

ASSOCIATION OF FERS BOND ISSUE

The Apple Growers Association last week announced an offer of \$125,000, seven per cent gold bonds. The proceeds of the sale will be utilized for the purpose of reconstructing drainage plants and erecting a new washing warehouse last fall. The Association, it is stated, now has property valued at \$500,000, and the bond issue is protected by a first mortgage on property estimated at \$250,000 in value.

The cooperative organization, the prospectus cites, makes a deduction each year from the proceeds of sales of fruit for a building and equipment fund. The item appears in the annual budget and is usually set at four cents per box. On this basis this year's crop will return an approximate \$65,000. A part of this sum will be utilized annually in retiring the bonds.

The Butler Banking Co. is named as trustee of the Association. The legality of the bond issue was approved by A. J. Derby.

TROUT LAKE

March 13, 1924.

The Trout Lake Development Association held a busy meeting at the forestry headquarters Friday afternoon, February 29, to consider this question from Supervisor Wright of the forest service: "Would the interest on the taxes in the valley form a new highway district if the county would reimburse them for the amount they have lost by the county commission dividing the district?" That is, for the taxes on the property cut off from the district. For example, the old bid for building the road was \$138,000. If the county reimburses us for the amount lost, say \$50,000, this would leave \$88,000 to be raised in the new district.

Mr. Wright made it plain that the forest service believes the property owners here are entitled to this reimbursement. And he further said that if all parties interested could come to an agreement and the road be built, he would see to it that all legal technicalities are properly taken care of.

The sentiment of the meeting seemed to be overwhelmingly in favor of accepting such a proposition if the county commissioners see fit to make it.

Mr. Wright promised he would try and have the county commissioners and representatives of the forest service meet with the taxpayers here shortly after March 16. Due notice of this meeting will be given.

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CHAMBER DISCUSSES LAND SETTLEMENT

At a special meeting of the Chamber of Commerce Wednesday evening of last week, Geo. R. Wilbur outlined the reason for the meeting and introduced the following speakers: Whitney L. Boise, chairman of the Oregon Land Settlement Board; Roy T. Bishop, chairman of the land settlement committee of the development fund and vice president of the Oregon State Chamber of Commerce; Wm. M. McMurray, general passenger agent of the Union Pacific System; W. G. Ide, manager of the agricultural department of the Oregon State Chamber, who is handling the land settlement work for the state development fund, and C. L. Smith, better known as "Farmer" Smith, of the Union Pacific System.

Mr. Boise outlined the general purpose of the meeting and the benefits to accrue to each county in the entire state. He called attention to the fact that there is more money being spent this year to advertise Oregon than has ever been spent in any one year in the advertising of California; that from reliable sources (among these the passenger traffic managers of the railroads in the east) it is estimated that one million tourists will visit Oregon this year.

The Oregon development fund people realize that unless the people now on the land are prosperous, it will be useless to bring in further settlers and are working very hard for the betterment of general marketing conditions and the opening up of new markets for our products. In the development of logged-off land, help can be secured from the sawmills which will provide employment for the men while in the process of clearing their land, resulting in the securing of a better type of labor.

Mr. Boise also called attention to the value of the Columbia River highway and the Mt. Hood Loop road, suggesting that as the people passed through this productive valley, it might be advisable to have a sign stating that the Hood River valley produces the finest apples in the world and a slogan similar to this: "Buy or order a box of Hood River apples to be sent to your home as a souvenir." In this way we would not only dispose of a great many apples, but would secure valuable advertising at the same time.

Mr. Bishop outlined the progress of the development fund idea, stating that three years ago Mr. Dodson, manager of the Portland chamber, made an exhaustive survey and that in the past four months 90 families had been located in the state through their offices, representing a land valuation of \$200,000. He says that 35 to 40 per cent of the inquiries state definitely that the people are coming to Oregon to make their permanent homes.

Mr. Ide also called attention to the work being done at the auto park and stated that Hood River should take the same advantage of its auto park and should see that someone capable of giving intelligent information should be on hand at the park. He also asked that the settlers who come here be not allowed to put all their money into their first payment and that they be held down to the amount of ground they can carry with their finances.

Mr. McMurray stated that as a result of a direct letter sent to all of his agents throughout the United States they had a most optimistic view on travel this year, saying that it would be over 25 per cent heavier this year than last.

"Farmer" Smith emphasized the need of diversified farming, reciting many interesting experiences to prove his theory was a sound one.

Upon a motion of Leroy Childs, seconded by Dr. Guttery, it was unanimously decided by a rising vote, that a nominating committee of three be appointed by the Chamber of Commerce to designate a committee representative of Hood River county to serve as the land settlement committee.

COUNTY HEALTH NOTES

The annual meeting of the Public Health Association will be held Friday afternoon, March 21, at the Chamber of Commerce. Mrs. Sadie Ordunbar, secretary of the Oregon Tuberculosis Association, and Mrs. Glendora Blakely, state advisory nurse, have been invited to be present.

