

Today

Life on the Desert.
Opportunity Is There.
Alfalfa Beats Gold.
The Hodge Brothers' Ranch.

By ARTHUR BRISBANE.

(Written at Barstow, on the Santa Fe, 2,000 feet above the level of the Pacific, which is less than 100 miles away in a straight line.)

Are there opportunities left for young Americans in the far west, or are the opportunities all gone?

For an answer, see the Hodge brothers' alfalfa ranch at Balliser, on the Santa Fe railroad, about 12 miles west of here. You will learn courage, ambition and desire at work, will find plenty of opportunities—especially for work.

Gilbert and Robert Hodge of Buffalo came from a rich family, one of Buffalo's streets is named for them. The money disappeared, as American fortunes sometimes do, about the time they were born. That was fortunate for them.

The best opportunity for a real man is necessity.

These two brothers, barely 20, did not look for some rich relative to offer a soft spot. They read that desert land could be made fertile and productive. Under the homestead act the two brothers took up about 500 acres here, on the Mohave desert.

It was land, absolutely barren, apparently. The population consisted of jackrabbits, able to cover many miles a day, and a few tiny donkeys almost as swift as rabbits, descended from burrows whose prospecting owners generations ago had left their bones bleaching on the hills.

The Hodge ranch shows what work can produce in the desert.

The fields of alfalfa, that grows 40 inches high, are fenced against jackrabbits.

A comfortable house for the brothers and their mother takes the place of a ten in which the brothers lived, and worked, until the war broke out. Then they left everything, entered the army and went to Europe.

A little garage houses the car that makes them independent of distance. There is a team for a team of horses used to cut the alfalfa and run the baling machine, and a very contented cow that yields 28 quarts of milk a day, on an alfalfa diet.

Everything there, the brothers built with their own hands, including a pumping station of concrete, the installation of an electric pump, and a big reservoir for irrigation that holds 358,000 gallons.

A contractor wanted \$2,000 to build the reservoir and guarantee it water tight. The boys didn't have the \$2,000. They dug and built the reservoir themselves with concrete sufficiently high above the ground. It is water tight.

The materials cost them \$175. For every pound of dry alfalfa put on the land 500 pounds of water is needed—1,000,000 pounds for a ton of alfalfa. They do it and make it pay. An electric line near by brings "white power" from the mountains and serves them cheaply.

It costs only \$51.50 to pump 350,000 gallons of water. There on the desert, where the donkeys and jackrabbits nibble sage brush and "grease wood" shrubs, the water, in unlimited quantities, is within 18 feet of the surface. And that marvellously fertile soil, 15 feet deep, washed down from mountain sides through thousands of centuries, produces seven crops of alfalfa between May and October.

And that pays.

It supplies all the money that the brothers need to live and to improve their property.

Seventeen acres of alfalfa yield each season 127 tons, which sells at the railroad siding, a mile and a half away, for \$27 a ton—\$3,429 worth of alfalfa from 17 acres. The desert land plus courage, hard work and water, yields \$184 to the acre.

It is an absolutely sure crop. No failures there. The sun shines all through the growing season. The water rises faithfully from subterranean streams, and is directed through irrigation channels to the alfalfa. Seven times they cut it, and seven times it grows, a crop more certain than ever was raised in the wonderful Nile valley. Sometimes Nile waters failed. Desert irrigation never fails.

Is the case of the Hodge brothers exceptional and not to be duplicated?

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For real effectiveness, this old home-made remedy has been made easily and cheaply prepared.

You'll never know how quickly a bad cough can be conquered, until you try this famous old home-made remedy. Anyone who has coughed all day and all night will find that the immediate relief given is almost like magic. It is very easily prepared, and there is nothing better for coughs.

Into a pint bottle, put 2 1/2 ounces of Pinex; then add plain granulated sugar syrup to make a full pint. Or you can use either molasses, honey, or corn syrup, instead of sugar syrup. Either way, the full pint saves about two-thirds of the money usually spent for cough preparations, and gives you a more positive, effective remedy. It keeps perfectly, and tastes pleasant—children like it.

