

ASSOCIATION ACTIVITIES

A Record of C.F.A. Enterprises in Various Parts of the Dominion

THE pioneer work of the Tree Planting Car of the Canadian Forestry Association continues to progress, in spite of the great difficulties encountered in raising funds for the enterprise.

Readers of this magazine will bear in mind that the Association employs two railway cars for field work, the "Exhibits Car" under Mr. Gerald Blyth, being devoted to forested districts, while the Tree Planting Car under Mr. Archibald Mitchell and Mr. Angus Cooch is devoted to the treeless prairie districts, occasionally venturing into areas of scattered natural bush.

Following are a few excerpts from the Alberta diary of the past month:

"Left Hatton by freight early morning, arriving Walsh, at 10 o'clock. Worked in car all day on tree planting plan for Gull Lake. Had number of callers, chiefly Menonites from the Cypress Hills looking for information. Evening lecture in car with 87 citizens, including a party of eight American tourists from North Dakota, who were deeply interested.

Irvine, Alberta: Made usual inspection of the town with local officials and advised on their local prob-

Real Spade Work by Tree Planting Car



"Here's how you do it!"

In a circle of the high school children at Standard, Alberta, Mr. Archibald Mitchell, Western Lecturer of the Canadian Forestry Association, is showing the boys and girls how to plant trees. In the back ground is the Tree Planting Car which has brought practical help and inspiration to 45,000 prairie residents this summer.

lems. Several diseased trees found and owners advised to destroy them. Evening lecture had o capacity aud-

ience and twenty more witnessed pictures and heard lecture through the car windows.

Medicine Hat: Steady stream of callers bringing their tree troubles and problems for discussion.

Lomond, Alberta: Evening lecture well attended. A number of farmers came quite a distance to be present. Had 125 in the car with another 25 crowded out. The discussion lasted until midnight. Many of the audience told us that the worst of their farm problems could be solved by shelter belts.

Retlaw, Alberta. Car packed to capacity with scores outside.

Thus the work of the Tree Planting Car moves along. Already, more than 45,000 prairie residents have come to the car this summer, listened to the lectures, witnessed the educational pictures, and heard the inspiring discussions as to selection of trees, methods of planting, and the causes of success and failure. The consequences of this prairie work cannot easily be estimated but in the opinion of most observers they have already been felt throughout the West.



The unconquerable battalion of youth

A daily scene during the tour of the Canadian Forestry Association's tree planting car in the prairie provinces. The photograph shows the school children of Qu'Appelle, Saskatchewan, marching with their teachers to the Association car, there to be instructed in the common sense of establishing shelter belts about prairie homes and fields. The car is equipped for motion pictures.