

Red River Early Ohios-Clay County's Pride

## CLAY COUNTY ILLUSTRATED

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SOME FACTS showing the wonderful development of the Banner County of the Red River Valley in Minnesota

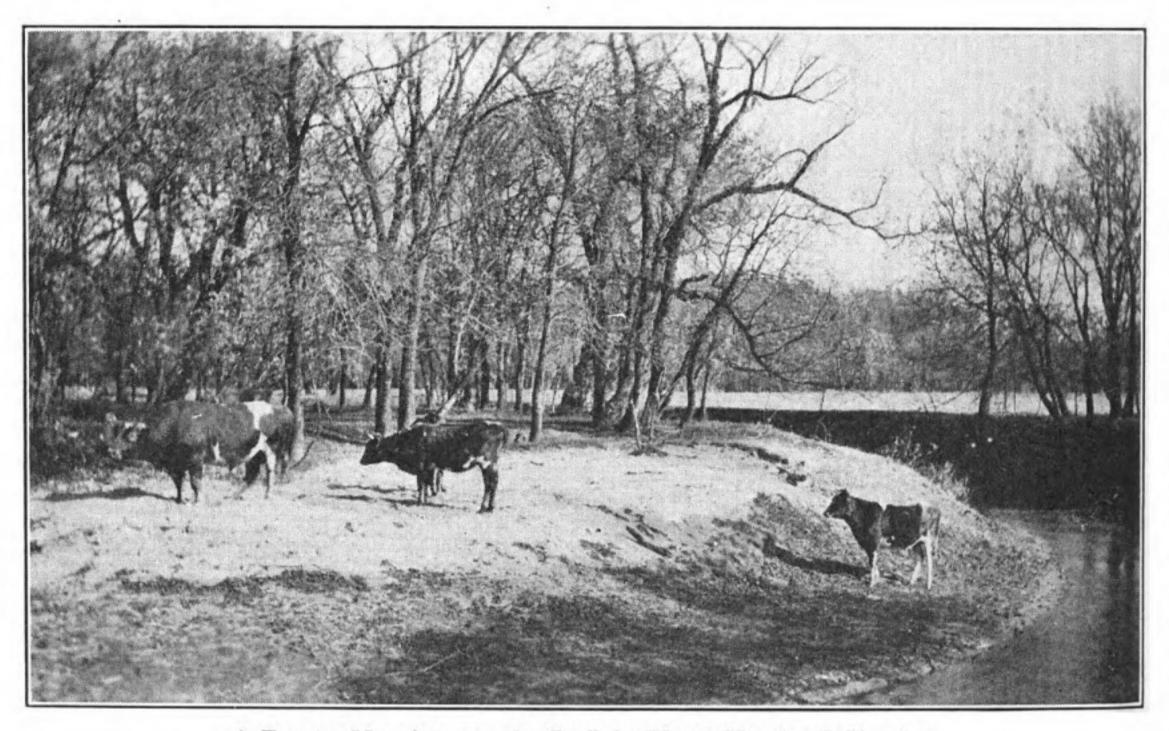
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## Clay County Comes Into Her Own

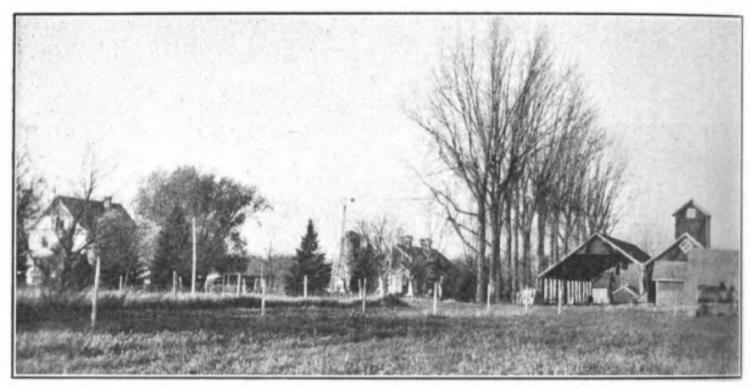
Hers has been the tale that wagged the entire northern part of the state. What has been accomplished in Clay county has been used to advertise other sections of Minnesota and North Dakota. In this publication nothing outside the county has been given space—there is no need of it. The only need is more space—to show the advantages of this splendid county, and to record the success of the men who have developed her resources.



