

# GOVERNOR HAINES INDORSES PLAN

Says Follow-Up Campaign of Great Benefit to People— Hopes It May Be Extended to Other Parts of Idaho.

## BELIEVES IN MORE ALFALFA

State Schools' Head, Grace M. Shepard, Welcomes Great Educational Movement— Offers Enthusiastic Support of State Educational Department for "Alfalfa Week," March 9th to 13th.

In reference to the work undertaken by the Holden Improvement committee Governor John M. Haines of Idaho says:

With reference to the results accomplished by the campaign made by Professor Holden in the Inland Empire for the purpose of stimulating the production of alfalfa, corn and livestock, I beg to submit the following: When it was announced that this campaign was to be made, I immediately made an investigation as to the general character of the work which had been done in other places by Professor Holden and convinced myself of its great value in the carrying of a message directly to the farmers themselves with reference to what could best be done by them for the purpose of bettering the quality of their soils and thus increasing their productivity.

An soon as I had become fully informed as to the work done by Professor Holden in other localities, I very much regretted that his campaign so far as the state of Idaho was concerned would be confined to northern Idaho. While alfalfa is now and has for a number of years been grown very extensively in the southern part of the state, there can be no question but that our farmers would derive great benefit from personally receiving the important instructions which a campaign of this kind is designed to give.

**Results Very Great.** I am informed that the results in the northern part of Idaho which may reasonably be expected as a result of this alfalfa campaign will be very great indeed and already preparations are under way for what is referred to as a "Follow-up campaign." This, I take it, is intended for the purpose of more thoroughly impressing the people with the lessons already taught and of finally and definitely convincing them of the benefits which they may derive through the increased value of their farms by adopting the more extensive cultivation of the nitrogen producing plants.

I trust that this follow-up campaign will actually be made and I trust also that at that time or some other time in the near future it will be possible to send the alfalfa special on a thorough tour of all other parts of the state not already covered.

Yours very respectfully,  
JOHN M. HAINES,  
Governor.

## BELIEVES IN CAMPAIGN

State Superintendent of Public Instruction of Washington, Josephine Preston, Offers to Assist—Will Support the Follow-Up Plan— March 9th to 13th is "Alfalfa Week."

"We are greatly pleased that the Inland Empire Alfalfa Campaign covered such a large part of Washington, but it gives us far greater pleasure to know that the follow-up work is to be Pacific northwest-wide. Reciprocal educational co-operation in Washington, Idaho and Oregon is one of the basic principles of professional success.

"We believe the work of the Holden Improvement Committee has in it the elements:

- 1st. Of training the whole child.
- 2nd. Teaching in terms of the child's life.
- 3rd. Teaching the child to think in terms of action.

"Our state always welcomes such laudable efforts. The desire of the committee to co-operate in the work of the Boys' and Girls' Clubs is commendable.

"Under date of June 9, 1913, I wrote Prof. P. G. Holden, I am working on a plan of community center organization in this state, which I hope will make it possible to reach more people in the smaller centers than we have ever been able to reach before."

"It is very encouraging that the efforts of the Holden Improvement Committee are entirely in accord with the above. For these reasons, the state superintendent's office extends most heartily their endorsement and support of the committee's plan of follow-up work."

**"ALFALFA WEEK" O. K.** An "Alfalfa week, March 9th to 13th, has been set in the schools, and is to be thoroughly commended. The amount of attention on the part of the pupils to the study of alfalfa, the clovers, peas, beans, vetches, etc., their food value and their relation to soil fertility is sure to produce an interest in the general question of conservation and a more rational attitude toward agriculture and agricultural problems. It will make for better citizenship by calling attention to the welfare of the race rather than the welfare of self.

