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ADVERTISING RATES ON APPLICATION Entered as second class matter August 29, 1904, at the Postoffice at Madras, Ore., under the Act of Congress of March 3, 1879.

THURSDAY August 9, 1906

A NEW DEPARTMENT.

Believing that a certain amount of theoretical knowledge is of advantage in the application of even the most practical ideas in farming, and knowing that the most scientific methods, arrived at only after years of experiment by the government and by our great agricultural colleges, must be applied in order to obtain the best results from farming in the semi-arid regions of the West, we have decided to devote a good portion of our space to the dissemination of such information as we think will be of interest to those of our readers who are engaged in agricultural pursuits.

The department is inaugurated in this issue by the publication of excerpts from an address issued as a bulletin by the U. S. Department of Agriculture on the subject of the "Fertility of the Soil."

The Fertility of the Soil

An interesting Address Printed as a Farmer's Bulletin by the United States Department of Agriculture at Washington.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture has recently issued a bulletin on the subject of soil fertility. It is in reality an address given before a farmer's club in Maryland, in which an endeavor was made to place in the hands of the practical farmer the results of recent investigations of this important problem.

Fertility and crop production are different terms. Fertility is a property inherent in the soil; it is what the soil is capable of doing if it is under the best possible conditions. The yield of crops on the other hand, is not dependent upon the fertility alone. Several of you can take the same soil and get different yields, although you are working with a soil having the same fertility.

Of course we all understand that the breathing of the plant is mainly through its leaves; but the soil also may be a very important factor in the breathing of plants, as it is necessary to have a supply of oxygen around the roots. Physiologists differ as to the office the roots have in regard to the

WATER AT TEN FEET

WELL ON LITTLE PLAINS A SURPRISE

Find Will Encourage Other Ranchers To Prospect—Wells Are As Valuable As Gold Mines.

Mrs. Fannie Barton, who owns a homestead on the Little Plains east of Round Butte, has struck water at a depth of only ten feet, in the well which she is having sunk on her place. For the present there is not enough water for all household purposes, but Mrs. Barton expects to sink the well deeper immediately after harvest.

Mrs. Barton's success in locating water on her place has greatly encouraged her neighbors, others of whom were contemplating sinking for water. It was supposed that in that locality water could not be found at a depth of less than from one to three hundred feet, but from the manner in which the water runs into the Barton well, it is believed that a plentiful supply can be had by sinking only a few feet more.

Mrs. John McTaggart and her two children have been visiting at the Parrish home near Haycreek, during the week.

SOMETHING NEW

EILERS PIANO HOUSE RENTAL CONTRACT PLAN

Choice New Pianos At Wholesale—\$5 Down and \$5 a Month

Since we are to re-open our new retail store early next Fall, we feel that we do not want to drop out of the retail business in the meantime. In order that our large wholesale warehouse at corner Thirteenth and Northrup Streets—which property we own—does not become filled up with pianos and organs, and in order to keep things moving we are offering choice of any of these fine new pianos at actual

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Portland, Oregon

Mrs. Lena M. Lamb and Miss Mae Jackson spent several days visiting at Bend during the past week.

A. W. Boyce and wife were in town on Monday from Haystack. They have disposed of the forty acre tract adjoining the townsite on the northwest corner, and upon which the old Madras Hotel is located, J. W. Livingston being the purchaser, for the sum of \$3100.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, July 18, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that Pearie W. Dean, of Haycreek, Ore., has filed notice of her intention to make final five-year proof in support of her claim, viz:

Homestead entry No. 8837 made December 28, 1900, for the southeast quarter, northeast half southwest quarter, section 25, township 20 S., range 14 E., and Lot 3, sec 2, tp 11 S., r 14 E., w. m.

And that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver at The Dalles, Oregon, on August 27, 1906. She names the following witnesses to prove her continuous residence upon and cultivation of the land, viz: Harry Douthitt, of Shaniko, Oregon, Ed. Kuteher, John Trullinger, and James McCoy, all of Haycreek, Oregon.

