



By our cooperative method of buying and supplying our patrons, we are enabled to afford a saving to every family in the matter of food stuffs.

The Grange Cooperative Store

Telephone 2151

N. H. MacMILLAN, Manager

Beginning January 1, we will close at 7 p. m. on Saturday Nights

Of Course You Can Ride On Goodyears

Goodyears don't cost any more. In fact they cost a lot less in the end because of the unusually long and trouble-free mileage they deliver. We sell and service the complete line. Bring your tire problems to us for a money saving solution—with Goodyears.



MT. HOOD MOTOR CO.

HOOD RIVER, OREGON

Phone 4242

GAME ASSOCIATION RENAMES OFFICERS

At the annual meeting Monday night the Hood River County Game Protective Association unanimously re-elected officers as follows: J. H. Fredrick, president; W. L. Marshall, vice president; A. L. Day, secretary; E. D. Burton, treasurer; and John Baker, O. H. Rhoades and Max L. Moore, trustees. Among the recommendations made by the association for amendments to the game laws was one urging that the China pheasant season, statewide, be limited from October 15 to November 15, with shooting only on Wednesdays and Sundays. On motion of H. S. Galligan, East Side orchardist, it was recommended that a three-year closed season be made on native pheasants and grouse. The county association would protect bear, having the open season coincide with that of deer, which the Hood River sportsmen believe should last from September 30 to October 31. President Fredrick praised the State Game Commission for its cooperative efforts in bringing about better game conditions in the country. He read a telegram from E. F. Averill, state game warden, who regretted that a meeting of the state association in Portland prevented him from attending the Hood River session.

Mr. Fredrick read an interesting portion of the biennial report of the state game warden on the value of the state's game animals and fish, which, he declared, have drawn thousands of motor tourists here.

Mr. Fredrick's annual report was as follows: Weather conditions during the winter of 1925-26 were mild and very favorable for game birds. So far this year a like condition has existed, with a plentiful supply of natural food for the birds.

China pheasants are plentiful. They increased materially during the year due to favorable weather conditions and better protection accorded by property owners, a great many of whom refused to permit hunting on their property. At the close of the season the State Game Commission sent us 500 of the imported Mongolian pheasants which were liberated throughout the valley. The old planting of birds had interbred so long that the size was diminishing. The new planting will have a tendency to increase the size on account of new blood.

Quail increased splendidly, due to favorable conditions, during the years 1925 and 1926. Several large coveys have been observed in various sections of the valley. These are mostly the Valley or Plum quail and the California Blue quail. A few bobwhites have been reported, some in the East Barrett district and some on Dethman's ridge on the C. E. Copple place. We do not know where the bobwhites came from but are probably those that lived through the planting made several years ago, or they might have found their way over the mountains from the Willamette valley or eastern Oregon.

Hungarian pheasants that were liberated in 1924 have increased very materially. The first planting of these birds was made in the Lower Valley near Tucker bridge. We show and coveys in the Odell, Mt. Hood, Parkdale, Trout Creek and Dee sections. The Hungarians are exceedingly hardy birds and winter snows have no terrors for them. As a matter of fact they will fly into snow banks to roost. We have asked the game commission for an additional planting in the spring.

But here let me voice a warning to those interested in game birds. The prowling house cat must be eliminated. It kills more game birds than all the combined hunters in the state. A house cat is a killer by nature and not only

kills for food but for the fun of killing. He destroys nests by eating the eggs and is a peril to the game birds of all varieties. If the property owner wants to help us increase the game birds he should at once take steps to see his property of prowling cats, as the hatching season will soon be here. The foregoing is not a dream but an established fact.

Silver grey squirrels were almost eliminated during the winter of 1925. Owing to their heavy coat of fur and the prevailing warm weather, the squirrel was attacked by the mange and died by the thousands. There are a few left, and with the proper protection from hunters and cats, they should increase and become plentiful. We have observed a few of them in various sections of the valley. House cats also prey upon squirrels.

The Dead Point trout hatchery operated 542,000 eastern brook trout, 438,450 rainbow trout and 673,000 steelhead trout. There was all the fry that the ponds would hold. We built two new ponds but could not build more as there was not sufficient water to supply the necessary amount.

The hatchery was extremely dry and we were kept busy conserving the water in every possible way to supply the fish in the pools with the necessary amount. The State Game Commission last fall distributed the fish according to our wish and placed 200,000 eastern brook and 200,000 rainbow in Lost Lake and 673,000 steelheads in the West Fork and East Fork. We are holding over approximately 342,000 eastern brook and 238,000 rainbows at the hatchery to be liberated in the streams next spring. It was thought that by holding over the trout at the hatchery they would be larger and better able to take care of themselves when liberated in the streams. The warden in charge of the distribution told us that the Hood River hatchery turned out the finest lot of trout that he had liberated last season.

