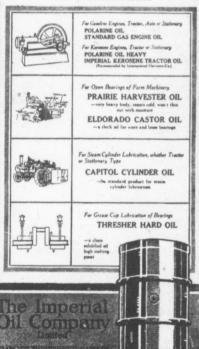


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of the South Renfrew Board of Agriculture at Renfrew on April 22nd, a conference on agricultual production was held with the Renfrew Board of Trade. Farmers express confidence in their ability to do their spring work without more assistance. but all declared that during haying and harvest they would need more help than is now in sight. A com-mittee was formed to deal with the help problem and it is expected that many will volunteer from the city help with the harvest, even if indus-trial establishments have to be closed down for a short time.

A similar meeting was held in Peter-boro on April 21st. Here again opinion was expressed by representative farmers that they could get the seed farmers that they could get the seed in the ground, but that more help would be needed to handle the harvest. Citizens of Peterboro. assured the farmers that if they would put in as much seed as they could the city would go even to the extreme measure of closing stores and shops during harvest time in order to harvest the

The first of the Ontario government farm tractors was put in operation on the farm of E. F. Osler at Bronte, on April 24th. The machine operated was a 10-20 h.p. tractor, drawing a three-furrow plow. It plowed seven acres a day. The machine and plow is supplied free by the government, the farmer paying the mechanic 35 cents an hour for his work and also for the gasoline and oil.

Five tractors purchased by the War Production Club of Toronto, for the use of farmers in York and Peel coun-ties, have been delivered and before this appears in print will be in active operation preparing ground for seeding this year. Some farmers are so usefulness and prepare the way for a anxious to obtain these machines that more general utilization next fall."

they offered to provide mechanics to OLLOWING the annual meeting War Production Club. Incidentally it might be stated that scores of farmers have already gotten help through the operations of this club.

> The crisis in the food situation ex plained the bringing together of the 48 district representatives of the Ontario Department of Agriculture at the Parliament Buildings last week. The Premier re-emphasized the seri-ousness of the food situation and the representatives were urged to do all in their power to increase the acreage seeded this spring.

> Discussing the use of the tractor, "Ahmik," in the Toronto Globe, notes that during the American Civil War, agricultural production in the north largely increased, although the farm help available fell off, this increase being largely due to the introduction and adoption of labor saving machinery. The writer stated his belief that the tractor, had it been adopted a little the tractor, had it been adopted a little earlier, might have had the same de-sirable effect in the present crisis. Concerning the use of the tractors this year he writes: "The action of the Ontario Depart-

> "The action of the Uniario Department of Agriculture and of the War Production Club in, purchasing tractors and sending them out for farm service comes a little too late to have much effect on the production of orbut these can be made the means of increasing the area available for corn and roots, two vitally important crops in connection with live stock husbandry. They can also be made useful, in the lower part of Ontario at least, in breaking up clover sod after the hay has been removed and preparing the ground for buckwheat or corn. I have seen corn six feet high harvested on a need corn six reet night harvested on a field from which a good crop of clover had been taken in the same season. Above all, it will be possible to give a widespread demonstration of their

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