

## Farmers Institute.

The second session of the Farmers Institute held in the courthouse on Wednesday forenoon was very interesting. A discussion led by Prof. Shaw on winter rye disclosed the fact that such a crop is a success in this county and will go far toward helping the farmers stock over that dry period beginning about in August or September because winter rye can be used for grazing purposes both in the fall and in the spring and still give a good yield of seed grain per acre. This is not much the case with winter wheat although Mr. G. Dyson got 14 bushels per acre of winter wheat even where it had been partly grazed. Prof. Shaw explained why he thinks North Dakota has advantages of the corn belt states in fattening stock in winter. Mrs. Howie talked for about half an hour on winter production of eggs and explained the necessity of keeping the hens clean and warm and dry. A very important element was brought up by Mr. Mills namely that of making use of all available barnyard manure both solids and liquids. Mr. Williams called attention to the fact that honey can be made a profitable crop in this state and county having personally kept three hives very successfully. This meeting resulted in a permanent local organization with the following committee: Prof. J. G. Mills, Secretary; O. B. Westly and F. D. Williams.

Larimore has such an organization which is very successful, why not Cooperstown or Griggs Co? There is a lot of good local talent and the coming together and exchanging ideas ought to go far towards building up our county and towns. March 20th there will be held at the courthouse a meeting of this organization where everybody is invited and all who come are members without fee or credentials and whether they are Griggs county people or outside makes no difference. Open discussions will taken up perhaps most of the time.

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