#### 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 or 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.

#### **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

### Dan Wuille & Co. Ltd. Fruit Exporters of

LONDON - LIVERPOOL, ENGLAND

advise Growers that we are in Hood River Valley PERMANENTLY

We are prepared to take all the tonnage we can secure—the larger as well as the smaller sizes. We have Branches in South America, the Scandinavian Countries, Australia and Domestic Markets, besides Covering all the Markets in England.

Any Statement that we will not be able to Export Next Season is incorrect.

We ae ready to assist our growers in every way possible and will furnish them with spray, boxes and paper. We have arranged with the firm of GILBERT & DeWITT, of Hood River, who will supply all spray material for our account. We invite the most thorough investigation of our reliability financially, or moral integrity and business methods.

DAN WUILLE & CO., Ltd. A. E. WOOLPERT, Northwestern Representative.



#### 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.

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

#### CONDENSED REPORT

### First National Bank of Hood River, Oregon

at the Close of Business, March 5, 1917

RESOURCES	8
Loans and Discounts	\$282,887.99
United States Bonds	100,000.00
Other Bonds and War- rants	34,504.14
Bank Building and Fix- tures	51,250.00
Other Real Estate	3,400.00
Cash\$22,845.29	
Due from Banks	108,412.04
	\$580,454.17

LIABILITIES	8
Capital	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Profits	14,438.39
Circulation	100,000.00
Rediscounts	
Deposits	366,015.78
	\$580,454.17

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 satisfaciion 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

#### ARNOLD GROCERY CO.

## The Stanley-Smith Lumber Yard

ON CASCADE AVENUE

Is still doing business, and we wish to announce that

we have on hand a fair stock of lumber. The opinion that seems to have prevailed in the

## FIVE AGENCIES

UNUSUAL ACTIVITY IS PREDICTED

Association is Far in the Lead in Membership, Tonnage and Control of Storage Facilities

Activities on the part of fruit sales agencies, which have reached the largest number in the history of the valley, will be more marked the coming season than on any former year. Five concerns will participate in the fruit deals of 1917—the Apple Growers Association, the Fruit Growers' Exchange, the Hood River Fruit Co., the Pacific Fruit & Produce Co. and Dan Whills & Co. Vuille & Co.

Wuille & Co.

With a membership of 850 growers, the Association, which controls all but a small percentage of the valley's cold sto age space, will handle the largest portion of the Hood River tonnage. The Fruit Growers' Exchange, the fruit of which is shipped through the Northwestern Fruit Exchange, of Seattle, handled approximately 150 carloads of apples last year. This agency plans a material expansion the coming season. A new receiving station and warehouse will be erected at Odell, and tentative plans for a simlar plant at entative plans for a simlar plant at

Van Horn, another station on the Mt.
Hood Railroad Co., are under way.
The Hood River Fruit Co., which
will be managed by H. F. Davidson,
who has been the export representative
of the Apple Growers Association with an office at New York City, will make provisions for receiving stations here and at Van Horn and Odell. The Pacific Fruit & Produce Co., the

head office of which is in Portland, has opened a local office in charge of R. R. Gill, formerly a produce man of Marshfield, and has made preparations to participate in the strawberry deal. Dan Wuille Co., English apple mer-chants, who are represented in the Northwest by A. E. Woolpert, of White Salmon, announce that they will continue to purchase apples despite the fact that a British embargo is on.

#### ORCHARDISTS BEGIN THE SPRING DRIVE

application will be introduced in local orchards this season. Numerous growsize, will apply materials to the top-most branches by means of towers erected on their spray machines. Several growerst have purchased machines that apply fungicides and insecticides in a powder form by means of blowers. Strawberry growers are beginning the cultivation of their tracts. The numerous sales of berry plants that are being made indicate that a large acreage of new strawberry fields will be set out this spring.

#### NOW IS THE TIME TO APPLY FERTILIZER

(By G. G. Brown)

A great deal of commercial fertilizer such as nitrate of soda, has been purchased by apple growers this spring. Sales have exceeded that of former years. The brisk demand for this fertilizer has been prompted largely by the excellent results secured on the experiment station plots during the

past three years.