You can feel this take hold instantly, soothing and healing the membranes in all the air passages. It promptly loosens a dry, tight cough, and soon you will notice the phlegm thin out and disappear. A day's use will usually break up an ordinary throat or chest cold, and it is also splendid for bronchitis, croup, hoarseness, and bronchial asthma.

Pinex is most valuable concentrated compound of genuine Norway pine extract, the most reliable remedy for throat and chest ailments.

To avoid disappointment, ask your druggist for "2 1/2 ounces of Pinex" with directions and don't accept anything else. Guaranteed to give absolute satisfaction or money refunded.

The Pinex Co., Ft. Wayne, Ind.

The Daily Cross Word Puzzle

By RICHARD H. TINGLEY.

- Horizontal.**
1. Torn piece of cloth.
 4. Pertaining to the nose.
 6. Benediction.
 8. A Babylonian god.
 9. Tooth for a wheel.
 11. A conjecture.
 12. Title of nobility.
 14. The human race.
 16. A species of small deer.
 18. Sour.
 19. Hangman's knot.
 22. Volcano in Sicily.
 24. Home of Abraham.
 25. A fermented malt liquor.
 26. Musical note.
 27. The Kingdom of Persia.
 29. An impression.
 32. One who gets your dinner.
 34. A single thing.
 35. Cape on the Massachusetts coast.
 36. A city in Prussia.
 38. Distinction.
 40. Promotes sociability.
 42. Falseness.
 43. Skilled mechanic.
 46. Sweet stuff.
 47. What you get for "tat."
- Vertical.**
1. A dock.
 2. What Nurmi did to perfection.
 3. Nonsense talk.
 4. One of England's most famous admirals.
 5. To place.
 6. An insect.
 7. And again not.
 8. To push with the head.
 10. Blood.
 11. Pertinent.
 13. Opinions.
 14. Mother.
 15. Pertaining to the Arctic regions.

MOTHER!
Clean Child's Bowels
"California Fig Syrup" is Dependable Laxative for Sick Children

Hurry Mother! A teaspoonful of "California Fig Syrup" now will sweeten the stomach and thoroughly clean the little bowels and in a few hours you have a well, playful child again. Even if cross, feverish, bilious, constipated or full of cold, children love its pleasant taste. It never cramps or overacts. Contains no narcotics or soothing drugs.

Tell your druggist you want only the genuine "California Fig Syrup" which has directions for babies and children of all ages printed on bottle. Mother, you must say "California." Refuse any imitation.

Solution of yesterday's puzzle.

W	I	T	M	O	T	S	I		
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ated? No. Five miles east of them on the same road is the Emerson ranch of 160 acres. The owner, who bought it from some discouraged owner, with more desire for money than for work, paying for it just \$25, 15 cents an acre, has just sold his place for \$30,000. He started ahead of the Hodge boys, planted alfalfa first as they did; then, having got the land right by the irrigation and the humus that alfalfa puts into ground, he turned into fruit, grapes, pears, almonds.

He is putting his \$30,000 into a gold mine proposition. Perhaps he has done better than stick to the ranch. Let's hope so.

The Hodge brothers, proceeding cautiously by the way, have added melon growing to their alfalfa. The only difficulty there is that the melons grow so big they are not commercially available for the average restaurant, the portions would be too big. But Fred Harvey, food king of the Santa Fe, buys them. Watermelons, casahs, Spanish melons, and all the desert dwellers and workers will tell you that their melons cannot be equalled, or their alfalfa either, by the fields of the Imperial Valley.

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Every man or woman who still has corns or calluses ought to try "Gets-It" and see how marvelously it works. Corns pain stop. The corn or callous shrivels up, it comes out complete and gives blessed relief. Your satisfaction is guaranteed. Sold everywhere. Costs but a trifle. E. Lawrence & Co., Chicago.

