

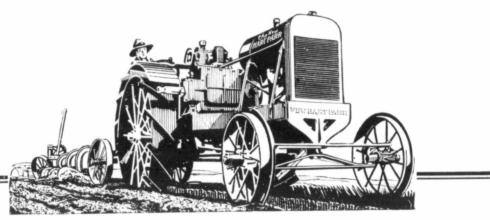


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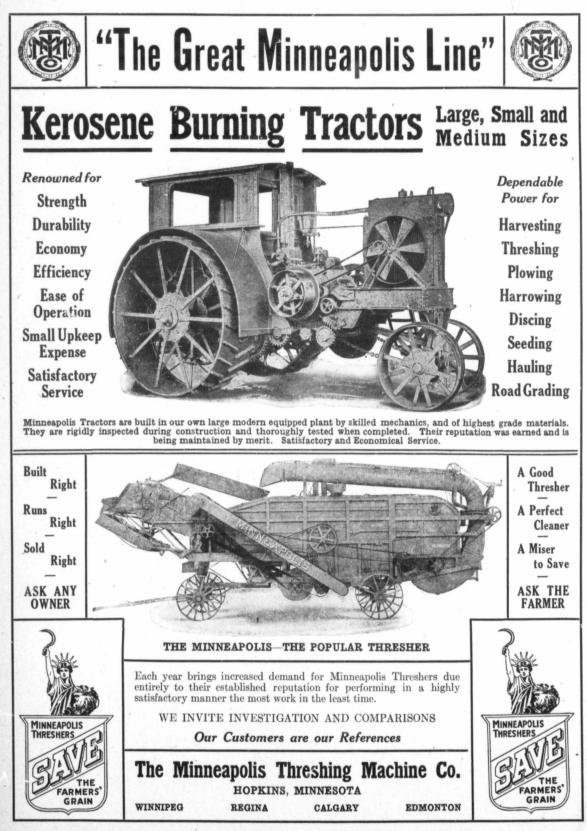
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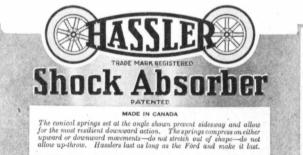
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UTHER BURBANK and Dr. Charles Saunders have been acclaimed wizards in their special departments of natural science, that of creating new varieties in flowers, fruits, and cereals. One of them is an American and the other a Canadian, but they "belong" neither to the one nor the other. They are citizens of the world who have earned and would be cordially welcomed to the freedom of any city or community on earth. From the time they began to

make a study of the habits of plant life, and to discover the secrets of reproduction in their particular field, both men are entitled to the sole credit of some astonishing results, the economic importance of which has as yet scarcely dawned on the people they will ultimately benefit.

Two more humble men are not living to-day, men who are so little disposed to shout about their achievements; and yet there are probably no contemporaries who could have greater justification in mounting the band wagon with the trombone. They are of the retiring type like that other great student who first spotted the law of gravitation, and said near the end of his life that he was but a child on the seashore gazing out upon the great unexplored ocean of facts.

That is the way, the "thought habit" of all really conscientious invsetigators. One and all, they persist in disclaiming the right to the plaudits that come 'their way, and with perfect ingenuousness declare that they have done nothing that someone else could not have done as easily had 'they cared to set about it and worked with the same persistence.

Here we are in May with the seed practically all in, and so far with the prospects of a fine germina'tinig season. No doubt a great part of Western Canada's seed bed has been indifferently prepared, and some careless or impecunious souls have not been over-particular in the secention of their seed, but on the other

A Wizard's Cap to Fit Every Farmer Boy

"Nothing great ever began great"

hand there is a large and growing kets has stirred the cupidity at crowd of serious men and young least of many keen grain growfolks who have given mnch

ers, but far more satisfactory is it thought and infinite pains alike to to find that the spirit of the men



This bundle of No. 1 Hard was raised on the farm of Mrs. Watson, 14 miles south of Weyburn, Sask.

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gently brought it forth, so to speak, is taking hold upon and quis wheat on the world's mar- fixing the ambition of a big

crowd of farmer's boys-old boys, like Seager Wheeler, Samuel Larcombe and Donald MacVicar, as well as those indomitable lads of 'the boys' and girls' clubs.

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"What one man has done another can do" if he will but pay the homely price in sus-tained effort. The same "wiz-ard's cap" that metaphorically covers the silver hairs of Luther Burbank, or the still auburn locks of the younger Dr. Saunders, will fit the smallest boy or the oldest settler on the prairie if he wills it.

There's no secret or royal road to still more astonishing results than have been achieved by these men other than sustained and intelligent observation and careful experimenting. Boys, you have the whole materials for the performance of the trick in your hands-even Nature and labor, seed, soil and atmosphere.

There is a bigger "ocean" of unexplored facts in Western Canada than even Newton looked out upon, and the fruits of patient perseverance are withheld from no man. Nature is amazangly kind and scrupulously just (which is more than you can say of many employers of labor). If you toil in pleasant companionship with her for twice eighthours-a-day, she won't do you out of a dime; her rewards and her punishmen'ts are invariable.

In a recent issue of "The Canadian Thresherman and Farmer" some very strong things were said in reference to the government making a large increase in the appropriation it has been in the habit of setting aside for purely investigational purposes, such as are being carried on by Dr. Saunders and his colleagues-That is all right, and it is due to the best interests of the country that the powers who control the public purse should loosen up most liberally in this respect.

But there is a strong probability that the voluntary investigations and experiments carried out by the enthusiasm of the farm boys might go a long way in the same direction if they did

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not in the long run outclass the results of the official investigators. Dr. Saunders was not "paid" to find out what it required to produce a wheat like "Marquis." You can't "pay" men like Saunders, and Burbank, and Edison.

Nothing is more certain than that there are young Burbanks growing up in considerable numbers on the western prairies, only needing encouragement and direction to lead them 'to results no less momentous than have crowned the efforts of the men we have named.

When these wonderful men were mere boys, like the average young hopeful you find in any boys' or girls' club, who would have ventured to predict that they would find a way or make

one to what they have accomplished? And who will dare to say of any particular boy that he cannot do still greater things than these great leaders of to-day have done?

It is, withal, a most fascinating study, this interbreeding, crossfertilization o f plants. There are few things s o completely within the reach of any member of a farm home that will afford greater delight, that will "pay' better, that will make a man such a first-rate companion to himself as a little corner of his holding close to the home buildings dedicated 'to investigations and experiments.

How many farm chemists have we actually "carying on" after they have heard the elementary lectures and dabbled in the experiments at the college? What might it not profit some man or a great many men if one obscure but patient observer found out just how the flax-straw that is grown in Western Canada can be dealt with so as to make it a commercial success in our textile industry?

Has Nature set limitations upon man so that he cannot hope to do anything better with those thousands upon thousands of straw piles than burn them, or at the most use them for bedding his cattle? The thought is preposterous, but the idea will

remain where it is until some strong soul comes along and actually delivers the thing that has been simmering in many minds for generations.

It is hardly necessary to put up a similar plea for the livestock end of the Canadian farm because it seems to be doing remarkably well. As all educationalists know, far more is being spent in thought, in energy and in money upon the improvement of certain livestock units than upon the education of the young people-

Then there is an important difference in the boy's eye between a promising young calf or a colt and a head of wheat. Between the boy and his colt or calf a bond of real human interest starts in right away and grows stronger as time goes on. groups of friends and visitors to the home with a few ordinary microscopic slides placed under an instrument of average power, and with the solitary exception of a principal of one of the city schools, not a single individual of those hundreds of educated citizens had ever seen "anything like it." "Well now, what d'ye know about that!" "I'd no idee there was anything so wonderful in such a common thing!" are a sample of the expressions of amazement 'that punctuated the little show.

Now this will all have to be changed in so far as the coming men and women are concerned. There's money enough and to spare in millions to do it if the heart is there to $d\alpha$ it wisely. Money is but dirt in the wrong



all departments that with the public support, such as it has been, the educational work which has been done through the ordinary public schools as well as the colleges has been wonderful.

The onus of the blame is on the back of the dollar-devoted citizen who is more concerned in heaping up an already top-heavy bank account than in helping to raise the minds of his young people a bit higher above the store-counter, and the livestock ring than his own has been pitched at since he could remember.

The observation has often rung out from the public platform that the greater part of the farming interest by their attitude towards the development of the young folks are of the opinion that a well-bred livestock unit is

of far greater account than a boy or a girl raised on the farm. That is a raw statement, but it is in perfect accord with fact in the case of very many fathers of sons a nd daughters who have been born upon and are expected to remain on the farm.

And what a wretched, shortsighted policy it is-even if the father must look at it from the selfish point of view of his own material interest. Does he reflect that in a few fleeting years at most he will be quite unable to rampage a bout his cattle barns and grain fields at the killing



Making a careful selection of heads from a first-rate crop of "Marquis"

The lad needs little or no inducement to keep his eyes peeled for faults or fine points in the living intelligent thing, but the study of a few grains of wheat, oats or barley is a far more prosaic job.

And yet just here is a great, inexhaustible mine of mental and material wealth that so far has barely been tapped. How many boys and girls, for instance, have had the privilege of examining the structure of a wheat or an oat kernel through an ordinary tigh-powered microscope? How many teachers in the public schools of Western Canada have any idea of the anatomy of the wheat plant, as seen under the microscope?

For many years the writer at odd times has entertained

place unless used with wisdom and foresight as to its results.

Some two years ago a friend who is fond of figures got hold of the list of Manitoba automobile licenses, made an analysis of same and of the public accounts dealing with the Department of Education, and found that (making fair allowance all round), the province had spent in that year something like twenty-nine times the amount on automobiles it had set aside for public education, the former for the greater part used for pleasure only.

This is a poor showing for Manitoba, and its much advertised educational facilities. This state of things has not been created by the educationalists, but in spite of them. Let us say for pace he has set for kimself? Does he ever stop to think what sort of a companion he will be to his children when the day of enforced idleness and imprisonment in the sick ward comes?

And just how far may he reasonably expect "the family" to interest themselves in him at that high-and-dry period of his onesided existence as they look back on the years of drudgery they have passed through at his hands? This is a "thought" that is

wor'th thinking over.

People talk of "sacred history," meaning what happened in Palestine many centuries ago; they have yet to learn that the history of modern Canada is every bit as sacred.

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THE fixing up of the country road bed is not the first thing the farmer usually thinks of when he has the leisure

thinks of when he has the leisure or the money to lay out on improvements. It was therefore a cheering experience to the writer during a recent trip westward to find the subject of "good roads" so constantly in evidence among the farming citizens, not only as a matter of conversation, but being actively proceeded with in various ways, no less on trunk a roads than on cross roads, and everywhere where traffic called for something more resistant than the old prairie trail.

There are few things in Western development on which so much money has been wasted, not to speak of the abortive labor of well meaning men and municipali-

ties, than on experiments in the making and maintenance of good roads Why?

Because of the want of concerted effort and the fact that for the greater part the individual or small local schemes have proved the merest makeshifts. They have been best that the could be done for a fixed maximum' available price; that price was totally inadequate for the needs of the case, and in the after a end. good businesslike deluge of rain and one or two heavy wagons had left their mark upon the "new grading," the last state of

that road was worse than the first.

In the making of good roads, like everything else, one need not spend so much on a first class, thoroughly satisfactory job that will stand up under any test as will be frittered away on two or three drivelling attempts to plug up the mud holes and cover the surface with a few loads of soil.

The Dominion Government, and the various provincial governments, are now making advances to the municipalities, on conditions so reasonable that they cannot be set aside unless by some one or set of men whose meanness is too mean for anything in citizenship or neighborly consideration.

The farmers, however, have to

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Mending the Ways of the West

thank the motorists not a little for the substantial government recognition which has lately come their way. Of course, practically every farmer is now, or soon will be, a motorist but only a few years ago the case was vastly different.

While the pioneer motor clubs consisting of comparatively few members did yeoman service in their time, and a great deal has been done recently on a bigger scale than could have been attempted in the early days, there's still a very big task lying ahead before even the well-settled disAct of 1914. This provides for the payment of two-thirds of the cost by the government on main roads of importance to the province as a whole; one-half of the cost on municipal roads and onethird of the cost on the smaller class of roads.

All these grants include the cost of culverts, bridges and drainage. The work is carried out under the supervision of government engineers, the contracts for the work must be approved by the Good Roads Board, and the entire system receive the approval of the government. Thus

due to the lack of willingness on the part of the defaulting municipalities, but there they are, fine stretches of good roads being built only to end suddenly in a wide gap of quagmire or worse.

To meet this, the government has under consideration the introduction of a bill which will give the Good Roads Board power to step in and compel a municipality to connect up with a good roads system to either side of it if after being invited to take their part they express their unwillingness to spend the money necessary to make the connecting link.

What has been done in the interval since the 1914 Act came into operation is a most satisfactory record, all things (including war conditions) taken into account. Fifty - one municipalities have

cipalities have availed themselves of the government's assistance, 809 miles have been constructed in Manit ob a, while some 2,235 miles of road have been placed under the provisions of the Act.

This is an affair that is really everybody's business, for there is no* a responsible citizen in city, village, or on the prairie who has not a definite interest of some sort in the maintenance of good roads. To 'the farmer - especially the man who is at some distance from his railway point the matter is of vital concern.

Good roads are

tricts of the West can be said to be well equipped in good road service.

Government control of the main trunk roads is being recognized as the only satisfactory way of dealing with the question of upkeep. It follows as a matter of course that under one centralized control in this way the work of construction and maintenance can be carried out far more effectively and cheaply than can be accomplished by a large number of small municipal programmes, with gaps here and there and no uniformity anywhere.

The present system of building good roads in the Province of Manitoba, for example, is by government subsidy to the municipalities under the Good Roads the whole scheme is under government control as far as the work is concerned up to the point of completion of construction, when it is turned over to the municipalities for maintenance.

No step, however, can be taken in any good road scheme unless the municipality takes the i-itiative and here is just the weak link that can only be overcome by the public-spirited co-operation of all the municipalties, or by the act being amended to make it obligatory on the part of a municipality that really has the means to do its bit to accept the part of the government.

So far there have occurred a considerable number of breaks —we will not say all, or chiefly of primary importance to the educational interests of the young folks. Consolidated schools, however well equipped, are of little use if they are not get - at - able, and there are some "eloquent testimonies" to the part that bad roads have played, and are still playing, in the case of children having long distances to travel between home and school.

Money—even a small contribution—given in support of a real improvement in the public highway is money well spent, because (in rural districts especially) nothing in outlay tends so much to increase the value of the farm as a going concern—as its owner will find when for any reason he is desirous of selling it.



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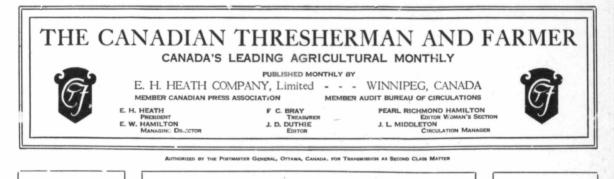
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▲HE incarnated spirit of public service is found in the person of that fine old Briton who said: "I look

after my business for the sake of my wife and children, but I hold that a man's duty to society requires that he should have a care for those who are not of his own househould." This humble man's life is one of the most precious and splendid portions of un-advertised Anglo-Saxon biography. Its whole tenor speaks to the fact that the humblest cobbler citizen (an be and very often is among the greatest of public servants. It shows that the best kind of public service is done in secret and without sight of man. It does not advertise itself. It adopts a larger creed and a loftier code, which to be subject to. and obey is to consider every human life and every human action in the light of an eternal obligation to the race.

But the popular idea of the "public servant" is not the humble soul who quietly fishes for employment in his own small pool of acquaintance. The "real public man" is the more noisy person who

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is sent to Westminster or Ottawa, or who is hoisted into the city council. To these men there is delegated a fearful responsibility. Within one brief term of office they may add a crown of glory to a clean record of public service or they may create conditions that will wreck the finest social structure ever set up by God-inspired mortals. What really qualifies one for public service on the larger scale and makes him a "safe man for democracy?" Above all, who are the men and women to whom the rank and file may confidently look for leadership in the public service in these fateful times?

Of a surety there is heavy weather ahead and a vast uncharted sea that will tax the character and genius of the best heart and brain in Canada. To the big questions that are even now exercising every responsible person and household of the community must be given big answers. Man's united ingenuity has to rise to supreme heights to solve the riddles of the modern world. The men who will solve them cannot be small men. The small man, rich in artifice, can never handle big and elemental things. But the "small man" is not necessarily the obscure man. More often than not the really big man is found on the cobbler's bench or setting types for a bare living, while the really small man is the puny so-called "captain of industry," stogy, pompas and imperious, soused in ugliness and humbug.

While our past for the greater part of its public life is a sorry medley of good intentions gone to seed, of rough-shod rascality with a fair leavening of noble service, the future is still a white sheet that may as easily retain its virgin purity as it may be smudged by inexcusable wrong-doing. It has no terrors for the constitutionally good man. There's mighty comfort in Mr. Wilson's recent saying that "the forces of the world do no threaten -they operate." In all debatable points in human relations, the solution of the seemingly complicated is exactly the same as the settlement of the obviously simple. It is entirely a matter of sincerity and temper. The great men of the race to-day are those who are chiefly capable of a great sincerity, and every schoolboy knows that the fixing up of any quarrel depends upon the frame of mind in which both parties approach the pow-wow.

A keen observer gives it as his firm conviction that the main cause of all the unrest in the world to-day is the state of idleness prevailing in that class of persons

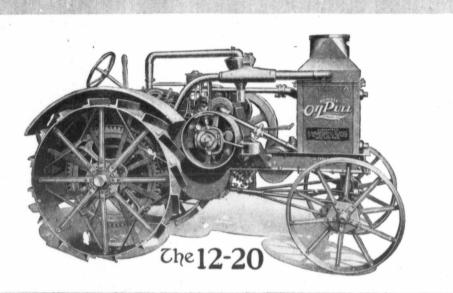
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who have no need to labor. The old school copy books kept reminding us that "An idle brain is the devil's workshop," and no man or woman would think it necessary to ask the copy book to prove its case. Their whole experience tells the m that in any fit of the "blues" or spell of discontent, no exorcism charms like hard work. When both brain and brawn are marking time it is then the human machine gets its real experience of that mood of the soul we call "Hell." To so many, life is pleasure; to still more it is suffering, and there you have the reeson for the "strike vote."

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Public service, perilous, arduous, delicate, is required right now from every soul who is capable of service, but let there be no mistake as to what will be acceptable in "public service." The past is strewn with the wreckage of the unacceptables. Where money or self-interest is concerned, the public servant must first of all be found clean, and last of all, be found clean under the X-ray test of that clear white light called conscience. Whether rich or poor, busy or with "time to burn," the hour is great with opportunity for the man or woman who would realise that the greatest satisfaction on earth is hopeful, useful interest and service if it is only in behalf of the man on the next stool at the lunch counter. Be a door-keeper in the humblest village Bethel rather than a prince in the "tents of wickedness."

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WE are informed from a reliable source in the United States that if the Great War had continued for another year, implements would only have been procurable by farmers after their orders had been investigated. An inspector would have been sent to see whether or not a new plow, mower or binder was actually required. He would have decided in many cases that with the necessary repairs the old ones would have to run another season or two.

We believe that more trouble comes under the latter part of the question topic, that is, in the actual care and operation. So we ask you to ask yourself the question, "Am I doing everything I can to make the best use of the implements I have?" The implement companies are doing their utmost to produce efficient implements, and because they may be carelessly or inefficiently operated, are they to blame? Certainly not. Of course, there are poor implements as well as poor operators. The question is: What are you going to do about it? Kick, or try to improve things all around. If you have to pay a big price for a gang plow, it is in your interests to get the best and also to make it last as long as possible. You should make it last ten years, and that period will be a very large percentage of the total time you will be farming. Do you want to sit on your plow and do poor work? Of course you don't. The writer holds no plea for the implement companies, but there is too much good machinery needlessly wasted for which they are often blamed. From

(1) The large number of queries regarding the purchase and operation of machinery.

(2) The interest already shown in the demonstration work in the draft of plows at plowing matches.

(3) The clever advertisements announcing the introduction of new machines of all kinds.

(4) The shortage of reliable help and the fact that much new machinery has to be procured (especially machines adapted to power work).

The writer is convinced that the return of the old-time Ontario field trials of farm machinery of all kinds would fill a long-felt want. They could be held in the summer. It would be to the mutual interest of manufacturer and farmer.

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There would be considerable



Better Machinery or Better Operation of what we have ---Which?

By PROFESSOR J. MacGREGOR SMITH, University of Saskatchewan

work for those in charge. Plans would have to be well organized. To escape criticism, do nothing, say nothing, attempt nothing, be nothing. There will be adverse criticism in every, district, but it can be done if the right men in the district are put in charge. Remember after you place them

farmers in the surrounding district would like to see the different makes of plows tried out, the draft tested, and the important adjusments pointed out. This would be of great benefit in the case of engine hitches. Perhaps there is a new cultivator on the market. A new attachment may



The "Wallis" tractor handling two drills

in charge, support them. A few cannot do it all. The old antagonistic days between rival companies are passing. Cooperation is replacing competition. What is for the good of

be for sale to attach behind a gang plow and many wen't to see if it beats a section of the old drag harrow.

on is replacing competi- These are suggestions. A start What is for the good of could be made and later on in



The job as done by the drills through the power supplied by the "Wallis" tractor

one is for the good of all.

Let us suppose a community decides to have such a demonstration in connection with the annual plowing match, or summer fair. The agricultural society or the Grain Growers' Association would call a meeting in co-operation with the local implement men. If they seemed indifferent their respective head offices would be glad to co-operate, explain the proposition to them, and tell them that the suitable districts tests of stumping machinery could be conducted. A demonstration in the use of blasting powder would be worth while in a bush country or where stones were in abundance. It could be put on by a representative of one of the dynamite companies that advertise so much in the agricultural press.

