

portions. We should recognize these great losses of valuable food supplies as signals of imminent danger and use them as stimuli for further effort towards maintaining nature's balance for the control of such pests.

Special emphasis was given to the subject of bird protection on the "Better Farming Train" last summer. Lantern slides of the common birds of the farm were shown to over ten thousand school children. At each meeting the boys and girls were entertainingly informed of the habits of the birds, and in order that they should carry away with them some lasting impression of the importance of bird protection, they were asked to memorize such short sentences as "Insects eat Crops." "Birds eat Insects." "Save the Birds." Which they always repeated vociferously in unison before dismissal. Next year we hope to introduce motion pictures of Saskatchewan bird life, dealing more particularly with some of the non-game birds protected under the Migratory Birds Convention Act.

Public sentiment must play a large part in the campaign for better protection of our feathered friends and we believe that the best place to develop such a sentiment is among the boys and girls of school age, and it is now provided in this year's course of study that the pupils of grade four, five and six know something about the laws that give protection to wild birds and animals.

With the ratification of the treaty between Great Britain and the United States for the protection of migratory birds that pass between Canada and the United States twice each year, there was consummated the most advanced legal protection ever accorded to migratory birds. Compliance with the terms of this solemn agreement will undoubtedly bring about results that no other single effort could hope to accomplish. I am pleased to state that the Saskatchewan Game Laws were so nearly in accord with the terms of the treaty that it was only necessary to make one or two minor changes to our Game Act in order to have it conform with the terms of this international document.

Spring shooting has been prohibited in this province for nearly fifteen years, and a reversion to shooting at this season of the year is never so much as mentioned now. The sale of game is also pro-