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All Nature Signals

"Let's Get Going"

Spring again—grass losing its dusty brown and taking on a new, shimmering green; trees making ready to send out shoots; signs of revival everywhere.

Farmers everywhere at work, a greater str of building, a quickening of industry, renewed signs of business and commerce—men and women looking ahead to a top-speed dash all along the line of human activities.

There's a part for every one of us to take in this wonderful Springtime—with its promise of glorious days to follow.

As you respond to Spring's irresistible urge to action, remember that there is no better time to put aside something for the future than in the Springtime—both of years and of lives.



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HOOD RIVER, OREGON
Where Security, Prompt and Complete Service
and Real Helpfulness Rule

WATERGLASS AT LOWER PRICES

Pints.....25c; without container.....20c
Quarts.....40c; " ".....30c
1/2 gal.....75c; " ".....60c
Gals.....\$1.15; " ".....90c

KRESSE DRUG COMPANY

The Rexall Store

"A purchase here carries that pleasure of satisfaction"

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Eggs are now 20c a dozen. Last winter they were 60c a dozen. Put them down in Waterglass and save the difference.

Pints 25c; Quarts 40c

HOOD RIVER DRUG CO.

WE SERVE A MERCHANTS' LUNCH
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"We are as near to you as your telephone"

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Then we take the responsibility of satisfying our customers on every point—with long service quality.

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has stood the test of quality for a quarter of a century. It's to your advantage to see the new Spring Woolens—

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My breeding flock is better than ever. I invite you to come and see them and I am sure you will want some chix. I hatch only eggs from my own flock. The hens are O. A. C. and Hanson strain; large, vigorous, always rustling and good producers; average weight 4 1/2 lbs. The cockerels are direct from Hanson's Poultry Yards of Corvallis. Three of them are 300 egg type, the rest are 275. Come and see their pedigrees and note the kind of stock they are from. If you want good vigorous large White Leghorns, I have them. Booking orders now. March and April dates, 17c. Later dates, 15c each. It is good to get an egg check every Friday; I understand apple checks don't come so regularly.

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Also full line of other fruit trees.

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Phone 4736

MORE STORAGE IS NEEDED

A. G. A. OFFICIALS CITE BENEFITS

Association Members Saturday Hear Many Reports—Activities of Committee of Five Endorsed

More cold storage was cited as one of the greatest needs of the apple industry, both locally and in other districts, by the directors and officials of the Apple Growers Association, members of which gathered to the number of an approximate 800 from all parts of the valley Saturday for the annual nominating primary for director candidates.

C. K. Benton, member of the commission of five Northwestern growers, now engaged in formulating plans to be submitted to growers, he said, in the next month, declared that such an organization would outline as one of the fundamental needs of cooperative efforts more cold storage space within the producing area.

Both A. F. S. Steele and P. F. Clark declared that the construction of a refrigerated cold storage unit by the Portland Dock Commission had been a material aid to the Association this season in getting its fruit tonnage to markets in good condition.

"Our ability to get our apples to export markets in good condition," said Mr. Clark, "has gained us a standing premium in prices on the United Kingdom market, but we haven't enough cold storage yet. The apple marketing situation has changed in the last 10 years. The big factors purchased heavy blocks of apples and distributed them. Today such organizations as your association have to give this service. Adequate storage this year would have saved growers five cents per box on their Spitzenberg crop alone.

Mr. Benton in a report on the progress of the cooperative commission Northwestern growers, said that growers of Yakima were ready for the launching of definite plans. He declared that representative orchardists of that section were ready at once to effect a cooperative organization of the size of the local Association. Mr. Benton was unable to predict whether the proposed district wide sales agency would be brought to the point of functioning in the handling of this season's crop. The Association members by unanimous vote voiced a sentiment in support of the work of the commission of five.

While the returns of the season's apple crop, which will aggregate an approximate 1,500,000 boxes have been slow, the Association having made no general cash distribution yet, the report of General Manager Steele showed the organization to be in profitable financial condition. The organization, by the installation of a conveyor system and the construction of a central receiving station last year, acquired facilities, he said, that would cheapen and speed up the handling of fruit. The handling system, it was declared, is one of the most unique in the Northwest, and has attracted the attention of shippers of other districts.

