

The City Manager

The management of a modern city is essentially like that of a large business requiring integrity, faithfulness, special knowledge, economy and good judgment. What large industry would think of giving its direction into the hands of volunteers, or making its administrative offices the

prize of partisan and factional conflict?

It is noticeable today that the city manager plan finds increasing favor. There are more than a hundred and eighty city managers employed in the country today, men of special knowledge and training. It is found that in the long run, it pays to reward these experts adequately and to concentrate power and responsibility in

their hands. Some city managers today receive as high as twelve thousand dollars a year and many receive from six to nine thousand.

These experts take their jobs seriously and save their employers many times more than the cost of their hire. One of the best outgrowths of the plan is the accumulation and co-ordination of special knowledge on the problems of paving,

sewage, lighting and water supply. American cities have been paving for more than fifty years. By this time there ought to be no question about the best kinds of pavement to install. There is no question about it when an expert is at the head of things and has at his command the experience of other cities. The days of amateur in municipal house-keeping have about ended and the hour of the expert has arrived.—Mail

Beekeeping And The Sugar Situation

With sugar over 20 cents a pound, and the outlook of a possibly higher price and uncertainty of supply, beekeepers will find it advisable to pay more attention than usual to the saving of wholesome honey for wintering the bees safely.

Each colony should have not less than 40 pounds of stores for winter. The honey gathered in June and July from alsike and white clover is perfectly wholesome and makes the finest winter stores. Most of the honeys gathered from other abundant sources in June and July are also wholesome, but honey gathered from mixed sources in August and September is, as a rule, less so, and is therefore liable to cause dysentery which will weaken or kill the colony before spring. Some kinds of fall honey are very injurious. However, buckwheat honey and the honey from certain species of goldenrod after that grow abundantly in dry situations, if it ripens before cold weather, are wholesome.

It would therefore be wise to save combs of clover honey in order that several of them may be placed in the hive about the centre. These combs should be given early enough in the fall, that is to say, about the middle of September, to allow the bees time to empty a few cells to make a place for the winter cluster to occupy. Care should be taken that these combs of honey are taken from colonies that are entirely free from American foul-brood. It will be advisable also to save combs of honey sufficient to give each colony one more comb in spring, but the honey given in spring need not be of the best quality.

A strong colony of Italian bees containing a prolific young queen often has very little honey in the brood chamber when the supers are removed in the fall. A simple way to supply such a colony with suitable stores for the winter is to give or leave it a super full of clover honey.

Planning To Keep Up The Milk Flow

Once more we are entering upon the season of the year when the dairy farmer expects the greatest yield from his cows and his pastures, "flowing with milk and honey." Unfortunately, however, the season is not always just as right as it might be. Invariably in one section or another there is a drought with its consequent shortage of pasture and decrease in milk flow.

It is important at this time that some form of supplementary feed be supplied, for if the milk flow is once allowed to decline it is almost impossible to get it up to the previous high mark again. A little extra feed at this time will produce more milk than will three times the amount fed after the decline has taken place. Many will have profited by past experiences and have made preparation for the shortage of pasture by sowing a piece of annual pasture or soiling crop. Others again may have some of the previous year's crop of silage to fall back on. In any and particularly the last of the above methods, we have a very efficient means of supplementing the pastures. For those who have not yet made any provision it is not too late to sow an extra acre of corn, some fall turnips, or even a piece of rape. The turnips may be pulled as needed and fed tops and all while the rape may be pastured off in the late summer and fall. Where previous preparations has not been made, cuttings of the regular crops, such as green oats and peas, second cut clover, and green corn will have to be made to fill the bill.

To speak of grain feeding on pasture at present prices seems absurd, and it will be found to be somewhat of an extravagance except with very high producing cows. Where the grains are obtaining a mixture of two parts bran and one each of sound oats and cottonseed meal is excellent.

Apart from the feeding of the cows, there is the question of water and shade supply. Both are very necessary. Where sufficient protection from the flies in the form of shade or underbrush is not to be found, it would be advisable to keep the animals in the stable during the better part of the day allowing them out in the evening. Where supplementary

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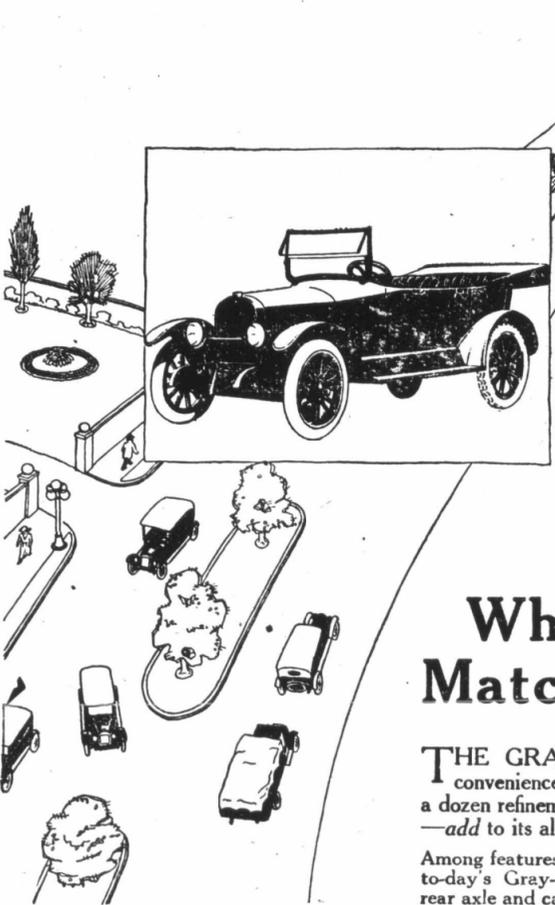
feed has to be cut and hauled to the cows less waste will be occasioned when fed while inside. Where the cows have of necessity to be out all day they should have protection from the flies by spraying with some good fly repellent.

Hon. Dr. Smith As Acting Premier

Hon. W. E. Foster, Hon. Dr. E. A. Smith, minister of lands and mines and Hon. C. W. Robinson arrived in the city at 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon by the Valley Express from Fredericton. Messrs. Smith and Robinson left for their homes. Premier Foster will leave early this week for a vacation of about a fortnight. He expects to spend most of the time along several fishing streams. During his absence Hon. Dr. Smith will be acting premier.

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