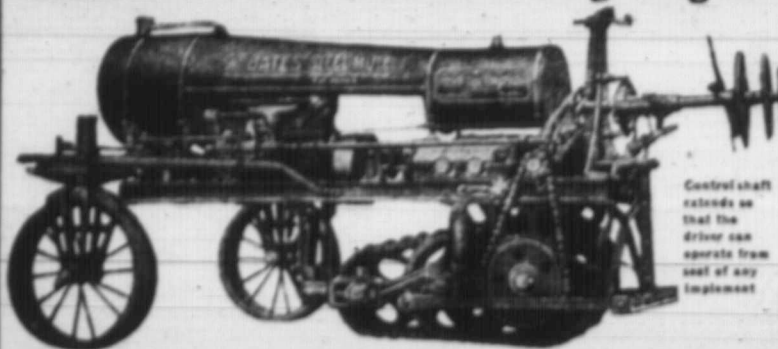


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**The Bates Steel Mule does everything that
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which the Bates Rig Made to any implement you have, starting as you would start, mount the seat on the implement and drive. It does the work of ten horses, and you have none of the usual traction troubles. It has a drawbar pull of over 3,300 pounds on its plowing speed. It is the most powerful tractor in the three plow class. It does not depend on its weight for its traction power. The flexible spring mounted crawler grips the ground with an action corresponding to the broad footed, springy pasterned horse. The traction increases as you increase the load. Like the British tanks it operates on land where ordinary tractors are useless, and it is equally useful to the farmer on his own land. It does the ordinary tractor work on wet and dry soil and does not pack the ground. The ground pressure is less than that of a man standing on one foot.

BUILT FOR SERVICE NOT FOR A PRICE

From radiator to drawbar the Bates Steel Mule is built of the very best and strongest materials. It was not built for a price; it was first made as practical, and durable as a machine could be, and then a fair selling price put upon it. The motor—the heart of the machine—is a heavy duty, four cylinder tractor motor, and the most durable and reliable ever built into a tractor. Every opening is protected against dust. Every part is easily accessible and can be readily adjusted.

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Dear Sir—Your machine is here. I am pleased to say that I own a Steel Mule and find it most satisfactory for all kinds of farm work. It is far more useful; a better tractor in every respect. I have used it mostly for plowing with praise. I have used these American iron breakers and find it goes right along. It is easy to handle and has plenty of power. We are having lots of rain here and the steel tractor hasn't been able to use for two weeks and the Steel Mule goes right along.

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Year after year, always the same. The same old worry and the same old problem to solve. **"Now that I have my crop how am I going to get it threshed?"** I wonder how much grain is lost every year in Western Canada through not being able to get it threshed on time. It must be tremendous. What is the cause of it? Nothing but the scarcity of labor.

Now Mr. Farmer, there is absolutely no reason why you or any other farmer should have difficulty in getting his grain threshed on time, if you will only get the necessary machinery to take the place of those men you have been employing in former years.

Stewart Sheaf Loader

is made just for that purpose, and for that purpose alone. It is made to do all the work of the field pitchers and half of the bundle teams—it is made to save you the money which you spend for hired help each year and it is made to speed along the threshing and to save you every particle of grain that the most careful field pitchers waste. The loader often pays for itself in one season by the grain it saves. Why should you be without one? Are you going to take the chance of losing your crop? Figure out the facts for yourself. Let us tell you all about it. Hear what hundreds of farmers say about the Loader. **We have a booklet containing all these letters. It is yours for the asking. Write us today—not tomorrow.**

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The Stewart Sheaf Loader Co. Ltd.
WINNIPEG, Man.

A BILLION IN RAILWAYS

The nationalization of railways is a matter of finance only, not of sentiment, declared Sir Henry Drayton before the Toronto Canadian Club, on May. 19. The country's commitments on railway account up to last June were \$968,451,737. Including additions it would mean in round figures one billion dollars.

He opened with a consideration of what nationalization would mean to the country. Ever since confederation there had been expended or accumulated on railway accounts \$968,451,737. Even that was not the whole story. It did not include the value of the unsold lands, which could be put at \$100,000,000 more. "We are safe in looking at the country's commitments and investments all told with guarantees at one billion dollars," he said.

In the total he gave were land investments of the National Transcontinental at \$109,000,000; the Inter-Colonial, \$116,000,000, and the Prince Edward Island railway, \$9,000,000. These were in railways which the people already owned. Deducting those figures it meant that \$709,000,000 of the people's money had gone in private railway companies and more, much more, is required.

The most urgent necessity was, better and more efficient transportation. The most pressing failures that have taken place are attributable to the Grand Trunk and to the Canadian Northern. It was common ground that both systems urgently required many more locomotives and many more freight cars.

WESTERN COAL MINERS STRIKE

A general strike of the coal miners in central and southern Alberta and eastern British Columbia was called for Monday, May 14, by a conference of mine workers held at Calgary. Many of the miners have not been working for some weeks, but no strike had been authorized. The reason for striking is that the miners are dissatisfied with an agreement that was drawn up by their representatives and the coal mine operators. The demand for an increase in pay originated among the men several months ago and negotiations were proceeded with which have proved unsatisfactory with the men. Altogether 6,000 miners are on strike and unless a settlement of the dispute is effected almost immediately a coal famine is inevitable. There is little coal in storage and many industries will be paralysed. The mine owners suggested to the Dominion government the taking over of the mines. The miners under the agreement which has been repudiated would have drawn an average of \$4.75 a day. About 60 per cent of the miners are Austrians, mixed with a few Germans, the other 40 per cent including all nationalities.

TRACTOR DEMONSTRATION

One of the most interesting features at the Brandon fair last summer was the plowing demonstration by small tractors. The road to and the headlands of the field where these tractors operated was always crowded with visitors and doubtless a large number of sales resulted from the interest created by that demonstration. This year the same provincial exhibition is holding another demonstration on July 17, 18 and 19. This will be held from 10 a.m. to 12 o'clock noon on each day. None of the tractors will pull more than five plows and all plowing will be done at the uniform depth of five inches. The tractors may travel at any speed the demonstrator desires. This should prove one of the most interesting features at the Brandon fair.

THE LACOMBE BULL SALE

For the annual sale of pure bred bulls to be held at Lacombe, May 30, 86 bulls have been entered. This lot is made up of 50 Shorthorns, 13 Aberdeen Angus and 23 Herefords. There are a large number of contributors and the bulls should be rather high class stock. The sale is under the auspices of the Alberta Cattle Breeders' Association, of which E. L. Richardson, Calgary, is secretary and S. W. Paisley, Lacombe will be auctioneer.

ALBERTA ELECTION JUNE 14
 Writs have been issued for an election in Alberta. The date set is June 15, 1917.

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