More manure spreaders will be required in the future. The field is a better place than the showroom to demonstrate what each

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type can do. Would it not interest you to see half a dozen at actual work? Seeing is believing, and you could see for yourself and decide. You would see the effect of narrow and wide wheels, of widespread attachments, how many horses were required. You would go home and say, "We are going to get a spreader and I know the one to buy."

Some of these things at the summer fair would beat throwing eggs at a coon. The results would be more satisfactory and far reaching. They will mean greater success in your business of farming.

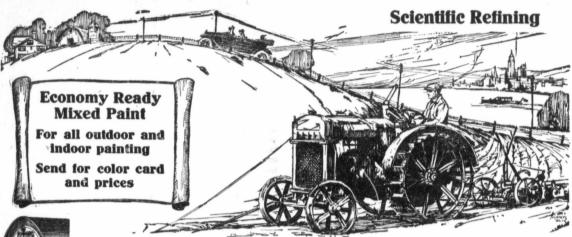
There are districts where a dozen or more tractors are going into this spring. The prospective owners would be more confident of success if they knew how many plows each was going to pull. We are well aware that in some cases local demonstrations have been held by the various companies with splendid results. We refer particularly to the newer types about which we know little as far as their Canadian records are concerned. The power required to pull the plow could be ascertained, the draw bar horse-power explained to those interested. The experts could tell every trick they know.

There is not any doubt that the motor contests of the past have served their purpose in so far as the improvement of 'the tractor is concerned, but on the other hand the data means very little to the average man. Like the famous people from Missouri, it is a case of "Show Me."

We want good implements always, and we want to see them operated under our local conditions before we buy. Implement companies do not want dissatisfied customers. Such demonstrations should be arranged to take in a wide range of territory, and be held at some central point. They should be located with the idea of service to the greatest number, and not by means of "pull."

Start something. We hear about better crops, better stock, better marketing, greater production, but what about our implements? They represent a large investment. Their selection should be given very careful thought. Then they should be maintained in good condition. If you have no plowing match in your district, get one going. If you have had one in the past, add some new features. Make it more worth while every year.





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receive attention. Let us examine the troubles that may be encountered and the way to cure them and keep them cured. Some day after the tractor has

Some day after the tractor has been running fine, the operator will notice that one of the cylinders begins to "miss," that is, instead of the steady, "put-putput" of the exhaust, there will, every once in a while, be a "miss." In a short time the "miss" will become pretty regular and the tractor will run badly and lack power. When the tractor gets running this way the first thing to do is to find which cylinder is "missing" and this is very simple.

Take a screw driver and place the end on the body of the plug of the No. 1 cylinder, then carefully bring the stem part into contact with the high tension cable connection, and thus short circuit the plug. Immediately there will be a second cylinder "missing" unless this happens to be the faulty one. If this cylinder is O.K., then test Nos. 2 and 3, until the fault is found, which will be in the one, which in being short circuited in this way, will make no difference in the sound of the exhaust. Note that it is important to be sure and touch the spark plug body first, because if the terminal is touched before the body, the operator will receive a strong shock.

Examine the Spark System

The next thing to do is to disconnect and take out the spark plug and see if the porcelain is dirty, cracked or broken. Perhaps a piece of carbon has bridged across the spark gap or the spark gap may be 'too wide. Generally the plug will be found to be dirty or coated with carbon and the best way to clean it is to grip the body in a vise or second wrench and with a wrench take it to pieces. Now scrape the carbon out of the body with an old pocket knife, clean the porcelain part with a rag, moistened with kerosene or oil. The operator must remember never to use sandpaper or emery, or, in fact, anything gritty for this purpose, because it takes the gloss off the plug and it then will carbon up very quickly.

Atfer everything is nice and clean, reassemble the plug, being



Locating and Preventing Troubles in the Tractor Ignition System

By GEORGE PLEYDELL PEARCE

sure to tighten up the bushing so the gaskets are fairly tight, but do not overdo it or the porcelain will break. By using a sixinch monkey wrench the operator will not be likely to get it too tight. When the gaskets are out of shape or considerably ,jammed, it is advisable to replace them with new ones. After the plug is reassembled, then the spark gap should be tested and carefully set to give a space of 1-32 of an inch, which is the thickness of a piece of galvanized

Even Moist Plugs Cause Trouble A wet or moist plug will also

cause a weak spark and sometimes will fail altogether. The operator can have a wet plug on a bright clear day, for the water from a leaky radiator may be picked up by the fan and thrown over the spark plugs.

Suppose, however, that the spark plug is in good condition and therefore the missing is due to some other cause. The next place to look for trouble is in the high tension wires. Care-



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sheet steel of No. 22 gauge. This makes a very handy gauge if a strip $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. x 2-in. is procured from the hardware store.

The plug is now ready for service, so a little oil can be put on the threads and the plug replaced, drawing up fairly tight so there will be no gas leakage. The engine should now run smooth and O.K.

Occasionally a plug will have what is known as a "gas leak." This is due to the stuffing box not being drawn up tight enough or the gaskets being defective. A quick way to detect this is to run the engine in the dark, at night, for instance, when the plug will be illuminated every time it fires. A "gas leak" causes a weak spark, occasional "missing" and the plug generally carbons rapidly.

fully trace back from plug to magneto and see if there is any spot where the insulation is frayed off due to rubbing. Sometimes a small crack will develop in the covering and if this is near any metal parts it is apt to make a path for the spark. Remember, the spark will at times jump a half-inch space outside sooner than the 1-32-in. gap in the cylinder, because the effort required to cross the gap in the cylinder is very great on account of the high pressure and gasoline vapor. If a defect is found it can be patched temporarily by wrapping some insulating tape around or even by tying with string to some part of tractor, so leaky place is at least one inch from any metal part.

Trouble From Broken Wires Another thing to look for is a broken wire. Sometimes the

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wire will break, but the insulation remains perfect and the ends of the wire get separated and cause extra resistance to the spark. These breaks can easily be detected by carefully bending the cable to and fro along its full length. The break will be found by the greatly increased flexibility at that point.

If no troube can be discovered, then the cable should be disconnected and fastened so that the metallic end is about 1/4-inch from some parts of the engine frame, then start the engine and observe if a good fat spark is delivered regularly across this gap. If this is so, then the trouble is not an ignition one, but must be due to a stuck or broken valve, tappet, or other cause. Should it happen that no spark appears then the trouble is in the magneto. A short circuit should be looked for in the distributor, or it may be dirty or greasy. Occasionally dirt will get in the return system.

I remember once having considerable trouble with the erratic running of a tractor and it was not until the magneto was taken apart that the cause was discovered. In this case grease had in some way got on to the carbon return brush and every now and then would insulate it and there would be a miss. This trouble generally shows up in starting; in fact, grease or oil on the return or collector makes starting very difficult.

Send Magneto to Maker

Some tractors are equipped with a key to cut off the magneto, and if this wire gets grounded or frayed and occasionally touches some metal part, then it will stop the tractor or cause very erratic running. Sometimes, of course, the magneto becomes defective, but the modern magneto has reached such a state of perfection that it is very rare for one to go dead unless it has become wet, or oil soaked, or very dir'ty. Under good running conditions a high grade magneto will outwear the machine. If, how-ever, the magneto does go dead, it is better to send it to a repair station than for the operator to attempt repair and adjustment himself, unless he properly understands how it works and how it is assembled

There is one precaution that must be taken when removing the magneto, and that is to be sure and carefully file a notch or make Continued on Page 65



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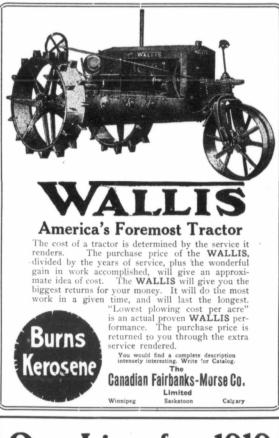
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Question—Can you tell me what would make spark plugs act like this? I have a — 10-20 tractor which runs fine for a few minutes, then starts to miss and act like it couldn't pull the load and pounds bad and stops. I stop and clean all the plugs and she goes fine, but I couldn't see much dirt in the plugs. She only runs for a few minutes and then does the same thing over again. I have to clean the plugs about every 15 minutes.—R. D.

Answer—Your trouble isn': in the plugs, it's in the fuel line, which is evidently partly plugged somewhere. While you are cleaning the plugs, the fuel fills the carburetor so that you can start easily and run for a few minutes. Then, as you are taking fuel out of the carburetor faster than it flows in, the motor can't get enough to keep it going and starts to miss. The pounding is caused by some cylinders missing and throwing an overload onto the others.

The fuel level in the carburetor soon gets low enough so that the motor can't run at all and she stops. Thinking that the plugs are at fault, you clean them again, giving the carburetor time to fill again, and then you repeat the whole performance.

You evidently have fuel in the tank and not enough at the motor, so start at the motor or carburetor and work back until you find out where the line is plugged.

Question—I have a — 9-18 tractor for which I have bought a new — high tension magneto. How will I time the magneto to the engine?—A. P.

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Question—I have a — separator which cracks the wheat when I set the concaves up close enough to thresh clean. In fact, it cracks the grain all the time. The teeth are evenly spaced and there is no end play in the cylinder. I am using four rows of teeth, all in the bottom.—A. D.

Answer-The cracking is probably caused by having all the teeth in the bottom. The grain threshed by the first two rows of teeth does not have time to get away and is carried through the next two rows. This is where the cracking is done. If you place one concave at the bottom, then a blank and then another concave, the grain threshed by the first two rows has a chance to get away through the blank and practically only the unthreshed grain and straw gets into the second two rows.

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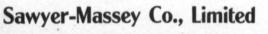
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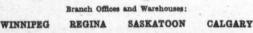
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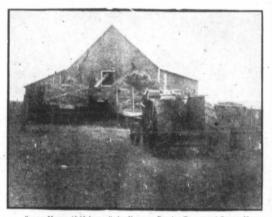


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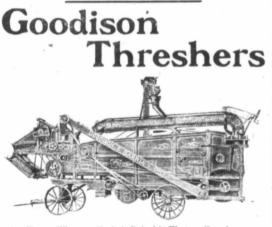
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Some Essentials of Tractor Care and Operation

By V. C. HULL

THE two items of importance which must be considered in the care of a tractor are adjustment and lubrication. Some things may be neglected, but not the regular and careful adjustment of parts. Without systematic lubrication a tractor soon becomes a junk heap.

The plan of a Montana man is a good one. At regular periods he stopped his tractor to fill the various tanks and grease cups. At these times he also went over the tractor and saw that all parts were in good adjustment. By this plan of work he got excellent results and made his tractor pay and pay well.

Experience vs. Inexperience

However, most operators would not stop four or five times a day to make adjustments. It is not necessary either. The experienced man can usually tell by the sound and working of his engine if something is going wrong. But the inexperienced man must have some plan of work or he will have trouble.

In the very first place the new operator must try to keep his rig clean. Not the polish and rub sort of cleaning, but rather the prevention of grease and dirt formation all over the tractor working parts. While it is not always true, it is frequently the case that dirty tractors are the ones with heavy repair bills. This is true for the simple reason that the man who has the habit of scraping dirt and dust from the magneto, carburetor, lubricator and bearings is quite apt to discover loose bolts and defects which would otherwise pass unnoticed.

Keeping the Tractor Clean

"How can I keep the tractor clean?" is asked. The answer depends upon how clean the machine is kept. There is a happy, common-sense medium. One owner of whom I knew, cleaned and rub-

bed and polished every day, a clear waste of time. Another ran until his radiator was full of dirt, inside and outside, while the dust lay four inches deep between the horizontal cylinders. One man wasted time, while the other wasted fuel and tractor parts. A safe rule is to keep the parts which need attention always clean enough for easy inspection.

The nuts and bolts of a new tractor should be tightened carefully as soon as the tractor is unloaded from the car. Anyone who has had shop experience knows that some things get by the inspector in poor order. So an hour or so spent in tightening nuts and bolts on a new machine may save a serious repair,

When the tractor is put in service the bolts and nuts should be gone over every three or four hours and then at less frequent intervals until every one comes to its seat or is "bedded." Even after the tractor has been in hard service, the best results will be had by a daily inspection, for in some cases it is practically impossible to hold nuts and bolts.

The adjustment of the motorbearings is an important one. It is also a hard one to describe. Loose bearings cause pounds and excessive strains; tight ones mean too much friction if not overheated bearings. As a general rule the adjustment of a connecting rod is good when it is just free to move sideways on its pin. The main bearings, too, must be snug, or trouble will result.

Adjusting the Bearings

One operator of whom I heard, used to adjust the crank and main bearings so tight that he could scarcely turn the fly-wheel. Then he put in a pair of thin shims and "let 'er go." Probably no other adjustment on a tractor is as important as that of the motor bearings. Neither is any harder, for



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the new operator must make an adjustment, try the tractor and then shut down to see if the bearings are heated. After a man has run a tractor for a time he should be able to tell by the sound if bearings are too loose. On the contrary, he must not be alarmed if the bearings seem warm, because they naturally will do this if the engine has an enclosed crankcase.

Neither can the tractor be run with loose piston pin parts. If there is no adjustment provided, new parts must be put in when wear occurs.

Other bearings on the tractor should be inspected frequently and adjusted when needed. Those who purchase tractors nowadays have less of this to do because ball bearings and roller bearings are used so largely. But on some types and in some places an occasional tightening is needed. The bearings of all shafts used for

driving valves, magnetos or governors should be kept in good snug running condition.

The careful adjustment of the valve gear is highly important. No tractor can pull well with valves badly out of time. All bearings, cams and lever bearings should be kept in position. Also it is absolutely necessary to adjust valves properly for opening and closing. No definite rule can be given for this because every make of engine has certain methods of setting the valves. However, it will be found that the "end of exhaust" is the important setting as a usual thing.

The valves may need grinding occasionally. The important part of valve grinding is the "clean up." All grease and cutting matter should be carefully cleaned away. Unless one has done some grinding, he should have experienced help the first time valves are to be ground.

Regarding the Magneto

The magneto requires adjustment once in a while. The best rule here is to follow carefully the printed instructions of the maker. Do not try to improve upon the suggestions until thoroughly experienced. Besides the trouble is often found outside the magnèto which may require no change. The good operator makes sure of spark plugs and connections before he touches the magneto.

Spark coils require only an infrequent adjustment. It should not be necessary to clean contact points until they plainly show that they need cleaning. As for the inside of the coil, the "greenhorn" should let it alone.

In general, ignition equipment should be kept clean. All contacts should be kept clean and tight. Oil and grease are bad, especially for insulated wires. Dust or water in high tension parts will certainly

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cause poor ignition. One other thing: When the ignition system is working properly do not fuss with it. "Good enough" is best.

Carburetor-Adjustment Pointers The adjustment of the carburetor is another one which causes new operators a deal of concern. Of course, a final adjustment is a good thing, but to my notion the best plan is to get an adjustment with which the tractor will pull well at average loads. Unless the operator is very careful, an effort to get a close adjustment will give a weak, slow-burning mixture, which may cause slow burning and heating. A very common error is that of tightening the spring of the auxiliary air valve too much. This tends to reduce compression. A good plan is to go slowly on carburetor adjustments. It is better to burn a half gallon too much fuel per day than to run with a mixture which lacks "pep" in a hard pull. Above all things the manufacturer's directions should be followed, for he has spent experimental money to find how to set the carburetor.

Gear Mesh and Alignment

Another matter which should be watched is gear mesh and alignment. A great deal of power may be lost if gears get out of proper set. They should run square and true and mesh deep. Just the other day I saw a big tractor gear set with six-inch faces in bad order. They had been run out of line until they had worn so that there was really but five inches of actual bearing surface for the teeth. Besides, the shaft bearings were worn so badly that the gears lacked fully threeeighths of an inch of meshing deeply enough. Yet there was a provision made for taking up end play and also one for spacing the shafts properly for gear mesh. The best tractor operators give careful attention to gears and gear set bearings.

To get the best out of the tractor, the pistons, rings and cylinders must be kept in order. In the first place, good oil must be used. In the second place, the carburetor must be set properly and the cooling system kept in order to prevent overheating and carbonization. In case there is any question regarding the condition of pistons, they should be pulled and the rings carefully oosened and fitted in the grooves. When putting pistons in place care must be exercised to prevent jamming the ring grooves so that the rings stick. Any hard or rough spots should be chipped or filed from the piston surfaces.

Lubricating the Tractor

As for lubrication, it is probably the most neglected and yet most necessary part of successful tractor work. Many operatoryhave the notion that once a day is *Continued on page 60* May, 19

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About Tractor Motors

By E. R. GREER

THE term "tractor motors" is far from having a definite

meaning, and no special form or type of motor is suggested by the name. All tractor motors should be divided into two classes — those designed especially for tractor use, and those which have been applied to tractors but were designed for some other use.

Of the motors designed for tractors those which cannot run successfully on kerosene fuel can be discarded, because tractors must be operated on kerosene if the gasoline supply is to be conserved and the cost of tractor operation is to be kept down to reasonable figures.

All tractor motors have a few points in common on account of the fact that they must use kerosene. They must all provide some way of applying heat to the fuel mixture, and all of them are using the exhaust as the source of heat. Because of the higher operating temperatures when kerosene is used, it is necessary that the pistons have liberal clearance. General practice is about .001 inch to 1 inch of diameter on the skirt and .005 inch to 1 inch of diameter at the head. The piston rings have to have as much end clearance as the piston clearance or the ends will be pinched together when the motor becomes hot. The spark plugs have to be set near the center of the combustion chamber, and they must be surrounded by the water jacket. The spark plugs are generally the cause of preignition, either be-cause of their position or their construction.

Plugs with heavy or poorly cooled points give the most trouble. Small plugs, with short electrodes and having conical porcelains arranged to conduct and radiate the heat quickly, are the best. Metric plugs, because of their smaller diameters, are preferable, though they have not come into general use. Valves and valve caps are always thor-

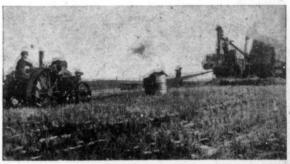
oughly water-jacketed and the valves are usually a little smaller to the inch of diameter than is practised with automobile motors. Small valves are more easily kept cool, and in the case of the intake the higher velocity of the incoming charges helps to keep the kerosene from condensing. The piston speed for tractor motors is usually between 700 and 900 feet to the minute, and the motors are governor - controlled, so that they are practically constantspeed motors. The compression is between sixty and seventy-five pounds.

Before more points in common can be given, it is necessary to consider only one type at a time. The types that are being used by more than one or two companies are two-cylinder opposed, twocylinder twin horizontal, and four-cylinder vertical.

The two - cylinder opposed motors nearly all use force-feed lubrication but are widely different in details of construction. They lend themselves to simple tractor designs because of the short two-bearing crank shaft. and they present a poor appearance, but they can be made easily accessible.

The two-cylinder twin motors have a decided advantage in burning kerosene, because the intake valves, being side by side and close to the carburctor, eliminate the problem of even distribution of mixture and trouble from c on d en sing in the manifold. This construction is very simple, accessible and compact. The principal disadvantage is that the torque delivered is uneven and there is considerable from vibration.

The four-cylinder vertical motor is most popular. This is likely due to the fact that it is the most highly developed type, and does not have the disadvantages of the two-cylinder types. It gives the greatest satisfaction, though there are still many of the best things to be desired. The general con-



"There's a humming at the belt and a hustling in the air"

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struction of all of them is quite similar. The greatest point of difference is in the valve location. Nearly all have three-bearing crank shafts hung from the housing. Connecting-rod lengths usually are twice the stroke. The strike-bore ratios do not run to very long strokes, and many motors are nearly square. Magnetos with impulse starters are general. The failure of storage batteries to stand tractor service has prevented the use of electric starters. Fans are often geardriven. Pump circulation of the cooling water is very necessary. Splash lubrication is nearly always used though sometimes a combination of splash and force feed is used.

The trouble due to kerosene getting past the pistons into the lubricating oil is quite serious. The education of the farmer seems to be the best solution, but it would be a fine thing if someone would devise a simple way to separate kerosene from oil. One who allows his engine to run on a very rich mixture before it is thoroughly warmed up will likely soon find his oil is getting thin.

A great deal of attention is being given to finding a more efficient means of burning kerosene. So far the best results are being obtained by starting on gasoline and changing over to kerosene after the engine becomes hot, the heat being applied to a very rich mixture, which is afterwards diluted with cold air. On some engines it is necessary to use a small amount of water with the mixture to prevent preignition, but this is not always the case. High velocity in the intake manifold and even distribution are very essential. In general, the power of kerosene is about ten per cent less and the economy, based on pounds, ten per cent poorer than that of gasoline.

There is much talk against tractor contests, but contests will be the means of eliminating the unfit, and progess in motor design will be stimulated when contests are held.

LEAKY VALVE-STEM GUIDES

HERE are always many new wrinkles to learn about the tractor engine, and recently while visiting a farmer who had used his tractor many seasons I picked up this unique wrinkle which he had devised to cure some very troublesome leaky, worn valve guides.

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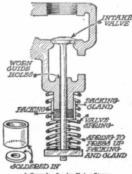
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the carburetor with no results, he came to the conclusion that air was being drawn in somewhere and weakening the mixture. An inspection of the intake manifold gaskets and joints showed that they were all O.K. It was decided to have a look at the valves, and luckily while inspecting them



A Cure for Leaky Valve Stems

he noticed that the stems were quite a loose fit in the guides, and it dawned on him that here was the place that the piston could be sucking in air.

The valve-stem guide holes had become worn considerably, and as no bushings had been fitted he had to improvise some way to correct the trouble. This he did as shown in the accompanying sketch. Brass thimbles were made to fit round the lower end of the cast-iron valve-stem guides. They were made of brass pipe and the bottom disks soldered into one end.