The export market for the season exceeded expectations, according to Sales Manager Clark. Already the Association has forwarded 234,000 boxes to the United Kingdom, and local and Atlantic coast stored stocks, destined for export, reach 86,000 boxes. The increased English consumption resulted from a growing tendency toward the trade there to take larger apples.

A new export trade is being developed, it was stated, in Buenos Aires and Rio Janeiro, where 42,000 boxes were sold in private sales. The cargo that arose last year over a trial block of fruit having arrived in poor condition Mr. Clark said he anticipated that direct steamship connection, via Portland and the Panama canal, would be secured for next season, when the South American tonnage will probably be increased. It is also anticipated that the freight rates will probably be cut in half under present conditions. Mr. Clark said, the cost of delivering a box of apples to South America reaches about \$3 per box. Yet sales, he said, demonstrate that it is a profitable market to develop. Returns from South America have netted back up to 75 cents per box more than on the domestic market.

The sales department and Manager Steele cited that one of the reasons for late returns resulted from the decision of the Association to withhold from the earlier markets the fruit of high keeping quality. At the present time, it was stated, the organization has in storage and unsold 500 boxes of extra fancy Newtowns. Good prices are expected for these stocks on the late market.

California markets have been good this season. Mr. Clark reported that San Francisco sales had increased from 240 to 350 cars this year. The San Francisco market was declared the best in the United States for Hood River apples.

A. W. Stone declared that the cooperative effort of all Pacific coast perishable interests the past year had had much to do with the elimination of the car shortage. He also reported that the Association, the credit and very existence of which was formerly menaced by the federal income tax, had won in every hearing before the internal revenue department, and that today the organization stood entirely exempted of such burdens.

The other reports Mr. Stone said: "At a recent fruit freight rate hearing at Yakima, Wash., figures were produced showing that the nation's apple tonnage in 1921 had reached 96,000 cars; in 1922, 101,000; and in 1923, 125,000. The east has been holding its own, while we have been gaining with our new acreage in the Northwest. We must develop new markets. When there is an over-production, we must control that over-production here at home. We must not allow the fruit to reach the markets and cause gluts. But we will not forego the planting of new acreage. When trees go out they will not go back. Those of us who stick to the apple business are going to be successful ultimately."

Nominations for directors were made as follows: Leroy Childs, D. E. Pierson, M. O. Downing, A. C. Sallenbach, Arvo Hukari, W. J. Cady, and all of the members of the old board, who are: C. K. Benton, C. E. Cope, Geo. T. Galligan, Frank C. Detman, J. D. Guttery, H. L. Shoemaker, Geo. Shppard, Glenn B. Marsh, J. H. Mohr, R. J. McIsaac and J. R. Nummaker.

Mrs. Gladys Brock, the first woman ever so honored, was nominated by Geo. T. Galligan. Mrs. Brock, however, declined the honor, saying she was kept entirely absorbed with the management of her place.

At the instance of R. J. McIsaac, president of the organization, various members of the directorate gave short addresses, telling of various phases of their work the past season. They outlined plans that have been put into effect in grading and packing apples. It was declared that the policy of segregating orchards, having the fruit of tracts that does not keep as well as others, placed in a No. 2 division. The apples will not be eliminated from pools but will be warehoused where they can be sold on the earlier markets. Growers were asked to cooperate.

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GEN. WHITE URGES SUPPORT OF CO. C

Adjutant General Geo. A. White, in an address to the members of the Lunch Club Tuesday at the Hotel Oregon, urged the citizens of the city to give hearty support to Company C, General White, who Monday night had visited the company for an official inspection, declared to the members of the lunch club that the men were drilling in the loft of a barn. In place that some of his hearers would decline to house their selective livestock.

General White paid a tribute to the members of the National Guard, who, he declared, were fitting themselves to serve in the maintenance of their country's rights. He derided the propaganda of pacifists, declaring that such military organizations and the national guard, which, he said, seemed to best fit the temperament of the American people, helped preserve the peace.

