

FIGHTING WITH FIRE

THE CAMPAIGN AGAINST GRASSHOPPERS IN CENTRAL CALIFORNIA.

Burning Them Out Found to Be the Most Effective Means of Destroying Pests, Which Threaten Great Damage to Vegetation.

[Special Correspondence.] Sacramento, July 30.—Central California has been invaded by a vast army of grasshoppers which threatens with destruction the pastures, crops, orchards and vineyards of a large section of the state.

Professor Clarke has been living among the grasshoppers since they made their appearance. He says they are the locusts which appear periodically.

There is only slight danger from the burning of the fields when the work is properly managed, but a few acres of orchard were destroyed the first week of the campaign.

The breeding grounds of the grasshoppers in this section cover some 3,000 acres of more or less unillable rocky land which is used for pasture and is of small value for this, renting, as it does, for 15 cents per acre annually.

There is no possibility of closely computing the numbers of the little green invaders that perish in the fires. Census figures of the locust legions within the borders of the state would reach into untold millions.

In an effort to get at statistics of this kind Captain E. L. Hawk, a Sacramento owner of Placer county ranch property, made an estimate of the numbers of grasshoppers on his property.

Despite the unanimous declaration of the scientists that burning of the fields is the best method of fighting the hop-



SCENE IN THE SIERRA FOOTHILLS INVADERS WITH GRASSHOPPERS.

pers, the cattlemen have been persistent in efforts to protect their ranges, and at one place a vigilance committee was organized to prevent application of the match.

In consequence of this strong stand among the owners of the foothill property comparatively small sections of the threatened counties have been burned, although the fire has been directed over hundreds of acres where the locusts were found in greatest number.

When the locusts take to their wings and invade the orchards and vineyards, the campaign will revert to the burning of the fields.

Mayor's Court.

Isaac Brown, colored, for breach of the peace in engaging in an affray was found guilty and fined \$1, and costs.

Isaac Brown for assaulting Jim Hooker, not guilty.

Will Brown, colored, was up for breach of the peace, and being found guilty was asked to contribute to the town exchequer the sum of \$1, and costs.

Elbert Albritton, colored, was up before his honor charged with two offenses against peace and dignity of the town, one for assaulting Nora Albritton, colored, and one for being vicious and disorderly, he was adjudged guilty in both cases and fined \$3 in the first and \$2 in the second.

Frank Pate and Ed Sumrell were indicted for using vulgar and profane language and had to pay \$3 each and costs.

Robert Simmons had been imbibing too freely and had to answer to his honor for being drunk on the streets Sunday, \$2 and costs he was asked for.

The cases of L. D. Merritt, J. H. Hawkins and W. L. Mason, which were held over from Saturday's court, were also disposed of. Not guilty as to Merritt, and guilty as to the other two.

Cesar Gaskins, colored, was before Mayor Webb yesterday charged with larceny of a bundle of clothes from another colored man at Mr. H. W. Cummings' store.

DOVER.

August 11. Rev. Mr. Lineberry, principal of Westville high school, preached in the school building Sunday and accompanied the pastor, Rev. J. B. Newton, to his home at Ft. Barnwell, to preach there Sunday night.

Misses Winnie Oldham of Wilson hospital and Sue Wilson of Kinston spent last Thursday with relatives here. Miss Oldham is a trained nurse and has been on professional duty at Kinston and Snow Hill.

The Goldsboro Lumber company has put in another trimmer to enable them to buy and handle other lumber besides the large output of their own sawmill.

Misses Winnie Oldham of Wilson and Sue Wilson of Kinston, and Messrs. Vincent Murray of Charleston, S. C., and Luther Oldham of Greenville, N. C., spent Sunday at Mr. Geo. B. Wilson's.

We hear that crops in this vicinity, though they have suffered some from drought, are quite promising now, those on the swamp lands of Messrs. Seth and Geo. K. West and John W. Rhem being especially fine.

Mrs. William Arnold had a chicken killed Sunday morning that seems to have much tendency of life. Being hard to cook, she got her neighbor, Mr. A. F. Dixon, to shoot it.

We are informed that Rev. F. W. Ferris of Goldsboro is expected to preach in the Presbyterian church next Sunday morning and night.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Brown and family are moving to Kinston, N. C., on Monday next.

It is very wrong to tell a falsehood," said the teacher to little Jimmie, who had brought him in one.

"Then we're both offal sinners, ain't we, Miss F.?" queried Jimmie.

"Both! What do you mean?"

"Why, you told Missus Smith yesterday that you hoped she'd call again, an' after she was gone you said you wished she'd never come again."—Ohio State Journal.

A Money Saver.

"But you are taking considerable risk in letting your young man own two or three weeks' board."

"Yes, there is some risk," answered the boarding house keeper. "But then, you see they worry over it so that they lose their appetites, so I save money in the long run."

Harmed.

She—He was desperately in love with her. Why, he sent her costly letters and presents nearly every day for two years.

He—Did he finally win her?

She—No, he started her.

The Wife's View.

"John, you've been drinking," he accused her half-trunk.

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Real estate advertisement for 'FINE CITY LOTS FOR SALE' in Kinston, N.C. Includes a grid of lots with dimensions and a central map showing streets like CAPITOLA AVENUE, GRAINGER AVENUE, and LENOIR STREET. Text describes the lots as desirable and offers financing options.

Advertisement for 'Capadine' medicine, stating it is not narcotic and cures all headaches by removing the cause and relieving the nerve-tension.

Advertisement for Dr. F. A. & R. A. Whitaker, Physicians and Surgeons, Kinston, N.C. Office on Queen Street.

Advertisement for the James Sprunt Institute, Kinston, N.C. Offering classes in shorthand, penmanship, and bookkeeping.

Advertisement for S. J. Walls, a tailor in Kinston, N.C. Offering up-to-date tailoring done to order with a guarantee.

Advertisement for pump repair services by Julius Well in Kinston, N.C. Offering to repair or exchange pumps for a new one.

Advertisement for 'The Chinese' grocery store in Kinston, N.C. Offering an array of edibles that will please the most fastidious taste.

Advertisement for Dr. H. D. Harper, a general surgeon in Kinston, N.C.

Advertisement for 'Seamless Hose and Half-Hose' by The Orion Mills in Kinston, N.C. Backed by over \$30,000,000.

Advertisement for 'The Orion Mills' in Kinston, N.C. Offering seamless hose and half-hose in various colors and sizes.

Advertisement for Dixon & Hooker hardware in Kinston, N.C. Promoting ice cream freezers and water coolers, with the slogan 'Keep out the pesty flies by having your Doors and Windows fitted with SCREENS.'

Advertisement for Harris Lithia Water in Kinston, N.C. Claiming to cure various ailments like kidney and bladder troubles, and offering a trial.