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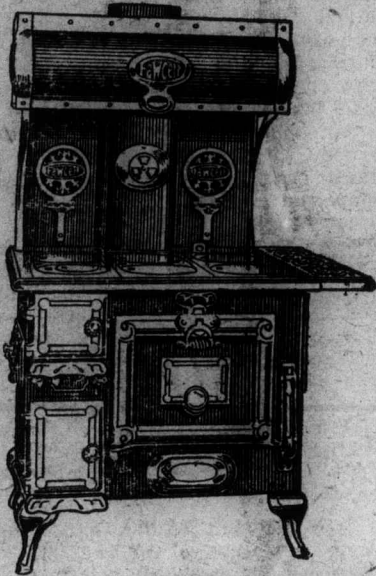
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A Happy and Prosperous
New Year

Irrigation For Saanich

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cided not to soak the sets in the corrosive sublimate as occurred in 1917.

It was noticed at the time of storing that the seed of Million Dollars was in the best shape so we should expect this variety to show up well in 1918 crop which it did. The variety Arrow Chief was in the worst shape owing to less range of selection at seed selection time so we expected this variety to make a lower showing than its fellow varieties in 1918 which it did.

During late Fall 1917 and early Spring 1918 a small pumping plant had been put in at the station and laterals were now run out over the vegetable and small fruits area. The well having a capacity of 3,000 gallons and the feed tank into which the water is pumped by an electrical motor having a capacity of 1,000 gallons.

On May 10, 1918, the site chosen for potatoes was ploughed twice the same as in 1917 but it was decided not to use any fertilizer at all in 1918 either before or after planting.

The site chosen was one in a rotation series, was not so favorable as the site for potatoes in 1917, not having had any Fall ploughing since the establishment of the Station here so that we did not get such a fine tilth which is so desirable upon this site as in 1917.

Furrows were opened up the same as in 1917 with the exception that they were drawn up about 1 inch shallower, that is about 4 inches. Before planting the sets which occurred on May 13, 1918, a small slice was again taken off each end of the potato for detection of hollow potato or internal brown streak, and any potato showing signs of these two internal troubles was discarded.

They were then transferred, planted and covered in the same as in 1917. Three cultivations were again used, and then earthed up by the plough, finishing the arching up with a hoe, so that the earth was pulled right into the plant, thereby causing the little rhizomes which would become shoots to become tubers, which is really what occurs when etiolation takes place.

The plants were only sprayed once in 1918 for early and late blight, etc., and were rouged once for any rouges in any newly imported varieties. After planting the 66 sets to 66 ft. a very unfavorable season commenced so much so that they were a little slow in showing through the soil. Our water system was called into action to relieve this and the applications of water was continued at intervals of three weeks throughout the season until the end of August, giving a heavy soaking when we applied water and then letting the plants go until another three weeks, this is a much better system of irrigating or watering plants than the continual syringing or spraying each evening which one sees so much of in this vicinity on Vanc Island. In the heavy watering the water gets down to the roots but in syringing or spraying the moisture the moisture never gets down to the roots (it is only through the roots that the water gains entrance to the plant), no water goes into the plant through the leaves) and evaporates the next day under the glare of the sun.

The Following Yields were Obtained in 1918

Variety	Planted	Lifted	Yield lbs.
Arrow Chief	May 13	Sept 31	12,705
British Queen	May 13	Sept 31	19,041
Early Rose	May 13	Sept 31	19,569
Eureka	May 13	Sept 31	24,486
Gold Coin	May 13	Sept 31	25,707
Jones White	May 13	Sept 31	30,766
King Edward	May 13	Sept 31	17,721
Million Dollar	May 13	Sept 31	32,686 1/2
Sharpes Expr's	May 13	Sept 31	29,403

Total 212,884 1/2

Cultivation did not give us the 100 per cent better crop—cultivation was the same in both years.

Better soil conditions did not give us the 100 per cent better crop in 1918.

Fertilisers did not give us the 100 per cent better crop, none were used in 1918.

Spraying did not give us the 100 per cent better crop—1918—one spray instead of two.

Climate did not give us the 100 per cent better crop—1918—the season was warm.

Water and careful selection of seed gave

FURNISH TRAINING FOR SOLDIERS' WIVES

OTTAWA, Dec. 22.—In response to a request from the men taking the agricultural course, the Khaki University of Canada in London is organizing a division for the wives of soldiers. Before coming to Canada they will be made acquainted in a general way with the work which falls to the lot of a Canadian farmer's wife.

In addition to the household science course, the courses in horticulture and poultry will be extended to the wives of the soldiers who are fitting themselves to follow farming in Canada.

Mrs. G. C. Cunningham, formerly domestic science instructor in Manitoba, has been placed in charge of this important branch of the overseas instructional work.

BRITAIN AND AMERICA

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig has issued a special Order of the Day regarding the receipt of congratulatory messages and the replies to them.

General Pershing wrote:—"It has indeed been an honor for American troops to fight beside your British veterans in a war against the tyranny of militarism. The new associations we have formed will be cherished for ever." Sir D. Haig, in his reply, wrote:—"We shall ever remember the heroism of your troops in dangers and difficulties which we shared in common in the recent great battle, and we heartily reciprocate the feeling which you express that our new relations may be developed and continued through all time."

Church Notices.

ANGLICAN

December 29, 1918

Sunday after Christmas

8 a.m.—Holy Communion at St. Andrews.
11 a.m.—Morning Prayer at Holy Trinity.
7 p.m.—Evening Prayer at St. Andrews.
St. Andrew's Sunday School at 3 p.m.

Church Hall, Deep Cove

3 p.m.—Sunday School.

ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

2.30—Bible School.

7 p.m.—Evening Service.

Special Singing

New Year Sermon

Prepare for the New Year by going to Church

Christmas Entertainment and Watch Night Service—New Year's Eve.

We extend our good wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year to all.

Keating will hold a Community Christmas Entertainment and Tree next week.

WESLEYAN

The services in the Methodist Church on Sunday next, January 29th, will be in keeping with the season.

Service at Wesley Church, Sidney

11 a.m.—Service at Wesley Church, Sidney.

10 a.m.—Sunday School

Service at North Saanich

7 p.m.—North Saanich

2.30 p.m.—Sunday School.

Thought for the day.—Retrospective and Prospective Views.