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DR. BELT BRINGS MESSAGE OF CHEER

Dr. Horatio P. Belt, of Rio Janeiro, Brazil, here the past week to confer with officials of the Apple Growers Association, brought a word of cheer to fruitgrowers. Dr. Belt reported that during the past season, in the face of extremely adverse conditions, Brazil has consumed 30,000 boxes of Hood River apples and pears, and is impressed with the Brazilians with the fruit that they are clamoring for more.

"During the coming year," said Dr. Belt, "I anticipate that from 75 to 90 per cent of the imported fruit of Rio Janeiro will be Hood River apples and pears. The Oregon fruit in the comparatively short time has become extremely popular in the South American market and demands a higher price than other fruit products exported from any other market. It will be my endeavor to manipulate the trade relations and facilities in such manner as to bring about a maximum consumption by the reduction of the price of the fruit delivered to the Brazilians.

At the present time, due to the extremely high cost of the imported fruit only the very rich can buy Oregon apples and pears. They are considered a luxury. It will be my aim to lower the cost of the fruit here and there and to bring about a status whereby the fruit will become considered as a necessity. Then everybody will be buying the product."

Dr. Belt says that during the past year practically all of the chief varieties of apples have been distributed at Rio. Among them were: Orloffs, Spitzenburg, Newtowns, Jonathans, Delicious, Black Twig and King Davids. He said, however, that the best known fruits are the Spitzenburg, Delicious and Newtown apples. Rio, too, has important peach orchards as a pear market. He declared that the superior-keeping qualities of the Hood River d'Anjou pear will result in the development of an enviable market in Brazil. Trial shipments of this fruit, wrapped in oil paper, Dr. Belt declared, demonstrated this season. The pears, selling at a season when formerly the species was unobtainable at the highest prices. In the future, he expects to have here or in the Brazilian capital will be held for this high class, off-season trade.

In 1922 Hood River endeavored to build up a business in Rio with a trial shipment of apples and pears, forwarded by way of the Panama canal. Improper refrigeration resulted in the arrival of the fruit in an extremely poor condition. The 1923 fruit was shipped by way of New York City. The coming season better transportation facilities, including properly refrigerated vessels, plying from Portland to Rio by way of the Panama canal, will be available. Indeed, Dr. Belt said he expected all of the adverse conditions to be much modified or absolutely eradicated.

While here in Oregon Dr. Belt stated that he hoped to ally himself with prime shippers of the state. In the face of a very high tariff American produce find a good market in Brazil. In a limited way he expects to handle dried fruit of Oregon. Dr. Belt declares that it is his intention to have the name Oregon recognized by all users of the fruit products imported from this state. Indeed, the point is already reached where everyone who has used the apples we handled the past season, thinks of the Blue Diamond brand of Hood River when he thinks of apples.

"The people to whom we are selling," said Dr. Belt, "are men that I have come in contact with in business for many years. They are cautious, careful buyers, whose credit is excellent."

Dr. Belt is the Brazilian representative of the Weirton Steel Co., of Weirton, West Va., the largest independent tinplate manufacturing concern in the world. He is also interested in the exportation of Brazilian products. Dr. Belt has visited all parts of the globe and is an interesting conversationalist. He is a graduate of the Kentucky School of Medicine at Louisville, where he practiced for three years. Later he practiced law for several years in St. Louis, Mo.

"Of all the places on the globe I have visited," said Dr. Belt, "I have never seen any spot more alluring than the Cascade region of the Oregon and Washington mountains. I was here for the first time last year, and it was indeed a pleasure to meet your refined people, bask in your salubrious climate and drink in the views of your geographic wonderland. You have a region that is unequalled."

"But I must tell you something that I have learned that is not to your credit. I believe that Oregon is far too backward in carrying the message of her wonders and her products to the world. You are far behind California, Washington and Florida in this respect. Some months ago, in an American magazine, I read a full page advertisement that made a great impression on me. It was the copy of a rug company, as I recall it, telling of the Columbia Gorge hotel and carrying a photograph of the great rocky boulders."

