EIGHT PAGES



NEW DRESS GOODS

We invite the Ladies of Independence and vicinity to inspect the Price and Quality of our large line of Spring and Summer Dress Goods.

We have never had a better assortment of colors; also newest weaves in black goods, all prices, but great values.

Our Grocery Department is always in the lead

Call in and see us; we assure you courteous treatment and fair dealing.





INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS OF OUR HOME STATE

THE INDEPENDENCE ENTERPRISE, INDEPENDENCE, OREGON.

REGION GROWS FAST.

ing Varied Industries.

Grants Pass-That Southern Oregon, with its varied resources, is mak- Willamette Valley Prunegrowers' asing greater strides than any other sociation met Wednesday in this city, section of the state, is the belief of a good representation of the principal H. L. Herzinger, a member of the growers of this section being present city council of Grants Pass. Fruit- to consider market and crop conditions raising, alfalfa growing and mining of the prunes of this section, are some of the chief resources. A full report of the market condiwhich are being developed rapidly. tions of the world was presented by With a large amount of foreign cap- the management, showing the prosital being attracted to the district, ontemplated, declared Mr. Herzinger. from a sparsely settled district into a 000.

famous for its pears, grapes and ap-ples," said Mr. Herzinger. "Devel- showed various estimates from 40 to opment along this line is just in its 75 per cent of a full crop, or an out-infancy. The people of Grants Pass side average of 60 per cent. The bill and vicinity have raised funds for the orchards of this section, where usually construction of a concrete dam across the largest crops of prunes are obthe Rogue River three miles above tained, are showing light this season, the city. Water will be stored by this the main crops being on the lower dam to supply water to irrigate 50,000 land and these are spotted. But with acres of fertile fruit land on either a medium crop and good prices indicaside of the river above and below tions are the crop will show much Grants Pass. This large area will be better returns than is generally reutilized for the growing of fruits.

"The people of the community dem-onstrated that they were wide-awake fruit. when they subscribed in two hours \$70,000 for the construction of the railroad from Grants Pass to the famous marble caves. This group of caves Stove Foundry May Use But 200 forms one of the natural wonders of The railroad will tap one of Oregon. the finest timber belts in the state and will supply transportation to the al-

Southern Oregon is Rapidly Develop- Willamette Valley Fruitmen Discuss Conditions. Salem-Members of the pool of the

PRUNE RETURNS BRIGHT.

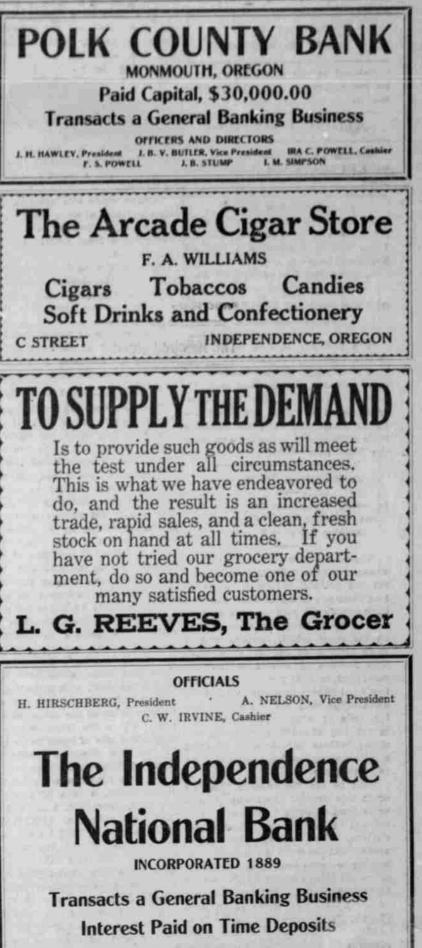
pects to be good for the marketing of the present growing crop. Letters the City of Grants Pass is feeling the from representatives in the principal effect of the development of the sur- fruitgrowing sections of Europe were rounding country and a large munici- read. These reports indicate that the pal improvement programme is being Reports from the large centers of this country, are along the same line. A Mr. Herzinger has been in Grants late report from California was read Pass more than four years and in that which indicates the outside estimate time has seen Josephine county grow of the prune crop there to be 125,000,-

rosperous community. "The Rogue River Valley, in which Grants Pass is the center, has become This is considerably less than the estimate of two weeks ago. A gen-eral canvass of the growers in regard showed various estimates from 40 to ceived from the larger crops, owing to

PRISON CONTRACT MADE.

Convict Workers.

Salem-After several weeks of disagreement the differences between Governor West and Loewenberg, Go-



D. W. SEARS

PAGE THREE

AND IN SHOES we also have bargains that will surprise you; this is our strong hold and we can the state architect's office, and on grown and sheared in this vicinity, show an immense line at bargain prices every day.

L. RICE, The Furnisher INDEPENDENCE, OREGON

All Kinds of Job Printing Neatly and Promptly Done at the Enterprise Office. Prices Right.

Mr. Frazer is flanked on one side by in addition to the half million pounds the other by the office of the State agricultural board, and to get out he has to pass through one of these arrived from Arlington. offices.

Water Turned Into Canal.

West Stayton-Water was "put into the first mile of the Willamette Valley Baker county would not make the ap-Irrigated Land company's canal Mon-Everything was satisfactory day. and while work has been stopped tem- Browniee. This means that the bridge porarily on account of the inclemency

longer than usual, for the reason that the outside. Three carloads have just

Joint Bridge Refused.

Baker-It was announced by County Judge Basche that the county court of propriation of \$10,000 for the Oregon-Idaho bridge across the Snake river at will not be built, as the appropriation

J. D. LAYTON AND SON HILLIRD

General Blacksmithing

We do all kinds of Wagon and Carriage Work and keep in stock all parts for vehicles; work guaranteed

Main Street, near the Bridge INDEPENDENCE, OREGON

