

PROMINENT EASTERN OREGON DRY LAND FARMER TELLS OF HIS SUCCESSFUL WORK

Eastern Oregon is looked upon as a dry country. Yet the average rainfall is about 17 inches, according to the record kept at Lakeview for the last decade. It was as high last year as 27 inches, but this year it is away below the normal. But in spite of this drawback, if it may be so termed, there are farmers here "dry land" farmers, who have lived here for years, contented and prosperous, own big acreage, large herds and flocks, have fine homes and are surrounded with all the comforts of life, says the Lakeview Examiner.

A notable instance being Mr. L. A. Carriker, who lives on the West Side and is considered one of the most prosperous of the dry land farmers of southern Oregon. He came here 21 years ago from Montgomery county, Illinois, and first acquired a pre-emption, and afterwards a homestead upon which he made final proof and has resided ever since. He has since added to his original 320 acres by purchase, the latest addition being a 40-acre tract purchased recently, and which brings his present holdings up to an even 1000 acres of as fine land as lies out of doors, in this land of superb climate, and one of unsurpassed fruitfulness. Each acre of it, except where Drews creek crosses the farm, is tillable. He has 300 acres under the plow and the entire 1000 acres are fenced. Mr. Carriker has rented a portion of his tilled fields the past few years and will let more of it to any of the new settlers who may care to put in a greater acreage than they can obtain elsewhere. His farm is entirely surrounded by the lands of the Oregon Valley Land company, and all of it can be irrigated by the ditches of that company, if desired.

Does Not Irrigate.

In the production of grain, Mr. Carriker has not resorted to irrigation. He has raised 35 or more bushels of wheat, and got 17 bushels this year, an exceptionally poor year. He

has also raised big crops of barley, and has had excellent results with rye, getting 12 bushels last year, which seems to stand dry weather better than other cereals, and also is less molested by rabbits, that sometimes make wretched work in wheat fields, as no effort has been made to rid the country of these pests. Depredations by rabbits is one of the reasons why he has not attempted to grow fruit, though he has no doubt that his locality is fully as good for that purpose as are other portions of the Golden Goose Lake valley.

His line of farming, however, has been growing of grain, stock raising and dairying. In addition to his range cattle, he has a herd of 15 dairy cows, of ordinary breed. No special care is given them. They are not stabled, being allowed to run in the pasture in the summer and in the stubble fields in the winter. Not much additional feed, other than the grazing in above manner, is given them. Yet, for the past 10 months, those cows have produced 790 rolls of butter, being a little over 100 pounds for each cow. The butter always commands 25c per pound, and sometimes more. It will be observed that a nice income is thus derived from the dairy business, which could be greatly enhanced by grading up and giving the herd special feed and attention, or by following the most approved eastern methods.

Raises Fine Mules.

Another thing in which Mr. Carriker is greatly interested and that is in raising mules, which he does on quite an extensive scale, turning out 10 or more fine animals each year. The young animals are easily broken and readily fetch from \$100 to \$150 or more per head. He gives them no special care. The mild winters here permit them to run in the pasture, stubble field and range the year round. But little feed if any is given them. Their keep comes from what otherwise would be waste. When he sells a bunch of the animals it is practically like finding the money. He says

that this section is one of the best countries he knows of for mule and horse raising and that the United States government has a special fondness for animals born and bred in this altitude, as their feet are sound, wind good, and every way they are superior animals. He believes that this section has a fine future for any who care to engage in mule or horse raising.

Chance to Acquire Cheap Land.

The gentleman also thinks that the wise man will not neglect the opportunity here presented to acquire some of our cheap land for himself and family. He is not an old man yet, but he has lived long enough to see land that was sold in Illinois for 12½ cents per acre go to \$150 per acre today and which will probably go still higher. He let those opportunities pass him by until the price got too big for his purse, so he came out here and got his present holdings gradually from his earnings. Not an acre of the same is for sale. It is a farm which any man might be proud to own, and is the result of his own industry, though handicapped for want of transportation facilities. He has the land, though, and now that the railroads and an era of prosperity will soon arrive, he is fixed for the rest of his life, and can share in the good things ahead. He knows that every new settler who arrives, every new acre turned to use enhances the value of his holdings, and while his land may not reach the present high price of Illinois land, he believes that with water privileges and with our known potentialities in the way of farming, dairying and fruiting that it may not take so long as it did in Illinois to reach so high or even a greater figure. Such things have happened elsewhere in Oregon, with no greater material advantages.

What has been accomplished by Mr. Carriker can be done by others. The opportunity is here, and the future must bring more rapid results, and perhaps greater.

HOW GOVERNMENT IS AIDING INDIANS

CHIEF ENGINEER TELLS OF EXPENDITURES FOR THEM

Says Government Is Expending Approximately a Million Dollars for Irrigation—This Amount Is to Be Used in Assisting the Red Man to Become a Practical Farmer.

