

Canada Thistles

Oregon City, Ore., July 8, 1919.
O. L. Straghan,
Estacada, Oregon.

Dear Sir:—The time of year has arrived when it is necessary to keep close watch on the various patches of Canada Thistles in the county to see that they are not allowed to go to seed. At a recent conference with the County Court and the District Attorney it was decided to carry out the provisions of the law which provide a fine of not less than \$25.00 for allowing the Canada Thistle to go to seed. It is necessary in order to obtain convictions under the law that the owner or tenant of the land so infested shall have knowledge of the fact that the thistles are on his land. Accordingly, if you will send me a list of all the owners of land on which Canada Thistle is growing, which you know about, being careful to give the name and address of either the owner or the tenant and as near as possible the location of the thistles, I will write each man a letter, notifying him to keep the thistles cut down. Following this, I count on you to advise me if any of the thistles are allowed to bloom. It will be well to have several witnesses to this fact. In that event I will have the District Attorney bring an action at law to collect the fine.

In all probability it will not be necessary to involve the law when the owners of the thistles are warned beforehand, but in case any man allows them to go to seed, it is planned to make an example of him. This work has been endorsed by the Farm Bureau. The Canada Thistle must not be allowed to go to seed.

Hoping that with your co-operation we may keep this bad weed in check, I am,

Yours truly,
R. G. SCOTT,
County Agricultural Agent.

The Misses Mary Frances and Edna Murphy with their two little sisters Connie and Pattie, have arrived from Tacoma. They are visiting with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Allen, their aunt Mrs. C. E. Surfus and uncle C. S. Allen. Before they return home they will visit their uncle and aunt Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Allen at Big Sandy.

Our best thanks are due Mr. Joel B. Bowman of Garfield, for two squares of golden honey. The flavor is most delicious, testifying to the honey making qualities of the wild flowers in this section of the country. We recall a man in Minnesota showing several kinds of honey made from white clover, basswood blossoms, goldenrod, wild mustard and buckwheat. Each one could be clearly distinguished by appearance and taste. For years we could not eat honey, as it caused severe indigestion, until we were told to drink milk with it. We tried the remedy and found it efficacious. We wondered if this was not one reason why the words milk and honey are coupled together, as for instance, "a land flowing with milk and honey."

Quite a number of Estacada people attended the Eagle Creek dance Saturday night.

Miss Marjory Scott, the daughter of Dr. Ek Scott, who was in the navy, returned to her home in Alameda Park, Portland, last Sunday, after visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Stephens.

Mrs. Wilkins, of St. Joseph, Mo., is visiting her granddaughter, Mrs. J. F. Dunlop. Mrs. Wilkins has reached the venerable age of eighty-six years and is still hale and hearty, as evidenced by her being able to make the long, wearisome trip from Missouri to Portland. The special reason for her making the trip at this warm season of the year is to attend the golden wedding in Portland, of her daughter, Mrs. Goodrich, who is the mother of Mrs. Dunlop. This interesting celebration will occur on the 8th of August.

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The baseball match between the town and High School teams was not pulled off last Sunday, so the question of superiority remains unsettled.

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