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DIRECTORY

JOSEPHINE COUNTY OFFICERS.
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FRATERNAL SOCIETIES.
Grants Pass Lodge A. F. & M., No. 84, regular communication first and third Saturdays. Visiting brothers cordially invited. H. C. BOHREZ, W. M. A. J. PIER, Sec'y.

Royal Arch Masons—Emanuel Chapter No. 25 meets second and fourth Wednesday Masonic hall. J. E. TAYLOR, Sec'y.

Eastern Star—Josephine Chapter, No. 20 meets first and third Wednesday evenings of each month in Masonic hall. Mrs. H. ZOLLER, W. M. Mrs. ANNA M. HOLMAN, Sec'y.

L. O. O. F.—Golden Rule Lodge No. 78, meets every Saturday night at L. O. O. F. hall. T. Y. DEAN, Sec'y.

Farar Encampment L. O. O. F. No. 12, meets second and fourth Thursday at L. O. O. F. hall. FRED SCHMIDT, T. Y. DEAN, Sec'y.

Rebels—Etna Rebekah, No. 49, meets second and fourth Monday, L. O. O. F. hall. ERNE HARTMAN, W. M. Mrs. J. H. DEXTER, Sec'y.

United Artisans—Grants Pass Assembly No. 49, meets alternate Tuesdays in A. O. U. W. hall. F. E. WERTZ, FRED MESSICH, Master Artisan, Sec'y.

Woodmen of the World—Rogue River Camp No. 53, meets second and fourth Wednesday at Woodman Hall. JAR SLOVER, C. E. MAYHEW, Consul Commander, Clerk.

Women of Woodcraft—Azalea Circle, No. 12, meets first and third Mondays at Woodman hall. ESTELLA BERRY, N. G. W. E. DEAN, Clerk.

Modern Woodmen of America—Grants Pass Camp No. 507 meets second and fourth Friday evenings at A. O. U. W. hall at 7:30 P. M. Chas. H. Marshall, V. C. N. Reynolds, Clerk.

Foresters of America—Court Josephine No. 26, meets first and third Friday evenings at A. O. U. W. hall. J. P. HALE, C. R. G. N. BOLT, F. S.

Josephine Lodge, No. 112, A. O. U. W., meets in A. O. U. W. hall, Dixon building every Monday evening. J. H. MEADE, M. W. B. A. STANARD, Recorder.

Hawthorne Lodge, No. 21, D. H. A. O. U. W., meets every alternate Tuesday evening in A. O. U. W. hall, Dixon building. Mrs. A. McCARTHY, Mrs. L. V. DEAN, C. O. H. Recorder.

Knights of Pythias—Thermopylae No. 50, meets each Tuesday, Wednesday, 7:30 P. M. O. F. hall. J. T. CHASSE, G. C. TOM WILLIAMS, K. of R. and S.

Grand Army of the Republic—Gen. Logan Post No. 26, meets first Wednesday at A. O. U. W. hall. J. E. PETERSON, Abe AXELL, Adj.

American Order of Steam Engineers, Oregon Council No. 1, meets first and third Saturdays, at A. O. U. W. hall. BENJ. F. MYRICK, Chief Engineer Corresponding Engineer.

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HOMICIDE NEAR MERLIN

Jeff Gibson Shoots Schon Bachler Through the Head with a Winchester Rifle.
On Friday evening between 5 and 6 o'clock, Schon Bachler who lived on Rogue river just below the mouth of Jump off Joe creek, about four miles from Merlin, was shot and instantly killed by Jeff Gibson, a young man who was living upon and farming the place adjoining Bachler's, known as the "Old Man Stimpkins' place." The tragedy was the culmination of a dispute of many years duration over the boundary line between the two farms.

The only witness to the shooting was Chas. Van Dorn, who lives just across the river from Bachler's and his testimony is deficient in that he was able to see only one of the parties at the time when the shooting took place. Van Dorn, according to his testimony given at the coroner's inquest, was on the other side of the river and some 400 yards distant from the scene of the tragedy. He saw Gibson coming down toward the river, armed with his gun, a 30-30 Winchester. Gibson had a canoe on the river, but it was fastened on the Bachler bank and Van Dorn supposes that Gibson was coming to ask him, Van Dorn, to get the canoe, not wishing himself to go on Bachler's ground after it. Van Dorn heard Gibson call to some one, apparently to ask him, Van Dorn, to get the canoe, not wishing himself to go on Bachler's ground after it. Van Dorn heard Gibson call to some one, apparently to ask him, Van Dorn, to get the canoe, not wishing himself to go on Bachler's ground after it. Van Dorn heard Gibson call to some one, apparently to ask him, Van Dorn, to get the canoe, not wishing himself to go on Bachler's ground after it.

