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A vital present need of Klamath County is intelligent settlement upon our vast areas of untitled lands. The Klamath Daily News believes that the best way to secure such added prosperity is by setting forth in printed form what our present farming communities have done with the land, and are now doing.

Human interest accounts told in a spirit of helpfulness towards others who may become our neighbors, will do more than anything else in solving our land settlement problems.

Hence, The Klamath Daily News, in co-operation with the business and professional interests whose advertisements appear on this page, offer \$10.00 in cash prizes each week for the five best stories of farm life in Klamath County and environs.

One story may tell of a farmer starting a few years ago in a small way and of results achieved. Another may

be about experience with milch cows, sheep, cattle, hogs, poultry, potatoes, alfalfa, bees, rabbits, etc. Experiences of farm women and children looking after pet stock, always provide interesting reading.

All readers of The Klamath Daily News are invited to compete, and are eligible for the cash prizes. Prize awards will be based upon what is told, together with the neatness and legibility of manuscript. The stories should not exceed five hundred words.

1st., \$5.00; 2nd., \$2.00; 3rd., \$1.50; 4th., \$1.00; 5th., .50c.

Address all communications to Farm Development Editor, care The Klamath Daily News. Prize awards and winning submissions will be published on this page each Sunday. Get your stories in by preceding Thursday. Get busy folks, let us have more neighbors—when they hear the real facts they will come. After reading, mail this copy out of county or state.

Results Revealed Of Experimenting

Extensive experimenting has been going on in the farm lands of Klamath county the past year, and the results of these are disclosed in the report of the county agent, C. A. Henderson:

"Out of the year's investigation into drainage problems of the Klamath basin, two facts stand out prominently: one that the strip border method is being used successfully in the Tule lake homestead land, whereas in peat land along the upper Klamath lake a new method of sub-irrigation has proved a success. In the annual report discloses, 'In the latter method, the water tables is held from 12 to 15 inches below the surface of the ground in narrow ditches, permitting a sub-irrigation of crops. Greater returns have been noted, particularly in root crops.

"Experiments in planting of field peas resulted in fair success. General observation seemed to show that peas were not planted heavy enough and nurse crops planted too heavy, retarding growth of peas. The earliest plantings came through best as they got a good start before aphid started and dry weather set in.

Fertilizing Trials
"Potato fertilizing experiments were conducted on the Carl DeHinger farm; on the Wocus Drainage district holdings; on the Will Blackman ranch, and on the Grafton Jackman field.

"Experiments on cereal crops were conducted on the L. A. West farm on the Ira Orem farm; on the Will Blackman farm; on the Clyde Griffith farm.

Four experimental plantings of Hungarian Vetch were tried out with early plantings appearing to be the best. The crops were not bothered by aphid.

Ladino Clover Tried
"Varying success marked the experiments in Ladino clover, some coming fine, others failing completely.

"Because of success of Zawadke's alkali grass on the J. A. Bushong farm, Plevna, Klamath farmers who have alkali land are becoming interested in this orange crop. Bushong has realized about 1 1/2 tons of hay to the acre since planting the tract in 1924.

This year 31 farmers joined together and ordered 210 pounds of Zawadke seed.

Red Clover Increases
Production of red clover seed has been stimulated, as it is felt that this is an ideal crop to grow in a rotation with potatoes.

Big Field Harvested
"One field composed of about 23 acres on the C. A. Hill ranch, Mt. Laki, was threshed out this fall and yielded about three hundred pounds to the acre. Powdery mildew which was becoming a serious menace to clover was successfully combated."

The dairy cow's feed requirements can best be supplied in winter by means of hay, silage, roots and grain. Properly cured legume hays, such as alfalfa, clover, vetches, soy beans, and cowpeas, are well suited for feeding to dairy cows, as they are high in both protein and assimilable minerals and they are also very palatable. Silage and stored root crops supply succulent roughage feeds during the period when no green grass is available. They are of special value in keeping the cow's digestive system in good working order and in stimulating the milk flow. Corn, oats, barley, and kafir are examples of farm-grown grains commonly used for feeding dairy cows. All of these grains should be ground before feeding.

Up from Farm



Two years ago Camilla Horn was a peasant girl on her father's farm in Germany. Here she is as she arrived in New York to star with John Barrymore in a forthcoming American movie.

RAIL HEAD IN PORTLAND

PORTLAND, Dec. 6. (UP)—Charles Donnelly, president of the Northern Pacific railroad, spent today in Portland conferring with W. F. Turner, president of the S. P. & S. The railroad executives considered operating problems that will be occasioned by the forthcoming operation of trains by the Great Northern over the S. P. & S. lines from Spokane to Bend and on into Klamath Falls over the new extension and Southern Pacific trackage.

