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GILLIAM COUNTY FARMERS SEE BIG MONEY IN STOCK RAISING

Are Going Into this Industry on a Larger Scale---A Sure Revenue and Paying Side Issue for All---Condon Shipped Hundreds of Carloads of Stock to City Markets in 1907.

Gilliam county has always been known as a grain-producing center and its name and resources are now being heard in every section of the country since Condon, its county seat, has become the greatest primary grain shipping point in the United States. Everyone, of course, understands the meaning of such an enormous crop to a community and county--the immense wealth for the residents of that territory. Yet, there are other vast resources that are rarely ever given a thought since the country has turned to a grain center.

Should the wealth derived from the cattle, horses and hogs, to say nothing of the wool proceeds, be given for the past year the results of the stock industry in this county would be a great surprise to many. The constant high prices of the stock market--either in cattle, horses and hogs--has been a great incentive to the people of this county to keep up this industry.

During the year 1907, from the most conservative estimate, at least 200 cars of fat stock have been shipped from Condon to the Portland market and at least 200 cars more of stock cattle and sheep have been shipped to Colorado and the Dakotas to be fed for a short time and then sent on to the Chicago market.

The news, as stated by the city papers some time ago, that the packing plant at Portland

was assured, has had a stimulating effect upon the hog-raising industry in the Rock Creek region, says a correspondent to the Journal. A great many up-to-date farmers are sure the waste grain on the thousands of acres of stubble fields in Gilliam county could be turned to good advantage by pasturing hogs in them during the fall and winter months.

Among those in the Rock Creek country who are already prepared or are making extensive preparations for better hogs and more of them are A. A. Carothers of the Locust Grove fruit and stock farm, and W. K. France of Rock Creek. Both are in the business of breeding thoroughbreds and both have large herds. Loyd & Conyers, in the John Day district, are preparing to enter the business of growing hogs for the market exclusively. All of these farmers have alfalfa fields which they will use as pasture. Several other farmers have expressed the intention of entering the hog-raising business.

There is no reason why Condon should not become a great center for the shipping of stock for the vast surrounding territory. The only drawback this far has been the lack of enterprise in securing the necessary accommodations for the shippers, and this has meant the loss of thousands of dollars to Condon.

From the latest reports the local stock yards are a little

more up-to-date as they now have water in them, but there is still a minus quantity in the lack of scales. And for this reason the main shippers--Brunzel & Son, Henry Neel and others--have been compelled to ship carload after carload from rival shipping points--Heppner and Shaniko.

Golden-Brown.

Ira Frank Golden and Elsie A. Brown were quietly married on Tuesday evening at seven o'clock at 235 12th St., in Portland, at the house where the Misses Nellie and Frances Brown are boarding. Rev. Ed. Curran performed the ceremony in the presence of a few immediate relatives. Both young people have resided in Condon for many years. The groom is one of the proprietors of the O. K. Barber Shop. He is a most exemplary young man and his ability in his chosen profession is well known. The bride is a daughter of Mrs. Mary Brown of this city and is prominent in social circles. Their marriage, although expected and predicted for some time, came as somewhat of a surprise to their many friends. Mr. Golden returned to his work on Friday evening. Mrs. Golden will remain in Portland for some time visiting with relatives and friends before returning. The GLOBE joins their host of friends in congratulations and best wishes for their success and happiness through life.

New Railroad For Condon.

According to the Monument Enterprise "the citizens of Morrow county are taking active steps toward the erection of a railroad from Condon to Hardman. All necessary bonds have been made out to cover the expenses of the proposed new road and we will have to admit that a railroad would mean a great improvement to this (Grant) county if it does only come to Parker's Mill."

J. Riley Quinn.

J. R. Quinn died Sunday morning at his room in the Palace Hotel after a few days illness of pneumonia. As far as is known he has no relatives and the funeral services were conducted on Monday by the county. Riley Quinn has been a familiar figure on the streets of Condon for almost nine years and his genial manner and kind heart won for him many friends.

DEDICATION AND INSTALLATION

Mayville Grangers Move Into New Home Under Auspicious Ceremonies--Officers Installed by Visiting Granger.

On January 29th the Mayville Grangers celebrated their 21st anniversary by dedicating their new hall. At 10:30 a. m. the program of the day began by a talk from the Master, C. J. Quinn. He appointed Mrs. Vale of the Eastern Star Grange of Portland, who was sent by the State Grange as the speaker of the day, to install the Lecturer, Ceres, and Pomona. The officers taking their places, the dedicating exercises were commenced which were both interesting and instructive. The public was then highly entertained by short talks from several retiring masters.

At the noon hour nearly two hundred people ate their fill of the delicious dinner prepared by the Mayville Grange ladies. The time was spent in a social good time until 2:30 when a short program was rendered as follows:

- Song - - - by the Grange
- Talk on Grafting Trees, A. Black
- Recitation - - Letha Thomas
- Instrumental Solo, R. McGilvray
- Song - by the Thomas family
- Quartet - Mrs. Santo, Julia Thomas, Louis Edelman and Fin Thomas.
- Vocal Solo - Agnes Gibbons
- Closing Song--America

A social dance ended the day's festivities and all report a good time and in general a gala day.

DOES IT MEAN COLD WEATHER?

Beavers on Rock Creek Are Laying in New Supplies in Anticipation of Coming Spell of Severe Winter.

The appearance of beaver so near the Columbia river as the mouth of Rock Creek, on the John Day River, not only proves that this valuable fur-bearing animal is not entirely extinct in this section of eastern Oregon, writes the correspondent to the Oregon Journal from Rock Creek.

A family of these industrious little animals made their appearance last fall on the farm of J. L. Huff on the John Day river, about 16 miles from the Columbia river. They built their house and cut enough Willow chunks, it was supposed, to supply them with bark for food during the winter. But during the past two weeks it has been noticed that they are out again, presumably after more bark, at least they were engaged in cutting more willows.

Sportsmen in the vicinity differ as to the reasons for their appearance at this time. Some contend that the most severe weather of the winter has passed and that there will be an early spring. Others claim that the worst is yet to come, and the beavers are preparing for it.

The weather developments of the last few days seem to give the more pessimistic theory the best of it.

J. A. Walker was in Portland this week on a business trip.

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