

BILLY MORROW TRAVELS OVER TEN STATES AND TELLS ABOUT HIS TRIP

Some of the Many Things Leading Polk County Farmer and Jersey Breeder Saw in Making an Automobile Tour, Going as Far East as Council Bluffs, Iowa—He Likes Nebraska, But Longs for the Great and Beautiful State of Oregon, Where People Are Neighborly and Know How to Live

Editor Statesman:

I made no promises when I hit the trail to the sunny south, Jan. 7. However, it is possible some of your young readers, and the older ones also, who have not had the opportunity to ramble around may be interested in what I may say. I am still in what I call my sister's home at Seward, Neb., one hundred miles west and north of Omaha, Neb., listening in over the radio to the Henry Fields Seed company of Shenandoah, Iowa, who have put on a 30-hour continuous radio program, which started yesterday at noon. Now listen. This is a musical and vocal program with announcements between numbers. Also announcing congratulations by wire upon the different numbers rendered, also votes wired for favorite numbers, which so far have exceeded 200,000 telegrams which have been received from every state in the Union—and all classes of musical instruments are represented, and I must say the program is certainly interesting. Now don't misunderstand me. The program has been continuous, no let up last night. Now, you Web-footers, can you equate this radio service. Mr. Fields owns his own station. I am still loyal to our old coast state, but I can also say a word of praise to the state of Nebraska and its good people. They meet you more as a long time friend rather than a stranger. The agricultural and live stock interests, especially corn, wheat, beef cattle, hogs and chickens, are the principal resources. Sheep are also fed on a very extensive scale. Dairying is of only secondary importance. The methods used are rather vague. The dairy cows are not as a general rule stabled of nights and the feeding is not up to date, with the majority of the dairymen. The weather conditions, since I have been here, since February 7, have been very nice; nothing what like I expected; lowest temperature 10 above zero; highest 40; some wind at times. A week ago a snow storm with a three inch fall with wind. You coast people probably received the news. A Nebraska blizzard it appeared rather tame to me, in fact, rather enjoyed the snow storm. However, it was like our Oregon snow; it was gone in about three days. I must say I have enjoyed my stay here very much. I do not wish to be personal, but I am feeling better than I have been for five years. So much for Nebraska climate. However, one sad accident has marred my visit. The next day after I arrived here

my 18-year old nephew was seriously burned by the explosion of black powder while blasting logs open for wood. He has been in the hospital now for two weeks, but possibly may lose one eye. The other in time will become normal. Dropping back to the time I left home, I had purchased my ticket for Palmdale, Cal., in the Mojave desert. I arrived there the morning of the 9th on a very cold and frosty morning. I had intended spending the winter on this desert. However, I couldn't find accommodations. I caught the first stage for Los Angeles, then to Phoenix, Ariz. I am getting a little ahead of my story. Through the central part of California it was foggy and had been for three weeks and they expected another three weeks. However, on the desert it was clear, cold and dry. The afternoons were warm till sunset, then cold all night. This desert is a high table land or plateau with 2500 feet elevation, entirely surrounded by higher mountains, never any fog, and seldom any rain. The settlers informed me there had been no rain for three years, hence no water for irrigation, the only water available was from a few wells, 400 to 600 feet deep, and there were only a few people able financially to drill such wells. The others would buy and haul water from those who had wells. Fruit trees in this valley, now called Antelope valley, were suffering from moisture. The atmosphere was so clear here that the stars appeared to be only a short distance up. The valley is quite level and would be fertile with moisture. California is back to normal.

We will now jump over into Arizona. I awoke at a railroad junction, Maricopa, which is in the desert proper. But a short run brought us to irrigated alfalfa and cotton fields in the Salt river valley. This shallow river crosses the desert.

