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## Burpee's Seeds Grow

The most complete assortment we have ever shown from this world famous grower, is now on display and at growers' prices, with permit to exchange or return your over purchase. Our stock of Spencer Sweet Peas include the latest novelties.

## Prices on Garden Tools & Ranch Tools

And steel goods generally are high. But our contracts were in excess of the year's needs, so we are able to offer prices that show a large saving. A wonderful line of orchard tools.

## Crockery, China, Glassware

Broken lines in thousands of choice pieces at prices below factory cost. Your china closet can be restocked at small outlay by taking advantage of this less than one-half price.

## Furniture

Is always odd if desirable and this department is overloaded with goods at prices we can never hope to repeat. The best bargains we have been able to offer in years.

## No Trading Stamps But—

All bills subject to 5% cash discount or 2% if accounts are paid at end of the month.

## Stewart Hardware & Furniture Co.

We are selling Schillings Best Line with a Money Back guarantee if you are not satisfied after using them.

## Kaesser's Grocery

Grocery of Quality  
E. E. KAESSER, Proprietor Phone 3192

## The Fashion Stables Cars

To and from Parkdale are running on changed schedule. Automobile now leaves Hood River daily at four o'clock instead of four-thirty. Cars leave Parkdale daily at seven-thirty a. m. except on Sunday. Parkdale-Hood River trips are made every Saturday night, machine leaving at six-thirty. Travel right, when seeing the Mid-Columbia district and tell your visiting friends about the excellent service of

## The Fashion Stables

Telephone 1201 Hood River, Ore.

## Attention Orchardists!

Our warehouse will hold only a limited supply of spray materials. In view of the serious car shortage situation and a possible tie up from a railway strike, we urge that growers begin to haul their spray, in order that we may refill the warehouse and thus secure enough stock to supply the needs of growers for 1917. Your co-operation is needed to prevent a possible bad situation. Your purchases of spray may be made through Gilbert & DeWitt, Kelly Bros., Fruit Growers' Exchange and Apple Growers Association or direct.

J. C. BUTCHER.

## ASK US ABOUT



Do you really know how convenient and attractive KRYPTOKS are?

They combine near and far vision in one lens. Yet they have no lines nor seams to blur your vision—give you a freakish appearance—or accentuate your age. And they free you from fussing with two pairs of glasses. We invite you to come in and see them.

**W. F. LARAWAY,**  
Optician—Jeweler



## KODAK TIME

Always use Autographic Films with Autographic Kodaks. We always carry a complete stock of Speed and Non-Autographic Films. If it isn't an Eastman, it isn't a Kodak. Bring your films for developing and printing to us as we do it right and promptly.

## Kresse Drug Co.

THE REXALL STORE

Come in and hear the latest March Records—Eastman Kodaks and Supplies—Victor Victrolas and Records, \$15 to \$400

## CONDENSED REPORT OF THE

## First National Bank of Hood River, Oregon

at the Close of Business, March 5, 1917

RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Loans and Discounts	\$282,887.99	Capital	\$100,000.00
United States Bonds	100,000.00	Surplus and Profits	14,438.39
Other Bonds and Warrants	34,504.14	Circulation	100,000.00
Bank Building and Fixtures	51,250.00	Redeemables	None
Other Real Estate	3,400.00	Deposits	368,015.78
Cash	\$22,845.29		\$980,454.17
Due from Banks	\$85,560.75		
	108,412.04		
	\$980,454.17		

Gain in Deposits Over a Year Ago, \$65,000.00

Attest: E. O. BLANCHAR, Cashier.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: A. D. Moe, C. Dethman, O. H. Rhodes, C. E. Copple, E. O. Blanchar.

## Spring Suits...

How About that Suit for Easter?

WE have a LARGE ASSORTMENT of the NEWEST FABRICS on the Market. Place your order now for Easter Delivery.

**MEYER, The Tailor**  
108 Third Street

## Groceries of Quality

Prompt service and satisfaction for our patrons. These are some of the things that we incorporate in the principles of our business.

