

ITEMS FOR AND ABOUT THE FARMER

FARMERS WILL BE MOST INTERESTED

Recent Announcement of Government Policy Along the Right Lines.

WILL WELCOME ACTION

Farmers and Consumers Will Be Glad to See Results.

In the recent announcement of policy by the union government is included the following significant statement: "The encouragement of co-operation among those engaged in agricultural production, with a view to diminishing the cost of production, and marketing so that the price paid to the producer may conform more closely to that paid by the consumer." Surely there is no more important field of activities in this province where the efforts of the new government will be watched more closely by the people at both ends of the string.

With some reason, does the consumer feel that he is being charged too much for food grown in this province, and he remembers with amazement that the cold storage system of preserving food was presumably invented to lower the cost of living by preventing waste due to the decomposing effect of warm atmosphere in winter, and of government assistance in developing the cold storage idea the cost of foodstuffs has steadily risen instead of diminishing, and yet a great amount of waste due to atmospheric conditions has been eliminated.

Farmers' Profits Sure? On the other hand the farmer had visions of surer profits as a result of the development of cold storage facilities for the preservation of his produce. But the cold storage man would be able to supply the demand for foodstuffs at all seasons of the year, thus securing profits through a greater turnover of farm products and with the risk of loss due to produce rotting in his hands eliminated.

Now, why is not this process of reasoning bearing fruit, for all three parties to the bargain—consumer, producer and the cold storage man and producer? The consumer and the producer are looking askance at the third party and will both welcome the first efforts put forth by the union government with a view to diminishing the cost of production and marketing so that the price paid to the producer may conform more closely to that paid by the consumer.

GRAND VALLEY. Bad weather interfered with the attendance at Grand Valley Fall Fair. As a consequence the gate receipts were only \$300, less than half the usual amount.

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INTERESTING FIGURES ON TRACTOR PLOWING

How Two Young Farmers Handled the Situation in Businesslike Fashion, and Won.

Within the next ninety days, I judge that orders for fully 100,000 tractors will be placed by farmers who have come to the conclusion that mechanical power is better and cheaper than horseflesh for heavy farm work. Here is a little incident which some may regard as trivial, but I hope those seriously interested in tractors will appreciate its true significance. At the demonstration I met two young men who were brothers. They already had a tractor, which they own in common, and which they bought last fall. First they went to their state short course, where one of them studied farm mechanics and the other took a course in crops and soils. Then they both went to last year's tractor demonstration, picked out a machine that suited them, and placed their order immediately. A month later it was delivered, and they used it for fall plowing, also for both work during the winter. By spring they knew their machine perfectly and were able to rush their crops into well-prepared seed beds. "The year before we paid \$480 for the extra help and horse labor we needed on our 240-acre farm," one of the brothers told me, "but in the year since we have had the tractor we have cut that cost to \$200—the wages of just one man. The total cost of running the tractor for the year was between \$250 and \$300, including fuel and oil."—Farm and Fireside.

MILDMAY.

Jos. Albrecht's auction sale was held recently, and good prices were realized. Mr. Albrecht had too much stock to winter, hence the reason for calling the sale.

The different threshing outfits in this township are working steadily in an effort to finish up the season's work. The threshing will not be completed until nearly December 10.

Jacob Schmidt, who spent the past six weeks in the west, was unable to secure any feeding cattle as he had hoped. He shipped a few carloads of grass cattle from Calgary to Chicago, however, and made fairly well on the deal.

Asher Duxlow, who has been in the west for the past three months, returned home recently, and left to resume his position at Newmarket. Asher says the wheat crop in the west will average from 10 to 12 bushels to the acre.

Weiler Bros. shipped a carload of potatoes to New York. The price paid was 85 cents per bushel. This firm intends shipping another carload shortly. A movement is on foot among hunters to petition the government for permission for each hunter to shoot two deer this year instead of one as in previous years, and this increase the most supply.—Mildmay Gazette.

The Carleton Agricultural Society enjoys the proud distinction of receiving the second highest provincial grant in the County of Bruce. This year the society will receive \$234 from this source. The grant is based upon the amount of prize money paid out at the fall show. Mildmay is proud of its annual exhibition, and much credit is due to the energetic work of the board of directors for the success of this institution.

The price of hogs declined 50c per cwt. during the week. The best price paid here being \$17.50 per cwt.

WESTON. One of the most successful sales of the season was held on the farm of the late Mrs. John Moody, near Highfield. Bidding was free and good prices were realized on stock, grain and implements.

