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### ALFALFA IN WESTERN OREGON

Of all the crops produced upon the farm perhaps no other offers so many attractions and advantages to the farmer as does alfalfa. As an improver of the soil it has few equals and no superiors. As forage for all classes of live stock, whether used as hay, green feed, or pasture, it is unexcelled in yield, feed value, palatability, and permanency of growth. To the farmer keeping cows, hogs, or poultry, it is of paramount value in that it is practically the only forage crop that will supply green feed continuously through the dry summer months of this region. In addition to these advantages it is superior to all other crops in quickly improving and maintaining the appearance and selling value of farm lands.

Lack of understanding of the peculiarities of the plant and its requirements, has caused many failures of first attempts at growing the crop in western Oregon. This has led farmers to believe that alfalfa is not naturally adapted to this region. While this to a certain extent is true, yet the difficulties in the way, may and have been largely overcome. The splendid results obtained by the State Experiment Station and other growers in different parts of Western Oregon should convince the most skeptical of the great future of the crop in this state. As authentic and accurately measured yields to illustrate the possibilities of the crop here, those recorded at the Experiment Station may be cited. The average of all the yields of the Station field for the last eight years has been 6.2 tons of cured hay per acre. This field has the ordinary heavy clay loam soil typical of the Willamette Valley and has received no irrigation, fertilization, or special treatment, whatever. Anywhere in Western Oregon where certain primary requirements of the crop are satisfied, the same or better results should be obtained. It only behooves the beginner to secure the best advice obtainable as to methods of growing; start with a small piece; experiment with it until its requirements are learned; gather experience from his failures and persist until successful. The reward of such persistence is ample.

The primary requirements of alfalfa are a deep, well drained, sweet and fertile soil, free from weeds. The lands most nearly meeting these requirements are on the slopes of the rolling lands of the valley bottoms; the slopes and tops of the hills surrounding these valleys, or the deep sandy loam river bottoms well above the water level. The ordinary valley low flat lands are not suitable.

The deep feeding tap roots upon whose length these plants depend for securing plant food and moisture, make a soil eight to ten feet in depth imperative. Although alfalfa prefers a sandy loam yet it has proved equally prosperous on the heavy clay loam soils, a heavy clay subsoil or hardpan

delaying but not stopping the root growth.

Owing to the need of its roots for air, alfalfa especially when young, and during the growing season, is easily injured by standing water either above or below ground. Root growth stops at once on striking water saturated soil, hence the water table should not be less than eight to ten feet below the surface of the ground during the growing season. Overflow from streams in winter when the plant is dormant does not cause much injury even if continued for several weeks.

Of even more importance to the alfalfa plant than a deep and well drained soil, are the bacteria which produce the nodules on the roots, through which the plant is enabled to draw upon the free atmospheric nitrogen, enriching the plant and the soil with this most valuable of all the plant food elements. Conditions unfavorable to the activities of these bacteria, cause a corresponding lack of prosperity in the growth of the alfalfa. Like the plant roots, these bacteria require abundance of air in the soil, upon which to feed, and also a neutral or slightly alkaline medium such as is supplied in limestone soils, in which to work.

Unfortunately the lack of lime in Western Oregon soils, in addition to the prolonged wet season and the prevailing heaviness of the soil, causes long exclusion of the air from the soil and a tendency toward acidity or sourness which is very unfavorable to the alfalfa bacteria. Hence it is perhaps that in a majority of Western Oregon soils these bacteria are not present, and must be supplied by artificial inoculation after the harmful acidity has been corrected. This correction is accomplished in naturally well drained soils by application of different forms of lime. Water slaked lime most quickly and directly corrects soil acidity—ground unburned lime more slowly but less expensively, while light annual dressings with land plaster keep it sweet (more or less indirectly) by making the heavy soils more open and friable. The land plaster also assists in making potash compounds for which alfalfa has great need, more available but to avoid loss through leaching should be used only in small amounts.

