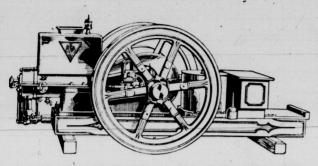
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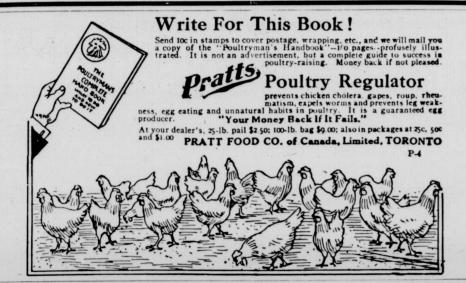
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cultural operations of the province. Space forbids us to go fully into the different lectures which were delivered, and we can only touch on the subjects dealt with in the papers at the present time.

Practical Addresses

Professor Cutler, of the University, gave some very practical talks on oats, their type, variety and judging. He explained the points in which the varieties of oats differ, and gave some interesting data regarding experiments with different varieties on the university farm, during a period of three years. He also touched on the diseases and blights affecting this cereal. His lecture on flax, peas and rye was listened to with deepest interest, while his talk on barley

was also thoroughly appreciated.

Prof. John Bracken touched on soils and their management, and gave very interesting discourses on corn, roots and potatoes in Saskatchewan, while his lecture on grasses and clovers, and the discussion which followed the last named paper, and the discussions on alfalfa, showed that both speaker and hearers alike were thoroughly interested with the great economic value of good feeds and pastures. Prof. Bracken also gave an interesting account of agriculture in other countries.

Dean Rutherford's talk on market types, the management of farm horses, management of the dairy herd, and his demonstrations on horses, dairy cattle, and sheep, with animals taken from the various herds on the farm, were a treat in themselves and should prove of incalculable value to the different farmers who listened attentively to him.

Prof. Willing spoke on weeds and seeds and their eradication. He also gave a very attractive paper on birds and their relation to agriculture. Prof. Gregg talked about farm motors and farm buildings. H. S. Carpenter gave agood paper on the policy of the Highway Commission and the maintenance of earth

Prevention and Cure

Dr. Wright touched on sanitation and hygiene, and discussed at length influenza in horses and cholera in hogs, and pointed out the symptoms, remedy and best methods of prevention.

Norman M. Ross, chief of the Tree Planting Division, Department of Interior, Forestry Station, Indian Head, touched on farmsteads and shelter belts, the growing of seeds, shrubs, and flowers and the fruit garden, on all of which subjects he is recognized as probably the best authority in Western Canada.

Besides listening to the lectures, the farmers took special advantage of their opportunity to inspect the University buildings, poultry and sheep houses and the machinery building and their equipments connected with the agricultural operations of the college.

These short course schools are of great benefit to the farming communities of the province, and, altho the course at Saskatoon was better attended this year than ever before, still there is room for even better attendance in the future. No farmer, let him be ever so well up in his profession, can afford to miss such op-portunities of hearing the experiences of men who have made a lifelong study of the different phases of the profession of agriculture, and farmers should make every endeavor, if they cannot attend the lectures themselves, to make some arrangement whereby some of their boys who mean to take up farming as their life work, have an opportunity to profit by the experiences and work of such men as provided the lectures at the short course school at Saskatoon.

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