

OMAHA MEN PLANT FIG TREES

California Farm Products Company Owns Rich Soil in West.

WHERE THE CLIMATE IS IDEAL

Local Men Take Up Land Along the Sacramento River, Where Shipping Facilities for Their Products Are of Best.

It will no doubt be of interest to readers of The Bee to know that rapid strides are being made in the Smyrna fig industry because of the fact that a number of Omaha's prominent business and professional men own one of the largest tracts that has been planted to this delicious fruit.

The land is located in Glenn county, California, on the east bank of the Sacramento river, near Blue Bluff, about sixty miles north of Sacramento and 130 miles north of San Francisco.

The company is known as the California Farm Products company. John N. Westberg is the secretary of the company, with offices in The Bee building.

Blue City is located on the Sacramento river, which is navigable all the year, and river steamers are plying constantly. About sixteen miles to the west is the main line of the Southern Pacific railroad, with immediate railroad facilities now under construction.

The soil is known as "Sacramento loam," dark gray in color, varying from eight to twelve feet in depth, and when properly tilled and watered will produce inexhaustible quantities from wells bored to a depth of about eight feet into a very coarse gravel. The water rises within fifteen feet of the surface and is then raised by electric power for irrigation and domestic purposes.

The climatic conditions are ideal. According to the United States weather bureau reports for the last fifteen years the temperature is almost identical with southern Italy. Any and all of the grains, grasses, nuts and fruits that are grown in the temperate or semi-tropical zones will grow and thrive in this wonderful valley. Figs, oranges, lemons, peaches, plums, peaches, apricots, cherries and all varieties of grapes, English and black walnuts, almonds, etc., thrive in abundance.

The land of the California Farm Products company is all planted to the commercial (Smyrna) figs.

The fig tree is allowed to bear when it is 5 years old, from date of planting, producing about 100 pounds of dried fruit to the tree, and usually brings 85 cents per pound. The trees are planted about forty feet apart, making twenty-seven trees to the acre, which will produce an income of about \$15 per acre. After five years the trees will yield a greater amount of the fruit each year until they are in full bearing.

The rivers and streams give the sportsman a chance for all kinds of game and fishing. In the fall and winter months quail, duck and geese abound and are seen all over the valley by thousands.

Land values in all California and especially the Sacramento valley, will surely double when the Panama canal is completed, which will make Sacramento and San Francisco two of the greatest shipping points in the United States.

One of the reasons, and perhaps the greatest, for the wonderful development of the valley is the Sacramento river, which is recently taking an added importance. Of approximately 5,000,000 tons of products raised in the valley, about 200,000 tons are now transported on the river to San Francisco.

Saturday is to Be Children's Day at the Big Land Show

Saturday is to be children's day at the Land show, and every boy and girl in Omaha is invited. This invitation extends out in the state and it will not surprise the Land show management if 10,000 or more children passed through the gates Saturday.

A couple of days ago it was announced that each boy or girl attending the show Saturday would be given free of charge a package of candy. On this proposition the Land show officials have made good, for they have purchased 15,000 packages of O'Brien's celebrated pure sugar plums and have them ready for distribution.

During Saturday night the Omaha and South Omaha high school cadets will be on hand, uniformed. The South Omaha boys will be accompanied by their orchestra, that appeared earlier during the Land show and made such a hit.

Sir Knights to Flock to the Land Show on Saturday

To show their appreciation of the Land show the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben have decided upon Saturday night as the time they will be at the "den." The ruler of the Kingdom of Quivera, who by the way is King Ak-Sar-Ben XVII and who masks under the common every day name of Joe Barker, has issued a royal edict, instructing his subjects and vassals to be at the Land show at 8 o'clock Saturday night and they are going to be there.

There will be a hot time during the night and there will be singing, music and it will not be a bit surprising if just before the close of the Land show Saturday night several wagon loads of fruit is given away.

Ye Olde Cider Mill Seen at Land Show

The Land show is particularly rich in its full line of citrus fruits. The delicious fruits are particularly extensive in species, grades and characteristics. Apples predominate, of course, at this time of the year. About sixty varieties are shown, and Idaho, Washington, Oregon, Utah and California enter into strong competition for honors and admiration with Nebraska and Iowa. In addition to the showing of apples, most suitably arranged, pure apple cider is on display and dispensed to the public at "Ye Olde Cider Mill." The aroma from the crushed apple, through the medium of an electric motorized cider press, is wafted in all directions through the main hall. It is needless to add that this invitation to partake of the cider is cheerfully accepted by those present. The lady and pretty girls, dressed in white, who dispense the cider, lend added attraction to the booth.