The road to the hatchery is in a deplorable condition. — narrow, sharp turns, steep pitches with loose rock, and overhanging banks. The motor driver must be an expert driver to dodge the trees and stumps, and it does appear to us that the county court should do some work on this road as in its present condition it is unsafe, dangerous. We do not want a boulevard, just a reasonably safe road that state trucks can negotiate in hauling the eggs to the hatchery and the fish from the hatchery. There are hundreds of people, tourists and local people, who use the park at the hatchery for camping. A large number of the tourists are from California and have been coming to this beauty spot for several years. They cannot understand why the road is not placed in a safe condition, stating that if the Punch Bowl and the park were in California it would be valued at a million dollars as a tourist attraction. We were successful in getting \$1,000 placed in the 1927 budget for this road, which would be ample to make a good road, but the road had a sharp drop as it descended the entire amount away from the budget. It was, to say the least, a tragedy if not a criminal act in cutting off the appropriation.

The county is being thoroughly patrolled by two wardens; some arrests have been made and fines assessed. A number of violators have evaded the law as the informant refused to bear witness to the violation. It is useless to make an arrest unless the warden has positive evidence or the informant is willing to come into court and testify. Violations can be wiped out if the wardens receive the proper cooperation.

On behalf of my associates and myself we thank you for the confidence reposed in us during the past year, and I wish to voice this fact: Game birds, game animals and the fish are the property of the people and are entitled to and should have the protection of all the people.

MRS. RUTH FOSS HEADS THE W. R. C.

The Canby W. R. C. at their regular meeting Saturday installed their officers into their respective offices as follows:

President, Ruth Foss; senior vice, Ada Tewksberry; junior vice, Julia Coe; chaplain, Alida Shoemaker; secretary, Iva Seabee; treasurer, Ida DeWitt; conductor, Pearl Upson; assistant conductor, Eva Day; guard, Ella Wood; assistant guard, Belle McCurdy; patriotic instructor, Corra Stranahan; musician, Edith Steinhoff; press correspondent, Cora Pomeroy; No. 1, Josephine Bucklin; No. 2, Clara Miller; No. 3, Mattie Emery; No. 4, Cora Barton, as color bearers.

Jennie M. Bentley, past department president, was installing officer and Margaret Howell, conductor. The retiring president, Kathryn M. Frederick, gave a splendid report of the year's work. Many thanks are due Mrs. Frederick for her untiring devotion to the work throughout the year. Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Jewett, Geo. L. Aggers and Misses Maud and Doris Aggers were over from White Salmon to attend the meeting. A social hour followed in which the post and corps enjoyed dining refreshments furnished by the committee. Cora Pomeroy, Press Correspondent.

Fruit Inspector Hearing Planned
County Judge J. H. Jeffrey has set Wednesday, January 19, as the date for a special hearing on the appointment of a fruit inspector for the coming year. W. J. Kocken, inspector for the past two years, aroused the ire of many growers the past season because of alleged dictatorial practices in inspection of fruit being forwarded to market. Friends of the inspector, however, declare that Mr. Kocken is being made the scapegoat; that conditions arose over which he had no authority, and that the wrath of growers is unjustified.

Several applications have been filed by others seeking the inspectorship, and others, it was expected, will be filed before the date of the appointment.

MR. LARAWAY 25 YEARS COUNCIL HEAD

W. F. Laraway, who was recently re-elected illustrious master of Mt. Hood Council, Royal and Select Masters, has held the position for 25 years. Mr. Laraway, who has been a member of the fraternal order for more than 50 years, has one of the most interesting Masonic records of any man in Oregon. He has held every chair from the Blue lodge through to the grand mastership of the Oregon grand commander of Knights Templar.

But two members of the Hood River chapter of the Eastern Star were initiated into the order by the founder, Robert Morris. They are Mr. Laraway and J. K. Carson.

Other officers named by the Mt. Hood Council for 1927 are: E. L. Seabee, D. M.; J. K. Carson, P. C. W.; E. O. Blanchard, treasurer; A. Canfield, recorder; O. E. Nye, C. G.; A. D. Moe, C. C.; Thos. Fisher, steward, and A. W. Isbell, sentinel.

Rural Health
(By Frederick D. Stricker, M. D., collaborating epidemiologist of Oregon State Board of Health, in cooperation with the United States Public Health Service.)