Michael T. Nolan, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. Department of the Interior, Land Office at The Dalles, Or., July 30, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that Urban F. Heinbeck, of Madras, Oregon, has filed notice of his intention to make final commutation proof in support of his claim, viz:

Homestead entry No. 14543 made June 12, 1905, for the northeast quarter sec 13 and a half northeast quarter sec 24, tp 10 S., r 13 E., w. m.

And that said proof will be made before D. P. Rea, U. S. Commissioner, at his office in Madras, Oregon, on September 4, 1906.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, the land, viz: S. P. Loving, L. P. Paxton, A. T. Bemis and S. E. Binder, all of Madras, Oregon.

Michael T. Nolan, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. Department of the Interior, Land Office at The Dalles, Or., July 30, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that William S. Criswell, of Madras, Oregon, has filed notice of his intention to make final five year proof in support of his claim, viz:

Homestead entry No. 7787, made November 28, 1899, for the southeast quarter sec 28, tp 10 S., r 14 E., w. m.

And that said proof will be made before D. P. Rea, U. S. Commissioner, at his office in Madras, Oregon, on September 6, 1906.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, the land, viz: A. S. Phillips, W. H. Stonehocker, T. B. Tucker and J. E. Campbell, all of Madras, Oregon.

Michael T. Nolan, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. Department of the Interior, Land Office at The Dalles, Or., July 30, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that John P. Monner, of Madras, Oregon, has filed notice of his intention to make final commutation proof in support of his claim, viz:

Homestead Entry No. 13098 made December 5, 1903, for the northwest quarter sec 35, tp 9 S., r 13 E., w. m.

And that said proof will be made before Don P. Rea, U. S. Commissioner, at his office in Madras, Oregon, on September 6, 1906.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, the land, viz: Charles F. Klann, William Brownhill, Bert Loomis, Frank Stangland, all of Madras, Oregon.

Michael T. Nolan, Register.

Desert Land, Final Proof NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon, July 18, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that Gottfried Kamper, of Shaniko, Oregon, has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert-land claim No. 410, for the northwest quarter, sec 10, tp 9 S., r 14 E., w. m., before the Register and Receiver at The Dalles, Oregon, on the 31st day of August, 1906.

He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land: Perry T. Monroe, C. M. McPherson and A. Kamper, all of Shaniko, Oregon, and C. Strasser, of Madras, Oregon.

Michael T. Nolan, Register.

Notice for Publication. Department of the Interior, Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, July 30, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that Charles Forsberg, of Madras, Oregon, has filed notice of his intention to make final commutation proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No. 13,380 made June 7, 1904, for the northwest quarter sec 20, and east quarter sec 32, tp 10 S., r 14 E., w. m.

And that said proof will be made before Don P. Rea, U. S. Commissioner, at his office in Madras, Oregon, on September 5, 1906.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, the land, viz: Walter Barrar, J. F. Church, Harry Church, and William Criswell, all of Madras, Oregon.

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Notice for Publication. Department of the Interior, Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, July 30, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that Robert F. Berryman, of Ashwood, Oregon, has filed notice of his intention to make final five-year proof in support of his claim, viz:

Homestead entry No. 992, made March 3, 1900, for the west quarter and east quarter sec 1, tp 11 S., r 16 E., w. m.

And that said proof will be made before Don P. Rea, U. S. Commissioner, at his office in Madras, Oregon, on September 4, 1906.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, the land, viz: Edward Elkins, Walter D. Walker, Chester S. McCorkle and Knox D. Huston, all of Ashwood, Oregon.

Michael T. Nolan, Register.

Desert Land, Final Proof NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon, July 18, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that Perry T. Monroe, of Shaniko, Oregon, has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert-land claim No. 257, for the northeast quarter, section 13, tp 9 S., r 14 E., w. m., before the Register and Receiver, at The Dalles, Oregon, on the 31st day of August, 1906.

He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land: Gottfried Kamper, H. L. Friday, Mrs. G. Kamper, C. M. McPherson and A. Kamper, all of Shaniko, Oregon, and C. Strasser, of Madras, Oregon.

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