Borden Condensery Built at Fort Scott, Kans. in 1918

This condensery was one of the first to be built this far south. Most of the milk condenseries have been located in Wisconsin and other northern states. Since this, one was built at Mt. Vernon, in Lawrence County, Mo., and one at Iola, Kan. Dairying is becoming an established part of our agricultural program.

During the six years that the Borden plant has been in operation the dairy farmers in Bourbon County, Kan., have increased from about 300 to about 1,000. The production of milk has increased from about $300,000 per year to almost $1,500,000 per year. The dairy farmers have been improving their herds, both as to quality and numbers. Silos have been built on most of the dairy farms. Pay days every two weeks have become the rule in place of a pay day only a few times each year. Cow testing has been weeding out the boarder cows and putting the farmer on a business basis. Guessing has given place to the scales and the Babcock test.

Fields are growing more fertile and crop failures are being eliminated. Hard roads are being built in all directions from Fort Scott. Each morning 46 big trucks bring in the "white gold" to the condensery. Its capacity has been increased once and plans are being made to further enlarge it.

In fact Bourbon County, Kan., has adopted the Wisconsin program of farming and has demonstrated beyond a doubt that it is safe and sound and applicable in Kansas just as well as in Wisconsin. Any county in Kansas, Missouri or Oklahoma can do as well as Bourbon County, if the bankers, business men and farmers will unite and put on the program and stay with it for ten years. If any one is interested in knowing how Bourbon County is getting along let them write to the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, Ft. Scott, Kan.

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