THE REVIEW'S SPECIAL FARM NEWS DEPARTMENT

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Live News About Crawford County Farms and Farmers

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demand. The big factors in winter wheat success lie in early preparation of the seed bed and in planting good seed.

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I am afraid that windmill story I told last week is going to supply me with more work than I can handle. You see it pays to advertise. While I plead guilty to the charge of being a long distance conversationalist I am going to side step the job of guaranteeing to start all of the Crawford county windmills.

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Owing to a bridge being out I had a little trouble in reaching the farm of N. W. Ingham in section thirty-three Milford township. I was well repaid for having made a roundabout trip to reach his fine farm with its well kept buildings and modern improvements. A new silo 16x30 has just been completed. It is built of hollow tile silo brick. Mr. Ingham is more fortunate than a majority of the Crawford county farmers, for he has over a hundred spring pigs. About seven years ago he installed an electric lighting plant which has never been regretted.

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Last week Wednesday Thomas Mehan, who resides in section seventeen Hayes township, sold five hogs at $18 per hundred that brought him just $334.80. Oh, you pork. A new silo 16x35 has been recently completed on the farm. On another farm owned by Mr. Mehan nearby a lot of drain tile was put in and what was only swamp land for many years has been made to blossom like the rose, in producing one of the best fields of corn in that section this year.

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W. M. Murphy, who has been renting the Mehan farm in Hayes township this years, informs me that he has rented a farm from Tracey North along the Lincoln highway five miles east of Denison.

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NOT FAR AWAY.

Dunlap had a "comfort bee" last week. We know a small boy who sat on a bee this summer, but he refused for some time to be comforted.

It is expected to have the new Greene county court house finished by September. It is said to be a very beautiful building.

The Odebolt newspapers last week contained half page ads for the local public schools. Not a bad idea at that.

In many Iowa towns large barrels painted red, white and blue have been placed in a convenient place for people to deposit cigars, cigarettes, tobacco, etc., for the soldier boys.

A. C. Jordan, of Odebolt, has been appointed federal fire inspector at Camp Dodge, Des Moines. He claims there are many attempts to set fires around the camp, and it takes great vigilance on the part of the officers to avert damage by fire.

Two hundred and forty acres of land near the town of Templeton in Carroll county, sold for $230 per acre at public auction. It required $55,200 in ready cash to buy it. Yes, it was a farmer who had that much money.

October 1st to 6th is Greater Iowa week. That is the week when Iowa-made goods will be talked about, written about and discussed generally. Ministers are asked to preach sermons on Iowa, newspapers to give publicity, merchants to display Iowa made goods and the Hawkeye state will be advertised in an effective manner to show us that Iowa is something more than a great agricultural state.

A party of young folks out joy riding in an auto tried to beat a freight train over a railroad crossing at Emmetsburg last week. The train won. The heads of the young men in the front seat were somewhat damaged and they also received several broken bones. The boys were considered entitled to entrance in a Des Moines hospital. Who will be next?

Last week the Woodbine Twiner advertised a "get-to-gether" social. No doubt it was well attended.

An agent recently got into serious trouble by trying to compel a farmer living near Laurens to buy something which the farmer did not want, and would not have, by gosh! After the farmer got tired of the agent's insulting remarks he struck the agent and the agent then drew a pocket knife. He was informed that if he did not drop the knife the farmer would drop him with a singletree held in the farmer's hand. The knife was dropped, also $25 later into the city strong box for carrying concealed weapons.

The Council Bluffs Red Cross chapter has received an urgent call to furnish one million five hundred thousand of knitted articles named. The following are asked: Fifteen hundred knitted sweaters, fifteen hundred mufflers, fifteen hundred pairs of wristlets and fifteen hundred pairs of wool socks.

The Palo Alto Reporter is responsible for the following: Carl Leander, of Bancroft, has a farm about seven hundred acres two and a half miles south and a half a mile west of Swea City that has on it a herd of twelve buffalo. Some of these buffaloes are as fine a specimen of the species as one would like to see. The head of the herd is a big fellow with a shaggy head and fore parts that puts one in mind of a picture. There are two calf buffaloes in the herd this year and there is one that is only three-quarter buffalo. Perhaps the most magnificent animal in the entire herd is a half breed—a cross between a buffalo and an Aberdeen cow. We believe that it is a female and it has the sleekest, most glossy coat of black hair that we ever saw on an animal. It will weigh nearly 2000 pounds and looks as though it would make mighty juicy meat. Mr. Leander is thinking of killing the animal about Christmas. He does not want to kill it until the hair is at full growth then the hide will bring several hundred dollars when made into a robe.

