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THRESHING WITHOUT REAPING.

Grain is hereafter not to be reaped, but will be threshed in the field as it stands, saving the farmer something like \$200,000,000 a year. This is the claim of Frank Morse, who describes in the Technical World Magazine (Chicago, March) the recent invention of a Kansan, Curtis C. Baldwin. The machine has been used for three successive harvests, but proved its utility and practicability most conclusively last fall when it threshed from 25 to 30 acres of standing grain in a ten-hour day. The inventor contends that it will reduce the cost of harvest from fourteen cents to two cents a bushel. We read: "The principle of the new-style threshing machine is simple. A strong blast of air from a revolving fan is blown against the standing grain and forces it against a toothed cylinder which threshes off the grain, depositing it in a trough, from which it is elevated by an auger to another toothed cylinder, which threshes it. The chaff is blown out and the clean grain falls into a sack, or may be carried through a tube to a wagon driven

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alongside. Four horses pull the threshing machine over the field, while a small gasoline engine operates the machine. Only two men are required, one to drive the horses and the other to tie the sacks of threshed grain and look after the engine. "Not the least advantage claimed for the new machine is that it dispenses with the ever present need of farm-hands at the harvest season, when grain rots in the field because of the utter impossibility of getting men when they are needed. Every year an urgent cry for harvest-hands comes out of Kansas, the Dakotas and Minnesota, to be answered in large part by college students. But no matter how urgent the call, it is impossible to get enough men, and fields of grain stand waiting the threshers when millions of dollars' worth of damage may be done by the elements at any moment. The new-style threshing machine is possible for four horses and two men to harvest a 160-acre oat field in a week. What this means to the farm-wife can hardly be overestimated. It means an end to the big meals over the hot stove, where she is compelled to toil from early morn until late at night, to feed the hungry horde of harvest-hands who shove food into their mouths as they would grain into a hopper. "The census experts show that more than a billion and a half bushels of wheat and oats are produced in the United States every year. The present cost of threshing and sacking is approximately fourteen cents a bushel, which makes the present harvest cost about \$210,000,000. Mr.

Baldwin claims that his machine reduces the price per bushel from fourteen cents to two cents, which would reduce the threshing tariff to about \$20,000,000 an annual saving of a fabulous fortune ranging from a sixth to a quarter of a billion dollars every year. The saving in the wear and tear on the farm-wife and in the consumption of food by the hungry harvest-hands can hardly be computed, but it is a considerable item, as everybody knows who has ever seen a horde of threshers sweep down upon a well-laden table, like seventeen-year-old locusts on a field of tender green sirouts. "With the ordinary threshing machine, as everybody knows who has ever seen a horde of threshers sweep down upon a well-laden table, like seventeen-year-old locusts on a field of tender green sirouts. "With the ordinary threshing machine, it is estimated that the grain passes the cylinder at the rate of a mile a minute; with my machine the grain passes the cylinder as fast as horses can walk, or about three and one-half miles an hour. You can see that with my machine the cylinder strikes the heads seventeen times where the ordinary machine only strikes them once. I only use the mile-a-minute cylinder as a re-threshing device. I use the same principle that is used in blowing heavy corn fodder into a high silo and almost the same principle that is used in drawing sand from the river and in drawing cotton from a wagon.

"The saving to the grain-farmer consists not only in dispensing with the many high-waged threshers, but also in the time formerly lost by cutting the grain, hauling it to the stack and then hauling the threshed straw back to the land, where, as a rule, it is ultimately burned up. Mr. Baldwin figures that it is best to take the threshing to the field, rather than to take the field to the threshing. Besides the saving in time and labor, there is the not inconsiderable element of utilization of the straw. Tests show that straw is worth more on the land as fertilizer than in any other way. In addition, the waste of land now covered with straw stacks is considerable, a railroad official computing that no less than one-fourth of a million acres in Kansas alone are annually covered with wheat stacks. If the Baldwin machine comes into general use—there is no reason why it should not—it will let all this land go back into cultivation, and by leaving the standing straw to be plowed under will give the land the fertilizer of which it often stands sadly in need."