This packing gland was put on the stem and then packed with some small narrow strips cut from old felt, and some small springs made that slipped on the stem inside the regular valvestem spring. This spring forced up the packing gland and packing, and very successfully closed the opening round the stem. The trouble was cured. An occasional renewal of the felt packing is all that has been needed for the past C. H. Willey. vear.

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"He wanted me to get up at 4 in the morning, milk seventeen cows, feed, water and rub down four horses, clean the stables and then chop wood until it was time to begin the day's work."

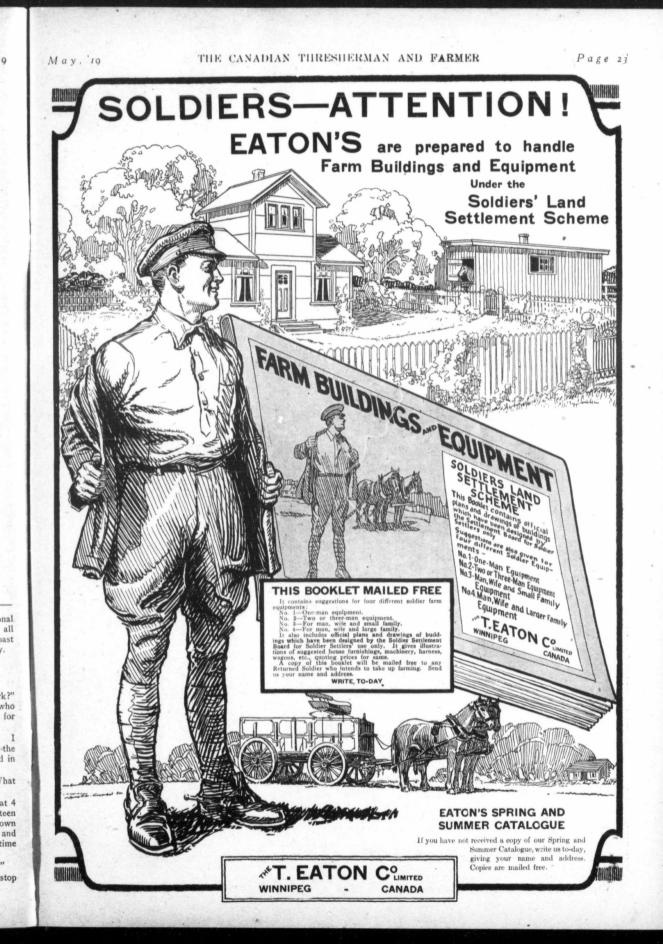
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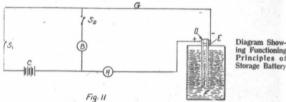
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Some Fundamental Principles of Tractor Ignition STORAGE BATTERIES By C. C. HERMANN

I N Part 1 of this series on tractor ignitoin, which appeared in last month's issue, dry cells or private batteries were described at length. Storage batteries, or secondary batteries as they are otherwise known, are similar in action to the primary cell and they are subject to the same general laws. The principal difference between the two kinds of batteries is that the secondary battery can be recharged after the solution to the cathode E. By closely watching the cathode E hydrogen bubbles will be seen to arise, while the anode D will begin to turn dark-brown.

This brown coating is a compound of lead and oxygen, which is formed by the action upon the plate of the oxygen which is liberated. The reading of the ammeter will at the same time rapidly decrease, and if the switch S1 is now opened and the



having been exhausted, by passing an electrical current from some outside source through it in the opposite direction to that of the discharging current.

As the storage battery used in connection with tractor ignition is the lead plate type these only will be considered.

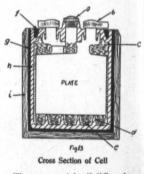
The principle underlying the lead plate storage battery is as follows: If two lead plates are fastened to a small piece of insulating

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Sketch of Positive Plate

material and immersed in a solution consisting of one part of sulphuric acid to 'ten parts of water, and the current of several dry cells connected in series be sent through them, a certain chemical change will take place. Referring to Fig. 11, the arrangement is as follows: A is an ammeter inserted in the circuit G to measure the current. B is an electric bell controlled by the switch S2. C is the dry cell battery controlled by the switch S1. F is a glass jar containing the solution known as the electrolyte. D is the positive plate or electrode known as the anode, and E is the negative plate or electrode known as the cathode. When the switch S1 is closed, current When will flow from the dry cell battery C to the anode D through switch S2 is closed, the bell will ring and the ammeter will indicate current flowing in the opposite direction to that of the original current. The current will decrease rapidly, as the energy, which was stored in the cell by the original current is expended in ringing the bell. In this operation two similar lead plates were changed into dissimilar plates, one being lead and the other lead peroxide.

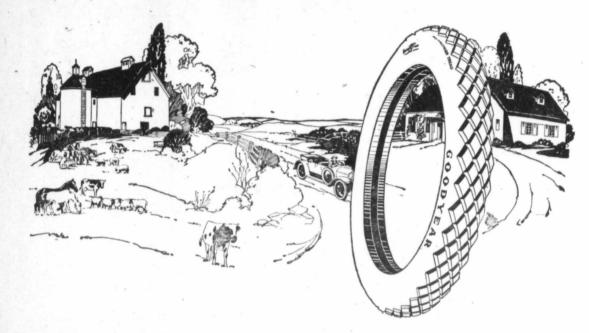
The battery is not, properly speaking, a storage of electricity, but simply a storage of chemical energy, and this energy is supplied in the opposite direction to the charging current until the coating of peroxide is used up, when recharging is necessary.



The commercial cell differs from the one just described only by the thickness of the coating of lead peroxide or active material on the positive plate. In the commercial cell this material is pressed into the interstices in the plates in some instances, as shown in Fig. 12. These cells are May, 19

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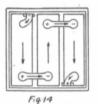
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of two types, namely : Plante cells or Faure cells. In the Plante type the lead is chemically a'ttacked and converted into lead peroxide. The plates are all formed as positive plates first and 'then the plates intended as negative are reversed and the peroxide is change into sponge lead. In the Faure type the plate is constructed by attaching the active material by a mechanical means to the grid. The materials used are largely secret, but usually consist of minimum or litharge and acidulated water mixed into a paste



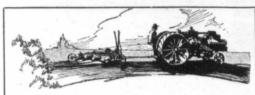
Plan of Connections

Fig. 13 shows a cross section of commercial storage cell and consists of the following parts: a is the filler cap; b is the terminal; c is the upper level of the electrolyte; d is the hard rubber supports for the plates; e is the mud space into which the mate rial from 'the plates collect; f is a sealing compound; g is sealing compound run between the hard rubber container h and the wood case i.

The electrolyte is made by pouring one part of chemically pure concentrated sulphuric acid having a specific gravity of 1.80 slowly into several parts of distilled water, rain or water or melted artificial ice, never the reverse. The water should always be kept in a porcelain dish or earthen jar, never in contact with metal surface containers. While mixing the liquid should be stirred with a clean wooden stick. When mixing, the liquid becomes hot and should be allowed to cool un'til its temperature is about that of the atmosphere. The proper mixture will have a specific gravity of 1,200 or 25 deg. Baume; if it is lower than this, add more acid, if higher, add water until the proper specific graity is obtained. The mixing of the electrolyte should only be attempted by one entirely familiar with the process.

As the nominal voltage of a single cell is only 2 volts it is necessary to connect several cells in series in order to obtain the required voltage for ignition purposes. Fig. 14 shows the connections and the direction of flow of the current in a battery of three series connected cells. Tractor ignition systems em ploying storage batteries have batteries of 3, 6, 8 and 9 cells. Stor-

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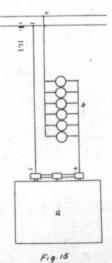
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age batteries are generally designated by their nominal voltage as a 6-volt battery or an 8-volt batter

The capacity of a storage battery is generally expressed in units called ampere hours. An ampere-hour is a current of one ampere maintained for one hour. The capacity of a storage battery is found by multiplying the number of amperes of current delivered by the number of hours that the current flows. Therefore a 60-ampere-hour battery will pass 6 amperes for 10 hours, 5 amperes for 12 hours, or 4 amperes for 15 hours. Likewise the rate of charge and the rate of discharge of a battery is spoken of in hours, as, for instance, the above battery discharging 6 amperes for 10 hours has a discharge rate of 10 hours.

As previously stated in connection with dry-sells, batteries will cause the current to flow in one



Connections for Charging

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> direction only, therefore in charging a storage battery the current must be continuous in one direction-and in 'the opposite direction to the discharge. In charging the battery the active material is brought into proper condition for generating current by passing a direct current through it from some outside source.

> In some ignition systems the battery is charged, while the engine is delivering power to the machine by means of a direct current generator. Often, however, it is necessary to charge the battery by some outside means or when the tractor is not in use; it is then necessary to use a lighting or power circuit either direct or alternating current.

> The most convenient circuit to use is the 110 or 120-volt direct current, using sufficient resistance in the battery circuit to give the proper charging rate. When an

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alternating current only is available a rectifier must be used to change the current into direct current. The correct charging rate varies with different makes of batteries and is usually given on the name plate of the battery or in the instruction book accompanying it. However, in the absence of this information the charging rate can be figured as follows: One-sixth of the ampere-hour capacity of the battery may be maintained until the voltage reaches 2.4 or 2.5 volts per cell, at which time the cells begin to gas or bubble, when the rate should be, reduced to onetwentieth of the ampere hour capacity until the cells again begin to gas or bubble slightly," indicating that they are fully charged.

Fig. 15 shows a convenient method of connecting up a storage battery for charging from a 110-volt direct current circuït. The battery a is connected through the lamp board b to the lighting circuit as indicated. For a 110-volt circuit the lamps used may be the 32 cp. or 16 cp. carbon filament lamps, equal to the 110-watt or 40-watt lamps re-These lamps are spectively. connected in parallel and mounted on an asbestos-covered board between the positive wire of the 110-volt circuit and the positive terminal of the battery. basis for figuring the number of lamps necessary is as follows: One 32 cp. or 100-watt lamp placed in a 110-volt circuit will allow approximately one ampere of current to pass through, and one 1 6cp. or 40-watt lamp approximately one-half ampere. Therefore, if a charging current of 6 amperes is desired, 6 of the 32 cp. or 12 of the 16 cp. lamps may be connected in parallel as shown in Fig. 15, thus allowing 6 amperes to pass through the battery.

It is very important that the negative wire of the circuit and the negative terminal of the battery be connected together, likewise the positive wire of the circuit and the positive terminal of the battery, making it necessary that the polarity of the wires be determined. This can easily be done as follows: Take a small quantity of the electrolyte from the storage cell and insert two thin strips of lead attached to the wires from the charging source. The strip that turns brown is attached to 'the positive wire and this wire should be attached to the positive terminal of the battery.

The voltage of a fully charged cell is about 2.5 volts, but the pressure falls rapidly until 2.3 volts are reached, after which the voltage will gradually drop. When the voltage gets down to May, 19

1.7 the battery should be recharged as very little electrical energy is left, besides the life of a battery is shortened by discharging below 1.7 volts per cell.

During the recharging of the battery, as well as a't frequent intervals during the life of battery, the electrolyte must be tested for its specific gravity in order that the conditions within the cell may be known. To do the cell may be known. this requires the use of a hydrometer. The hydrometer syringe provides the best and simplest method of testing the electrolyte. Fig. 16 shows 'the hydrometer syringe and the method of using it in making a test. In the figure, a is a section of the battery with the hydrometer syringe b inserted with its lower end in the electrolyte. The bulb d is

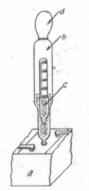


Fig 16 Testing with Hydrometer

squeezed and then released, sucking electrolyte up into the body of the syringe, causing the hydrometer float to float at a level depending upon the condition of the fluid. The float is graduated from 1100 at its upper part to 1300. The reading is taken at the acid level on the float. If this reading is from 1100 to 1150, the cell is discharged, if from 1200 to 1250, half discharged, and 1275 to 1300, fully charged. Hydrometer readings are generally spoken of as so many points as 1275 points, and this corresponds to 1750. The difference between 1250 and 1275 is 25 points, and so on.

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A storage battery that is in service should be tested every two weeks and distilled or clean rain water added to the electrolyte. The electroly'te should be tested before the water is added. In hot weather the tests should be more frequent. New acid should only be added when a quantity has been spilled, and then only by one entirely familiar with bat-teries. The battery should never be under-discharged to any great extent as this causes the active material to fall out in large quantities.

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continuous under-discharge, may sometimes be restored by putting it on a long charge at a very low rate. When a battery is to stand idle for any length of time it should be given a full charge and then a freshening charge every once a month. Where a ba'tery is stored in cold climates it must have special care to prevent it from freezing. If the temperature is apt to be below 0 deg. F. the battery should be kept nearly full charge. Electrolyte testing 1.150 will freeze at 20 deg. above zero; 1.215 at 20 deg. below zero, and 1.260 at 60 deg. below z ero. A stored battery should be kep't clean and dry and open flames should never be permitted near it.

THE PROPER USE OF THE GREASE CUP

B E sure to fill your grease cups properly. Though the grease cup of a tractor is simple, it needs some real attention. When you're filling a cup, squeeze the grease down in the top so that it will ooze out and follow the bearing. When the cup is not properly filled, the first few turns down do not force the grease into the bearings, but simply compact it in the cup."

The illustration at bottom will bring home more clearly than words just what it means to make a grease cup do its full part in saving wear and tear on valuable machinery.

There is a general rough and tumble idea among amateurs that it is only necessary to "give the grease cup a lick" and it will take care of itself. The law of gravitation will do the rest. But it won't in this case. Good lubricating oil and a proper treatment of the grease cup will save a lot of trouble and cut the cost of repairs in half.



Illustration I. Grease cup not properly filled. The first few I turns will not send grease into the bearing—but will compress

not few Illustration 2. Another careless Illustration 3. The proper way into way of using a grease cup ress entire bearing is not lubricated. Note grease full length of bearing



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did good work, but was too light 'to stay in the ground in the hard spots and needed a man to ride it all the time. Then we got a twofurrow Oliver engine gang which gave fair satisfaction and did very good work, although we had only the stubble bottoms, as the company could not supply breakers at that time.

We found, however, that the levers were very hard to handle and that the raising device was not strong enough, breaking the eccentric lifting casting several times until we had it reinforced by an additional piece welded to original by oxyacetylene.

I would, however, advise a buyer to get a plow with a . smoother lifting action. We broke

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ing, but finally got to work. Our



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with an overshot cylinder and the engine handles it in all kinds of grain splendidly, and has lots of power even if the grain is tough.

with the magneto, however, and also with spark plugs breaking porcelains, but find that a plug with a mica core will stand up under any conditions. So I advise every tractor operator to buy nothing else and you will have to buy very few of them.

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time, but found that our engine, which has a kerosene-burning attachment, would run on kerosene all right if kept at full load, but did not seem to do as well when running light. Also it seemed to foul the plugs and cylinder head quicker, so we did not use anything but gasoline after the cold weather started.

Re consumption of fuel: I think that about three gallons per acre for breaking and one-half gallon cylinder oil is about right in our case, but we had some very heavy work to do and the tractor was greatly overloaded at times. In closing, I would like to advise any intending buyer to be sure you get enough power for your work as the bulk of our troubles comes from overloading our engines. Yours truly, W. R. Doyle.

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A GOOD TIP FOR A COLD SPELL

Zealandia, Sask., March 4, 1919.

F you figure that the information which I am sending in this letter is worth a twoyears' subscription to your paper, I will be pleased to receive it and give it as much time as I have to spare. If I am interested in it I will try to send you a short article occasionally which, I think, will be of interest to your readers.

I graduated from high school in 1911, then took a short course in traction engineering in the school year 1911-12. After that I generally took a position running a tractor through the summer, then took up mechanical engineering in college during the winter, at all times making traction engines and farm machinery a specialty. Now I own a J. I. Case 12-25 H.P. and am farming one and a quarter sections of land with it and fourteen horses.

In addition to your questionaire I will give you a little scheme which I discovered and use in the extremely cold weather for starting my tractor. The first thing I do is to turn the motor over a few times, then prime it good with common gasoline. Next, I go about getting everything set and ready to run. Then comes the secret. I take an old worn-out log-chain, about four feet long, and heat it red hot in my forge. When it is hot I put it in an old pail and carry it quickly to the tractor and insert one end in the air intake pipe or hose. Then I put in one priming cupful of ether and twice as much gasoline in each cylinder and crank the motor over a time or two and away she goes, even when it is below zero. If it is real cold I sometimes put in two cups of ether and three of gasoline. This will also depend on the size of the tractor and number of cylinders. Hoping that this may be of some use to you, I am, as ever, yours truly, C. M. Lotto.

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Prof. W. H. Day, Sec. and Man

HE engine I have is a 12-24 Hart-Parr. I have been using Massey-Harris 3x14inch mouldboard plow. The engine handles them fine at a depth from six to seven inches on summerfallow. With this engine and plows it is very easy for one man, as all levers can be reached from the platform and self-lifting attachment, making it unnecessary to stop at the ends.

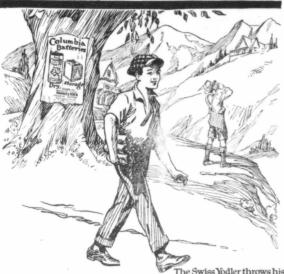
I only plowed about one hundred acres of summerfallow with it, using about two gallons of coal oil per acre. As for lubricating oil, I used about one to one and one-quarter gallons a day, and grease and hard oil about one-

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quarter pounds, which was a very small item, on an average of eight acres plowed per day, running ten hours a day.

This engine is guaranteed to pull 3x14-inch furrows in stubble and give surplus power to work, on which I pulled one section of a harrow behind the plow. I tried other plows but found the Massey-Harris much easier to pull and better work.

My engine is guaranteed to run a 24-inch separator all equipped, which she will do and give lots of power. I have purchased a 10foot double disc. I disced about 200 acres this fall, loading down with stone makes a very nice load. I hauled three loads of wheat to town, averaging 95 bushels to the load, making two trips a day.

I think this engine is much handier to operate than some others as she is very simple and any one wishing any information with regard to it or the plows, I will be willing to write them. Yours truly,

R. G. McIntyre.

Doing a Far Better Job Than He Had Ever Done With Horses Pinkham, Sask.,

Jan. 30th, 1919. N the spring of 1918 I bought

a 12-20 Heider tractor, and at the time of receiving tractor I possessed very little information as to the care and handling of the engine. But as I had a little previous experience with an auto, I soon picked up how to handle the tractor.

I have used the tractor for nearly every job on the farm, except seeding and cutting. I have used it for plowing, disking, harrowing, cultivating, floating, moving buildings, such as granaries, also running a grain separator.

When plowing, the two wheels of tractor that are on the furrow side, run in the furrow, and by doing so the tractor will guide itself from one end of the field to the other, giving the operator a better chance to watch and take care of the plows.

I have a Rock Island self-lift



In the thick of a big job-D. W. Heibert, 6th August, 1918

engine plow, which has three bot-The third plow is very toms. easily taken off for breaking, as I just use two bottoms for breaking and three for stubble plowing. Besides it does not pay to load tractor too heavy, as a person will make more time and do a better job by not overloading.

The soil here is a heavy clay and loam, and I plowed 160 acres about five and six inches deep, doing a far better job than what I had ever been able to do with horses. When using tractor I always worked a 12-hour day, and in plowing with it used about one and two-thirds gallons of kerosene per acre plowing stubble and about one and one-quarter gallons of lubricating oil each day.

I always run tractor on kerosene, only using gasoline for starting with; besides, I found that kerosene has more power than gasoline if handled right, as kerosene will not work good unless tractor is warm. I also disked 228 acres, harrowed 283 acres, cultivated 85 acres, floated 30 acres and threshed about 700 acres of grain.

At belt work the tractor run a 24-in. separator with a self feeder and all other equipment; but of the two jobs I liked the tractor the best on the draw-bar. This tractor has a friction drive with seven speeds forward and seven reverse. With the friction drive there is no danger of stripping any gears, and tractor will start off with the load without jerking to start it; besides, when backing up to anything or moving forward, tractor can be moved half inch at a time.

When operating tractor I always kept it well oiled, for without oil a tractor would not run very long. Oil is the life of a tractor. I always went over all the grease cups twice each day, and any parts that travelled rapidly every two or three rounds; by so doing, I kept down my repair bill, and after tractor has been overhauled will be as good as ever for next season. Yours truly,

A Goose Lake Farmer.

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A Splendid Story of Women's Field Work

> Box 25, Miami, Man., Jan. 18th, 1919.

I S the tractor a good investment for a farmer in the West? I would say from my summer and fall experience in 1918 it pays well. I purchased a 10-20 Titan about middle of June. Might say I was hailed out in 1917 and had no feed except what I bought, and it took no little to feed fourteen horses to keep them up for summerfallow work. So I decided to buy a tractor and dispose of eight horses.

As soon as tractor arrived, I commenced to plow on 130 acres. Of course, having no experience with a kerosene engine, I had a little trouble for a few days, but experience is a great teacher. We got along very well (a 14-year old boy and myself). As I did not buy a regular engine plow, it took two of us, as one had to pull plow at ends. We got through our plowing without any mishap, then took a cultivator and harrows, hitched on behind and went over first field. Our land, or part of it, is sandy and drifts, so did not cultivate any more but let weeds grow for a while, then before harvest went and plowed it over again and put packer on after plowing.

Harvest came on, but feed was still scarce, and having 300 acres to cut, I thought I would try tractor. Had one 7-ft. binder, which the girls had learned to drive (and a good job, too, as I got laid up with blood poison in my hand). We kept on until we had 100 acres cut. Kept binder going from time we could start in morning until the dew fell again in evening.