M. C. Haradon, aged 74 years, and Lorena May Dougherty, aged 51 years, both of Sac City, were married in Rockwell City last Thursday by Rev. C. E. Chapler. Mr. Haradon, according to reports from Sac City, is a veteran of the civil war and secured a divorce on May 8th from his third wife, whom he married on March 6th.

We clip the following from the Lake City Graphic: Beryl Peterson is driving a gas cylinder truck at the Balloon school at Ft. Omaha. It takes seven trucks to inflate a balloon of 35,000 cubic feet of gas, 24 cylinders on a truck, each cylinder carrying 240 cubic feet of compressed gas. There are several different types of balloons, Connecticut, Goodyear, English and French. The French type is the best. It carries 42,000 cubic feet of gas. It takes a truck train three minutes after pulling into line to connect up and inflate a balloon.

The Carroll newspapers announce the county fair recently held at Carroll was a record breaker for attendance and the success of the present year insures permanence of the institution for many years to come. The exhibits were numerous and better than ever.

Rev. C. E. Chapler, pastor of the Methodist church at Rockwell City, will leave October 1st to join the Y. M. C. A. ranks at the big army cantonment at Camp Dodge at Des Moines.

The excavation contracts for what is perhaps the largest drainage project ever attempted in northwestern Iowa were let at Sac City for approximately $512,000 by the boards of supervisors of four counties, Sac, Buena Vista, Pocahontas and Calhoun, sitting in joint session. The mammoth project involves the changing of the course for several miles of the Cedar river, a stream entering the Coon river about two miles below Sac City.

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Last week Tuesday and Wednesday were record breakers for real estate sales in Logan for this time of the year. Frank Gibson sold his 120 acre farm to R. W. Hills at $225, and Mr. Hills resold the farm at $230 to Frank Teel the same day. Earl McKinney sold 136 acres to Gus Martin for $171.50; Paul Lovell to J. L. Honeywell 120 acres for a consideration of $197.50; C. J. Beebe 209 acres to Asa Thomas, consideration $150; Asa Thomas to C. J. Beebee 160 acres, consideration $150; Frank Schwertley sold 120 acres in the north part of Harrison county to John Stoner at $75. In each sale possession is to be given March 1, 1918. The greater number of farms sold are east and south and west of Logan. The sales totaled $135,674 in one dap.

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Pasturing the brood sow and her litter keeps them all in good health, the pigs will make satisfactory gains and there will be a decided saving in grain.

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Something like twenty years ago Wm. Ewaldt decided to breed pure bred Hereford cattle, and today he has sixty head of Herefords on his farm in section sixteen, Hayes township. They are not all registered, however, he has only eight head of cows registered, but most of the remainder are entitled to it. He has at the head of his herd a good quality three-year-old bull. He recently exchanged another with his neighbor for this animal. The other had been kept as long as advisable, but owing to its fancy breeding and class as an individual, it would have been a crime to have shipped him to be slaughtered. Much of the cattle on the farm are his get and he was purchased from that great herd of cattle in Sac county, the Cook herd, which was dispersed a few years ago. The animal which now stands at the head of the herd came from a noted breeder who lives near Kenwood. I found Mr. Ewaldt a very sociable gentleman and I intend to drop in on him whenever it is possible to do so. He has just finished remodeling his residence and building an addition to same.

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Len Kepford, who farms the R. A. Gilmore farm five miles southwest of Denison, is a very fortunate young man. He has forty-three tons of very good timothy hay in the barn.

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Joseph Hedderman resides in section thirty-two Denison township, and owns a 200 slice of what looks to be a desirable stock farm. Fourteen years ago he erected a large and handsome dwelling on his farm. It was built of cement blocks. At first he noticed the blocks were a little damp, but after they had become thoroughly dried has not experienced any trouble from dampness.

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Arlo Smith intends to seed twelve acres to winter wheat and was plowing when I called on him. He is farming the Ohde farm in section twenty-nine, Hayes township.

