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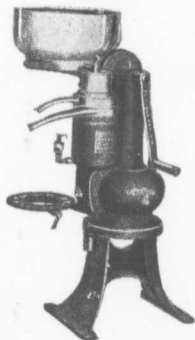
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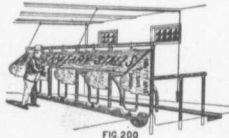


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Institute Delegates Convene

Marked interest, largely attended sessions and animated discussions characterized the convention of Farmers' Institutes and Farmers' Institute Clubs, which met in Toronto last week as arranged by the Superintendent, Mr. George A. Putnam. The information imparted to the delegates, and the enthusiasm engendered, should, during this forthcoming season, have a far reaching influence for good in the cause of a better agriculture upon this province of Ontario.

The Farmers' Club movement came in for a great share of discussion. Testimony was given by representatives of various clubs as to the good work they are accomplishing and what a potent factor they are for the uplift of agriculture. Cooperation was the theme of many of the addresses and discussions. The district representatives of the Department of Agriculture and their work so far as the cooperative poultry circle movement, stock judging courses, farmers' clubs and demonstration orchards are concerned, was dealt with in considerable detail; the Representatives who spoke along these several lines were H. C. Duff, Norwood; J. B. Hare, Whitby; F. Hart, Galt; A. D. Campbell, Morrisburg; A. McKenney, Essex; and I. F. McNeal, Collingwood. It was shown that the District Representatives, the short courses, poultry circles and so forth are causing a great awakening among the farmers and that through these means the indifferent farmers, who heretofore have not been reached by the Institute, are reaping benefit from the work. The young men of the country are being interested and educated as never before and they are being developed by this means of agricultural education in a way, which portends splendid returns in the years to come for the small outlay now being made.

POSITION OF THE FARMERS' CLUB
Of these various means of reaching the farmer, it was plainly evident that the Farmers' Club stood paramount. A paper, prepared by Wm. Kerr, of Branson, which was his address was read by A. D. McIntosh, told of the splendid work being done by the Farmers' Club at Branson. Among other things, they had formed a syndicate and had purchased a Clydesdale stallion. In various other ways they were bringing about tangible and altogether satisfactory results. Mr. F. C. Hart, district representative from Galt, told of the good work of one of his Clubs at Ayr. Among other things that they had accomplished was the securing of a railway siding where the farmers could to better advantage load their live stock. In other cases, a post office had been secured, rural mail delivery routes had been established, short courses in stock judging inaugurated, crops had been improved and a general interest in better agriculture awakened.

Mr. Ross Huff, of Kent Bridge told of the great work that had been accomplished by his club in the matter of corn improvement. Members had through the Club learned much of corn and had increased their yield over 25 per cent. through improving their seed—and this the work of but one season.

SHORT COURSES IN JUDGING
Short courses in stock and seed judging such as have been conducted by the various District Representatives, were shown to be a splendid thing. These courses have proved to be exceedingly popular and in every case where one had been held there have followed requests for others. The attendance at these short courses has always been good and in some instances have numbered over 450. The statement was made, and it was accepted with unanimity, that it would be one of the best investments im-

aginable for the Province if a short course could be held in every township. Testimony was given by several delegates as to the efficient work of these short courses. One delegate in particular, Mr. Channon, of Victoria County, told how his son had acquired through these short courses a knowledge in judging live stock, and an ability to size up an animal, which surpassed his own ability gained from some 40 years of experience.

IMPROVE THE SCHOOLS

An evening session was held jointly with the Women's Institute in the Convocation Hall at the University. C. C. James Deputy Minister of Agriculture and Dr. Falconer, President of the University, were the principal speakers. Mr. James elaborated upon the great work the Women's Institutes were accomplishing in the way of up-building and improving the homes of this country. He made reference to the condition of the school houses of Ontario and showed that they were not the kind of places to which we might wish to send our children. A few of them had been made attractive. These were the exception. The greater number of school houses were far from what they should be. The problem of improving these could and should be solved by the women of the land.

BE INTERESTED IN WORK

Dr. Falconer in his address developed the idea that whatever is done for the home in the way of enriching and guarding it has been done towards enriching and guarding the state. He put forth a plea for better care and improvement of the home. He pitied the one who must drudge at work and wait with a sigh for a few hours at the end of the day or a two weeks vacation in the summer. How much better it is to be interested while at work, to create a new meaning in the things we do. Not poverty, he said, but want of interest is the cause of social misery. We need to cultivate interest in our work; then will we never grow old in spirit.

At one of the sessions, the Hon. J. S. Duff, Minister of Agriculture, extended the greetings of the Government to the delegates. He took the opportunity of impressing upon them the importance of the work which the Ontario Agricultural College and the H district representatives of the Department of Agriculture were doing for the province. He assured them that the Government in so far as it was able was willing to assist the farmers in every reasonable way.

CROPS CAN BE IMPROVED

Prof. C. A. Zavitz, of the A.C.U., at the closing session, made plain the fact that farm crops can be improved, that they can be greatly improved, that they should be improved, and that they should be improved. Mr. Zavitz's address was one of exceptional interest to all farmers. It will be reproduced at length in a later issue of the Farm and Dairy. One of the interesting points he brought out was in connection with the question of changing seed. The Professor declared that crops had been grown continuously without change of seed for from 16 to 21 years at the College and that in the case of 35 varieties of farm crops thus grown, the yield of grain per acre in 1910 was greater than in the first or second years; thus did he prove conclusively that change of seed is not necessary when properly selected and that because of this there are great possibilities in crop improvement.

PROSPERITY DEPENDS ON FARMERS

Mr. C. C. James, at the same session in an address, "What Farmers' Institutes can do for Ontario Farmers, Merchants and Manufacturers," declared that the time had come to get away from theoretical talk and down to practical things. He referred

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