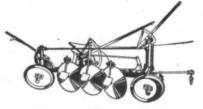
But we could not cut fast enough with one binder, so I bought another, using the horses to it. The tractor and the horse binder each went round for round until dinner time. Then the tractor went several rounds while horses were feeding and resting; two girls and tractor cut 200 acres, the horses 100 acres, and thanks to the town stookers, they came out and stooked it for us. In the threshing season, as I had no separator, another neighbor bought one and I put my engine on to it. We did not need any extra help as three young women offered to do all the field pitching and two boys and two men handled the stook team. We threshed 18,000 bushels of wheat, oats and barley in twenty-one days, with 500 gallons of kerosene and about 4 gallons of gasoline.

Have not done any road work of any kind. Hauled portable granaries, and it walked right away with them, 12x16 buildings, over plowed fields or any surface. When winter comes, it does not THE CANADIAN THRESHERMAN AND FARMER

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One of the latest additions to the famous Cockshutt line of Light Tractor Plows. A One-Man Tractor outfit that will stand up to the hardest plowing conditions and do good work.



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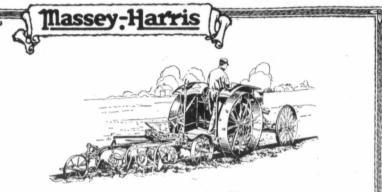
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need any feed or any "upkeep" whatever. During the summer it would take three or four weeks putting up hay (if you could get it) to feed those horses over winter, not saying anything about feeding them and cleaning stables out.

Enclosed please find two snaps of our outfit of men-savers, to bring victory for the Allies—on back of each find description.— Yours truly,

J. W. Corden.

Mr. Corden's snapshot of his men-savers was published on page 28 of our April issue.-Ed.

A Real Humdinger and No Repairs Windthorst, Sask.

Feb. 12th, 1919. WILL give you a few facts of the work which I have done with my 11-22 Sawyer and Massey gas oil tractor which I purchased in the early spring of 1918. I must say that it has given me splendid satisfaction during the past year. I have used it for plowing, threshing, hauling and feed grinding, and am quite convinced that as a general purpose tractor it has no equal.

It is easy on pull and easy to handle; as to plowing, I run it 12 hours a day and plow an acre an hour and use twelve gallons of coal oil a day. I only use gasoline for starting when the motor is cold; and when using coal oil, it is coal oil only and no water. No trouble to get the right mixture.

This tractor will not pack the land as the wheel is narrow, the cleats are deep and extend over the rim. And as to hauling, I put four wagons behind the tractor and loaded 300 bushels to a trip, which I hauled over a humpy road on the high road gear.

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In threshing, she runs a 26-in. separator with perfect case. My tractor takes the place of a horse and two men, and I am satisfied that tractor power is the cheapest. The men and horses I must feed and take care of, rain or shine. On the other hand, the tractor when I am not working with it, is not costing me anything, and as to repairs, it didn't cost me anything I think that the most of the repair bills come from the men running the engine. Carelessness is the foundation of the repair bill.

W. H. Kapell.

FROM THE BIG STEAM RIG TO THE SMALL GAS OUTFIT Gledhow, Sask.,

Feb. 26, 1919.

HAVE a 16-30 "Advance Rumely" oil pull engine and I consider it one of the best, if not the best, engine on the market. I bought it last fall and can say that I like it fine.

I have had a lot of experience with tractors, steam as well as oil, as my father has owned three steam engines since I was about 14 years old.

We have put it to every test on the plowed land, as well as plowing and threshing, but can say that an engine on the plowed land is not the best as it packs the ground too hard. The drills cannot put seed in the hard soil after a heavy engine goes over it.

My father has a 35 H.P. steam engine at present, but the lighter tractor like the modern gas outfits are taking the big, heavy engine's place, as it costs too much to run a steam outfit now. It takes too many men (from five to six), while with the gas tractor one man can run the outfit.

I have had several years' experience working on my father's outfit and have found out that a gas engine is far cheaper; that is why I bought an Oil-Pull.

Ihave only plowed and threshed with my engine. I use four 14inch plows, and one section of harrows behind plows, as that helps to hold the moisture, and plow at a depth of six inches in clay or sandy soil, and can plow from ten to fourteen acres per day.

The amount of kerosene used is generally about one gallon per H.P. per ten hours. I have never measured it, so I cannot say exactly, and other oils from one to three gallons per day, depending on how good shape your engine is in. As my engine is new, one to two gallons of cylinder oil. probably, should suffice, and would, unless you waste a lot.

My idea of having an engine is to do your plowing and threshing and keep the engine off the land, that is the plowed land, as the plowing is the big question here,

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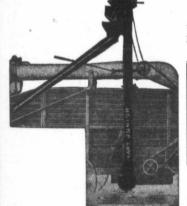
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for once the plowing is done it don't take long to get it ready and seed it.

You may ask: Why didn't you get a 20-40 or larger engine instead of 16-30? About 6 or 8 years back the large outfit was all right as help was only a quarter as high as it is now. About that time we would laugh at the man who had a small threshing outfit with a 28inch cylinder separator for it seemed as if he never threshed much. Everybody wanted the big outfit to thresh, but now, in this district, the farmers do not like the big fellows as they will put on about ten or twelve teams and four or five pitchers and feed the separator so fast that some of the grain finds the straw pile.

I say "some." I have seen some straw piles that looked to me like as if they had made a mistake and got the grain in the wrong place, as the straw pile was nearly full of wheat and the bin nearly empty.

With the small outfit they use a 28x48 separator with a 16-30 on the belt and cannot rush it so fast by feeding with two or three pitchers. The small rig takes the lead here now, as a man cannot afford to have all his profit thrown in the straw.

The big rig can do the work, too, but they won't, as they think if that machine isn't kept right to its fullest capacity they are not making any money; but they never think of the poor beggar's living they are throwing away.

I know what it is, as I have had the same thing to contend with, so I made up my mind I would do my own and get a smaller rig, and if I couldn't put 7,000 or more bushels through, I would have the most of it in the bin, anyway. It is the grain I am after, not the straw

And another thing to consider is the help. If there were four or five of the largest outfits in here you could not find enough teams to keep them going half the time. With the 28x48 separator, six teams will keep it going, and that

is all one outfit here can gather up and keep a full crew.

So in buying an engine here you have got to buy the one that suits the district if you intend to thresh

After a man gets a starf and gets implements on hand and paid for, he has got to buy the machine that will go with what he has got. To buy machinery for a large engine nowadays a man would need a trust company to back him up or he would bust.

If there should be any questions you would like to ask, I will answer them to the best of my knowledge. I remain, L. G. Buchanan



Sawyer-Massey 11-22 with 3-bottom Cockshutt



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SOUND ADVICE FROM AN OLD HAND

Elrose, Sask., Feb. 7, 1919.

S to my experience with the ractor, I may say that I have been on tractor work for

nine years steady and like the job all right. I owned and operated a 36 H.P. "Steamer" for eight years and found it very good and made good money plowing and threshing.

But the time has gone for such big outfits, for the reason that breaking is much done and there are so many small outfits that there are few big jobs left for big outfits to do. Another reason is the labor is so scarce and indenendent

I find it hard to keep enough men to run a big outfit at full capacity; besides, if the weather is wet in threshing, you pay too much for to board so many men, and when the wet spell is over they leave you and go to work for the next man that comes along, for the reason he will give them 50 cents more a day. Not having to board these men during the wet weather he can very well afford to do this.

This is why a big outfit is not as good as a small one, so to get rid of all this trouble I bought a smaller tractor.

In March last year I bought an 18 H.P. on draw-bar Rumely oil pull 35 on the belt, and I must say that this is about the best size for a farm from one section to three sections.

I have broken this summer with this engine 845 acres, at least six inches deep, every foot of it well turned over, and I summer-fallowed 120 acres.

I only pull three plows around here, the land being so heavy, and I had a self-steering device which I think is the best thing on an engine. It takes the place of a man and does better plowing, for it does not miss any land for the first plow, thus making a good job. I run my engine 20 hours a day in plowing. I had a green man to start with me in the spring. I showed him how to start and stop and to keep her well oiled. May. 10

This is generally hard to teach a green man, but the man I was fortunate in getting, being a good worker, he soon learned to take good care of the engine. I did not allow him to do any repairing. I did what was necessary myself and was sure it was done right.

My man got up about two o'clock and ran the engine until six o'clock, and then I ran it an hour while he was eating his breakfast. I ran it for another hour at dinner time, took the engine at six o'clock in the evening and ran it till ten or eleven. In this way I had the use of my engine 20 hours a day with just the one man. I had plenty of time to haul water and oil and look after the rest of my farming operations. I also had two other men on the horses.

I used a four-bottom Cockshutt plow, but pull only three bottoms. I used on an average five gallons of fuel to the acre.

For threshing I pull a 30x48 "Ideal" separator and had lots of power. My advice to anyone who wants to buy a tractor is to buy one that is not too small. A tractor that is not so complicated and a tractor that you can obtain repairs for quickly. A tractor that has been out for a few years and has proved itself a good engine.

Do not take a chance, but profit by the experience of someone else. Lots of the trouble arising from oil tractors is the poor lubricating oil. Get good lubricating oil and half of your trouble is gone. If anyone wants information about any particular trouble with steam or oil pull engines, I will gladly answer them.. Yours truly, Yilfred Gaudreau.

Spring unlocks the flowers to paint the laughing soil.

He was a wounded Tommy who had been badly injured in the hands. "Doctor," he said anxiously, "shall I be able to play the piano when these mits of mine heal?" "Certainly you will," as-sured the doctor. "That's good, doctor !" murmured the patient. "You've worked a blooming miracle. I never could before."



The "Wallis" (Canadian Fairbanks) 15-25 drawing \$ J. I. Case "Enicars"

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against loss of time and all manner of loss at threshing time, or at any time in which you have to engage the service of belt transmission. The **Belting** we manufacture is guaranteed to stand the strain of any normal use, and practically anything you can give it in downright abuse. We back it against anything made to give perfect and continuous satisfaction. If you want the most economical thing you can buy in belting, then get the



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and are sold by all thresher companies doing business in Canada. They may cost a trifle more than some fabrics that are always a big risk but that is forgotten in the added years of service, and we guarantee our goods against all disappointment from slippage or breaking. It is not possible to make better belting by any scientific method known at this day

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A FINE EXAMPLE IN NATIONAL DE-VELOPMENT

N the invitation of D. A. Downie, of Winnipeg, a party of Iowa bankers visited Western Canada last fall and made quite an extensive tour of the country. As a result of this visit, they have secured a tract of 8,000 acres of land in the Swan River Valley, Canadian National Railways, which they intend to break up and get under cultivation as quickly as possible. A manager has been engaged and it is planned to break 3,000 acres this summer.

Five tractor outfits are now

busy and will be kept going until freeze-up next fall. The entire tract will be fenced and 500 head of stocker cattle will be grazed. Two carloads of fencing wire have been sent out with other materials that were bought in Winnipeg. Necessary buildings will also be erected.

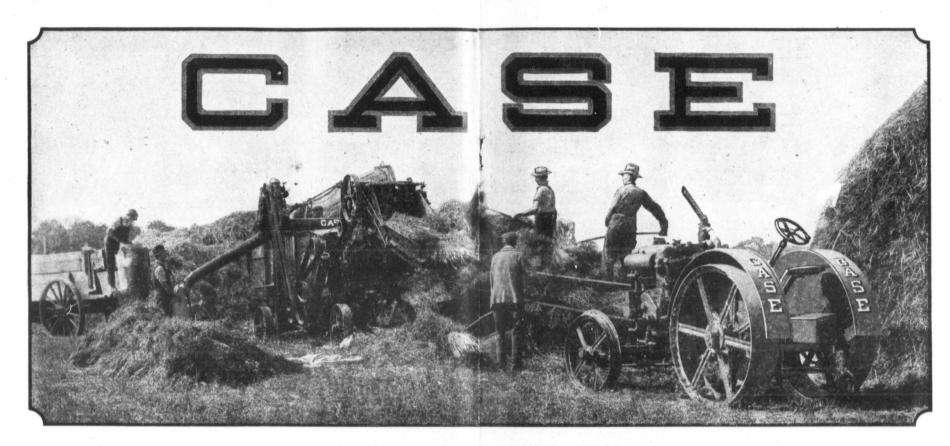
When the land has been developed it will be sold to farmers who want farms on which the pioneering work has been done. Mr. Downie states that there is quite a movement of settlers to the Swan River district. His firm has already located a number of settlers on purchased farms and on homesteads, and others are quickly following.





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All sizes are built of steel. This means rigidity and sturdiness. And longer life. And a steel built thresher means protection against total destruction by fire. Wooden machines are easily affected by climatic conditions and are apt to rot and warp, but the allers of long service at little or no ex-pense for repairs.

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self, you should be certain that your crop is threshed by a Case Machine. Not merely because Case Threshers are most famous, but because they

do better and more thorough work. In fact this is the very reason why Case Threshers have won their re-

nown-why more Case Threshers are used than any other. For 77 years farmers have shown a preference towards Case. Until today a large percentage of the American harvest is threshed with Case machines.

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when time is money. Case Threshers are easier to oil. Nearly all the bearings are supplied with pressed steel compression cups for hard oil. The cups can be filled in the morning and at noon—occa-sional turn of the cap on the grease cups is all that is necessary. This can be done while the machine is running, for all are located on the outside of the machine. Case con-struction also saves in weight. Case Threshers, therefore, are easier to move about and are less liable to "mire down" in soft ground.

Simplified Designing

In Case Threshers you will find fewer parts. This means fewer ad-justments. And that means saving

time during the threshing season,

when time is money.



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its square gear drive and ball bearing adjustments is unequalled as an effective piece of dairy mechanics and has nothing in front of it in lasting quality. in the record of work done by the Magnet Cream Separator. The function of this utensil is to separate the last atom of butter fat from the milk. A separator that only "separates" a part is a source of loss that can't be computed. But it is a big loss, and certainly describes the difference between actual loss or just breaking even and a thumping profit in your dairy department. Would you automatically realize this profit from your milking the service of a

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Potatoes---Seed and Time of Planting

(Experimental Farms Note)

THE yield of potatoes throughout Canada would be very much increased if everyone who grew potatoes used seed of the strongest vitality, free from disease. While the variety used is important, the quality of the seed often makes much more difference in the yield than the variety.

Seed potatoes from a crop which grew vigorously until the tops were cut down by frost in autumn usually give much better returns than those from a crop where the tops dried up in the middle of summer. There are parts of Canada where the former conditions obtain, as a rule, and it is from such places that the most vigorous seed is usually obtained.

In 1918 the best seed of the Green Mountain potato yielded at the rate of 387 bushels per acre, while the poorest seed yielded only 57 bushels per acre at Ottawa. In the case of Irish Cobbler, the best seed yielded at the rate of 616 bushels per acre, while poor seed yielded only 26 bushels per acre, a remarkable difference. Just as striking differences have been obtained in other years.

Each grower of potatoes should aim to have a full stand of plants in the field, and to have every plant a vigorous and healthy one. There is often a large

proportion of misses in potato fields and a still larger proportion of weak and diseased plants which lessen the yield enormously.

Experiments have been tried in different parts of Canada to determine the best time to plant potatoes for highest yields, and from these experiments and the experience of the best growers, the following dates are suggested as being the best: Prince Edward -Island, June 1st to 7th; Nova Scotia, June 1st to 15th; New Brunswick, June 1st to 15th; Quebec, May 15th to June 15th, depending on the part of the province; Ontario, May 1st to June 15th, depending on what part of the province ; Manitoba, May 10th to 15th; Saskatchewan, May 10th to 24th; Alberta, May 10th to 24th; British Columbia, April 1st to May 15th, depending on what part of the province. The tendency has been in most places in Canada to plant later than is desirable for highest yields. From results obtained, the following general recommendation is made: Where the spring is early and autumn frosts early, plant early. Where the spring is early and summers are dry, plant early. Where the spring is late and autumn frosts are late, early planting is not so important. Where the spring is early and autumn frosts are early, plant as soon as soil is dry enough.



Visitor: "You fought with the gallant 51st Division, did you not?" Sect: "Ay-d'ye mind my face?" Visitor: "Oh-not at all."

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SEED SOWING AND EARLY CARE OF VEGETABLES

(Experimental Farms Note) THE time of sowing the seed and the early care of vegetables are very important factors in the successful growing of them.

The seed of some kinds of vegetables will germinate at a temperature and under certain conditions of moisture at which other seeds will not germinate and will sometimes rot.

Seeds of beets, carrots, lettuce, onions, parsnips, peas, radishes, kohl-rabi, garden cress, salsify, spinach, parsley and leeks can be sown as soon as the ground is dry enough in the spring so that it will work well. The seeds germinate at relatively low temperatures and the plant will stand considerable frost without serious injury. Other vegetables, such as cabbage, cauliflower and celery will also stand frost, but these are usually started in a hotbed in order to save time in the field.

Vegetables which require higher temperatures than the above in order to grow well and which are injured by light frosts are beans, corn, cucumber, melons, potatoes and squash.

Seed of late cabbage is not sown until late in May, but it will endure frost, and seed of Swede turnip should be sown late when required for the table.

In order to obtain plants subject to light frosts, which are well advanced before being set out and to save considerable time the field melons, egg plants, peppers and tomatoes are usually started in hot-beds.

Frequently lack of germination of seed is blamed on the quality of the seed, whereas it may be due to the way the seed is planted or to the rotting of the seed in the ground when certain kinds of seed have been sown too early. Small vegetable seeds are often planted much too deeply. For the smaller seeds one-quarter of an inch for the smallest to onehalf of an inch for those a little larger is deep enough. If planted much deeper the seed may germinate but the shoot does not reach the surface of the ground and the tiny plant dies. Peas, corn and beans are planted about two inches deep. In very loose soils, the surface of which dries down more than those fairly compact, slightly deeper planting may be necessary.

When the seed has germinated great care should be taken to ventilate hot-beds carefully. When the young plants come up, the frame should be kept sufficiently aired by raising the back or higher part of the sash to prevent the plants from getting spindly or weakly, when they are apt to damp off. When young plants are grown in a window in a house they are often very thick in the pot and if in the sun and with the surface soil wet, they are very liable to damp off or scald. They should be thinned out and transplanted as soon as possible. Great care should be taken when ventilating a hot-bed when the wind is high in cold weather, as cold wind blowing directly on the plants will injure them. A board should be put at the end of the sash to break the force of the wind.⁴

Plants which have been growing in a hot-bed or cold frame or in the house should be exposed to the open air for several days before they are set in the field, protecting them as usual at night, as if set in the field without hardening off in this way they are much more liable to be injured in cold or windy weather.

THE COMMON BARBERRY AND THE STEM RUST OF GRAINS

(Experimental Farms Note) THE outbreak of stem rust

The outbreak of stem rust in 1916 caused a loss of from 50,000,000 to 100,000,-000 bushels of wheat in Western Canada. Every year this rust is more or less common all over Canada, attacking wheat, oats, barley and rye and greatly reducing the yield in many places.

The rust disease is caused by a fungus which attacks the leaves and stems of wheat and other grains, and produces masses of reddish spores on these parts. These spores are blown about and spread the rust during the summer. Later in the season small black masses are formed chiefly on the stem. These also consist of spores, but they will not attack grains. They, however, live over the winter and in the spring attack the young parts of the common barberry. Masses of yellow spores are soon produced chiefly on the leaves and they are carried by the wind from the barberry to grasses or grains growing near, and thus the rust started by the barberry spreads rapidly.

It may be that the stem rust has other ways of living over the winter till the next season and infecting grains without the aid of the barberry, but if so, the way of doing this is still unknown. However, it has been proved many times that the rust can by means of the barberry live over the winter and spread to grains and grasses before it has appeared elsewhere, so that the barberry is an important agent in the spread of this rust.

The barberry is a shrub planted on lawns and in hedges for ornamental purposes. There are no native wild barberries east of the Rocky Mountains. All of the





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Have the goph-ers imposed that sentence on you? They will if you let gophers keep on running things. You'll do nothing but fatten gophers. There's no profit in that. Kill 'Em! Quick!!



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barberries commonly planted are susceptible to the stem rust except the Japanese varieties. The common barberry has spiny stems and reddish berries, which hang in long clusters on the bushes all winter. The spines are usually in groups of three. The leaves have spiny teeth on the edge and are green in some varieties and purple in others. The Japanese barberry does not grow as tall as the common, but is rather low and spreading.

The stems are spiny but the spines are generally single, although sometimes three together. The leaves are smaller with a smooth edge. The fruit is red and remains on the bushes all winter. but the berries are single or only two or three together

Since it is certain that the common barberries are a menace to the grain crops they should be destroyed. They should be completely uprooted, as if only cut down and large roots are left in the ground the shrub readily springs up again. In some places the common barberry is escaping from cultivation, so there is a danger that it may become a more serious menace to the grain crop than at the present. Care should be taken not to destroy the Japanese variety as it does not spread rust and is a satisfactory shrub for ornamental purposes.

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Y the use of hot beds and BY the use of hot beds and cold frames plants can be grown through their earlier stages out of doors even before the growing season has arrived. By the use of these, garden crops can be secured much earlier in the season than if seeding is delayed until the soil is warmed up in the open garden. Such vegetables as peppers, egg plant, melons, etc., can be so hastened in the spring as to ensure their maturing before the frost period arrives in many parts of Canada where these crops are not usually grown. Such crops as radish, lettuce, spinach, and other vegetables can be made to reach a marketable size relatively early in the summer.

While hot beds, as the term signifies, are heated with fermenting manure, the cold frame depends upon the sun shining through the glass sash to warm up 'the soil and start growth. The cold frame, for that reason, is more easily adopted, although it cannot be used to so great an advantage.

This information is taken from Pamphlet No. 19 of the Dominion Experimental Farms, written by Mr. W. T. Macoun, Dominion Horticulturist, and available at the Publications Branch, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa.

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AUTOMOBILE INDISPEN-SABLE ON FARM

THE automobile has been one of the prime factors in

improving the social conditions on the farm .- The farmer is no longer thought of as a back number, a hayseed, or rube; but instead, he is thought of in terms befitting his superior rank in the world's industries.

