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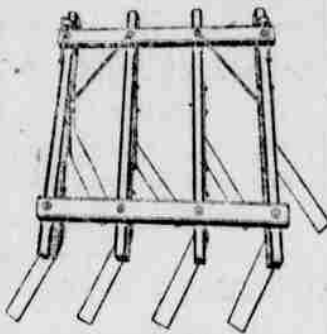
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## GOAT RAISER IS MEETING WITH SUCCESS

J. O. Allstott Believes Morrow County Has Some Honey in Its Comb. Will Feed Goats on Wheat Stubble.

The Gazette-Times is in receipt of a communication from J. O. Allstott, formerly a prominent stockman of Oklahoma, who is now running goats on a large scale in the southern part of Morrow county. Mr. Allstott's letter explains just what success he is meeting with.

August the middle, 1917. Harry Wright Ranch, near Lone Rock or Hardman, but as the names of those towns don't resemble surroundings, I won't write from either. There aren't any lone rocks out here, and the men aren't hard, even if we do leg everything down from Heppner, our distributing center, that we can.

Well, I have been here nearly two months, taking it rough and tumble over these chasms and rocks, and to my surprise, the goats have started mending. This is one great country. While there are plenty of drawbacks to this country, I believe there is some honey in its comb. There are a thousand things in this world that won't tally out according to the books. So it pays a new comer to keep his hands ready and do a little feeling as he goes along. For instance, the day I landed here, Uncle Jim Wyland snacked with us and at dinner he told us he had trout for his dinner the day before, said there were plenty of fish. So that sounded right to me, being a long time on beans and sow bosom.

So when I struck camp I went down to a brook and lay down to drink. I kept notice that the water was full of minnows or trout (I thought). As I was too fish hungry to scare them off I downed a few gulps and to my surprise they were leaches or tadpoles. Uncle Jim didn't lie, the fish are here alright, but I was drinking at the wrong hole to get them.

The range out here has been played for sheep since June. Now all the sheep are out of the way and higher up in the mountains. From my experience with goats out here I say there are ranch men all around here that could handle goats from June to September and put beef fat on them mostly from feed a cow or sheep won't eat. While my goats have been

stuck on one bed ground these two months, they are gaining fast. They should have been moved but I failed to do so. So in conclusion, from what I see, if I stay here another year I want to handle 2000 goats somewhere and will say for the good of others, if you want to buy goats, feel ahead a little (or you might get your month full of tadpoles or leaches.)

The goats from the Valley ought to be run through a dip. For their feet, strong vitrol once a week and put out here early while the ground is damp. I think Arizona goats, or goats from any high and dry climate will do extra well here.

Now, in conclusion, I am to get those goats in some stubble fields. I will be at the Robt. Allstott ranch at Eight Mile and if any of you men have some fields that are near the railroad for sale drop me a line. I must have water. I just want to graze the goats over and catch the wasted wheat and I don't think it will bother your stubble for winter pastures. They will clean your weed patches.

When this bunch of goats are put on the market I will write you all full details on same.

I like the country and the people here. While this is the loneliest dam creek I was ever on, I can't help liking it. The spring is just passing. Two weeks ago, the bushes were in full bloom and the birds sing sweetly. I can't understand why the vegetation blooms so late. It strikes me that August spring is cutting things quiet short for the farmer. With best wishes and a wide spread for The Gazette-Times.

Respectfully yours,  
J. O. ALLSTOTT.

John Hossner of Ione was in the city Saturday on business.

Ike Howard and father J. L. Howard were in the city Saturday from Mr. Howard's farm near Ione.

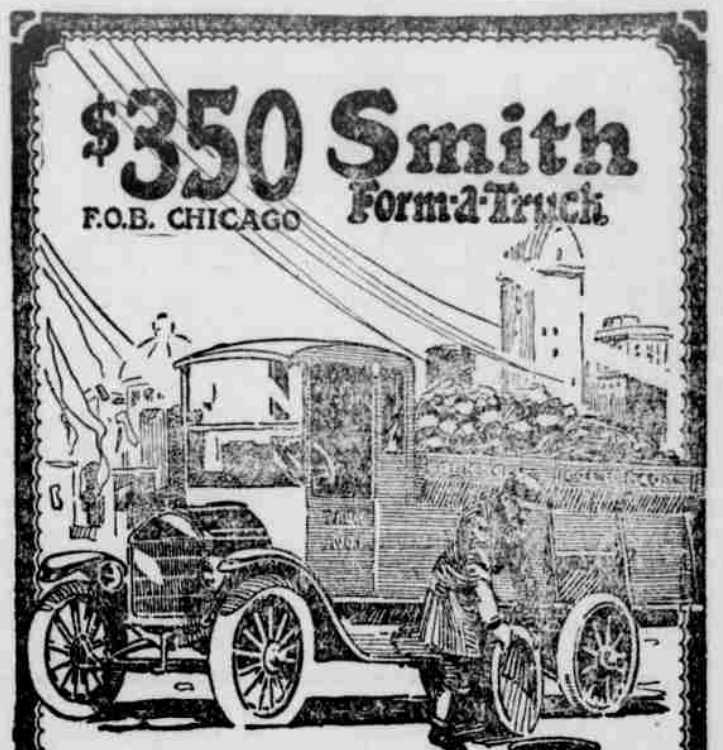
Dr. C. C. Chick and H. M. Cummins, prominent Ione citizens were Heppner business visitors Saturday.

D. H. Grabill, retired farmer of Ione, spent Friday in this city transacting business.

Matt Halvorsen, prominent wheat grower of Ione, was in the city Friday.

Judge Frank H. Robinson of the Ione legal fraternity was a Friday business visitor in Heppner.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Doherty of the Ione section were Monday visitors in Heppner.



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