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Profitable Investments on the Farm.

Vast sums of money have been flowing out from farming sections in every possible direction, evidently as the result of the conviction that money will bring greater returns when invested off the farm than on it. The farmers in the corn states have been investing millions in mining propositions, in land in the arid and semi-arid belt, in the Indian reservations being opened up, in irrigation projects in the mountain states. Vast sums of money made on the farm have gone to the great centers to be invested in various kinds of speculation. Whether all this money will bring interest, and whether it will ever return with or without interest, is one of the problems that time only can answer. We fear that a good deal of it will never return, and some of it will come limping home reduced in quantity half or more.

This raises the question of whether there are not now and have not always been better opportunities for profitable investment of the farmer's money on the farm than in mines or wild lands or railroad stocks and bonds, or in any other kind of outside speculation. We have for a long time had decided views on this question.

Does any part of your farm need drainage? If so, and you have an outlet or can secure one at any reasonable cost, with or without the co-operation of your neighbors, then the properly laid will pay you better than any speculation you can make in any kind of outside property.

What kind of fences have you on your farm? The old-fashioned three barbed wire fence with posts twenty-four feet apart, that sometimes will restrain cattle and horses and sometimes not? Or have you it fenced both inside and out with woven wire hog-tight and sheep-tight as well as cattle and horse-tight? If not, here is an opportunity for investment that will beat outside investment two to one.

Have you any cows kept for dairy purposes on your farm that yield less than two hundred pounds of butter fat a year? Have you any that actually yield less than one hundred and fifty? Then better cows, cows that will give two hundred pounds of butter fat and over a year will be a better investment than outside property.

If you are growing beef cattle, is your herd kept as well as it should be? Can you not afford to put a better bull at the head of the herd and increase the value of every calf several dollars when ready for market? There are very few farms on which the farmers cannot afford to pay an extra hundred dollars in getting a first-class sire. The same may be said of every kind of live stock.

Have you the best labor-saving machinery, or are you getting along with something that is ten years behind the times? Here is an opportunity for making a good investment. Has the good wife all the conveniences that she needs? Why not ask her about it? Have you all the fruit you should have on the farm? Would not an investment in some first-class fruit trees be a good thing this year? Are you raising scrub chickens, or well bred ones of some of the many choice breeds that are available? Do you keep a miserable cur good for nothing but to run out and bark at passing teams? Would not a good Collie be a fine investment?

These are illustrations of possible lines of investment, and the beauty of it all is that they are entirely within your own control. You are not trusting to anybody else to spend your money, nor to look after it. There is no danger of anybody getting away with it. The profit that will come from these investments will depend upon yourself, and will be greater or less according to the intelligence you exhibit in managing them.

There is a limit to profitable investment on the farm. There is no need of a house larger than is necessary for the comfort of the prospective family. There is no need of barns larger than the necessities require, although there is need on almost every farm of one additional building—a tool house. It is possible to put more expense on the farm than will pay; but we have not nearly reached that point yet.

When all the land that needs drainage has been properly drained, when all parts of the farm that are capable of growing timber at a profit are planted, when the farms are fenced so that where an animal is put there it will stay until sent for, when the land has been brought up to a point of fertility where it will grow fifty bushels of corn almost any year and one hundred bushels in a first-class year, when it has been brought up to the point where it will grow on an average thirty bushels of winter wheat to the acre and twenty of spring wheat, then will come the time to seek investment outside. We have not nearly reached that point yet except on occasional farms.

The great motive for investing in outside lands is to secure acres for the children, and this a most laudable motive. Provided the acres are well selected and in sections where there is a good soil, a good subsoil, and sufficient rainfall, no wiser investment can be made than that. But

even then under ordinary circumstances it will pay to make investments on the farm in so far as they increase the earning capacity of the farm. Think over these things.—Walcres' Farmer.

DEATH OF FRANK HERMAN.

