

# FARMING IN THE KLAMATH BASIN

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### Farm Income Shows Big Gain

A gain of 125 per cent in 13 years!

That is the record of Klamath's agricultural income, according to authoritative estimates made by County Agent Charles A. Henderson.

Total income from all agricultural sources in 1923 was \$2,837,500, while that in 1935 was \$6,900,000.

Those 13 years have seen many changes in the picture of agriculture in the Klamath country. In 1923 this was known chiefly as a livestock center, and crop production was incidental.

Since then crop production has come rapidly to the fore, and an

### A Great Resource

A great and sustaining resource of the Klamath country is its agriculture, and it is to serve the agricultural community that THE HERALD AND NEWS publish this special section.

The articles appearing here-in were prepared by farmers' committees at the recent agricultural outlook conference held here.

They contain information that is not only interesting to farmers, but much of it will be found worth while reading by all interested in the economic welfare of the Klamath Basin.

We believe it is a section worth preserving, for the vast amount of information, statistical and otherwise, appearing within it.

old notion, held by many people, that conditions weren't particularly favorable to that kind of agriculture has been thrown overboard entirely.

Potatoes, for instance, totaled 479 acres and sold for \$60,000 in 1923, while now about 15,000 acres is planted to potatoes and in 1935

the crop brought \$1,850,000. In 1923, average production per acre was 101.4 bushels. Today it is 251.3. These figures are official from the U. S. bureau of livestock and crop estimates.

While crops have made heavy increases, livestock has not suffered. Livestock values for 1935

### Crop Farming Moves Up Here

stood 56 per cent over those of 1923. Grain production has not decreased, despite the gain in potato production. There have been interesting new developments, such as expansion of the turkey and small seeds industries.

Quoting County Agent Henderson, the best authority on Klamath agriculture:

"During the 15-year period, there has been a decided change in public sentiment toward general farming operations and at the present time the entire district, extending from the northern part of Klamath county to the southern part of Tulelake, is particularly enthusiastic about the farming outlook and intensified production of agricultural products."