

### **Cooperstown**

Cooperstown, the county seat, is situated in the east central part of the county about five miles from the Shyenne river. Seen from a distance it resembles a miniature forest surmounted here and there by the spires of its four churches and the cupolas of the seven elevators. East north and south the level prairie stretches away for miles while to the west the gently rolling morainic hills separate it from another and larger prairie expanse.

The town is noted throughout the state for its neat and well kept appearance; hardly a house without its lawn and trees, and but few blocks not surrounded by concrete sidewalk and many even in the residence portion having also cement gutter and curb. All streets are lighted by electricity.

Its high school is rated by the state in the first class and its graded schools are second to none. It has a large stone school building well equipped and employs 14 teachers. No town in the state with five times the population has as neat or well stocked stores as are found here.

Three rural free delivery routes with a total of over 80 miles of service cover the territory adjacent to town while rural telephone lines radiate in all directions. The two banks have a combined capital of \$80,000; surplus, \$30,000; deposits, \$607,893.-23, on November 26, 1912. Population, 1,019.

### **Jessie**

Jessie, a thriving little village of about 100 population, is situated in the north central part of Griggs county on the Sanborn-McHenry branch of the Northern Pacific railway and is surrounded by some of the best farming lands in the county. These lands are being used for diversified farming and they produce very good crops, while the community is well settled with a thriving class of people.

The business enterprises represented in Jessie are general stores, hardware and furniture, drugs, bank, elevators, lumber yard, blacksmith, etc., and there is a good school, and also a Catholic church in the village, with other churches holding services within a few miles. Jessie is only 12 miles from Red Willow lake, which is a summer resort for people in near by towns, while there are smaller lakes with picnic grounds within a few minutes drive.

### **Hannaford**

This thriving village is located in the south central part of the county where the new Great Northern cut-off crosses the Northern Pacific. It lies in the midst of a very fertile section of the county and on the banks of the Bald Hill Creek. This creek is fed by springs throughout its course and affords an abundant supply of water for fire protection, furnishes ice, as well as giving excellent drainage. It abounds in fish and along its banks are great deposits of sand which is utilized by the two concrete building block firms in the manufacture of the various blocks, etc., for which concrete is now so much used. These blocks are used to a great extent here in building, Hannaford having a number of excellent examples of this type of architecture amongst its stores and dwellings.

The completion of the new road furnishes main line facilities east and west in addition to that offered by the Northern Pacific. Two rural free delivery routes run out of town and rural telephone lines radiate in all directions.

The two banks have a combined capital of \$40,000, deposits 153,752.79 surplus \$11,500.

### **Mose**

Mose is located in the western part of Griggs county on the Cooperstown branch of the Northern Pacific, in the township of Bryan. It was founded at the time the road was built through the county in 1900, and at once developed into a good business point, being the market for one of the best farming sections in the county. Mose has nothing in particular to distinguish it from the other small towns in this county. It is made up of the usual number of well-to-do business men; it has the usual row of elevators and business houses; also a school house.

### **Sutton**

Sutton is one of the new towns on the new Great Northern cut-off. In a short time it has grown into a hustling little city of two general stores, two hardware stores, two banks, hotel, restaurant, pool room, blacksmith shop, three elevators. There are prospects of other business concerns being established in the spring.