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### CAN DO BETTER AT NYSSA.

Her health broken by many years of school teaching in the Middle West, Miss M. E. Wheeler came to the Willamette valley a little more than a year ago, bought about 25 acres of wild land a few miles south of Milwaukie and commenced clearing it with her own hands. By this spring she had grubbed out the brush and trees and dynamited the stumps on seven acres. A part of this land was planted to oats which at the present time are more than seven feet tall, and on another tract she is raising every kind of vegetable that can be grown in Oregon. As a result of the strenuous outdoor life, Miss Wheeler has completely regained her health and says she cannot understand why everyone in Oregon does not take up farming.—Exchange.

Miss Wheeler certainly has no reason to regret her venture in farming, but she could have done even better at Nyssa. Instead of spending several years and considerable money clearing the land, in the Snake valley she would have had only to remove the sagebrush, an easy and inexpensive task, and the land would have been ready for the plow. Then, instead of having seven acres in crop the first year, she could have had all her tract of 25 acres in oats seven feet tall and every kind of vegetable that grows in Oregon, including some that won't grow in the Willamette valley.

The resignation of Ambassador to Mexico Wilson has been accepted. The only fault to be found with this action of President Wilson is that it was too long delayed.

Great Britain will not participate in the Panama-Pacific exposition at San Francisco. Evidently believes that if she can't run the big canal to suit herself, she has nothing to celebrate over.

Senator Saulsbury of Delaware says that "protection and socialism are twin evils and ill-omened birds." They are birds all right, but evidently not of a feather, for no one has ever accused them of flocking together.

Willis S. Dunway, state printer, who died suddenly at Portland Tuesday, was a capable and conscientious official, whose untimely death is universally regretted. He was a son of Mrs. Abigail Scott Dunway, the mother of woman's suffrage in Oregon.

New York gunmen have added another victim to their already long list, William Lustig, a young man, being shot down by four gangmen Tuesday. It may become necessary to send a bunch of I. W. W.s back to New York to civilize the wild and woolly Gothamites.

The greatest wheat crop the United States has ever produced is forecasted by B. F. Snow, the crop expert. According to the figures the country will this year produce 767,000,000 bushels. The \$50,000,000 the government is offering the banks to move the crop will doubtless come in handy.

John Henry Mears, a New York Newspaper man, has just completed a trip around the world in 35 days, beating the previous record by four days. To make any reputation as a writer of fiction these days Jules Verne would have to take his hero around the globe in an aeroplane, with probably one stop at the Nyssa Garage for gasoline.

When the high line is finished and colonists settled on every 40 acres under the Owyhee project Nyssa will be the most important town in wealth and population in the Snake valley. Its present inhabitants will then be all the better for the courage, patients and fortitude they are displaying during the weary days of waiting.

Lighted punk sticks may be effective in defeating mosquitoes, as one man suggests, but we have never been able to persuade a mosquito to sit on the lighted end.

### WHY MEXICANS REBEL

Land holdings are concentrated to a greater degree in Mexico today than they were in France in 1789. Seven thousand families hold practically all the arable land. If the distribution were proportionately the same as it is in the United States one million Mexican families would be in possession of titles to landed property. In the state of Morelos, the center of the Zapatist revolt, twelve proprietors own nine-tenths of the farming property. In Chihuahua, the center of the agrarian revolution in the north, the Terrazas family holds nearly twenty million acres, which comprise nearly all the tillable soil of that state. The greater portion of the state of Yucatan is held by thirty men, kings of sisal hemp. The territory of Quintana Roo, which is double the size of Massachusetts, is divided among eight companies. When I visited Madero on January 27, he unrolled a map of Lower California showing the land gifts of General Diaz. That territory, equal in area to Alabama, had been sold in five vast tracts for about three-fifths of a cent an acre.

In the United States the farmer is a humble person; in Mexico he is a king of millionaires. The typical farm in Mexico is not of one hundred and sixty acres, nor yet of sixteen hundred, but of one million. The Madero holdings in Coahuila run into the millions of acres. Nowhere in the world, not in India nor Egypt nor any other country, are found the vast cotton plantations that are discovered in the state of Durango.

In a news dispatch regarding the operations of the rebels, which recently appeared in the Mexican papers, it was casually mentioned that on one farm in the state of Puebla, the Atencingo, the rebels had burned two million pesos worth of sugar cane. If the crop standing in the field was worth two million pesos, how much might the farm itself be worth.

Instead of showing a tendency to break up, this system has been growing steadily stronger. Always, since the rule of Spain was fastened upon Mexico, land has been held in huge tracts, and there have been feudal lords and serfs. But in Spanish times and later, after the independence, a considerable proportion of the common people had farms of their own, which insured them a fair measure of freedom.