A Frosty Morning, on the Buffalo River, North of Glyndon

George M. Gunderson, the boy on the cover, is a prize-winning, twelve-year-old product of Clay county. The corn is White Rustler and was grown by the lad in 1915. He was awarded second prize, in the ten county district in the middle western part of the state, at the First National Corn Show at St. Paul in December last. He won a trip to the State Fair on his ten ear exhibit at the Crookston show. He also won another trip to the State Fair in the State acre yield contest; but is three years too young—so he will only make one trip to the fair this year.

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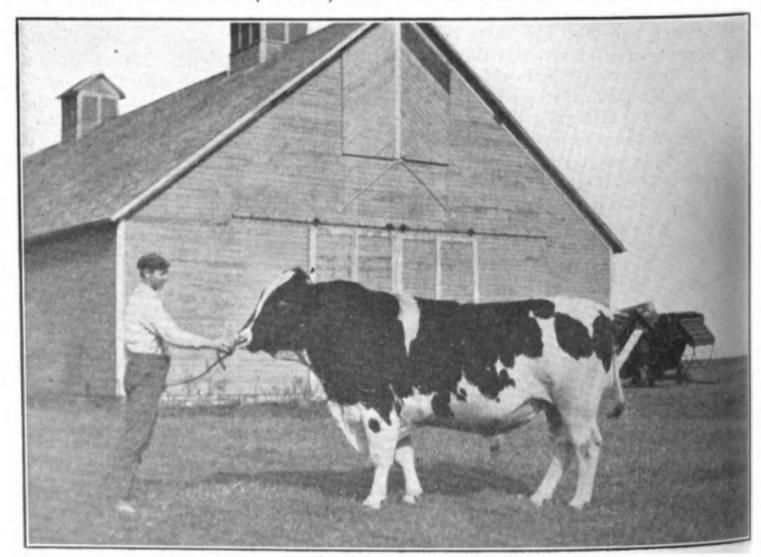
Otto J. Grover's Farm as It Appears from the Northeast

Otto J. Grover is one of the leaders in diversified farming. His farm contains 478 acres, and of this 70 acres are timbered and used for pasture. He has 30 acres seeded to alfalfa and 35 to clover and timothy. Each year he plants 50 acres of corn and has been a successful grower of seed. Potatoes are one of the leading crops; and, on the balance of the farm, wheat, oats

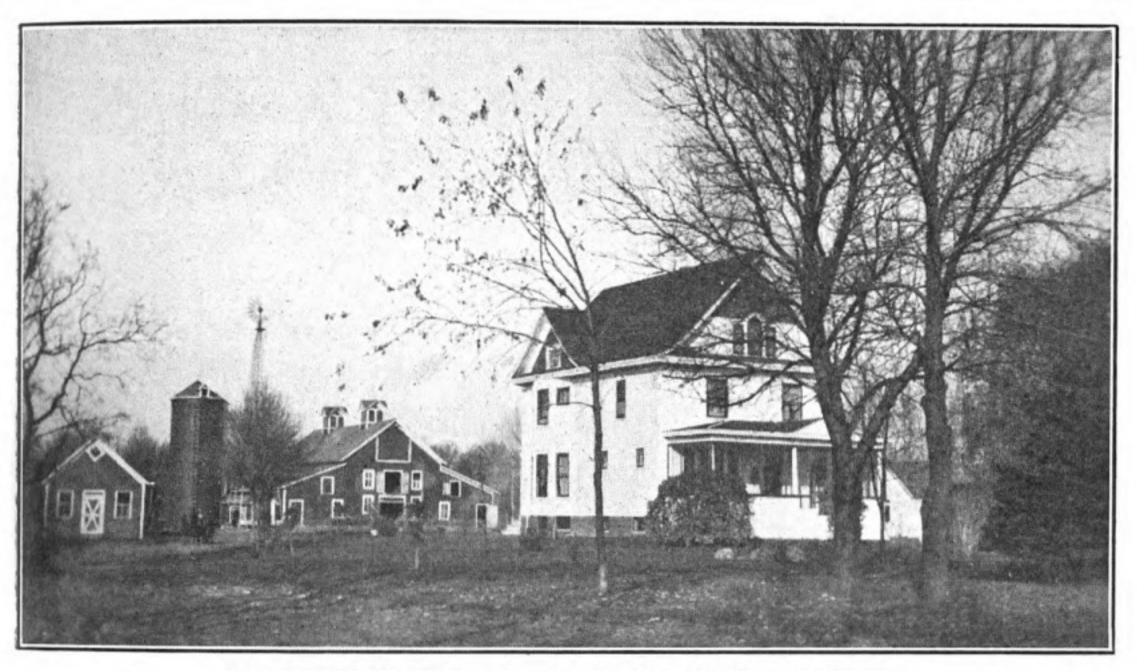
and barley are raised.