"Get behind your guard organization," said General White, "See that the men realize your encouragement. Visit the drills and make the organization a popular one. Allow the men to attend the annual 15-day intensive camp training." Mr. White urged that they not prevent their members from attending.

Capt. Harold J. Blackman was chairman of the day. General White was accompanied here by Major Edward W. Van Horn and Captain Lawrence Milner, guard officers of Portland.

Secretary Gladden presided in the absence of President Bartness and Mr. President's guests who were present were: Walter Ford, Carroll M. Hurlburt and Elbert M. Chandler, bridge engineer.

THE DALLES WOMEN REGISTER IN PLAY

"The Dalles does not need to improve dramatic talent. In order to enjoy the best in shows," so declared scores of local folk who were present at the Rialto theatre last Friday night to witness "The Thirteenth Chair," produced by the Business and Professional Women's Club of the neighboring city. The house was crowded and many were turned away. Without exception those who were present have since been singing the praises of the Wasco players.

"The Thirteenth Chair" is not an easy vehicle to put across. Mediocre acting might well turn the thread of mystery that penetrates the plot into farce. It is a show something like "The Bat," in which local folk last year saw Lizzie Evans. But The Dalles women executed their parts like veterans of the stage, and their amateur performance was ever better received in Hood River.

The local Rebekah lodge, members of which sponsored the show here, raised an approximate \$70 from the proceeds of the show. The fund will be appropriated for use in entertainment of delegates to the forthcoming convention of the grand lodge and assembly of Odd Fellows and Rebekahs to be held here in May.

I. O. O. F. OFFER AWARD FOR SLOGAN

Idlewild lodge, I. O. O. F., No. 107, is fast getting things in shape for the grand lodge convention to be held here in May. The cooperation of citizens and organizations, it is declared, is heartily appreciated.

The Pacific Odd Fellow, the official organ of the Odd Fellows of Oregon, will publish a special Hood River edition in May. It is the intention of the editor to place an apple design on the cover page. What he needs is an appropriate slogan, something to make the people think of apples when thinking of Hood River as they do roses of Portland, like "A Rose for You in Portland Grows." It is desired that the people of Hood River and valley pick the slogan. As a special prize the editor of the Pacific Odd Fellow offers a life subscription to his paper and Idlewild Lodge No. 107, I. O. O. F., offers an addition prize of \$5. The judges and full particulars of the contest will appear later. The following is offered as an example of the slogan: "An Apple Sweet for You to Eat." The slogan must be limited to 12 words.

Noted Aviator Dies in Accident

Friends of Mrs. F. M. Green, wife of ex-County Fruit Inspector Green, who recently moved to Colorado, have received word of the death of Mrs. Green's sister, Mrs. Bertha Horchem, a skilled aviator, in an accident at San Antonio, Tex., Monday, March 3. Mrs. Horchem's husband was a professional flyer and she took it up as a hobby. She grew very skilled and last summer made an altitude record for a woman.

CREAM CHECKS TOTAL \$100,000

INCREASE EXPECTED NEXT YEAR

Hood River Creamery Makes 220,000 lbs. of Butter in 1923—20,000 gal. tons of Ice Cream

The Hood River Creamery for the year 1923 paid to orchardists for butter fat an approximate \$100,000, according to the annual report of Manager W. M. Black, rendered at the annual stockholders' meeting. The plant turned out 220,000 pounds of butter and 20,000 gallons of ice cream.

Mr. Black stated that the business of the concern, a cooperative organization of orchardists, made fair to make a substantial increase the next year. A substantial increase in the number of cows has been noted here in the past several weeks, a total of 53 head, most of them purchased Jerseys having been brought in from the Willamette valley as the result of a mass meeting held in February. Prices of butter fat remaining the same, Mr. Black expressed the opinion that cream checks this year will aggregate considerably more than last year.

