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Royal Arch Masons—Reames Chapter No. 28 meets second and fourth Wednesday Masonic hall. L. L. Jewell, H. P. J. E. Peterson, Secy.

Eastern Star—Josephine Chapter, No. 26 meets first and third Wednesday evenings of each month in Masonic hall. Mrs. H. Zoller, W. M. Mrs. Anna M. Holman, Sec'y.

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Rebekahs—Etna Rebekah, No 49, meets second and fourth Monday, I. O. O. F. hall. Mae Davis, N. G. Elsie Green, Secy.

United Artisans—Grants Pass Assembly No 49, meets alternate Tuesdays in A. O. U. W. hall. F. E. Wertz, Master Artisan. Fred Mensch, Secy.

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Women of Woodcraft—Azalea Circle, No. 182, meets first and third Mondays at Woodmen hall. L. May Davis, G. N. W. E. Dean, Clerk.

Modern Woodmen of America—Grants Pass Camp No. 8607 meets 2nd and 4th Wednesday evenings at Woodmen hall at 7:30. Chas. H. Marshall, V. C. N. Reynolds, Clerk.

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Knights of Pythias—Thermopylae No. 50, meets each Tuesday night 7:30 I. O. O. F. hall. J. T. Chausse, C. C. Tom Willis', K. of R and S.

Grand Army of the Republic—Gen. Logan Post No. 32, meets first Wednesday at A. O. U. W. hall. J. E. Peterson, Com. Abe Axtell, Adjt.

American Order of Steam Engineers, Oregon Council No. 1, meets first and third Saturdays, at A. O. U. W. hall. Wm. H. Kenney, Chief Engineer. Benj. F. Myrick, Corresponding Engineer.

Order of Pendo—White Rock Council No 100, meets in A. O. U. W. Hall first and third Friday nights. C. E. Mayne, Secretary. Emma Belcher, Counselor.

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Description of R. D. Lawson's Model Fruit Farm Near Grants Pass.

The fruit industry of Southern Oregon is and always will be among the very first. The peculiarly favorable conditions of soil and cilmate are greatly enhanced by the topography of the country, which is cut up by mountain and stream into a system of small valleys. Rogue river and each of its tributaries carry along their several courses strips of bottom land of greater or less width and of a fertility that is remarkable. On the uplands and higher ground is found soil of every conceivable degree of productiveness, ranging from extreme fertility to barrenness. Wherever this comparative barrenness exists, however, it is in nearly every case due to a lack of moisture rather than to the soil. The sheltered condition of the country, due to the protecting mountain ridges is one featurewhich goes to make this an ideal fruit country giving it a climate of mildness, free from chilling winds or destructive storms. In the old quiet days, before the whistle of the locomotive was heard in the land, the fruit of southern Oregon, though generally a neglected crop, was of a high quality, unsurpassable in any country or climate. Apples were the principal fruit crop and, though pruning and cultivation were the exception rather than the rule, they were uniformly sound and of a flavor unexcelled. A wormy apple in those days would have been a curiosity indeed and some of the apple trees produced specimens of truly mammoth proportions. But soon after the railroad was built, the pests stole into the country, brought in by shipments of fruit and young trees, and the Codlin moth, scale, and kindred parasitic creatures found a luxuriant pasture in the southern Oregon orchards. The orchard owners were unused to pests, knew little of the methods of resisting them and generally were indifferent in the matter. As a result, most of the old orchards of the country became badly infected. Then also, soon after the construction of the railroad and the advertisement of the fact that southern Oregon was an ideal fruit country, many rushed blindly into the fruit business. Many acres of orchard were set out to be afterwards neglected and allowed to die for want of care. Ill-advised work in this line and the foothold gained by the fruit pests, gave the fruit industry in Oregon a set back from which it has even yet not fully recovered.

A few practical orchardists, however, seeking and finding the true solution to each problem which vexes the fruit grower, have pointed the way to success, and this way, once found is being followed by the fruit growers in numbers which are ever on the increase, so that the fruit industry has taken on new life and is growing healthfully.

