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CALIFORNIA FEARS WORST FRUIT PEST

Leslie Butler writes that California faces a new yellow peril. It is the Mediterranean fruit fly, known in entomology as *Ceratitis capitata*, a small, ochreous hued insect. It has devastated St. Helena and the Isle of Malta and brought the inhabitants to such destitution that they are compelled to abandon those countries. It is working havoc in the great orchards of Brazil, Hawaii, parts of Australia, the South Sea Islands, India, South Africa and the countries along the Mediterranean sea.

Wherever it goes it wrecks havoc wholesale, few fruits withstanding its onslaughts, and it holds science and all other man-made methods of relief at bay. Scientists say it is the deadliest enemy to the fruit world that has come to light in a century, and now it is threatening an invasion of California, three-fourths of whose industry today is based on her fruit production.

So great is the pest and the fear of it that the last legislature of California, following its adjournment for the Christmas holidays, convened again in special session, and in forty-five minutes enacted a law placing a rigorous quarantine on all Hawaiian grown fruits, and the law, receiving the governor's signature immediately, instantly went into effect.

The pest already has permeated Hawaii, so that very little of that country's fruit, either cultivated or wild, is immune, and the danger to California was so great a year ago that the Board of Commissioners of Agriculture and Forestry at Honolulu officially notified the California state officials. Millions of dollars' worth of orchard property on the islands has been ruined, and now not a single piece of Hawaiian fruit, unless it be hermetically sealed and kept so, can enter California unless it is smuggled in.

Incredible as it may seem, all of California's fruit industry, which has been estimated annually to be fully \$140,000,000, may be totally ruined through the carelessness of one traveler, who, returning from Honolulu, smuggles one bit of Hawaiian fruit into the state. This is the statement of officials of the California State Commission of Horticulture, who have charge of the quarantine.

"CRUEL" TO TAKE FAIRY TALES AWAY

Hood River has the word of the Oregonian that there is nothing injurious to school children's nerves in the fairy tales which are read in the schools. That paper referred to a recent discussion in this city by publishing the following editorial:

The Heights Improvement League of Hood River has stumbled upon a mare's nest of truly frightful aspect. It has found that the "fictitious stories" in the school readers excite children's minds and cause a degree of nervousness which breaks down their health." Said indeed is this to think of. The noxious schoolroom atmosphere, long hours in an unnatural position at desks, late hours at home, badly cooked food and too much of it eaten at the wrong time, dancing parties, premature romancing between the sexes, none of these nerve and stomach-destroying factors are at work in blessed Hood River. The nerves of the school children are going to wreck there, as everywhere else, but it is the "fictitious stories" in the reading books which do the business, and nothing else contributes.

It is astonishing to see a recrudescence of the old Puritanical hatred of fiction in a community so renowned for intelligence as Hood River. Sensible parents and teachers understand that the child has a natural craving for stories, that properly chosen fiction does not "excite" the young nerves, but soothes and calms them, and that no mental nutriment is, upon the whole, so excellent for a child as stories of adventure either in fairyland or upon the earth.

We have made no personal investigation of the state of the children's nerves at Hood River and so cannot diagnose their trouble with scientific accuracy, but we can make a shrewd guess at it. They are probably kept indoors in bad air when they ought to be out at play. No doubt they are kept out of bed studying their lessons when they ought to be asleep. Very likely they are allowed by their parents to go to parties and return at all hours of the night after filling their stomachs with indigestible dainties. Here is the seat of trouble with the nerves of the Hood River children and not in the poor pieces of fiction they find in the school readers. To cut them off from this bit of mental nourishment would be outright cruelty. What they need is more stories and more fresh air.

SUMMONS

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, and for Hood River County, Sidney B. Carnine, Plaintiff.

Adelia A. Stranahan, Ella May Jones, A. B. Jones, Albert K. Stranahan, Corvan Stranahan, Edith Anderson, Roy Anderson, May Mottishaw, Fred Mottishaw, Clinton Mooney, Bessie Mooney, Hope Mooney, a minor, Elmer E. Motter, guardian of Hope Mooney, a minor, David E. Berdan, Addie Berdan, Anton Knudson, Ole Knudson, Knute Knudson, David E. Berdan, Addie Berdan, Ole Knudson and Knute Knudson, defendants, impleaded with the other defendants above named, and to each of you:

In the name of the State of Oregon: You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you, and each of you, in this Court, in the above entitled suit, on or before the last day of six consecutive weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons, at the court house at Hood River, Oregon, and if you fail to do so, or want thereof, plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded, also said complaint, and will take judgment for the reformation of three certain deeds of conveyance constituting a continuous chain of title, by amendment and correcting the erroneous description of land contained in and running down through all of said deeds, so that the same will conform to the real and true intent of the parties thereto, and the said description therein read as follows:

Commencing at the quarter section corner on the south side of section 35 in township 3, north, range 10, east of Willamette Meridian, and run thence north along the quarter section line, ranging north and south through said section 35, a distance of 15.65 chains, more or less, to the point marking the north west corner of the tract of land owned by George H. Steinhoff and Edith O. Steinhoff, husband and wife, and run thence south, 89° 08' east, along the north boundary of said Steinhoff's land a distance of 3.50 chains, more or less, to the southeast corner of the tract of land owned by Bertha E. Glass, and thence south, 89° 08' west, along the south boundary of said Glass' land 11 chains, more or less, to the southeast corner thereof; thence running south parallel to the said east boundary of said Glass' land 4 chains, more or less, to a point in the road known as the Avalon Way, 89° 08' east of the point of commencement; thence north, 89° 08' west, 11 chains, more or less, to the point of commencement.

Said deeds being: One from O. L. Stranahan and wife to David E. Berdan, dated February 20, 1902, recorded in Hood River County Deed Records Volume 8, page 266; one from David E. Berdan and wife to Christian Knudson, dated August 15, 1902, recorded in Volume 8, page 275, same records; and one from Christian Knudson to Sidney B. Carnine, dated October 7, 1907, recorded in Volume 12, page 626, same records.

Those of you found by the Court in its decree to be chargeable with that duty will be required to make and deliver new deeds of the form, substance and intent of such said originals as aforesaid above, but containing such corrected and reformed description, within a definitely fixed time after the entry of such decree, or in case of failure so to do, such decree to stand as and for such new conveyance.

Plaintiff also prays that the cloud upon his title to said land, caused by said incorrect and defective deeds, be removed and that his said title be forever quieted against you, and for other equitable relief.

You are hereby served by publication of this summons by order of the Hon. Geo. D. Culbertson, County Judge of Hood River County, Oregon, entered December 18th, 1911, which order prescribed that you shall appear and answer the complaint on or before the last day of six consecutive weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons, and you are further notified that the date of the first publication of this summons is December 20, 1911.

W. M. McMURRAY,
 Hood River, Oregon,
 Plaintiff's Attorney.

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S. V. PROUDFIT,
 Assistant Commissioner of the General Land Office
 Approved December 19, 1911.
 CARMEL A. THOMPSON,
 County Secretary of the Interior.
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