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**FARMER EDITOR ENTERS GOVERNMENT SERVICE**

It is announced that George Batho, editor of The Nor-West Farmer, has been appointed Editor of Agricultural publications by the Manitoba Government, and will leave the newspaper office for the Department of Agriculture in the near future.



George Batho

Mr. Batho is well qualified for the important post to which he has been appointed both by his agricultural experience and literary ability. It will be his duty to prepare bulletins and other

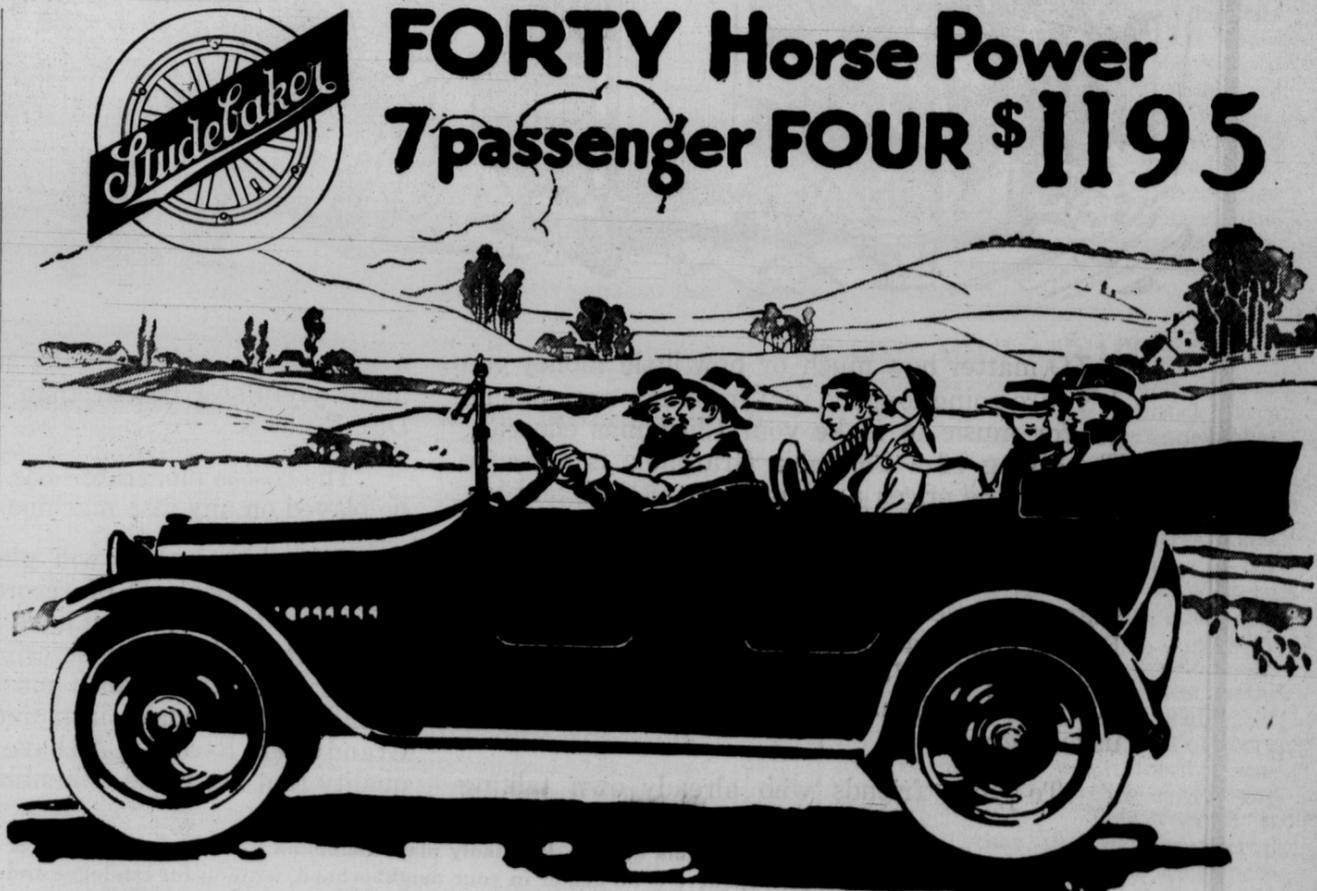
literature of value to the farmers of the prairie and to make available for general use a great deal of information which is at present locked up in the breasts of the professors at the Agricultural College and the experts of the department.

Mr. Batho was reared on one of the best farms in Wellington County, Ontario, and after graduating from the High School, where he was a medallist, went into newspaper work and spent four years as a practical printer and editor in his native province. Coming West in 1897, he worked for a few months on a farm near Austin, Man., and in November, 1897, joined the staff of the Nor-West Farmer, of Winnipeg. He has been with that paper ever since, acting as travelling correspondent and solicitor in the earlier years and becoming editor in February, 1903. On several occasions he has assisted as a lecturer in Agricultural College extension work. Mr. Batho is a member of the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association. He has been a regular attendant at the annual conventions of the Grain Growers' Associations and U. F. A. for several years, and is well known to thousands of farmers throughout the West. The date when Mr. Batho will take over his duties has not yet been fixed, and he will be remaining with the Nor-West Farmer for a few weeks yet.

**SHORTHORNS AT BREDT'S SALE**

Excellent as is the offering of Clydesdales and Hackneys to be sold at the big combination sale being held by P. M. Bredt and Company on December 16 at the Calgary Sales Repository, its standard is fully equalled or even excelled by that of the pure bred shorthorn bulls and females, both dual purpose and beef strains, to be sold on the same day. This is unquestionably one of the finest and biggest selections of both strains of this great breed ever offered in Alberta by a single individual. There are thirty-seven head of females with eight calves at foot, six of these calves being heifers and the herd varies in ages considerably none are over their prime and nearly all are young. They are of the choicest breeding comprising representatives from the very best shorthorn families such as the "Lavenders," "Duchess of Glosters," "Stamfords," "Secrets," "Cumberlands," "Butterflies," "Lancasters," "Greenbrae Daisies," etc. Such bulls as "Whitehall Sultan," "Masterpiece," "Sittytton Victor," "Butterfly King," "Oakland Star," "Iron Duke" and "Baron Robson" are among the sires of this stock. Every one of these has been a tower of strength to the breed and helped push it forward with the marvellous rapidity it has achieved in recent years. The females are not only of the best breeding, but are in calf to the best of bulls, thus these animals are in a position to return rapidly a considerable portion of the purchase price.

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