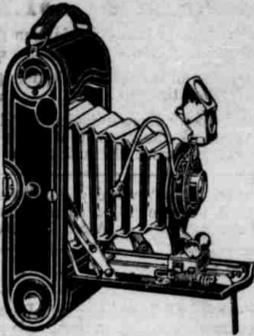




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**LOCAL MEN VISIT SPOKANE**  
VALUABLE DATA GIVEN, SHEPARD  
Sieg Announces that Shippers' League Will Effect Co-operation and Allow Extended Membership

While a marked opposition was apparent among the apple growers and market men of Spokane, Oregon, as expressed by fruit growers from all parts of the northwest pressage an adoption next January of the proposed plans of the Growers' Council as recently outlined, according to E. H. Shepard, who returned Saturday from conference of apple men at the Spokane National apple show last week.

It is proposed to levy an assessment of one cent per box on all fruit for the purpose of raising a fund to be used in opening up new apple markets, widening distribution and increasing consumption. It is estimated that such a levy will collect a fund of more than \$75,000 with which to wage an apple publicity campaign. No one district will be featured but all northwestern box apples will be given the benefit of the fund impartially.

"The Spokane fruit men," says Mr. Shepard, "are apparently opposed to the proposition, since they think it will be better for all districts to conduct their forward campaigns individually."

No definite action was taken at the Spokane conference, which was in a measure informal. The tentative plans were discussed by growers present, and it was left with the members of the movement to work out more complete details to be submitted at the second annual meeting of the Council to be held in January.

"While the Spokane apple show did not have as much exhibit fruit as on some former years," says Mr. Shepard, "and while the crowd present was not so large as usual, all northwestern fruit districts were represented, and the information derived from the different meetings of growers was invaluable to fruit men."

Mr. Shepard went to Spokane primarily to deliver an address before the meeting of the Washington Horticultural Society. "This meeting was not as large as former years," he said, "but the fruit districts, when the attendance ranged between 300 and 700, but I have never heard a more excellent program. Papers containing valuable information on all phases of orchard problems were read," he says, "and of the most interesting were those on the codling moth by S. W. Foster of the General Chemical Co., and Dr. A. L. Melander. This pest caused damage ranging from 10 to 50 per cent, and even higher in cases in northwestern orchards." Dr. Melander stated that weather conditions were more favorable this year than in any former year for the breeding of moths, and that more than ever before the insects had survived the winter of last year.

Other local men who were present at the Spokane conference were Truman Butler, A. W. Stone, Wilmer Sieg, Walter Kimball, J. C. Porter, E. W. Birge, W. W. Rodwell and S. G. Campbell.

The Shippers' League, an organization launched contemporaneously with the Northwestern Fruit Growers Council the first of the year, will be incorporated, according to Wilmer Sieg.

"It is the purpose of the League," Mr. Sieg, "to create a passive membership of the League, composed of managers or trustees of affiliated organizations of central distributing agencies. In this manner we will be able to include in our lists of members the organizations affiliated with the North Pacific Fruit Distributors and the Northwestern Fruit Exchange."

Mr. Sieg says that the great problem of the League in the future will be the work of keeping down the cry of "wolf," big crop reports, at the first of the marketing season.

"We should confine our talk to ourselves," he says, "for the swelled estimates that go forth from the different districts, each fall do us inestimable damage."

**MEETINGS CALLED TO CONSIDER STATION**

Beginning next Friday, when the first meeting will be held in the afternoon at the Valley Christian church, a series of four meetings will be conducted by the opponents of the local branch of the Oregon experiment station. A strong opposition to the proposed appropriation of \$2000, by the county next year for the maintenance of the station is expected to materialize at the annual budget meeting of the county court in December. The meetings will be held for the purpose of informing the ranchers as to the work of the experimental staff and its value to the community. The legislature last winter appropriated \$3,000 annually for the next two years, but the appropriation will automatically become void, in case the county fails to raise the sum of \$2,000 annually.

The meetings will be attended by the following Oregon Agricultural College staff members: Prof. A. B. Cordley, director of the station; Prof. C. I. Lewis, R. W. Allen and LeRoy Childs.

The other meetings will be held as follows: Hood River Commercial club, Friday night at 8 o'clock; Parkdale, Saturday, 2 p. m.; Pine Grove, under the auspices of the grange, Saturday night at 8 o'clock.

**COL. TUCKER BEGINS ARMY EXAMINATIONS**

On Monday Col. Tucker began at Vancouver, Wash., physical examinations, which will be followed by mental tests.

Col. Tucker, who has been ranching in the Upper Valley for the past several years, will be reinstated in the army. Col. Tucker was retired because of serious illness in 1909.