The water for irrigation purposes comes from the Roosevelt lake and there is nothing raised without irrigation. They claim 250,000 acres under ditch, but the water supply is very low; but little snow on the water shed that supplies this lake with water. There are nice citrus fruits growing near Phoenix, oranges, lemons, figs, dates, grapefruits and grapes, also peaches, apricots, pears, in favored spots. Oregon cherries in season retail at 40 to 50c per pound. Great quantities of melons grown in season, also lettuce. I saw one farm that produced 600 acres of lettuce. In the alfalfa districts sheep and cattle in large numbers are brought in for winter feeding. I visited one large feeding establishment where 1500 cattle were kept in feed lots. This plant was very extensive. Their feed grinding and mixing plant kept 15 men busy. The ration consisted of ground alfalfa, cotton seed, barley, molasses. This also went into the mining district of Superior, Miami and Globe, which are in the mountains 125 miles west of Phoenix. There was about two inches of snow in the mountains which made the people feel happy, for it would create a little moisture. I counted five varieties of cactus in this country; one kind which will reach the height of 30 feet Phoenix at first sight is not very pleasing to the eye, but as you look around more you see some nice buildings and the north part of town is a real nice residence section. Living is reasonable here. The people do not toot their own horn much. Sunshine is one of their assets. A great many people come here for their health, but not as many as you would expect to find.

Three weeks in this place and we start by auto for a 1300 mile trip. We first go north across the desert and in the mountains. The first night we stop over at Flagstaff, 7000 feet elevation very nice little lumbering town with a little snow. Now we are going east. A short drive the next morning and we reach a great broad plateau stretched before us. We traveled all day over such country; would be a great grazing country only for the lack of moisture. In the past this country has been stocked too heavily.

On that days travel we saw only about 1000 cattle, where it should carry many thousands. The cattle are very thin in flesh. As we travel on into New Mexico we see many wonderful sights. Arriving in Santa Fe, we stopped over one day. This gave me an opportunity to see some very interesting sights in the oldest museum building in the United States, 1300 years old, and the most interesting I ever saw on account of the age of the exhibits. There were stone tablets dating back 2400 years B. C., which part of the Scriptures were translated from. This building was constructed from mud in 1495 and was used by the early governors of New Mexico till 1837. The old San Miguel church of mud construction is located in this town. The building is 385 years old, it was re-roofed 95 years ago and is still in a good state of preservation. There are still a great many buildings of mud construction and Spanish design; however the Americans use only modern buildings. I haven't space to go in details of the many interesting sights to be seen here. The only way to know what is here is to see them. Now I will leave this place and hurriedly travel on, for I have many days travel before I reach my destination. We drop into little narrow valleys with many Indian villages, which are mostly little mud huts. The population is mostly Indians and Mexicans. We crossed one edge of the painted desert, which is worth many miles drive to see, and the mountain ridges on either side of this narrow valley were certainly very beautiful with their red rock with a scattering of low, squat pine trees, and a sprinkle of snow on them. The afternoon sun shining on them made a perfect picture which would be difficult for an artist to do justice to. Back a little to 21 miles out of Santa Fe is a hill where they carved a road out of a solid ragged rock bluff with a rise of 700 feet in 1 1/2 miles, and the crooked road I ever traveled. It is a safe, easy grade with a rock wall on the outer side of the road. This is between Santa Fe and Albuquerque, just off the large plateau I have spoken of in my letter. On through New Mexico to the north we reach Ratan and the last town in New Mexico. We stop over night, and a relief to be with white people once more. This is a nice little town of 3000 people at the foot of Raton Pass, which rises to a height of 7800 feet. This is a coal mining district. From here we soon pass into eastern Colorado. We are now getting into a better stock country and a little further on farming by irrigation, which is rolling, fertile land. On through Pueblo, which is a very smoky town where large iron smelters and steel mills are located. Night finds us in Colorado Springs, nestling at the foot of Pikes Peak. It is just a large, rough, rugged, flat top mountain instead of a single peak. Colorado Springs is a real city, nicely laid out with wide streets, nice residential buildings, and the play place for the central states vacationists in the summer time. I also have fallen in love with this place.

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I will be able to see and know more about it later, for on my return trip will go through Wyoming, Montana, Idaho, Washington, in all ten states, including a stop into Council Bluffs, which is just across the Missouri river from Omaha. Council Bluffs is built on the level land just off from the river a short distance. It is a very old city. Practically all of the business part is located on one long street leading back to a bluff, or as it is called here, a hill, and where the fertile rolling state of Iowa spreads before you to the north, east, and south, with the river on the west.

