

FOOD FOR REFLECTION

If it costs \$75 an acre to clear land; \$50 an acre to set it to trees, and \$25 per acre each year to take care of the orchard

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is such land worth in the unimproved state?

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this over carefully and figure it out for yourself

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Come and get my prices on the best unimproved tracts in the Lower Valley.

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HOOD RIVER, OREGON

HYDRANT SYSTEM IS SHOWN TO COUNCIL

At the regular meeting of the council Monday night the plan of placing the hydrants in the new municipal water system was submitted to the council by City Engineer Morse and it provides for a very complete fire protection. In the downtown section the hydrants will be placed on every corner and they will have a capacity of six 250 gallon per minute streams. In the residential section of the city the hydrants will not be so near together but 150 feet of hose strung from one hydrant will reach in every case to within 500 feet of another hydrant. The system will be divided into three zones in order that the pressure may not become too great in the lower part of the city. The least pressure at any point available for fire use will be 60 pounds white in

some parts of the business district the pressure will be about 110 pounds. The council received a report to the effect that the deed for the City Spring property had been executed. City Attorney Derry reported to the council that the attorney for Mrs. Laura Batehelder had made a proposal for the compromise of the suit which involved certain disputed ground in the west part of town. On motion of Councilman Brosius the judiciary committee was ordered to prepare an ordinance requiring the telephone and telegraph wires in the fire district to be placed underground. City Engineer Morse asked and was granted more time in which to prepare the plans for the improvement of State street. The street committee reported that the mud was being cleared from the main business streets. With regard to the improvement of Railroad street the council decided that whenever the people benefited were ready to pay for the improvement that it would be ordered.

The regular monthly reports were heard, bills allowed and the council adjourned to meet next Monday night.

New Brick Yard to Start.
A. T. Zoek, who has been engaged in the manufacture of brick about three miles south of town for some time, has purchased 5 acres of land from Roy Woodworth, on Indian Creek, and he will abandon the old works and set up a new plant on the new site. The soil which will be used is said to be better suited for brick making and Mr. Zoek expects to turn out a much better brick than he has been able to before. He will install a stiff mud machine and will turn out a good quality of pressed brick. The new plant will be started in a few weeks just as soon as the ground can be worked to good advantage.

White Sox Go Through.
Friday the White Sox special carrying fifty players of the famous Chicago team, Comiskey, the manager

and President Ben Johnson, of the American League, passed through Hood River en route to California. They were compelled to come over the Columbia River route to get to San Francisco along with six or eight more of the Southern Pacific overland trains which could not get through on the central main line. A number of the players showed themselves for the short time that the train stopped and some of them asked many questions about Hood River and the apple business. Catcher Sullivan was especially interested as he had lately bought some apple land in another part of the state and he was anxious to learn about Hood River.

The members of the G. A. R. and W. R. C. enjoyed their regular quarterly dinner at the K. of P. hall Friday, March 5, which was pension day. The ladies had prepared a beautiful spread and everybody had pleasant time. Nearly all of the veterans were present and Judge Buck was on hand to make out the pension vouchers.

Sweet Peas

Dorothy Eckford, White, Lovely, Pink, Rose Wing, Miss Wilmot, deep Orange Pink, Prima Donna, Pale Pink, King Edward VII, bright crimson, Lady Grisel Hamilton, lavender blue, Mrs. Walter Wright, deep mauve, Navy Blue, deep violet blue.

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Send your order early—our immense stock will be over-sold before the end of the season.

Black Ben Wins Carload Premium

Black Ben won the \$500.00 carload premium at the Denver National Apple Show. Here's a telegram:

At National Apple Show just closed five hundred dollar carload premium was awarded a car of Black Ben apples grown on one hundred sixty Stark Trees at Fruita, Colorado.

(Signed) Dr. S. T. Green, President Fruita Chamber of Commerce.

Have you Black Ben in your orchard? If not get it in this spring—plant largely of it. As a commercial sort it is unsurpassed, a sure, regular producer of handsome profits. It sold this year at the Wenatchee Wash. Fruit-Grower's Ass'n sale, at the same price as Jonathan—\$2.00 per box, while Ben Davis brought only \$1.40, Gano \$1.50 and Mo. Pippin \$1.50.

You positively cannot make a mistake on Black Ben—plant it largely—you'll never regret it. As a filler for Spitzenburg, Newtown, Jonathan, Delicious, etc., it is excellent.

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From a commercial standpoint I fully and heartily recommend Delicious, Black Ben and Stayman Winesap as three of the finest varieties for commercial orchard planting. The eating qualities of Delicious and Stayman Winesap are superior to any other table apple while Black Ben is the apple for the masses. The keeping qualities of all three varieties are excellent. I came to the United States Land and Irrigation Exposition at the Coliseum, Chicago, with the Wenatchee Commercial Club Exhibit and have sold a number of boxes of Stark Delicious at \$10.00 per box. This, I think, speaks well for them.—C. W. Wilmeroth, Wenatchee, Wash.

Note: Mr. Wilmeroth spent 32 years on South Water St., Chicago as an apple commission man. He probably is the best posted apple-man in the country.—Stark Bro's.

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