The automobile, telephone and rural delivery have completely revolutionized social conditions in country life. Since the farm gets his mail delivered at 1 s door every day; can telephone to anyone for miles around; can drive into town or any place within the neighborhood in a few minutes with "the car"; country life differs but very little from city life, in a social way.

The automobile is a source of much pleasure to the farmer and his family. It is a means of getting some place without spending a whole day on the road, and the journey can be made in comfort. Farm life can easily become drudgery if it is necessary to stick to your work all the time. This is especially true with the farmer's wife. Unless the farm woman can mingle in social circles, take part in the church work, and so on, life will lose its interest for her, and she will soon fail in health

Most farmers are beginning to realize that, after all, life is sometimes more than putting all their dividends back into lands, buildings, and stock, just to heap up more wealth for their city children to law over. It is sofe to say that their children will be in the city, because it is inevitable that the children of a farmer who never stops to appreciate his family in his mad desire to hoard together more worldly property, do not stay on the farm. Books, magazine articles, newspaper stories, and enough literature has been written to fill a young Carnegie library on "How to Keep the Boys on the Farm." An automobile would probably solve the whole problem more satisfactorily than anything else.

The primary purpose of the automobile on the farm is not for pleasure, however. It is more of a business proposition on the farm than it is in any other occupation. The farmer has more use for an automobile than any other business man. The manager type of a farmer of to-day stays on the farm and keeps the brains and brawn on the farm which belongs to it.

The automobile is the farmer's friend, and after having used one a few years he would not think of doing without it. It is the sure mark of a prosperous farmer who intends to continue to be prosperous.

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CARE AND REPAIR OF FARM MACHINERY (Experimental Farms Note)

BIG leak, usually unrealized, occurs through the meagre attention given farm implements. The care of farm machinery is a phase of farm management that does n o t usually receive the attention its importance warrants. In the rush to get the crop into the ground at the proper time and in the best possible condition for satisfactory returns or to gather in the harvest promptly, the care due the implements which have made each operation possible is lacking or performed in a more or less haphazard manner. As a consequence, part of the toil-earned revenues of the farm is swallowed up in the purchase of new machinery or in expensive repairs which might have been avoided had proper precaution been taken in time.

Throughout the experimental farms system, attention is given, so far as circumstances permit, to this factor in farm management. All implements are cleaned and placed under cover when not in use, all polished surfaces receiving an application of an anti-rust preparation. Axle grease or other lubricant will answer this purpose. As shelter, many types of structure are suitable and an expenditure not exceeding \$400 will usually provide a suitable building. Besides, it is not always necessary to go to this expense, since any weather-proof building already available will answer the purpose.

It is advisable to go over each machine after the day's operations, making proper adjustments, tightening loose bolts, making sure that the lubricating devices are working properly, that the bearings are not too tight or too loose and that cutting parts are sharp. An assortment of bolts, rivets, springs, etc., for each machine is provided and allotted a definite location in the tool room. This saves many trips and probably valuable time and the plan, systematically carried out, results in the prevention of many breakages. Besides, it has been proven that-an implement in repair at all times has a longer life and gives more satisfactory service than one that receives erratic attention.

To carry out this work systematically a properly fitted work shop is necessary. It provides a comfortable place to work in during bad weather and in which those who so desire may develop their mechanical skill. It should be equipped with the necessary tools, including anvil, forge, work bench, vise, tongs, hammers, hardies, punches, drills, square, chisels, saw, wrenches, etc.





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This is the Year to Re-Build or Re-Model

"N OW the war is over," every thought is being turned into peaceful channels with the subconscious feeling that no employment can take second place to that of taking some part in making good the wastage occasioned by the war.

To some extent, at least, probably every subscriber to the "Canadian Thresherman and Farmer" will have some building or other constructive programme in his mind's eye. We know lots of farmers and city men who are itching to build, but they pull up dead at the question of the price of raw material. Is this the time to build or 'to wait?

The following facts gathered from a most reliable source will perhaps clear away some cobwebs and let the light into the fact that 1919 ought to be the most auspicious year of many ahead of it in which to build or remodel barns, home-buildings, etc.

Some Reasons Why

(1) At the date of writing, building materials are relatively low in price, while farm produce, which the farmer sells to buy building materials, etc., is relatively high in price.

(2) It is as evident as any outlook can be that lumber, cement, barn equipment and labor will not drop to any extent, if at all, next year.

In support of what we have said take a look at the following comparative tables, bearing in mind that the increases set out occurred between January, 1914, and January, 1919. (The labor figures were secured by the Dominion Department of Labor in rural communities from coast to coast. They vary, of course, in different localities and we give the average.)

Building Materials' Labor

- Carpenter labor is up an average of 15c an hour-371/2 per cent.
- Mason labor is up an average of 12c an hour-28 per cent.
- Painters' labor is up an average of 14c an hour—38 per cent.
- Structural iron workers' labor is up an average of 17c an hour-38½ per cent.
- Pine lumber is up \$20 per 1,000 feet, or-36 per cent.
- Hemlock is up \$13 per 1,000 feet, or 76½ per cent.
- Shingles at St. John are up \$1.50 per 1,000, or-50 per cent.
- Canadian Portland cement is up 853/c per bbl. Toronto-541/2 per cent.
- Shingles in Winnipeg are up 96c per 1,000-32 per cent.

The chart on next page shows conclusively that building materials are relatively lower this year than they have ever been before.

The chart leaves nothing to explain. It shows that building materials by comparison with products of agriculture, mines and industry, are not high priced and that now is a most advantageous time to exchange these products for building. It shows that in the five-year period, building material has advanced about 35 per cent, while the fruits of industry, agriculture and mines, show an advance varying from 70 to 105 per cent.

Food Prices Control the Situation In the end, the whole problem comes back to the farmer.

The world depends upon the farmer for what it eats. The laborer in the factory, the mill, the lumber yard, depends upon the farmer for what he eats.

The greatest part of the cost of any article is labor. A pine tree in the bush costs practically nothing. Labor has to be used to fell it, log it, cut it up and ship it. Consequently, when labor is high in price, lumber is high in price. The same thing is true of steel and iron and cement and every other manufactured product.

Now, what regulates the price of labor?

Our old enemy—the cost of living regulates the price of labor. The cost of living includes many things, but the primary one is food. The cost of food, in the long run, automatically sets wages.

It is evident that as long as the cost of food is high, the cost of living will be high, and as long as the cost of living is high, wages cannot drop. And, if wages do not drop, prices cannot come down, building material cannot be any cheaper.

Farm Products

- Wheat is up \$1.39 per bushel Winnipeg-163 per cent.
- Wheat is up \$1.28 per bushel Toronto-149 per cent.
- Oats are up 32c per bushel in Toronto-84 per cent.
- Oats are up 37c per bushel in Winnipeg-116 per cent.
- Choice butcher cattle are up \$5.75 per cwt, Toronto-8 0per cent.
- Washed Ontario wool is up 51c per lb. Toronto-196 per cent.
- Select hogs are up \$1.50 per cwt. Toronto-84 per cent.
- Creamery butter is up 25c per lb. Montreal-86 per cent.
- Cheese is up 11c per lb. Montreal 79 per cent.

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equally fair. Lumber

There is nothing in sight that would encourage the hope that lumber prices will be reduced. The reverse is indicated by everything we can reach in the nature of evidence. Labor, for example, has taken its firm and final stand for no reduction of wages, and

When Can the Farmer Expect to

Get Building Material at a

Lower Cost

It is not hard to answer that question-out until the farmer

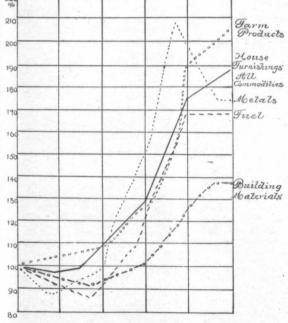
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half that of 1913, while the demand will be increased three-fold. The mills of Russia which supplied most of the British demand before the war are hopelessly disorganized and offer no prospects whatever of an early return to normal conditions.

The feeling is unanimous in well-informed circles that cement prices will hold steady for a long time to come. Cement was sold before the war at a price too low.

Another besides the labor factor in governing prices, particularly on cement, is the increased freight rates, which are now 50 per cent higher than they were in 1915. Here again labor is to a large extent responsible. Coal (which enters largely into the cost of manufacturing materials) may be more easily obtained, but that will



labor is the main factor in fixing prices to-day.

If the logger has to pay as high or higher wages, how can be sell cheaper to the millman? And if the millman has to pay as high or higher log costs and wages, how can he afford to let the consumer have this lumber for less? The whole trend of the times is toward higher wages, and, therefore, higher prices.

We live in an era of new price levels, and the sooner everybody recognizes this the better it will be all round. Stocks of lumber in Great Britain are alarmingly low, and there is an immense housebuilding programme ahead which calls for great deliveries of soft wood.

The British timber merchants have ascertained that the world's supply of soft wood available during the next season will not be go nowhere in leading prices to anything like what they were in 1914, because there again the question of labor in mining and handling the coal, and freight rates, are jointly responsible. Steel and Iron

We may say emphatically that there is no price slump coming in steel and iron. Nearly six months have gone by since war ended, yet prices of a great many commodities have soared rather than dropped. And now we find the United States Steel Corporation is fixing, with the approval of the American Government, a price for steel and iron for 1919 which is higher than the price that many implement manufacturers have been paying.

Here, as in everything else, the history of the price movement for centuries has been upward. Prices will never go back to their old level. We are on a permanently



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higher price level. We can never expect to obtain building materials at the prices of 1914 and 1913. On the other hand, farmers will never again be paid prices for produce as low as the prices they were paid in those two years.

Next year there may or may not be some change in price. If there is a change it will only be a slight one. The readjustment of prices after a great war is a gradual process which takes many years, and this is the greatest cataclysm the world has ever witnessed.

It is estimated that from three to five years at least must pass before prices have reached a normal, peace-time level, and that then they will not be nearly as low as they were before the war.

Therefore-Don't Wait

The farmer who hesitates now will assuredly lose. At the best he can gain nothing. He can scarcely fail to experience an actual loss if he waits for the slow process of price adjustment to be completed.

Note this: The difference between this year's prices and next year's will be no greater than between the prices the farmer receives for his produce this year and next. The farmers will be no better off to wait until next year to build, because even if prices do change a little, they will change less than the price of farm produce.

And, after all, this is only one side of the question. Isn't the farmer losing money all the time he slides along without needed improvements in his farm buildings and plant? By doing without these needed improvements he is losing much more than he could possibly hope to gain by putting off the purchase of materials and equipment until another year.

TRACTOR SPEEDS IN RELATION TO PLOW-ING SERVICE

TRACTOR manufacturers and their salesmen sometimes run up against the farmer who demands a speed of four miles per hour for a machine and criticizes any that do not record such a gait.

"When I find such objectors," says an old and tried tractor hand, "I endeavor to convince them of the truth of the old adage that 'haste makes waste,' and that in my judgment the maximum of plowing speed should be two and one-half miles per hour.

"The average gait of horses in handling plows is less than two miles an hour, and, until the day of the tractor, most farmers appeared to think it was ample. The desire for a four mile gait is, in my judgment, and based on my experience of thirty years as a farmer and machinery man, illMay, '19

advised. Many tests conducted by experts have proven that the gait of two and one-half miles is most successful, giving the proper handling of the soil and, later, good crops.

Excessive speed has a tendency to throw the earth too far, and the furrow is left uneven. The unsafe strain upon the engine and tractor is also a factor that should be taken into consideration. The successful tractor manufacturers are installing ample power, and which will give a reserve rather than a shortage in hard soils. It is wiser to add a plow and reduce speed than to cut off plows and increase the speed, as the soil is never laid over properly at a rate of speed higher than two and onehalf miles. While there are some soils where it is impossible to exceed the speed indicated, ye't something is sacrificed whenever this is done.

The ideal tractor is available for many kinds of service, and the demand should be only for that at the normal speed of travel. While it is possible that plow manufacturers may change their models so that they will contribute to higher speed, there will be very serious doubt in 'the minds of practical plowmen as to the success of such changes, and they are still likely to insist that the best plowing can only be done at a gait of two and one-half miles.

The wise farmer will study carefully the character of the work performed by a tractor. He is not interested simply in the tearing up of the soil, but he demands that good, even furrows are turned and the soil turned upside down in order that good crops will result.

"I have attended many plowing demonstrations," says this same expert, "but have never seen anywhere the plowing done at a two and one-half mile gait was equalled in quality by that done at a faster gait. It is also true that if plows strike an obstruction on the soil, that the damage is much greater if the speed is excessive. All high-speed tract: ors may operate in a fashion when a minimum amount of power is required, but they are lost when plowing conditions become stiff."

There is no happiness in having and getting, but only in giving; half the world is on the wrong scent in the pursuit of happiness.—Henry Drummond.

Not Worried

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nia, Ont. Hergott Bros., Ltd., Mildmay, Ont. McDonald Thresher Co., Ltd., Stratford,

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Sawyer-Massey Co., Ltd., Hemilton, Ont. Stewart Sheat Loader Co., Ltd., Winni-

peg, Man. Sussex Mfg. Co., Ltd., Sussex, N. B. Waterloo Mfg. Company, Ltd., Waterloo, Ont.

R. Watt Machine Works, Ltd., Ridge-

town, Ont. George White & Sons Co., Ltd., London, Ont.

United States

Aultman & Taylor Machinery Company, Mansfield, Ohio. Avery Company, Peòria, Ill. A. D. Baker Company, Swanton, Ohio. Banting Manufacturing Co., Toledo, O.

Batavia Machine Co., Batavia, N. Y. Buffalo Pitts Company, Buffalo, N. Y. Cape Mfg. Co., Cape Girardeau, Mo. J. I. Case Threshing Machine Company, Racine, Wis.

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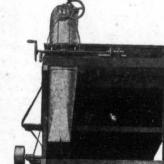
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The Case for and against the Horse: A study in Thermal Efficiency

THE horse is used to generate power for such a large

percentage of our farm work that a careful study of his characteristic is necessary if we are to understand his strong points and discover his weaknesses. As the situation stands to day, the horse is regarded by the farmer as the standard prime mover for field operations. This animal motor with the help of the mule, has been 'the chief power generator for operating ma-chinery, the use of which has enabled the farmer to produce large crops with relatively little man labor. As is the case with any other motor, the horse should be studied from the viewpoints of his overall efficiency, cost of operation and general adaptability to the work which is to be done. Unfortunately, very few reliable investigations have been carried on for the purpose of securing authentic information on these most important points. Book after book, article after article, has been written regarding the origin of 'the horse, breeds of horses, the conformation of the horse, the proper feeding of the horse, etc., but all these works, valuable as they are, failed to get at the meat of the question: "What will the horse do when used as a motor?" A careful survey of the whole literature furnishes a slight amount of information, enough so that by making reasonable assumptions a few general conclusions can be drawn which will open this interesting subject for further study and discussion.

A foreign investigator named Zuntz, after carrying on an elaborate series of investigations, reports that the horse can utilize about 33 per cent of the net energy available in the food. This figure agrees very well with the work reported by Hirn, another foreign investigator, and on the surface would appear to be very flattering to the animal motor were it not for the fact that it was computed on the basis of net digestible nutriments in the food after deductions had been made for the work of digestion, assimilation and maintenance. In fact, it would correspond very closely to the overall efficiency of an internal combustion motor, working under ideal conditions, providing deductions were made for internal friction losses and unburned fuel. Under these conditions the best gas motors would give an

overall of between 35 and 40 per cent.

How Efficiency is Determined It will be worth while to review briefly the general methods used by nutrition experts. The heat energy in foods is computed on the basis of therms in the digestible nutrients (one therm-1,000 calories-3,087,100 footpounds). As a rule not over 75 per cent of the total energy in the feed can be digested by the horse. On the average, hay yields 1.7 therms of gross energy per pound and grains 1.85 therms per pound. In the past it has been customary when determining the efficiency of the animal motors to make allowance for undigested food, and the energy required for digestion and maintenance. As explained above 'the efficiency reported by Zuntz was ob-tained on this basis. From nutrition standpoint this may be entirely satisfactory, but when a comparison with other motors is desired, an entirely different basis must be used. From an agricultural standpoint we are interested in the overall efficiency of the horse as used on the farm, in which case the total energy in the food consumed must be compared with the total work done in a given period of time, say, one year. No deductions can be made for the energy required for maintenance, digestion and assimilation. The overall efficiency of the horse as a motor is the total work done divided by total input of energy. It is generally assumed that

at hard work in the field a horse will exert a pull equal to onetenth of its weight, at the rate of two miles per hour for ten hours per day. Under these conditions 1600-1b. horse will perform 16,896,000 foot-pounds of useful work in ten hours. While at this work the horse will require approximately 1.3-lb, of grain and 1-lb, of hay per 100-lb, live weight per day. The gross energy in this food is 65.7 therms, equivalent to 202,822,470 footpounds. This would give an overall efficiency of 16,896,000÷202, 822,470-.0834, or 8.34 per cent. This figure is computed on the basis of one day's work and feed. However, our farm horses do not work every day, but they must eat. In order to arrive at the real efficiency of a farm horse, we should know the total food consumed and work done in the course of a year. Thomas Edison is reported to have said the aver-

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age farm horse has an overall efficiency of about 2 per cent. Unfortunately, this estimate cannot be accurately checked, but data (Table I) as reported from the Agricultural Experiment Station at the University of Missouri which can be used, making reasonable assumptions to compute the yearly overall efficiency of mules-used on the farm there.

The average cost of horse labor

er hour on the basis of the above

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Table I. Showing Over-All Efficiency of Mules

Ration	Corn and Hay	Oats and Hay
Number of mules	4	4
Length of period	364 days	364 days
Average weight	1279.16 lb.	1258.61 lb.
Average gain or loss in weight	18.5 lb. gain	2 lb. loss
Total corn per mule	4142.75 lb.	
Total oats per mule		4288.5 lb.
Total hay per mule	5360.31 lb.	5434.87 lb.
Hours heavy work per mule . A	433.12	374.75
Hours medium work per mule	197.50	188.75
Hours light work per mule	1002.12	956.75

Assuming the hay contained 1.7 therms of gross energy per lb. and the grain 1.85 therms of gross energy per lb., and that mules work under the following conditions:

WorkTractive Effort M.P.H.Heavy work $\frac{1}{8}$ weight2Medium work1-12 weight2.5Slight work1-16 weight2.5

Slight work 4-16 weight 2.5 The corn-fed animals gave an overall efficiency of 3.54 per cent, and those fed oats 3.4 per cent. These mules worked between 1500 and 1600 hours per year. Considering the fact that the average farm horse works only from 800 to 1000 hours per year, it is safe to estimate that his yearly overall efficiency is somewhere between 2 and 3 per cent. The Cost of Horse Labor

Fortunately there is a limited amount of reliable data available regarding the cost of horse labor. The University of Minnesota reports the following data in Extension Bulletin No. 15:

Detail of cost	Average cost 1908-12 included Rice County	Average cost 1008-10 included Lyons County	Average cost 1908-12 included Norman County
Interest on invest-			
ment	\$7.04	\$6.66	\$6.48
Depreciation	3.10	3.101	1.41
Harness deprecia-			
tion	2.52	2.17	2.20
Shoeing	11.83	.43	.13
Feed	70.72	72.62	53.82
Labor	17.33	15.32	20.08
Miscellaneous ex-			
pense	.73	.33	# .55

Total

.... \$103.27 \$100.64 \$84.67

figures was 9.72c., 8.64c., and 8.05c,, respectively. The cost per hour varied greatly on different farms. One man whose horses worked on the average 1672 hours per year reduced the cost to 52c., per horse hour, while another one whose horses worked only 804 hours each had a cost of 13.2c. per horse hour. These figures were compiled when corn was selling on the farm for 54c. per bu., oats for 35c. per bu., and hay for \$12 per ton. On the basis of present prices, it will cost from \$150 to \$200 per year to keep a farm horse; as an average figure let us 'take \$175. It must be understood that the cost of keeping a horse will vary greatly. In the same community there will frequently be a difference of 50 per Both cent on different farms. of the above cited sources of information report that the farm horse works from 800 to 1). hours per year, which gives an average of 900 hours. On the basis of the data here given it will cost from 16 2-3c. to 22 1-3c. per hour for horse labor to-day, and this is exclusive of the wages paid the operator. This will give a cost of from \$6.67 to \$8.93 for every day that a four-horse team is worked 10 hours in the field.

Points in Horse's Favor From the standpoints of efficiency and unit costs, the case is not very favorable to the horse, but it is the all around adapt-



Visitor: "But those attacks of Malaria don't last long, do they !" Tommy: "Mine isn't ordinary Malaria. The doctor calls it Malingering Malaria."

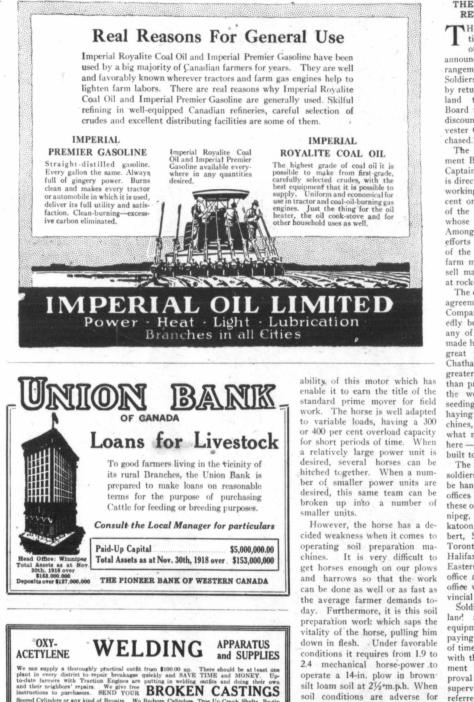


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THE I. H. C. AND THE RETURNED SOLDIER

HE officers of the Interna-

tional Harvester Company of Canada, Ltd., have just announced the completion of arrangements with the Returned Soldiers' Settlement Board whereby returned soldiers who take up land through the Settlement Board will be granted maximum discounts on International Harvester Company implements purchased.

