

#### FORTY CANDIDATES FOR HIGHER MASONIC HONORS

SPOKANE, WASH., Nov. 2.—Forty candidates will receive degrees from the fourth to the thirty-second, inclusive, at the convocation of the Scottish Rite Masons of the Spokane jurisdiction in this city the week of November 22. Sovereign Grand Commander James D. Richardson, 33d degree, and Sovereign Grand Inspector General Ernest Bertrand Hussey, 33d degree, will be in attendance, others assisting being W. S. McCrea and F. E. Michaels of Spokane, who received the 33d degree at Washington, D. C., lately, and Rev. Dr. William J. Hindley, pastor of Pilgrim Congregational church and chaplain to the Spokane chamber of commerce, and Richard B. Harris, also of this city, who were elected Knights Commanders of the Court of Honor. The Spokane chapter, which has 375 members, is arranging a series of receptions and banquets in connection with the ceremonials, at which it is expected there will be 500 visitors from various parts of the United States and Canada.

#### WILL HAVE TO AGAIN SELL KLAMATH BONDS

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Nov. 2.—Despite the fact that the taxpayers of the city of Klamath Falls voted a \$45,000 bond for the construction of a sewerage system, the city will be without sewers until next year. As has been previously stated, the council accepted the bid of Kean & Co. of Chicago. Investigation disclosed that the firm was not sufficiently responsible. The bonds were then passed up to Morris & Co. of Portland, the second highest bidder. Morris & Co. trimmed their original bid about \$600. The council has practically concluded to readvertise the bonds. Mayor F. T. Sanderson is heartily in favor of this move. It is believed that the bonds can be sold to better advantage than at either of the bids mentioned had been accepted. Klamath Falls is rapidly increasing in population and in its assessed valuation.

#### POULTRY PAYS BIG DIVIDENDS TO FARMERS

TOPEKA, Kan., Nov. 2.—Statistics prepared by the United States board of agriculture show that the earnings of poultry in the United States in one year were greater than the value of either the cotton crop, wheat crop or swine output. The latest report of the department showed that the value of the egg output for a single year amounted to more than \$290,000,000. Twelve years ago the farmers of Kansas began to pay more attention to their poultry, and this state has become the greatest poultry state in the Union. The product of the hen is rapidly paying off the mortgages on many farms, and the business has reached a point where the laying capacity and profit of hens is a paramount question.

#### SCHEDULED TO DIE AT 30, LIVES TO 97 ON PIE

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 2.—In Belleville lives Benjamin West, aged 97, straight as an arrow and spry as a young man, who attributes his longevity to pie. Despite the fact that pie, in a double sense, is about the shortest thing there is, it will make you live longer if you stick to it—as a steady diet, Mr. West says. Any kind of pie will do, from Washington pie to lemon meringue. All are equally stimulating and helpful, says this wonderful old man.

#### FOURTEEN NEW BABIES CAME DAY AFTER CIRCUS

DANVILLE, Va., Nov. 2.—In the same suburb of Danville, in the same neighborhood and on the same day two sets of triplets, three pairs of twins and two regular babies, a total of 14 children, born to seven families, is the unprecedented record of Schoolfield. The stork came in the wake of the circus that visited the city the day before, and he left something of a circus behind him.

#### NOTICE.

The Rogue River Society of Native Pennsylvanians meets Saturday, November 13, at 11 a. m. in the Presbyterian church, Medford. A basket dinner at 12 o'clock noon. Each one is requested to bring a basket of good things and to help in having a good time. Come yourself and bring all the Pennsylvanians with you. A good program and music. J. E. Watt, president; W. F. Shields, secretary.

#### TEA SUCCESSFULLY GROWN AT MYRTLE POINT, COOS CO.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Nov. 2.—That tea can be successfully grown in Coos county has been clearly demonstrated by J. O. Stemmler of Myrtle Point. On his ranch near Dora he has a good crop of tea and has brought in a supply of leaves, which he does each year, to supply his family table. The tea is of the regular Japan variety.

He secured the plants from Washington some years ago, and has made a perfect success in growing the crop. He is convinced that the valley country a little back from the ocean in Coos county is adapted to tea culture, and that there will be a good yield if care is taken in protecting the plants the first year they are in the ground.

