

Nation and state must ever keep in view the welfare of our trade industry—agriculture. It is peculiarly important to do so at this time when the new competition from Canada threatens our farmers under what will be practically free trade in farm products from Canada.

England has decayed because she has not only neglected her agriculture, but has actually discriminated against it. Old age pensions, government labor bureaus, even a reformed House of Lords, are but an Englishman's devices, that will become increasingly serious until she reforms her land laws, gives her agriculture a fair chance, and provides education that will fit her youth for life's work.

Germany has rapidly become the greatest power in Europe through intelligently directed organization, natural methods of education that train each generation for efficiency, and by having always insured agricultural prosperity. There are no deserted farms in Germany, no slums in her cities, no factories idle, few plants deserted.

"For sale or to let." Our United States is a glorious country, but how much we have yet to learn. And how our beloved country will develop and prosper if nation and states will cooperate along right lines to advance rather than retard progress.

In Des Moines, Iowa, there has been as elsewhere, considerable complaint about high prices of food stuffs. Some people thought the dealers had entered into a combination to keep prices up. This may or may not have been true, but it happens that Des Moines has a mayor who must know a little more than the average public official. He wasted no time in appointing a commission to investigate the why and wherefore. He did not threaten law suits or prosecution under the anti-trust law. "If prices are higher than they should be in an open, unrestricted market," he figured, "then there must be some restrictions on trade which should be removed." So he acted accordingly. He removed the restrictions that kept hucksters and others from selling their wares in public places. That did the work. According to press reports prices of food stuffs fell 40 per cent in Des Moines. No combinations were ordered to dissolve. No fines were levied on any one for "engaging in a conspiracy in unreasonable restraint of trade." No lawyers earned any fees. Natural law did the work and that law needs no interpretation by learned judges. It is a pity that the mayor of Des Moines is not in a position where he might let some distinguished officials in Washington have the benefit of his counsel.

LOCAL NEWS.

Mrs. Katherine Clarke and son, Rush, were in the city today from Millwood looking after business matters.

H. F. Applehoff left for his home at Grants Pass this morning after a few days spent in Roseburg visiting with friends.

Miss Agnes Story, of Asbland, left for Eugene this morning after a few days spent in Roseburg visiting at the home of her friend, Miss Inez Kitchin.

SUMMER TOURISTS OPINION.

Sees The Forest Fires And Methods Employed to Control Them.

Editor News! After a three months' delightful camping experience in the foot-hills of the Cascades, where scenery unsurpassed delights the eye, I wonder more than ever that tourists do not see America first, for certainly even Europe does not afford a greater variety of mountain peaks, gorgeous waters than are found in this vicinity.

With dawn's first beams the mists, in great white clouds, slowly rise, bringing into view the green tipped summits as they pierce the sky. Sunset, with its rich, warm, coloring tints in the west, while the camper makes ready his camp fire.

Life has been "real and earnest" around Rock Creek this summer, for forest fires have raged near by and many camping parties have been delayed because of the unsafe condition of the trails.

"A prophet is not without honor, save in his own country," and, consequently, we hear rumors of mismanagement, "hobo fire fighters," etc. On the contrary, being on the scene of actively seeing the guards and rangers combine, going rangers have been greatly impressed with the expeditious and thorough work of the Forestry service.

It has been an every-day occurrence to see a fire ranger and his pack horse wearily coming up the trail or on orders of rangers headquarters, having ridden steadily for fourteen hours without stopping even for food.

Maybe he has come down to report another fire, and almost by magic, the day brings a wagon load of husky, hearty fellows who, under the leadership of capable rangers, are sent out to extinguish the fire and thereby save life and property. Late one evening a party of sixteen arrived at Hoaglin unexpected for supper. In a short while they were tucked away in the hay until breakfast was served at 2 a. m. By 4 a. m. each man, armed with pick and shovel, had started on his morning walk of eighteen miles or more. These fellows may or may not be "hoboes," but the significant fact remains that the fires are all extinguished, and one by one the men are returning to draw their well-earned pay, nearly all of them vowing that never again will they work so hard or run such risks—even for 25 cents per hour.

We can not wonder at this when we stop to realize the dangers incurred. A foreman with six or eight muscular fellows is given charge of one fire, and that means digging trenches or back-firing a certain area as quickly as possible if they would not be hemmed in by the flames. At any time a burning tree may fall over a ledge or into the trail, endangering the guard zealously at work.

So now all is serene once more, thanks to Uncle Sam's policy of sparing no expense or labor to protect life and property. And coming down to the North Umpqua fires, let us give to Mr. S. C. Bartram, supervisor of the Roseburg forestry office, full credit for his quiet, business-like way of managing fires, and fire fighters as well.

