

## Proposed Organization of Crook Co. Farmers

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Crook County Agriculturist.

The organization of farm communities is now a proven success in Crook county. Not only have the older organized communities continued their organized efforts toward the betterment of their respective neighborhoods and succeeded almost beyond belief in the things they have undertaken but also the older and the newer organizations have accomplished what no amount of individual work could have accomplished in eradicating the rabbits in the county; the total number of these rodents reported killed by these organizations being 51,942 for very little over two months' work and at a cost of less than \$750. Had the work of eradicating this number of rabbits been left to the individuals and had the county paid a bounty of five cents per head for this number of rabbits, very few more rabbits would have been killed in the same length of time and it would have cost the taxpayers of the county \$25,521.15 besides the necessary expense to men killing the rabbits, or at least this sum \$750. Also, the assistance of the U. S. Biological Survey was made possible because these community organizations and this assistance has promoted both economy and efficiency in the work of eradication. Many other important and really vital problems for the farmer can be solved only through organized efforts of communities or larger bodies of farmers.

What community organizations can accomplish for their communities, so can a county organization accomplish on a larger scale. As the organized community work is stronger and more effective than the work of the individual, so is the work which a county organization may accomplish greater than that which the community organization can hope to undertake. Crook county needs an organization of farmers and the farmers are in much greater need of such an organization than is the county. The problem of markets, for example, is one that can be solved neither by the individual nor by any local community.

I have a tentative plan for such an organization for this county, which plan was suggested at the county agriculturists' conference at Corvallis in January and of which I should like to receive opinions from farmers and others in the county. This plan is as follows:

Each organized community shall elect a delegate to represent them at a central meeting in the county; each community in the county having the privilege of organizing and electing such a delegate. These delegates shall meet at some central point in the county, usually the county seat, to discuss their various problems and a solution to the same. They shall elect a board of directors or executive board from their number, who shall have power to act for them in all matters of interest to the organization and who may meet monthly or quarterly as decided by the delegates present at the regular meeting. The primary object of the organization will be the improvement of all agricultural conditions, including marketing, etc., and to assist in the direction of the work of the county agriculturist. Would suggest also that one member of the county court, elected by that body be member of this County Agricultural Council or whatsoever the delegates may choose to call the organization.

This is a brief outline of a proposed county organization, which outline all community organizations have received by letter from me and which several of them have already approved. I would like very much to have each farmer's individual opinion of the plan and shall be very glad indeed to receive suggestions for improvements and for carrying the plan into effect.

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### Making the Dairy Pay

A. E. LOVETT, County Agriculturist. Without doubt many of the farmers and others in Crook county have concluded that my work and interests are mainly devoted to the growing of crops. Judging from the time and space I have used during my stay in Crook county in considering the growing of crops and the destruction of crop pests this conclusion should be correct but it is wrong nevertheless. However, as many of our farmers have discovered especially those who have invested considerable money in hogs, we know that one of the first requisites for success in the keeping of live stock in this section is that of first producing the feed necessary for this live stock.

In my opinion, dairying is destined to be one of the major branches of farming for profit in the irrigated

sections of Crook county. The most successful farms in the future will be found to be those which practice a crop rotation with potatoes as a cash crop with a dairy as the outlet for the sale of all other crops grown on the farm. This will make necessary not only the production of a market crop but also that of grain and forage for the dairy animals.

Several silos will be built in this county this year. Silage will prove a profitable feed wherever cows are kept. Corn is conceded to be the best silage crop but where this crop cannot grow successfully we can use oats or other grain with vetch, clover or alfalfa for filling the silo and the silage will prove a very profitable addition to the ration.

The care given the calves has much to do with their value when grown. A half fed or stunted calf seldom makes a profitable cow. The over-fed calf is sometimes less profitable than the one which is under fed. Hand feeding of the calf is usually found most satisfactory. In this method of feeding, more calves are often overfed than are stunted. Prof. E. B. Fitts gives the following rule for amounts of milk to feed calves of different weights: "Feed 16 pounds daily for first 100 pounds of weight. Feed 5 pounds daily for second hundred pounds weight. Feed 2½ pounds daily for third hundred pounds weight. Milk should be given at blood heat and in either two or three feeds. Calves should have skim milk supplemented with grain for at least four months. They will grow faster and do better if milk feeding can be continued until they are six or eight months of age."

Dairymen generally in this country were somewhat disengaged with results contained and prices paid for products of their dairies this time last year. All appeared to be much more satisfied and pleased with these results at present. My advice to the dairymen is to stick to the business and plan his crops so that he may have good feed for his animals the year around. This must necessarily include the feeding of silage or of some root crops.

The question of the organization of a cow testing association has been discussed in the past but such an organization has not been considered feasible by either the dairymen or myself until the present time. Several dairymen are now anxious to secure such an organization and obtain the services of an expert in testing to test their cows for one year. The expense of such an undertaking would be approximately \$125 per cow where 12 or more cows composed a herd and the minimum of not less than \$14 for any dairymen. The expert would visit each farmer once month, weigh the feed and the milk and make the test every 30 days. At the end of the year each dairymen would know exactly what each cow in his herd was worth and the profits returned by her. Assistance in improving the rations would be given and much valuable information obtained. I would urge every man who has a dairy to consider this proposition seriously and inform me as to his opinion of such an organization in this section.

### BYRON'S UNHAPPINESS.

**His Icy, Frozen Mannered Wife and His Cruel Parents.**  
Marie Corelli, the English novelist, says poets do not really love. If they did they could not write about it. They imagine they love. And their imagination embraces many fair objects.

"Byron," she says, "was an unhappy man. But he was not as unhappy as he imagined himself to be. He found pleasure, even inspiration, in dwelling on his own troubles. Many poets do."

She tells us that Byron's mother had been a Miss Gordon before she married the shiftless and dissolute Captain

Byron, the poet's father, and that amid constant quarrels, thrashings and unjust abuse and the most coarse and impudent language poor Byron began his career.

"With such a father and such a mother," says Miss Corelli, "the wonder is that he managed to store his mind with so many impressions of beauty and grandeur and that he was able to lift his soul above his surroundings to such a height of intellectual power. His mother's furious temper and her cruel mockeries stung him not into a reply, but into silent and lonely brooding on his wrongs."

"He himself describes the sense of horror and humiliation which came over him when, in a fit of passion, she called him 'a lame brat.' When Sir Walter Scott met him he said he should scarcely have noticed it. In fact, the great novelist was as lame as the great poet, only Byron's brilliant personality made him more than Scott an object of comment. His marriage was a failure. It was a fortunate thing for literature that his wife left him after one year of matrimony."

"Had she remained with him his genius might have perished under the freezing influence of such a paragon of propriety and dullness. William Howitt tells us that Lady Byron had 'frozen moments.'

"I have seen her," he says, "come down in the morning as if she had lain all night on a glacier, frozen, as it were, to the very soul, and no efforts on the part of those around her could restore her for the day to any genial social warmth."

### POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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#### For Sheriff.

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#### For County Assessor.

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#### For County Assessor.

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#### For Sheriff.

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I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the Democratic nomination as circuit judge at the primaries to be held on May 19.

T. E. J. DUFFY,

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For County Clerk.  
I hereby announce my candidacy for the Republican nomination for clerk of Crook county at the primaries to be held on May 19, 1916.

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E. B. KNOX, Present incumbent.

For County Treasurer.  
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RALPH L. JORDAN, Present incumbent.

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