



BANANA PALMS
SOMETIMES BEAR FRUIT



FINE HOMES ARE
A FEATURE AT WOODLAND



WOODLAND FLOUR MILLS



A WOODLAND HOME



ONE OF THE MOST
BEAUTIFUL OF HOME CITIES

WOODLAND

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The county seat of Yolo County is situated in the midst of the oldest irrigated district of the Sacramento Valley. Irrigation is at its best here, the advantages of irrigated agriculture being attested by productive orchards, vineyards, alfalfa and sugar beet fields and other valuable crops, and by farm homes that tell of thrift and comfort and evidence the profitable nature of the business by which they are supported.

Woodland prides herself on her homes, both those of city and of the country. This is a community of homes; country life is attractive here, made so by congenial and profitable farm methods, good roads and delightful climate. City life is in constant close touch with the country, with results most satisfactory to the dwellers of both.

Water for irrigation is supplied by the Yolo Consolidated Canal, which also furnishes water for the irrigation of land at Madison, Esparto, Capay, and other points in the western portion of the county; at Winters and Davis, in the southern portion. The water supply is taken from Cache Creek, which has its source in Clear Lake, a large body of water in the Coast Range Mountains. The main canal, built four years ago, is twenty feet wide on the bottom at the intake and four feet deep. There are two points of diversion, one canal heading near Capay and extending southerly and easterly to Winters and Davis, the other supplying the Woodland district.

A large extension of this system is in prospect. The builders planned to make Clear Lake a great storage reservoir in order that the surplus flood waters of winter might be used for irrigation in summer, and with this object in view, the entire lake border has been purchased. Recently negotiations have been pending which, if successfully concluded, will place the project in the hands of a syndicate composed of Eastern capitalists who are abundantly able to finance the undertaking.



CRAIGDALE FARM



CLASS IN DAIRYING AT STATE UNIVERSITY FARM



YOLO COUNTY COURT HOUSE

The storage project will vastly increase the water supply and place under irrigation approximately 100,000 acres of the very best lands in the State, lands capable of the largest production and the most valuable crops. At all of the points named and at others—Yolo, Knights Landing, Zamora and Dunnigan, are lands that will meet every test—the crops are there to prove it.

The State of California recognized the fertility of Yolo County lands by establishing at Davis, in this county, the University Farm. The tract, which comprises 700 acres, was selected after a most minute examination of tracts offered for sale in various parts of the State. The selection was made by a commission which included a number of the leading men of this State and the Director of the State Agricultural College.

At this place there is being developed a great educational institution that must have an important effect upon the future of agriculture, horticulture and viticulture in this State. The first and greatest benefits will accrue to this county because of the close proximity to Yolo County farms and farmers.

This county has much to interest the home-seeker. The man with sufficient capital to secure twenty acres of land can be independent. Planted to fruit or vines, it will furnish each year a larger income than can possibly be secured from a much larger area in any Eastern State. Planted to alfalfa, it is a safe and sure investment that will always be profitable. With a herd of good dairy cows he will have a steady income and get his money at the creamery twice each month. Hogs, calves and chickens are by products that will pay the expenses of the dairy, leaving the butter a clear profit.

The man who settles here secures the advantages of good schools. Churches are numerous and well supported. Telephone lines traverse the county and most farm homes have this modern convenience. Electric light and power are available at points near the great power lines that cross the county.



ORCHARD VISTA NEAR WINTERS



THE LEADING CROP



A TRACTION HARVESTER



GRAZING ALFALFA IN NOVEMBER



A GRATEFUL SHADE



IRRIGATING SUGAR BEETS GIBSON RANCH