As an example of the successful small orchard and of the possibilities in the fruit business which are dormant in southern Oregon, no better example may be found than the place of R. D. Lawson of Grants Pass, whose place, though not large, is in many ways a model of the successful fruit farm. Mr. Lawson's place is located in the outskirts of Grants Pass about a mile almost due west of the town's center. It is almost an ideal place for a home, situated as it is almost in the center of the little valley where the Rogue river bottom, narrow above and below, spreads out here to a width of several miles. The land of this particular vicinity was never in cultivation until long after the railroad came in. It was covered with brush and timber and was not highly thought of by the earlier settlers. The soil is sandy loam. At first sight it might appear even too sandy but it is marvelously productive. Mr. Lawson's place contains 50 acres, but of this 40 acres have been recently acquired, so that his operations in the line of fruit growing have been confined to a 10-acre tract and on this he has worked marvels.

Mr. Lawson's operations in the fruit industry have been on a modest scale as regards acreage, but the small area of land to be tilled has permitted a more thorough working of the soil, with a better demonstration of its productiveness. He has a prune orchard of two acres, vigorous, thrifty and healthy. The orchard has been set out six years. The third year after being planted it bore a ton of prunes. The following year the crop was 6000 pounds and the crop of the summer just past was 15,000 pounds. A few individual trees bore burdens of fruit amounting to nearly a thousand pounds, and when laden to their full capacity were an astonishing sight. The limbs bent to the ground on all sides and the array of fruit nearly concealed the trunk and limbs so that the tree presented almost the appearance of a solid mass of prunes. It would be unwise, of course, to allow such crops generally, as overloading the trees cannot fail to be injurious but a few sample trees of this character are a great object lesson in horticulture. On the same tract of land, Mr. Lawson has apple trees of two years growth, some of which have a diameter at the ground of three inches, while some of the shoots show a growth of six feet during the past season.

LAWSON'S FRUIT DRYER.

One of the most profitable and productive of Mr. Lawson's ventures is his berry plantation of two acres, comprising the various varieties; blackberries, raspberries, Logan berries and gooseberries. The product of this berry "orchard" brought in about $500 last summer, showing how profitable a small amount of land may be made. Of gooseberries alone the crop was 500 gallons, selling at 25 cents per gallon. The berries were astonishingly large and of the most excellent flavor. Some individual bushes bore a crop of five gallons to the bush. Mr. Lawson shipped 110 gallons of gooseberrries at one load to Crescent City. The other berries exhibited a similar productiveness and excellence and were uniformly large and of the finest quality. There are two twin bushes of red raspberries from which a 15-box crate of berries were picked every alternate morning for two weeks during last summer's berry season. A single row of red raspberries, Cuthberts, 20 rods long brought in $45. These berry vines in full bearing are a surprise to all who see them in their productiveness. The vines themselves are large, strong and thrifty. On one variety of black raspberry which Mr. Lawson is growing, some of the vines at the present time have a length of 20 feet or more. This particular variety possesses the pleasant advantage of being entirely thornless.

On this same 10-acre tract Mr. Lawson has a plat of rhubarb 20 feet wide and 80 feet long, the product of which this year amounted to nearly $50. He has also a small piece of ground on which, during the past summer he raised two crops, the first of onion sets and the second of cabbages and squashes. The season, Mr. Lawson finds, is somewhat curtailed in duration by the extreme dryness which is often a feature of the later part of the summers. Though the soil holds moisture well, the season's productiveness would be considerably increased by the judicious application of water. Only a small amount of additional moisture is needed. The irrigation facilities with which this valley will doubtless soon be provided will increase its productiveness enormously. To test the possibilities of the soil when worked to somewhat near its fullest capacity, Mr. Lawson selected a piece of ground about a rod wide and 60 feet long, so situated that it could be watered from the well, and fertilized it generously. In the spring he planted lettuce and peas in rows eight inches apart. When these were well grown, he drilled in beets between the rows, so that when the first crop was exhausted, the beets had a good growth. He followed the beet crop by one of tomatoes and cucumbers, thus producing three crops in the season from the same piece of ground. The first crop did not require watering. The third he watered but three times. By careful estimate, this small piece of ground yielded in the season $75 worth of produce.