Col. Tucker was born in Massachusetts March 1, 1854, and was appointed paymaster with the rank of major on February 21, 1882, and accepted the position two days later. He never attended the military academy at West Point. He held the majorship until February 19, 1903, when he was appointed to the rank of lieutenant colonel in the department of the paymaster general.

It was in April, 1907, that Col. Tucker was appointed as assistant to the paymaster general with the rank of colonel, which position he retained until he was retired on March 4, 1909.

The salary in the United States army for major is \$3000, and for colonel, \$4000.

It is stated that Col. Tucker will receive his former salary of \$4000 a year and may be stationed at one of the posts in this country.

**P.-P.I. E. News**

(From Oregon Commission Bulletin)  
Though Oregon is certain to capture many gold medals on fresh fruit entries, the grand sweepstakes on apples has gotten away from us. Just because a measly little worm, probably not in the apple when it started from the Oregon orchard, showed up about a quarter of an inch in the entry end of a Newtown Pippin when the jury cut it open, Washington, that state made famous by Seattle rather than apples, captured the sweepstakes on Winesaps. In other words, Okanogan, think of it, Okanogan county, had on display the best five box exhibit at the big show.

Everything was sailing along gloriously for the Oregon fruit, and up to the time that dinky little wormlet put in its dastardly appearance, Oregon apples looked better than the best—they had the proper color, the size was uniform, there was no blemish apparent, the bulge was exactly so, and the pack from all view points was nothing less than championship calibre—but just before the jury had entirely finished its work one of the experts decided that he wanted to taste an apple from that wonderful display of Newtowns from Oregon.

They all looked alike and all were beauties. Even as he gazed with a magnifying glass there was no evidence that the apple of his choice was anything but perfect, but neither did Eve have any suspicion of the result when she selected an apple and gave to Adam. In both cases the worm was there and fatal was the aftermath. When the jury man slashed into the Oregon apple with his cutlery he gave a yell of dismay and Director Ravlin, in charge of the Oregon showing, got just one glance, had a fit and fell over in it. When he came to, he swam out of the room in his tears, and left the scene to the worm and Okanogan. After this 40 apples were cut open, but nary another worm. However, one was enough; in fact, too many. A worm before an horticultural jury is even more out of place than a woman at an exposition ball with clothing above the waist line or below the knees, and in this instance it proved to be the straw that broke the camel's back; that, so to speak, relegated us to "innocuous desuetude" so far as sweepstakes are concerned.

A worm, any sort of a worm, long, short, slim, wriggly, quiescent, or otherwise, counts just five points against the possessor thereof, and the loss of those five points was just enough to let the Washington fruit nose out. The worst part of it is that it makes no difference to whom the worm originally belonged. If the exact fact be told there is strong suspicion among Oregonians here and at that dinky little worm was not born and bred in Oregon, but instead that it spent its early days in Washington and was brought to the exposition for the purpose to which it lent itself so effectively.

The Washington pavilion in the Palace of Horticulture is just across the aisle from the Oregon showing, and it is believed that that worm had been kept in hiding for several weeks and at night had been trained to find its way to the Oregon fruit. At the psychological moment the wormship was started on his way and told to do his dastardly work, and he did it. That this was no Oregon worm needs no other evidence than that he had entered the apple scarcely more than a quarter of an inch. An Oregon worm in an Oregon apple would have eaten from calyx to stem and back again 40 times in the 30 days since the fruit left the Oregon orchards. There is one thing about Oregon worms—they are real worms, full of life and are of the get-up-and-go variety; that's the spirit of the country. There is nothing anemic about an Oregon worm, while this particular specimen was, as said before, dinky, weak, completely devoid of virility and wholly lacking in anything that would give it the appearance of health. Still, it did a healthy service for Washington and Washington experts here have asked for him that, or she, may be fittingly be honored as the state's greatest friend.

Speaking of the matter today, Director Ravlin, of Hood River, said: "It is useless to cry over spilled milk. We wanted that sweepstakes award, but fate and a worm had decreed otherwise. I went over the matter carefully with the jury, found that body thoroughly competent in all phases of its judging and we have no kick coming. The jury says that it never saw a finer exhibit of apples than was submitted for competition, and that Oregon fruit should measure so perfectly until that worm showed up simply proves our class. Of course, this is but one award and we are counting on winning several of the gold medals. Other states—Idaho, Montana, Missouri, Utah, Arkansas, etc.—will get all swelled up if they win any of these, so there is no reason why we should not be so."

Touching upon points learned during the year's experience here, and during the judging now going on, Mr. Ravlin says:

"Packers should realize the importance of making the outside of their boxes as attractive as the pack of the fruit itself. A spliced box is not a box to go before a jury, nor is one that has the label or lettering on at an angle wholly unacceptable. The outside should be as neat as the inside. I note also that this jury is inclined to discount the bulge in the pack. They say perfect fruit is damaged by bulge and careless handling, and that they believe it will not be long until we shall pack apples as we do peaches. My experience here is that the greatest damage has been done through the bulge and tight pack. If fruit haulers would always handle it just right that might not be so, but they won't and never will."