The time to apply this fertilizer is now. Don't put the matter off. As yet we have accumulated but little data showing other than the approximate dates between which satisfactory results may be secured from such ap-plication. Experiments are now under plication. Experiments are now under way bearing upon this point. However, definite knowledge has been gained showing conclusively the marked superiority of early applications compared with the late. To be more explicit, March or early April may be considered early. Late April and May may be considered quite late. Regarding amounts: Those who have studied the report of the Hood River Expermient Station for 1916 will have noted that there is apparently

have noted that there is apparently much satisfactory evidence to support the practicability of the lighter application. For mature trees bearing full crops three pounds may be consid-ered light. Double that amount may ered light. Double that amount may be considered heavy. Attention was called to the fact that in one orchard where a light crop was borne, three pounds applied early gave just as satisfactory results as seven pounds. In the other orchard, where a heavy crop was borne, the lighter application gave was borne, the lighter application gave nearly as good results as the heavy. Both orchards had been previously clean tilled excessively with no cover crop. The statements regarding results are based on the extent of terminal growth, leaf development, percentage of fruit set, character and quantity of fruit. Where the crop was small, the character of Spitzenburgs was somewhat inferior to that on trees receiving the smaller amount. This was due slightly to excessive size of fruit; largely to inferior color. Where the heavy crop was borne the yields were in proportion to the amounts applied, the heavier applications being accompanied by larger yields. In this case there was no evidence of overstimulation in any respect. mulation in any respect.

From these results we may with

Valley that the yard was closed is altogether erroneous
Give us a call or phone us your wants.

Yard Phone 2171 Office Phone 4121

Invitations are out for a dance to be given Friday evening at the K. of P. Sprayers for sale at prices that are thall by members of the local organization of M. W. A. and R. N. A.

We have three second hand Power tion of M. W. A. and R. N. A.

"Sigurd Nelson, who had the title to older trees giving evidences of heavy bloom. However, where trees are making a normal growth and giving a good percentage of fruit set, there is nothing to encourage large amounts of fertilizer. Moderation is to be recommended. Where trees are thus giving such desirable results either in the presence of clean tillage following clover or other such crop, or in the presence of alfalfa, which has been established sufficiently long to half by members of the local organization of M. W. A. and R. N. A.

We have three second hand Power in the presence of alfalfa, which has been established sufficiently long to make its stimulating influence felt, right goods at the right prices. ore safety apply the heavier amounts

TO SHIP FRUIT

the practicability of applying nitrate of soda is a mooted question. Seemingly there is nothing to be gained by this fertilizer. However, it is possible that small amounts may be used with gain to aid in setting fruit as the main to make the second seco

gain to aid in setting fruit as the main aim. Experiments bearing upon this point are under way.

To the apple growers whose trees are just entering upon the bearing stage, the writer urges moderation. Any greatly stimulating influence, such as pruning, irrigation, clover or shade crops practiced excessively will prolong the bearing age. This is especially true with nitrate of soda.

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In conclusion the writer urges the grower to size up the tree as the unit rather than the whole orchard. In this way fertilizer which is now quite

fruit interests of the Yakima valley, which asks the local fruit men to cooperate with the Washington growers in their resolution to ship at least 65 per cent of their lower grade apples the coming season without wrappers. The letter states that paper used in wrapping the fruit has increased 100 per cent in price since last season and that the cost for paper to be used on the lower grade product is such as to make this preparation of the apples for market prohibitive.

Whether the local growers will join a movement to curtail the expense of purchasing apple wrappers has not been decided. No action has been taken by the boards of directors of shipping concerns. Growers express the opinion that it would be very unwise to make shipments of any of the higher grades of Northwestern apples without the protection of wrappers. However, a sentiment favorable to discontinuing the use of papers on the lower grade apples prevails.

WOMEN'S VAIDEVILLE

#### COLUMBIA RIVER IS **UNUSUALLY LOW**

"We will certainly have no spring freshet on the Columbia this year," said Commodore O. C. Dean Tuesday. "The water is now lower than I have ever seen it here at this season "The water is now lower than I have ever seen it here at this season of the year. This morning the river lacked but 25½ inches of reaching the record low water mark. I am told that the snow in the mountains is very light and the rise will be very slight."

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MAKE IT UNANIMOUS

terday.

#### MERCHANTS DENY **DETRIMENTAL REPORT**

Rumors that became circulated throughout the valley last week without any appparent foundation caused numerous citizens, who heard and be-

customers, a valley woman, came to his place of business and announced that she would transfer her account, iving as her reasons the charges made n the rumors.

"It was a shock and a surprise to me," says Mr. Filz, "and after assur-ing my customer that such charges were without foundation and absurd, I began an investigation, hoping to find how the report gained circulation. I cannot figure out how the report was begun unless some one made some re-mark about my German name. I am an American citizen and a loyal one an American citizen and a loyal one and nothing that I have ever thought, much less expressed, could be interpreted otherwise. I have a brother who has served an honorable term in the United States navy."

Mr. Ertle declares that the only act of his that could possibly have been interpreted as smacking of a lack of particitism occurred recently when he

patriotism occurred recently when he was solicited to make an appropriation of breads and other supplies to be used as refreshments at a dance given under the auspices of a Red Cross organization.

ization.

