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## ALFALFA ON EVERY FARM

How the Campaign is Organized and the Manner in Which the Work Will Progress—Of Lasting Benefit to People of Northwest—Means More Live Stock.

By **EARL CONSTANTINE.**

Beginning on September 23 and lasting for a period of over forty days, there is to be held, under the auspices of the commercial, civic and agricultural organizations of the Inland Empire, one of the most remarkable agricultural campaigns ever undertaken. While popularly talked of as the "Holden Alfalfa Campaign," it is to be distinctly a popular campaign of the whole people of this "Inland Empire."

Spokane's part in the work is not proportionately any greater than that of any of the smaller towns. Because of Spokane's central location and large resources and facilities, her business men have been called upon to handle the preliminary correspondence and arrangements. Once the campaign has started, the success of the work is in the hands of the other towns as the train moves from one point to another.

The correspondence of the past three months has shown a very general and intense interest in this movement. Letters have poured into headquarters from farmers, professional men and business men. All men throughout the surrounding territory are welcoming the movement.

Of Great Benefit to People.

From the standpoint of Spokane, the Alfalfa Campaign is certainly one of the most valuable undertakings for this part of the country. While we shall not benefit as directly as will the smaller towns to be visited, still,



Six Year Old Alfalfa Field—Hill Land, Without Irrigation—Second Crop. Photo Taken August 30, 1913—Six Miles Southeast of Spokane, Farm of J. D. Brosnahan.

time will bring us returns inestimable. Spokane business men have always appreciated that what benefits the neighboring community benefits Spokane.

The remarkable agricultural districts of the Inland Empire have been tilled and harvested on a big scale. While we have raised wonderful crops, in doing so we have been slowly but surely taking of the life of the soil and should we continue along the lines of the past our crop yields would decrease with the natural result of depreciating values of land. Besides, large farms must necessarily mean fewer owners and smaller population. The time has already come when we must bring more settlers on our farm lands, and to do so we must begin to diversify in our farming. After all, the Alfalfa Campaign is one for diversified farming. Alfalfa serves, among other things, two important objects: it improves the soil, and it is the basis for a new source of wealth, i. e., the raising of stock.

It is because of these facts that the Spokane business men are so very much interested in the above campaign. For their part of the work they have done everything within their power to blanket the whole Inland Empire and to make it the greatest agricultural campaign ever conducted in the country.

### ALFALFA IN WASHINGTON.

Prof. E. E. Elliott of the Washington State college makes the following statement, based upon the reports of farmers representing a wide range of country and a great variety of soils:

"From the statements of these farmers and observations taken it is not unreasonable to make the claim that wherever a grain crop can be produced there also can alfalfa be successfully grown. Alfalfa comes near or filling the demand for a permanent forage plant for pasture than any other yet discovered, although it is not primarily a pasture plant. Where it has failed this has been due to a lack of understanding of the nature of the plant or a mistreatment of it. Tests show that it can be grown, successfully, in altitudes much higher than other crops."

### FLOATING SPOOK HANDS.

Legend of the Famous School of St. Denis, Near Paris.

Most English people who have been in France know of the famous school of St. Denis, near Paris, where the daughters of army and naval officers belonging to the Legion d'Honneur are educated free. Here is one of the many interesting stories which are repeated to every newcomer, freezing the marrow in her bones, for the French girl is naturally superstitious.

In one of the long pillared galleries leading from one wing to another small patches of white are to be seen floating about at dusk. But those patches are dreaded, for they are nothing less than ghostly hands trying to find unwary girls to drag them to their death, as years ago they dragged three of their number. A pupil having had a fainting fit in class, her mistress sent her with an older girl to the infirmary, to reach which it was necessary to cross the haunted cloister. Surprised at the delay of the second girl, the teacher sent a third to fetch her back, but the third also failed to return.

Thoroughly alarmed, the mistress decided to go herself to see what was detaining them, and two of the bigger pupils accompanied her. Crossing the gallery through which the girls had to pass on their way, they noticed what they thought were pieces of paper floating toward them between the great pillars, but when at closer quarters the horrified girls saw that what seemed to be paper was in reality a hand, or rather many hands, trying to seize them.

Then came a race for life, for, though the terrified girls ran as they had never done before, the mysterious hands seemed to gain on them. However, the mistress managed to save herself and her charges. Some hours after the bodies of the three pupils who had been sent to the infirmary were found at the bottom of the stone steps quite dead.

And the new girl trembles and looks fearfully out of the great windows, dreading and yet longing to see the white patches floating in the cloisters of the famous building.—Pearson's Weekly.

### Jack Tar and the Actor.

A famous Irish actor of the eighteenth century named John Moody early in life, before he went on the stage, had been to Jamaica and worked his passage home as a sailor before the mast. One night some time after he had been engaged at Drury Lane when he was acting Stephano in "The Tempest" a sailor in the front row of the pit got up and, standing upon the seat, hallooed out, "What cheer, Jack Moody—what cheer, messmate?"

This unexpected address rather astonished the audience. Moody, however, stepped forward and, recognizing the man, called out: "Tom Hullett, keep your jawking tacks aboard. Don't disturb the crew and passengers. When the show is over make sail for the stage door, and we'll finish the evening elsewhere. But till then, Tom, keep your locker shut." Moody, it is related, was as good as his word.—Cornhill Magazine.

### Luxury For the Ostrich.

Dealing with the anti-plumage campaign in England, the Cape Times of South Africa in a leading article remarks that: "Were it not for the commercial value of its feathers, the ostrich would today be as rare in civilized South Africa as the hippopotamus. The ostrich is really a much pampered bird, living a life of pure luxury. He is bred and kept in condition merely for the sake of his feathers and generally he lives to a ripe old age. The feathers are not pulled out from the sockets by the roots, but are cut with as little pain to the bird as is caused to a sheep by the shearer."

### A Use For His Obituary.

A well meaning and conscientious editor on being shown by the man most interested that the death of the commandant was falsely reported in his paper, apologized profusely and offered to make it all right.

"We'll print a correction at once," he said.

"Well," said the man who wasn't dead, "perhaps it would be better to let it stand. I'll show it to my friends when they want to borrow money."

### Asking Too Much.

Mrs. Richquick—John, I want you to buy a new parlor suit.

Mr. Richquick—Maria, I've been agreeable enough so far to get different clothes for morning, noon, afternoon and night, but I'm concerned if I'll change 'em every time I go into a different room.—Exchange.

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