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Some friends left the following on our office desk, and it was evidently taken from a New York paper: "The laconic senator. Not for the multitude, but for the fewness of his words, is Senator Lane, of Oregon, likely to become famous. Asked to contribute a sketch of himself to that of skinking modestly for the Congressional Directory, Mr. Lane wrote, 'Harry Lane, Democrat of Oregon, term expires March 3, 1915.' When asked how he liked his senate job he responded: 'I feel perfectly at home here, as I was once superintendent of the Oregon asylum for the insane before I came here.'" Now if the senator had been like the member of congress from a certain district of the state, he might have perpetuated the names of all the other members of his family in that record even down to the nephews.

The active managers of the woman's suffrage question in this country, have gone into politics with a vengeance, and are now making open war on all those members of the congressional committee to which was referred their petition asking for an amendment to the constitution favoring granting them all the rights of franchise. Where any members of that committee aspire for reelection, money and speakers are to be sent in his district to aid in his

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defeat. The first one to be picked out for slaughter is Henry, of Texas, the chairman of the committee who absented himself at the time the vote was cast so as not to go on record. Trust the women to become in time as expert politicians as ever the men are.

A bill has been introduced in the senate by one of the senators from West Virginia, asking that all coal and mineral mines in the country be taken over and owned and operated by the government. When one considers all the various things that are in the perspective of this nature, including the operating of the express, telegraph, telephone and railroad lines, it is enough to make those old opponents to a "paternal government" turn over in their graves.

It will not take many days of rain as continuous as these of the last week, to make up the deficiency that now exists since September 1st. Already the normal for January has been exceeded almost one inch with more to be expected. For this country the high winds and violence of the rain gusts have been unusual, and made yesterday a very unpleasant day to be out. On account of telegraph and telephone wires being out at numerous points the news service on this coast has been considerably hampered, the river and its tributaries are swollen and bad roads have been made worse.

Making the Little Farm Pay

By G. C. BOWSFIELD



HORTICULTURE is going forward again in the central states after a long period of neglect. Farmers are acquiring business ideas and begin to understand that in a well balanced program fruit is an important feature. It is much more profitable than dairying or grain raising.

To make fruit pay there must be clean, tidy orchards. The grounds cannot be neglected. Cultivation is needed, but it must not interfere with tree roots. If vegetables are grown they should be kept clear of the trees. Old trees may stand pruning, but it is fatal to young ones. A liberal dressing of stable manure before plowing is recommended. Fall plowing is best. Fertilizer is necessary whether other crops are grown or not. There is such a thing as starving trees.

In many cases it will be found that the old trees have exhausted practically all the available nutritive material contained in the soil, and they need considerable nitrogen in order to produce new wood and to put new vigor into them, and therefore they will stand lots of stable manure. But if they were young, bearing trees in their prime they would need only a light dressing of manure.

While the actual fertilizing material contained in a ton of average stable manure is small, not much above twenty-eight pounds, if lime is not considered, it is a great humus producer. Humus adds lots of moisture, and humus and moisture working together release the nutritive material already in the soil and put it in shape so that those little hungry feed roots can gather it in and send it on its mission of supplying leaf, bud and branch with life and vigor.

If one should want quicker and better results than just stable manure alone, phosphate rock, ground bone and potash may be added in the proportion of 100 pounds of phosphate, 200 pounds of ground bone and 100 pounds of potash, but the user will have to be his own judge of just how much to apply to the acre, as there are so many different conditions to be taken into consideration that the same quantity will not answer for all.

As cultivation is needed anyway, it is well to raise vegetables in the orchard, thus making the land pay a good average profit even if the fruit has a bad season. Weeds are to be kept out of an orchard as zealously as out of a garden.

It is also important that we practice a good system of shallow cultivation in young orchards. The trees respond to good tillage just as the corn and other cultivated crops. Barnyard manure, compost and clover are three great fall cover crops for a young orchard. Trees ought to stand about thirty feet apart.