The circumstances which caused the dispute and led up to the tragedy are somewhat peculiar. Many years ago, when the Stimpkins homestead was taken up, there was a small fragment of land, a "lot," to which no title was acquired. This piece of land lay next to the river and the Stimpkins farm completely enclosed it on three sides. Years afterward, it was discovered that the Stimpkins place enclosed a piece of government land and Bachler appropriated it for a home. Ever since that time there has been friction between Bachler and the occupants of the Stimpkins place. The lines were in dispute, Bachler claiming a strip about two rods wide beyond the boundary conceded to him.

It is claimed that Bachler was a man of quarrelsome disposition and that there was constant friction between him and his neighbors. On the day before the shooting, he was in Grants Pass to see what could be done toward settling the boundary question, but had it seems, received little satisfaction. Returning home in the evening through Merlin, angry and somewhat under the influence of liquor, he made threats against Gibson's life in the presence of several witnesses. Gibson was warned and was in all probability worked up to a high pitch of nervousness and excitement by the threats of Bachler. Bachler was a native of Germany and about 60 years of age. He leaves a wife. Gibson came here recently from the Willamette valley. He is a man held in good esteem by his acquaintances. He has a family, a wife and two small children.

Information against Gibson was filed in the circuit court on Tuesday and his trial will probably be held on Thursday.

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Nora Fuller Mystery Solved
Chief of Police Wittman officially announced Saturday morning that the murderer of Nora Fuller was C. B. Hadley, for fourteen years accountant in the business office of the Examiner. On January 16, the day of the disappearance of Nora Fuller, C. B. Hadley disappeared and has not been seen since. Theodore Kyra, the handwriting expert, declared that the man who wrote the name of C. B. Hadley to the advertisement urging Nora Fuller to the advertisement for a nurse girl. No trace of her could be found until a month later, when her nude body was found in a vacant house on Sutter street. The girl had been murdered.

Washington Letter.

WASHINGTON, April 14th, 1902.
Ever since the passage of the oleomargarine law the senate has devoted itself to the subject of Chinese exclusion and, while it is assumed when the measure was called up that two or three days would suffice to dispose of the matter, no vote will be taken until Wednesday and the outcome is more problematical than it was a week ago. Senators Hoar, Dillingham, Gallinger and Callahan have all declared themselves opposed to the present measure on one ground or another and it is regarded as quite possible that the result will be the adoption of the amendment offered by Senator Platt and which consists of substituting the Geary law for the present bill and re-enacting that.

On last Tuesday the house began its consideration of the Cuban reciprocity bill and has been debating the subject ever since. As the debate has proceeded the opposition has dwindled and it is generally conceded that the measure will pass without amendment. The policy of the friends of the bill in preventing the setting of a date on which to vote has been proven judicious as the members who opposed the bill have wearied of the long debate and have lost interest. It is now predicted that a vote will be taken on Thursday of this week. So far the discussion has been characterized by some very able speeches, notably those of Messrs. Payne, Grosvener and Long and it has been a matter of interest that these speeches have been almost entirely directed at the opposing factions of the republicans, little attention having been paid to the democrats of their contentions.

An interesting session in the senate last Friday was precipitated by Senator Depew who had, during the morning hours on Thursday, taken occasion to express his views on the proposed amendment to the constitution providing that senators shall be elected by popular vote. Mr. Depew gave notice that he would move an amendment providing for federal supervision of elections of senators and in so doing criticized the election laws in some southern states, mentioning by name, Mississippi and Kentucky. On Friday afternoon Senator Blackburn of the latter state, replied to the junior senator from New York and his remarks were sarcastic in the extreme but he at all times confined himself to purely parliamentary usage. Wishing to deny certain statements of the New York senator he said, "It goes without saying that the truth is innocent of any appearance in that statement." The passage at arms between the senators amply demonstrated that men possessing a fine command of English need resort to no profanity or Billingsgate to express their difference of opinion in most forcible terms.

General Schofield appeared before the senate committee on military affairs one day last week and presented his testimony in regard to the proposed army reorganization bill. Among other things he stated that the present general of the army, Miles, was not on speaking terms with the president or the secretary of war and clearly demonstrated the futility of expecting the best administration of the army under a system which made it practically compulsory upon the president to retain as his chief subordinate a man with whom he could in no way agree. According to General Schofield, the staff would serve to relieve the secretary of war of the administration of many details for which his special civilian training has fitted him and the selection of a chief of staff by the president would insure harmonious action between the commander-in-chief and the first military officer.

The chances of President Roosevelt's occupying the presidential chair for some weeks longer, during his first term, than any of his immediate predecessors seem to be growing. The national committee appointed to consider the advisability of changing the date of inauguration met here recently and determined upon the last Thursday in April as the most favorable date. There are now forty-three governors of states who have accepted their appointment to the committee and it seems probable that, by their combined effort, the necessary change in the constitution will be accomplished. As has been pointed out, it is not only the danger to the health of the officials who take part in an inauguration which will be obviated by the change to a date when the weather is more element, but the health of many thousands of visitors who flock to Washington, and who, being away from home, are often the most exposed.