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August Schrader believes in building for the future. He has many buildings on his farm and every one gives witness to the fact that he does nothing by halves. The buildings are built as substantial as it is possible to make them. He has recently been at work on remodeling his double corn crib. He built a hip roof on the same and made it high enough to place bins for the storing of small grain. He has placed a set of large scales in the driveway and is building a rack around it so he can weigh cattle or hogs. He also has an elevator in the driveway and all-in-all it is such a building as you would expect him to build if you knew him. The large horse barn is located on a side hill, and the barn faces the south. He has made a cow barn across the west end in the basement and has it fitted out with cement floor, litter carrier and steel stanchions, affording room for fourteen cows.

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The farm lands in Iowa have increased an average of $57.34 per acre in the last ten years. This increase alone amounts to more than the average value per acre of the farm land in every state in the union except New Jersey, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and California.

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Because women are becoming farm owners and managers in increasing numbers in Iowa, they are to have an opportunity to study agriculture from the woman's standpoint in a new four-year course combining agriculture and home economics that will be offered for the first time at Iowa State college this fall.

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Hans Hansen purchased a farm in Hayes township last year, six and a half miles northeast of Manilla. He is now making extensive improvements to the water system and will rebuild the corn crib.

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About seven years ago Paul William Jahn, proprietor of Twin Cedar Stock Farm, started to breed Hampshire hogs, the large black hogs with a white collar around their necks and shoulders. He is proclaimed a success by all his neighbors for miles around. I was a caller at the farm last week, but did not find the gentleman at home. He was away on a visit in South Dakota, but his son, Hugo, escorted me around the farm. Mr. Jahn owns 440 acres, but only farms 80 acres of it, devoting most of his time to his swine. In a grove north of the residence I saw the two herd boars, one is a monster too, in size. He has weighed 850, but is now considerably lighter. He has the length, breadth and thickness, I tell you. The other fellow is not so old and is not nearly matured, but gives promise of being a heavy weight. There were nineteen good fall boars in the pasture with these two. In another pasture were thirty-eight spring boars and he has a fine bunch of spring she stuff, forty in all. His brood sows, fifteen in number, were looking very classy. He has two which cost his $140 apiece, and that was before the price of pork went up in a balloon. His brood sows were bred for fall and spring litters. This farm is located seven miles northeast of Manilla.

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While calling on Vincent J. Launderville in section eight, Hayes township, I noticed a new silo had just been finished. It is 16x35 and built of hollow tile silo brick. A hot water heating plant is being installed in the dwelling and one of those, soon to be popular, combination corn cribs and granary will be built this fall. It will be 24x48.

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Last spring F. E. Lally used for the first time a tractor on his farm four and three-fourths miles south of Vail. day." He will erect a hog house and turn over about ten acres of earth per Said he "liked it just fine. Could cattle shed this fall and perhaps do more building if he has the time to devote to it.

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All of the school houses in Hayes township have been repainted inside and out, also repapered. This township has the reputation of being one of the best in school equipment in the county. They also pay their teachers good wages and demand good teachers. First grade teachers receive $75 per month. As I drove past several of the Hayes school houses I could not but notice that everything about the buildings were neat and clean.

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Thomas Carey, a fine old gentleman of section five, Iowa township, intends to build a modern house for his chickens. He is thinking strongly of building it of hollow tile brick, which I know to be excellent material for chicken or hog houses. I advised him to write to the Ames college for plans. He recently shipped part of a car load of hogs to Omaha, which netted him $2,005. There were thirty-three head.

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Looks like we can have buckwheat cakes next winter form most every state where buckwheat grows put in an increase acreage and it is reported that the crop is good.

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Farmers of this county should be mighty watchful in regard to hog cholera. It is quite prevalent in Calhoun, Humboldt, Pocahontas and Webster counties.

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A five months old Holstein bull brought $53,200 at a recent sale at Worcester, Mass.

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The Early correspondent to the Sac City Sun last week said: The thresher engine belonging to Guy Holdridge was destroyed by a terrific explosion Friday morning at the Chas. Houston farm west of town, as the machine was moving from the farm, where it had previously finished a big threshing job. Harvey Brotherton, one of the attendants, was badly scalded and the engineer suffered scalds besides a couple of broken ribs. Harvey Brotherton, the young man whose arm and back were severely scalded, is from Missouri. He was taken to the John Kirwin home, where a nurse was called and the best practicable medical attention given, and he is getting along very well.

