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ONE OF THE SERIOUS PROBLEMS.

The high price of food is now, and has been for some time past, one of the most serious problems with which the people of the nation have to deal.

So marked has been the rise in the price of food during the past few years that the observation of the Washington Post, "A dollar today in Center market will not buy as much for the table as 50 cents would a few years ago," is not overdrawn.

The advance in the price of food is appalling when considered in connection with the price of labor.

The price of meat has advanced until now it has reached a figure which is almost prohibitive. With the poorer people meat is a luxury which can be indulged in only on especial occasions and then only the cheaper and inferior cuts can be purchased.

Compare with the price of food, which is the only real standard, the price of labor in this country was never lower than it is today. There never was a time when the laboring man could buy less for his money than now, because the prices of the necessaries of life have increased in a proportion greatly in excess of the price of labor.

One of the chief benefits which the United States has heretofore offered was the abundance of foodstuffs produced, and hence the low price in the market, and this more than any other one thing, perhaps, established the high standard of living maintained by American workmen. With the price of foodstuffs advancing beyond the reach of labor, the standard must soon fall to a level with that of Europe.

NOT A BAD IDEA

"Several large American cities have adopted to a considerable extent the plan of city lot farming brought into prominence years ago by the late Mayor Pingree of Detroit," says the Portland Journal. This is a good method of helping people to help themselves, to do useful work and become self-sustaining and more independent. Philadelphia is one of the cities where this plan has been carried out under an organization called the Vacant Lots Cultivation association. It gets consent of as many vacant lot owners as possible to use the ground, free of rent, and turns them over to needy families, requiring pay, when it can be earned, only for seed and utensils furnished. This work not only benefits many poor people, but in most cases really improves the land used, and makes it more valuable.

Barren wastes or dumping grounds for noxious refuse have become well tilled, agreeable potato patches or gardens. These are cared for in many cases by women and children, or some kinds of cripples, and the produce is nearly clear gain.

There is a great amount in the aggregate of these vacant and unused spaces in Portland, and while poor people needing this sort of help are not numerous here it would be well if many of these vacant lots, in too many cases covered with weeds or rubbish, were converted into little potato farms or gardens.

BOOSTING BENTON

The Pacific Monthly boosts for Benton county in the following language:

"That Benton county is to become one of the leading fruit-growing counties of Oregon is seemingly indicated by the reports of orchard plantings that are taking place in that section.

Apples, prunes and peaches are the favorite fruits that will be produced. These orchards will be centered about the town of Corvallis, a name which, literally interpreted, means "The Heart of the (Willamette) Valley." It is reported that 800 acres of commercial apples will be growing in Benton county at the end year. The acreage will be largely added too doing the next few years, a single company announcing that it will have 1000 acres planted to apple trees within two years. In addition to the apples it is said that there is being planted this year in Benton county 100 acres of Bartlett pears, 1000 acres of prunes and 160 acres of peaches."

The Gazette-Times can vouch for all of the above but the 1000 acres of prunes.

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HORSES AT PORTLAND FAIR

The horse show at the Portland Fair and Livestock Exposition, promises to eclipse any former event ever held on the Coast, not barring the Lewis and Clark show.

Perhaps the largest exhibitor of standard breeds will be F. E. Alley of Roseburg, Oregon. Mr. Alley brings a full complement and enters in all classes from the colts up to aged horses. His record in the show ring last year is still fresh in the memory of fair goers. His horses were admired by thousands at Salem and Portland, and this year he will equal if not surpass his former showing and winnings.

SPECIAL FEATURES AT THE PALACE

The Hoyt's are proving to be a big attraction at the Palace theater and they will appear tonight and tomorrow night in new specialties, the Texas Cowboy Magician doing his mysterious trunk act and Espanita, her wonderful serpentine dances.

The motion pictures will all be changed, the leader being a beautiful and touching story of mission rescue work in the New York slums, entitled "A Strange Meeting." This will be followed by two short films called "Soldier's Heart" and "Gambler's Honor."

O. A. C. IS O. K.

Oregonian: The Oregon State Agricultural College equipment was highly commended by visiting agricultural college pres-

idents on a recent inspection of the Oregon Agricultural College. The inspection of the college equipment, its student list and curriculum seemed to surprise the deans of similar institutions in the East and Middle West, who were in the visiting party. Why? Because the habit of bounding the nation on the west by the Mississippi river is one that is difficult to overcome—that indeed, is never overcome except by personal observation.

OREGON STREAMS FILLED WITH TROUT

Upon the recommendation of Senator Bourne, the Bureau of Fisheries has deposited young fish in Oregon streams as follows: 3000 brook trout for Spring Creek, Hilgard, Or.; 2000 Rainbow trout for Meadow Brook, Hilgard, Or.; 3000 Rainbow trout for Beaver Creek, Hilgard, Or.; 3000 Rainbow trout for Jordan Creek, Hilgard Or.; 6000 Rainbow trout for Five Points Creek, Hilgard, Or.; 6000 Rainbow trout for North Fork of Burnt River, Baker City, Or.; 3000 for Deer Creek and tributaries, Baker City, Or.; 3000 for Downey Lake, Baker City, Or.; 5500 Rainbow trout for Eagle Creek, Baker City, Or.; 3000 for Fish Lake, Baker City, Or.; and 5000 for Dayiy Creek, Baker City, Or.

AGED LADY DEAD.

Mrs. J. W. McCready, aged 65 years, 1 month and 5 days, died at the home of her son-in-law, First and Harrison streets, at 3 o'clock this morning. She had been afflicted with a lung difficulty several years, but her last critical illness was of a few days only. A daughter in Oklahoma and another in Los Angeles were telegraphed, and funeral arrangements will not be completed until they are heard from.

Harrisville will have a new school house built this year. Supt. Mack has plans for a one room structure there.

MORE LAND FOR SETTLERS

Under the enlarged homestead act, allowing entry on 320 instead of 160 acres. Acting Secretary of the Interior Pierce has designated for settlement 542,480 additional acres in Montana, making a total acreage designated in that state of 26,030,080. Under the same act 123,330 acres of land in San Juan county, Utah, have been similarly designated.

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