We invite your better acquaintance during the year, 1917.

**ARNOLD GROCERY CO.**



## The Newest Spring Millinery

Our Formal Opening will occur next Saturday, March 17, '17

**ILA SMITH-DEAN**

## ASSOCIATION PRIMARY HELD

STONE EXPLAINS DAVIDSON OFFER

Manager's Report Shows Sales Organization to be on Sound Basis with Huge Surplus—Banks Get Credit

Anticipating sensations in the explanations of the recent announcement of H. F. Davidson, who has represented the sales agency in the New York and export market for the past two years, of his intention to withdraw tonnage controlled by him, 500 orchardists attended the annual primary election of the Apple Growers Association Saturday afternoon.

Telling of Mr. Davidson's negotiations Manager Stone said that Mr. Davidson asked that he be appointed sales manager at a salary of \$6,000 and that he have an assistant, whose salary was to be paid by the sales organization. Under the terms of Mr. Davidson's agreement, he was to have handled Hood River's eastern and export business through a New York office to be maintained by him individually on a commission basis of 2 1/2 cents per box and an additional \$10 per car on all fruit shipped abroad. The association on this basis paid Mr. Davidson on the 1916 crop \$13,742, according to Mr. Stone's statements.

Mr. Davidson has made an alternate proposal to the Association, offering to act for the agency on the same basis as last season, but reserving the right to handle apples in his own orchards and for former business associates individually through the channels of his own office. It was announced that this proposition would be turned down by the Association board. Wilmer Siegel, in his farewell speech to the assembled growers declared that he would not endeavor to compete with the Association in Hood River, declaring that he took a pride in the close cooperation in efforts at New York, discussing the lack of space and the British embargo which has prevented Hood River from shipping a large bulk of its Newtown crop hitherto sold exclusively in England, declared that the Association had during the past several weeks created a great demand for this variety in Texas and middle western points through personal representatives.

C. W. McCullagh, who for the past five years has been sales manager of the Yakima Valley Fruit Growers Association, made his first appearance before local growers, asserting in an address that he had been attracted to Hood River because he considered the Apple Growers Association the most nearly perfect organization of fruit growers, with the exception of the California citrus exchange, in the world.

Commenting on the financial status of the organization Mr. Stone declared that the banks of Hood River were responsible. "You growers," he urged, "should go in and congratulate your bankers for making possible your successful organization. The institutions have been as a unit in standing behind us."

In addition to all the members of the old board, the following nominations for directors were made: A. C. Stanton, Oscar Vanderbilt, A. F. Bickford, W. L. Nichols, C. W. DeWitt, DeWitt, W. F. Shannon, Sam G. Campbell, H. M. Vannier, Aug. Paasch and C. E. Copple.

According to the report made to the members of the Association, by Executive Manager A. W. Stone, the co-operative sales agency during the past three years has done a total business of \$3,075,693.57. Out of this huge total the Association has incurred a loss of less than \$500, or but .0016 per cent.

The financial condition of the Association was never on a sounder basis than at the present time. According to Mr. Stone's report, the sales organization will close the end of its fiscal year June 1, 1917 with a surplus of \$55,899.48. This including the sum of \$12,000 remaining in the advertising fund raised by a per box assessment and \$11,130 secured through a similar process for the purpose of establishing a reserve with which to purchase supplies and to assist needy growers. In all cases the report furnished is definite from June 1, 1916 up to March 1, 1917, the expenses from March 1, 1917, to June 1, being estimated.

Mr. Stone impressed on growers the necessity of better spraying, declaring that if the members of the organization had grown a crop for 1916 as clean as that of 1912 the returns would have been \$85,000 better. The percentages of the 1916 crop according to grade were as follows: extra fancy, 38 per cent; fancy, 37 per cent; and "C" grade, 25 per cent. According to tiers the percentages were four tier, 42 per cent; 4 1/2 tier, 7 per cent; and five tier, 21 per cent.

