

Chappell, Sidney and Kimball on the Lincoln Highway

SIDNEY BLOOMS BY EFFORTS OF BUSINESS MEN

Wideawake Citizens Make This Western Nebraska Town a Prosperous City Accessible by Good Roads.

Sidney, Neb., the far-west junction point of the Union Pacific and Burlington roads is a name well known over the entire state. And to a great measure this is due to the live real estate and business men of the town.

Some ten years ago Sidney was on the map. It was there, with good farming land all around going begging for skillful hands to come and farm it. Out of the quietness came a number of real honest-to-goodness real estate men, who knew what could be done and were willing to put their own time and money into proving it. They traveled the state, put their proposition to men in the other sections of the state and soon there were flocking to Sidney farmers of all kinds, eager to get cheap land for themselves and get out of the class of renters. They have made good and from their success the town of Sidney has grown in size and in business.

These men, when the Lincoln highway was proposed, gave up their business to consider the future of good roads in that section of the state. They put in time and money and constructed out of the truly awe-inspiring rutty tracks that went for roads, real highways, crowned, graded and with a solid base of good Nebraska clay. The highway came through Sidney and never since that time have they relaxed their campaign to keep them good and make them just a little better.

Sidney itself is the center of an unusually large district. There are thriving businesses, good streets, an excellent lighting and water system, one of the finest school systems in the state for the size of the town and a live commercial club. The merchants do one of the best distributing businesses of western Nebraska in agricultural implements, autos and general supplies, while there are shipped out of there each year thousands of dollars worth of farm products.

Auto is Great Help to Those Living at Chappell, Nebraska

Were you ever in Chappell, Neb. Boy, it's the place! Full of big hearted people, doing a big business in a big way. They grow crops out there on lots less rainfall than we fellows who live right close to the Missouri but they seem to get along just as well, have good results and when it comes to raising hay and cattle and hogs there's the best in the west, right there.

No pretensions are made at Chappell to being interested in anything but the state of crops and the matter of keeping the people who raise them well supplied with the necessities and the luxuries of life. It takes the united efforts of all the people in the town to minister to the needs of the farmers round there in the matter of groceries, agricultural machines and implements, clothes and some other things, not forgetting the auto, for in this country an auto has become one of the necessities of the farmer.

Keep Cattle Raisers. When the first cattle barons came they thought that here was an ideal country for the raising of their products. No one would want to try and farm this dry country, couldn't raise anything if he tried. And then came the neater, with his little fenced in plot near a creek bed and he proved after a number of disappointing years that he not only could raise crops but that he could be of aid to the cattle man and not in his way. For it's his hay and grain that get the big steers ready for the market and that carry valuable heads through the cold winter months.

Chappell itself is a pleasing place, wide streets, well lined with cars, many of which have driven into town over a splendid section of the Lincoln highway. There are good banks, and a fine business is done by merchants in every line. The town is situated on the main line of the Union Pacific and enjoys good railroad advantages.

Kimball Both First and Last on Highway

Westward on the Lincoln Highway it is almost the last chance in Nebraska when you reach Kimball. Sitting in the far southwest corner of the state it is the last main stop on the Highway going west and the first stop as you come eastward.

Kimball is in the country of big ranches, in fact no one in that county owns a mere farm. Land is cultivated in big plots, there is plenty of ground taken for pasturage for the herds of cattle and lots of fine hay and alfalfa lands. Good crops of wheat are raised here and fair yields of corn. Oats do well and make an important product, for many fine horses are shipped out of Kimball each year.

The town itself, in spite of being in the corner of the state, makes itself felt because of the live spirit of its citizens. And as Kimball county is bounded on two sides by the state of Colorado there is a lively trade between the citizens of the two states carried on in the business houses here.

The town itself has made great improvements in the past few years. There have been good times and good crops there for a number of years. Dry farming is no longer a matter of luck as these men have carried it out, but a matter of farming in an intensive manner on large lots of land. As a result there have been built here a number of fine new buildings, the streets are well cared for, well lighted and there are good schools and churches. The county association

and county officers work together with the men of the city to keep the Lincoln Highway, which they feel is an asset, in good condition and the example set has materially improved the other roads in that vicinity. All of which has made the auto a better known article out there and there are hundreds of cars owned in Kimball county.

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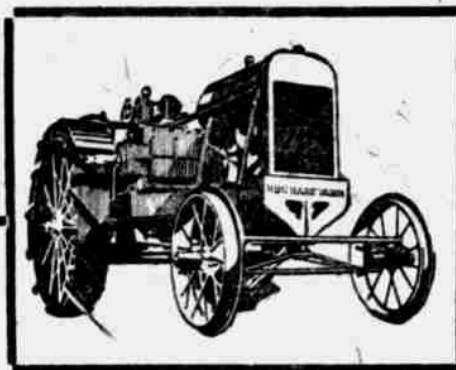
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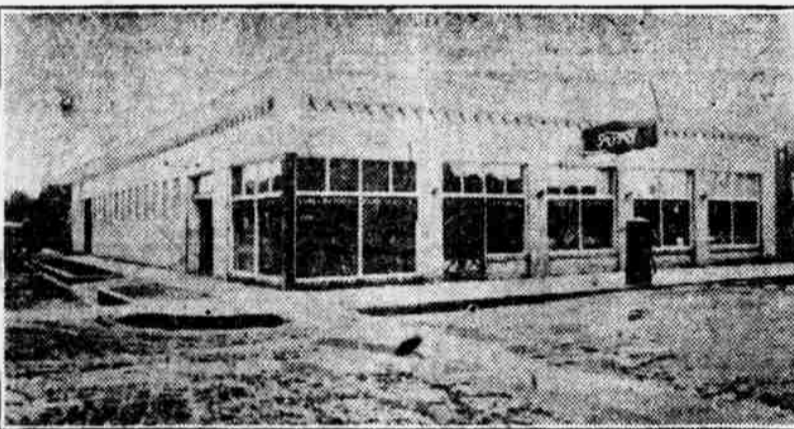
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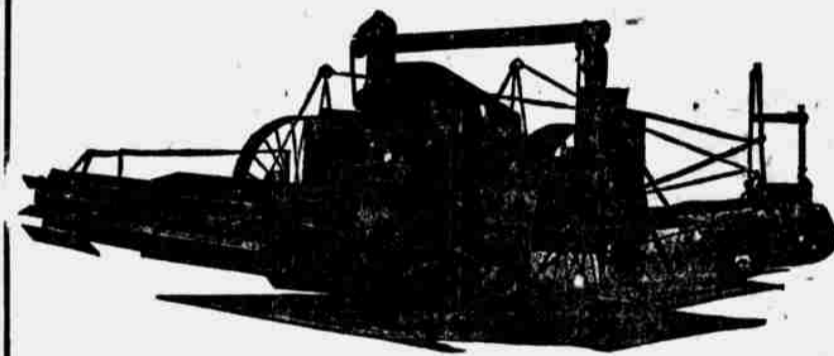
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