Dr. Belt said that he expects to make the trip once, and twice annually if possible to the northwest to aid in the development of the fruit marketing in Brazil. Each journey means a round trip of 10,000 miles.

Dr. Belt Saturday crossed the Columbia river with Wm. F. Allen and A. F. S. Steele on a motor tour over the North Bank highway.

Opera Stars Presented With Applaud Sunday morning when the special train of the Chicago Civic Grand Opera Company passed through here it was stopped that local admirers of the noted singers might greet them. The Chamber of Commerce and Apple Growers Association presented the opera stars with boxes of Newtown apples.

Arrangements were made with Wm. McMurray, general passenger agent of the Union Pacific Co., to have the train stop here long enough for presenting the apples. I greet them. Hood River music lovers in numbers motored to Portland the first of last week to attend grand opera numbers.

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U. OF O. ORCHESTRA TO PLAY TONIGHT

With the large body of local alumni taking an active interest in the coming of the musicians, it is anticipated that the University of Oregon orchestra, due for a concert at the Hood River high school tonight, will receive a rousing welcome.

Twelve years ago, the University of Oregon Symphony Orchestra was organized by a number of students and faculty members of the School of Music. Since that time, it has been growing steadily until it now has a membership of 24. The tour this year is the fifth annual tour taken by the organization, the first in 1920 including a number of the coast towns. This first attempt was so successful, another trip was taken the following year to southern Oregon and the third tour included eastern Oregon and southern Washington. Last year, the orchestra played in a number of the cities on and around Coos Bay, and met with very successful success.

Rex Underwood, the director, who, prior to his connection with the orchestra five years ago, was a concert violinist of note, has endeavored to consummate his ideal of symphony orchestra in his work with the University of Oregon Symphony Orchestra, and has, in fact, produced an organization that is a replica in miniature of the large orchestras, both as to balance of pieces and class of music played. It is largely due to Mr. Underwood's ability that the orchestra has shown rapid advancement in the last five years. When he took over its direction, the organization was but little heard of on the campus, but, through his efforts, it has been brought to the attention of the important campus activities. The music which this organization plays is entirely high-grade, classical numbers, such as are played by the best orchestras, and during the entire time that he has been connected with this group, Mr. Underwood has kept the standard of the music very high.

The Chinese tenor, made his first tour with the University of Oregon orchestra three years ago, and at that time was a great favorite wherever he sang. He has gained a very enviable reputation in the Pacific coast, having appeared in all the large cities, and he has become well known throughout the Pacific Northwest through his radio broadcasting from KGV, the Oregonian station. Mr. Joe possesses the excellent combination of a powerful tenor voice and a very pleasing personality. Last summer, he was the soloist at the Liberty theater in connection with George Olsen and his orchestra, after which he made a very successful tour of central California. Mr. Joe is a pupil of John B. Seifert, of the University of Oregon School of Music.

SCHOOL NEWS
(Wendina Isabel)

At a special meeting called by Prin. Tingstad last Wednesday morning several of the teachers gave reports on worth while things they had observed on visiting day.

Because of the rainy weather last Friday the campus clean up day at the high school was postponed until Monday afternoon, when the students and teachers all turned out and cleaned up the premises from May to June streets. Gibson field was also being used for track use by building a oval 220-yard track and a 110-yard straightaway. The student body had charge of the clean up gangs. Refreshments, consisting of cocon and sandwiches, were served to the workers.

The new books for the annual opera have arrived and the different parts are being assigned according to the regulations adopted by the board of directors, covering eligibility. Mrs. Belle Henney expects to start rehearsals immediately and push the work consistently until all rights are secured for the production. The name of the opera is "Pepita" and will be given some time about the first of May.

Report cards were issued to all pupils in all the city schools Wednesday last. The parents are expected to examine these cards carefully in order to note the quality of work which their children are doing. Sign the cards to denote that examination has been made and return them to the teachers immediately.