# NEWS OF GENERAL INTEREST IN IDAHO

Important Occurrences Of The Past Week From Cities In Our State

**Burned-Off Land Green.** Lewiston.—Forest Supervisor Fisher, of Orofino, Idaho, of the Clearwater ranges, has announced that the forest fires which destroyed millions of acres of heavy timber and the lives of nearly 500 firefighters in the northwest in 1910 have in a measure compensated for the destruction by presenting to the stockmen new and enticing summer pasturage sufficient to care for about 400,000 sheep and many thousands of cattle.

The Northern Pacific officials are considering special shipping rates on sheep in lots of five cars or more from points in southeastern Washington to points for the Clearwater forest.

**Normal Plans are Made.** Lewiston.—Immediately following the close of the regular session of the Lewiston State Normal school the second annual summer session will open in charge of the regular faculty, assisted by special lecturers.

In addition to offering a quarter's work in the regular courses for certificates and diplomas for both graded and rural school teachers there will be offered all review courses and all professional courses required by law for candidates for third, second and first grade certificates and for state and state life certificates. Professional courses for the renewal of all such certificates will also be offered.

**Mail Carrier Swamped.** Stites.—The mail carrier from here to Elk City is swamped with work and about 15 tons of parcel post packages are now being stored by the local post master, with more arriving each day. Bids for delivery of the mail have been received by the Postoffice department at the rate of \$6 for 100 pounds, whereas the total rate from Spokane or Lewiston to Elk City by mail is but \$1.06 for 100 pounds.

## RAILROAD RUMOR IS HEARD

Idaho Reported to Be Coveted Territory of Big Companies.

Boise.—Railroad men here are greatly interested in the report that the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroads are racing for the South Pass over the divide between Idaho and Wyoming. It is declared that the Chicago & Northwestern has made all of the necessary plans for the construction of a 250-mile extension from Lander, Wyo., to Idaho Falls.

The Northwestern is reported to have placed contracts and ordered supplies and equipment. The theory here is that the Northwestern, having made its Lander-Idaho Falls connection, will proceed to connect Idaho Falls with the Gilmore & Pittsburg railroad, completed from Armstead, Mont., to Salmon City, which would be extended west along the Salmon River to Lewiston.

Besides the possible development that these two railroads offer to Idaho this year, railroad men are looking forward to activity in the southern and southwestern part of the state. The Oregon Short Line has announced its intention of constructing a "belt line" in Eastern Idaho from Idaho Falls through Fremont, Madison and Jefferson counties, making a complete loop to completely control that section of the state.

## Road Bonds Are Wanted.

Wesler.—For the purpose of considering the proposed state highway an enthusiastic meeting of Washington county taxpayers was held Friday evening at the Wesler commercial club. Strong sentiment in favor of the proposed improvement was expressed by a majority of those in attendance. Miles Cannon, of the state highway commission, was present. It is hoped that the county commissioners will submit the question of bonds for good roads to the voters at an early date.

## Hog Disease Being Fought.

Lewiston.—Ranchers of this territory are taking every precaution to eradicate the spread of tuberculosis among hogs, which seems to have become a menace in this district. It is said there is no way of detecting the disease until the swine are butchered.

## "Bull Moozers" to Rally.

Wesler.—"The Bull Moose" party still lives in Washington county and a meeting has been called by its local followers for March 20, to be held here. A full ticket will be placed in the field.

## Annual Declamation Contest.

Caldwell.—The annual declamation contest of the College of Idaho was held at Sterry Hall Friday night. The winners in this event will represent the college at the state contest at Albion.

# SEED CORN FOR THE FARMERS

Improvement Committee Will Distribute Many Bushels to the Farmers of Oregon, Washington and Idaho.

## ALL TO BE RETESTED SEED

Plan Worked Out to Supply Farmers With Two-Pound Samples Provided a Record is Kept and a Report Made of Results When Harvested.

The Improvement committee of Spokane in charge of the agricultural follow-up work in co-operation with the people of the Northwest have purchased a large quantity of the best home-grown seed corn obtainable to suit as near as possible the conditions of the Northwest.

