

### OREGON LEADER IN FOREST FIRE WORK

Chronicle's Washington Bureau  
 WASHINGTON, May 26.—Governor Olcott of Oregon is one of seven chief executives of states to co-operate in making forest protection week, which started Sunday, a great success. The governors of Minnesota, New York, North Dakota, Pennsylvania, Texas and Montana each prepared special statements urging general observance of forest protection week.

Fourteen states in all issued proclamations to prevent fires throughout the year, not only in the forests, but everywhere.

No previous effort inaugurated by the forest service has received such prompt and cheerful support from every department of business.

The Chamber of Commerce of the United States, the International Kiwanis clubs, the American Automobile association, National Board of Fire Underwriters, International Association of Rotary Clubs, National Fire Protection association, the General Federation of Women's clubs in virtually every state in the Union, the Daughters of the American Revolution, all have sent out letters, or specially prepared circulars, drawing attention to the special purpose of the week.

The American Automobile association sent copies of the letter issued by the secretary of agriculture to every club in the country.

State foresters in many states have drafted one form or another of publicity to induce talk and create continued interest in the one big subject of the week.

The Boy Scouts of America, considered by the forest service to be one of its most efficient allies in preventing forest fires, issued a special forest protection number of the monthly publication "Scouting," for May, and Forester W. B. Greeley, and Chief Scout Executive James E. West of New York, sent 10,500 letters to scout masters and scout executives everywhere in America.

The postoffice department is running thirty-two fire prevention cancellation dies in the principal post-offices throughout the nation so that every letter sent from those offices will carry the message to the recipient.

In six western districts of the forest service with headquarters at Denver, Colo., Albuquerque, N. M., Ogden, Utah, Missoula, Mont., Portland, Or., and San Francisco, Cal., officers of the service are conducting publicity campaigns, and 2000 rangers throughout these states are putting forth every effort to make the people think about little else, for a week, at least, except how to keep down losses from fire.

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ENGLISH AS SHE IS  
 WRITTEN IN 1921  
 By United Press

LONDON, May 26. If you told a Dorsetshire man that he couldn't speak English he would probably be much amused if not provoked to actual violence. Yet the following is the text of a message sent to King George by the Society of Dorset Men in London in their local pavil at their annual dinner. It was signed by the president of the society, who being the Earl of Bathurst and a high court official might have been expected to know the English language better. To His Majesty King George:  
 "Three hundred loyal men from Dorset, vanguard of the Connaught Boats, Kingsway, on their yearly Yeast Day, be mindful of your Gracious Majesty, and will with heart-

**GRAND TONIGHT—**  
**HARRY CAREY**  
 In  
**"THE WALLS"**

Comm. Sunday  
 Ethel Clayton  
 In  
**"The Price of Possession"**

### RETAIL PRICES OVER COUNTRY DROP 28 PERCENT IN YEAR; JOBBERS' DECLINE, 47

(By John M. Gleason.)  
 (United News Staff Correspondent.)  
 WASHINGTON, May 26.—Wholesale food prices during the past year have declined much more rapidly than retail. This is shown by figures compiled by the bureau of labor statistics of the department of labor.

Wholesale food prices dropped 47 per cent in 12 months. Prices paid to farmers dropped 53 per cent during the same period.

But the prices Mrs. Housewife paid at the grocery store declined but 28 per cent.

Food which at the outbreak of the European war would have cost her a dollar, during April would have cost her \$1.52. A year ago it would have cost her \$2.11.

In the wholesale markets, however, food prices which in 1913 would have cost a dollar, in April would have cost but \$1.47 and a year ago \$2.79. Farm products show even a more striking decline and more nearly approach pre-war levels than any other group of commodities. Products for which the farmer received a dollar in 1913 during April brought him \$1.15. A year ago they would have sold for \$2.49.

In computing its statistics on retail food prices, the bureau of labor statistics obtains prices on 43 principal articles in 51 cities, the average price of each article is figured and these average prices are then weighted according to the quantity of each article consumed in the average working man's family.

The prices of food and farm products at wholesale are based on quotations in representative markets in the country. They also are weighted in making comparisons, due allowance being made for the relative im-

portance of the different commodities.

Individual commodities illustrate the discrepancy between wholesale and retail prices.  
 Cattle which in 1913 would have brought \$1 on the market, during March would have brought \$1.23. But sirloin steak at retail, which in 1913 would have cost \$1 in March would have cost \$1.54. The March figure for round steak, on the same basis, was \$1.57.

Hogs, still figuring the value in 1913 as \$1, in March would have sold for \$1.25 on the market. Pork chops, also on a 1913 basis, would have cost the housewife \$1.68.

The relative price of bacon at wholesale and retail, figuring on the 1913 basis, was \$1.21 and \$1.55, the latter figure being retail price. On the same basis, ham sold for \$1.35 retail.

Butter and eggs in their retail prices more nearly have reflected the wholesale decline. Eggs, which in 1913 would have sold for a dollar at wholesale, in March would have sold for \$1.20 and \$1.21 retail. Butter, on the same basis was \$1.43 retail and \$1.50 wholesale.

The difference in milk is much greater, its retail figure on the 1913 dollar basis was \$1.71, while the wholesale figure had declined to \$1.49.

Number one wheat, which in 1913 would have brought \$1.00 in March would have brought \$1.85. But bread purchased by the housewife in 1913 for \$1.00, in March would have cost her \$1.88. Flour on the 1913 basis, however at retail to \$1.94. The retail price of bread declined 6 per cent a year, while the retail price of food declined 20 per cent.

THE PRINCE STOPPED  
 By United Press  
 LONDON, May 26.—When the Prince of Wales attended the London Working Boys' club boxing tournament, the secretary requested the audience to refrain from smoking. At the time the Prince was enjoying a cigarette.

The secretary turned to the Prince and said, "Of course, I except Your Royal Highness."

The Prince laughed and at once threw away his cigarette.

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