

SHEEP ON FARMS RECOMMENDED

PRACTICAL RANCHER'S ADVICE GOOD

A. O. Walker Believes Well Cared for Flocks of Sheep Will Benefit Property and Pocket Books of Crook County Farmers Very Much



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(Written for The Bulletin.)

A number of years experience and observation in this locality have led me to believe that raising hay for market, dairying, hog raising and beef growing are not sufficient industries for the irrigated section of Crook county.

According to the investigations carried on by Professor Scudder, agronomist at the Oregon Agricultural College, the farmer who sells his hay gets for it about two thirds the actual value of the fertility elements that it contains. The hay ordinarily brings in the marketing season about \$5.00 per ton in the stack, while the nitrogen, phosphates and potash it contains at present market prices is worth about \$12.00. It is thus seen that selling hay, from the standpoint of fertility, is ruinous to the farmer.

In raising beef the small farmer is confronted with the serious problem of summer range. Dairying is very confining and for this reason is not satisfactory to many. On the alfalfa farm we can grow hogs in abundance to from 100 to 125 pounds then the matter of finishing up with expensive feed begins and it is disheartening to see how the profits melt away.

Experience, observation and study have led me to believe that the mutton industry stands ready to fill a long felt need on the small farm in Crook county.

A flock of sheep, when judiciously managed, usually proves the most profitable variety of live-stock. For the pound of gain in live weight, good sheep are the most economic feeders that can be found among farm animals.

When a breeding flock is maintained the annual yield of wool will pay the maintenance expenses of the sheep, while the increased weight of the animal and the increase in the size of the flock may be reckoned as clear profit. Under proper care a mature flock of ewes can readily be depended upon to increase 100 per cent. While some lambs will be lost under the best of attention the twins and triplets that will come will fully make up for all losses. This is counting on a single lambing and I am fully convinced that with our open winters a flock of ewes can, with proper feed and sheds, be lambing twice a year.

In addition to sheep being great wage earners, they are valuable as weed destroyers and waste utilizers; they are also unrivaled in their ability to build up the productiveness of the soil by their uniform distribution of their droppings which constitute the richest variety of manure.

Farms Better Than Ranges.

Growing sheep on the farm has many advantages over the range flocks. The range flocks, because of the necessity of lambing out of doors, cannot with safety be lambing until in April, while the farm flock under the sheds can be lambing in January or the first of February. These two or three additional months for growth prior to the fall marketing can readily be seen to be a great advantage.

The range flocks wait until the close of the grazing season to be shipped to market, which puts large numbers of sheep on the market at the same time and of necessity affects the prices. The small owner who keeps his sheep on the farm can market before the rush begins and at a price when buyers are on the market looking for his products, and willing to pay well for them.

In the matter of wool the farm raised flock will both in quality and quantity rank far above the range flock which leaves a trail of wool on the brush from the time they leave for the mountains in the spring until they return in the fall.

Number of Sheep on Farm.

As to the number of sheep that may be kept on the farm I believe it conservative to say that an acre of alfalfa pasture will keep from ten to fifteen sheep during the growing season and after the last hay crop is cut in the fall the meadows will furnish an abundance of pasture until near the first of the year.

The question, as to the kind of sheep to raise, is a very important one. For the small farm, above all things the sheep kept should be of one of the larger or mutton types, but the man engaged in the business must select the breed that is popular in his locality and state. Under our western conditions the Shropshire breed leads in general popularity. Males of this breed weigh around 225 pounds while the ewes will range between 150 and 160 pounds. As regards mutton qualities, the Shropshire is said to rank well at the lead, while the early maturing qualities of the breed are unsurpassed among the mutton breeders. A flock of well-kept Shrops will average from 10 to 12 pounds of wool to the clip and their wool is superior to that of many of the mutton types.

Pure bred rams are in great demand here in the west and are being shipped in from other states, yet they could be raised right here with great success and the small farmer had just as well as the eastern men be reaping some of these fancy prices. The western farmer would have the advantage of the big freight bill that is added to the price of the eastern

his eyes, he was quite sure it must be a fire.
"Hello—what the hello do you want at this hour," he spoke into the receiver.
"I've got a big scoop for you," a faint voice came over the wires.
"Very important! Want the Bulletin to have it first!"
Then the Editor expected nothing short of murder; he hastily calculated that it would be too late for the Portland morning papers.
"This is A. H. Horn at the brick yard"—the Editor held his breath (his bare shins were getting very cold)—"Big excitement—a boy baby has just been born!" And the receiver at the other end was hung up before either curses or congratulations could be sent.

HOME STUDIO.

