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FRUIT GROWERS HOLD MEETING

MILTON-FREEWATER MAN MAKES SPEECH

Outlines Benefits Derived Through Organization of Association of Fruit Producers—Explains Policies Followed Out By Union.

(Special Correspondence.) Stanfield, Ore., Oct. 24.—At the regular weekly meeting of the Stanfield Fruit Growers' association last Saturday evening Mr. Milton Freewater, manager of the Milton-Freewater association, gave an address in which he outlined the benefits to be derived from an organization of this nature, which proved of great interest to the members of the local association. In the Stanfield district during next year there will be quite a considerable quantity of fruit to dispose of including berries, melons, as well as potatoes and other vegetables which can be marketed to much better advantage through the association than by individual effort. Mr. Lamb's talk gave the members many points on the policies of the Milton-Freewater association which will be of great value when we commence marketing produce from this district.

Mrs. E. S. Severance and daughter arrived yesterday from Spokane and joined Mr. Severance, who came here a few days ago to serve as a resident engineer for the drainage district. They will reside in the D. B. Welty house for a few months during the absence of the Welty's who have gone to Hood River temporarily, where Mr. Welty is employed.

J. P. Lundborg and son have gone to Portland and from there will go to Everett, Wash., where they will visit for awhile, it being their intention to return here shortly to reside permanently.

Chas. Keelson was transacting business in Pendleton Saturday.

E. E. Cotant spent Sunday at home, returning to Umatilla this morning, where he is employed in constructing a stone building.

Dr. Henry W. Cox returned from Portland Saturday and was a motor passenger to Pendleton this morning.

M. R. Ling, president and manager of the Home Builders' association, transacted business in Echo Saturday afternoon.

R. N. Stanfield came down from Pendleton Saturday evening and left yesterday for Baker City to look after his sheep business in that vicinity.

Mrs. G. L. Hurd, who has been at St. Vincent's Hospital in Portland the past four weeks, where she underwent an operation, returned home yesterday. Her many friends here are pleased to know that she is improving as rapidly as could be expected.

P. C. Holland, the well known land man of Hornsby, was a Stanfield visitor Sunday.

Frank Sloan was a motor passenger to Pendleton this morning.

Mr. Johns of the Johns Contracting company of Portland and Seattle, with headquarters at Portland is in town today figuring on the drainage system contract.

ONIONS BUY NEW HOME FOR BRYAN

Nebraska Makes Tremendous Profits Off Bermudas on Texas Farm.

Mission, Tex.—William J. Bryan, who owns a farm of 200 acres in the valley of the lower Rio Grande, near Mission, made such a success this year raising Bermuda onions and other products that he has turned his handsome new country residence over for the use of his superintendent and family and has had plans prepared for a more magnificent home for himself. He will occupy the house this fall at a cost of \$25,000.

William K. Vanderbilt owns a farm near that of Mr. Bryan and he expects to build a residence this fall. B. F. Yoakum of New York, is likewise a farm owner in the Mission community, and he will build a large residence upon his place within the next few months. B. L. Winchell, president of the Frisco, who owns a farm near that of Bryan, also has planned to erect a winter residence upon his place.

Mr. Bryan will greatly increase the Bermuda onion acreage on his farm, and it will be made one of the principal crops next season. The profits derived by the onion growers of the Mission section this year average more than \$300 an acre.

BEAR MAKES LUNCH CALL.

Visits Timber Cruiser Who Stops Eating to Kill Brain.

Deer River, Minn.—While looking for good timber and sizing it up J. S. McCauley, cruiser, shot and killed a black bear weighing 300 pounds. McCauley was seated eating his lunch on a windfall when he was started by the approach of brain, who was then within twenty feet of him. After several minutes of dodging and jumping around McCauley brought the big fellow to the ground with three well directed shots from his rifle.

In telling the story McCauley claims that he was perfectly calm. Those who saw him shortly after ward tell a different story. McCauley made a good catch, as the hide will make one of the biggest rugs in this locality. It is jet black and of the finest fur.

Scalloped Oysters

(Recipe by "Marion Harland")

Crush and roll several handfuls of friable crackers. Put a layer in the bottom of a buttered pudding dish. Wet this with a mixture of oyster liquor and milk, slightly warmed. Next, have a layer of oysters. Sprinkle with salt and pepper, and lay small bits of Cottole upon them. Then another layer of moistened crumbs, and so on until the dish is full. Let the top layer be of crumbs, thicker than the rest, and beat an egg into the milk you pour over them. Stick bits of Cottole thickly over it, cover the dish, set it in the oven, bake half an hour; if the dish be large remove the cover, and brown by setting it on the upper grating of oven, or by holding a hot shovel over it.