BERNICE COAL
Arkansas Anthracite
We Have a Fresh Supply

UPDIKE LUMBER & COAL CO.
See Sample of This Coal at Hayden's Grocery Dept.

Snowflake Husk Towels
13x23, superior quality, plain center with red stripe border, an ideal towel for barbers and hotels. Dozen 89c
Bargain Annex.

HAYDEN'S FIRST

Ladies' Vests
Fine knit bodice and built-up top, self and ribbon shoulder straps, sizes 36 to 44. Ea. 25c
Bargain Annex.

Opening Sales for Tuesday

CLOTHES You'll Find in the Smartest Company

\$25, \$35 and \$40
Others Up to \$50

Stetson Hats **Store for Men**

Capps Clothes 100 Per Cent Pure Wool

Being well dressed does not necessarily mean expensively dressed. It means that one's clothes are individual in design and smartly tailored.

Those are the clothes you will find here. They are the only kind of clothes it pays to buy. You will be surprised to see the character of tailoring and the rich woollens we are able to combine in our smart new spring suits and topcoats. They are so good, in fact, that we invite you to compare elsewhere before you buy.

STORE FOR MEN

"Opening Specials" in the Annex
Extraordinary Values on Sale Tuesday

300 New Spring Dresses

New crisp dresses in satin-faced cantons and silk knit, dresses in all the new shades, and every one a late spring model. An elegant lot of clever creations, copies of styles that sell for three times the price.

Your Choice \$5.00

Gingham House Dresses 75c
An elegant assortment of new spring coats in the latest material; full guaranteed lining; light, medium and dark shades; all sizes. Values to \$15.00.

New Spring Coats \$7.95
An elegant assortment of new spring coats in the latest material; full guaranteed lining; light, medium and dark shades; all sizes. Values to \$15.00.

Silk Scarfs 98c
200 silk scarfs in all high colors in fancy stripes in a world of pretty weaves and colors. Regular \$1.98 quality.

"Opening Specials" in the Annex

Ruffled Curtains 79c
Marquessette and scrim ruffled curtains of excellent quality, well made, neatly ruffled with tie-backs to match. Very special for Tuesday. Pair—

65c Bloomer Cloth 49c
Plain and striped in a large assortment of all the new shades and black. Very popular for slips, bloomers, teddies, etc. Yard—

Drapery Cretonnes 19c
36-inch of excellent quality, light and dark colors, new patterns in floral and Persian designs. Yd.—

Bleached Sheets, 79c Ea.
72x90, made of fine round thread sheeting with French center seam and finished with a 3-inch hem.

Ladies' Fiber Silk Hose 39c Pr.
Of excellent quality, elastic tops, shaped leg, seamless. In a variety of all the new spring shades, also black. Sizes 8 1/2 to 10. Exceptional values.

Pillow Cases, 26c Ea.
45x36-inch, made up of extra heavy muslin, soft finish, no filling or dressing and finished with a 3-inch hem.

Domestic Remnants 29c Yd.
8 1/2-inch bleached sheeting, 42 and 45-inch pillow tubing in mill ends of useful lengths, values from 45c to 65c yd. Priced in one lot at 29c yd.

Grocery Sales for Tuesday

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3 cans Wilson Milk (3 cans to customer) 25c

10 bars Omaha Family Soap, 37c

Sliced Pineapples, 2 1/2-lb. can 25c

6 lbs. Fresh Oatmeal 25c

Diamond H. Flour, 48-lb. sk. \$2.48

O. M. R. Wonder Flour, 48-lb. sack, at \$2.55

Hayden's Diamond H. Mustard, quart 23c

Fancy Pink Salmon, 1-lb. tall can, 13c

Fruits and Vegetables

Fancy Santa Clara Prunes, lb. . . 10c

Fancy Bulk Dates, lb. 12 1/2c

English Walnuts, lb. 25c

Fancy Florida Grapefruit, ea. 5c

Fancy Idaho Potatoes, peck . . 25c

Rome Beauty Apples, box . \$1.98

Grape-Nuts, per pkg. 15c

Opening Sales—New Spring Novelty Footwear
In All the New Shades

Patent Colors
Satin Tan and Black
Kid Rose Blonde
High and Penny
Low Heels Tan Blonde