Before my editor casts this to its final resting place, the waste basket, where it belongs, as it is already too long, a little more for Nebraska. The more I see of this state the more praise I believe it is entitled to. After some sixty years of farming the land is still fertile. However, it needs a change in the present methods of farming for best results. My brother-in-law feeds 200 hogs and buys corn to feed, and on two other farms the tenants feed about 600 cattle each with some hogs. There was a public sale of registered Duroc and Hampshire hogs at this town. The Duroc sold at an average of \$148, the Hampshire at \$83. The quality was extra good. We are on the air here with the radio, and we get everything from the Rocky Mountains to the Atlantic ocean, and from the Mexican border to Canada, but so far have been unable to get anything on the Pacific coast. So you must be washed away or froze up.

Hurrah and good bye to Nebraska, and hello to Oregon, the state that is kissed by the setting sun at the mighty ocean, where we all enjoy life.

—W. O. MORROW.

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Your Home Garden

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What kind of a vegetable garden do you want? That is the main item to decide before ordering seeds. Most people have their particular likes and dislikes and if they followed stereotyped advice to grow a balanced vegetable garden there will be portions of the crop not particularly wanted. Sometimes a gardener overruns himself with summer squash or string beans. The idea is to pick the vegetables you like best and grow only these if your space is limited.

A salad and greens garden is a favorite with many suburban dwellers. They can buy the root crops in the market very readily. For this garden seeds of peppers, tomatoes, lettuce, and cucumbers will be wanted for salads. Cabbage for both greens and salads, spinach, New Zealand spinach, Swiss chard, beets and kale, for an all-season supply of greens and endive, both the broad-leaved,

of Oregon, and is a feature of the annual Jersey jubilee. The dates for the shows are: Lane county, May 18; Linn county, May 19; Marion, May 20; Polk, May 21; and Clackamas, May 22.

A large number of breeders and others interested in the Jersey industry in Oregon attended the independence meeting, and two Jersey calf clubs were organized among the school children, following a discussion of the club work in the county. Paul Spillman county agriculturist, and County School Superintendent Willis took an active part in the organizing of the junior associations of which there are now three in Polk county.

The annual spring shows have come to be recognized as perhaps the most important of all the Jersey cattle club affairs, and are held in connection with the annual jubilee celebration and as a preliminary to the state fair in September.

Eugene—Work to begin soon on 12-stall Southern Pacific round house.

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CHANCE FUNERAL SERVICES TODAY

Revered Elk Passes Suddenly on Stroke of 11, Loss Is Mourned

The stroke or eleven carried a brother Elk to the pages of memory, Friday night, March 5. Walter B. Chance of 992 North Cottage street, suffered a second stroke of paralysis. He has doctor for Bright's disease for more than a year.

Mr. Chance was born in Seneca county, Iowa, October 20, 1866. At the age of 17 his parents

CATTLEMEN PLAN JERSEY DISPLAY

Annual County Spring Show Will Be Held at Independence on May 21

At a meeting in Independence Saturday plans were made for the annual county spring Jersey cattle show to be held in Polk county on May 21. The show will be held in Independence as it was last year.

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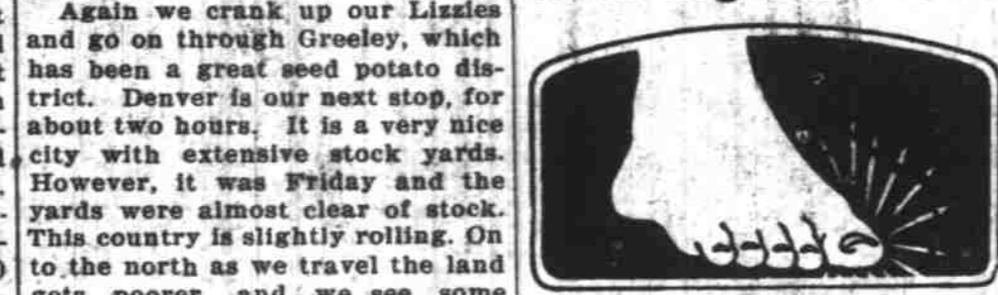
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