TO STOP HASTY WEDDINGS.

Kansas Magistrate Says They Lead to Divorce.

Topoka, Kan.—D. M. McCandless, Judge of the probate court of Sedgewick county, has started a movement among probate judges to stop "love at first sight" weddings in Kansas. Judge McCandless is also a believer in short engagements and if he had his way, after an engagement had run five or six months, he would insist on a preacher being called in or the engagement declared off.

The question of prohibiting marriages where the engagement has been less than a month has been agitated in Kansas for several years. But this year the probate judges generally are pushing the work and the next legislature will be asked to provide that before a marriage license can be issued the bans must be published a month.

"The chief need for a happy wedded life is that the man and woman understand each other thoroughly," Judge McCandless said. "I do not think this can be done in a month, and continuing the engagement a year or two does not help a bit. The long engagement is nearly as bad as the short one. I can see how the affections can be aroused at a chance meeting of two people, but they ought to take a little time to study each other's disposition and character. These hurry-up weddings nearly all result disastrously and I would stop every one if I could. It's all because there is a lack of understanding before the ceremony. There ought to

FAMILY HAS 1,000 MEMBERS

Iowa Woman Lays Claim to Part of Unique Record.

Decorah, Iowa.—Here is a typical Norwegian-American family, where not a trace of race suicide can be discovered. Mrs. H. J. Hoyden of Madison township, and her son, Ed J. Hoyden of this city, are two of the members.

The family lays claim to being the largest in Northern America. They number over 1,000, and the record can be seen. In this 1,000, five generations are represented. Mrs. K. J. Hoyden is the mother of thirteen children and they are all living. The family came from Norway to the United States at an early day and have had much to do with its development in various states.

"I'VE QUIT FIGHTING," SAYS JOHN R. WALSH

Chicago.—John R. Walsh, former

banker and head of railroad and quarry enterprises in this vicinity, who was paroled from the Fort Leavenworth federal prison, outlined his plans for the future.

"I do not contemplate any sensational financial fight. I have quit fighting. All I want to do now is to get a little rest at home, get a new line on the tangled braids of business enterprises I am interested in since the adjournment of the Clearing House note, and get those enterprises in what shape I can.

"Certainly I shall not make any attempt as has been reported, to become the 'coal king of the west.' I take it that the coal 'royalty' is rather complete as it is. I haven't another thirty years to spare in getting into what is called a 'struggle for financial prominence.'"

DOG TAKES \$14,000 GEMS.

Finger-Print System of Identifying Criminals Leads to Pup's Arrest.

Washington, D. C.—The finger-print system of identifying criminals led to the recovery here of diamonds valued by their owner, Robert Miller, at \$14,000.

It was not a human thief, however that walked away with the jewels, but a pet dog in Mr. Miller's household. Near where the diamonds had been left in a chamois bag City Detective Vermillion found what he supposed to be the thumb mark of the culprit. An examination revealed that it was the imprint of a dog's paw. The only dog having access to the house was the

small fox terrier belonging to Mrs. Miller.

Following the dog about while it played about the house and yard, the detective soon found the diamonds hidden in the grass in the yard.

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DYNAMITE AS A FARMER.

Being Used in Preference to the Plow for Effective Cultivation.

Washington.—Working on the principle that deadly poisons—if taken in minute doses—often prove beneficial to the human system, the United States department of agriculture has recently made great progress in the use of one of the most deadly explosives known to science in improving soils and rendering them fit for cultivation.

By the use of dynamite in the south the department hopes to achieve results fully as remarkable as those obtained by "dry farming" in the middle west.

Prof. Tallafero of the Maryland agricultural college, is enthusiastic over the new dynamite farming. "Practically all classes of work which confront the farmer can be done by this method," he said. "In

addition to blowing up the stumps—incidentally converting them into useful kindling wood—change the subsoil, make holes for planting trees, dig a drainage ditch, and in many other ways manipulate the soil to the benefit of the farmer and his plants."

COUPLE SELL BABY FOR \$5.

First Try to Give It Away, Then Sign Legal Release.

Howe, Neb.—After they had been prevented from giving away a baby, Jeff Lee and wife sold the child to Homer Howell, a young farmer living near this place, for \$5.

In order to make the matter legal Howell insisted that the couple appear before a court at Auburn and sign a contract giving him the right of custody of the child.

The Lees have been traveling through the state in a buggy, it is said and had camped in this vicinity several days. The child is about 9 months old and the couple claimed it as their own.

Battleship Oregon Sails.

Seattle.—The battleship Oregon, after six years of idleness, sailed for San Diego, Cal. She has been reconstructed during her long stay at the Puget Sound navy yard.

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