31 Different Styles of Grover Pumps and Oxfords
In strap, cut-out pumps and Oxfords.
Now on display on our Main Floor

Patent \$5, \$6 and \$8.50

Opening Sales Laces - Trimmings

An exclusive import line of the finest Spring and Summer laces, embroideries and trimmings from an exclusive Dress Makers' supply firm, on display this week, beginning Tuesday.

A number of specials in fine laces for Evening and Street Gowns, at special prices.

New Buttons
Our stock is now complete, all styles and colors.

New Gloves
In the Fownes and also a direct import line of New Easter Novelties, from France.

Special Lots: \$1.25, \$2.75, \$3.50, \$4.50

New French Handkerchiefs and Toilet Novelties
On Special Display Tuesday.

Opening Sales Silks and Woolens

Striped Crepe and Broadcloth 2.79 Yd.

For Sports wear, nothing smarter, gorgeous Roman stripes or delicate candy stripes on dark or light grounds, fast washable colors.

Flat Crepe \$3.25 Yd.
An extra heavy flat crepe for frocks or ensemble suit, all wanted spring colors, also black.

Kashmir, \$3.95 Yd.
A beautiful wool material (similar to kash) in the wanted natural tones, also colors. 34 inches wide.

Market Sales for Tuesday

Market

Choice Steer Round Steak 22 1/2c

Fresh Pig Spare Ribs 14c

Fresh Hog Hearts, 6 lbs. for. . . 25c

Sugar Cured Picnic Hams 14 1/2c

Swift's Sliced Bacon 38c

Fancy Fresh Country Roll Butter, at 34 1/2c

Fancy Fresh Tub Creamery Butter, at 40 1/2c

Selected Fresh Country Eggs, at 27 1/2c

Anchor or Tropic Nut Oleomargarine, 2 lbs. 45c

Tea and Coffee

M. & J. Blend Coffee, lb. 50c

2 lbs. 98c

Santas Coffee, at 38c

Fancy Spider Leg Tea 60c

Tea Siftings, 2 lbs. for 35c

Breakfast Cocoa, lb. 10c

3 lbs. 25c

Opening Sales Leather Goods—Silver

\$2.00 and \$2.50

Leather Bags \$1.00

Shopping Bags, black cloth lined, new flat bags, soft grain and silk leather finish, very new in two-toned, patent and tan. Many other novelties.

Dutch Silver Display at Special Prices

\$2.00 Candlesticks, ea. \$1.00
\$2.00 Dutch Vases, ea. \$1.00
Dutch Hot Pads, large oval mat, \$1.50
Dutch Hot Pads, 25c

Rayon Silk Crepes 98c Yard

These are the Wonder Fabrics of the New Season. Plain shades, pebble weave or self color, embroidered, bright, colorful, sparkling tones. All 36 inches wide. Main Floor.

Anna May Prints 39c Yard

The real wash fabric success for Children's Dresses, absolutely fast color, small printed patterns of bright color grounds, here at 39c yard. Main Floor.

\$1.50 Hand Embroidered Chemise 98c

50 dozen Philippine Chemise, neat hand embroidered patterns, excellent material, all sizes 36 to 44. Second Floor.

Opening Sales Boys' Wear

Boys' Fine Suits \$8.95

With 2 pair of pants, snappy new Spring styles. Bright new patterns and colors. Well tailored perfect fitting suits with 2 pair of knickerbockers. Sizes 6 to 17.

BOYS' QUALITY SHIRTS 95c

"Puritan" and "Irwin" fine count percales, collar attached styles, fancy patterns and solid colors. Sizes 12 1/2 to 14.

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