

FARMERS MUST HAVE WATER TO INSURE PROFITS

J. J. Hauri of Willow Springs Section Says That He Could Not More Than Pay Taxes on Unwatered Alfalfa, While With Irrigation He Nets 10 Percent on \$400 Valuation.

"With the present high values placed upon land, the present high taxes, high cost of living and other factors, which necessitate a good profit on any line of endeavor, no farmer can take a chance on a crop failure. He must have crop insurance and the best crop insurance is found in the use of irrigation. Irrigation spells the difference between success and failure for the Rogue River Valley farmer."

This statement was made Sunday by J. J. Hauri, a successful farmer of the Willow Springs district, who was convinced several years ago that in irrigation lay the hope of prosperity for himself and the valley farmers in general. Four years ago he installed an electric pumping plant and has drawn water for irrigating 30 acres of alfalfa from Bear creek. Although he is able to supply himself with water, Mr. Hauri is supporting the district plan.

Alfalfa Experience.
"Alfalfa land without irrigation," stated Mr. Hauri, "will no more than pay taxes on the land, whereas I have found that irrigated alfalfa land will pay a net profit of 10 per cent on a valuation of \$400 per acre. If anyone is driving along the Pacific Highway between Central Point and Tolo will stop at my place, I can illustrate this. With water I am enabled to take off more than six tons of alfalfa, of course, the use of a small quantity of commercial fertilizer. Across the road from my place there is a non-irrigated alfalfa ranch. They are never able to take off more than two tons to the acre and the drought in the past few years has absolutely killed out their field. That illustrates what I mean by the difference between success and failure."

Paying Investment.
"With wheat at \$1.50 per bushel, there is a chance for the farmer, who uses the methods of his grandfather, to succeed," continued Mr. Hauri, "but that condition is abnormal and can last but a few years. In such a climate as this, when land values are high, the one method open to the farmer, if he wishes to pay reasonable interest on his investment, is the raising of cultivated, irrigated crops and that is the system under which I am, as fast as possible, bringing all my land."

That granite soil positively requires water has been proved by Mr. Hauri and he is at present leveling his land lying on the Bear Creek bottom so that it may be brought under water next year. This land is sticky and will, he thinks, also show greatly increased production with the application of water.

Only Practical Method.
Opinion in the Willow Springs district on the creation of the proposed district is divided. The progressive farmers, and especially those who have used water are in favor of the district. The chief opposition is among those who are living on rented land. These people believe that irrigation will bring intensive cultivation of crops with consequent raising of land rental. This will mean the passing of the old type of renter, who depended upon grain farming to make a living. However, this opposition counts for little, as not being landholders, they are not entitled to votes.

"There is no valid reason upon which to base opposition to irrigation in this valley," concluded Mr. Hauri, "and after having had four years' experience with irrigation, I would not consider farming without it."

NO INFANTILE PARALYSIS EPIDEMIC NEXT YEAR

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Recurrence next summer of the epidemic of infantile paralysis which swept over the country during last season is not likely, in the opinion of Health Commissioner Haven Emerson of this city expressed in an address before the city club at a luncheon today.

NEWS PICTURE FROM AFRICA! NATIVES PRAY WHEN THEY SEE AIRSHIP! THINK IT FLYING GOD



This picture shows natives of German East Africa offering prayer to an aeroplane, thinking it a flying god.

TWO TICKETS IN FIELD FOR CITY ELECTION

Nominating petitions for the "citizens and business men's" tickets are in circulation nominating the following candidates for the annual January election, pledged to a business administration:

For mayor, C. E. Gates; for councilmen, first ward, E. C. Gaddis; second ward, George T. Collins; third ward, John H. Carlin.

Petitions are also in circulation for the "People's Progressive Non-Partisan" ticket, pledged to the Medynski rebounding plan, with F. V. Medynski for mayor, H. C. Glasecock for councilman in first ward and H. O. Nordwick in the second, though the latter has not accepted the nomination. An elaborate platform is in course of preparation, according to Earl H. Fehl.

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chancellor for Ireland, Ignatius J. O'Brien.

Kiss Hand of King.

Andrew Bonar Law and the other members of the ministry who are not required to seek re-election on assumption of office and also the lords who are co-operating with the new administration, went to the palace at noon today, kissed the hands of the king and received their seals of office. The members of the cabinet who must be re-elected unless the house of commons passes a bill making this unnecessary and the ministers who are members of neither house, for whom seats must be found, are taking over their offices and will conduct them as though all official formalities have been complied with. These members, however, will not be able to appear before the house of commons tomorrow and it is expected the session will be a formal one.

The statement concerning the government's policy, to be made by Mr. Lloyd-George or Mr. Bonar Law in the house of commons and Lord Curzon in the house of lords, probably will be postponed until Thursday when the vote of credit is moved.

Strong Policy Favored.

A strong policy in regard to the control of shipping, mines, food and sea power, is looked for.

Former Premier Asquith and his followers will occupy benches to the left of the speaker's. The independent labor party, whose members are avowed peace advocates, also will cross to the opposition side, thus creating a visible split in the labor party in opinion on current issues.

The nationalists will decide their attitude at a meeting called for tomorrow. It is probable they will press the Irish claims with emphasis, demanding immediate changes in the Irish administration and the release of Irishmen arrested during the rebellion.

FORTUNE FOR PARENTS FOLLOWS DAUGHTERS CRIME

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 11.—Through publicity attending the wrecked romance of their 18 year old daughter Signe, the Gerstad family of Bellingham, Wash., it was said here today, is about to come into a fortune.