Los Angeles, Cal.—W. H. Code, chief engineer of the government Indian service, has just returned to Los Angeles after a three months' tour of inspection of the work being prosecuted under his supervision in the North and middle west. He is very enthusiastic over the work in behalf of the Indian wards of Uncle Sam, and states that the recent appropriations by congress have been very liberal. The annual appropriation, both special and general, approximates \$1,000,000, and it is the intention of the government, Code says, to give ultimately to every Indian in the country a tract of land well supplied with water for its proper irrigation.

"It will be a slow process, however," said the engineer, "to convert the northern Indians into thrifty and successful farmers. Indians whose forefathers since time was young lived by the chase, cannot be expected in a few generations to settle down to the uneventful and hardworking life of the average farmer.

"The Indians of the southwest are far superior in this respect; many of the little tribes are accomplishing wonders with a supply of water so limited as to be almost useless for anything aside from domestic purposes. This is especially true of the Mission Indians of California, and work is now under way on several of the reservations in this state to improve conditions.

In Oregon and Washington. "The field covered by me during the last summer," said Code, "comprises reservations in Washington, Oregon, Nevada, Wyoming and Utah. In Oregon, on the beautiful Klamath reservation, work is about to be begun for draining a large marsh, approximating 80,000 acres in extent. This land, when reclaimed, will make magnificent natural hay land, and when cultivated will yield abundant crops of hardy grains and grasses and a variety of root crops.

"In Washington it is hoped that arrangements will be early effected which will allow the Indians the scope of the Yakima reclamation project. These Indians have been allotted their lands; hence, as citizens, must decide for themselves whether they will adopt the provisions of the Jones bill, which provides that they may sell a portion of their large holdings to obtain funds with which to acquire water rights for the retained portion.

"There are approximately 100,000 acres of irrigable land on this reservation, in a valley where lands sell from \$50 per acre for sage brush to as high as \$2000 per acre for full fruit-bearing orchards.

"In Nevada work is progressing rapidly in the construction of a system to cover the allotments of the Indians of the former Walker river reservation. At the time of my late visit I found the Indians enjoying a large degree of prosperity, due to the

mining activities at Rawhide and elsewhere. Everything they raise sells for 'war figures,' and labor is most plentiful.

Idaho Reclamation Project.

"In Idaho, construction is under way on a large system which will irrigate 80,000 acres of lands on the Fort Hall reservation, and 12,000 acres of lands immediately tributary to Pocatello, belonging to white settlers. Since the thriving town of Pocatello has no cultivated lands adjacent to the city the citizens are interested in this project, which will involve an outlay of approximately \$750,000.

"The last point visited," said Code, "was the former Uintah reservation, in Utah, where the government is expending a special appropriation of \$600,000 in building extensive systems for the irrigation of the allotments of the Uncompahgre, Uintah and White River Utes. Here also a large area of land is supplied with irrigation facilities, a large portion of which may be leased for 10-year periods on most favorable terms.

"Several hundred of the White River Utes, who were greatly dissatisfied, due to the opening of the reservation, left their homes with the avowed purpose of never returning. After a period of two years spent in Wyoming, Montana and the Dakotas, they were escorted back to their lands in Utah by a small troop of cavalry, arriving at the end of their journey on October 14."

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WANT FUNERALS HELD AT NIGHT

Alton Ministers Unanimously Declare in Favor of Plan.

Alton, Ill.—Funerals at night, are the newest idea in Alton. Thirty members of the Ministerial Alliance in session here unanimously indorsed the idea advanced by Rev. F. S. Eitelgeorge, pastor of the Henry street German Methodist church. "It would be much better to have funerals at night," he said, "and there should be no Sunday funerals, either day or night. Funerals nowadays are too extravagant. Too much money is spent for flowers and carriages, and there is entirely too much display. From an extremely solemn function the funeral has developed into an occasion for vulgar show."

Mr. Eitelgeorge also said there should be radical reform in the funeral sermons. He thinks there is too much promiscuous eulogizing. "The safe thing to do would be to preach a gospel sermon," he said, "I would say nothing good about the deceased unless it were justified by the facts. Even then I would make it very brief."—Record-Herald.

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SHOULD NOT INTERMARRY.

Rabbi Koch Opposes Unions of Jews and Gentiles.

Seattle, Wash.—"Intermarriage between the Jew and the members of other denominations is race suicide," was the statement of Rabbi Samuel Koch of Temple de Hirsch Sunday when asked his opinion of the position taken by the Rev. Emil Hirsch of Chicago Sunday that intermarriage was not objectionable. "There is no logic in the argument that two people of different faiths are as harmonious as those reared in the same religious atmosphere, and the offspring of such marriages do not come into their rightful heritage. With the Jew to intermarry is race suicide and means the extinction of the race, and I am not yet ready to admit that the mission of the Jew is ended."

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WOMAN ROBBER CHIEF MODEL MOTHER OF FIVE

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Despite her family responsibility, which the police say she discharged with exemplary devotion, Madame Sallay found time to head a band of burglars and sneak thieves. She also taught boys and girls the gentle arts of picking pockets and shoplifting.

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