The need of a fertile soil for alfalfa growing, while not generally recognized, is highly important. Though the plant draws its most important food, nitrogen, from the air, yet it is a heavy feeder upon the other plant foods of the soil. On naturally unfertile soils, or those run down by continued wheat or other improvident farming, it is necessary to supply immediately available plant food such as well rotted barnyard manure, to carry the young plants through the first two years until their deep feeding roots are established. Such fertilization as barnyard manure or green manure (like rye or vetch plowed under) is best applied to the crop preceding the alfalfa or preceding it with clover or vetch. Aside from its plant food and moisture retentive value the humus from such fertilization is of great assistance to the alfalfa bacterial activities.

### Marketing Fruit

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### Administrator's Notice to Creditors

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed by the county court of Oregon for Jackson County, administrator with will annexed of the estate of J. W. Clark, deceased. All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present the same duly verified to the undersigned at Jacksonville, Oregon or to his attorney Gus Newbury, on or before six months from the date hereof. Dated April 1st, 1909. Roderick Clark, administrator of J. W. Clark, deceased. -52-5-

### Administrator's Notice to Creditors

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed by the county court of Oregon for Jackson County, administratrix of the estate of William Healey deceased. All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present the same duly verified to the undersigned at Jacksonville, Oregon within six months from the date hereof. Dated April 20th, 1909. Mary Wetherer administratrix of the estate of William Healey deceased. Gus Newbury attorney for administratrix. -52-5-

### NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE OF REAL PROPERTY:

IN THE COUNTY COURT FOR JACKSON COUNTY OREGON.

In the Matter of the Estate of G. Karowski Deceased.

Public notice is hereby given, that by virtue of an order of the above entitled Court in the matter of the above estate, which said order was made and entered upon the 10th day of May, 1909, that I will at my residence in Jacksonville, Jackson County, Oregon and from and after Monday the 14th day of June, 1909, offer for sale and will sell at private sale and to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand all of the following described property of said estate to-wit: Beginning at a point 24.30 chains north and 7 chains east of SW corner of section 32, in Twp. 37, SR 2 W. of W. M. in Jackson County, Oregon, said point being the NE corner of the G. Karowski orchard, and running thence west 75 links; thence south 13 degrees W. 3.20 chains; thence west 1.20 chains; thence S. 17 1/2 degrees W. 1.25 chains; thence S. 24 1/2 degrees W. 1.53 chains; thence S. 37 degrees E. 1.91 chains; thence E. 2.15 chains; thence south 6.38 chains to the place of beginning, containing 1.20 acres of land and known as the Mill property.

Dated this 10th day of May, 1909. W. C. KITTY, Administrator De Bonis Non with the will annexed of the estate of G. Karowski, Deceased.

### SUMMONS

In The Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Jackson County.

In the matter of J. A. Kiser to register title to the following described land, to-wit:

Commencing at the Northwest Corner of Granville Sears' Donation Land Claim No. 44, in Section 9, Township 37 South, Range 2 West of Willamette Meridian, running thence South 31.44 chains to the Southwest Corner of said Claim 44; thence East 4.44 chains to the Northwest Corner of Donation Land Claim 43; thence South 12.50 chains; thence East 47.08 chains to the East Boundary of said Claim No. 43; thence North 41.97 chains along the East Boundary of Claims Nos. 43 & 44; thence West 17.40 chains; thence North 2.16 chains to the North Boundary of Claim No. 44; thence West along said North Boundary 34.23 chains to the Northwest Corner of said Claim No. 44, the place of commencing, containing 217 acres, more or less.

Nancy Jane Jeffers, E. Jeffers, her husband, Jane Newman, Lyman Newman, her husband, Mary Hoskins, William Hoskins, her husband, Katherine Murphy, W. H. Sears, Ida Sears, his wife, Hiram Sexton, Lucinda Bishop, Nancy Hall and All Whom It May Concern.

Defendants.

