was decided to confer with the Electric Light Co. and see what different arrangements, if any, could be made.

The Mayor's Message.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

In conformity to the provisions of section 10, chapter 2, of the charter, I appoint subject to your confirmation the following officers for the ensuing year:

Marshal and street commissioner, Wm Ganger.

Watchman, Robert Lewis.

City Surveyor, P. M. Hall Lewis.

Health Officer, Dr. J. Edgington.

Our charter makes no provision for the appointment of a health officer, but I am informed that a state law passed subsequent to the charter provides for the appointment of such officer in all incorporated cities. Dr. Edgington has faithfully served the city in that capacity for the past year and as a public spirited citizen done much valuable work gratuitously and for that reason as well as his fitness for the place it affords me much pleasure to recommend that he be reappointed.

While we have been not successful in accomplishing all the things we should have done, I feel that the record of the past year will compare favorably with any that has preceded it in the history of our little city and I wish to publicly thank the retiring councilmen, as well as those who hold over, for the untiring zeal and devotion to the city's interests manifested by them and you in the year's work just closed. I believe that the management of the affairs of the city for the past year has given satisfaction to all whom it is possible to satisfy. Of course there is in every community persons who are not pleased with anything they themselves do not manage, but I assume that if the voters of the city had not wanted the men to carry on the affairs of the city who have done so they would have elected others.

Our laws have been enforced fairly well and it has been demonstrated that under this administration respectability or social standing will not protect those who deliberately make a practice of violating the ordinances. I believe that all men, rich and poor, educated and refined or ignorant and uncouth are equal before the law and I shall continue to act according to this fundamental American principle while executive of this city.

It has been found necessary during the past year to pass many new ordinances to keep pace with the development of the city and to correct flaws in old laws which have been found by experience to be vitally defective, but I believe the ground has been well covered and recommend that hereafter only such ordinances as are shown to be absolutely necessary should be considered. It seems to me that as our laws are now being printed and will soon be available in book form it is more desirable to enforce those already in effect than to pass more.

The finances of the city are in a satisfactory condition. There is no bonded or other indebtedness and about $2000 in the treasury. I refer any one wishing more information on this subject to the report of the finance committee now on file at the office of the recorder.

I now come to a subject that will no doubt engage your attention to a great extent during the ensuing year and one fraught with many difficulties; that of street improvement. I believe that in that particular Hood River is far behind other cities of its size and pretentions, and deem it important for the reputation and welfare of the community that active measures should be taken to put our streets in a presentable condition. I recommend that property owners along Oak street be notified to remove earth on south side of said street and put down walks not more than 12 inches higher than the center of street as now established, and that as soon as weather will permit work on State street be compelled and property owners required to put their walks down on grade. We will never have streets worthy of the name as long as the whims of each property owner is regarded, the present condition is in my opinion discreditable to any place pretending to be populated by live, up to date people. Side walks from two to six feet higher than the streets might do in a mining camp which is liable to be abandoned, but for a place like Hood River visited by thousands from all parts of the country each year it is certainly a poor advertisement. Our street committee has worked faithfully but I regret to say that many of our citizens do not seem to appreciate the necessity for better streets. I invite the co-operation of all in this work and think if the ladies of the town would form an association such as exists in other towns for the promotion of clean streets much good could be accomplished. The citizen who dumps rubbish, ashes, tree cuttings and other filth in the streets certainly takes little pride in his home city or if he has a peculiar way of showing it. I suggest that a few fines for people who seem to have no civic pride might improve this almost intolerable condition. I recommend that all street working involving an expenditure of more than $50 be hereafter let by contract to the lowest bidder. I believe it will be found that such a method will effect a considerable saving to the tax payers we have the honor to represent here and their interests alone should govern in such matters.

L. N. Blowers, Mayor.

COUNTY DIVISION BY INITIATIVE

TO BE VOTED AT JUNE ELECTION

Commercial Club Decides to Circulate Petitions to Vote on County Division

The county division matter has again come up, but in a new form. It will be taken up this time by the initiative, which is becoming a popular method of securing needed legislation in Oregon. A special meeting of the directors of the club was held last week and it was decided that this was the best method to pursue at this time, and although the time is very short to secure 9,000 names, which are necessary to put the matter before the people, yet it can be done. To this end an army of workers was sent out Monday morning, covering several parts of the state and the work of securing names is on in dead earnest.

The increasing burden of county taxes without corresponding benefits in return is becoming a galling yoke to the people of Hood River valley, country and city.

The figures received from the office of the county clerk show the total valuation of the county this year to be $8,220,070, a gain of $1,517,165 over last year, of which the gain in the proposed new county is $1,143,580, leaving but $373,583, for the balance of the county.

At this rate of increase Hood River will be soon bearing the bulk of the burden of the county expenses. As long as we are to pay the bills we should have the say as to where the money is to be spent and it should be spent at home.

It is said that sentiment is changing in The Dalles in favor of the proposed new county, as they realize that it must come sooner or later, and the feeling of animosity that is continually growing between the two places is not favorable to business relations between the two places. It causes a good deal of trouble at election time and this is worrying the politicians.

In order to get the petition before the people of the state at the June election, there must be 9,000 names of voters secured and these must be filed with the secretary of state by the last day of this month. The committee has organized the state into districts, each with a manager, who will secure workers in the several districts and report to Hood River every day. Not a minute is to be lost and every one in Hood River in favor of the movement should make individual effort to secure signers. Any one having friends in different parts of the state should secure a petition from H. F. Davidson and send to that friend to sign and have him get his friends to sign. Telephone Mr. Davidson at once and give him the name of your friend and he will send him a petition. The time is short, so do it now.

The expense of getting this large number of names will be considerable and must be met by subscription. While many have volunteered their services, charging nothing for their time, yet traveling and hotel expenses must be met, and it will be also necessary to hire workers in different places where they have no direct interest in the matter and must be paid for their work. It is expected, however, that no difficulty will be had in getting this subscription, as the interest in the new county is general, almost unanimous in its favor, in the city and valley and the Hood River spirit will be shown on this as well as other occasions.

W. L. Clark and Chas. Hall have been appointed a finance committee to circulate the subscription list and when they see you respond as liberally as you can.

The Commercial Club banquet will be given at the Odd Fellows hall Friday evening, January 31, at which time the project of securing enough names will have succeeded or failed, as that is the last day for filing the names with the secretary of state. There must be no failure and the success will be one of the features of the occasion. To make success a certainty, however, it must be a time when everybody works, including father.