

MISSOURI FLAT
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J. W. York one of our enterprising farmer, made a trip to Grants Pass one day last week.
There will be a ditch meeting held at the residence of D. Lindsay, February 1.
Geo W Meek and Willie Farris are doing some prospecting work this week. We hope they strike it rich.
W B York made a trip to Grants Pass one day last week.
Mrs. J W York and daughter, Maud were visitors of Mrs. Messenger of New Hope one day last week.
Homer York who has been working in Grants Pass most all winter, is home again.
We have been having some pretty cold weather the past few days. Mrs. H L Reed did not hold services at the Missouri Flat school house the third Sunday of this month. Guess it was too stormy for her to come.
K. J. Kubli made a trip to Grants Pass one day last week.
Jim Cook was a visitor of the city Tuesday.
Henry Woolridge and John Lowden took a nice herd of beef cattle through our little burg one day last week.
Mr. Meskie made a business trip to Grants Pass one day last week.
Mr. Slagle, who was sick at our last writing is much improved.
Homer York and mother were visitors at Grants Pass Saturday.
Miss Rhoda York has come from Portland to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. York of Missouri Flat.

PROVOLT
Miss Maud Pernoll was at Provolt Saturday.
Louis Hyde of Williams was at this place visiting friends and relatives. He was accompanied by his wife and two daughters, Effie and Zella.
J. A. Lewman of Provolt was in the lower Rogue River Valley, the past week visiting with his daughter, Mrs. Louis Loesch, and family. He reports everything in the valley looking fair for a prosperous season for crops, especially fruit. He also states there will be large number of choice trees set out during the spring. 1908 will be one of the most prosperous seasons seen for some time in this valley. Hood River now claims the first honor in flavor and quality, but there are apples in the famous Rogue River and Applegate valley that are superior to any apple produced in the union.
Say, Uncle Eben, when those strawberries get ripe come over to Applegate and eat "dem berries" with that only man Tom Lewman and "dat Provolt Croaker."

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Every sufferer of skin disease can see such letters by calling at the Clemens drug store, and also secure without charge a book on the cause and cure of skin diseases. 1-31 it

UNCLE FULLER.
Notable Example.
Brookline, Mass., a "village" of 20,000 inhabitants, noted for its magnificent houses and still more for the extent and value of its public improvements, is a notable example of what may be accomplished in civic improvement. The same people are at the head of public affairs until death renders a change necessary. It is one instance where direct legislation and the referendum have worked to perfection. It has been a common occurrence for public officials to hold office continuously for from thirty to fifty years, one man having been city clerk for just half a century.
Why Si Sighed.
"I wonder why Debow & Brown don't paint their store" at Jenkins sighed.
"Ther's do it sure if in the town They took the proper sort of pride."
Then Biss straightway went and mailed An order to a city store.
And that's why D. & B. have failed And that's why they're in the paintin' store.
To please him on the painting score.
-T. Sapp, Jr.

JINGLES AND JESTS.
Off in the Stilly.
Off in the stilly night,
When nightmares prance around me
And shadowy shapes delight
In coming in to bound me,
I think of stocks I bought
When things were looking brighter,
Before our money got
To getting tight and tighter.
The smiles, the tears of boyhood's years—
Ah, let them go to thunder!
Each day a new low mark appears.
When will it end, I wonder?
—Chicago Record-Herald.
Information Desired.
He—The boys say I'm getting to be a regular bear.
She—Indeed?
It—Say, Sis, ask him whether he growls or hugs.—Woman's Home Companion.
Applied Science.
"Do you believe in the Darwinian theory?"
"Occasionally," answered Miss Cayenne, "when I am thinking of somebody I don't like."—Washington Star.
In the Dark.
The poor little cat shrieked "Miaow"
When he trod on her tail. That was
hauw
His wife learned that he
Got home tipsy at three,
And she made than the cat a worse
rauw.
—Philadelphia Press.
Would He?
Bill—She is passionately fond of dogs.
Jill—Well, if she called you a pretty pup would you feel complimented?—Yonkers Statesman.
Something Wrong.
New Servant—Please, mum, the water is cold.
Mistress—What water, Jane?
New Servant—The hot water, mum.
—Detroit Tribune.
Suffeted.
Alas, what hopeless slaves of fate we are!
The quandary he was in was such a sad one—
He was too poor to buy a good cigar
And too refined by far to smoke a bad one.
—Judge.
Institutions of Learning.
"Your son joined a college fraternity, didn't he?"
"No. It was tripping at the top of five flights of stairs that laid him up that way."—Puck.
Present.
"And when I'm old," the rich bride sighed,
"Oh, will you love me true?"
The absentminded groom replied,
"Oh, yes, indeed, I do."
—Philadelphia Press.
Calculating.
Prue—Would you marry an extravagant man?
Dolly—That would depend, dear, on how long he had been extravagant.—Harper's Weekly.
Its Origin.
Fair Cleopatra held the adder,
And as it to her clung
She smiled, though pale and sadder,
And gently whispered, "Stung!"
—Chicago News.