Carter Car Climbs Hills



EXHIBITION DAILY AT THE LAND SHOW. The Carter climbing automobile in the Machinery hall at the Land show each day is doing what it is claimed no other automobile can do—that is, climb an incline of 45 degrees. The Carter car climbs the incline with as much ease as an ordinary car would go up an incline of 10 degrees, backing down onto the level without any apparent effort. There is no hour of the day that a crowd is not around the Carter show exhibit, watching the performances of the machine.

MARSH VALLEY IS SHOWN

Beautiful Little Idaho District Has Land Show Booth.

EXHIBIT IS VERY ARTISTIC

Substantial Town is Being Developed at Downey, with Good Hotel and Water System Under Construction.

Over on the west side of the main hall at the Omaha Land Show, located in a most artistic booth, is an exhibit that attracts the attention of every person who passes. It is a booth in which is displayed the products of the Marsh valley of Idaho, gathered and arranged by the Downey Improvement company and in charge of E. C. Crocker, who is in constant attendance.

On the front of the Marsh valley booth are numerous large photographs showing the topography of the country and some of the well developed farms in the vicinity of Downey, as well as residences and business houses, where the Kidder-Poody interests are developing a substantial little city.

Although new, the town has a water system under construction and a splendid hotel. The town is on the main line of the Oregon Short Line and in a section of country that grows not only fruit but all of the grains and grasses of the west. Plans are being perfected to secure a flouring mill and it is expected that it will be in operation before another crop is harvested.

In the immediate vicinity of Downey are 25,000 acres of land under a splendid irrigation system and as soon as the tract is brought to the producing stage, its products will add materially to the business of the town. Downey town lots have doubled in value within the last ninety days, according to E. C. Crocker. These lots are now sold on easy payments. At the booth they are being away beautifully illustrated booklets of the section.

Precious Minerals at the Land Show

Radio-active vanadium and uranium—you don't know what it is—can be seen at the Land show. C. A. Wood of Esceverille, Colo., in charge of the booth in which the resources of San Miguel county are exploited, will tell you all about it. He will explain that it is worth as high as \$1,400 a ton, and that radium is extracted from it. Uranium is found in large quantities in San Miguel county, and most of it is shipped to Europe, where it is used in hardening steel. Mr. Cook tells of one man who quietly went out into the mountains, dug up ten tons of it in a short time and sold it for \$10,000.

Mr. Wood is in charge of a very interesting exhibit, which embraces grains, grasses and other soil products. During the season just closed there was raised in his county red turkey wheat that ran seventy bushels and oats that produced 123 bushels to the acre. The San Miguel valley is famous for its fine beef cattle.

Let us see the International Stock show at Chicago as the first prize for the best car of young beef steers was awarded to Al Neale of Montrose, which is his winter home. The cattle, however, were raised on Iron Springs mesa at San Miguel county, about six miles from Placerville, which is the shipping point for more cattle than any other station in the state. Howell Bros., five miles southwest, took second prize two years ago and Cotter's herd of Polled Black won prizes at the Denver Stock show.

Endearing Terms Heard by Wireless

Telephoning by wireless caused considerable amusement at the Land show Thursday night. Harry Gordon of Council Bluffs, accompanied by his best girl, visited the show. As they walked about the building they aptly people walking around with umbrellas over their heads, the receiver of a telephone glued to one ear.

Going up to Dr. Mulener, who is conducting the wireless demonstration booth, Gordon asked the doctor: "What is it?" "Just sending words by telephone without using wires."

Gordon declared it could not be done, and to convince him the doctor placed a head phone on his thick dome and giving him a raised umbrella, sent him out on the floor.

The young woman watched the operation and going over to the doctor said: "Please let me talk to Harry."

Consent was given and going up to the transmitter, the maiden, who refused to give her name, in a loud whisper, spoke into the mouth of the wireless phone: "Harry, dear, can you hear me?"

Harry heard and so did a dozen other parties who were on the line. Loud laughter broke the connection and the young couple hurried away into the dark tent to watch the moving pictures.

Saturday will be field day for overcasts that give a lot of overcasts that are anxious to get into the game on the backs of the young men of this town. Will enter into 5-year contracts for \$100 to \$200 for the entire period. BENSON & THORNE CO.

FIRST CROP PAYS FOR LAND

This is Claim Made for Farming Tracts in Wyoming.

DRY FARMING METHODS USED

Flax is Principal Crop, Though Wheat, Oats and Vegetables Are Grown with Encouraging Success.

"The land where one crop pays for the land," is the sign that attracts Land show visitors at the Coliseum. People wonder where this land can be and frequently laugh at the idea, but they are soon convinced after a talk with C. L. Beatty, the man in charge, who explains that the sign is from Pine Bluff, the first station in Wyoming on the main line of the Union Pacific.