"My action," says the baker, "was not impelled by any thought of being unpatriotic. I would have willingly made a contribution to them at the time, but I felt that I could not afford to meet the demands that were made on me in the solicitation. The rumors that have branded me as disloyal to my native land of America do me a grave injustice."

#### Sigurd Nelson Praised

Commenting on the work done by the students of Whitman in their re-cent presentation of Lortzing's opera; "Der Waffenschmied,"the Walla Walla Bulletin says the following of Siguard

Nelson:

"Sigurd Nelson, who had the title role, the Armorer, possesses a remarkably rich and beautiful bass voice of rarely beautiful quality, and he sang and acted the part with skill and certainty. His beautiful solo just before the finale called forth much and very processes anthusiasm. His work through

# PLANS ARE MADE

BUSINESS HOUSES WILL DECORATE

Members of Artillery Club Initiate Movement-Representatives of Three Banks to Judge Displays

Hood River will observe Patriotic reek and the national colors will be lisplayed here all next week by all cooperation asked

In wrapping desirable results.

The Apple Growers Association has received a letter from the organized fruit interests of the Yakima valley, which asks the local fruit men to cooperate with the Washington growers

Wednesday evening. The movement was business houses. The movement was initiated by the members of the Artillery club, composed of the enlisted men of Co. 12, C. A. C. Robert Lee Foust and Joe C. Hayward were busy yesterday morning visiting all places of business and their proposed plans were met with enthusiasm.

The artillerymen will give a first prize of \$10 and a second of of \$5, both cash. Judges for the event have been named as follows: Truman Butler, S. A. Mitchell and E. O. Blanchar. All decorations must be completed by next Wednesday evening. The judges will

#### WOMEN'S VAUDEVILLE SHOW SUCCESSFUL

The vaudeville show given exclusively by the women of the Pine Grove grange at the grange hall last Friday evening was a marked success. The sum of \$41.25 was netted by the novel

Miss Agnes Chipping.

The comedy stunt put on under the direction of Mrs. C. K. Benton, surpassed expectations. Following the show music was donated for a dance by the following: R. E. Scott, Morris Graff, Mrs. F. H. Blackman and Miss Annamae Chipping.

Other numbers on the program as follows:
Chorus, "I Will Love You;" Song,
Sibyl Stanton; recitation, Joy Mason;
quartet, Stanton, Jarvis, Fertig and
Graff; piano solo, Mrs. C. E. Coffin;
quartet, Mason, Howe, quintet, Mason,
Howe, Kinnaird, Fertig, Bauer.

#### U. S. GETS SECRET OF CULTURE PEARLS

Local people have been interested recently at the display at the store of W. F. Laraway of Japanese culture pearls. The United States governnames had expressed a sentiment of American disloyalty to threaten a boycott on the alleged offenders. The threats of boycott were directed against the secret of pearl cutture through sugical operations on bi-valves. cott on the alleged offenders. The threats of boycott were directed against W. J. Filz and George Ertle.

Mr. Filz, who is native born and an American citizen, was first apprised of the rumor Saturday, when one of his customers, a valley woman, came to his sabbatical leave last year in Japan and was introvated with the transmission. sion of the pearl culture secret to the United States.

The Japanese govenment enjoys a monopoly of the industry in Japanese waters. Prof. Kofoid refused to disthrough which the oysters are made to produce perfect pearls, saying that the information was imparted to him solely for the information of the government.

The secret has never before been given to another country. Prof. Kofoid was given a set of delicate surgical in-

## MEN PROMOTED

Captain Wilbur, Co. 12, C. A. C., announces the following promotions in the company: Forrest L. Moe, from the company: Forrest L. Moe, from corporal to sergeant; Robert Lee Foust, corporal to mess sergeant; Wm. B. Clark and Glenn B. Shoemaker, privates to corporals. Appointments will soon be made of 12 first class privates. Captain Wilbur has made the following appointments: Cooks, Arlo Bradley and J. H. Surrell; mechanics, S. M. Dick and L. F. Parker; bugler, Sidney B. Carnine.

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An officer from headquarters of the Oregon National Guard will be here in the near future to hold a court and hear charges preferred against some of the members of the company, who according to allegations, have been remaining away from drills without proper excuses.

#### Sunday Wreck Delays Trains

When several cars of O.-W. R. & N. train No. 11, the westbound Spokane limited, were derailed early Sunday morning at Troutdale, all trains were delayed several hours. The eastbound Pendleton express and eastbound Oregon-Washington limited were delayed about these hours.

Three-eighths Spray Hose at E. A. Franz Co. for 16c per foot,