ROGUE RIVER FRUIT NOTES
Profitable Pointers Regarding the Industry Gathered From Various Sources in This Favored Section of Oregon.
The meeting of Rogue River Valley Fruitgrowers in Grants Pass, tomorrow, promises to be largely attended and one of the most notable assemblages of its kind held in this region for many a day. No better indication of the increased interest taken in this coming industry of this valley could be asked for than to see the growers come out as they will certainly do, tomorrow, to participate in the proceedings of the meeting which will be replete with food for thought for all growers. Able speakers will discuss timely topics and there will be nothing lacking to insure the success of the occasion.
In its last issue, that most excellent exponent of better fruit growing methods, "Better Fruit," of Hood River, had this to say regarding local conditions: "Grants Pass, Oregon, will get its reward also for having fought the good fight for better fruit growing and shipping conditions. Its products are bringing higher prices than ever before and the meeting of the State Irrigation Association there did much to show visitors what had been accomplished in the short space of one year. The announcement of this improved condition of affairs there has attracted the attention of buyers who are looking that section up, and it is but a question of another year or so when they will be including it in their regular buying trips. It is expected that at least 25,000 boxes of fine fruit will be shipped from Grants Pass this year. Grapes, which grow to perfection in this section, will also comprise a big shipment, and a good many of the large growers there expect to net as high as \$100 per ton on the Flame Tokay and other European varieties.
Two years ago F. A. Clements, who has some fine orchard land in the famous "Redland" district, set out a lot of Tokay grape vines and the first year he was surprised to receive some fruit of the vine for his efforts. Of course he will each year be getting larger and better returns from his labors. He has named his fruit farm "Oakdale Fruit Farm."
H. T. Pankey, superintendent of the Snowy Butte orchard, adjoining this town, returned from Portland Monday morning, bringing with him the elegant cup awarded to the Snowy Butte orchard for the best display of Winter Nellis pears at the recent meeting of the State Horticultural society. The fact that this cup was the only one captured by Rogue River Valley orchardists at this meeting and that it is by far the handsomest and most costly of any awarded there, is particularly gratifying to Mr. Pankey, as well as to Mr. Hopkins, the owner. The cup, a large and handsome one, bears the following inscription: "Oregon State Horticultural Society, 1908, First Prize, Winter Nellis Pears. Won by F. H. Hopkins." The cup was furnished to the Society for award to the successful Winter Nellis competitor by the Schmidt Lithograph Co., of Portland.—Central Point Herald.

THINGS THEATRICAL.
"The Energetic West" is the title of a new play by Edgar Selwyn.
"The Outlaw's Christmas" is one of this season's melodramatic successes.
Lillian Russell has a new racing comedy, "Wildfire," by George Broadhurst and George V. Hobart.
McIntyre and Heath in "The Ham Tree" are touring the country. Several additional features are said to be given this year.
Frank Daniels, who appeared last spring in New York in "The Tattooed Man," is duplicating on the road the success he then attained.
Trixie Frigausa has joined the vaudeville ranks since she left Eddie Foy, with whom she was appearing as leading woman in "The Orchard."
It is a singular fact that every male member of "The Hypocrites" company—Richard Bennett, Louis Massen, Arthur Elliott, W. H. Denny, J. R. Cranford, Cecil Kingstone, Donald MacLaren and Jay Wilson—has been a stage manager during his career.
Mlle. Fely Dereyne, who sang in New Orleans last season with the San Carlo Opera company, made her New York debut with the Metropolitan Opera house recently, singing Muzetta in "The Bohemians" of Charles Lecocq.

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Figures compiled by Southern Pacific railroad officials show the extraordinary character of California fruit shipments. During the season ending October 31, 1906, 5930 cars of deciduous green fruit were shipped east from California, and this season to November 1, 1908 cars. This has been a banner year in the green fruit business. California has received more money net than during any previous season. Many cars of fruit brought over \$2000 each, while cherries in a number of instances ranged from \$3000 to \$5000 per car. The total northern California shipments of vegetables, green, deciduous and citrus fruits during the season just closing have been 10,912 cars, nearly 1000 more than last year. From southern California shipments via all lines were 27,533 cars of citrus fruit and 3477 cars of vegetables. The prospect for the present season is good.
That Hood River does not own the only seedless pears in the country is the story that County Assessor J. W. Sindall thinks should be published. There is an orchardist in the Hood River country who owns several trees of seedless pears and he has recently been given considerable notoriety in the press on this account, the assertion being made that his trees are the only ones of the kind ever discovered. The assertion is incorrect as there are at least six or seven such trees right here in Yakima.
Mr. Sindall is the proud owner of five of them. The trees are about 12 years of age and have been heavy bearers for the past seven or eight years. The fruit is somewhat like the pears of the Bartlett variety, but larger, and Mr. Sindall thinks of a superior quality.
The pears are entirely without core have been used by Mr. Sindall and his neighbors largely for making preserves. The name of the seedless variety of pears is not known here and even Joe Brown was unable to enlighten Mr. Sindall as to the origin of these trees. They are supposed to have arrived with a shipment of Bartlett trees.
Another orchardist who has one if not more of the seedless pear trees is Mr. Coonse. Mr. Sindall is making inquiries in order to get more information regarding the trees and it is possible that he may try his hand at providing other orchardists with this unusual variety of fruit.—Yakima Republic.

Ben A. Lowell
WOODVILLE, ORE.
One grower sold \$110 strawberries from 1/8 acre rows 3 ft. apart.
Another grew 16 tons pumpkins on less than 2 acres.
Sold berries to local store \$97, besides giving quantities of fruit for picking from 40 hills raspberries and 38 Logan berries.
One grew 380 boxes Yellow Newton Apples on 2 acres young trees, worth \$2.45 f. o. b. Medford.
28 boxes Gravensteins from 1 tree sold \$28 f. o. b. Woodville.
225 Salway Peach Trees in four successive years sold: 1904, 1300 boxes; 1905, 2300 boxes; 1906, 1300 boxes, 1907, 1000.
One Royal Ann Cherry, 16 years, picked 500 pounds 1907.
One D'Anjou Pear 7 years picked 6 boxes.
4 acres Ben Davis picked 7500 boxes.
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