Many things are being suggested for the relief of the farmer. There is, undoubtedly, a gross wastage of human life and loss in human efficiency in our rural districts. Of all the taxes which burden the farmer few are larger and some as unnecessary as the toll of preventable disease.

Cities have, by necessity, provided themselves with adequate health protection. Cities, by the application of modern sanitary methods, have reduced their death rates much faster than their supposedly healthy rural neighbors. At present the death rate from many preventable causes is higher in the country than in the cities.

As a conservative estimate it may be stated that the burden of sickness and premature death upon the rural districts of this state caused by communicable diseases amounts each year to more than a million dollars.

Can this burden be lightened is a question in which we are all interested. It is a well known fact that many of the communicable diseases can be greatly lessened, if not entirely eliminated.

Applied preventive measures by a full-time health department will reduce the number of communicable diseases to a minimum, and will promote good health generally. What is the cost in dollars and cents of an adequate rural health service? Roughly speaking it is about fifty cents per capita. There are now nearly 300 of these units operating in the United States.

In the state of Oregon we have five such units. The best investment this state could make would be to make this service available to every county.

The general plan in operation provides for a full-time trained health officer, two public health nurses, and an office clerk. The duties of the full-

time service can be explained by citing the activities of the units operating in Oregon at the present time.

The fundamental feature of the county unit is a campaign of health education. Prompt and vigorous measures against communicable diseases are carried out. Persons who are susceptible to typhoid, diphtheria, scarlet fever, and smallpox are immunized. Active measures are taken against tuberculosis and venereal diseases. Particular work is directed toward eliminating insanitary conditions. Safe-guarding the water supplies and supervising sanitary methods of sewage disposal are among the functions of this department. The health of the children including prenatal, infant and school health work are given proper consideration. The work of the full-time unit is

comprehensive and effective. This means the prevention of premature human deaths, prevention of human illness, promotion of good health and conservation of economic resources. There is no other investment of public funds that gives greater results.

Kilbuck Sues Huckabay
Alleging that he sustained personal injuries when he fell through a trap door in the storeroom of a service station operated by the defendant, J. H. Kilbuck, an East Side orchardist, has brought suit in circuit court against W. L. Huckabay, seeking \$2,000 damages. The suit is one of the most unusual ever filed here.

Highest cash price paid for your used furniture, stoves and rugs. Call McClain E. A. Frank Co. 4204



Rich in Romance

—the colorful journey east through the southland

Sunny days. Languorous breezes. Great cities—San Francisco, Los Angeles, El Paso, New Orleans. Side-trips over fantastic Apache Trail of Arizona; and into age-old Mexico. Festooned live-oaks beside Louisiana bayous.

A wondrous journey, easily arranged. Stopover privileges enroute. The luxurious travel accommodations of famous transcontinental trains.

Ask for an itinerary to fit your plans. Four trains daily from Portland southbound over the Shasta route. From California the noted "Sunset Limited" to New Orleans.

No finer trip east than this. Plan it now. Write to

Southern Pacific



JOHN M. SCOTT, Asst. Passenger Traffic Manager, Portland, Oregon

RIALTO, Mon., Jan. 17
LIBERTY, Tues., Jan. 18
RIALTO, Wed., Jan. 19

WALLACE BEERY - RAYMOND HATTON



The Dreadnaught of Comedies

Just completed a record run in Portland!

"BE ON DECK" SURE!

3—Three Days—3

Mon., Tues., Wed., Jan. 17-18-19

Matinees 10c and 35c

Evenings 10c, 35c and 50c

Service!

Graham Brothers Trucks are built so simply and so ruggedly that they need little attention.

But service is always right at hand when needed. There are no delays waiting for repair parts. Complete stocks are carried.

Whatever the hauling need of your business, there is a Graham Brothers Truck of size and body style for you. And it will stay on the job.

- 1-TON CHASSIS (G-BOY) \$1015
- 1½-TON CHASSIS \$1455
- 2-TON CHASSIS \$1692 Delivered

Graham Brothers Trucks, with Dodge Brothers ¾-Ton Commercial Cars, meet 91% of all hauling requirements.

BENNETT BROS.

Phone 1501

Hood River

GRAHAM BROTHERS TRUCKS

SOLD BY DODGE BROTHERS DEALERS EVERYWHERE

How Big is a Dollar?

You Can Buy



Unfinished Breakfast Tables

36-in. Size, Round or Square Nicely Sanded and Ready For Painting

THIS WEEK

\$2.85

Expect you had better call in today—supply is limited.

HACKETT FURNITURE CO.

Phone 4211