

Peace Highway Through Ontario

Although peace is a long way off there is a movement in Ontario at this time to take advantage of the end of the war and mark the era to follow by a Peace Memorial Highway, stretching across the Province from Windsor to Montreal. Details have so far not been worked out, but the idea in the minds of the promoters is to secure the cooperation of the larger centres, municipal bodies, and the organized motorists of the Province to finance the scheme.

It is estimated that the highway will cost about \$6,000,000. Exempting sections of road like the Toronto-Hamilton highway, the mileage outside of urban districts is estimated at 575 miles and towards the cost of this portion it is hoped that the smaller municipalities and the motorists will contribute.

Mr. W. A. McLean, Provincial Engineer of Highways, thinks that a considerable portion of the sum required to build the rural stretches could be secured by organizing the motorists of the Province into a body to raise money. The benefits of such a highway would be more than Province-wide, and for this reason it is believed that ready cooperation would be offered by the class most using the road.

A Western Dairy Farm

What will be one of the model dairy farms of Western Canada is at present in course of construction near the town of Stonewall, Man. The proprietor is Mr. Geo. Rice, well known to all Canadian Holstein breeders.

A representative of the "Stonewall Argus," who recently called at Mr. Rice's farm, gives a description of the buildings now in course of construction, as follows:

"We called at the place the other day and found matters in an unfinished state, but we could form an idea of some of the buildings. The ultimate end in view is the bottling of milk—not pasteurized milk, which is often dirty—but the bottling of milk at which the germs and bacilli never had much chance.

"A new silo with about 60 tons of fodder in it and with a capacity for 80 or 90 tons, was the first building erected. A stable with windows enough to permit the cows to read the market reports, and large enough to house 32 cows, was nearly completed. The newest thing in removing manure is under the middle of this stable, namely, a cement sub-way. When complete, the building will be all but dust-proof.

"Across the lane stands a partially completed building, combining well house, engine-room, bottling room, cooling room, and dressing-room for the persons who milk the cows.

"In the field were 22 cows just received from Ontario. Another carload will follow shortly."

How We Doubled Our Herd

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after. Chores are always done in a regular way.

By having the cows come fresh in the fall we do away with the milking in the greater part of September and October, which is generally a very busy time on the farm, with plowing, threshing, corn harvesting, and other fall work. It also gives more time to attend agricultural and State fairs. Then there are one or two months when no milk hauling is necessary, thus saving that much time and giving the full use of the horses for the fields. The calves also get much better when born in the fall, and the cows do very much better. With judicious feeding the milk flow can

be kept up all winter, and when the spring pastures come on they will come right up in their milk flow again. Then, again, when the ground freezes and the field work slackens, the cows come in and there is more time to properly care for them as well as dividing the farm work more evenly through the year. These are just a few points to show why fall dairying is by far the best on the average farm.

Protection for Maple Products

On January 1st, 1915, legislation will come in force protecting the maple syrup and sugar industry in Canada. For some years Canadian maple growers, led by John H. Grimm of Montreal, have been contending that the word "maple" should not be permitted on any package the contents of which are not pure maple products. The amendment giving this desired legislation, reads as follows:

"The word 'maple' shall not be used either alone or in combination with any other word or words on the label, or other mark, illustration, or device on a package containing any article of food or on any article of food itself which is or which resembles maple sugar or maple syrup, and no package containing any article of food or any article of food itself, which is not pure maple sugar or pure maple syrup, shall be labelled or marked in such a manner as is likely to make persons believe it is maple sugar or maple syrup which is not pure maple sugar or pure maple syrup, and any article of food labelled or marked in violation of this subsection shall be deemed to be adulterated within the meaning of this Act."

Penalties are provided. Adulteration injurious to health will incur a penalty not exceeding \$500 and costs, or six months' imprisonment, or both. When adulteration is not injurious to health the penalty is \$300 and costs, or three months' imprisonment.

The Value of Sweet Clover

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later from the College on the subject. It is said to contain three times as much nitrogen as ordinary red clover.

It is an excellent bee food, the honey being extra clear, and having a very fine flavor. Being a natural self-feeder, it may be sown at almost any season with fair chance of growth, and with or without a cover crop. It affords an excellent orchard mulch, in fact if I were to read to you the good things said of it in Bulletin No. 224 of Ontario Agricultural Station, I would seriously impose on the time of other speakers. Permit me to quote to you the summing up of the matter in that publication, substituting the word Ontario for Ohio:

"Sweet clover has a work to do in Ontario. It will help to solve the problem of the abandoned field. It will make profitable agriculture on sterile acres. It will stop the waste of the hills, heal the scars on washed or gullied fields, make green pastures possible where now no grass is growing, and hold for prosperity the priceless heritage of a productive soil."

The weeds along the road will hold snow. In some cases they will hold so much snow that the road becomes impassable and the result is driving across the field and in some cases the cutting of fences. Now is the time to remove these weeds so as to keep the snow from drifting on to the road bed. Watch the roads next winter and it will be surprising how few weeds sometimes takes to stop a lot of snow.

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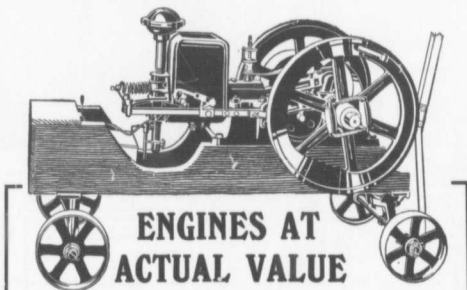
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