The Returned Soldiers' Settlement Board at Ottawa, of which Captain Wm. C. Chandos Innes is director of equipment, has been working energetically since its recent organization in the interest of the Great War veterans for whose benefit it was established. Among other things, through the efforts of Captain Innes, several of the leading manufacturers of farm machinery have agreed to sell machinery to soldier-settlers at rock-bottom prices.

The effect of the just completed agreement with the Harvester Company, however, will undoubtedly be more far-reaching than any of the similar arrangements made heretofore, as this concern's great plants at Hamilton and Chatham, Ontario, produce 'a greater variety of farm machinery than probably any other plant in the world. Plows, tillage and seeding machines and implements, having machines, harvesting machines, threshers, wagons and what not, are being turned out here - implements designed and built to suit Canadian conditions.

The sale of farm machinery to soldiers under the new plan will be handled entirely through the offices of the Settlement Board, these offices being located at Winnipeg, Regina, Edmonton, Saskatoon, Calgary and Prince Al-bert, Sask., in the West, and Toronto, Montreal, St. Johns, Halifax and Charlottetown in Eastern Canada, with the main office at Ottawa. Each branch office will be in charge of a provincial supervisor.

Soldiers desiring to take up land and purchase necessary equipment to put the land on a paying basis in the shortest length of time, will file their applications with the nearest Soldiers' Settlement Board office. Upon approval of the application by the supervisor, the applicant will be referred to a local implement agent in the community where he plans to settle. This agent will furnish the soldier with equipment called for and will take the soldier's receipt for goods pur-chased. The agent makes his settlement with the manufacturer and both the manufacturer and soldier make settlement with the Returned Soldiers' Settlement Board

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A TRACTOR SHORT COURSE HELPS A GOOD ROADS PROGRAM

(Here is an example worth imitating all over Western Canada. It is a story of what has recently been done in the "Good Roads" programme of Nebraska State in the way of encouraging and training men to handle the tractors necessary in any road grading job worth undertaking.

We reprint the report in full and strongly commend it to the consideration of every municipal council, particularly to those who are in quest of capable gas engineers and who find trouble in locaing them .- Ed.).

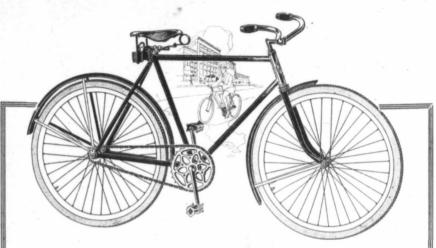
N March 29th, 1919, the State Engineer, George E. Johnson, was talking with Professor L. W. Chase, head of the Agricultural Engineering Department at the Uniersity of Ne-In 'this conference he braska. showed Professor Chase the map of Nebraska with the roads marked off which were to be built during the year 1919, and then made the comment that he was at a loss to know where they would find competent tractor operators to handle the machines which would be needed and used during this work.

He had known of the tractor short courses which had been conducted in the Agricultural Engineering Department, and asked the question, "Could you people put on another short course whereby a few men at least could be gotten together preparatory to doing this work?" We had thought that the tractor short course period was over for the year and were settling down to the regular work of the department, but after this request came to us we decided to a'ttempt, at least, another short course. The season for such work, we felt, was over. However, we decided that by a special effort we might be able to get from 15 to 25 men together, who would help just that much in filling out the requirements for such work.

After Professor Chase had talked over 'the matter with us we reluctantly consented to put on another short course in the department and set the date for it to commence April 14th. By hurrying around and devoting every energy to this work we were able to have in the mail by Thursday night, April 3rd, about 900 posters announcing that the university would put on this tractor short course to aid in preparing men for the road construction work in the state. The newspapers all over the state, as well as the dailies, were very kind in seeing the need as it was THE CANADIAN THRESHERMAN AND FARMER

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presented and continually kept this before the people of the state for the few days intervening beween April 3rd and April 14th, on which date the course was to commence.

You can imagine the surprise of everyone in the department, as well as all who were interested in this road programme, when on Monday night we found that there were in 'the neighborhood of 60 men enrolled for this tractor short course. Others had not seen the boratory work each day for 20 announcement of it until Sunday, days. Every subject dealing

and got here as quickly as they could, but were late. Consequently during the next two days enrollments continued, until now now there are over 80 taking this course.

Instead of having one section as we had planned to have in the beginning, three sections were necessary, and for five days the lecture periods had to be doubled. The work in this course consists of two lectrues and six hours la-

with tractors is touched upon during this period, and although the period is short, by working intensively the men can be aided a great deal in this work.

The subjects which are studied in this course are tractor frames, wheels, clutches, brakes, lubrication, steering devices, babbitting, ignition, carburetion, valve timing, trouble shooting, repair work, operation, governors, transmissions, and, in fac't, every subject of vital importance to a successful tractor operator. The

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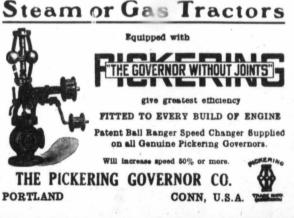
Those who have friends or relatives at the front, may wish to send money, but possibly do not know the best way to do so.

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time is divided as nearly as possible according to the relative importance of the various subjects. Ignition we find to require the greatest amount of time. Consequently 10 lectures and 24 hours laboratory work is devoted to this one subject. Carburetors also come in for a large portion of the time, 4 lectures being given to carburction and 12 hours to laboratory work. Twenty tractors are on hand for 'the use of the men taking this work. Any distributor in this neighborhood has the privilege of having one of his tractors here at the schoo! while this course is being given.

The work in the course is made just as intensive as possible. An 8-hour time schedule is followed to the minute. Late registration is discouraged, and, in fact, not tolerated except in cases where men have come long distances to get here, not having : een the date of the course until the day before it was to begin. Having had such a short time in which to advertise the course we feel somewhat obliged to accommodate 'these men, especially when certain that they are decidedly in earnest.

This makes a total of 380 men handled in tractor and automobile short courses of one month each since December 30th, 1918, in this department.

WHAT MARK TWAIN SAYS ABOUT BIRDS

THE moment that Tom begun to talk about birds I

judged he was a goner, because Jim knowed more about birds than both of us put to-That's 'the way that gether. people does that writes books about them and loves them so that they'll go hungry and tired and take any amount of trouble to find a new bird to kill. Their name is ornithologers, and I could a been an ornithologer myself, because I always loved birds and creatures-and I started out to learn how to be one, and I see a bird sitting with his head tilted back and his mouth open, and before I thought I fired, and his song stopped, and he fell straight down from the limb, all limp like a rag and I ran and picked him up, and he was dead, and his body was warm in my hand, and his head rolled about, this way and that, like his neck was broken, and there was a white skin over his eves, and one little drop of blood on the side of his head, and laws! I couldn't see nothin' more for the 'tears, and I hain't ever murdered no creature since that warn't doing me no harm, and I ain't going to"



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BOLSHEVISM HAS NO FUTURE AND IS NEARING ITS END

Utterly Impossible to Carry on Industry and Commerce Under Its Rule Declares E. J. Dillon -Uneducated and Rapacious Following Only.

AHAT the Bolshevist rule in Russia or anywhere else has no future, and is even now nearing its end, is the view confidently expressed by Dr. E. J. Dillon, who for many years has been a recognized authority on Russian affairs. Dr. Dillon lived in Petrograd in the days immediately before the war. He received the degree of Master of Oriental languages at the University of Petrograd and was professor at the University of Kharkoff. He was married to a Russian lady in 1881, has edited more than one Russian journal and has written much on Russian literature and affairs.

Dr. Dillon cannot see an end to the chaos in Russia for some time to come, though he has full faith in Russia's power to endure through her present turmoil and torment and to found a stable government at last.

No Future For Bolshevik

"The Bolshevist governmen't has no future," said Dr. Dillon, "for the simple reason that it is utterly impossible to carry on industry and commerce on the lines on which the Bolshevi work.

"Not 10 per cent of the factories of Russia are working at the present time. Industry is practically at a standstill; that is because under the system of the Bolshevski the factories have been seized by workmen, who have no capital to carry on 'the industries. Of course, many workmen got a great deal of money, but what happened was simply that they took money and used it up on themselves and the things they were interested in or wanted to spend it for, and then there was none left. Economically, it is absolutely impossible for the Bolshevist government and the Bolshevist system of running things to last.

Do Not Represent People

The Bolsheviki do not, of course, represent the Russian people. Their government represents one section of the Russian people, but it is a section that is relatively small. It is a section of people who are uneducated and greedy for money. Their idea never has been equal-Their purpose and their ity. idea have been the sway of one class over the entire community

"Matters are very bad in Russia now, but they are going to be worse," he said. "This is going May, 19

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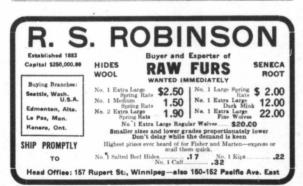
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to be a very terrible winter there. I think there will probably be famine. There are not any harvests.

Land Neglected

"The trouble is," he explained, "that Russia is in such a state of upheaval that men have not planted their usual crops. It is not so much that they cant' as that "they have not thought it worth while as things are now. The man who owns, say, a certain piece of good farming land hasn't the slightest idea how long he is going to continue to own it or how long he is going to be able to work it. The chances are 'that if he goes to the trouble and expense of planting and cultivating it someone will take it from him before he is able to harvest his crops. So he just doesn't do anything with the land. That is what has been happening all over Russia. The land has simply not been tilled."

The Friendly Hand

Having the firm hope that Russia will recover, Dr. Dillon is of the opinion that she must be helped through her difficulties by the friendly powers. This is difficult, he said, and would require the exercise of much tact. In explanation of this statement, he said :

"The Russian is exceedingly sensitive to anything that may seem humiliating. No friendly power could use force with the Russian people. I think the lines on which President Wilson has planned to aid Russia are right and that the United States is peculiarly well situated to render assistance because America, of all the powers, is the only one that cannot be even suspected of territorial aims. With respect to the other powers the Russian peasant is suspicious even where there is no ground for suspicion.'

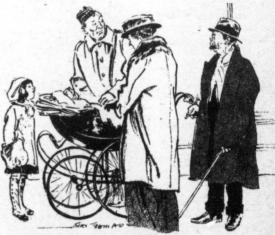
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BILL'S IN TROUBLE

VE got a letter, Parson, from

- my son away out West, An' my ol' heart is heavy as an anvil in my breast.
- To think the boy whose futur' I had once so proudly planned,
- Should wander from the path o' right an' come to sich an end!
- I told him when he left us only 'three short years ago,
- He'd find himself a plowin' in a mighty crooked row—
- He'd miss his father's counsel, an' his mother's prayers, too,
- But he said the farm was hateful, an' he guessed he'd have to go.
- I know that's big temptation for a youngster in the West,
- But I believed our Billy had the courage to resist.
- And when he left I warned him o the ever-waitin' snares,
- That you find like hidden sarpints in life's pathway everywheres.
- But Bill he promised faithful to be keerful, and allowed
- He'd build a reputation that'd make us mighty proud.
- But it seems as how my counsel sort o' faded from his mind,
- An' now the boy's in trouble o' the very wustest kind.
- His letters came so seldom that I somehow sort o' knowed
- That Billy was a trampin' on a mighty rocky road,
- But never once imagined he would bow my head in shame, An' in the dust'û waller his ol'
- daddy's honored name. He writes from out in Denver, an'
- the story's mighty short; I just can't tell his mo'ther; it'll
- crush her poor ol' heart:
- An' so I reckon, Parson, you might break the news to her— Bill's in the Legislatur', but he doesn't say what fur.



Proud Father: "Well, Mac, what do you think of him?" Mac (critically surveying the parent) : "Och! not bad-consecdering!" 19

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And Who Has Saved Us?

"Unto the Noble Army of the Heroic Dead be the Praise, the Glory and the Laurels of the Divine Liberty that Purifies the Earth, the Sea, the Air"

"And who has saved us? Let there be no mistake about that. Under the good providence of God, as the Navy Act has it, the seamen and the soldiers havesaved us. Let us recall the first days of the war. What shall we say, then, of these men who have fought, endured, and suffered, day in and day out, summer and winter, on the sea, on the land, and in the air, all these red years?

"We were better employed considering what we can do for them; and especially what we can do for those whose lot is bitterest, whose pain is heaviest—the prisoners of war."—Morning Post.

T requires the pen of one who has dipped it in sorrow and

who is acquainted with grief to do justice to the memory of the men who died and lived to save the world.

Such a pen is that of Mr. James Douglas, whose heart has been stabled by the Joss of a son. He pays this high tribute to the great company of heroes:

"Unholy is the voice of loud thanksgiving over slaughtered men, and our natural exultation is chastened by the grieving thought of aching hearts and wounded spirits in every war-worn land," he writes in the Star. "We are encompassed in our devoit jubilation by a cloud of heroic witnesses, the gay and gallant dead who are living in their country's breast

"When the young men are taken from the city and from the hamlet the spring goes out of the year.

This Epic of Freedom

"In these dim November days of bated thanksgiving and muted rejoicing our hot, salt tears fall upon the lonely graves of the young men who have given their lives for their country. There is a supreme sanctity in the soldier's supreme sacrifice, and we would gather all the young soldiers into the arms of our compassion and the embrace of our ruth.

"Not unto us, but unto the noble army of the heroic dead be the praise, the glory, and the laurels of the divine liberty that purifies the earth, the sea, and the air. Greater love knoweth no man than the love of the soldier who lays down his life for the unborn generations of mankind.

"And in this epic of freedom let all the unaging martyrs mingle in a serene and sacred comradeship of devotion and duty.

"In the holy kingdom of liberty there is no place for stale rancour or stagnant revenge in the presence of the young knights and paladins who proudly sleep in the calm amnesty of death.

"The generations to be will never know the anguish and the agony of our generation. They will never feel the sorrow of the innumerable mothers and fathers who have died the death with the flesh of their flesh, the bone of their bone, the heart of their heart, the soul of their soul. Theirs will be the harvest of our grief, the reaping of our sorrow.

Their April: Their Spring "Our November will be their April, our autumn will be their spring. For us the fall of the leaves will always be a symbol of glorious youth marching like a bridegroom to the nuptials of death, to the bridal of the grave.

"Gladly one by one they laid down their stainless lives year after year from the red dawns of 1914 to thered sunsets of 1918. Not grudgingly or of necessity did the young men lay their treasure of youth on the shrine of Liberty.

"They were not too curious in their nobility of honor. They were not too fastidious in their heroism of sacrifice.

"Royally they shed their blood, not for our sake, but for the sake of the better ages yet to be. It is fitting that we who for a brief hour stand with bared heads by their sacred graves should prostrate ourselves in lowly gratitude and trembling love.

Their Simplicity

"The world is not worthy of their simplicity.

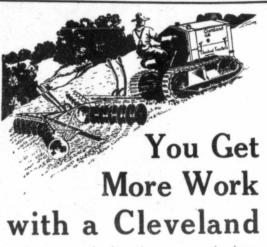
"As we witness the overthrow of haughty cruelty and callous arrogance, the abasement of throade evil and sceptred sin, the crashing downfall of tryants and tyrannies, the huniiliation of the froward, the punishment of the crowned criminal, the judgment of the mighty, let us search our hearts and play for the purification that transcends triumph and outsoars victory.

"The liberty won by the selfless agony of the living dead is not ours to squander in petty selfishness. It is a trust for us and for all men and for all time. Upon us has descended an unparalleled and unmatched miracle. We are the legatees of Heaven, the executors of Providence. Something not ourselves has made for righteousness.

A Spiritual Victory

"This is not a secular but a spiritual victory. The two Marnes and the two Ypres were pale triumphs wrested from sombre defeat, not by mortal but by immortal thews.

"In dust and in ashes let us



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confess that we were led out of disaster by ways that we knew not, and that the pure secret of our undeserved and unearned salvation is eternally locked in the cold young hearts that beat no more with ours and everlastingly hidden in the young eyes that see no more the earthly sun.

"In our grateful humility," concludes Mr. Douglas, "let us clasp hands as brothers, resolved that in the days to be we shall labor together for the sure garnering of the great harvest of liberty and peace in all the sorrow-stricken lands."

"It is a victorious peace," says the Westminster Gazette. "In the blessedness of relief at the task accomplished and the victory won, our hearts go out to-day to the incomparable men who have pursued to the end, in fair weather and foul, through the slime and horror of the trenches. the chill of the zero hour, the hazards of going forward, the misery of going back-all this day by day for four years and more, without loss of heart and faith, or unwavering belief in the blackest hour that the end would justify all. Above all, we think of the dead who have given their lives in the greatest cause that ever bound men together, and of those whose only consolation is pride in their sacrifice."

The Wrecks of the War

"With very deep gratitude in our hearts we heard the great news, and first of all our memories were of the fallen and of all we owed them," says Lieut.-Col. Repington in the Morning Post. "That debt we can never repay, but the sacred trust remains to us of stinting nothing to honor and provide for the wrecks of the war, and then for the glorious fighting men for whom nothing must be spared to enable them to know how deep is our affection for and our gratitude to them.

"It is our fleets and flotillas upon the seas and our wonderful Armies in all theatres that have won this triumph, and have, as ever of old, been the firmest and the greatest in the last quarter of an hour. We must charge the Government to insure that no hero wants, and no man but finds ample provision for himself and his dependents until he is once more installed in civil employment."

All They Had They Gave

"In this day of rejoicing there will be one thought present in every heart and home — the thought of the dead who won for us this victory by their sacrifice, and now lie 'dark to the triumph which they died to gain,'" says the Daily Mail.

"Only the eloquence of a Pericles could do justice to their fame and make some payment of

the immense debt which humanity owes them-they who 'when the shock of battle came chose rather

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to suffer to the utmost than to win life by weakness, and giving their lives to their country received each for his own memory praise that will never die.'

"The bravest and best are under the soil in France. The redeemed land holds its redeemers. The spring has gone out of our year with the loss of that 'swift and joyful generation' which welcomed the call and obeyed."

Proudly they gathered, rank on rank to war,

As who had heard God's message from afar;

All they had hoped for, all they had they gave

To save Mankind — themselves they scorned to save.

OUR COMRADE JOHN BULL

(E. S. Martin, Editor of Life in Philadelphia Ledger.)

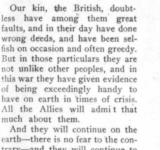
(We make no apology for reprinting this hearty appreciation. Every Canadian citizen who is worth his salt will nail its substance to his memory or carry it in his hat day in and day out.— Ed.).

E VERYBODY in the war gets more bouquets than John Bull, yet but for John there wouldn't be any war. It would have been over long ago and Germany would be busy with the details of her appropriation of Europe.

John Bull has saved civiliza-on. We call it that, though tion. civilization is a tough product, and would have survived Kultur, just as it survived Attila and the successors of Mahomet and all the conquering hordes that swept over Europe. Belgium saved civilization when her body blocked the road to France as in history a woman's arm, 'that for a moment barred a door, saved a fugitive prince, France saved civilization by her sacrifices, and her military competence and her heroism. Russia saved it by her drive into East Prussia. Italy has helped in her turn, and now Uncle Sam has brought indispensable aid and fresh strength 'to the great cause.

But Uncle Sam can come and bring his help because from the first day of the war Britannia has ruled the wave and made the seas passable for all the Allies.

And consider the 'troops John Bull has raised and trained and sent and the treasure he has poured out, and the war material he has poured in, and the ships he has built against U-boat destruction. What a tale of fortitude, of devotion of all the immense resources of a great Empire to a great cause!



trary-and they will continue to be a strong people. But they will come out of the war with strength depleted by immense sacrifices of blood and treasure and trade and all means of temporal resuscitation; justified in character, glorified by achievement, but in need of nursing.

So will France, so will Belgium, so will every nation that has been long in the thick of the fight; but because Great Britain in the past has been so strong and so rich, there may be danger of a less generous disposition toward her than toward the others, and of less solicitude to bind up her wounds and repair her losses. There will be a feeling that she can take care of herself and so she will. But that should not be the attitude of these States toward her. To us she has been a great bulwark against the most dangerous enemy that has threatened our place in this hemisphere since we started as an independent nation. We owe her friendliness; a kindness born of sacrifices in the same struggle and of identity of general aims for the reconstruction of the world. We shall be her rivals in trade but we should be generous and considerate rivals, careful not to build up prosperity at cost of hers; helpful as to a people that shares with us a great duty of world reconstruction and reorganization. The rivalry between Uncle Sam and John Bull should be a rivalry in good works, and so, please God! it will be.

CARE OF BROOD MARE

ET the brood mare live as near a normal life as possible. Given a sufficient amount of mixed, wholesome ood, such as oats, bran, corn, alfalfa, prairie hay, oat straw, cornfodder, carrots, rutabagas, she will balance the ration. Allow no valuable mare to be pampered, for those that have the freedom of all out of doors and live on nature's pastures go through the ordeal of pregnancy and parturition with the least inconvenience and danger. Regular exercise is absolutely necessary; an energetic high-life animal will take enough exercise if turned out for several hours each day. For those not so



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ambitious forced exercise is necessary; place in harness every day Avoid all for several hours. severe exertion and injuries as far as possible. Each pregnant mare deserves a stall to herself. As the period of parturition approaches

watch condition of bowels closely and reduce the diet, remove the mare from the work horse stable (which is a hot-bed of disease microbes) ; if possible place her in a clean, disinfected stable, with an abundance of sunshine, fresh air

and clean straw. Keep the mare and stable scrupulously clean at this time, have her well groomed each day, no dirt on belly, flanks or legs, and wash with good disinfectant, especially the udder before allowing the young to nurse.