Good drainage is important in the apple orchard as elsewhere. The apple does not like "wet feet." For that simple reason it succeeds more often on naturally well drained, rolling land than in low, soggy places.

Just after the leaf buds in the spring and before the blossom buds open the old orchard should be given a good spraying with the regular bordeaux mixture and paris green or lime-sulphur and arsenate of lead, another one just after the blossoms drop and a third some time later if troubled with the codling moth, which is almost sure to be the case in an old orchard.

This fight against the codling moth must be unrelenting. The worm is migratory, traveling surprising distances in its work of destruction. Spraying should be done in any part of the season when pests are seen, but it always seems necessary just as the fruit has become nicely formed.

Keeping Grit From Axle.  
When one is hauling sand or gravel axle grease and horsehoes may be saved by the simple device of a piece of tin nailed on top of the axle to extend over the hub of the wheel on the inside. This prevents grit from getting into the hub.

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If a horseman had not made a wild ride of twenty miles before daybreak warning people that the great storage dam of the West Virginia Pulp and Paper Company, Schell, W. Va., had cracked and its breaking was inevitable, there would probably have been a great loss of life. As it was, the people were warned in time, and they fled to the hills where they huddled in rude shacks and about blazing camp fires while the flood swept through their homes.

Despite the endeavors of man to

control the elements, and his frequent assertion that none need fear any longer for their safety on land, water, or even the air, nature persists in breaking forth occasionally and proving that man still has much to cope with. The dam shown in the above photograph was of the hollow concrete type known as the Ambursen dam, and is considered by experts to be one of the safest and best known, yet this particular dam was built only two years ago and today it is no more.

### SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Douglas County.  
Neenah Oregon Land Company, a Corporation, Plaintiff.

vs.  
Mrs. J. W. Sims, widow of J. W. Sims, deceased, the unknown heirs

of J. B. Sims, deceased, Sadie A. Sims Nicholson, and — Nicholson, her husband, John E. Sims, Robert H. Sims, L. E. Sims, James V. Sims, Mae M. Sims, L. R. Sims, Raymond G. Sims, Mathew Hicks and — Hicks, his wife, Joseph Turman, W. H. Turman, J. G. Turman, Mrs. Delia Cook, and — Cook, her husband, Hannah Simpson, Hattie Harbison and — Harbison, her husband, Mrs. Geo. Smith and Geo. Smith, her husband, and also all other persons or parties unknown, claiming any right, title, estate, lien, or interest in the real estate described in the complaint herein, Defendants. To Mathew Hicks, and — Hicks. His wife, W. H. Turman, J. G. Turman, Mrs. Delia Cook, and — Cook, her husband, Hannah Simpson, Hattie Harbison and — Harbison, her husband, Mrs. Geo. Smith and Geo. Smith, her husband, above named Defendants:

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON, You and each of you are hereby required to appear and answer the plaintiff's complaint against you now on file in the above named Court and Cause within six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons, or if you fail to so appear and answer, plaintiff will take judgment against you and apply to the Court for the relief prayed for in his complaint, a succinct statement of which is as follows, to-wit: A Decree of the Court forever quieting title as against the defendants and each of them and all persons claiming through or under them to the E. half of the Northeast quarter of section fourteen and the Southwest quarter of the Northwest quarter and the Northwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of section thirteen, all in township Thirty-one South, Range Two West of the Willamette Meridian, in Oregon. For a decree that plaintiff is the owner of said premises and of the whole thereof in fee simple, and enjoining and forever barring defendants or any of them from claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest therein, and for plaintiff's costs and disbursements.

This summons is published in The Umpqua Valley News, a newspaper of Roseburg, Oregon, by order of the Honorable Dexter Rice, County Judge of Douglas County, Oregon, made and entered January 20, 1914.

The date of the first publication of this summons is January 22, 1914.  
J. O. WATSON,  
Attorney for Plaintiff.