COUNTIES PAID UP

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 6. (UP)—Counties of the state have all sent in the complete collections of the 1927 tax. Thomas B. Kay, state treasurer, announced today. The remittances covering the last half of the tax totaled \$2,613,192.48, made up as follows: General fund \$1,789,695.66; market road tax \$855,328.58; soldiers bonus fund \$277,668.24.

"A century ago," says Dr. J. H. Mohler of the U. S. department of Agriculture, "the British Isles were prominent in agriculture, particularly in livestock growing. For many years this has been subordinated to industrial development. The United States is undergoing a similar change. In the last 25 years the population has increased 35,000,000, but there are 11,000,000 fewer beef cattle, 5,000,000 fewer sheep and 2,000,000 fewer swine. Dairy cattle have increased about 8,000,000, so there is a net decrease of about 14,000,000 food animals.

Stem smut in rye may be prevented by the copper carbonate dusting treatment which is widely used in control of stinking smut and flag smut in wheat.

Hog cholera is still an resistant and annoying disease, but its control is on a practical basis. The increasing use of concentrated, clear serum promises to be an important help in controlling the disease. In addition to its other desirable qualities, clear serum keeps for about three years as compared with two years for the ordinary whole-blood serum, which is an advantage in storing the product for use in emergency outbreaks.

Spud Crop Rises High In County

The raising of spuds in Klamath county for 1927 has risen over nine times the amount that were raised in 1924 according to facts and figures given out in the report of C. A. Henderson, county agricultural agent.

"Potatoes," the report states, "have rapidly risen to be a crop of paramount importance in this county. In 1924 there were about 600 acres of this crop and it has increased until in 1927 we have over 5,000 acres. Most of this increase in acreage has been in sections which heretofore have potatoes on a big commercial scale. As a result, most of this acreage was put in by growers who were not familiar with the best cultural methods of growing potatoes; and also most of this ground was not the best suited for producing potatoes. With these two factors to complete with, approximately 50 per cent of our increased acreage is not of the best quality of potatoes as we hope to have grown in this county.

Would Raise Standard
"Considerable work has been done from this office to keep up the best cultural practice possible for the production of high quality potatoes. Several farmers became interested in producing certified seed on a commercial scale this year. There were 128 acres entered by 13 farmers. Twenty-seven acres passed in standard seed. Ten acres were certified Burbanks, which were grown to ship to the California market.

Fight Spud Disease
Everything possible was done to encourage farmers to treat their potato seed for disease. As a result of this, three new dipping machines were purchased. Some of the potato growers here felt there would be an early market for Notted Gem potatoes in California, and there was about 50 acres planted between the first and tenth day of May for harvest in the forepart of August for immediate shipments into California. But due to the fact that there was a very poor market at that time of this year, it was felt best to leave these potatoes in the ground for later harvesting. Results from this experiment showed that early planting, if properly done, stands much better chances of raising a good crop than if the later planting is done. As a result, we will probably find that a fair per cent of our commercial planting will be put in from eight to 12 days earlier this coming year.

Better Storage Facilities
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Farm Hints

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For feeding dairy calves, skim milk is considerably more valuable than skimmed whey. Skim milk from the average separator will analyze about 3.4 per cent protein and about 0.1 per cent butterfat. Skimmed whey usually contains about 9.8 per cent protein and 0.1 per cent butterfat. The sugar content is about the same in whey as in skim milk, being nearly 5 per cent. Whey should be fed to calves only when strictly fresh and when scrupulous care and cleanliness are followed. Far greater success will be obtained with skim milk.

New parasites that effect animals may multiply themselves is shown by studies made in the United States department of agriculture, which indicated that a mature female ascarid, commonly known as a roundworm, may produce as many as 25 million eggs in the intestines of the hog she infest. To make matters worse the roundworms come to maturity in a comparatively short time and the second generation reproduce and deposit great numbers of eggs. In spite of this the experts of the department have devised a system of sanitation that effectively checks the spread of roundworms to healthy pigs.

Does the government charge the stockmen for grazing their cattle and sheep on the national forests? Explaining the government policy of grazing permits, Will C. Barnes, assistant forester in charge of range management, says that each settler or resident is entitled to graze 10 head of his domestic stock, such as work or saddle horses, milk cows, and ewes free of charge and without permit on national forest ranges. All other animals must be paid for at a rate which at present averages between 10 and 11 cents per head per month for cattle and 3 cents per head per month for sheep. On January 1, 1928, these rates will be slightly increased. The stockmen are now paying into the United States treasury annually about two and one quarter million dollars in grazing fees.

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