ILLUSTRATING GOOD TRACTOR POWER PLOWING



Photograph taken in the "War Gardens" at South Bend, Indiana, by Oliver Plow Co. Will we see as good as this at the Provincial Plowing Match?

Condensed Information for Farmers and Their Clubs

News of the Crops and Farms From All Parts of Ontario.

UXBRIDGE.

John A. Kydd has rented Dr. Ed. Bailey's farm on the seventh concession of Scott. This farm is pleasantly situated and convenient to town.

Mrs. John Rolison has sold her farm of 200 acres in Uxbridge Township to E. M. Graham of Peterboro.

Butter and eggs are quoted about the same, with an upward tendency. Oats are slightly better, 55c to 60c. Potatoes have been ranging from \$1.25 to \$1.35, but buyers say the price is too high. Live stock is a trifle easier, excepting hogs, which sold at \$18.50.

GRAT CORN. Wheeler Bacon of Scott had in his corn field two stalks that measured twelve feet long, nearly six inches around and weighed fifteen pounds. Sure, it's a great year for corn.

TRACTOR PLOW. A tractor reached this station last week and will be used for plowing on Carmody Bros' and other farms in this district. All who can take advantage of it should do so, as help may be scarce next year than it was this.

WALTON.

The farm of Thomas Young, fourteenth concession, McKillop, containing 113 acres, has been sold to Mr. Weber of Elma Township. Purchaser will get possession next March. Mr. Young will take a well-earned rest, locating nearby, we hope.

ALTON.

The potato market is very brisk these days. Local buyers are handling the murphies on quite a large scale. Pyllie Houston has already shipped several carloads; \$1.05 a bag has been the ruling price this week.

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HOLSTEIN.

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CLAREMONT.

James Underhill has just recently secured three carloads of cattle for feeding purposes. The heavy rain of last week has put the land in good shape for fall plowing, but as the farmers are very busy with other work very little fall plowing has so far been done.

John Neal, formerly of Claremont, was very successful in showing his registered mares and his Holstein cattle at the Mount Forest fair, winning three first and two second prizes and the championship.

J. H. Neal, Lucan, purchased from James Underhill last week two carloads of pure-bred Cotswold sheep for shipment to his farm in the State of Utah. Mr. Underhill enjoys a wide reputation as a breeder of thorough Cotswolds.

Those of our business men who could spare a half day utilized it by going out into the woods in search of butternuts. Some, it is said, have laid in a supply of eight to ten bags. Butternuts are a very plentiful crop this year, and some apparently are adopting this means of reducing the high cost of living.

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EXHIBITS WERE GOOD AT WYOMING FALL FAIR

Weather Threatening and Attendance Only Fair, But Live Stock Display Was Very Creditable.

Altho threatening weather interfered greatly with the Wyoming fall fair, the exhibits were never better, and there was a good attendance. Some of the principal prize winners were: Best pair short-wool sheep, J. P. Stonehouse; single rooster, Howard Bryson; best loaf of bread, Mrs. Alex. Thompson and Mrs. Jas. McEwen; best agricultural team, L. J. Matthews; best crock dairy butter, Miss Cram; long-wool sheep, S. H. Morgan; best draught team, Wm. Totten; best collection of ladies' work, Mrs. McLachlan, Hodge Park; best hard grade cattle, A. McMahon & Son; best bacon hogs, J. McEwen; best single carter horse, W. Taylor, Alvinston; best herd of beef cattle, A. McMahon & Son. The oldest man on the grounds was Mr. Lucas, aged 92. The Red Cross booth was well patronized.

PLEASANT VIEW.

Threshing is about finished in this neighborhood and the quantity and quality is all that can be desired. Jas Campbell has been going into horse dealing very extensively. He lately purchased a mare from P. Mulligan. Last week he sold his driver to J. F. Brown, best horse view, and also a mare to Wm. Acheson of Frothingham.

GRANGEVILLE.

Seventy-two potatoes, most of them quite large, were dug from a single hill in an Orangeville garden. From all quarters comes the story of an abundant crop of potatoes. The Grangeville Sun says that down there some of the farmers are grumbling because they have to buy so many bags. William Wilson, of Relessee, has sold his 200-acre farm, lot 21, concession six, East Mono, to William Holmes, son of Richard Holmes, of the same neighborhood. Price is said to be about \$3000. Mr. Wilson is retiring and will probably move to Orangeville. J. M. Dolan, com. exchanged his farm on the Centre road, Caledon, a short time ago with George Morrison, for the Dufferin House property, has purchased Mrs. Robert McCutcheon's 100-acre farm on the fourth line west, Caledon, paying \$1500. Mr. Dolan will move on the farm and his son, Samuel, will take possession of the Dufferin House.