Mr. Grover has already laid about 300 rods of 6-inch tile and is so well pleased with the results that he expects to continue until every low spot on his farm is under-drained. He has excellent outlets—the Buffalo River and a ditch on the north 12 feet deep.

The Grover herd of 37 pure-bred Holstein-Friesian cattle is one of the



Sir Pietertje Ormsby Mercedes 22nd, Sire of Otto J. Grover's Herd

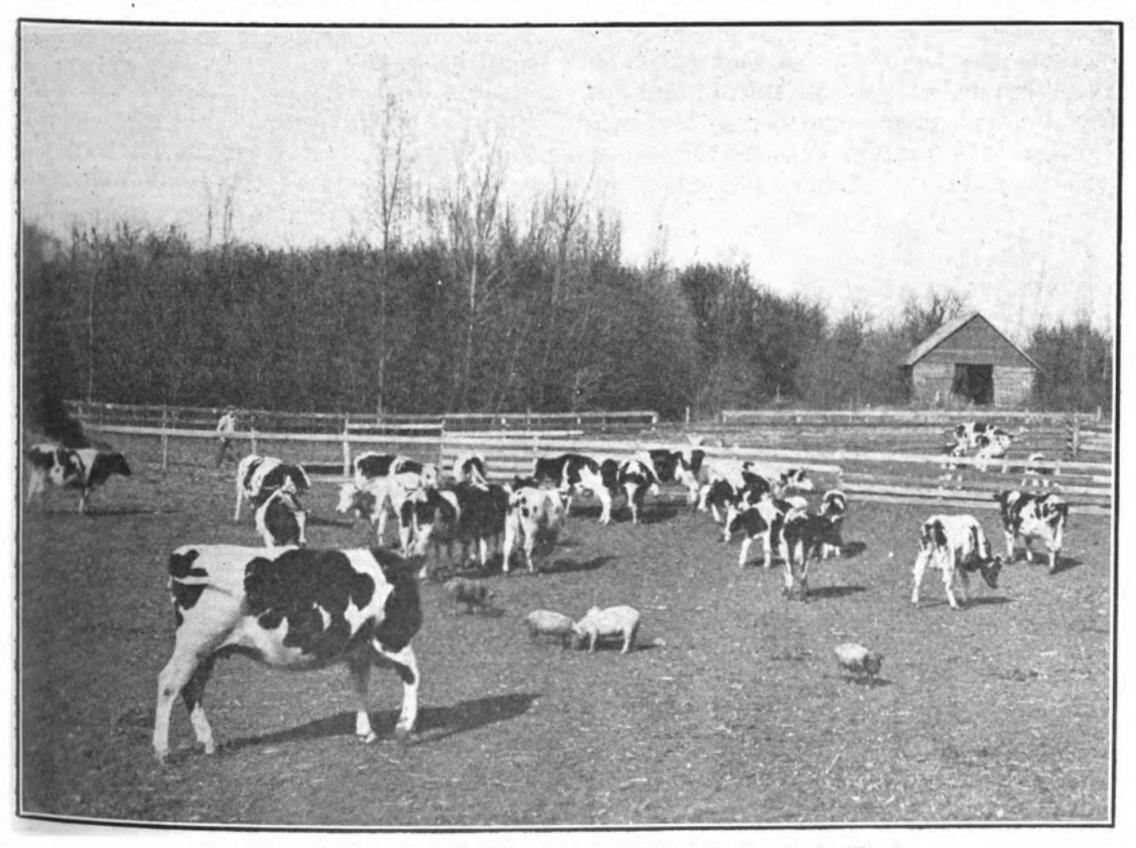


Coming Up the Driveway on the Otto J. Grover Farm

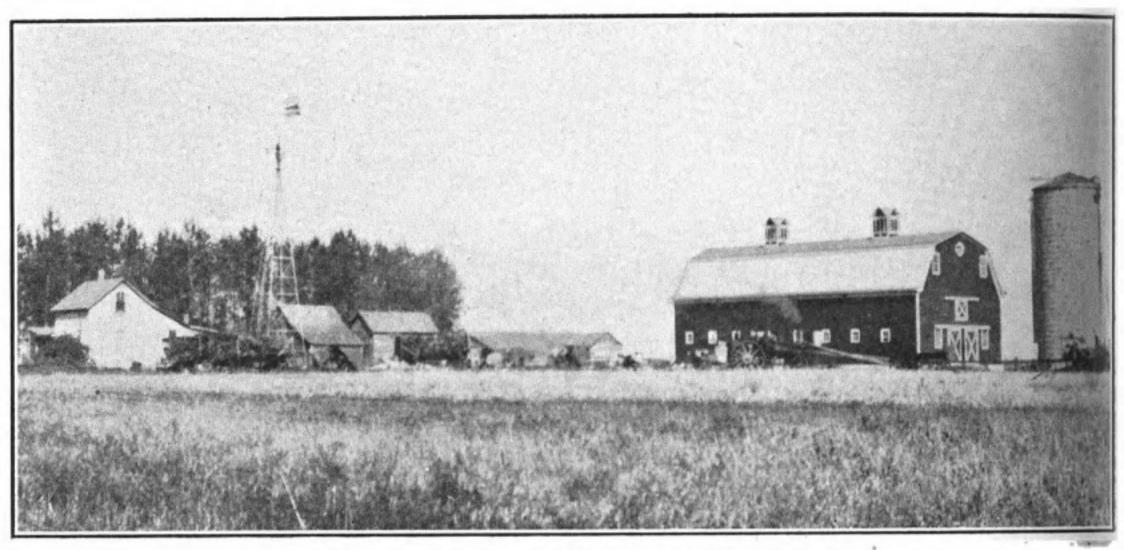
best in this part of the country. Sir Pietertje Ormsby Mercedes 22nd is the grand bull that heads the herd. He is a son of the senior sire of the E. C. Schroeder herd, Sir Pietertje Ormsby Mercedes, and his dam is Riverview Fytje De Kol Ormsby, with a state rec-

ord of 1,070.75 pounds of butter and 26,134 pounds of milk in one year. The illustrations show the 2,400-pound sire and part of the rest of the herd.

Mr. Grover's beautiful farmstead is located on the east bank of the Buffalo River and is most conveniently ar-



Registered Holstein Cattle-Part of Otto J. Grover's Herd

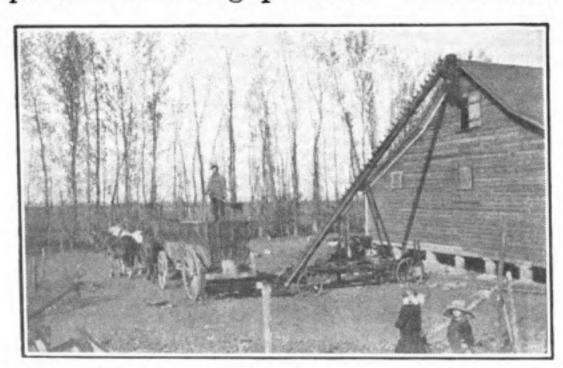


"Clear View Farm"-Emil Lambert's Home

ranged. All of the buildings are lighted by electricity, and in the house the power is used for several other purposes. The house is also equipped with many other modern conveniences.

Emil Lambert is one of the progressive farmers of Moorhead township who has always been too busy to find a wife. He came to Clay County with his uncle in 1884. At that time land was cheap and his uncle bought what is now Mr. Lambert's home farm for \$7.00 per acre. Later another quarter section was purchased for \$12.50, and for the last quarter of the three-quarter section farm \$45.00 per acre was paid.

