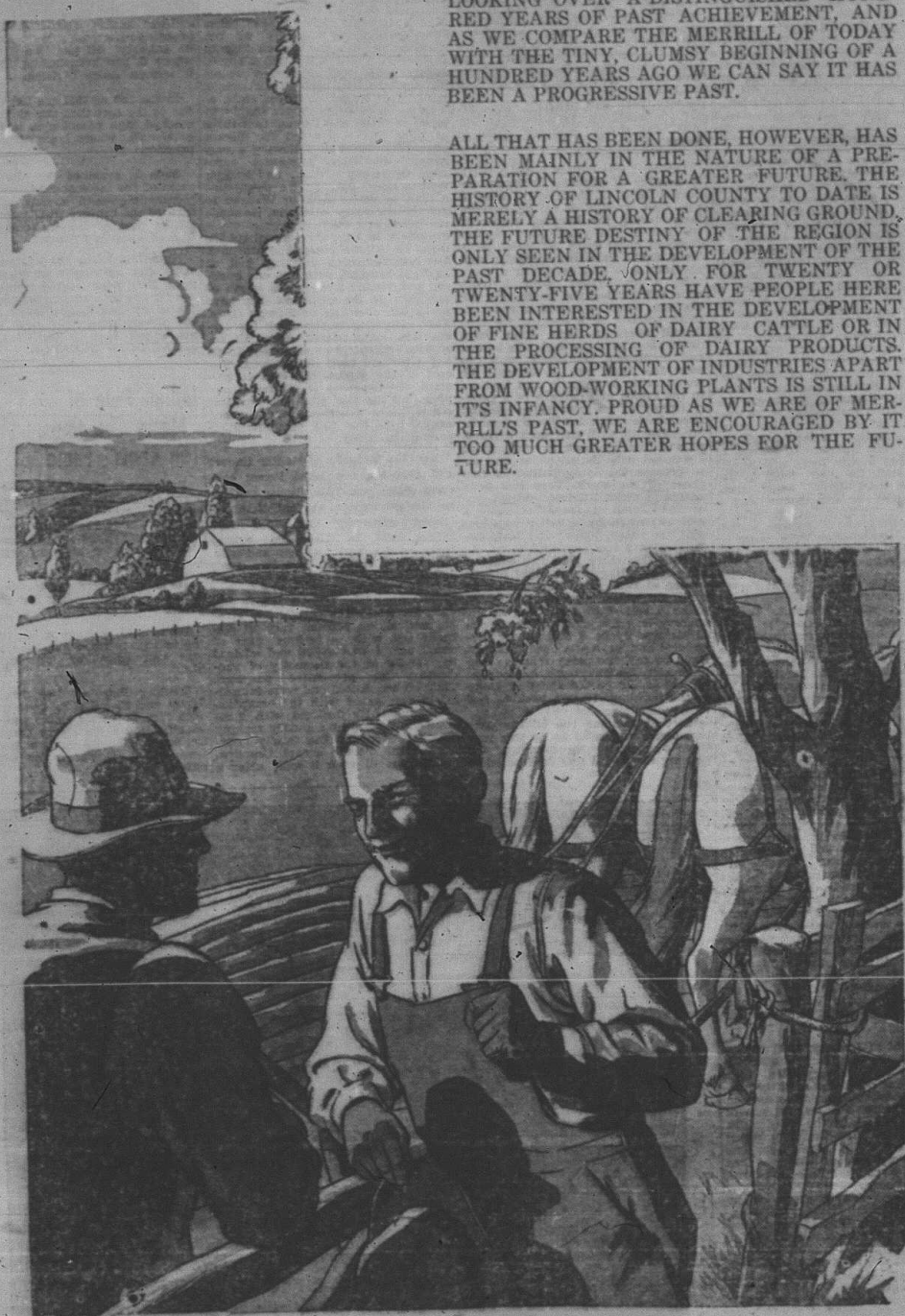


A GREATER FUTURE!

THROUGH THE PAGES OF THIS CENTEN-
NIAL EDITION THE CITY OF MERRILL IS
LOOKING OVER A DISTINGUISHED HUND-
RED YEARS OF PAST ACHIEVEMENT, AND
AS WE COMPARE THE MERRILL OF TODAY
WITH THE TINY, CLUMSY BEGINNING OF A
HUNDRED YEARS AGO WE CAN SAY IT HAS
BEEN A PROGRESSIVE PAST.

ALL THAT HAS BEEN DONE, HOWEVER, HAS
BEEN MAINLY IN THE NATURE OF A PRE-
PARATION FOR A GREATER FUTURE. THE
HISTORY OF LINCOLN COUNTY TO DATE IS
MERELY A HISTORY OF CLEARING GROUND.
THE FUTURE DESTINY OF THE REGION IS
ONLY SEEN IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE
PAST DECADE. ONLY FOR TWENTY OR
TWENTY-FIVE YEARS HAVE PEOPLE HERE
BEEN INTERESTED IN THE DEVELOPMENT
OF FINE HERDS OF DAIRY CATTLE OR IN
THE PROCESSING OF DAIRY PRODUCTS.
THE DEVELOPMENT OF INDUSTRIES APART
FROM WOOD-WORKING PLANTS IS STILL IN
ITS INFANCY. PROUD AS WE ARE OF MER-
RILL'S PAST, WE ARE ENCOURAGED BY IT
TOO MUCH GREATER HOPES FOR THE FU-
TURE.



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