Visitors here, who have inspected the new plant of the creamery, declare that it is one of the most up to date in the Northwest. Mr. Black, who is given credit for much of the success of the institution, now devotes a considerable part of his time to visiting orchardists and advising with them about methods of caring for their cream and in developing new markets. His brother, E. F. Black, is now plant manager. He was formerly engaged with a large dairy concern in California.

The creamery now has a considerable payroll. Paul and Fred Reed are employed in the plant. The former's wife aids Mrs. Black in the office. During the past year Jack McCullough, Glen Greene and Francis Abeten have been employed at the creamery. Ray Blair and Edward Thornton will be members of the staff soon.

PROGRAM FOR SCHOOL ARSHIP LOAN FUND

The following will be the program for the Scholarship Loan Fund entertainment to be presented at the high school auditorium by the Hood River Woman's Club, beginning at 8 p. m., Wednesday, March 18:

Music—"Rustle of Spring" Standing, Miss Geraldine Rosey.
Play—One Act—"For Distinguished Service," by Florence Clay Mitchell.
Katherine Burton, Miss Ernie Hettlinger; Mrs. Jim Harding, Mrs. A. E. Keir; Mary, the maid, Mrs. L. S. Boyd.

Art Gallery—A series of living pictures, representing famous paintings and sculpture; participating in the production of the pictures: Mrs. L. L. Murphy, Mrs. A. W. Beasley, Mrs. R. S. Rogers, Mrs. H. Conaway, Mrs. J. C. Meyer, Mrs. H. G. Cooper, Mrs. R. B. Perigo, Mrs. W. M. Sylvester, Mrs. C. T. Howe, Mrs. W. M. Stewart, Mrs. A. D. Hanes, Mrs. F. L. Manser, Mrs. Van Gladden, Mrs. N. H. MacMillan, Miss Ina Nichols, Miss Ellen McCurdy, Miss Margaret Harding, Miss Katherine Perigo, Miss Juliet Benton, Billy Mortimer, Harry Dean Conaway; Mrs. C. H. Jenkins, costumer, and Mrs. C. N. Clarke, decorator.

Play—One Act—"Joint Owners in Spain," by Alice Brown; Mrs. Mitchell, director of Old Ladies' Home, Mrs. A. E. Woolpert; Mrs. Fullerton, Mrs. G. A. Molder; Mirandy Blair, Mrs. May Davidson; Mrs. Dyer, Mrs. E. O. Blumhagen.

Miss Catherine Carter has assisted in preparations for the show. Miss Leona Van Allen will give interpretative dancing and vocal solos will be rendered by Mrs. L. R. Alexander.

THE HUNCHBACK WILL CLOSE THIS EVENING

"The Hunchback of Notre Dame," wonderful picture of the Universal company, will close at the Rialto theatre tonight. No motion picture production ever presented at the Rialto theatre has created a greater impression on Hood River audiences, and it is anticipated that the theatre will be crowded tonight as a result of accumulated enthusiasm it has aroused since Tuesday afternoon, when it received its premiere.

"Did you go to the 'Hunchback' last night?" Such was the question one heard yesterday in stores, business offices and among crews of working men. Scenes from the magnificent production created conversation for drawing rooms and around the kitchen stove. It was acclaimed a superb picture, a triumph of the silver screen. Lon Chaney won high place in the hearts of Hood River theatregoers.

"The Hunchback of Notre Dame" is a stupendous screen picturization of Victor Hugo's immortal story. It is a clean and wholesome picture and all that might have been objectionable has been eliminated without in one iota spoiling the dramatic effect or hurting the timbre of the author's wonderful story. It is the kind of picture that an audience loves, for one can weep and then laugh and all the time be lost in the show itself.

The pictures are accompanied by a musical score that is little short of wonderful. Mrs. Kolstad at the big Wuritzer interpreted the music as only an artist can.

The play will run straight through from the matinee until the evening performance today, in order to give the school children an opportunity to witness it.

Bank Robber Escaped

Chas. R. Williams, who confessed the recent Mosier bank robbery, escaped from The Dalles jail Sunday night, when with a smuggled gun he held up Jailer Coleman and with Bert Taylor, another prisoner, jumped from a second story window. The two left town in a stolen automobile.