Horribly Burned He Walked to a Neighbor's House With Flesh Dropping From the Bones.

Frank Herman of Beloit, Iowa, went up to his farm in Beadle county near Broadland, about the middle of March and began active work to prepare a home for his wife and children who remained in Beloit. He was an energetic worker and had been quite successful and was anticipating success in his new home. He had some thirty head of cattle and ten head of horses with him, and had built a temporary stable for his horses with lumber on the ground for a large barn and stable.

A prairie fire came down from the north suddenly on Sunday April 12, about noon, and Frank, to protect his property, hitched four horses to a breaking plow and began plowing. He saw that he could not head off the fire and left his breaking team hitched to the plow and ran to his temporary stable structure to release six head of horses confined there. The rafters were covered with hay which caught fire, quickly and during his efforts to release the horses his clothing caught fire. He escaped from the fire and walked to a pond of water 300 feet distant and rolled in the water. The torture of that walk must have been terrible, as his clothing burned while he walked. His ears were burned off, part of his nose was gone, his arms burned to the bone, and after getting out of the pond walked to a neighbor's farm house, quite a distance, with only a few rags sticking to the roasted flesh. That death walk must have been horrible. Half dead and covered with flesh dropping from the bones he reached shelter. The men of the house were all out fighting fire, but a noble hearted woman took care of the human skeleton and put him to bed. One of the men soon returned and cut the rags from the body and a doctor was summoned from Woolsey.

His suffering was relieved as far as possible and he faced the end with courage. Poor Frank was relieved from torture at 4 o'clock Friday morning. His body was placed in a casket and brought to Canton last Sunday accompanied by his father and brother. His wife, who reached him on Tuesday, accompanied by her father, returned Saturday.

Frank Herman was a splendid man, in the prime of life, aged 30. He was a member of the Canton Odd Fellow lodge and a Yeoman, in which order he carried \$2000 insurance. He leaves a wife and six children to mourn a true and loving husband and father.

His body was received by the Canton Odd Fellows and escorted to the Beloit cemetery where he was buried in the presence of a large number of sorrowing relatives and friends.

A. O. Quien's Corn.

The following communication was received by A. O. Quien from the Department of Agriculture under a Washington date of April 9th. Mr. Quien has been a reporter for the Department for a number of years, and sent the Bureau of Plant Industry 100 kernels from 100 ears of corn so that he might enjoy the advantage of a government test.

Mr. A. O. Quien, Hudson, Dear Sir: The sample of seed corn recently received from you, in response to our circular letter dated January 22, 1908, has been tested under our Laboratory No. 6825 and found to germinate 100 per cent. While this report shows the quality of the sample you sent, germination tests of individual ears should be made before planting. No ear should be used for seed if any of the kernels used in making a single ear test fail to germinate.

Full directions for making individual ear tests are given in Farmers' Bulletin No. 253, "The Germination of Seed Corn," which will be sent free on application to the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., or to any United States Senator or Representative in Congress.

Very truly yours, EDGAR C. BROWN, Botanist in Charge

A Sensible Editor.

Sioux Falls Press: The editor of the Northville Journal went to the Huron convention a supporter of Senator Kittredge. He there heard Gov. Crawford talk and upon his return announced through his newspaper that thereafter he would support the governor. He said: "We found Crawford, the reformer [reform breathing out of every pore] a magnetic man, a man of the people, the idol of the workingman's heart—not a windjammer but an eloquent speaker."

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From A Dayton Farmer.

April 20, 1908.

Editor Leader: I have at hand a pamphlet entitled "A Direct Indictment of Coe I. Crawford," issued by the so-called Roosevelt-Taft State League, and judging from the tone of this Crawford indictment one might believe that Kittredge was about the only Moses in the state and about the only man who is fighting the railroads and backing Roosevelt. Crawford is pictured with cloven hoofs and other bad things. This kind of a document might do for poor ignorant people who can't read, but for Dakotans, it is as insulting as it is false.