"Hood River," said Mr. Stone, "is equipped with a first class experiment station which is at all times ready and willing to do all within its power to assist the growers, upon whom we urge the necessity of studying carefully all of their bulletins and keeping in touch with the station authorities, in order that they may benefit from their knowledge and experience. Growers are urged to advise with S. G. Campbell, the organization's chief inspector on all matters of spraying."

The report shows the following products handled the past season: apples, 979,741 boxes; pears, 38,154; peaches, 88; cherries, 9,847; strawberries, 85,200; blackberries, 102; raspberries, 20; plums and prunes, 75; crab apples, 205; loganberries, 9; gooseberries, 4; quinces, 15; total, 1,112,680. The total receipts for strawberries for the 1916 crop reached \$133,263.34; cherries, \$8,187.65; and pears, \$58,722.30. The total estimated receipts for the 1916 apple crop are placed at \$1,077,716.10. The total of the concern's receipts for 1916, having been spent. The organization's budget was made out last summer on an estimated crop of 700,000 boxes of apples. This estimate was exceeded by nearly 300,000 boxes of fruit.

By deducting the general surplus of \$55,899.48 from the total of all expenses of the sales organization for the past season, including taxes and storage, Mr. Stone states that the cost per

box, of handling the fruit will be reduced to 10.72 cents. Apples have never been handled for less in the Northwest, it is stated.

Mr. Stone declares that savings have been made by every department of the big sales agency, and in his report he complimented every employe from car-loader to members of the directorate.

War time prices, according to the executive manager, have created a source of worry to the fruit grower. He says:

"We bought our paper last year nearly a year in advance and thereby saved many thousands of dollars to our growers. Our strawberry crates were bought this year a year in advance and we have also received last year's prices on arsenate of lead. We have also contracted for a large portion of apple boxes for next season. As to our paper for next season, every effort was made to buy the stock early in the season, but this has been impossible, as the mills have absolutely refused to make any prices."

Up to March 1, the Association had received payment in full for 458,482 boxes of apples of the three standard grades at an average price of \$1.17 per box. This amount formed 47 1/2 per cent of the total crop handled.

The following is a list of prices received by the Association to date on the principal varieties of apples: Spitzenburgs—Extra fancy 4 tier, \$1.02; 4 1/2 tier, \$1.02; 5 tier, \$1.02. Newtowns—Extra fancy 4 tier, \$1.27; 4 1/2 tier, \$1.27; 5 tier, \$1.27. Jonathans—Extra fancy 4 tier, \$1.24; 4 1/2 tier, \$1.22; 5 tier, \$1.30. Fancy 4 tier, \$1.00; 4 1/2 tier, \$1.07; 5 tier, \$1.07. "C" grade 4 tier, \$1.02; 4 1/2 tier, \$1.03.

The total amounts handled for the preceding three years were respectively as follows: Spitzenburgs, 391,584 boxes; Newtowns, 343,597 boxes; and Jonathans, 58,924 boxes.

The average prices on other varieties for the three grades were as follows: Arkansas Blacks, 16,519 boxes, \$1.36; Ortley, 42,786 boxes, \$1.26; Winter Bananas, 11,551 boxes, \$1.32; Delicious, 2,759 boxes, \$1.51; Black Twigs, 3,248 boxes, \$1.01; miscellaneous varieties, 11,125 boxes, \$1.94.

The average returns on all varieties last year reached \$1.24 cents per box, seven cents in excess of this season.

The Association to date has paid out to growers \$576,696.95, a sum \$27,722.15 greater than that received from purchasers by the organization.

The personnel of the present board of directors of the sales organization is as follows: W. B. Dickerson, E. W. Birge, C. A. Reed, J. C. Porter, E. H. Shepard, O. B. Nye, J. R. Nunnemaker, R. H. Wallace and A. G. Lewis. P. S. Davidson, president, and Walter Kimball recently resigned. The by-laws of the organization provide that six of the old members must be re-elected, while two new members must be named at the general election, which will be held on April 7.