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 For 43 years Dr. King's New Discovery has been known throughout the world as the most reliable cough remedy. Over three million bottles were used last year. Isn't this proof? It will get rid of your cough, or we will refund your money. J. J. Owens, of Abilene, S. C., writes the following: "After twenty years, I find that Dr. King's New Discovery is the best remedy for coughs and colds that I have ever used." For coughs or colds and all throat and lung troubles it has no equal. 50c and \$1.00 at all druggists.

Call up 540, the Douglas County Creamery, for cream.

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GREEN TREES AS FIRE-BREAKS.

An article recently published advocating the planting of belts of deciduous trees in coniferous forests to check the progress of forest fires is thus criticized editorially in the Mississippi Valley Lumberman (Minneapolis, January 31): "That the writer based his assumption on theories is plainly evident when one reaches that part of the article which advocates the planting through the main bodies of forest lands wide strips of non-combustible trees to act as fire-walls or fire-breaks, as a means of preventing the spread of forest fires. The idea of dividing the forest up into sections is not a new one, but to make this division by means of a non-combustible plant life is certainly new and novel, but there are those who have seen forest fires raging who will attest that there are no non-combustible plant life that will withstand the intensity of a forest fire. The present system of cutting swaths through the woods for fire-breaks is much more effective, but the only true prevention of forest fires, and their confinement, is not to let them start. The service of the forest ranger and the well organized fire-prevention system based on his services are the only true means of reducing and eventually eliminating the losses resulting from fires in timbered regions."

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ECONOMY IN SALE OF FRUIT BEING SOUGHT.

Portland Journal: P. J. Neff, of Medford, Rogue River Valley representative on the board of directors of the North Pacific Fruit Distributors, was in Portland this morning on his way to attend a meeting of the directors at North Yakima, Wash. Through this organization, it is hoped the fruitgrowers of the entire Northwest will be able to make great economies in the sale of fruit, particularly apples, avoiding the confusion that sometimes results from independent efforts by growers of different districts, and bring the apple, pear and cherry directly into the hands of the consumer.

The organization was formed last December, but at that time little else was accomplished. The meeting at North Yakima tomorrow is to formulate the business plan of the organization and decide what its scope will be. There are seven directors, representing respectively the following districts: Yakima, Wenatchee, Hood River, Rogue River, South Idaho, Lewiston-Clarkston and Montana. Local organizers in each district choose the directors, and each director has one vote.

A common fund for advertising will be one of the subjects for discussion, also the question of a uniform system of grading, so that any fruit bearing the brand of the distributors will be known as to grading without further inquiry. It is not proposed, however, to disturb the local branding of each district, so that each may retain the advantages built up by its own merits and advertising. Mr. Neff says that so far as he is aware the organization will make no effort to fix prices.

"Our chief problem is to eliminate waste that comes from the present methods of competition," he said. "For instance, Rochester is a good market, and each district desires to place goods there. It sometimes happens that cars will arrive at the same time from Hood River, Yakima and Rogue River. The market is thereby glutted and depressed. It may be that on the same day Schenectady or some other town not very far away is neglected.

"By the means of a central organization this condition can be remedied. Selling agents in the East will be in touch with the situation, and will send notice as to where fruit is needed. Effort will be made to eliminate the middleman as far as possible. We believe that the organization can be made sufficiently attractive to bring practically all the growers into the local organization to obtain the benefit of united effort."

MORE OUT-DOOR LIVING.

And Death Rate Will Be Lowered.

Statistics prove that the death rate is very much greater in the winter months than in summer, and that the lack of fresh air is largely responsible for this condition.

If the system becomes run-down, blood thin and watery, circulation poor, no appetite, don't waste with drugs, but take our delicious cod liver and iron tonic Vinol, not a patent medicine, as everything in it is named on every package, and if it does not give you a hearty appetite, enrich the blood and create strength, we will return your money; that shows our faith in Vinol.

A case has just come to our attention from Albany, N. Y. Mrs. H. Hartman says: "I was in a run-down condition for about five years until this Spring, when I learned what a good tonic and strengthener Vinol is. It is certainly the best tonic I have ever used and it has done wonders for me."

Try a bottle of Vinol on our guarantee. Red Cross Pharmacy, W. F. Chapman, Roseburg, Oregon. Adv.

185 ACRES FOR SALE CHEAP.

Or will take part trade in house in Roseburg; land situated 1 mile from Roseburg. Address Box 475, Roseburg.

