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To the Editor:

Several years ago in the eastern part of the state, my mother, who was nursing a sick neighbor, saw a little black and white stray dog run around the house. The sight filled her with horror. She had been in the south when a girl and had seen rabid dogs. She called to one of the older boys that the dog was mad and both ran for the children who were playing on the back porch. As they opened the kitchen door, the family dog ran wildly under the washer, and the rabid dog sprang between two children to bite the dog. This gave mother an instant to snatch the children to safety.

After wandering around for awhile the dog went down amongst the stock. Then mother sent Harry for his father, who was working some distance from the house. He came, only to laugh at mother. "Why there never had been any rabies there. It might be in the south where it was hot, but up here where it was cool, not much. She had been frightened as a girl and it worked on her imagination." He refused to shoot the dog, which, after wandering amongst the stock for a while left.

For four or five days the stray dog was not seen, then it appeared at another neighbor's several miles distant, bit their dog and some stock, then disappeared and was never seen again.

The days passed, mother trying to persuade our neighbor to shoot the family dog and he refusing. Shoot a good dog like theirs! The idea was ludicrous. Finally mother told him he would either tie the dog or get another nurse. She would not stay with the dog running loose. He chained the dog securely in an old building. On the 18th day the dog began to rave. When our neighbor came to the house for the gun, his face was as white as chalk. In a few days a calf took the dreaded disease. Soon horror-filled stories began to pour in from all parts of the community of dogs, stock and wild animals with the rabies. Mother came home as she feared for the safety of her own family. From our front door she shot a rabid dog, that belonged to a family that lived ten or twelve miles from our place.

Between twenty-five and thirty miles from there, was the lumbering town of Austen. The storekeeper had an old dog that had been the children's playmate for years. There was no rabies in Austen, and besides his dog always stayed at home. Nevertheless, one morning as a little boy and girl ran in for their morning romp with Shep, he bit each, then slunk away, his green eyes glistening with rabies. Yes, the children were saved from the dreaded disease, but by a treatment that took them months to recover from.

The rabies since then have showed up at different places and is now in Portland. That even people are being bitten, is well known. Yet, with Vernonia not far away, the dogs run rampant here without leash or muzzle. Do you know that your child is safe from the dog he plays with or a neighbor's dog or even a stray dog that you do not even know exists? Supposing a rabid dog came on the school ground, then what? Yes, it is a lot of trouble to tie or muzzle the dogs, but would we not be well repaid if only one person were saved from being bitten. With the home dogs taken care of any stray dogs could quickly be handled and all danger eliminated. As rabies dies out in the cool climates in the hot weather, the situation could be dealt with easily.

Thank You

Edith Epping

HOUSE OF QUILTS PLANNED IN CCHRISTIAN CHURCH

The House of Quilts is the name of the affair to be held in the Christian church parlor at their next semi-monthly meeting, Thursday Feb. 6 at 1:30.

After the business meeting the blocks for the contest quilt will be turned in and the winner of the quilt determined.

Throughout the afternoon there will be many beautiful quilts on display. Anyone who has beautiful or unusual quilts is invited to bring from one to three of them to the church parlor Thursday forenoon for the display.

There will be two awards, one for the most beautiful and one for the most unusual quilt. A corner will be reserved for baby quilts.

WPA CREWS START FOREST PROGRAM FOR COAST RANGE

Over 100 WPA workers transferred from Forest Service crews are beginning the task of undoing what man has done on about 1,220,000 acres of burned over, second growth and cutover timber land in the Oregon coast

range. These are the vanguard of approximately 1000 workers who will be assigned to the project as rapidly as possible.

Erasing the mark of fire, axe and plow, and protection of the young trees of tomorrow's forest are the first consideration of the development program for which \$720,000 has been officially allocated, announces Halter A. Duffy, regional director, resettlement administration, Portland. Outdoor recreational facilities, game refuges and improvement of stream conditions for game are the secondary aim of the program in the conservation area.

Land included in the development project consists of 604,000 acres already in government ownership, principally in National forest status, public domain and O. and C. grant lands. The remaining acreage is mostly in private and county ownership with a small amount of state land. The resettlement administration is purchasing about 65,000 acres of county and private land to knit the project as closely together as possible.

Located along the west slope of the coastal mountain range and extending westward to the

Pacific Ocean, the conservation area falls into two units embracing practically the entire area of the Siuslaw National Forest. The north unit includes much of southern Tillamook county and extends into northern Lincoln, western Yamhill and Polk counties. The southern unit includes Eastern Lane, southern Lincoln and a portion of Douglas and Coos counties.

Protection of the existing timber and second growth will be effected through a fire and disease control program including building of lookouts; improvement and expansion of truck roads and trails providing easy access to fires; maintenance of 386 miles of existing telephone lines and construction of new lines; repair of existing forest guard stations and erection of needed new stations; snag clearance and construction of fire breaks through the area; and white pine blister rust control.

The recreational program calls for construction and maintenance of forest camp grounds and hunter's camps locator to insure a minimum of fire hazard and provide for the increasing public demand for out-door recreational facilities. Small log or shake

shelters and fire places will be placed in the hunters' camps, while a fire place and rustic tables and benches will be erected on all camp grounds.

The recently created Grass Mountain game refuge will be posted to protect game in the area and restoration of the natural forest cover, is expected to greatly increase the numbers of game native to the region.

Extensive stream development plans include opening of streams to migration of sea-run fish and other approved measures to increase game fish carrying capacity of the streams. Mouths of many coast streams have been wholly or partially blocked to steelhead trout, sea-run cutthroat and other game fish by log jams, drift accumulation and sand bars.

"The project is expected to be wholly self-liquidating over a

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