The declamatory contest to select a representative for the annual county affair was held in the Junior high school last Friday afternoon. The judges were Prof. C. W. Heck and Mrs. Lester Murphy. There were 16 contestants, all of whom presented their declamations in a very creditable manner. The program was particularly high class in literary merit. The judges awarded first place to Arthur Cannon and second to Leonard Van Allen.

The county-wide declamatory contest under the direction of County Supt. Gibson will be held in the high school auditorium Friday night of this week. Practically every grade school in the county will be represented on the program.

Mrs. Malinda Ison, of the Coe primary school, returned to her work Monday after a week's absence on account of illness.

RENEWED TESTIMONY

No one in Hood River who suffers headaches or distressing urinary ills can afford to ignore this Hood River woman's twice-told story. It is confirmed testimony that no Hood River resident can doubt.

Mrs. M. A. Douglas, 14th and C St. says: "At the time I took Doan's, I was more or less subject to backache. During this trouble with my back, my kidneys were irregular and I felt generally depressed and had no ambition. Two boxes of Doan's Pills made a different person. The misery in my back stopped and my kidneys have never caused me any trouble since." (Statement given May 4, 1919.)

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Rex Underwood, Director

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OREGON LUMBER CO. STARTS YEAR'S RUN

E. H. Greene and Neils Nelson returned last week from Portland, where they purchased a Miller lumber conveyor to be installed at the Dec plant of the Oregon Lumber Co. The machine was brought here over the Columbia River highway under its own power.

The lumber company has had crews busy the entire winter making improvements at the Dec plant. The installation of a new box factory, which handles the company out of hemlock, and other new equipment cost about \$20,000.

Crews began operation Monday at two camps on the upper West Fork of Hood river, starting the mill's run some weeks earlier than in normal seasons. The snow, it was reported, is well out of the highland forests.

The company will employ about 225 men this year. The total lumber cut, it is anticipated, will run to 30,000,000 feet, the largest cut ever made at the Dec plant. The mill has a capacity of 8,000,000 per year.

New Resort Being Projected

A summer resort will be established at Hood River meadows, on the Mount Hood Loop highway, by the Blue J company, a group of Portland business men, according to the forest service, which has just issued a concession permit to the company.

The cottage colony type has been selected, consisting of a main resort building with dining room, kitchen and office, and outlying cottages for guests. Construction will begin early in the spring.

The permit calls for minimum expenditure of \$45,000 on the site about 35 miles south of Hood River and 75 miles from Portland, on the south side of the peak at an elevation of 5,724 feet. It commands a sweeping view of the mountain and will be the center of many mountain trail trips.

A golf course and trout pond are among attractions to be provided. The Blue J company is composed of Dorsey B. Smith, president; O. K. Jeffery, manager; Frank C. Riggs, C. P. Keyser, C. A. Sharp, D. M. Baker and W. P. Lalloche.

The Hop of the Equinox Near

The Hop of the Equinox is the name to be applied to the regular Saturday evening dance to be staged at the Mt. Hood community hall on C. Devlin & Son next Saturday evening. Howard's Ace melody orchestra will play the "Spring Song," and Jesse Hinton will be floor manager.

"The peach trees of the Lower Valley are blooming," says Kelsie Devin, "and the bluebirds have returned. Orchardists are busy preparing their tracts. But all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy, and all a dull girl. Pleasant diversion is wholesome and productive of good health. We'll be glad to welcome all to the Dance of the Equinox."

Last Saturday night merry-makers were present from all parts of the mid-Columbia to trip to The Weirton of the Green. St. Patrick's season having been celebrated with the dance.

UNDERWOOD

Claude Davidson has returned to California to go into the insurance business. McCutchan has leased the Manners place for the next five years. The Underwood Literary society will meet this evening. A good, entertaining program is to be given after the business meeting is closed.

Justice of the Peace Neal was kept busy Monday evening listening to the evidence of the suit of M. Sturtevant vs. Heinrich Kapp & Son. Mr. Sturtevant was represented by Attorney Garver, of White Salmon.

Saul Perry, the new road foreman, is making a good showing on the work that is being done on the old Chenoweth road near the start of the Hood road.

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