

FRUIT MEN UNITED

Cured Fruit Association Is Organized.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION FILED

Long Discussions to the Manner of Organization—Everything in Harmony.

The Cured Fruit Association of the Pacific Northwest came into legal existence yesterday. It was fully incorporated, electors chosen, stock subscribed and plans for work formulated.

While the Cured Fruit Association of the Pacific Northwest is organized, absolutely and completely, its present existence is in a measure an experiment.

One of the most serious troubles experienced during the morning session was the radical difference between the law of California and that of Oregon.

Discussion arose over the question of the number of directors and the sections of the country from which they should be chosen.

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ing strictly within the province of directors considered when W. W. Cotton moved that all such matters be left entirely to the discretion of the board of directors.

Amount of Holdings Discussed. The amount of holdings allotted to stockholders was another grave problem.

Mr. Bostwick opposed this, asserting that the association should start forth with the purpose of positive success this season, so as to secure the full benefits of the large crop now imminent.

Mr. Miller continued a few moments in the same line of thought, emphasizing that the plans had merely been laid, and that now success depended upon determined personal effort as well as combined action.

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canvass of the entire Northwest for signatures to the association agreement to be issued later, that they be held in reserve at least by the annual meeting in June whether 75 per cent had been secured.

Chairman Miller's Address. "For a number of years I have been earnestly at work endeavoring to impress upon the fruitgrowers of Oregon and the Northwest the necessity of organization.

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IN THE SEVERAL COURTS

TWO MORE PEOPLE IDENTIFY HIGHWAYMAN CARLSON. Man and Wife Charged With Turning His Benefactor Out of Doors—Other Matters.

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PROBATE MATTERS.

James F. Felling, executor of the will of Edward Felling, deceased, was authorized to transfer a Sheriff's certificate of sale for the Gilliam House property to that time Edward Felling was executor of the will of Henry Felling, deceased.

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SHEEPMEN IN CLOVER

STOCK WAS NEVER IN BETTER CONDITION THAN IT IS NOW. Good Reports From the Ranges of Eastern Oregon—Prices Are Good.

D. W. Ralston, a stock dealer, of Sheridan, has returned from an extended trip in Eastern Oregon and reports that the conditions on the ranges of Gilliam, Wheeler, Crook and Grant Counties, a state of affairs not known at this time of year in the memory of stockmen of that region.

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there who would amend the charter by which street-cleaning is largely out of the general fund. The Mayor explained why it is that streets cannot be repaired, but said that it was his hope that the streets would be taken by which streets would be repaired.

Soldiers' Association to Meet. John E. Mayo, president of the Multnomah ex-Soldiers and Sailors' Association, has called a meeting of the Women's Auxiliary will be called to meet in Foss' Hall, Grand and Hawthorne avenues, some time this month, the date not yet being fixed.

Death of Christian Kindorf. Christian Kindorf died Wednesday evening at the home of his son at Sellwood, after a long illness, which was brought on by the influenza epidemic.

East Side Affairs. Wretched Condition of Grand Avenue—Pleasant Home Notes. It is said that one of the reasons that Grand Avenue, between East Clay and East Grant streets, wears out so rapidly is on account of the grade.

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