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### BRIEF AND BREEZY.

Had your vacation? Then do your Christmas shopping early.

There is a different kind of insect for every blade of grass that grows in the world.

"Flies more numerous than ever," says a scientist. And all that wasted swatting.

A manufacturer is always an authority, if not on the tariff, at least on how much tariff he wants.

New sun spots have been discovered besides those on the arms and shoulders of incautious lake bathers.

A friend of Tom Watson, in Georgia has named a watermelon, which shows how Tom is appreciated at home.

While pulling in an occasional fish, father broods a little, over how long the grass must be getting back home.

Our more fashionable suburbs might be expected to solve the transportation problem by inaugurating an aeroplane service.

A Chicago doctor says America is developing a race of shortsighted people. Maybe he's right. Our national anthem begins, "O say, can you see?"

According to the government report there has been a serious falling off in the oats yield this year, though the crop of wild oats seems to be as big as ever.

Republicans of the house have notified the president that he will receive their support in his Mexican program so long as a non-partisan attitude is maintained. As President Wilson has carefully maintained a non-partisan attitude on all national questions, the republicans will find no excuse for opposing him in the Mexican affair.

Dr. Paul Samuel Reinsch, of the University of Wisconsin, has been appointed minister to China. If he values his job, he had better start for his post right away, for with the rebels threatening secession in the south and Russia and Japan grabbing large sections in the north, there may not be any China left by the time he gets there.

### Extending the Parcel Post.

Postmaster General Burleson is to be commended for his efforts to extend the usefulness of the parcel post by lowering the rates which are entirely too high, as the operation of the parcel post has rolled up immense profits and profitmaking is not the purpose of the act. He is also anxious to increase the weight limit so that packages beyond 11 pounds can be carried through the mails. If the postmaster general can have his way this service will confer a great blessing on the people of this country and especially the working classes. The railroads and express companies who are alleged to own and control a number of United States senators are trying their utmost to forestall this improvement because it will practically ruin the express companies by diverting their trade from them and into the channels of the parcel post. The aforementioned senators are raising a big fuss because Postmaster General Burleson is endeavoring to make this great improvement in the service.

### Last Seashore Excursion.

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### Notice for Publication.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Vale, Oregon, August 1, 1913.—Notice is hereby given that John S. Glasscock, of Owyhee, Oregon, who, on October 30, 1906, made homestead entry, No. 0576, for S½ SE¼, NE¼ SE¼ Sec. 32, T. 20 S., R. 46 E., and NE¼ NE¼ Sec. 5, Township 21 S., Range 46 E., Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to establish claim to the land above described, before the Register and Receiver of the U. S. Land Office, at Vale, Oregon, on the 11th day of September 1913.

Claimant names as witnesses: C. C. Bradley, E. F. Pratt, S. J. Watson and F. E. Newbill, all of Owyhee, Oregon.

BRUCE R. KESTER, Register.

### Notice for Publication

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Vale, Oregon, July 16, 1913. Notice is hereby given that John I. Chuning, of Owyhee, Oregon, who on October 31st, 1911, made Homestead application No. 02032, for the Northeast Quarter (NE¼), Section 30, Township 20 S., Range 46 E., Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final commutation proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before the Register and Receiver, U. S. Land Office, at Vale, Oregon, on the 25th day of August, 1913.

Claimant names as witnesses: H. T. Pratt, of Owyhee, Oregon; Charles Bradley, of Owyhee, Oregon; Billy Glenn, of Owyhee, Oregon; Newt Thompson, of Owyhee, Oregon.

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### Notice of Estrays.

Came to my place near Nyssa one bay horse six years old, saddle marks, shod, bald face, white right hindfoot, branded X on left jaw, C L on left shoulder, bar 2 on left stifle (dim). Weight about 900 pounds. One small black yearling filly, brand quarter-circle L connected. One bay mare 3 or 4 years old, gentle, well broke, weight about 1100 lbs.; branded quarter-circle L bar on left shoulder. Owner can have same by proving property and paying charges, including cost of this notice, advj173t J. M. DUNCAN.

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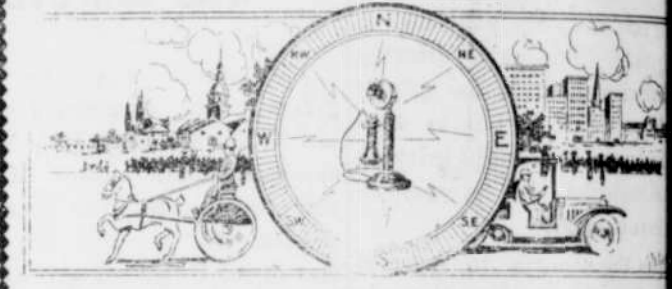


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