Next summer the fire will be controlled even more quickly, owing to the construction of a telephonic line from Glide into the reserve and the building of wire-covered supply boxes four miles apart. These boxes will be fitted with emergency supplies and firefighting implements, which will save time and expense. The exact and definite plans for bridging Steamboat, are under way now, the most capable men in the service being detailed to this work. H. S. C.

FRUIT GROWERS.

The Umpqua Valley Fruit Union has perfected arrangements for the coming season with the Roseburg Feed & Fuel Company on Winchester street, in North Roseburg.

The Union is placing in stock a supply of fruit boxes, rubber stamp paper and other grower's supplies. dswtf

CALL FOR CITY WARRANTS.

All City of Roseburg warrants drawn on the General Fund and endorsed prior to June 5th, 1911, inclusive, are this day called for payment.

Dated this 17th day of August, 1911.

ELBERT B. HERMANN, City Treasurer. a26

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LOCAL NEWS.

District Attorney George M. Brown and little son, and Court Reporter I. B. Riddle left for Curry county this morning to attend the regular term of the circuit court. They were accompanied as far as Marshfield by J. D. Zurcher, who will spend a few days in that vicinity attending to business matters.

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GRAIN STACKS BURN.

W. E. Thompson, of Long Prairie Heavy Lumber.

The threshing outfit of Wally Fryer, has been at work in this section for several days, and after they finished work on the farm of Butler Bros., the machine moved a short distance west to the farm of W. E. Thompson at about 5:30 p. m., and began to thresh an oat stack, when it suddenly caught fire from a spark from the engine and two stacks were consumed in spite of the strenuous efforts of 20 men. Part of the crop consumed was vetch. The men did not dare to leave the work for fear more flames would break out, and the threshing proceeded slowly until about 11 o'clock at night. The day had been very warm, the thermometer standing at 92 degrees. An east wind had been blowing most of the day, but at evening the sea breeze sprang up, but died down at sunset, making the fire easier to control. The loss is very severe to say the least. X.

OBITUARY.

DIED—Aleatha, daughter of E. J. and Anna L. Brewer, was born at Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, May 23, 1895, and died at Roseburg, Oregon, August 20, 1911, age 13 years, 2 months and 27 days. She joined St. Paul's M. E. Church at Helena, Mont., where she was converted a short time before, on July 4, 1909. Moved with her parents to Myrtle Creek June, 1910, where she united with the M. E. church South, February 5, 1911, in which she held a faithful membership, a devoted and conscientious Christian till death. The funeral services were conducted at the residence of her parents in Roseburg, Oregon, by Rev. E. Olin Eldridge, pastor of the Roseburg Methodist Episcopal church, and Rev. W. H. Smith, pastor of the Myrtle Creek M. E. Church South, and the remains were laid to rest in the Roseburg I. O. O. F. cemetery, August 22, 1911.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our thanks to the neighbors and friends, for their help and sympathy in this, our time of sorrow. And for the many beautiful floral tributes received. MR. & MRS. E. J. BREWER, 506 Fowler street.

LOCAL NEWS.

L. Taylor and wife, of Centralia, Wash., are in Roseburg investigating conditions with a view of locating.

Justice of the Peace Rouben Marsters has returned from the country where he spent the past couple of days.

Ana Bellows, wife and children, and A. J. Bellows and wife returned here last evening after a few days spent at Newport.

John Anderson and three children, of Portland, left for their home this morning after a few days spent in Roseburg and vicinity.

The Presbyterian Christian Endeavor Society will hold a sale of home-made cooking at Kidd's grocery, Saturday the 26th. a25

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LOCAL NEWS.

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ICE CREAM—For your ice cream orders call up the Douglas County Creamery, phone 340. dt

James Young, who is employed at the Weatherford barber shop is enjoying a vacation.

Be sure and see the free carnival attractions during the week of September 26 to 30, fair week, \$2,800 in premiums for farm products, awt!

William Graham, the Tiller postmaster, spent the day in Roseburg looking after business matters. He reports few forest fires in the vicinity of his home and speaks in high terms of the work being done by the forestry department.

The hearing of J. W. Ison, of Edmonrow, who was recently arrested at the instigation of Walter Langford, a neighbor, who alleged that the defendant had threatened him with bodily harm, was held in Justice of the Peace Rouben Marsters' court yesterday afternoon. Langford contended that Ison threatened to "get" him and that he desired having him placed under bonds to keep the peace. Ison, on the other hand, alleged that Langford threatened upon his property, and that he removed a nail from one of his cows without the least authority. After listening to the evidence, Justice Marsters dismissed the case.



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