The president has found in the person of Mr. Robert J. Wynne, a long-time newspaper correspondent of Washington, a first assistant postmaster general and it is expected that Mr. Wynne will assume the duties of his office by the first of May. Mr. Roosevelt has also selected a successor to Pension Commissioner Evans, Mr. Eugene F. Ware being the appointee. Mr. Ware is a resident of Topeka, and his appointment will be a source of gratification to the Kansas delegation.

The President and Mrs. Roosevelt have returned from their trip to the Charleston exposition and the former declares that he is much rested. There are few people who find such a journey restful but it seems to be one of the president's characteristics that all he requires in the way of a rest is a change of activity. It is hoped that the president's visit may result in an increased attendance at the exposition which has been falling far behind expenses notwithstanding the excellence of the exhibits and the general arrangements. Miss Roosevelt also, has returned from her visit to Mrs. Leonard Wood in Havana.

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Produced by placing a Ball of Wax in the Shell of a Fresh Water Mussel.
A ball of beeswax introduced into the shell of a living fresh-water mussel has resulted in producing the most remarkable artificial pearl in existence. It is about an inch and a half in length, oval in form and pink in color, and is now the property of the Smithsonian Institution, reports a Washington exchange.
The ball of wax was placed near the hinge of the bivalve, which being in a tank of fresh water, was carefully watched. The irritation of the wax caused the mollusk to protect itself by coating the foreign object with a smooth coating of pearl stuff—the same material as that which is used in lining the inner surface of its shell. In the case in question the result was an enormous pearl. Owing to pressure, however, the wax ball lost its spherical shape and became oval in form.
At the end of two years the mussel was taken out of the tank and opened and the pearl removed. The wax afterward contracted owing to drying, which caused the pearl shell to crack. This accident, while destroying the commercial value of the pearl, made it possible to observe the thickness of the nacreous covering, which is somewhat greater than that of an ordinary sheet of letter paper. If the pearl were not flawed by the crack, but even as it is it is priceless as a curiosity.

WHY WE RESEMBLE ROOKS.
Some Points of Similarity Between Human Beings and Feathered Bipeds.
He was standing in the rear end of a car, where all are friends in the common misery of having their toes trod on or hats crushed in, says the New York Press.
"I'm from England," he said, addressing nobody in particular and apropos of nothing, "and I want to tell you people that we all are only a lot of rooks. Say, did you ever watch a colony of rooks build their nests in the spring?"
Everybody looked reflectively away. "Well, I'll tell you. First a rook picks up a stick and puts it in his nest, then goes away for another one. When he's gone another rook flies to his nest and steals the stick. When he gets back he puts down the second stick, for still another rook to steal, and starts out after the first stick. He doesn't find it, and when he gets back to his nest he finds the second stick gone, and he starts after that, soiling and swearing in rook fashion."
"By this time the other three had been robbed, too, and it only takes about three sticks to go around the community and get the whole named community pow-wowed. Say, ain't that human nature?"
Everybody looked reflectively away. "See those family refrigerators at J. Wolke's?"

MISTAKES ON RAILROADS.
An Old Engineer Crashed Into a Passenger Train Through a Blinder.
"It is a pretty easy thing to make a mistake in railroading," said an old engineer as he thought of the recent wrecks on the Washakie and the Iron Mountain roads in which so many lives were lost, says the Mexican Herald. "As I understand it, those wrecks were caused by defective orders. The train dispatcher sent out his orders directing one train to pass the other at a certain station. The operator did not copy the order on his manifest book, as he should have done. Instead, he wrote it on a slip of paper and handed it to the engineer. But in making the copy the operator made a mistake and changed the name of the station. The collision was the only natural result."
"An accident just like that happened to me once when I was working in the states. I received orders to pass a train at the next station. I was just pulling out when I saw the headlights of a locomotive looming up since behind me. Did I jump! I guess I did. The engines were badly smashed, but fortunately none of the passengers were badly hurt, as I had reversed my engine before I jumped and the other engine was slowing down for the station when the collision came. An examination showed that the original order had been for our train to pass at the station which I had just started to leave."

Dined Under the Sea.
A dining hall was used some years ago in the neighborhood of Naples as a dining-room. The table was hung by cords from the roof of the hall, which, suspended a few feet above the water, was submerged while the various courses of which there were 12, were being partaken by the half dozen guests. The dinner, which was cooked on board a large barge moored near at hand, was transferred to the novel dining-room when the latter was drawn above the surface during the intervals between the courses.
To Tunnel the Bay.
San Francisco bay is to be tunneled to accommodate the traffic between opposite sections of the city which now has to go around. The distance is about five miles, and the subway will pass beneath an island in the bay.

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