Mr. Lambert has a herd of grade cattle with a registered bull at the head. He also raises thoroughbred Poland-China hogs and believes that hogs in alfalfa are better than pigs in clover, so he has fenced a seven-acre patch for a hog pasture. The usual



Portable Elevator Loading from Grain Tank to Elevator, Emil Lambert Farm

of Mr. Lambert's practices to plow under the clover before planting potatoes.

The illustrations show the farmstead, silo filling scene, big tractor pulling 12-bottom plow outfit and five gang plows at work.

Mr. Lambert's threshing outfit includes a portable grain elevator—a great labor saver in transferring grain from tank wagons to granaries, or in loading cars.

Bon Ton II., Mr. Lambert's black Percheron stallion, is one of the leading sires in the western part of the county. A cut of the head and neck of this fine animal appears on the last cover page.

## Cheap Telephone Service

The Buffalo River Telephone Company furnishes service to its 45 subscribers at \$9.00 per year, which includes \$6.00 terminal connection for each 'phone in use. At the time of beginning business, eight years ago, each shareholder contributed \$40.00 and subsequently paid an assessment of \$15.00 to purchase the line forming the connecting link to the terminal. The company has no surplus and has no debts—the \$3.00 above the terminal charge covering the expense of maintenance on the 30 miles of lines.

B. J. Gunderson is president; Gunder O. Lee, secretary and treasurer, and A. T. Grover, manager.