The girl recently became a temporary ward of the police through the arrest of D. M. Delmas, with whom she had eloped on his promise to marry her here. After being arrested on a bad check charge, Delmas was identified as an escapee from a penitentiary in Texas, where he had wrecked a bank. The girl was sent home.

CHICAGO'S CHIEF HAD EVERY BONE IN BODY BROKEN

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—Charles Healey, chief of police, whose status in the police department of Chicago is expected to be decided today by Mayor William Hale Thompson, has perhaps suffered more injuries than any other officer now on the force.

During his thirty years of service in the police department, every major bone in his body has been broken while in the performance of his duties. The following is a list of his most serious injuries:

Broken: Both thighs, both legs, right arm, five ribs, collar bone, nose, four fingers of right hand.

Dislocated: Shoulder and left arm. Shattered by bullet: Right wrist. In addition to these injuries he suffered numerous knife and razor cuts and clubbings about the head during his career as a policeman.

For several days there have been rumors that Chief Healey would resign on request of the mayor but early today he said the mayor had not asked him to resign, but stated he would do so if requested.

HOOPER AGAIN ESCAPES PRISON

John Austin Hooper, well known in this section as a desperado, having held up the station agent at Grants Pass and a bank at Rogue River and a store at Hornbrook, Cal., has escaped from the Missouri state penitentiary and is now at large. The escape was made November 22, the authorities since that time making a still hunt for him. Friday Pacific coast authorities were warned to keep watch for him as it is believed he has started for this section.

Hooper was sentenced to the Missouri penitentiary last July, being given ten years for the killing of a policeman. His defense was that he believed the policeman was attempting to hold him up.

Hooper's record of crime is a long one. In addition to the holdups to his credit in this section, he had broken parole at Folsom prison, California, where he was under sentence for life. Upon being arrested at Grants Pass he made a spectacular escape, no trace of him being found until his arrest in Missouri.

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SCHOOL MASTERS CLUB DISCUSSES SCHOOL PROBLEMS

The Schoolmasters' club of Southern Oregon met at Central Point Saturday, Dec. 9th, in the high school building. Principal E. B. Stanley of the Central Point schools presided. C. S. Cramer of the Medford schools addressed the club on the subject, "How I Reach the Boy." The speaker made it clear there is really no special way to reach the boy. The question is how to get the boy, and hold him. This can be accomplished by taking a personal interest in the boy, make the boy's interest your interest, to join in his sports and let him know you are a sympathetic, interested friend. This will help you greatly in holding the boys.

Prof. Edward T. Reed, college editor of O. A. C., spoke on the subject of reorganization of the course of study in the interest of greater efficiency. Prof. Reed said "that vocational education was one of the oldest types of education; it was in vogue among the Greeks. He also showed the importance of vocational education for the farmers, and that scientific methods are being introduced into all lines of work with better results to the workers. All that counts in life is the worker, the idler is scarcely considered in the affairs of life."

The program of the afternoon for a larger part of the time, was concerned with the new demands, which the introduction of the junior high school has brought about. The question, "Resolved, That the state eighth grade examinations should be abolished in districts of the second class," was debated. Affirmative, B. G. Harding of Rogue River, and G. W. Milam of Gold Hill; negative, J. W. Kerns of

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 - Biscuits and Coffee or Milk.
 - Waffles and Coffee or Milk.
 - Paked Apple and Toast or Coffee.
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 - Fried Potatoes
 - Biscuit and Coffee or Milk.
 - Stewed Prunes or Baked Apple
 - Oat Meal
 - Ham or Bacon and Eggs, any style
 - Fried Potatoes
 - Biscuit or Hot Cakes
 - Coffee or Milk
 - Stewed Prunes or Baked Apple
 - Oat Meal
 - Small Sirloin Steak
 - Fried Potatoes
 - Toast or Biscuit or Hot Cakes
 - Coffee or Milk
 - Stewed Prunes or Baked Apple
 - Sliced Orange
 - Oat Meal
 - Poached Eggs on Toast
 - Fried Potatoes
 - Toast or Biscuits
 - Coffee or Milk
 - Stewed Prunes or Baked Apple
- WE ALSO SERVE MERCHANTS' LUNCH 25c**

Medford and County Supt. J. P. Wells of Jacksonville. Many important facts were presented and the judges decided in favor of the negative. Then followed a general discussion of the subject, and at the present time this subject is being discussed by the leading educators of the state with many advantageous arguments on both sides.

An excellent luncheon was served by the high school domestic science class in their well equipped domestic science room. The next meeting will be held at Phoenix in the high school building Saturday, February 3, 1917.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Martha M. Johnston died at her home, corner West Fourth and North Holly streets, Dec. 8, aged 73 years and 2 days. Born Dec. 6, 1843 at Freeport, Ill., and at the age of 17 years moved to Chickasaw county, Iowa, and there married the late N. R. Johnston, Aug. 6, 1861. To this union 12 children were born,

seven of whom are living: Byrd Johnston, Beagle, Ore.; John Johnston, Algona, Iowa; Frank Johnston, Paso Robles, Cal.; Mrs. Ella Shoults, Medford, Mrs. Sadie Miller, Richmond, Cal.; Mrs. Mae Daw, Medford; Mrs. Elma O'Neill, Gila, Arizona.

Mrs. Johnston had been a resident of Medford twenty-two years.

Funeral services will be held at the residence, Sunday, Dec. 10, 1916, at 2:30 p. m., Rev. Carstens officiating. Burial I. O. O. F. cemetery.

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