In the name of The State of Oregon you and each of you are hereby required to appear and answer the application or complaint filed against you in the above entitled Court and Cause on or before the 29 day of May 1909. Defendants you will take notice that if you fail so to appear and answer said application or complaint the applicant herein will take a decree of the Court against you according to the prayer of the application or complaint and you will be forever barred from disputing same.

W. R. COLEMAN, Ex-officio Clerk of the circuit court for Jackson County, Oregon.

### SUMMONS

In The Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Jackson County.

E. F. Winkler, Plaintiff,

vs. C. M. Osburn, Mrs. S. A. Neville, Mrs. George H. Bryant, Mrs. Edw. Fay and Thos. F. Osburn, Defendants.

To C. M. Osburn, Mrs. S. A. Neville, Mrs. Geo. H. Bryant, Mrs. Edw. Fay and Thos. F. Osburn: You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you and each of you in the above entitled suit within ten days from the date of the service of this summons upon you, if served within this County, or if served within any other County of this State, then within twenty days from the date of service of this summons upon you; and if you fail to appear and answer the complaint herein for want thereof, the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief prayed for in his complaint, to-wit: For a decree partitioning the following described property, situated in Jackson County, Oregon, to-wit:

Lots numbered one (1), two (2), three (3) and four (4) in Block numbered one (1); lots numbered one (1), two (2), three (3) and four (4) in Block numbered two (2); lots numbered one (1), two (2), three (3) and four (4) in Block numbered three (3); lots numbered two (2) and three (3) in Block numbered nine (9); lots numbered one (1), two (2) and three (3) in Block numbered nineteen (19); lots numbered one (1), two (2) and three (3) in Block numbered twenty (20); and lots numbered one (1) and two (2) in Block numbered twenty-one (21), all in Beatty's Addition to the Town now City of Medford, according to the official plat thereof, partitioning the same according to the respective titles of the parties herein, and second, for a judgment in favor of plaintiff for his costs and disbursements herein to be taxed, and for such other, further and different relief as the Court may deem equitable in the premises.

This summons is published in the Jacksonville Post by order of the Hon. H. K. Hanna, Judge of the above entitled Court, made and entered in the 16th day of April, 1909, and the same is published for six consecutive weeks therein, the first day of publication thereof being Saturday, the 24th day of April, 1909, and the last day thereof being Saturday, the 5th day of May, 1909.

COLVIG & REAMES, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

### TAKE NOTICE

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Defendants.

That on the 15 day of April 1909, an application was filed by said J. A. Kiser in the Circuit Court of Jackson County, Oregon, for initial registration of the title of the land above described.

Now, unless you appear on or before the 29 day of May 1909, and show cause why such application should not be granted, the same will be taken as confessed, and a decree will be entered according to the prayer of the application, and you will be forever barred from disputing the same.

Witness my hand and the seal of the court affixed this 15 day of April 1909.

W. R. COLEMAN, county clerk and ex-officio clerk of the circuit court for Jackson county, Oregon.

By M. R. Towne, deputy.

### NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon, May 11, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that SYLVESTER M. WERTZ of Ruth, Oregon, who, on June 25, 1903, made Homestead Entry, No. 12689, S. E. R. 02625, for NW 1/4 of SW 1/4, W 1/2 of NW 1/4, Lot 4, Section 4, Township 33 South, Range 2, West, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final five year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before the Register and Receiver, at Roseburg, Oregon, on the 20th day of June, 1909.

Claimant names as witnesses: Miles Cantrill, of Ruth, Oregon; W. S. McIntire, of Jacksonville, Oregon; Mrs. Sarah Cantrill, of Jacksonville, Oregon; L. M. McIntire, of Jacksonville, Oregon.

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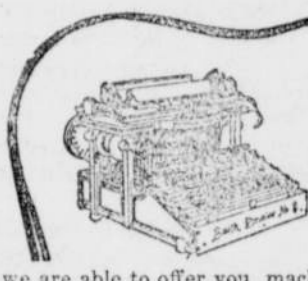
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