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An Interview with Timothy Reed

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Timothy Reed, a farmer’s son who became an agriculture teacher at the high school level, was interviewed on the date listed below as part of the Oral History of Illinois Agriculture project of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and the Illinois State Museum.

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**Biographical Information Overview of Interview:** Timothy Reed was born on September 30, 1971 in Harrisburg, Illinois. His father was a Baptist minister and a farmer raising cattle and horses. Timothy feels that his agricultural upbringing has been the main reason for his serious work ethic. Originally Timothy wanted to go into international agribusiness but he also minored in education, feeling that this would be a strong back-up option. In the end agribusiness was not for Timothy and he decided to become an agriculture teacher in Jerseyville, Illinois. Timothy points to the diversity of agriculture and the fact that he is always learning something new from his students as reasons for staying on in this career for 14 years.

**Subject Headings/Key Words:** Harrisburg, IL; Baptist Minister; Farmer; Cattle; Horses; Work Ethic; International Agribusiness; Education; High School Agricultural Teacher; Jerseyville, IL

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