The baby clinic under Miss Campbell's supervision will be held Friday afternoon from 1 to 5 o'clock in the library basement. Parents are urged to bring all children of pre-school age for examination, weighing and measuring. A local doctor is present at each clinic and careful records are kept of each child's progress.

Saturday afternoon Miss Campbell will be in her office from one to five o'clock. Monday she will visit Coe school; Tuesday, Mt. Hood and Wednesday, Parkdale.

Genuine Ford parts at Franz Co.'s.

CALIFORNIA GROWS BIG APPLE TONNAGE

(By F. A. Masee)

When I left California not long ago, it was apparent that the annual sugar beet tonnage would be materially reduced because of the severe drought. While a report of the Southern Pacific R. R. Co. was to the effect that lettuce shipments from Imperial valley will continue for some weeks, lack of rain will soon cut them off short. The quality of the lettuce is considerably below par. It is thought the Imperial valley cantaloupe and watermelon crop will not be affected.

California has a large supply of boxed apples of her own growing, and large quantities have been shipped into the state. They are selling about 50 cents per box cheaper than last year. A large motor truckload of call oranges can be bought at the packing houses for \$5. These are resold on the Los Angeles markets for \$12 per load or at 90 cents per lug box. They are very good for immediate use.

Building in Los Angeles is about the same as last year when a new building was completed every eight minutes. And they are putting up nice substantial structures, a crossroads in the east. It is estimated that one million tourists will visit Oregon this year.

I had the pleasure of being entertained by our friend, R. W. Pratt, formerly with the Hood River Banking & Trust Co. He is now located at Glendale. He likes Los Angeles and Glendale very much. The increase in his large property holdings at each place has made him very wealthy. His combined wealth keeps him pretty busy dodging the income tax man. Bob enjoys our door sports and has become very efficient at golf.

Out at Santa Fe Springs and Signal Hill, where so much excitement existed one year ago, activities are rather quiet now. Many wells that were flowing a year ago are now dry. The city claims a population probably 60 per cent on production.

C. L. Rogers, who was formerly located here, dealing in real estate and shipping fruit, is now located at Long Beach. He is engaged in real estate and has very valuable holdings at Long Beach, Signal Hill and Venice. He is well pleased with his new home and has done exceptionally well there. He extends greetings to all his Hood River friends.

FAMED SCARAMOUCHE HERE NEXT WEEK

The great motion picture classic, "Scaramouche," adapted by Rex Ingram from Sabatin's novel of that name, has been making remarkable gains in popularity. It is a story of a sensation in Portland at the Blue Mouse. It will be here next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. "Scaramouche" will appeal more generally to the masses than any picture of Notre Dame, for it is a picture that will interest the children as well as the elders.

Ingram, from all accounts, has surpassed his production of "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse" with this picture.

"Scaramouche" is a story of the French Revolution. It tells the romance of Andre-Louis Moreau (Ramon Novarro) and Aline de Kerendou (Alice Terry). Andre-Louis has been brought up as a ward of Aline's uncle, the Marquis de la Tour d'Azyr (Lewis Stone), a haughty aristocrat and man of fashion, killed Andre-Louis' friend, Philippe, because of his revolutionary sentiments, and on the Marquis Andre-Louis has sworn eternal vengeance. To make matters worse the Marquis is courting Aline.

Andre's seditious speeches cause him to be sought for by the gendarmes and in escaping from the pursuing gendarmes, he joins a strolling band of players and becomes Scaramouche, the clown. Bitterness against Aline leads him into an affair with the leading lady of the troupe, but he ends this when the girl accepts attentions from the Marquis.

Skilled in fencing, Andre-Louis Moreau is persuaded to become substitute deputy in the National Assembly of France for a deputy who was killed in the series of duels brought by the aristocrats against the people's representatives. In a duel with La Tour d'Azyr, that is the culmination of his activities in the Assembly, Andre-Louis wounds the Marquis, and Andre's misunderstanding of Aline's actions after the duel further widens the breach between them.

The fires of rebellion among the lower and middle classes of Paris are finally fanned into open revolt. The patriot Dubon (George Siegmann) leads the mob to the Tuilleries, where the monarchy is overthrown. The Marquis escapes from the massacre at the Tuilleries, and seeks shelter at the house where also is Aline, who has been unable to escape from the city. Andre-Louis comes to save her, and finds the Marquis there. The two men are on the point of killing each other when revolutions are made that disclose Andre's real identity.

The thirty principal characters in "Scaramouche" include, beside Ramon Novarro, Lewis Stone and Alice Terry, who were the triumvirate that appeared in Ingram's "Prisoner of Zenon," Lloyd Ingraham, Julia Swayne Gordon and Edith Allen.

WHITE SALMON
(From The Enterprise)

The new dock road grade was completed this week and has been graded. This practically completed the work contemplated for this year although a small stretch of grading remains to be improved at the bottom of the hill.