I notice that some railroad heeler goes back fifteen or twenty years, to see how Crawford voted on various railroad propositions at Bismarck. We don't care how Crawford voted 15 or 20 years ago, but we do care how he has worked and voted in the past four or five years, and we find his record clear and in line with the demands of the people.

Where is Kit's record? What has he done for the farmers of this state? What has he done for the laboring man? Tell us your pamphlet makers.

I have grown up in Dayton township and have read the papers for many years, and my recollection is that Kit has been all the time a railroad attorney and working against the rights of the people.

Crawford may have been a railroad attorney but he was man enough to surrender his job and lead a glorious fight for the people against railroad oppression and railroad robbery. This alone entitles him to the support of the farmers and business men. Crawford early in the game recognized that the railroads were oppressive and getting more so as time went on. He threw up his job with the Northwestern railroad several years ago and like Roosevelt began a great battle in behalf of the people. The old Kittredge railroad machine beat him in 1904 with free passes, free whisky and free money and fraud. The gallant Crawford took his defeat good naturedly and, prepared to lead in the people's battle in 1906. That time the people realized he was right, that he was honest, that he was fighting their fight and they rallied to his support everywhere. The old railroad crowd with Kit and Martin and Burke as leaders went down in defeat and the people got on top the first time since statehood. These few ideas came to mind after reading Kit's pamphlet and, in my judgment they make a mistake when they assail a man's record made up from distorted falsehoods and read by eyes aflame with revenge.

The Kittredge side of the fight is on the wrong side. He is against the people and the people know it. A thousand falsehoods won't convince one honest farmer or laboring man that Kittredge is right and Crawford wrong. Crawford has proved his right to be called a champion of the people, and the people will send him to the senate.

A Farmer. Get your corn ready as the corn planting season will be on hand in less than ten days. Don't wait till the last moment to hunt seed or repair machinery. Get everything ready for rapid and good work. It is the opinion of many that we are not going to have any too much rain this year, and all good farmers should be prepared to meet such a condition. There is plenty of moisture in the ground at a reasonable depth, but the surface is drier this spring than it has been for the past seven years. All are expecting good crops this year, but you need not expect good crops unless you plant right and on time.

Little McLeod of the Aberdeen News is getting desperate over the Huron convention, and swears by Canada that the corporation crowd won a great victory at the March primaries. Mac is getting batty. Another such victory as Kit and Mac won in March will retire them from business and elevate them to the position of gallery gods. The Roosevelt republicans are highly gratified with the corporation victory in March. One more such victory and little Mac will be headed for Canada.

We are pleased to learn that the boys, as a rule, are treating the birds kindly, and robins are getting quite tame as a result. Educate the boys to protect the dear little birds who come to us every spring to sing and make life more cheerful. Parents should warn boys against destroying nests and stealing eggs. The mother bird loves her little ones dearly and will risk her life to protect her little babies.

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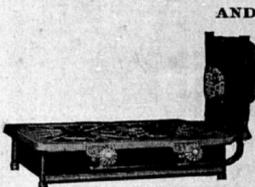
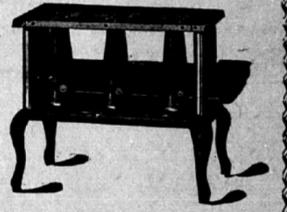
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Boyhood's Happy Days.

Here is a story Lewis Larson of Grant tells about boyhood's happy days.

Yes, Sir! Boyhood's happy days, of course. We know about that. We haven't forgotten the joy of sleeping in an unfinished loft in the winter when our breath froze to the bedding and we had to thaw us out with a hot flatiron every morning.

Morning too! We got up at 4 a. m., pitch dark, 84 below zero and still going down! We had to get up, hustle out and feed and milk the lowing herd, curry the rear elevation of the family mule, wake the rooster up to crow, thaw out the pump, chop four cords of wood and shovel away the snow to make room for the sun to rise.