Mrs. Ashley Forrest will take a limited number of pupils in piano and voice.—Home Studio. 5-9p

SYNOPSIS OF THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE KANSAS CITY LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

of Kansas City, in the State of Missouri, on the 31st day of December, 1913, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

Capital.	
Amount of capital stock paid up	\$ 100,000.00
Income.	
Total premium income	1,812,779.45
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year	263,159.95
Income from other sources received during the year	14,945.37
Total income	\$ 2,120,875.00
Disbursements.	
Paid for losses, endorsements, annuities and surrender values during the year	312,800.04
Dividends paid to policy holders during the year	169,277.17
Costs of the year	8,000.00
Commissions and salaries paid	653,658.79
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year	39,842.78
Medical examiners' fees and inspection	117,940.95
Total disbursements	\$ 1,302,520.08
Assets.	
Market value of stocks and bonds owned	\$ 84,700.00
Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc., and policy	2,872,276.51
Premium notes and policy loans	558,998.14
Cash in banks and on hand	294,467.56
Not annulized and deferred premiums	135,593.99
Other assets (lost)	48,147.20
Total assets	\$ 3,944,205.51
Total assets admitted in Oregon	\$ 3,944,205.51
Liabilities.	
Not reserve	\$ 1,173,567.00
Total policy reserve unpaid	28,947.00
All other liabilities	414,222.54
Unassigned surplus	226,139.23
Total liabilities exclusive of capital stock of	\$ 3,844,205.51
Total liabilities in force December 31, 1913	\$3,901,505.33
Business in Oregon for the Year.	
Total risks written during the year	\$ 165,000.00
Gross premium received during the year	18,323.58
Premiums returned during the year	108.32
Losses paid during the year	1,000.00
Losses incurred during the year	1000.00
Total amount of risks outstanding in Oregon December 31, 1913	\$ 600,125.00

KANSAS CITY LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.
By FRED W. FLEMING, Secretary.
Sole and general agent and attorney for Oregon: V. RAVENHILL, Gen. Agt., 225-4 Yoon Bldg., Portland, Or.

CLYDE M'KAY IS BACK

Six Weeks in Middle West Makes Central Oregon Look Good.

Clyde McKay returned Monday morning after a six week's absence in the east. His wife and family are remaining at Davenport, Iowa, for several months. During his trip Mr. McKay was at Davenport, St. Paul and in Ohio.
"Central Oregon is about as lively and prosperous as any region I struck," said Mr. McKay. While unable to give any definite information he said he believed lumber milling was far nearer to Bend than ever before.

Children's Diseases Very Prevalent.

Whooping cough is about everywhere. Measles and scarlet fever almost as bad. Use Foley's Honey and Tar Compound for inflamed throats and coughing. Mrs. I. C. Hostler, Grand Island, Nebr., says: "My three children had severe attacks of whooping cough and a very few doses of Foley's Honey and Tar gave great relief." Patterson Drug Co.—Adv.

NOTICE OF CONTEST.

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon, April 6, 1914.
To Ellen M. Boyle, of Sumner, Washington. Contestee:

You are hereby notified that Stanley Anderson who gives c/o Walter Taylor, Bend, Oregon, as his post office address, did on March 2, 1914, file in this office his duly corroborated application to contest and secure the cancellation of your homestead entry No. —, Serial No. 66298, made March 23, 1910, for W 1/2 Section 3, Township 20, S., Range 18, E., Willamette Meridian, and as grounds for his contest he alleges that said Ellen M. Boyle has failed to establish her residence on said tract; that she has failed to cultivate said tract or any part thereof; that said entry woman has abandoned said tract for more than six months last past.

You are, therefore, further notified that the said allegations will be taken as confessed, and your said entry will be cancelled without further right to be heard, either before this office or on appeal, if you fail to file in this office within twenty days after the FOURTH publication of this notice, as shown below, your answer, under oath, specifically responding to these allegations of contest, together with due proof that you have served a copy of your answer on the said contestant either in person or by registered mail.

You should state in your answer the name of the post office to which you desire future notices to be sent to you.
H. FRANK WOODCOCK, Register.
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NOTICE OF CONTEST.

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon, April 1, 1914.
To Jon Wock of 165 1/2 Pine street, Spokane, Wash., contestee:

You are hereby notified that Eugene Hall, who gives P. O. Box 147, Bend, Oregon, as his post-office address, did on February 19, 1914, file in this office his duly corroborated application to contest and secure the cancellation of your homestead, entry No.—, Serial No. 68433, made March 23, 1911, for N 1/2 Sec. 13, Township 20, S., Range 18 E. Willamette Meridian, and as grounds for his contest he alleges that Jon Wock has failed to establish his residence on said tract; that he has failed to cultivate said tract or any part thereof; that said entryman has abandoned said tract for upwards of six months last past and that such failure was not due to his employment in the army, navy or marine corps of the United States in time of war or otherwise.

You are, therefore, further notified that the said allegations will be taken by this office as having been confessed by you, and your said entry will be cancelled thereunder without your further right to be heard therein, either before this office or on appeal, if you fail to file in this office within twenty days after the FOURTH publication of this notice, as shown below, your answer, under oath, specifically meeting and responding to these allegations of con-

test, or if you fail within that time to file in this office due proof that you have served a copy of your answer on the said contestant either in person or by registered mail. If this service is made by the delivery of a copy of your answer to the contestant in person, proof of such service must be either the said contestant's written acknowledgment of his receipt of the copy, showing the date of its receipt, or the affidavit of the person by whom the delivery was made stating when and where the copy was delivered; if made by registered mail, proof of such service must consist of the affidavit of the person by whom the copy was mailed stating when and the postoffice to which it was mailed, and this affidavit must be accompanied by the postmaster's receipt for the letter.

You should state in your answer the name of the postoffice to which you desire further notices to be sent to you.

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It was about four o'clock Sunday morning. The telephone at the Editor's house rang, and then rang again. Now, even editors don't usually get up quite that early, and it took considerable ringing to rouse him. When he did jump out of bed into what seemed a below-zero atmosphere, hit his shin on a chair and caught the edge of the door between

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