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Pure Air in the Barn

HE business of a scientifically correct ventilation

system is to provide a constant supply of pure air. With special reference to cattle barns, a system that falls short of making and keeping the inside air practically as pure as the outside atmosphere, may be a "system," but it is not ventilation.

Because a barn is cold it is not to be supposed that it is well ventilated, nor is it necessary that a well ventilated barn should be cold. With an effective system, the barn or stable may be kept comfortable all the time and still with the air pure and free from odors.

Some think that the opening of the hay chutes provides proper ventilation. While this may effect a sufficient change of air in the stable, it does it at the expense of ever, not difficult with most old barns to install a satisfactory system of ventilation.

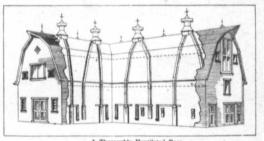
What is Required

The only practical way in which oxygen can be brought to the cow's nostrils and foul air removed is by correct ventilation. and this requires:

1. That there be a continuous change of air in the stable, so that at no time there be too much air that has been once breathed. Authorities set 31/2 per cent of air once breated as the limit.

2. There must be no stagnant spots of foul air at any place in the stable; the pure air must be thoroughly diffused throughout the barn, supplying fresh air to each and every cow.

3. This complete change of air and its thorough diffusion throughout the barn must be ac-



A Thoroughly Ventilated Barn (Courtesy of Canadian Lightning Arrester & Electrical Co., Brandon)

moving all of the warmest air. which is at the ceiling. Another objection is that the

warmer air of the stable coming in contact with the cold air in the hay-mow condenses the moisture. The moisture and some of the foul elements of the air from the stable are deposited on the hay, and is again fed to the cows.

If any cow in the herd has tuberculosis, this may be a very serious matter. The germs of tuberculosis and other diseases have no power of locomotion themselves, but are readily carried on particles of dust. With the right method of ventilation these particles of dust, carrying the disease germs, would be conveyed through the out-take flues out of the barn and into the open air and sunlight, where they quickly perish.

If the air with its load of germ-carrying dust is taken into the hay-mow, much of the dust with the germs of tuberculosis and other diseases will be deposited in the hay, and being again fed to the cows may have disastrous results in the spreading of disease.

To provide the immense amount of fresh air required by the cows in the barn, careful provision should be made when planning and building a barn. It is, how-

heat and makes the barn cold, re- complished without excessive loss of heat.

4. No harmful drafts should strike the cows.

The principles of ventilation proven necessary by scientific investigators in past years are made use of.

Warm air and moist air rises. The foul air is ordinarily removed from the barn at the floor through one or more out-take flues, the principal reason for so doing being to prevent undue loss of heat, as the kindling of a fire in the stove starts a draft that gradually becomes strong.

This movement is also assisted to some extent by the wind blowing across the top of the out-take, just as a chimney has a stronger draft when the wind is blowing hard. However, if dependence is placed on the difference in temperature between the air in the stable and that out of doors, the system will not always work satisfactorily in the warmer weather.

Systems have been developed to increase the air movement and make more certain the uniform operation of the ventilating system. This is accomplished by taking full advantage of the power of the wind, creating a suction that exerts a powerful pull on the air in the out-take flue.

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engineer, as well as tests in actual use in dairy barns, have proven that with this principle in ventilators, 30 to 65 per cent better ventilation is secured as compared with the old wooden cupola and the ordinary ventilators on the market.

Although it is usually desirable to remove foul air from the floor level in order to conserve the heat, it is sometimes found that this method fails to remove enough of the moisture.

That moist air rises is evidenced by the fact that steam, which is air. 100 per cent saturated with moisture, always rises. The moisture in a barn will, therefore, tend to collect at the ceiling.

An opening it' the out-take flue should be provided at the ceiling to remove this moisture on days when it is excessive, this opening to be the same size as the opening at the floor, and provided with a slide that it may be opened or closed as conditions may require. This opening at the ceiling may also be used to remove the warm air in warm weather.

The Intakes

Every foot of foul air removed from the stable will, of course, be at once replaced by an equal amount of fresh air. This fresh air enters at the ceiling through intakes in the walls of the stable, the inlets of which in the outside of the wall are located about halfway between floor and ceiling. The purpose of this is to "trap" the heat within the stable. The warm air, being lighter than cold, cannot get out through the intake flues.

The air at the ceiling being warmest, the fresh air is gradually warmed as it descends. Where the cows face out, air enters from the side wall near the ceiling; where the cow faces in, the air is brought to the centre of the barn and enters the stable through the ceiling.

Thus the fresh air always reaches the cows' noses before passing over the gutter, the intakes being so located that the foul air is drawn out from the rear of the cows.

We are indebted to the Canadian Lighting Arrestor and Electrical Company of Brandon for the illustration appearing at top.

The barn represented has been completely equipped with their "Townsley System" of ventilation (which can be followed in the etching), and is one of the most effective and least expensive installations in use to-day. It has the endorsation of many experts and experienced stock-breeders, and is now widely known throughout Western Canada.

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FREDERICK ROBINSON PASSES ON

T is with profound sorrow that we announce to the trade the death of Frederick Robinson. director and former vice-president of the J. I. Case Threshing Machine Co., Inc., of Racine, Wis. Mr. Robinson passed away at his home in Racine on April 22, 1919. He was born in Kenosha, Wis., Nov. 15, 1862. He was reared in his native city, where he attended the public schools and later graduated from Lake Forest University.



THE LATE FREDERICK ROBINSON Director and Former Vice-President J. I. Case Threshing Machine Co.

The first position that he held was as office man in the office of the National Vehicle Company of Racine. In 1887 he went to Denver, Colo., where he engaged in the structural iron industry for several years.

In 1896 he returned to Racine and became purchasing agent of the I. I. Case Threshing Machine Company. In 1898 he was one of the purchasers of the entire stock of the company and was elected vice-president and general manager.

In 1914 he retired as vice-president, but remained on the board of directors and took an active interest in the affairs of the company.

Few men in Wisconsin possessed a more keen business mind than Mr. Robinson. He began at the bottom of the ladder and by his own industry, frugality and judicious investments accumulated a fortune. He was a public-spirited and progressive citizen.

"Do you mean to say," said Wemyss, "that you have never discovered a redeeming feature in an habitual criminal?" "Yes, I "Yes, I did once," admitted Briggs. "Ah, I knew it!" cried Wemyss, triumphantly. "No one is all bad. What was it? Love of home? Kindness to animals? Love of children?" "No," came the uncompromising reply; "it was a pawnticket."



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PASSING OF WILLIAM BROWNING

N the death of William Browning, for many years domestic sales manager of the International Harvester Co., a great gap has been opened in a circle of friendship which was literally world-wide in the ranks of the farm implement industry.



and his capacity for helpful friendship endeared him to all who were privileged to know him. His career dates from 1875 when he entered the service of what was then known as C. H. & L. J. McCormick at their agency in-Chillicothe, Missouri. Ten years later he became general ragent for the McCormick Harvesting Machine Co. at Warren, Ohio. In 1907 he became assistant manager of the Harvester Co.'s domestic sales department, and in 1910 was

promoted to the position of manager.

The death of William Browning is a severe blow to the Harvester Company. In these days of cooperation of friendship between companies, all benefit from the influence of a great man. We be-lieve William Browning's closing words to-day would be the same as he uttered in 1916-"I wish good health and happiness to all, and say that I am still with you in spirit."

SOME ESSENTIALS OF TRACTOR CARE AND OPERATION Continued from page 18

enough for any part. They go over the machine in the morning and then pound along until night. The time for greasing up depends upon the part to be greased. As a general rule it is better to oil sparingly and often rather than to oil amply at irregular times.

Gears in particular require frequent oiling if used in exposed places. One tractor designer built a tractor with a gear and transmission oiler driven by the tractor drive. In many ways this was an excellent plan for the traction parts were oiled regularly when the tractor was used.

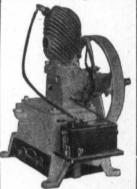
With some of the latter types it is only necessary to keep the gear chamber filled. This is a decided improvement over some of the old machines, which has all gears and oiling devices open to

But regular lubrication in only sufficient quantities to preserve an oil film is the thing, regardless of the type of machine. This is of course done perfectly by an automatic oiler. The newer models have them. It would in many cases pay the owners of older



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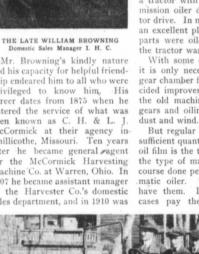


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The best plan is to leave an au-tomatic oiler set just as it leaves the factory, unless absolutely certain that a change is needed. So long as pistons and bearings have a good oil film without waste of oil there is little need to change a lubricator. I have known some operators to get into trouble by cutting the oil supply so close that it plugged up on cool mornings and caused trouble. It is better to waste a bit of oil than to injure a bearing by lack of oil.

Most tractor men will agree that more harm is done by scant lubri cation than is done by an excess of oil.

So if an operator will be at all careful about adjusting and tightening parts and at the same time keep the machine well oiled, he will have but little trouble. Careful, patient inspection of the tractor and the removal of the cause of a knock or groan may take a bit of time, but both will pay big in the long run.

Keep the Tractor Working

The real secret of success with a tractor is keeping the tractor everlastingly at it. Some capable mechanics are poor tractor operators because they do not keep the tractor at work. Others fail because they overload, while some men cannot make the tractor pay because they do not put a load large enough for real efficient work. Others, too, lose time by trying to plow ground too wet in which the tractor gets mired.

The best results in the field work will be had when a regular schedule is followed. If the tractor is looked over and the tanks are filled at regular intervals, but little time need be spent waiting for fuel, water and oil.

Careful Operation

When plowing or pulling a heavy load one must be careful not to slip the drive wheels until he gets in deep. Neither is it a good plan to slam in clutches and start loads by jerking them. It is also well to hitch to prevent as much side draft as possible. As a rule a fairly long hitch makes casier handling. In soft ground particularly a short hitch puts too much load on the drivers.

Tractors used at road work are strained and require very careful attention. The best operators unhitch from the road machines and pull them out with chains or cable in case they get in a bad piece of roadway. In many cases, too, road machines with 'a steering device are used, so that the tractor can be hitched long and kept up on the firmer footing.

Belt work is the easiest part of the tractor work. Only by experience can an operator tell when the belt is just right for tension. In backing into the belt one should remember always that the tight



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side of a belt runs to the centre. Hence in backing in, the front end of the tractor must be steered or turned whenever the belt runs off the pulley.

In general, nothing helps in tractor operation as does just good, common sense. If any sound or action of the tractor is not understood, shut down and find what it is. Above all things, give the tractor at least a part of the time for care that the care of the number of horses it replaces would require. Then keep it moving with a good load.

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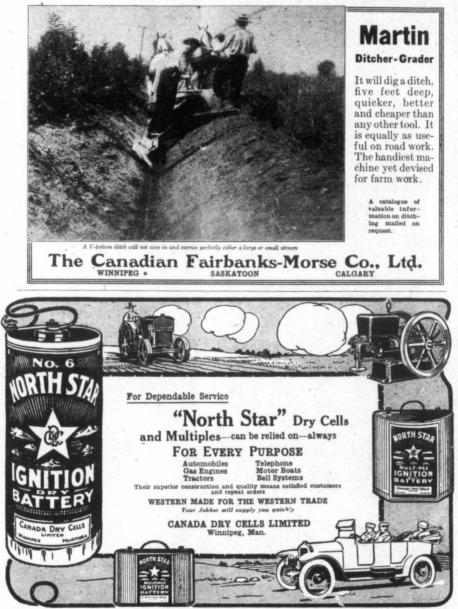
"What's become of Jakes?" "He's gone all to pieces."

"You don't say so. Nervous prostration?

"No; he looked for a gas leak with a lighted candle."



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The Returned Soldier

A RE the young men of Canada being weaned from the land?

Do the farmers and farmers' sons who went overseas at the call of duty view the proposals of the Government to establish them on the land with that degree of favor which promises a general response?

An article in an American magazine was based on the assumption that nothing was farther from the mind of the average soldier farmer, who is coming back after four years of warfare to engage in peaceful pursuits, than 'to follow agriculture as a permanent vocation. It was said that when the article was written more than 50,000 men had returned to Canada and—

returned to Canada and— "it is admitted that the project (i.e., land settlement), thus far, at any rate, is a failure... The Ottawa government some time ago published a statement that 300 soliders had taken up land in the West, to each of whom \$2,500 had been advanced. On the other hand it appears that of 150 soliders who had formerly been engaged on farms in Alberta only three could be persuaded to return to agricultural life, and it is to be feared that this is a typical case." In short, "when the returned soldier appeared, having in his possession a permanent discharge from military service, his response to those considerate and philanthropic efforts was 'Nothing doing!"

An investigation of the facts reveals that up to the end of February the Federal Soldiers' Settlement Board had approved loans amounting to \$1,668,105 to 1218 returned men who had taken up homestead lands. In February the Government, by Orderin-Council, increased the powers of the Soldiers' Settlement Board to permit of the granting of loans for the purchase of improved or unoccupied lands in older settleMay, '19

ments, and to equip such farms; and in the two succeeding months the applications from returned men have been so numerous as to make heavy demands on the organization in practically all the provinces of the Dominion, especially in the provinces of the Great West.

From February 10 to April 19, since the new foan provisions came into effect, 4225 veterans have been approved by the Agricultural Qualification Committees of British Columbia, Saskatchewan, Alberta and Manitoba.

At the present moment the provincial offices of the Board are receiving hundreds of new applications weekly, and the officers are working day and night in order to keep abreast of the demands for land loans.

This would seem to be an effective answer to the statement that the returned men---many of whom are farmers and farmers' sons---are refusing the opportunity thus presented of reestablishing themselves on the land.

Far from admitting the Federal Government scheme to be a failure those who have knowledge of the situation express the confident opinion that it is a pronounced success. Not all the returned young men who left the farm will go back to it. There are constant changes. The lure of the city is strong for many, and it did not need a war to start a movement to the big towns and the bright lights.

But the fact seems to be—and it is proven by the reports of the Agricultural Qualification Committees—that not only are many farmers and farmers' sons who left the farms to enlist going back to the land, but many others who were born on the farm, but moved to the city before the wan, are gladly embracing the opportunity of receiving substantial



Scene.-Cologne-Present Day "Gie ye chocolate! Gie ye chocolate! D'ye think I've been bobbin' up and doon in front o' yer auld man for four years just tae come here and gie ye chôcelate"? May, '19

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pulley, by which any undue lackness of the belt is taken up. As few engines are equipped with in idler the one here described will be found very simple.

The idler drum consists of a ylinder of hard wood slightly inger than the width of the belt

and of nearly the same diameter. The bearing consists of a piece of pipe the same length as the drum, driven through a hole in the exact center of the drum and making a tight fit. Two metal disks are screwed to the ends of the drum forming rims as shown in the accompanying sketch.

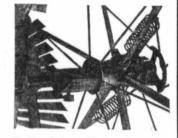
The supporting bracket is constructed of piping in the shape illustrated, using ordinary fittings for the purpose. One end of the bracket makes a running fit through the bearing in the drum, which is held in place upon it by means of washers and capped end of shaft. The top end of the bracket should be threaded loosely into a flange. The flange should then be mounted on a vertical support of some kind which will allow the idler itself to rest upon the driving belt and the bracket to incline at a considerable angle as shown in the end view.

Next, sufficient tension should be applied to the idler by means of a light spiral spring or weight fastened to the cap on shaft. When the engine is not in use the tension should be released, otherwise the belt will be subject to constant stretching.

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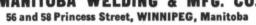
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An Immense Canadian Seed Exchange

THERE is really nothing to gape at in the hallucination that to see great things and big things one must get away from the home town, from one's own familiar environment, whatever it is in size or character.

That has always been a universal peculiarity of the human, and the great Teacher but expressed a world-old maxim when He said that "A prophet is not without honor save in his own country."

Brandon, Manitoba, is probably like every other community in the fact that it has taken time and a lot of deliberation to awake to the fact that it houses among other considerable things one of the very largest and most completely equipped seed distributing organizations in North America; and Brandon is by no means a sleepy town.

The ordinary citizen had been accustomed for a number of years to admire the handsome structure of reinforced concrete, the city's largest and finest building, but he had little idea of what was going on inside.

The Board of Trade, however, with the public-spirited object of giving the citizens some faint idea of this unsuspected hive of industry which had been rapidly expanding under their very noses, arranged with Mr, McKenzie, president of the A. E. McKenzie Company and founder of the business, to have a public reception on Good Friday.

From Brandon City and from a wide radius on all sides of it, large numbers of interested folks took advantage of the opportunity and poured in from shortly after the noon hour until late in the day. The entire staff was on deck as well as the members of the board of trade and others who knew the geography of the plant for the purpose of directing the visitors and explaining details of the wonderful labor and time saving machinery installed for cleaning, weighing and packing seed, etc.

Specifications in "superficial area" or figures of any kind can give no conception of this splendid seed distributing centre. Its total floor space is roughly two acres, but it's the soul and atmosphere of the place that seizes one.

It is something that has grown like a great oak shooting out its far-flung branches as it felt the need to push outward and upward. It would hardly be possible to duplicate the plant, there are so many provisions made in perfect keeping with 'the fitness of things for the recurring afterthought, dovetailed into a compass that suggests the last word in space economy.

The machinery alone in the building cost somewhere in the neighborhood of \$100,000, but the value of the seed and other stock at the date of inspection must be counted in hundreds of thousands.

The office equipment alone is an amazing tribute to business ingenuity and foresight, even the book-keeping being "done by machinery." Over one thousand varieties of seed are kept in stock, many of them representing immense bulk and value, but so perfect is the stock-keeping system that the balance carried over on each of these is known every hour.

As an instance of what can be done in a brief space, a 2,000bushel delivery of grain from the spur track can be unloaded and elevated to the top of the building, a height of 183 feet, the grain all cleaned and weighed, and the whole operation completed in an hour.

Space is not available for many particulars of surpassing interest; moreover, anything of the kind on paper gives the baldest and altogether inadequate conception of what the McKenzie seed business really means. Its rise and progress is certainly one of the wonders of Western Canada, and it takes no second rank in point of economic importance and value to the West in all that affects its agricultural progress.

Mere commercial instinct does not explain the wonderful success of this great business enterprise (although that has been strongly in evidence all through its career) but "satisfaction to the people" is the keystone of the concern.

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One can't give a cast-iron guarantee with seeds, but the McKenzie Company does the very next thing to providing that security. There is no precaution that can be taken which is neglected, so that everything that comes in is individually tested before it goes out, and where a doubtful situation arises, the customer always has the benefit of the doubt.

Good seed is at the foundation of all success in growing things, and any institution that specializes in judging good seed, in finding it or growing it, is one of the greatest bulwarks of Western life, because the West hangs by the seed and the soil. To this extent the McKenzie Seed Company has earned the confidence and regard of the public it appeals to, and because it carries the load of responsibility and risk that it does, there is probably not a single gardening enthusiast or grain grower who will grudge it all it can carry in material reward.

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LOCATING AND PREVENT-ING TROUBLES IN THE TRACTOR IGNITION SYSTEM

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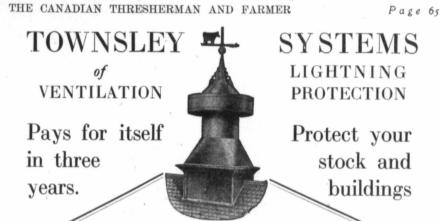
a center punch mark on the flanges of the driving coupling so that the magneto can be put back in exactly the same relation to the driving shaft as before removal, otherwise the engine will be out of time, and even if it should run, a lot of fuel may be wasted besides lacking power. The operator must be very careful when lubricating the magneto to only use two drops of clean thin oil to each bearing every morning.

Avoid wrapping canvas and cloth around the magneto to protect it from rain. Most magnetos are designed to be weather proof, and the tractor manufacturer generally gives them additional protections as well. A heavy canvas or cloth cover will be a detriment, because it will get soaking wet and hold the moisture in contact with the magneto a long time after the rain has gone. If some protection seems to be necessary, waterproof leather cover may be used, but it should be removed when the weather is dry, because these sometimes absorb moisture and rust the magneto.

The best insurance against ignition is cleanliness, and, if magneto, wiring and spark plugs are kept reasonably clean, the wiring arranged so it does not rub or fray against any part, the magneto given a little oil every morning, then, unless there is some accident, ignition troubles will be a thing of the past.

Laugh and the world laughs with you, Weep and you weep alone;

For this brave old earth must borrow its mirth, But has trouble enough of its own. —Ella Wheeler Wilcox.



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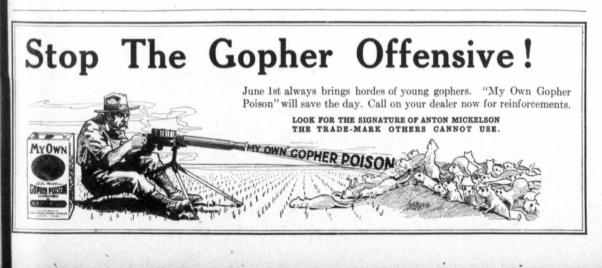
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Come, East, in radiant glory

Come, East, in radiant giory, Come, Voice, with richest song! Come, Truth, and bring your story When void to life took form.

Beauty is the bride of morning, When youthful mind is bent to right,

When youthful mind is bent to fight, So fruits sublime, in time performing With martial glory in their might. Come, Love and Joy and Peace abound-

Come, Faith, with all your careful testing,

Come, Good, with gentle new surround-

ing, And march in triumph to your resting

The above poem is rich in the ex-pression of a mind saturated with the treasures of nature, a mind of broad culture and unusual knowledge of litera-ture. We drug our brains so much with material ambitions that our vision is deadened to these wonderful pictures at our front door. And when one with spiritual enthusiasm paints a picture like this we pause and lament at our narrow-ness of vision.

ness of vision. Have I gone out on a morning such as described above and thought: "Life is full of gloom and ugliness—I'm dis-couraged." Is not this lack of apprecia-tion of the beautiful suggestions of life's lessons about us a form of mental and spiritual profanity? We are grateful for the wonderful picture given us by the author of this poem "Beauty."