## MISUNDERSTANDING OVER LABOR AGENCY

While the Portland office of the United States Irrigation Bureau, which for the past several years has maintained a free employment bureau here during the strawberry and apple harvest seasons, has been severely criticized by individual orchardists, the sales organization as a body has made no charge against the Bureau. In fact, officers of the Association declare that growers themselves were to blame for much of the labor trouble that was experienced here.

"The criticisms have arisen out of a misunderstanding," says Wilmer Siegel. "The government bureau has certainly been efficient in the services provided through its employment bureau. The Hood River growers must stop before they make their charges and consider that the Immigration Bureau is working for the United States government rather than the orchardists of Hood River. Last fall, when common laborers in logging camps, with the demand exceeding the supply, were offered \$2.50 per day, the local orchardists expected to get their help for \$2.00. The orchardists became incensed when the government employment agency placed men in the jobs paying the larger wage instead of in the orchards. The employment agency officials are to blame, I think, for not having been firm in telling the growers just exactly the status of the labor situation."

Mr. Siegel declares that local orchardists are going to continue to have labor troubles until they make provision to accommodate their transient laborers better. Bunk houses, he says, must be erected. The Immigration Bureau is to blame, he says, for giving an impression through public notices in the newspapers that apple pickers were needed before the actual harvest began. Hundreds of harvest hands arrived here last fall a week before picking began. Many of them were without funds and could not afford to remain until jobs were open.

The Immigration Bureau will likely continue to maintain its free employment bureau here during seasons of fruit harvest.

## Siegs Give McCullagh Reception

Wilmer Sieg and wife were hosts Sunday at a reception for C. W. McCullagh and wife. More than 50 of the orchardists and business men of the city and their families were at the Sieg home to meet the new sales manager and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. McCullagh will arrive here next month to make their home, having leased the Noah W. Bone place.

**Second Hand Ordinance Adopted**  
The city council has adopted a stringent ordinance for the regulation of second hand dealers and for the purpose of preventing junk thefts that have occurred here frequently during the past year. A license of \$5 per year will be charged second hand dealers. All purchases must be registered and tagged and sales of articles suspected of having been stolen may be prevented by the chief of police. Goods must be kept at a designated place of business. The dealer can make no purchases between the hours of midnight Saturday and midnight Sunday.

The ordinance provides for a fine of from \$10 to \$100, or a jail sentence of 60 days in case of violation.

## CITIZENS ARE ENTHUSIASTIC

"MAKE IT UNANIMOUS" IS SLOGAN

Good Roads Association is Organized to Aid \$6,000,000 Bonding Act—Wilbur Explains Measure

Enthusiastically cheering a mass meeting, with representatives present from every rural community, launched a campaign, Thursday afternoon for the \$6,000,000 bond issue, by the organization of the Hood River County Good Roads Association. "Make it unanimous," was the slogan adopted. The bonding act was explained in detail by Geo. R. Wilbur, who in his talk declared that the personnel of the Highway Commission as appointed by Governor Withycombe would give the impetus to the campaign for the bonding act. The name of S. Benson, father of the Columbia River Highway, who purchased the \$75,000 bond issue voted by the county for the opening of the route when the bond market was dull, was greeted by applause.

Senator Wilbur explained that the bonding act as drawn by the legislature made concessions to Hood River county as well as Clatsop and Columbia counties, because they had already voted bonds for the construction of trunk roads and that funds would be provided by the state not only for paving but for grading routes as well. Senator Wilbur declared that he could not see how any Hood River citizen could consistently vote against the proposed bonds. He explained that even though the number of automobiles of the state made no increase, the sum of taxes collected would be more than pay the principal and interest of the bond issue.

"We have heard that the paving trusts, so called," said Mr. Wilbur, "have inaugurated the bonding campaign, in order that they may get a strangle hold on the people. This is impossible under the terms of the bill itself."

