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ESSENTIAL FEATURES IN DRY FARMING

By PROF. THOS. SHAW

"Where the rainfall is not more than fifteen inches per year, and especially where it is less than ten inches during the growing months, the practice of dry farming should be introduced on arable lands. The least amount of rain, during the growing months, on which a crop can be grown will depend first upon the nature of the soil, and subsoil, and second on the season at which the greatest precipitation falls. Soils containing an excess of sand are so leachy that it may be difficult to farm them under the dry farming plan. Clay loams, or silty loams, underlaid with a close subsoil have highest adaptation for such farming, but where hard-pan is present, it should not come too near the surface, otherwise root growth cannot feed deep enough in the soil.

Early Crops the Best.

"In nearly all localities where dry farming is practiced, winter wheat or winter rye will succeed better than crops sown in the spring, but in many instances several kinds of spring crops may be grown successfully. It is better, however, to give the preference to varieties and classes of crops that mature early in the season, as where dry farming is practiced the summer and early autumn months are usually the most lacking in rainfall. The best spring crops to be grown, as a rule, north and south of the parallel 45 degrees, include Durum wheat, speltz, hullless barley and spring rye. Oats may sometimes be made to yield good crops, but the oat plant requires more moisture to grow it successfully than the other crops named.

How to Prepare the Soil.

"When preparing the soil for these crops, it is necessary in many instances to summer follow the land the previous year. In doing this, the land should be plowed deeply, and at that season as a rule when it can be plowed at the least expenditure of labor. The day that it is plowed and not the next day—it should be pressed down with a roller or disk. If a disk is used, the disks should run nearly straight. The harrow should then follow to make a dust mulch on the surface, and the harrow should follow again and again after each rainfall of any importance. The autumn crops should be sown early—probably not later than late August or early September, that the plants may have a good start before winter. If the land has been summer fallowed as indicated, it will seldom happen that there is too little moisture in the soil to germinate the grain when sown. In Oregon, where much of the rainfall comes in winter, it may be preferable to begin the summer fallowing in the autumn of the previous season.

Grain Should be Thinly Sown.

"Where dry farming is practiced, the grain should be thinly sown. Usually three pecks of winter wheat per acre are sufficient, five pecks of rye, four pecks of speltz or barley and four or five pecks of oats. If too much seed is sown, there will not be enough moisture in the soil to properly feed each plant, hence the yield will be small.

"Another essential feature in dry farming is the careful attention that should be given to the harrowing of the grain. Winter wheat should, as a rule, be harrowed at least once in the fall, and from one to three times in the spring, and spring grain should receive from one to four harrowings according to the conditions. The first harrowing should be given when the grain begins to push up through the surface of the ground, the second when it is three or four inches high, and other harrowings if needed later. The harrow used should be very light, and should carry with it a wide sweep in order to go over the land quickly. As a rule, also, the teeth

1,250,000 ACRES OF LAND NEAR VALE OPEN TO HOMESTEADER

On Account of the Big Demand for Copies of Enterprise Containing Designation of New Tract of Land Subject to Entry, the Following With Added Information is Reprinted From the Enterprise of October 1st

One million and a quarter acres of land tributary to Vale has been placed on record in the local United States land office as subject to entry. The north boundary of this tract lies due west of Vale, the nearest section being 25 miles west of this city and the tract extends to the Harney county line or the west boundary of this land district. The land extends south for a distance of 75 miles.

This tract is designated by the land office department as non-irrigable land and the larger part is said to be especially adapted to dry-farming. Homesteads are obtainable under the enlarged homestead act of February 19, 1909, which in part states that 320 acres can be taken up. Five years residence must be made and entrymen must show that part of the land has been cultivated. Commutation is not allowed under this act.

The Acting Secretary of the Interior on September 10 of this year designated the following list—

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- T 21 S R 37 E Secs 3 to 10 15 to 26 inclusive.
- T 22 S R 37 E Secs 1 to 29 33 to 36 inclusive.
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- T 24 S R 37 E Secs 5 to 8 inclusive Secs 13 and 14 All Secs 18 and 19 All Secs 23 to 26 inclusive Secs 35 to 36 All.
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- T 29 S R 38 E All of township.
- T 30 S R 38 E All of township.
- T 18 S R 39 E All of township.
- T 19 S R 39 E Secs 1 to 20 inclusive.
- Ts 21 to 30 S inclusive R 39 E All of township.
- T 19 S R 40 E All of township.
- T 20 S R 40 E Secs 1 to 18 20 to 27 inclusive.
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The designation of lands under this act does not permit entries to be made if the lands are not subject to homestead entry or are under suspension or withdrawal or in a forest or other reservation.
The removal of the suspension, withdrawal, or reservation of these lands subjects them to this act, if otherwise subject to homestead entry.

OREGON SHEEP WILL HOLD THEIR OWN IN BIG SHOW

Says G. W. McKnight, President of the Oregon Woolgrowers' Association---Sheep are Fat and Late Rains Have Brought Out the Green Grass in Splendid Shape---Tariff Agitation Only Drawback

Oregon sheep can hold their own in competition with show animals of any other state, in the opinion of George W. McKnight, of Vale, president of the Oregon Woolgrowers' Association, who was in Portland yesterday says the Oregonian of Friday of last week. He said this fact will be demonstrated at the coming convention of the National Woolgrowers' Association, to open in the Armory January 4.

"We should have the greatest sheep show ever held in America," said he. "Our Oregon breeders have a great opportunity to show how well they have bred and fed their stock, and if they win in the coming competition, they can take their sheep anywhere in the world.

"The National Woolgrowers' Association is the oldest organization of livestock men in the United States. We are assured now that the Portland convention will be the biggest in the history of the association. We will have men of national reputation on the programme for addresses. The state convention of sheepmen had voted to hold this Winter's meeting at Baker, Ore., but that place waived its claim to the honor so we could meet in Portland just prior to the National convention. The exact dates will be determined later.

"The coming tariff agitation that the woolgrowers have to go through promises anything but well for them. Our product has fallen away one-third as the result of last year's revision. The price of sheep in the markets, however, has been maintained well because there has been a big corn crop in the Middle West and the demand is good for feeders on that account.

"Oregon was particularly favored over any of the other range states last year. Losses have been less severe here during the Winter than in any other sheep state and the Summer drought has done less damage than elsewhere. For example, the Montana ranges were practically cleaned off. I look for good prices for Oregon sheep. This state will be called on, as always, for stock to replenish the ranges of these other states.

"Range conditions in Oregon are excellent. The late rains have brought out the green grass in splendid shape.

Sheep are fat and will go into the Winter in good condition. Aside from the tariff agitation that the wool grower has to face, the outlook is excellent. This is the only cloud on the horizon for the sheepman."

While in Portland, Mr. McKnight met the officials of the National association. He is co-operating with them fully in making arrangements for the Midwinter convention and sheep show.

While visiting in Vale stop at the Arlington Hotel.

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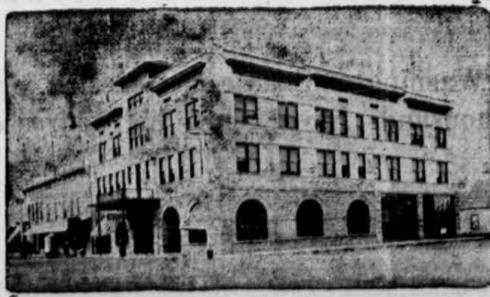
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