**Owens Loses Property by Fire**

The barn and residence of J. C. Owens, of the Mount Hood district, were destroyed by fire Saturday, total loss reaching \$3,000. The damage was partly covered by insurance carried in companies of J. M. Culbertson.

**EXCHANGE ERECTS FINE BUILDING**

**LATEST CONVENIENCES AT PLANT**

**Fruit Growers' Exchange Now Housed in Hollow-Tile Receiving Warehouse—Expenses Kept at Minimum.**

One of the most modernly equipped and most scientifically constructed storage houses in the northwest, according to experts who have visited the place, is the three story, hollow tile building just completed by the Fruit Growers' Exchange, the Hood River affiliate of the Northwestern Fruit Exchange. Built on the Mount Hood Railway tracks with its top story fronting on State street, cut out of the foot of the range side on which the town of Hood River is located, the boxes of apples received are conveyed to points in the storage rooms or to cars for shipment by gravity, thus eliminating heavy labor cost. The cost of constructing the new warehouse and storage plant was \$10,000.

Six receiving doors have been provided on the State street entrance, and on the platforms on which the wagons of the growers are backed for unloading are cut three emergency chutes, to be used in case of rush deliveries. The storage rooms have a capacity of 100,000 boxes of fruit.

The hollow tile construction of storage houses, because of ventilation given through the rooms in which the apples are kept, is today considered the best method of storage in the northwest. Heavy losses have resulted from decayed apples caused by deventilated air. Vents in the floors and the walls of hollow tile produce constant air currents in the new Exchange house, and the atmosphere is always practically as fresh as that out of doors.

No trucks are used at the new building. Chutes from the receiving rooms to the floors of lower level are installed, and a spiral elevator will be installed. From the storage rooms to the cars the fruit is moved noiselessly but swiftly on gravity roller conveyors. Boxes are made to turn sharp corners on these gravity conveyors. One man is placed at the pile of boxes in the storage house and another in the car, when a shipment is being prepared. The boxes wind around the building and finally are delivered to the car.

The warehouse is so constructed that two more stories may be added as they are needed. The present plan has three doors for loading. It has a capacity for shipping eight carloads daily.

When the apples are received they are so segregated in piles, that the first apples to be placed in the warehouse are the first shipped, thus loss is avoided from decay caused by too long periods of storage.

The Exchange has made every provision for the elimination of handling expenses. The present plan has received, inspected and checked the apples received this season. In case fruit is turned down, the grower is notified, and if he desires it is repacked at his expense. Leon Noble has been in charge of all repacked fruit this season.

**LOCAL RANCHERS RAISE TURKEYS**

For the first time since Hood River became an apple producing center local ranchers have raised more than enough turkeys to supply the Thanksgiving demand. Butchers and meat market men report that not a single fowl has been shipped from outside points, whereas on former years 90 per cent of the fowls have been imported. Enough turkeys are left in the valley for the supply of Hood River people at Christmastime. Another novelty offered by local butchers this year is suckling roasting pigs, secured from valley ranchers.

All meat market men have had on display this week tempting fowls and cuts of meat. A roasting pig, an apple in its mouth, has been the center of attraction at the Fitz market window, which has been garished with Oregon grape. E. M. Holman has a handsomely dressed window at his Sanitary Market on the Heights, and W. B. McGuire, of the Hood River Market, has had hanging in his metropolitan shop as fine a lot of turkeys, chickens, ducks, geese and cuts of meat as one could find in any city.

**INSTITUTE HAS BEEN VERY GOOD**

Hood River county has never had a better teachers' institute, according to County School Superintendent Thompson. Every teacher in the county was present at the annual assembly, the program of which begun Monday and closed yesterday.

Two of the most interesting numbers of the program were the address of Mrs. E. J. Frazzelle, of Multnomah county, and Prof. F. L. Griffin, of the Oregon Agricultural College industrial club department. The former delivered an address on the importance of Parent-Teacher Associations, and Prof. Griffin gave an illustrated lecture on the work done during the past year by industrial clubs.

A feature of Tuesday's program was the singing of a class of younger children in charge of Miss Frances Bragg, of the city schools. Miss Bragg gave a recitation Tuesday afternoon, and yesterday morning a recitation was given by Miss Dorcas DeWitt, assistant county librarian.

**UNION SERVICES AT UNITARIAN CHURCH**

Union Thanksgiving services will be conducted next Thursday morning at the Unitarian church. The sermon of the day will be preached by Rev. H. A. MacDonald. Special music will be rendered, and a large attendance from all denominations of the valley is expected to be present.