"I will bet my hat, and it is a good one," said Mr. Wilbur, when he touched on the Columbia River Highway, "that this scenic route will be one of the first completed. You know S. Benson's interest in the Columbia River Highway. He is the father of it."

Mr. Wilbur stated that one of the reasons advanced against the \$6,000,000 issue was that the sum was not sufficient to conduct all the road work needed in the state.

"That is true," he said, "but plans provided will give the people an opportunity to find whether or not they can get good roads from a bond issue. If the system inaugurated is successful, the people will vote further, or will provide some other means of increasing the fund for highway construction."

While many local voters are reserving an opinion on the bonding act because of lack of knowledge of its provisions, it was declared that an unqualified opponent has not yet made his appearance in the county, and after the campaign of education that will be carried to every community by literature and with numerous public speakings it is predicted that the measure will be carried by a more than a moua vote than has ever been cast on any issue locally.

Officers of the association were elected as follows: J. R. Nickelsen, pres.; G. H. Robbins, vice pres., and C. N. Ravlin, sec. An executive committee, composed of representatives of all county communities, with Mr. Ravlin as chairman, was appointed.

During the course of the meeting Leslie Butler, a member of the advisory board of the old State Highway Commission, stated that funds were at present available for the construction of the Columbia River Highway to eliminate the dangerous Ruthton hill grade just west of the city. Mr. Butler said that the State Highway Commission appropriated the sum of \$25,500, to match an equal amount of federal funds under the Shackleford act, on January 15. The county court at its regular session last week received a petition asking the opening of the new portion of the road, and viewers have been ordered to make a report and hasten the legal formalities.

The executive committee appointed follows: C. N. Ravlin, chairman; Senator Wilbur, and C. A. Bell, city of Hood River; A. J. Graff and Ralph Root, Pine Grove; E. W. Birge and R. D. Smith, Barrett; Gus Miller and A. D. Ramsey, Belmont; W. L. Nichols and L. H. Arneson, Oak Grove; J. E. Ferguson and Geo. Sheppard, Odell; M. O. Bae and Chas. Steinhauser, Upper Valley.

The membership roll of the new organization is as follows:

**Barrett**  
Roy D. Smith, C. C. Paddock, G. H. Robbins, J. B. Lister, C. E. Nesbit, August Guignard, G. B. Marsh, E. W. Birge, C. M. Hurlbut, F. E. Matt, H. L. Haskrook, Frank Van Horn, E. R. Moller, Albert Canfield, Hosmer K. Arnold.

**Belmont**  
Gus Miller, A. D. Ramsey, William Stewart, S. G. Oxborrow, T. J. Miller, S. J. Frank, L. F. Henderson, J. R. Nunnemaker, F. E. Knowles, L. M. Bentley.

**Pine Grove**  
E. F. Batten, P. L. Tompkins, J. C. Porter, Martin Drageseth, Hans Lage, E. C. Browne, Edw. E. Lage, C. K. Benton, A. F. Bickford, J. D. Guttery, Ralph Root, James E. Clark, A. J. Graff, A. W. Peters, F. H. Blackman, H. C. Cutler, C. E. Coffin, Arthur G. Lewis, W. J. Cady, C. D. Hoyt.

**Oak Grove**  
W. L. Nichols, L. H. Arneson, Wm. Hodges Jr., D. L. Pierson, G. A. McCurdy, L. W. Pregge, J. E. Hall, W. F. Andrews, C. N. Ravlin, H. M. Holbrook, F. E. Skinner, W. G. E. Smith, Otto Wedemeyer, Chas. W. Reed, H. A. Cunnig.

**Frankton**  
J. R. Nickelsen, M. R. Noble, Walter S. Kaestner, A. C. Staten.

**Parkdale**  
C. F. Johannsen, Chas. Steinhauser, M. O. Bae, Henry Steinhauser, A. C. Sallenbach.

**Odell**  
J. E. Ferguson, George Shepard, A. B. Shelley, R. W. Furrow, H. L.

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