We have a big assortment of cherry, peach, pear, plum, and all other kinds of fruit trees. Come and see them. Phone 182. Kitchin & Black. dswt

SENATOR HARRY LANE WANTS LAND GRANT SUIT RUSHED TO COMPLETION.

WASHINGTON, March 20.—When Senator Harry Lane called in company with Congressmen Lafferty and Sniott and National Committeeman King, of Oregon, upon Assistant Attorney-General Knaebel the other day, to ask that a Federal suit against the Southern Pacific Railroad interests be pressed, he let that official know just what sort of a Senator he will be for the coming six years.

"We want this case really prosecuted," he said in substance. "We want the land grant of 3,100,000 acres made to the California and Oregon Railroad Company in 1869 and 1870 annulled, because the land has not been sold at \$2.50 an acre nor to actual settlers nor in maximum areas of 160 acres, as the grant provides. We want to recover for the people the 2,300,000 acres still held by the Harriman interests. The suit was started six years ago, and it is time it were brought to trial. "The fact that the railroad has been able to hold this land through their influence has brought me to the Senate, though Oregon has a Republican majority of 80,000. If it keeps on, getting no better, the Socialists will carry the state next time."

Knaebel, who is in charge of the Washington end of the suit, promised to try to get action from the Federal attorneys in Oregon.

SEE IF YOUR CHILD'S TONGUE IS COATED.

If Cross, Feverish, Bilious, Give Delicious "Syrup of Figs" to Cleanse It's Little Bowels.

Look at the tongue, Mother! If coated, it is a sure sign that your little one's insides, the stomach, liver and bowels are clogged up with purifying waste matter and need a gentle, thorough cleansing at once.

When your child is listless, drooping, pale, doesn't sleep soundly or eat heartily or is cross, irritable, feverish, stomach sour, breath bad; has stomach-ache, diarrhoea, sore throat, or is full of cold, give a teaspoonful of Syrup of Figs, and in a few hours all the foul, constipated waste, undigested food and sour bile will gently move on and out of its little bowels without nausea, griping or weakness, and you will surely have a well, happy and smiling child again shortly.

With Syrup of Figs you are not drugging your children, being composed entirely of luscious figs, senna and aromatics it cannot be harmful, besides they dearly love its delicious taste.

Mothers should always keep Syrup of Figs handy. It is the only stomach, liver and bowel cleanser and regulator needed. A little given today will save a sick child tomorrow. Full directions for children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly printed on the package.

Ask your druggist for the full name, "Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna," prepared by the California Fig Syrup Co. This is the delicious-tasting, genuine old reliable. Refuse anything else offered. Adv.

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FROM THE Money Back Store!

If you are trying to solve the "high cost of living," which we believe all good housewives do, read these prices and be convinced that we are helping you.

Fancy Patent Flour \$1.50
 100 lbs. Fruit Sugar \$5.75
 Corn, per can 10c
 Tomatoes, per can 10c
 Kellogg Corn Flakes 10c
 Fancy Spuds, per cwt. 90c
 Fancy Syrup, bulk, per gallon 50c
 Fine Corn Syrup, per gallon 65c
 16 Pounds Fruit Sugar \$1.00
 Crackers, per lb. 10c
 Japan Tea, per lb. 45c
 Gunpowder Tea, per lb. 45c
 Our Blend Coffee, per lb. 25c
 No. 10, Gallon Pumpkin 35c
 No. 10, Gallon Peaches 45c
 No. 10, Gallon Apples 45c
 No. 10, Gallon Tomatoes 35c
 Fancy Hams, per lb. 25c
 Fancy Bacon, per lb. 30c
 Bacon Backs, per lb. 20c
 2 1/2 lb. Can Peaches 15c
 2 1/2 lb. Can Apples 15c
 Box Fancy Apples 50c and 60c
 23 Bars Any Kind White Soap \$1.00
 22 Bars Any Kind White Soap 6c per lb.

And many other cuts to fit your pocketbook. We want your trade, and if close prices, good quality, and attention to you is what you want, give us a trial and we will do the rest. Yours to serve and please.

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NOTICE TO ARTISANS.

All Artisans please take notice that the regular meetings will be held in Eagles' hall on the first and third Wednesdays of each month. Next meeting will be Wednesday, March 19. Refreshments; come. L. E. MILLEDGE, M. A.

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