Mr. Stemmler also is growing walnuts. He has trees 7 years old, and this year has produced some of as fine walnuts as will be found anywhere in the state.

#### BOGUS PICTURES.

Counterfeit Antiques Openly Manufactured in Italy.

Speaking of the manufacture of counterfeit paintings in Italy, a writer in the National Review says that sometimes genuine old pictures are really discovered in peasants' houses, but rarely in good condition.

The peasants have a disastrous trick of rubbing pictures with onions to clean them. By so doing they take off not only the varnish, but the precious patina and certain colors. In many cases leaving only the mere gold background (supposing the picture is of that date) and the more deeply incised lines. These wrecks are eagerly bought for a trifle by art dealers, who employ skilled experts to restore or rather to remake them on the basis of the original outlines.

Pictures of the early period with gold backgrounds and quaint draftsmanship are regularly manufactured, especially at Siena, where the panels can be seen openly drying before the shop doors. Their foundation is a panel properly worm eaten and chemically aged, painted on the gesso ground that was the basis for all pictures of that epoch and to which they owe their luminous qualities.

Such pictures are often made up out of a number of really old but ruined pictures and are an ingenious puzzle that require dexterity, taste and knowledge to construct.

#### No Time For Little Boys.

An Edinburgh gentleman died the other day, and a small boy, open eyed and silent, watched while the coffin was placed in the hearse.

"Have you said your prayers, Willie?" said his mother, after tucking him into bed that night.

"No, mamma," said Willie.

"Well, say them now."

"I'm not going to say any prayers tonight," replied Willie, with the air of one who had fully made up his mind.

"But you must."

"No, not tonight," Willie persisted.

"Why not?" asked the mother in astonishment.

"It's no use," said Willie. "They will be so busy in heaven tonight unpacking Mr. Jones that they will have no time to listen to the prayers of little boys."—Edinburgh Dispatch.

#### The Cynics.

Cynics was the name applied to a school of philosophers founded by Antisthenes, a pupil of Socrates. The main tenet of the extreme cynics was that civilization is a curse, and true happiness can be obtained only by gratifying the most primary physical appetites which man has in common with brutes. The general attitude of the cynics as distinguished from that of the stoics, who regarded everything in the external world with indifference, was one of contempt. They were not an important philosophical school numerically, but attracted attention largely by their eccentricities and insolence. On account of their contempt for refinement their name came subsequently to be applied to any one who takes a mean view of human life.—New York American.

#### Didn't Care For Him.

Little Eleanor's mother was an American, while her father was a German.

One day after Eleanor had been subjected to rather severe disciplinary measures at the hands of her father she called her mother into another room, closed the door significantly and said, "Mother, I don't want to meddle in your business, but I wish you'd send that husband of yours back to Germany."—Ladies' Home Journal.

#### Won Him.

Blodds—Heupecke thinks you are the finest fellow in the world. How did you manage to make such an impression? Slobbs—Oh, I pretended to be surprised when he told me he was a married man.—Philadelphia Record.

#### NOTHING DOING IN FREE SPEECH LINE IN SPOKANE

SPOKANE, Wash., Nov. 2.—Members of the Industrial Workers of the World will not be permitted to make demonstrations on the streets in Spokane on November 22, which, according to circulars issued by that organization to locals throughout the northwest, has been designated as "Free Speech day."

There is a city ordinance prohibiting all except religious organizations from street speaking, and Mayor Nelson S. Pratt declares this will be enforced if he has to call upon the war department to furnish troops from Fort George Wright, three miles west of Spokane, where Lieutenant Colonel Abercrombie, commandant, has eight companies of colored soldiers, recently returned from the Philippines.

Mayor Pratt will instruct Chief of Police Sullivan to issue orders to the police department to arrest all violators of the city ordinance, and upon conviction the prisoners will be sent to the rock pile. The order has gone forth to the effect that if the prisoners do not work they shall not eat. The prisoners will also be given two baths daily during their terms of sentence.

#### THE ELEPHANT IN BATTLE.

Most Docile Yet Courageous and Faithful of Animals.

Of the docility of the elephant there is no need to multiply examples. It is said that in India native women sometimes when called away intrust their babies to the care of "the handed one," confident that they will be safe and tenderly handled.

