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Again would we call attention of poultry breeders to the approaching show. Now is the time to make preparations for that event and its success depends very much upon how we get ready for it. Let every chicken fancier take an interest in this matter and the success of the event is already assured.

It now looks very much as though Grants Pass was going to have a much needed new Southern Pacific depot and it is to be a handsome, substantial affair, too. We are glad to see that the railroad officials are not slow in realizing the importance of this city, as such matters very clearly indicate.

With our saloons closing on Sunday and with not a prisoner in the county jail, we are entitled to some recognition as a law-abiding community. These are the things, among others, which most favorably impress the prospective home seeker. And they are facts of which we have every reason to be proud.

Soon the time for holding the city primaries will be upon us and we should bestir ourselves about the matter of having good, desirable men mentioned for the various places of trust. The affairs of the city are needing the care and attention of the best men to be found in this community. This is a critical time in the history of this municipality and having men hold of the city who are capable and anxious to see things properly done, means much for the future welfare of this place.

In commenting on a squib in the Courier to the effect that Medford was gaining the reputation for booming its resources by means of the "hot air" method, Editor Putnam practically admits that such is the case and then proceeds to berate Grants Pass people for being willing to win out on pure merit, calling them "mosbacks" and the like.

We've heard that "open confession was good for the soul," and suppose that the Tribune now feels much better after having made such a damaging admission.

Elsewhere is to be found an article in today's Courier, in which it is shown that the government proposes doing some needed work in the forest reserve hereabouts. Supervisor Anderson, who has headquarters in Grants Pass, realizes the great importance of these matters and these largely increased appropriations are the results of his untiring efforts.

The organization of numerous branches of the Grange throughout the county will undoubtedly result in much good to this valley. If our farmer friends will only pull together and strive to grow more and better products and use their best efforts to improve the conditions of their respective neighborhoods, they can accomplish great things right along these important lines. The Grange has some most excellent aims and if the ideas are brought to a successful culmination, we may soon expect to see all parts of Josephine county go forward with great strides.

Baker City is just now gaining some very unenviable notoriety on the strength of its being an "open town," and this fact coming to light, on the heels of the awful crime just committed, whereby one of the best citizens was foully murdered, presumably on account of his efforts to ferret out and bring law breakers to justice is anything but complimentary to Baker City. Such facts are enough to drive away desirable citizens and it will hurt the place in the estimation of the outside world more than mere words can possibly express.

If, as "Interested Citizen," in the last Courier intimates, Governor Chamberlain vetoed the appropriation for the Oregon University, merely for political purposes, that gentleman will find that his action in the light of recent events is likely to give him more or less trouble. The friends of the state institution now aver that the Governor's action will make it harder to carry the matter through another election. If Governor Chamberlain tried to make capital out of the matter, he has certainly made a bad mess of it, to say the least.

Grants Pass is having a bad case of "Tokay fever," and everybody is evidently going into the business of growing this famous grape. If we may judge by the way the people are enthused over the matter. And it is contagious too. Why, even the traveling men who come to this city are catching it and they are buying land and planning to have vineyards. Wonder if the Medford Tribune will give us as much publicity over this "disease" as it tried to do over one we did not have. Guess it will heat-

tate about saying anything good of this end of the valley. That would bring down the wrath of the boomers upon it.

There is an old saying that "comparisons are odious," but nevertheless it gives us much satisfaction to have a Colorado fruit grower of large experience come along, as one did the past week, and tell us that we have the ideal climate, soil and other conditions for growing the best fruit on earth. He admitted that the crop in that state which is famous for such products is this year an entire failure and he was wishing that his company only had its big orchard here in Oregon.

This idea of writing and telling our eastern friends about the many good things which we have, of which they know but little, it is a capital one. We should not take it for granted that they are informed along these lines, for the very fact that they are still remaining back in the effete east is conclusive evidence that they do not know what they are missing, else we would see them hastening out this way to hereafter make their abode.

Just to think of it! We have not had a death in Grants Pass for two long weeks and we have many newcomers in our midst every day who are here to make their homes. This doesn't look much as though we had an epidemic of any dread disease, the outside world believe. And not a single crazy individual within the confines of this entire county within 30 days. But Medford is not in Josephine county, else we might not make as the Medford Tribune would have this boast, for many people would claim that the Tribune Editor may have gone daft!

Oregon is coming grandly to the front as a great fruit growing section. Indeed, that report made public a few days ago, in which it was shown that our income from this one source alone, during the past year amounted to \$4,275,185 was truly an eye opener for even our own people and it will set the people of the east to talking about us after a fashion that is truly to be desired. What we need more than anything else is to get the bare facts to those people. The facts are good enough. We need not elaborate upon them to any length, for the facts are in themselves enough to create much favorable comment.

Now that the city election is near at hand, or rather the primaries for the same, it behooves us to take more than a passing interest in the important matter. Pick good men for the various places and then work for their nomination. Every citizen should take a hand in such affairs. Don't wait until after the primaries and raise a complaint, but get in now and put forth your best endeavors to see to it that only good, desirable candidates are placed in nomination. Don't stand back and argue that the politicians "run" the politics of the city, but use your prerogative as an American citizen and work before the primaries come off for good citizenship. Now is the time to act.

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Oct. 19th, 1907. 10-25 1f

MARRIED.

LOWDEN—WILSON—At the Palace hotel, Tuesday, Oct. 22, 1907, John Lowden of Jackson county and Miss Jessie Wilson of Josephine county. Rev. Austin J. Hollingsworth officiating.

DANA—NEELY—At the home of the bride's parents in Grants Pass, Ore., Wednesday, October 23, 1907, Wm. H. Dana and Loreta J. Neely. Justice Jas. Holman, officiating.

"I tell you, if we only had our big 1200-acre orchard here in Oregon, we'd have something that would be worth something," was the way J. E. Kirk, manager of the large "Madison Orchards," located at Harris, near Denver, Colo., talked to Geo. H. Parker, the Grants Pass nurseryman. He told how this season they had lost all their crop on account of heavy frosts. He thinks this a wonderful country. Mr. Kirk has been enjoying a bit of an outing, visiting with his son, who is engaged in mining, upon Sardinia creek.

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STRAYED—2-year-old gray mare, branded L under half circle on left shoulder, wears bell; brown Indian pony with white face, spotted white on both sides, wears bell; both came to my place at Williams, September 3. Owner can have same by proving property and paying charges. J. A. Gotcher, Williams, Ore. 9-13 2f

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