Sometime we went to school in the winter—not often, only on the days when it was too cold and stormy to go out doors. Then we sat on a nice cool board about fifty feet away from the stove and gayly blew our fingers and picked icicles from our hair. And as we sat we listened to a wooden image with a teacher's license as he handed us misinformation and permanently crippled our intellects.

Then came the merry springtime! Rise at 2:30 a. m. More lowing herd, the herd lowing to the supply of fodder being low. Then the hired man, who had hibernated in the forest, came forth seeking whom he might make happy with his presence. And we, being in extra joy, were allowed to sleep with this woolly hibernator, who snored like the boom of the sad sea waves. He was a good fellow this hired man. He taught us to chew tobacco and swear. These gentle pastimes procured us more violent licks than any other joy in our whole young life.

No memory is more loaded with joy germ than the spring crop working. Can we ever forget the plowing—how we held the plow when we had to reach up with a pike pole to get the handles; how we drove the old plug team with the lines around our neck; how when the clevis broke the mares walked away with our frail body dragging behind by the ears? When darkness came forth we stabled the plugs and went forth to milk the crossbred heifer. The heifer kicked us across the barn floor, and an old cow obligingly kicked us back again. Then, when the milking was over, what fun to run in and teach a fool calf to drink! This acting as a dry nurse to a bandy legged calf was one of the most unmixed joys of all. We tried the calf short, set the bucket in front of him, got astraddle of his neck, stuck two fingers in his mouth and with the other hand jammed his head into the pail. All the time we were employing our abuse on calves in general and this lop eared idiot in particular. This went on until dad came in and with loving patience horsewhipped us all about the place.

Then when we carried in the wood, brought forty gallons of water from the spring and eaten about eight pounds of solid food we went joyfully upstairs—and came down again immediately to breakfast.

A Common Mistake.

Many women mistake kidney and bladder troubles for some irregularity peculiar to the sex. Foley's Kidney Remedy corrects irregularities and makes women well. Miss Carrie Harden, Bowling Green, Ky., writes: "I suffered much pain from kidney and bladder trouble until I started to use Foley's Kidney Remedy. The first bottle gave me great relief, and after taking the second bottle I was entirely well." I. M. Helme & Co.

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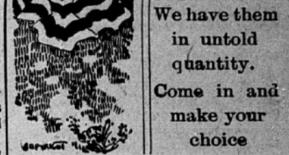
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The closing temperance rally at the court house last Sunday evening was a magnificent testimonial to the cause. President Tuve of Augustana presided and the college choir under the direction of Prof. Quire furnished the music. County Superintendent Lawrence made the opening address and it was a good one. It was the best speech he ever made and a very convincing argument against the saloon traffic. Prof. Lawrence told a story about a snake catcher in Tennessee that made many a heart beat fast as he related the climax. He was followed by J. T. Hansen of Chraft & Hansen. He spoke from the experience of a business man and demonstrated beyond question that the saloon is a detriment to legitimate business. Rev. W. Alfred Gave closed the speaking part of the program and he spoke plainly and earnestly on the question. His address was a masterly argument in favor of temperance and morality and aroused a deep interest in that big audience.

Martin would like to be rid of Kit and Burke but he has made his bed. He thought he would play a big bluff in the game and began with a needless insult to every progressive republican in the state. He has discovered that the people are with Crawford to stay and a second victory over the machine is not an "accident," as the Black Hills boss called the victory of 1906. Martin will go down with Kit and Burke and he deserves his fate because of his duplicity and double dealing. When one wants to learn of Martin's political methods he has only to ask any rounder in Deadwood. The people of South Dakota are in dead earnest and mean to wipe out the corporation machine root and branch, and Martin as a grand stand boomer will meet a well deserved fate for his gratuitous insult to every Roosevelt republican in the state.

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