The Pine Bluff proposition is one of dry farming and one where the system has proven a great success, as there has never been a crop failure. Prior to 1896 the country around Pine Bluff was given over to the cattlemen, though a small Swedish settlement was established farther north as early as 1827. In 1896 after the Roosevelt order for forces to come down, the country settled rapidly and since then settlers have been pouring in and buying land, much of which remains for purchase at \$5 per acre on easy terms and crop payments.

This land, according to Mr. Beatty, will produce a crop, the returns from which the first year pay for the land. This crop is flax, something that is a sure revenue of from \$20 to \$25 per acre.

Although dry farming is carried on in this section of Wyoming, the average annual rainfall is eighteen inches, ten and one-half inches of it falling during the four growing months of the year.

On the high, level table land wheat yields from ten to forty bushels per acre, and oats twenty-five to forty, weighing as high as forty-four pounds to the bushel. It is a natural alfalfa country, the land producing two cuttings per year and the yield running from two to three tons per acre. Taxes are low, this year having been \$7.35 per 100 acres.

Although no claims are made to this section of Wyoming being a corn country, this year this cereal is yielding twenty-five bushels per acre. The finest vegetables in the world are raised, all growing to enormous size.

In 1903 Pine Bluff shipped more oats than any station on the Union Pacific between Grand Island and the west line of Wyoming.

Since locating in Pine Bluff Mr. Beatty alone has located more than 1,000 families on farms in the vicinity, which simply gives an idea of the rapid growth of that portion of the state.

Council Bluffs

Attackers on Car Get Freedom

Because they imagined they waited too long for a street car to convey them to Omaha, Carl Vanberg, Ed Gierard and J. T. Reid decided they would smash the windows of the next car that came along if it did not stop. The decision was reached about 1 o'clock yesterday morning after the men had stood about five minutes at the corner of Avenue A and Twenty-sixth street. The next car happened to be one returning from Omaha, and when it passed the men fired a volley of bricks and stones. Two windows were smashed and several of the passengers had narrow escapes from injury. The car was stopped and backed up to the point where the men were still standing and were found to be in a woody condition.

ABRY passengers swarmed out bent on wreaking summary vengeance, but were restrained by the conductor. He made the men put up \$2 for the broken windows and continued his journey eastward. At the Pearl street junction he reported the incident to the police station, giving a good description of the men. Captain Shafer and a squad of officers went down and found the men at Twenty-eighth street and Broadway and placed them under arrest.

In police court yesterday morning the street railway company failed to prosecute and the men were all discharged.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following transfers were reported to The Bee on October 25 by the Pottawattamie County Abstract company of Council Bluffs: Josephine F. Goodwater to Frederick B. Goodwater, and 1/2 of 2nd NW 1/4 and NW 1/4 of 3rd NW 1/4, \$4,000; Gertrude Goodwater and husband to B. Goodwater, NW 1/4 of 7-7-40, 2,000; E. H. Louise and wife to Joe Martin, lot 15 in blk. 22 in Perry add to Council Bluffs, Ia., w. d., 850; Harry W. Keeling and wife to George J. W. Seate and wife to George J. McAlpine, lot 12 in blk. 12 in Williams add to Council Bluffs, Ia., w. d., 800; Nicholas Kersch and wife to Ella V. McCormick, lot 12 in blk. 7 in Streets add to Council Bluffs, Ia., w. d., 500; Christina Bern and husband to Iowa Omaha Short Line Ry. Co., a strip of land in 2nd NW 1/4 13-74-42 and NW 1/4 14-74-42, w. d., 750; Margaretta Bauerkenner to Iowa Omaha Short Line Co., a strip of land in 2nd NW 1/4 13-74-42 and NW 1/4 14-74-42, w. d., 500; C. W. Gillin and wife to Martin Higgins, lot 15 in blk. 11, McClelland, Ia., w. d., 1; Nine transfers total.....\$9,807

Purse for Dr. Sisson.

NEBRASKA CITY, Oct. 27.—(Special.)—Rev. F. M. Sisson, who after being returned here as pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, was ordered to Fremont to take charge of the church there. Left many warm friends here outside of the church, and when he was here a few days ago telling them good-bye they presented him with a purse containing \$100 in gold, mostly as a token of their friendship and esteem.

"Lost" Boy Is Not Lost.

CLARION, Ia., Oct. 26.—(Special.)—Burton, the 24-year-old son of E. B. Huntley of Boone township, was lost last night. A searching party of twenty-five covered the country until after daylight. The boy appeared at the door of Court Johnson at 6 o'clock this morning. He said he slept on the ground on the premises of his grandparents.

Girl Unconscious Eighty Hours.

IOWA CITY, Ia., Oct. 27.—(Special.)—In an unconscious condition for more than eighty hours as a result of her fall from the interurban bridge over the Iowa river here last Sunday morning, is the experience of Miss Lulu White of Colo., Ia., the homeopathic nurse student at the University of Iowa. Her recovery is doubtful.