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If you want to see a combination corn crib and granary that is just about perfect I advise you to take a look at the one G. M. Talcott has just completed on his farm about two miles due south of Arion. It will be worth your time to look it over. It is 27x32 with cement floors in the cribs and a cement driveway. A dump and elevator that takes up but little room is located in the driveway. In the southeast corner is located the engine room. A gasoline engine furnishes the power for the elevator.

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Anton Hoiberg is repairing his dwelling and building a small addition to the same. His farm is located two miles south of Arion.

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Plans have been made to expand immediately the co-operative extension work of the United States Department of Agriculture and the State agricultural colleges by a large increase in the number of county agricultural agents and home demonstration agents. This extension is made possible by funds appropriated in the recently enacted food production bill. Women agents will be placed for the first time in the larger towns and cities. More or less technical training in agriculture and home economics will be required in this service. The appointments are to be made on the recommendation of the director of the director of extension work at the state college. Approximately 1,400 men agents and 500 women agents are at present employed. The plans formulated contemplate the extension of the men county agent work to all the rural counties of the union in which there is a need for the work and the placing of an additional agent in some of the larger counties already organized. They also contemplate a considerable increase in the number of women agents engaged in extension activities. The number to be employed will depend upon the number of trained men and women available. Proved ability in leadership as well as technical training will be required. The use of city agents in the conduct of the extension work of the department is a new departure made desirable by the importance attached in the present food crisis of the world to the conservation and efficient utilization of foods. The city demonstration work will be carried on by women agents who will work in co-operation with the existing organizations of women. The aim of the extension work is to carry directly to as many people as possible information in regard to proved methods of agricultural production and home economics. Economy in the purchase and use of food, and methods of food conservation by canning, drying, etc., will be emphasized. The men county agents are concerned chiefly with agricultural production, while the women are employed in demonstration work in home economics.

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Amos Petersen, who lives five miles northwest of Denison, recently purchased a 25 Mogul tractor and a new Racine separator. Mr. Petersen will do his own threshing in the future as well as taking care of his neighbors. He plans to use the tractor to do fall plowing with.

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Julius Rathje and family, who reside in section twenty, Morgan township, and his neighbor, Henry Kulsen, and wife, motored over to Danbury

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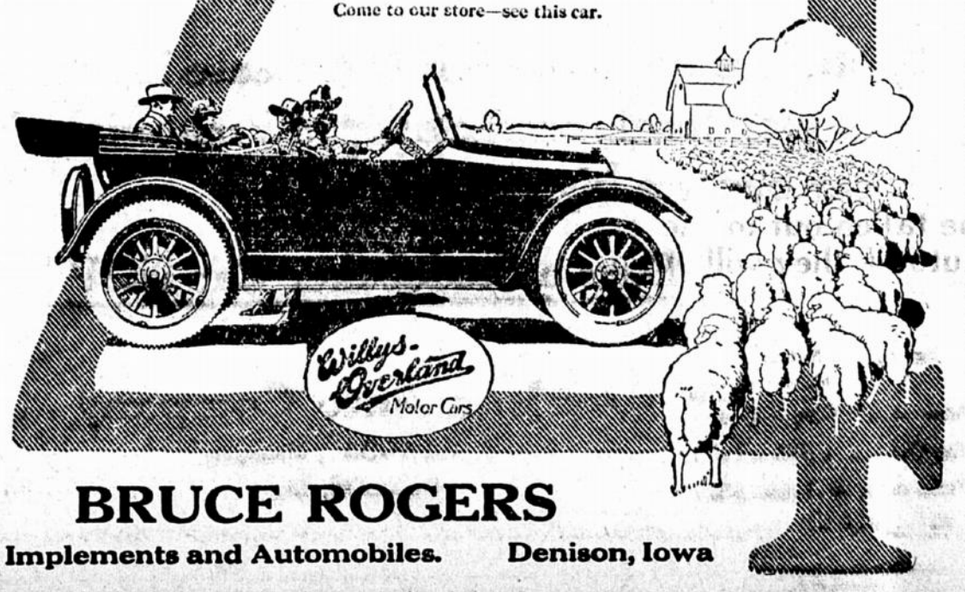

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