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We people who live in this favored land should sit up and take notice of the conditions in the east where blizzards are raging and wind storms are doing all kinds of damage. We have a little gust of wind here once in a while, that we think is a pretty stiff blow, but if placed alongside of these eastern winds it would simmer down to less than a summer zephyr. Again what would some of the people in the Dakotas or Minnesota think if we would tell them that good sound apples are common on the trees in January, yet such is the case as anyone can verify. Here in Monmouth on January 1 there were a number of trees that were fairly well filled with sound apples. True they are not of the finest varieties, yet they were very well flavored after they have been exposed to the frosts and storms of the early winter. We have photos in the office of trees in the orchards of Mrs. Orville Butler and Mr. Best that were taken the first of the year. Not infrequently ripe strawberries and raspberries are had for Thanksgiving dinner fresh from the vines. Tell your eastern friends about these things and urge them to come to a country where they can have some comfort in living and where they are not living in dread of the blizzard or cyclone. Beginning next month there will be a rate of \$25 from St. Paul and contiguous territory to Monmouth which ought to bring a lot of people here to look at the country at least. If they can be induced to come here and take a look and get the prices of our cheap land, we are sure they will locate here. Nowhere in the state can land be had so cheaply as here all things considered. We have good markets for all kinds of farm products, being near enough to Portland to get the top price for fresh eggs hogs and veal and having a good creamery here there is an unlimited market for cream at the top price. Monmouth butter is in good demand and the output could be doubled and there would still be a large demand that is unfilled. All things considered we see no reason why there is not a bright future for this thrifty town. Here the people, with very few exceptions, pull together and where this is the case the town will surely thrive.

This section of Oregon is admirably adapted to the dairy industry. There may be better places, but if so they are not in evidence at the present time. Here green feed for the cows can be gathered from the land fresh the year around, with rare exceptions, like our cold snap during the middle of the past month,

yet there seems to have been little if any damage done to kale during that time. Dr. Withcombe has demonstrated that it is possible to have a net income of approximately \$1500 per year off of ten acres of our land, therefore we are of the opinion that from 10 to 20 acres is plenty for an ordinary family, but for the sake of argument we will allow 40 acres to the family and throwing out some of the large holdings that it will be impossible to get cut up into small tracts, we have enough forties to locate good families on that it would make this one of the most prosperous sections of country on the coast. It would cause Monmouth to grow into a city of 10,000 inhabitants in a few years with all the industries established that one usually finds in cities of that size. By all means let us encourage people so come here and locate where there are good school facilities, good churches, fine climate and no saloons. These should be attractions to be sought after by a good class of citizens who are now living in communities where the saloon is the one place of resort and amusement. There are many people of medium wealth who would like to get a home in a country where the climate is mild and the soil productive. Let us impress on them that this climate differs from the irrigated sections of the west in that in them one has to work hard to make things grow, but here one has to work to keep them from growing.

The feeding of the birds during the recent cold spell was so universal about Newberg that it appears that there was no loss of life among the little songsters around town, says the Graphic, but reports come in from the country that many quail and other birds perished.

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