A recent improvement which Mr. Lawson has instituted on his place is a fruit drier. The possibilities in the dried fruit industry are very great and the industry is only in its infancy. This drier will accommodate 3000 pounds of green fruit at a time and dries it in about 16 hours. Besides handling his own crop, Mr. Lawson dries considerable fruit from other orchards. This year he dried 50,000 pounds of prunes. The quality of the dried fruit is too excellent to pass unnoted. The prunes are large and of a truly delicious flavor and in a raw state are almost as edible and pleasant to the taste as raisins. He is now preparing to dry a car load of apples which will mean some 30,000 pounds of the dried fruit.

This fall, Mr. Lawson will set out an apple orchard of 15 acres, mainly of one variety of good saleable apples. In planting and caring for this orchard from infancy, he very reasonably expects far better results when it gets into bearing, than in taking an older orchard that has suffered from neglect or injudicious care and trying to bring it into a state of high productiveness. He will also set out an acre of red raspberries this fall.

The extreme productiveness of Mr. Lawson's place and the success which has attended his efforts in the fruit industry are not alone the result of favorable conditions of location, soil and climate, though of course these are most important elements. Judicious care, profitable experience, wide awake and discriminating observation, have enabled him to accomplish wonders. Other fruit growers can do as well and when such intelligent fruit raising becomes general in southern Oregon this section will be a fruit country difficult indeed to surpass.

Concentrates.

Mining and Scientific Press.

In the case of normally acid pulp in the cyanide vats about four pounds of lime per ton of sands would correct it, an ordinary solution being subsequently run on.

It has been approximately calculated that about 5,000, 000 persons find direct employment in the world's mines. These in turn give employment to about 25,000,000 others.

The U. S. Geological Survey has charge of the geological investigations, reports, maps, etc., and is a part of the Interior Deparrment. The U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey maps the coast waters, and is a bureau of the Treasury Department.

Disuse or non-use of a water right is not an actual abandonment, but long continuance of such non-use would indicate intention to abandonment. Abandonment is a question of intention, and whatever clearly shows that intent is admissible evidence.

In handling timbers in a large mine winzes may be cut in or near the foot wall of a vein, reaching from level, timbers to be used in the stope lowered or run down through the winze and delivered on the floor where they are to be used, saving much time in underground hoisting.

The United States mints pay $18.60 per ounce for gold, standard, 9 fine. Where the bullion deposited for coinage is suitable there is no charge. The depositor gets $1 for every 23.22 fine grains Troy gold in his deposit. The charge for simple recoinage of gold is $1 for 1000 ounces.

To keep machinery from rusting dissolve one ounce camphor in one pound melted lard; remove the scum; mix as much black lead with the lard and camphor as will give it an iron color; clean the machinery well; smear with the mixture; after 24 hours rub off; clean and polish with soft cloth.

The Empire mine, Grass Valley, Cal., has been a continuous gold yielder or 52 years. It is a good illustration of the permanence of gold mining, as a business. In banking, merchandising, manufacturing, or any other department of industry, what business founded in California in 1850 is in active successful operation to day!

In the United States in 1900 there were 117 plants engaged in the smelting and refining of metals, 39 in the smelting and refining of lead, 47 in copper, and 31 in zinc. The total capital invested in the smelters and refineries was $139,354,138, employing 1121 officials and clerks, drawing salaries amounting to $2,150,018, distributing $15,937,626 to 24,504 wage earners, expending $279,655,350 for raw materials and turning out manufactured products valued at $358,786,472.

Platinum was first discovered in Russia in 1819, although the actual exploitation commenced in 1824. From 1828 to 1845 platinum money was coined in Russia, these coins being 3, 6 and 12 roubles. The total amount put in circulation was 4,250,000 roubles, about $3,272,500. During that period the production of platinum increased materially, but when the coinage was stopped the exploitation of the material almost entirely ceased and only revived in 1859. From that time the production increased with the foreign demand and market price.