But of all elephant stories surely the finest is that which tells how the standard bearing elephant of the Peishwa won a great victory for its Mahratta lord. At the moment when the elephant had been told to halt its march was killed. The shock of battle closed around it, and the Mahratta forces were borne back, but still the elephant stood, and the standard which it carried still flew, so that the Peishwa's soldiers could not believe that they were indeed being overcome and rallying. In their turn drove the enemy backward till the tide swept past the rooted elephant and left it towering colossal among the slain. The fight was over and won, and then they would have had the elephant move from the battlefield, but it waited still for the dead man's voice.

For three days and nights it remained where it had been told to remain, and neither bribe nor threat would move it till they sent to the village on the Nerbudda, a hundred miles away, and fetched the mahout's little son, a round eyed, hisping child, and then at last the hero of that victorious day, remembering how his master had often in brief absence delegated authority to the child, confessed his allegiance and with the shattered battle harness clanging at each stately stride swung slowly along the road behind the boy.—London Times.

#### A Little Crowded.

A backwoodsman went to New York city for the first time, says the Saturday Evening Post. He stopped at a Broadway hotel which was pretty well downtown. Next morning his nephew, who lives in New York, came to take him out and show him the sights. They walked down Broadway until they got to Canal street. The backwoodsman stopped and contemplated the great congestion of traffic there, hundreds of trucks going every way.

"Son," he said to his nephew, "you have a nice city here, but it 'pears to me that your folks is a bull passel behind in their haulin'."

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#### TO CARRY 14-INCH GUNS SHIPS MUST BE HEAVIER

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2.—Should the government decide to change from 12-inch to 14-inch guns for the main batteries of our fleet, the innovation with affect only the ships to be hereafter designed. Even the mighty Delaware, now undergoing her unofficial trials, is not strong enough to accommodate the huge fourteeners.

The first gun of this bore is rapidly nearing completion. It will be given its tryout at the Indian Head proving grounds next spring. The new gun will weigh 72 tons, only 7 tons heavier than the 12-inch. The velocity of a shell fired from the 14-inch will be slightly less than that of the 12. But the 14-inch armor-piercing shell will weigh 1490 pounds, whereas the 12-inch weighs 870 pounds, and it will have a capacity for penetration of nearly two inches greater thickness of ordinary steel armor. It will require a 400-pound propelling charge, and the new shell will carry double the bursting charge of the 12-inch.

#### POPULAR YOUNG COUPLE OF GRANTS PASS ARE MARRIED

GRANTS PASS, Or., Nov. 2.—Miss Ella Savage and Roy Harper, two of Grants Pass' popular young people, were married at the home of the bride's parents of East A street yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Only the family and a few of the most intimate friends were present. Both the contracting parties have been active in Methodist church circles and have a wide circle of friends. They left on the evening train for Portland, where the groom is interested in the restaurant business.

#### Hamilton Dies.

GRANTS PASS, Or., Nov. 2.—A. H. Hamilton, formerly of West Virginia died last week and a short service was held at the undertaking parlors yesterday afternoon. He had been a resident of Grants Pass for the past two years. He was a member of the Woodmen of the World and had just taken two degrees in the Masonic order. The widow will save on the evening train with the body for Nampa, Idaho, where the interment will take place.

#### HOOD RIVER APPLES NEARLY ALL GONE

HOOD RIVER, Or., Nov. 2.—With one or two exceptions, nothing remains in place of the handsome Hood river apple show, which delighted hundreds of visitors during the past few days. Early this morning apple packers and shippers were at work repacking and nailing up the boxes for shipment.

The carload which the Applegrowers' Union will send to Chicago was rapidly gotten together, and will be started for its destination in the next day or two. Several of the small exhibits will be taken to Portland for display there. Others have been

bought at a high figure by Eastern visitors, and will be sent to New York, Minneapolis, Philadelphia and other cities for their own use.

The fair was a financial success, and the proposition to erect a permanent fruit fair building received substantial assistance during its progress. It is the intention to raise enough money by subscription to purchase a suitable site in the center of the city and to have the building ready for the fair next year.

A plan of building that has been suggested is one pavilion shaped so as to allow of all the exhibits being placed on the sides, leaving the center open for the accommodation of spectators.

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