These samples will be furnished in two-pound packages upon application to the committee. A report blank will accompany each package of corn, in order that a report may be kept of the results obtained.

Every farmer who receives a sample is requested to fill out the report and return it to the committee at harvest time. A charge of 25 cents will be made for each sample of corn in order to cover the cost of packing and shipping.

## 'ALFALFA WEEK' FOR OREGON

State Superintendent of Public Instruction of Oregon, J. A. Churchill, Names March 9th to 13th as "Alfalfa Week" in Oregon—A Good Thing.

"Alfalfa growing is of such importance, not only to the live-stock interests of the country, but also in its relation to the maintenance and up-building of soil fertility, that the entire second week of March has been designated as 'Alfalfa Week.' Every school in Oregon, including the one-room country schools, the grades and high schools of the cities, will be asked to observe the week through placing special emphasis in the language work on the subject of alfalfa growing. Bulletins of the Oregon Agricultural College and of the Holden Improvement Committee, which give valuable information on the growing of alfalfa, will be distributed among the schools. In the lower grades, this work will take the form of story telling on the part of the teachers and oral reproduction by the pupils. In the upper grades, all of the written composition work of the week will be on the subject of alfalfa, and will be based upon information gathered from bulletins, magazines, agricultural journals and observation on the part of the pupils. In these grades the Holden seed corn tester will also be placed in the hands of the pupils and the results of their corn testing will be embodied on written reports, which will be accepted by the teachers in lieu of other composition work during that week.

"Boys' and girls' industrial clubs are being organized throughout the state, whose work will include ten projects, viz: Poultry raising, sewing, pig feeding, gardening, dairy records and manual arts. Next year it is planned to add the eleventh project, which will be alfalfa growing."

## Steamship's Crew Rescued by Chance.

Norfolk, Va.—Rescued from their drifting lifeboat by merest chance, the captain and 16 members of the crew of the American steamer Charlemagne Tower, Jr., which foundered off the Jersey coast were picked up by the steamer Bayfort and brought to Newport News.

## Train Service.

**West bound.**  
No. 17 Oregon Wash Ltd 4:17 a m  
No. 75 Huntington Pass 9:42 a m  
No. 9 Fast Mail 6:15 p m  
No. 77 Huntington Pass 6:33 p m  
No. 5 Oregon Wash Express 6:50 p m

**East bound**  
No. 18 Oregon Wash Ltd 2:51 a m  
No. 76 Boise passenger 8:50 a m  
No. 10 Fast Mail 12:12 p m  
No. 78 Boise passenger 3:50 p m  
No. 6 Oregon Wash Express 6:15 p m  
Malheur Valley Branch

The Vale train leaves Vale daily at 8 a. m. arriving in Ontario at 8:40. Returning will leave, except Sunday, at 10 a. m., arriving at Vale at 10:40, leaving for Brogan at 10:50, arriving there 11:59, returning will leave Brogan at 12:30, arrive at Vale 1:30. Leave Vale at 2:35, arriving at Ontario at 3:30, and return to Vale at 7 p. m. On Sunday the train will come to Ontario in the morning and return at 7 p. m., making the run to Homedale on that day instead of Wednesday.

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Sunday Services,  
Sunday School 10 a m  
Preaching Services 11 a m  
C. E. Meeting 7 p m  
Preaching Services 8 p m  
Midweek Lectures every Wednesday evening 8 o'clock  
Phillip Koenig, Pastor.

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Mass at 8 A M on 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month. On all other Sundays at 10 A M.

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## Local Market Report.

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Eggs, per dozen, 20c.  
Butter, per pound, 25c.  
Oats, per hundred, \$1.50  
Wheat, per hundred, \$1.75.  
Hay, per ton, \$8  
Potatoes, per hundred, 1.00  
Onions, per hundred, \$2.00.  
Apples, per box, \$1.00, to \$1.50  
Chickens, dressed, per pound, 18c  
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Veal, 9 to 10c.  
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