



On the Road With
**The Herald
Traveler**

(JOHN O. BAYNE)

L. M. Hawkins came here from Butler county thirty-two years ago, and owns three hundred and twenty acres of good land one mile north and one-half mile west of Berea. He has built one of the good houses that we find in this country. The house has thirteen rooms, has a closet with every bedroom and is modern except light and he has it wider for light. There is a full basement with four rooms. He has just completed a hog house twenty-six by thirty-two feet, has a barn twenty-eight by thirty-two with corncrib twenty-eight by thirty-two. He has twenty acres fenced hog tight. Mr. Hawkins has one hundred and twenty acres of wheat, fifteen of oats, fifty of corn, fifty of spuds, ten of Sudan, and ten of cane. He thinks this the best country to make money in that he knows anything about and says that it would take one hundred and forty-five dollars per acre to buy him out.

C. H. Hubbell came here from Cass county twenty-three years ago and is operating four hundred and eighty acres of land and has one hundred and seventy acres of wheat, forty-five of oats, thirty-five of rye, thirty-five of spuds and four of alfalfa. C. H. says that this is the best place to start in that he knows about and says that corn and hogs and alfalfa, with cows and chickens, will take care of any family here.

Ed. Baldwin is comparatively a newcomer here, as he came here from Iowa three years ago. He is putting forth the push and vim that is needed to make things go. He has the nicest potato cellar that we have seen. It is as clean and dry as a house and will hold six thousand bushels in the bins and four thousand in the driveway. Ed. was cutting spuds when we were there with a power machine that he had made. His invention works fine and will cut about twelve bushels per hour. Mr. Baldwin owns eight hundred acres of fine land, four miles south and two miles east of Hemingford. Ed. likes this country fine and says that he can make more on the same capital than he can in Iowa.

B. A. White who lives four miles southeast of Hemingford, came here four years ago from Iowa and is operating four hundred acres—eighty acres of wheat, twenty of oats, fifteen of corn, forty of spuds and six of alfalfa. He says he likes to farm in this country better than Iowa, as one can farm more with less labor and produce as much on the same amount of land.

F. A. Witt came here from Kansas four years ago and is operating nine hundred and sixty acres, about three miles south of Hemingford. He has twenty-five acres of oats and forty acres of spuds. He likes this country fine and says he can do better here than any place he ever lived.

Charles W. Sharp came to this county twelve years ago from Tennessee and commenced about five years ago in the jewelry business on a small scale. Today he has a good store and is doing fine and has added talking machines, stationery and cut glass and thinks this is the best country there is for every kind of business as well as farming.

O. Bowser came from Madison county fourteen years ago and owns six hundred and forty acres, seven miles northeast of Hemingford, and the twenty acres in town that he lives

on and has nice buildings on it. He has twelve acres of the best alfalfa that we have seen so far, and was cutting it when we called on him. He also has the first herd of Jersey cows that we have found in this county. There are eight of as nice cows as anyone could wish for.

J. L. Wiltsey owns one hundred and sixty acres just out of the corporation of Hemingford. J. L. has a good herd of Guernsey cows that he is milking. He has a milk station in town and sells all the milk and cream from the station. Besides keeping the cows, he is farming forty-five acres to corn, thirty to spuds, twenty-five to oats and has thirty of fine alfalfa.

Hucke Brothers, who are farming one mile south of Hemingford, were reared in this county and are operating the farm owned by their father. They say that as to other parts of the country they cannot say anything, but this is good enough for them and that corn, hogs and alfalfa, with a few spuds, will make money here any time. They have one hundred and thirty acres of wheat, thirty-five of oats, twenty of corn, ten of barley and sixty of spuds.

E. E. Fenner is one of the old timers here, having come here from Illinois thirty-four years ago and homesteaded about six miles east of Alliance. The father and two or three brothers and a sister all took land and the most of them took three claims each and proved up on them and all the land is owned by the family yet, with some added, making a total of twenty-four hundred acres in one body that is held by the family. On the land is a very good lake of potash and the family built a plant to make the product and got everything ready to run when the prices dropped to such a level that the wheels never turned after spending over twenty-five thousand dollars on the plant, but E. E. tells us that he has hopes that the market will come back so it will be profitable to run the plant. We got the first history of the potash industry from Mr. Fenner. He says that he knows of one plant that produced thirty thousand dollars' worth of potash per day for over one year and that it was half profit. In our talk concerning the country, Mr. Fenner told us that he had never seen a failure in the thirty-four years and that last year he sold two hundred and eighty-seven dollars' worth of potatoes from one acre, and that he gets three good crops of alfalfa per acre. Mr. Fenner does not farm much. He has twenty-seven acres of spuds and sixty-five of alfalfa.

E. Becker who is operating the Kibble ranch, has lived in this county for about fifteen years. He operated a restaurant in Alliance for several years. This is the first year on the ranch and he is making good as a farmer. He is farming four hundred and forty acres of cultivated land and has one of the largest herds of hogs that we have seen. They are all pure bred. He is farming two hundred acres to corn, eighty to wheat, twenty to barley, twenty to rye, fifty to spuds and has sixty-five of alfalfa.

