

SMALL TRACTORS ON THE WITNESS STAND

(Interpreted by the men who are using them)

AN OPINION WORTH REGARDING

Yorkton, Sask., Jan. 26, 1918.

Dear Sir:—

I received your request regarding my experience with a tractor.

My tractor is a Rumely Oil Pull 25-45. I have had it for seven years. I have plowed about three hundred acres every year. In plowing I use eight Rumely

I never use the engine for any other work. I find that I can plow much cheaper, better and quicker than with horses. I turn my horses out and do my summer-fallowing with the engine.

I certainly think that the tractor will play a large part in Canada's food production by saving the grain that would otherwise be fed to horses, and which

black loam and some parts of the farm being heavier than others. I have plowed on an average ten acres a day, using two gallons of kerosene per day and one quart of lubricating oil.

The separator I use in threshing is a 24-36 Waterloo, and I find the engine runs it fine. This last fall I had three stook teams, one pitcher and a man with a team and two wagons to keep the grain away and one man in the granary.

I haven't done any special work with my tractor. Just the above mentioned work. I find the tractor to be an ideal machine, and it is a great help when men are so scarce as they are now. I am quite certain it fills a place in Canada's programme of production.

Chas. E. Lamont.

following this year, about twenty acres. I fall plowed two hundred acres of fall plowing with a three 14-in. plow, plowing from four to five inches deep in a very heavy soil.

I used about two gallons of kerosene per acre, and half a gallon of lubricating oil in a ten hour day, plowing eight acres a day.

I think a tractor is just the thing for a farm. You can do almost any kind of farm work with a tractor.

Fred Wold.

"A REAL FARM HELP"

Dumas, Sask., Jan. 22, 1918.

Dear Sir:—

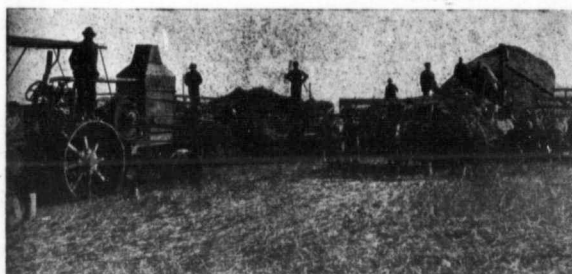
In reply to your letter of the 18th would say our tractor is a 12-25, Light All Work tractor, weighing 5,200 lbs.

We have threshed from 800 to 1,000 bushels of wheat and from 1,800 to 2,000 bushels of oats per day, with a 24 in. Separator, depending on the condition and kind of grain, and burning from sixteen to seventeen gallons of kerosene a day with two gallons of lubricating oil. We are sending you a photo of our threshing outfit at work.

In plowing we use a three-bottom 14-in. John Deere gang plow. We plowed thirty-one acres in three days, at a depth of five inches, pulling at the same time three sections of harrows. This we did on high gear, making three and three-quarter miles an hour. We used one and one-half gallons of kerosene to the acre, and having lots of power do the work of twelve horses in one operation very easily.

We have pulled many portable granaries, have sawed wood and crushed grain with this outfit.

The way things are going now



This man (R. Stevens, of Yorkton) considers the tractor a necessary implement on any farm larger than 320 acres.

plows, and when I do not use the harrows behind, I pull an extra gang turning 14 ins. I figure I can plow for 38c. per acre for kerosene and use about two and a half gallons of lubricating oil and about two and a half of gear oil, plowing 25 acres in ten hours. Plowing five inches deep in the spring, and eight inches deep in summer-fallow. I find deep plowing produces five bushels more per acre.

The only harrowing I ever did with the engine was with harrows hitched behind the plows. I never harrowed as a single operation. But I find I can pull harrows the full width of the plow the same or easier than the extra gang. I use lever harrows, and find that one stroke after the plows does as much good as three, two or three days after. I think it is better to pull the harrows behind the plows than the extra plow. I have made a float of planks 16 ft. long, 1 ft. wide and 2 in. thick, lap them 6 inches, using four planks, making them 2 feet wide, and am going to draw it angle ways behind ten plows.

My separator is a 32-in. Nichols Shepard, which it pulls with power to spare. I never had a larger separator, so don't know exactly what it will drive. I use a sheaf loader and four teams, with two spike pitchers. I can thresh twelve hours on forty-five gallons of kerosene, two and a half gallons of lubricating oil and thirty-five gallons of water for fuel. The engine is oil cooled.

could be fed to cattle and hogs. I consider the tractor a necessary implement on any farm larger than 320 acres if they are handled



Charlie Lamont has found his 12-24 Kerosene Tractor an ideal machine.

properly. My repairs for seven years for the tractor was \$15.75.

I am enclosing a picture of my machine before I had a loader.

R. Stevens.

FILLS ITS PLACE IN THE NATIONAL PROGRAMME

Beaver, Man., Jan. 26, 1918.

Dear Sir:—

I am the owner and operator of a 12-24 Waterloo Boy Kerosene tractor, which I will have had two years May 1st, 1918.

I have used my tractor for plowing, done all my threshing, crushing and sawing wood, since I got it.

In plowing I have used a Lacrosse plow, and find it to be a very good plow. I pull three 14 in. plows in deep plowing, and have used four plows in skimming, but they do not pull as satisfactorily as three. I plow to a depth of six inches, the nature of the soil here being a heavy

12-24 Waterloo Boy Kerosene tractor, which I have worked for two years. I find it very satisfactory and do not prefer any other make of tractor for my farm work.



"The way things are going now, and help getting scarcer every day, I think this size of tractor is a real farm help."—Alphonse Lamontagne.

I have 240 acres of land, all the work on which I have done with my tractor this season was plowing. Did not do much summer-

and help getting scarcer every day I think the size of tractor described here is a real farm help.

Alphonse Lamontagne.