Council Bluffs

Council Refuses Postal's Request

The city council, sitting as a committee of the whole, yesterday afternoon decided that the Postal Telegraph company's application in its application for a modification of the ordinance requiring all wires to be placed underground, was not permissible, and instructed Mayor Maloney at once to notify Manager Wolfe of Omaha that his company must comply with the ordinance as it now stands. At the same time the council instructed Manager English at once to move the huge pole carrying the Postal's wires located at the corner of Broadway and Bryant streets, and which occupies the exact spot where the pedestal must be placed to support the new flaming arc light.

At the meeting of the council on Monday night Manager Wolfe submitted a blue print indicating the proposed course of the wires through the city and passing through its local office. The line was to leave McPherson avenue, where the transcontinental wires enter the city, pass north to Broadway at Oak street, follow Broadway west to Suitsman street, then pass south to Pierce street and follow that thoroughfare to Third street in the rear of the Masonic temple. From that point it was proposed to carry the wires underground down the alley, crossing Fourth, Main and Pearl streets to the company's office, and then be resumed on poles westward to Ninth street, where it would cross Broadway and follow the line of alleys to the river. The aldermen decided to refuse this request as it would require a change in the ordinance, and to instruct the company that its only way to evade the ordinance was to run its line of poles down Indian creek.

This was suggested at the meeting of the council, and Manager Wolfe stated that it would be impossible to construct a line along the creek, as it would be of a "snakey" character and would require the setting of at least 1,000 stabs, and if built in the best manner possible would probably fall into the creek about a dozen times a year.

COUNCILMEN INSPECT PROPOSED NEW ROADWAY

Conveyed in two big automobiles the members of the city council and Mayor Maloney yesterday afternoon made an inspection of the proposed new roadway that will be substituted for South avenue as the principal avenue for street traffic coming and going in the southeast part of town. The party was chaperoned by Robert B. Wallace, who is chiefly responsible for the proposed important improvement and who has succeeded in securing donations of a fine right-of-way through valuable lands for the entire distance.

The aldermen found that all recounted by Mr. Wallace at the meeting Monday night was true and that the new roadway would be a most valuable improvement.



January 3 they would be cut down and the wires cut away and removed. The city officials feel considerable soreness over the treatment accorded by the company's officials. Promises were made in February that accredited officials would be sent here to investigate and that the ordinance would be fully complied with. They never came, after numerous specific appointments had been made. They were advised that conduits must be laid on Broadway in advance of the paving. For several months no replies were given to letters sent by Mayor Maloney. In the middle of the summer, after the repaving was well under way, surveyors came here and took measurements for the conduits. That was the last until the request came Monday night to change the ordinance.

Council Bluffs

Secure a Farm Home in the Union Pacific Country

Now is the time to look over the products raised in the states comprising the richest section of the west. The exhibits displayed at the Omaha Land Show are representative of the crops raised in the country traversed by the

UNION PACIFIC

Standard Road of the West

And they show just what you can do on a small farm in states included in this section:

Nebraska, Kansas, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Idaho, California, Oregon and Washington

Every ten acres, carefully cultivated, will produce crops that yield the owner a good living and a nice little bank account.

Lectures Today by Wm. Bruce Leffingwell

Lecture Hall "A"

4:30 p. m.--The Yellowstone National Park

9:30 p. m.--The Pacific Northwest

Dr. Frederick H. Millener will continue his electrical experiments and demonstrations of the Wireless Telephone in the

Union Pacific Booth



Salem, the capital city of Oregon and the county seat of Marion, is attracting great crowds at the Land Show. The byword is "Have you seen Salem?" and when the crowds stand before this city, magically created and set as a gem in the midst of the fruits and products of the Land Show, they are heard to exclaim "How beautiful!" Mr. George L. Schreiber, who created this panorama with great fidelity, has been a student in the best art schools of Europe, where he has been honored with a medal and many distinctions. He is an instructor as he explains the different features of his painted city. He received his technical training largely in Paris, Rome and New York, but "technical" brought to him by the subject itself. His account, "would have been of the Little account without the inspiration" brought to him by the subject itself. Marion county, of which Salem is the county seat, is beautifully nestled between the Cascade and coast ranges of the Pacific slope; it lies in the lower northern section of Willamette valley and for equal climatic conditions it is second to no place. The Willamette river is a navigable stream from Portland to a point many miles south of Salem, and is a great means of transportation and traffic.

Advertisement for 'Tone's Old Golden Coffee' featuring an image of a coffee tin and text describing its 'An Appetizing Aroma' and 'Coffee should stimulate appetite—but to do so, coffee growths, blend, and roasting must be perfection. It's the appetizing quality of TONE'S OLD GOLDEN COFFEE'.