J. A. Smith came here from Iowa thirty-one years ago and owns one hundred and sixty acres of land that he homesteaded in 1884. This is one of the few men who still live on the original homestead. His grandson operates the farm and is farming fif-

teen acres of wheat, fifteen of spuds, and five to alfalfa. Mr. Smith tells us about hauling wood from Pine Ridge for several years after coming here and says that he never had a failure in all the time he has been in this country.

John Mabie has lived in this county thirty-five years and is still satisfied with the country, and he should be, for he owns nine hundred and sixty acres of good soil as one can find any place in Nebraska. His land is three miles south and one and one-half miles west of Hemingford. John has three hundred and fifty acres of wheat, forty-five of oats, sixty-five of corn, seventy of spuds and has one hundred and twenty of as good alfalfa as any one will find anywhere. John says that this is the best place for a poor man to get a start that he knows.

John F. Tschacher came to this county fifteen years ago from Austria and has lived in this county all the time except eighteen months that he was in the army. He was over and saw some hard fighting and was with the army of occupation in Germany, but says that he does not want to go back to the old country to live as he does not like their ways any more and thinks that there is no place like Nebraska.

George Glass came here from Iowa four years ago and is operating six hundred and forty acres and has two hundred acres of wheat, ten acres of

oats, fifteen of corn and one hundred and sixty-five of spuds. George says that this is the best farming country on earth and that a poor man can get a start here better than any place he ever saw, for one can farm more and do it easier than any place he ever saw.

M. D. Marshall came here from Brown county six years ago and is operating three hundred and twenty acres five and one-half miles southwest of Hemingford and has forty-five acres of wheat, eleven of oats and thirty-five of spuds, and says that he likes this country much better than Brown county, because he can make more money and do it easier.

B. A. Glass came here from Iowa four years ago and is operating three hundred and twenty acres—ninety acres to wheat, seventy to spuds and he has thirty-five to alfalfa. He says he can produce more to the acre here than any place he ever saw and can farm more land and do it easier here than in Iowa.

C. E. Carrell came to this county fifteen years ago from Iowa and bought nine hundred and sixty acres of land, four miles southwest of Hemingford for \$15 per acre and has refused \$150 per acre but it is not for sale at any price. Why should he sell? It will pay dividends on more than that. C. E. has three hundred and ten acres of wheat, thirty-five of oats, six of corn, eighty-five of spuds, ten

of cane, thirty-five of alfalfa and is summer following seventy acres. C. E. says that wheat and spuds are the best crops for him and he has made more money than the most farmers, so he should know. He has good new buildings. The barn is thirty-eight by fifty-feet and will hold forty tons of hay.

Bert Stewart came here from Illinois thirty years ago and ranched for some years, then sold out and bought a small place in Hemingford and is taking it easy. He came here without a dollar and had to borrow money to file on his claim. He tells us that the first work he did here was to make hay for 50 cents per day and work fifteen hours per day and lived fat on cream and fried chicken and everyone was happy, and he still thinks this the best country in the world for a poor man. In 1917 he weighed seven hundred cars of potatoes that were shipped out of Hemingford, and there was between six and seven hundred bushels per car. Bert has a regular curio shop in the house—a lantern that is over one hundred years old. It burns a candle and came from England. He has some peat from Ireland and dishes that are over one hundred years old and Indian relics of every kind.

Robert Gibson came to this county ten years ago from Adams county and bought three hundred and twenty acres one mile west of Hemingford and has it nicely improved. The land cost him

\$32.50 per acre and he has refused \$40,000 dollars for the farm. He paid \$4,000 down and made the rest of the money out of the land and paid for it in seven years. Robert has one hundred and twenty acres of wheat, thirty-five of oats, thirty of corn, forty of spuds and ten of alfalfa. This is a fair sample of what can be done in this country if one will work and manage right.

Discovery of the germ of sleeping sickness is quite a stroke if the owners of alley cats intend to have them inoculated.

Perhaps the reason women cover their faces with powder is to hide the bluish caused by things they hear since their ears came out of hibernation.

Russia is wondering why the public ever desired to get rid of a comparatively mild and sympathetic man like the late Czar Nicholas.

Scientists say the nature of snails is gradually changing—and who can blame a snail for wanting to speed up a little these days?

What the flat dweller needs is a system of intensive cultivation that will enable him to grow his garden truck in a flower pot.

The person who is building air castles does not pay much attention to union rules regarding hours.

Vacation Time

Makes Us Want to "Leave Town"

How Will You Spend Yours?



DO THESE PICTURES LOOK GOOD TO YOU? YOU CAN GO IF YOU WILL.

This is the time of the year when the outdoors call, when work is doubly difficult and you want to yet away; when the beach, the lakes or the mountains beckon to you—or you want to go home just "to see the folks".

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