The new grade, just completed near the top of the hill, was a big undertaking and J. P. Tonsfeldt, who was in charge, has done splendid work. Now two cars can pass at most any place on the dock road. The grade is nearly uniform and some cars can easily travel it in high gear.

C. E. Grover, pioneer homesteader of Laurel, died Tuesday afternoon of heart trouble. Mr. Grover had been in White Salmon last week and his death was a great shock to his many friends.

Mr. Grover had lived in Canas Prairie community about 25 years. He leaves a widow and one daughter, Mrs. Ed Novak, of Umatilla, Ore.

STAGE AND SCREEN

The cast of the Paramount picture, "Hollywood," coming to the Rialto tomorrow and Saturday, is composed of players practically new to motion pictures. They are Hope Drown, leading woman; Luke Cosgrave, G. K. Arthur, Ruby Lafayette, Harris Gordon, Bess Flowers, Eleanor Lawson and King Zany. The "support" includes Cecil B. DeMille, Pola Negri, Thomas Meighan, William S. Hart, Agnes Ayres, Jack Holt, Walter Hiers, Leatrice Joy, Jacqueline Logan, Nita Naldi, Betty Compson, Lila Lee, May McAvoy, Theodore Kosloff, Lois Wilson, Mary Astor, George Fawcett, Noah Beery, Owen Moore, William de Mille, Ricardo Cortez and 35 other big names.

Three minutes late—not bad after a tedious ocean voyage of over 39,000 miles made by A. Y. Gowen's yacht, "Speejack." The boat was due to arrive at its berth in New York at 11 a. m. It dropped anchor at three minutes after—no bad! The pictureization of this cruise, the Paramount picture, "Around the World in the Speejack" will be shown at the Rialto theatre next Sunday.

The latest Rex Ingram production for Metro, "Scaramouche," a pictureization of Rafael Sabatin's novel of that name, will come to the Rialto theatre next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. The cast is headed by Alice Terry, Lewis Stone and Ramon Novarro.

"Scaramouche," according to advance reports from the larger cities, where it has been played as a \$2 attraction, is one of the greatest pictures in screen history.

The story is laid in the time of the French Revolution and deals with the adventures of a young noble who takes the side of the people.

Western Union Improves Service

The Western Union Co. has announced that it has just established a direct circuit between Chicago and London. This service will benefit local fruit dealers who have London connections. This is the first direct connection between an inland city of the United States and a foreign country. Transmission time is cut to a minimum. A message leaves Chicago and is almost instantly in London. This more direct handling also reduces liability to error.

In order to further improve the service in Great Britain and Europe, the Western Union has opened its own offices in the following important centers: Liverpool, Manchester, Bristol, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Birmingham, Edinburgh, Bradford, Glasgow, Dundee, Paris and Amsterdam. Direct wire connections are also maintained between London, Brussels and Antwerp. Connection with other European countries is made through their London office and government lines.

Hail Insurance. See R. E. Scott, m174

House Cleaning Things

Wouldn't it be a good plan to check this list and order now---ready for the Spring Renovating?

O-Cedar Mops \$1.00 and \$1.50	Old English Wax 40¢ 45¢ 75¢	Carpet Beaters 25c Corn Brooms 55c Floor Brushes 2.75
O-Cedar Polish 25c - 50c	Johnson's Floor Wax Paste and Liquid, 60c-75c	Linsed Oil Soap A wonderful help in cleaning Rugs, Upholstery, Woodwork, Furniture, etc. Will not injure finest finish or fabric. Try a 45c package at our risk.
Golden Star Polish 25c	OLD ENGLISH Waxer and Polisher With can of Wax, \$3.50	Sewing Machines We carry a complete stock of new and used machines for sale or rent.
UNIVERSAL Vacuum Cleaners Let us demonstrate in your house the simplest, most rugged, powerful and efficient cleaner made. Easy Payments	WEEKLY SPECIAL WILLOW CLOTHES BASKET Regular \$1.25 finely woven genuine willow. Will outwear a dozen of the ordinary kind. 98c	

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REX INGRAM'S SCARAMOUCHE

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Featuring **RAMON NOVARRO ALICE TERRY LEWIS STONE**

The picture was adapted by WILLIS GOLDBECK from RAFAEL SABATIN'S thrilling novel of the French Revolution and the photography was by JOHN F. SEITZ, who was camera man for Mr. Ingram's production of "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse."

Ten thousand persons appear in scenes showing the storming of the Tuilleries; 25 there are 30 leading players, who include George Seigmann, Lloya Ingraham, Julia Swayne Gordon, Edith Allen, Lydia Yamans Titus, Clodde Delano, Edward Connelly and Rose Dione.

Directed by **REX INGRAM**

Note: "Scaramouche" is without a doubt the BIGGEST, MOST PLEASING SPECTACULAR Picture we have ever SEEN or shown, barring nothing. We are taking this means of advising you not to miss THE BIGGEST PICTURE OF ANY SEASON.

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