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CANADIAN WOOL COMMISSION

On the 26th of April, the British authorities notified Sir George E. Foster, Acting Premier, that 16,000 bales of Australian and 7,000 bales of New Zealand wool could be sold to Canada, on the understanding that the allocations would be strictly for manufacturing purposes and not for accumulation or speculation. The personnel of a Wool Commission was soon decided upon, and the members advised the authorities that they would appoint the Canadian Trade Commissioners at Melbourne and Auckland, as the Canadian wool representatives, through whom the orders should be transmitted. Lieut. W. G. Worth, of the 18th Battalion, C.E.F., was selected to act as the Canadian Wool Commission's agent at Bradford, England. This wool commission was created with the approval of the government at a meeting of the woolen manufacturers at Ottawa. It consists of Mr. Geo. Patterson, Preston; Mr. I. Bonner, Hespeler; Mr. C. W. Bates, Paris; Mr. James Roamond, Carleton Place; Mr. George Forbes, Almonte; and Mr. F. B. Hayes, Toronto, Honorary Secretary.

At present the wool growers of the West are permitted to export wool under license. There is an impression abroad among Western wool growers that this Wool Commission intends preventing the exportation of Canadian wool, by seeking the cancellation of these export licenses. The chairman of this commission states emphatically that this is not the case and that Canadian manufacturers are prepared to pay the prices of open competition for the wool they require.

The commission is said to be only to assist in securing the most effective and equal distribution to the various textile manufacturers of the wool to be imported from New Zealand and Australia. There are available about 5,000,000 pounds of clean wool for importation as mentioned above and last year alone Canada imported 21,000,000 pounds. There should not be and is not likely to be any restriction on Canadian exports to United States, our best market.

SASKATCHEWAN FARMERS BUYING BULLS

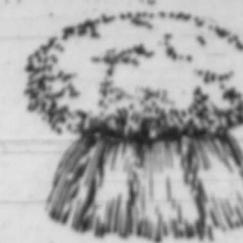
Over twenty thousand dollars' worth of purchased bulls have been purchased this season by farmers of Saskatchewan, under the system whereby the livestock branch of the Provincial Department of Agriculture gives assistance to farmers desiring purchased cattle. This amount is more than was supplied in the two previous seasons and has been made possible by the increased grant for this purpose this year. The grant was increased from \$50,000 to \$250,000 for the purchase of livestock for sale on part cash and part credit basis.

Mr. Bratt, acting Livestock Commissioner, has pointed out that since \$750 worth of heifers can be supplied on a one-third cash basis, two farmers by joining could order a car load, about \$1,600 worth of stock and pay one-third cash, the second payment coming due December of the next year and the last payment twelve months after that.

Corn should be nearly ripe before being put in the silo. Experiments at the North Dakota Experiment Station have shown that corn in the glazed stage contains three times as much dry matter as when tassled out, and the glazed corn is also more digestible than corn that is less mature.

To Save the Flag Prepare More Land and Prepare it Better

1918



"The Plow is our hope!"

Lloyd George.

The food shortage is world wide, and more acute than the present generation has ever seen. Everything points to still greater scarcity in 1918.

You cannot meet the Empire's call for more food next year, unless you prepare more land for crop NOW—and prepare it better. Every possible acre of new land should be broken between seeding and harvest. Every summer-fallow should be kept clean and well tilled, to conserve the moisture necessary for a big 1918 crop.

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