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W. C. T. U. Column

The regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held at the home of Mrs. E. A. Wade, Dec. 5 at 2:30 p. m.

What Is Home?

Recently a London magazine sent out 1,000 inquiries on the question, "What is home?" In selecting the classes to respond to the question it was particular to see that every one was represented. The poorest and the richest were given an equal opportunity to express their sentiment. Out of 800 replies received, seven gems were selected as follows:

Home—A world of strife shut out, a world of love shut in.

Home—The place where the small are great and the great are small.

Home—The father's kingdom, the mother's world, and the child's paradise.

Home—The place where we grumble the most and are treated the best.

Home—The center of our affection, round which our heart's best wishes wine.

Home—The place where our stomachs get three square meals daily and our hearts a thousand.

Home—The only place on earth where the faults and failings of humity are hidden under the sweet mantle of charity.

Drink in the Philippines.

Miss Annie A. Robbins, national superintendent of the soldiers' and sailors' department of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, recently gave an address in Nashua, N. H., in which she described conditions in the Philippine Islands as she saw them, while in those islands engaged as a nurse in the American army. Miss Robbins first served in Cuba during the war with Spain, and later went to the Philippines. With regard to the conditions there, she said:

"The natives are temperate, although they are not total abstainers. In all the time I was in the islands I never saw but one native drunk, and that case was caused by American whisky. When the troops first landed in Manila there were about 200 native saloons; now there are about 600, many of them being prosperous American ones. I have seen life-size pictures of Uncle Sam in front of these places holding a glass of beer in his hand. In other saloons the bar and fixtures are to be seen draped with the Stars and Stripes. I have been passing along a street there, and would meet a group of intoxicated soldiers. We were obliged to walk in the street and give them the whole sidewalk.

"It was told me on good authority that, in one company in particular, only one man out of the hundred or more did not drink. In one regiment it was found, on a canvass, that nine-tenths of the men used liquor. Other vices are protected, if not licensed by the government.

"The soldiers are fast teaching the natives to get drunk. They teach the women to drink beer, and tell them it is the proper thing to do so. The women, in their endeavor to imitate the supposed habit of their American sisters, are fast taking to the habit."—The New Voice.

Closed Gates.

The gates of the St. Louis Exposition will be closed on Sunday. The national government made this a condition of a grant of $5,000,000. The exposition directors did not sign the contract with any great amount of pleasure; but they signed it, and the matter is closed. It is a satisfaction to know that the miserable experiences of Chicago and Buffalo are not to be repeated in 1904. Christian people may give the exposition their unqualified support. We believe that even from a financial viewpoint the fair will gain by the course which the government has forced upon it.

The Rummies Run.

We refer to Ohio rummies. The new local option law is making things lively for them. Every town which has so far voted on the issue, save three, has voted the saloon out. The list includes Barnesville, Cambridge, Cadiz, Bethel, East Palestine, Hicksville, Greentown, Crooksville, Port Williams, Creston, Mount Blanchard, Belmont and Moral. These places range in population from 11,000 down to 200 and have an aggregate population of 23,000. Contests in other communities are on. Most will be disastrous to the rummies. They all would be if the temperance people were awake.

We congratulate these fine Ohio cities and villages. Now let them be sure to hold the ground they have taken. Vigilance is the price of freedom from all sorts of badness. It is often more difficult to keep the devil out than to drive him out.

Steamer Rogue River Sunk

The steamer Rogue River, property of the Rogue River Packing & Navigation Company, capsized and sank in the Rogue river below the mouth of the Illinois, and is a total loss. When the little steamer was within half a mile of its destination, in lining over a rapid, the line parted throwing the steamer against the bank and completely demolished the driving wheel. The boat was disabled and at the mercy of the current. The steamer drifted down the river a distance of three miles, when upon striking an eddy, upset in about 20 feet of water. The steamer was of 25 tonnage, and carried merchandise and machinery valued at $3000.

The Rogue River was valued at $6000. The loss on vessel and cargo is total.

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