BRADFORD.

A Bradford man is said to have taken 91 potatoes from one hill.

CALEDON.

Messrs. John, James and Alex. Spears of Caledon have purchased a new twelve-horse-power Gibson gas engine.

FERGUS.

Five thousand people attended the Fergus Fall Fair. The total receipts were over \$800.

BIG CHAMPIONSHIP PLOWING CONTEST

Oak Park Stock Farm, Brantford, Host of Ontario's Plowmen.

TRACTOR EXHIBITION

Thousands of Farmers Will Be Shown Farm Machinery Operating.

On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week Ontario farmers will journey by the thousands to Oak Park stock farm for the provincial plowing match, which is held annually under the auspices of the Ontario Plowmen's Association and the department of agriculture.

Oak Park stock farm is situated between Paris and Brantford, and consists of 540 acres of land, the fields being sufficiently rolling to give good natural drainage. It is the property of W. G. Bailey, and the home of some high-class Holsteins as well as some Shropshire sheep and Yorkshire hogs. Three Railway Lines Stop on the Property.

Those of us who do not travel by motor car can reach the scene of operations most conveniently by the Brantford municipal electric car line, which operates between Brantford and Paris and stops on the farm just beside the field where the match will be held. The L. E. and N. electric line, operating between Galt and Port Dover, also stops on the farm about a mile from the field. The Grand Trunk Railway will stop within 100 feet of the field during the match, so that there should be adequate transportation service for over the 25,000 people who are expected to be there for the big event.

Other Attractions as Well as the Plowing Match.

This big plowing match is really a series of eleven different plowing events, each having its special prizes as well as the two big challenge trophy cups for the open and the junior champion plowman of Ontario, presented by The Canadian Farm and The Toronto World, respectively.

Then there will be a demonstration of hydro, which should prove of great educational value to many farmers. The hydro substation for Brant County is situated opposite the field, and a direct line is run from here to the buildings, where it is used for both light and power. The premier and Sir Adam Beck have arranged to be present.

A large consignment of cattle, sheep and hogs will be held on Friday and this will likely prove of considerable importance when the number of visiting farmers is taken into consideration.

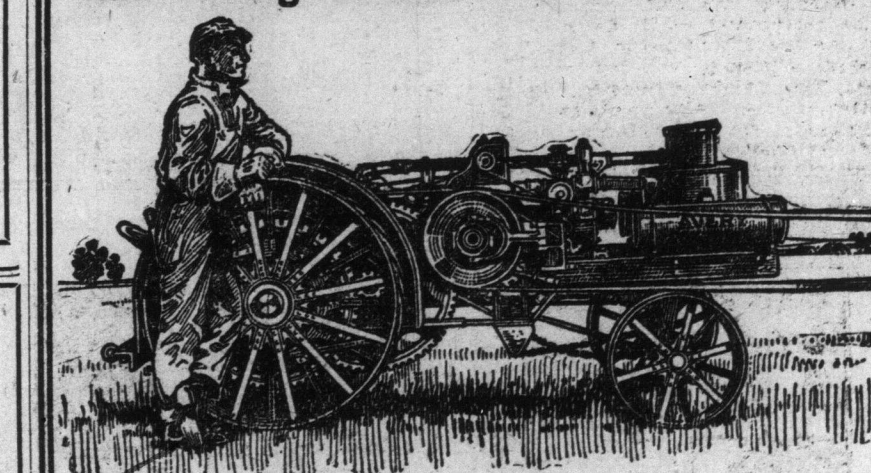
Demonstration of Tractors and Farm Machinery.

The large attendance of farmers naturally presents a splendid opportunity to exhibit farm tractors and machinery, and the quality of the soil should result in some fine examples of plowing by mechanical power. Suggestions have been made that this aspect of the provincial plowing match be extended and be made the occasion for an exhibit of all classes of farm implements, including barn fixtures and implements for use in the far north. It is possible that an announcement to this effect will be made later with reference to the 1918 match.

A grand banquet is to be given on Thursday evening by the City of Brantford in the Kerby House, at which the prizes will be awarded to the winners of the various classes of plowing. The women's institutes of Brant County will provide meals on the grounds each day. Mr. J. Wilson, secretary of the Ontario Plowmen's Association, is in charge of the proceedings.

Wm. McQuinn of Arthur won fourteen first and three second prizes in poultry at Grand Valley fall fair.

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