

representatives, and undoubtedly a large amount of drainage has been done as an indirect result of the educational campaign carried on. Furthermore, demonstrations in drainage have been given with the ditching machine and experiments carried on in showing the possibilities of draining heavy lands which had hitherto been regarded as undrainable.

FIELD CROP COMPETITIONS

	1904	1913
Number of Societies.....	0	159
Number of Competitors.....	0	3,500
Number of Acres.....	0	35,000

These have been carried on through the Agricultural Societies, and have been an important factor in making for better methods of cultivation and providing a large supply of grain capable of being used for seed purposes. The work has grown rapidly each year and the year 1914, when the figures are available, will show another big advance.

CORN SHOWS

Number in 1904.....	None
Number in 1913.....	3

The organization of Corn Shows has been one of the by-products—and an important by-product—of the work of the District Representatives in south-western Ontario, and has resulted in adding dollars to the value of every acre of corn land in the seed corn belt. Starting with one show for the district under the Ontario Corn Growers' Association, there is now, in addition, a show in Elgin County and another in Lambton County and in the whole district great enthusiasm has been developed, which has meant much for the individuals as well as for the province in providing a home-grown supply of seed corn.

EGG CIRCLES

Number in 1904.....	None
Number in 1914.....	50

This is one phase of co-operative organization which has developed in recent years chiefly through the work of the District Representatives. The Egg Circle means greater attention to quality and greater system in marketing, and thereby a better price for the producer, without necessarily any higher price to the consumer. These Egg Circles have been organized in several counties, and have been successful because they are justified by the results. Several other branches of co-operation have also been developed, especially in the handling of fruit and in the buying of seeds and other supplies for the farm.

SHORT COURSES

Number in 1904.....	None
Number in 1914.....	88

For the busy farmer who is unable to take time to go to Guelph, a course of one or two or three days near his home, at which he can have the benefit of the experience and information of the best experts in various lines in the province, has proven very popular, and this work has been rapidly extended by the Department of Agriculture. It is more effective than ordinary platform work because it involves showing how, as well as telling how.

ONTARIO AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

Attendance in 1904.....	833
Attendance in 1913.....	1,560
Macdonald Institute:—	
Attendance in 1904.....	148
Attendance in 1913.....	437
Short Courses:—	
Attendance in 1904.....	247
Attendance in 1913.....	500