

playing a less highly trained staff.

It is a matter of common knowledge that great economies could be made in the governmental expenditures on agriculture without loss of efficiency. Whether or not this is the time to tackle that larger problem is another question.

There is, for example, in the matter of "Illustration Farms" and "Experimental Farms" much duplication of Provincial and Dominion effort. Further, part of the experimental work at the latter is, in our opinion (based on the personal experience of one of us), of an obsolete type, valuable in pioneer days but of very little value to the present-day farmers. Many examples could be given.

It is a fact that the Divisions which have received the heaviest cuts (Entomology and Plant Pathology) are just the divisions which are doing work of the most vital importance and work which does not duplicate Provincial effort. Further, the standard of technical training and efficiency is very much higher in these divisions than in the Agricultural Services generally. "Politics" have never entered into their work as they have into some of the Agricultural Services. The value of many phases of their work is to-day receiving wide recognition, outside of Canada as well as within the Dominion.

The question of curtailing expenditures on Illustration Farms, etc. is fraught with political difficulties. If, however, the present Government is prepared to face such difficulties for the general good of Canada,

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1) varieties / crops.  
2) Since we have passed pioneer stage, this kind of experimental work means different kind of experimental farms  
4) There is a political side, many members like technical staff for a while  
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