The Mint Where Gold of Character Is Coined By P. R. H.

➡HE convention of the Manitoba Educational Association recently

THE convention of the Manitoba Educational Association recently held in Winnipeg was without doubt the best ever held in the Province. Many outside people were greatly helped because the program was broad and well handled by authorities on every subject on the program. In the first place it is a splendid satis-faction to know that we have as Minister of Education a man broader than polities and personal ambition. Dr. Thornton stands sincerely for an educational earn-paign that will develop a better Canada. His outline for real progress emphasizes the value of educational training as necessary to real and lasting national the value of educational training as necessary to real and lasting national power. We mothers who are so vitally interested in the welfare of our children realize the importance of Dr. Thornton's programme in promoting educational development in the province. We find in our experience with boys and girls and men and women who desecrate the law that the cause is not so much due to birth as to unfit training and unwholesome social conditions in their environment.

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their environment. The year before us is one of great doubt and uncertainty in almost every direction, and one fact is clear, our schools have a great and most important schools have a great and most important task before them to combat the insidual evil of Bolshevism by teaching the principles of good citizenship, in season and out of season, as they have never been taught before, and by giving every child a good understanding of the English language and Canadian ideals. In teaching citizenship there should be a real health crusade which in rural communities can best centre in the schools. It is not enough to teach grammar and spelling, we must teach our children to

love the beauty of the English language. They must reverence it. Slang profanes They must reverence it. Slarg profaces our beautiful English language. Let us teach them early some of our

cla One time when I was teaching I an One time when I was teaching I an-nounced to the superintendent that I was going to have a class of young children study "The Lady of the Lake." He asked me if I were insane. I replied, "Examine my mental condition at the end of three months when we shall have finished rending "The Lady of the Lake.'" We studied the beautiful language in Scott's wonderful poem, we takked about it, we sang it, we travelled in our imagina-tion to picturesque Scotland. We learned to love the Lady of the Lake. One morning the dullest I dai nt he class was absent, and when he returned he asked me to tell him the part he had missed.

vividly the pictures taught me when a young child, the stomach with its sores caused by intemperance and the lungs wasted away through lack of fresh air. Children who are healthy, well educated and soundly trained will keep our country sets for democracy. Imagenerations

safe for democracy. Ignorance produces

An even democracy. Ignorance produces chaos. Nellie L. McClung says: "The people will rule but if we are to have a safe democracy the people must be educated, intelligent, spiritually minded citizens." Education is the solution of this present unrest. Crime is the feverish pulse beat of a body sick mentally and spiritually. The awarding of medals in memory of our heroes is worth encouragement in our schools. For example, the Alan McLeod medal in the Stonewall school was recently won by Miss Jean Booth in an oratorical contest.



A Charming Combination: Canada's capabilities in raising fine children and fine cabbage

Then the children wanted more of Scott. All well regulated Scotch families are brought up on Scott. Let some of the rest of us take advantage of the same mental tonic. It is a patriotic tonic. Yes, Scott is a patriotic tonic. I would rather have my children read one good book ten times than ne wishy washy books once. Last week I saw in one of our book departments a whole table devoted to L. T. Meade's books. What a erime to the girls! There is nothing to the stories. The characters are spineless. I have found that girls who serve terms in the detention home Then the children wanted more of Scott

are spinciess. I have found that girls who serve terms in the detention home like to read the L. T. Meade books. Is that reference not enough? The tragedy of wasted time spent in such reading?

Robinson Crusoe is a story children

Robinson Crusce is a story children need, it is a good story and zever grows old, and the language is real English. I have wondered why hygiene is not taught to the children. There are books and charts so helpful in picturing con-trasts of the healthy and diseased parts of the body and their causes. I remember

The medal was presented by Dr. and Mrs. McLeod in memory of their son, Lieut. Alan A. McLeod, V.C. Major Newcombe said in his address before the Manitoba Educational As-sociation that the whole future of the schools depended upon the attitude of the public sentiment. Dr. Thornton said: "In pre-war days the greatness of Canada was measured by those who would advertise her, in fine

by those who would advertise her, in fine wheat lands, timber areas, mines and water-power—now her wealth was esti-mated in the calibre of her men who went to war and her women who nursed overseas and her women who met bravely and without complaint the war burdens and pestilence at home!

and pestilence at home! The splendid hero spirit was not confined to the men who came from the great centres or the finest schools, said the speaker, but belonged in equal proportion to the men who had been boys in the one-roomed schools of the pioner districts. It was the spirit which the schools had bred into these hads which in the one-roomed need to see is spilled into Dr. Thornton hoped to see instilled into

the boys and girls fof this generation. The greatest task before the country is the development of the Canadian citizen. the development of the Canadian ettizen. They should learn as the Romans of old had learned what it means to be 'free born.' For them had been bought with the sacrifice of the blood of heroes and the anguish of women and children the heritage of being 'free-born' eitizens.''

I, wish we had space for a more com-lete review of the splendid convention The speakers were sincere, convincing and interesting. The teachers seemed eager for information that would help them in their noble work and they were not disappointed.

Perhaps no session was more interest-ing than that held by the teachers of the foreign communities. The very atmos-phere was charged with spirit and enthusiasm. Anyone present felt that "Life is real, life is earnest." This splendid patriotic movement was started by our Minister of Education, Dr. Thornton, and he and Mr. Ira Stratton have directed the work with splendid results. A wondorful evidence of their work is manifested by the sincere loyalty of their teachers. The fine harmony among them is very pronounced. Mrs. Rose Hambly read a very remarkable paper. There were no theories or flights of imagination. It was practical and the Perhaps no session was more interest paper. paper. There were no theories or mights of imagination. It was practical and the result of actual experience. She left her own comfortable home to do her bit for her country in a foreign com-munity canadian from the tiny tot who goes home to sing "O Canada" and "Data Data and the forther when Rule Britannia," to the father who attends night school to learn the true value of Canadian citizenship. The mother, too, feels her influence for she mother, too, feels her influence for she learns to create a Canadian home like the model of the little school cottage where Mrs. Hambly lives, and where the mothers go to learn to sew and cook and to take care of their babies. A la Canadian. There was nothing mechanical or dry on the program in that session. It was alive with human interest and accom-plishment.

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I am thankful our H. E. S. is planning to help these noble teachers who, in the same spirit of our soldiers, are sacrificing personal interests in the great work for our country, and let us women do every-thing in our power to catch the vision of the great mission of this movement. The successful school must be the com-munity centre, the sacred temple of Canadian ideals. Let every community see to it that no ignorant person lives in their midet. the i midst.

their midst. Dr. Foght in his address said there in ot in Denmark a single illiterate perso-less than 75 years old. Dr. Foght i referring to the history of Denmark said "Great tracts of forests had been wantonly used up. The land windsweig-and arid had become 'waste." The peopl of Denmark had some 150 years ago been beough a devastating war and wear through a devastating war and we bowed under a huge war debt. Leader had risen up and demanded revision had risen up and demanded revision of the school system as the only way to put Denmark on her feet again. Their advice had been followed with the result that Denmark is to-day recognized as the world's greatest scientific agricultural nation. This had been made possible through giving Denmark the 'best rural advent greaters in the world'. This nation. This had been made possible through giving Denmark the 'best rural school system had for its fundamental principle to teach the people—beginning with the children of six years old—how to make the land, honor it, to produce much from it and to manufacture the raw material produced on it. "The folk schools which are found everywhere throughout the rural dis-

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tricts, develop not only men skilled in the science of farming and women skilled in housewifery," said the speaker, "but they make "thinkers."

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they make 'thinkers.'" Let us, then, do everything in our power to stimulate the atmosphere of our schools with true Canadian principles. Our soldiers are coming back from their noble conquest over all that tramples down the rights of humanity, and they've brought back with them a vision of life bigger than creed and class. They understand the meaning of real religion, they have answered the question, "Am spiritual pen dipped in the best blood of Canada. What is your part and mine in this great educational movement, this mint where the gold of character is formed?

A TIP

Johnnie (to new visitor)-"So you are

Joinnie (to new visitor)-"So you are my grandma, are you?" Grandmother--"Yes, Johnnie, I'm your grandma on your father's side." Johnnie-"Well, you're on the wrong side; you'll find that out."

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W. J. Meacham, treasurer, District W.C.T.U., 749 Westminster Avenue, Winnipeg

It might interest our readers to know that a group of business girls volunteer their services every Sunday to serve as waitresses at the hut where the W.C.T.U. furnish the drinks free.

Mother's Corner DAUGHTER mine, whose future

() J is my prayer, May thou be richly blessed with just of care

Sufficient to enable and refine The character the sweetness that is thine May purity and love in thee abide,

Patience and gentleness, whate'er betide, That, tho' thy path may lead through woe or weal

Thy children can look up to thee and feel Thou has been ever noble, just and good, A perfect flower of glorious womanhood."

Our Baby Contest

Our Baby Contest H OW many mothers will send in the grans of age? A prize of \$25 is for third. Your letter on the care of your little one may save the lives of ten babies. A mother of a sick baby asked magazines that contained the letters from mothers in our last contest. She said: "I remember some of the letters, and if could read them again I might be able to save my baby." We are con-ducting this contest in the interest of child welfare. Let every mother who reads this help by her experience. There are many young mothers who are in-experienced. Send all letters and photos to my private address, which is 983 Grosvenor Ave., Winnipe. P. R. H.

This is the month of Mother's Day. Let us read the old poem.

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betide With truth for my creed, and God for my

guide; She taught me to lisp my earliest prayer, As I knelt beside that old arm-chair.

Sunday Evening

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MOTHERS' LETTERS

MOTHERS' LETTERS Dear Madam:— I saw your ad. in The Canadian Thresh-erman and Farmer asking for a picture and card of baby, so I thought I would try my luck, and also give you my ex-perience with him. He is my first baby. He was born on Dec. 3rd, 1917, and weighed 71½ pounds, he was strong. I nursed him and he gained in strength and flesh right along, and when one month old he began to have gas pains, I gave him peppermit in a little water in a bottle. I also gave him eatnip tea, which is very good, it is also good for a cold if given in the start. I gave warm water in a bottle, always boiled water, he took two or three a day. I think water is a bottle, always boiled water, he took two or three a day. I think water is very good, I gave him his put at night I just gave him a sponge. When he was four months old I started the bread twice with boiling water, draining it off each time, then put on milk and a little sugar. Scalding it makes it easier to digest. makes it easier to digest.

He had his first two teeth the first week of the six month. As I was not very strong I had to wean baby, so I started when he was six months old. I gave him cow's milk (fresh) boiled water, half and half on the start and a little sugar. I gave him the bottle in the day time and nursed him nights. I had him all weaned off the breast by seven months. He also had a very bad goose grease and turpentine rubbed on his chest and back. This is very good when it is a real bad cold, and linseed oil and turpentine is good to take inward for tripentine is good to take inward for coughs and colds, and Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil is very good for sore throat and cold. He also had a bad attack of eczema and I used a skin and scalp



Baby Earl Ellis Stinson

Baby Earl Ellis Stinson prescription called D.D.D. Ordinary Strength, which eured his eczema. I have told you all about baby up to seven months and three weeks old. That is how old he is in this picture, and I have not got a late one of him. He weighed 21 pounds when picture was taken. I do not know how much he measured around chest, or his height, bay he was in a healthy condition. I tayave him Baby's Own Tablets when he was cutting tecth. I hope you will be about the useful to to-day. His height is 30 inches, chest measurement 215 ji nches, without clothes on, weight 25 pounds. He has twelve tecth. He waked when he was 13 months old. I had him weaned of the bottle at 10 months old. His name is Earl Ellis stinson. Mrs. Roy S. Stinson

Mrs. Roy S. Stinson

Dear Pearl Richmond Hamilton:

Dear Pearl Richmond Hamilton:— Seeing the little article you gave us in February Thresherman asking letters from mothers, I shall try and give what may help other mothers from my experi-ence in caring for my own offspring. At birth the child was apparendly strong and normal in every way, but a bably specialist in Toronto with whom I communicated later, warned me to beware for her circulation was very weak. You who understand what that means realize how easy the little life could have been snuffed out. Again, in a



SALESMANSHIP "This duck scraggy, Mum! Why, the last customer wot come into this shop says to me, she says, 'And 'ow much is that goose ?'"

contest I had her entered in some few months later, Professor Farmer classed her as of "decidedly superior physique and mentality, quick, sensitive, impres-sionable, affectionate and independent, musical talent." In a letter direct to myself, however, he, too, spoke of the weak circulation, but seemed pleased to imply there was no danger but she would develop into the tower of strength she is to-day if I would continue my fresh air system with her. There was no surprise for me in the warning as to weak circulation, the only wonder was ant she was as strong as she

There was no surprise for me in the warning as to weak circulation, the only wonder was that she was as strong as she was, considering I had been a sufferer with hip trouble ever since a horseback accident that befel me in 1909, but I had deter-mined for all that not to go down to my grave childless, nor having one to let it die. So even when too weak to lift die or bathe her every day I gave her an abundance of fresh air, sleep and all the nourishment she could assimilate. A glorious reward was mine, so it seemed to me, the girlie never was ailing, never had a colic pain, croup or minor ailments so many babes suffer, and steadily gained until in her second summer a wave of infantile paralysis passed over us. Some dozen babies within the radius of our acquaintance died, and another we knew well left cruelly crippled. I was not frightened when mine was



Bertha Maria MacFadyen at eighteen months

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a child near the age of mine, who when the same summer were stricken the same way, not only resorted to drugs and doctor, but were more than treble the time in recovering strength.





asked for drink. One great lesson I then learned is never give an alling child anything in the way of food or drink unless the child requests it. Every time anyone did she would spew up and cry with the first day her passages were but a green slime and very, very offensive, but by that time the next day they had de-creased in frequency from every few minutes to nearly normal, and by the third day was able to sit up and move about a little though very weak for the next couple of days after. Within a fortnight, however, she had entirely make special note of her good recovery because my two near neighbors had each

Bertha MacFadyen at 4 years with her faithful pal

At hirth this girlie weighed 814 pounds and at 6 weeks had increased to 13 pounds. At birth she was 22 inches in height with broad shoulders and full chest. At 22 months we had her entered in a baby contest by the terms of which each child had to be examined by a doctor and his written report filed. Those reports were a source of wonder to many in their full-ness of datail, for each member of the child's body must needs be examined and reported on in detail from the con-dition of the scalp to the tote nails. I was thinking the examination of the tote nails far fetched, but the doctor explained to me that any tendency toward tuberculosis in a child first manifests

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itself there. After he had the child stripped for that examination and I saw the details of the report I realized that by just such examinations may a parent was undoubtedly being made aware of any defects that might exist in their babies and act in time. At that time mine weighed 27½ pounds, chest circumference 22 inches, height 241½ inches, circumference of head 131½ inches. At present, five years old, she weighs about 50 pounds or a little over. She has not been on the sceles since autumn when she weighed 47 pounds, but am sure she has guined considerably since. She stands 40 inches in heeless slippers, chest 36 inches, taken tightly over clothes. clothes.

Mrs. Agatha MacFadyen.

Bagot P. O., Man. Feb. 1st, 1919

Dear Mrs. Hamilton:---I see where you are starting another baby contest. I am going to enter this one

My little girl was 17 months old when My little grif was 17 months of when this photo was taken. She is now three years and three months. When she was born she weighed just 3 pounds. She was premature. She was alwage breast fed until she was 10 months old, when I weaned her. She never had the bottle after I weaned her. For breakfast she



Baby Norma Trotter (whose Brave Daddy was Killed in Action in the Great War)

had porridge and milk at 8 a.m., at 10 a.m. I gave her a cup of milk again and an arrowroot biscuit. For dinner she had a little potatoes with butter and milk and also some bread. For supper just milk and bread and baked apple. Of course, I did not give her the same thing all the time. She also had custard and other light meals.

and other light meals. She was always a healthy baby and very good. I always kept her outdoors as much as possible. After her morning bah I used to put her outside in the sun to sleep. Also in the afternoon in winter as well as summer she slept outside. I always put a hot water bottle at her feet when she was outside sleeping in the winter.

in the winter. Some mothers believe in giving their little ones castor oil all the time. My little girl had just two doese of castor oil in her life. I gave her Baby's Own Tablets when getting her teeth, and al-had no trouble at all getting them. She certainly is a healthy child. Her checks are like roses all the time. She has her afternoon sleep yet, and as soon as she is awake she wants to go outside and play. I believe in children being outside as much as possible. She now weichs 32 pounds, and I

She now weighs 32 pounds, and think she is a well built child for her age and I May, 19

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She is my first and only child, and, of course, I had to study a lot to know how to feed her after I weaned her, but I am glad to say she has got along just fine. Her daddy was killed in this terrible war. He was so proud of his dear little baby girl. Her name is Norma Trotter. Yours, War Widow.



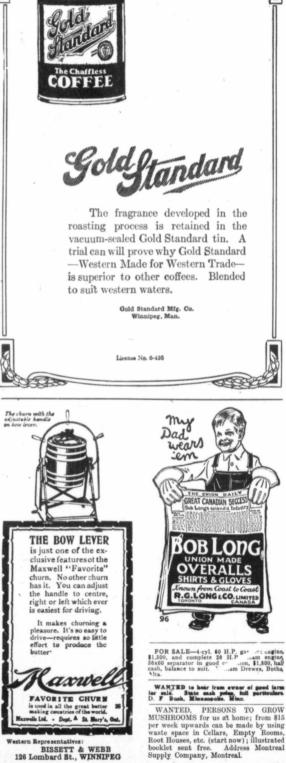
'A Broth of a Boy Frank Russell Wilson at 13 months

WOMAN AND DEMOCRACY

(This article, pregnant with important problems was sent us by one of our Home Economics women).

HAVE often searched our Manitoba papers for some voice in favor of the woman electorate of Canada uniting • woman electorate of Canada uniting and organizing for the purpose of studying their citizenship, and of co-operating (with themselves and with the men) to make it most effective for the welfare of Canada. But I have failed, in my perhaps limited reading, to see one woman express herself in favor of it, and I have read the opinion of leaders who are very used convected to it. So it secone realize express hersen in lavor of it, and 1 mave read the opinion of leaders who are very much opposed to it. So it seems rather grotesque for a simple country woman to take up her pen to defend the newly formed society that is known as the United Women Voters of Canada. This society was originally organized as the "Woman's Party," in Toronto, after an inspiring visit from Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, of England. But the word "party," had a bad flavor, in fact, inferred the very opposite of what the society wished to accomplish, i.e., the defeat of the party spirit, so eits name was changed to the "United Women Voters of Canada." I would like to see this organization thrive and flourish for the following

reasons



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Secondly—I favor the organized wo-man's electorate on account of what it accomplished in the last Imperial elections. There is no doubt in the world that the woman vote of England, world that the woman vote of England, organized under the genius and leader-ship of Mrs. Pankhurst, made that election the unequivocal, overwhelming thing that it was, proclaiming to all the world the defeat of partizanship and Bolshevism. There was no evidence of the women trying to supplant the men, or making friction, or striving even for her own little benefits, when the welfare of the nation was at stake. The icono-clastic window-smashers of pre-war days were one force that gave an easy victory clastic window-smasners of pre-war days were one force that gave an easy victory to the statesmen who piloted England through her disastrous days.

to the statesmen who piloted England through her disastrous days. Thirdly—The organized woman vote of Canada seems the most effective means of preventing political friction' (owing to the advent of the new ele torate) and of aiding our statesmen may the word "politician" soon become effect, to inaugurate reforms that would improve our national life. How can the parties determine the influence of the woman vote unless it is organized into a unit that will demand definite reforms of those running for power? To a true statesman, like David Lloyd George, the certainty that the woman electorate would vote for principle rather than class advancement, must have proved a comfort and safeguard in running his campaign. To a petty politician, striving for power and position, or the advance and promotion of a certain class, nothing would be more repugnant than the knowledge that a strong unit of the electorate would not swing in on these things. Therefore, the party politician eather than have wome cohere and educate themselves, would be swayed by this and that influence to such an extent that sike would outs as a support to his runnig. This, too, suggests the question of the runnig.

runnig. This, too, suggests the question of the freedom of the press. It is an acknow-ledged fact that most of our daily news-papers stand as the political organ of some party or section. Do we find any of them advocating a woman's party? If I am correct in assuming that they do not, why is it? The due in is mode that we should

do not, why is it? The claim is made that we should co-operate politically with the men. They gave us the vote, it is only fair that we throw in our lot, blend our individual-ity, with theirs. This, after hammering and harping away at the political blunders mankind has made from time immemorial. mankind has made from time immemorial. When a man chooses a wife does be count on her so blending her individuality and losing her personality that neither the husband or wife can be distinguished as a factor in the home life. I fancy there would be few marriages if this were the case. It is only after years of struggling and achieving, joying and sorrowing together, that the married folk ripen into similarity in the sunset years of life.

together, that the infried loss register into similarity in the sunset years of life. To carry the analogy further, our national life should be a larger pattern of the ideal home. Home happiness consists in each member of the family, father, mother and even child, realizing his personal responsibility in making the other members of the family happy Too long has mother been the willing slave and drudge of a selfish family, while father finds home a comfortable place in which to sleep and eat. I would reverse this comparison to our state life. Too long has man been bearing the political burden, wielding out a little circle of cleanliness in the room, leaving dirt and dust in the corners and under the furniture and calling his work "well doe." Should he not gladly surrender this broom part time, or better

and under the furniture and calling his work "well done." Should he not gladly surrender this broom part time, or better still provide another broom and hand it over to the woman electorate, providing he knows her to be a capable and altru-istic housekeeper? (Would not an or-ganized and informed electorate represent the desirable housekeeper?) Woman has a true housewifely instinct regarding the hygienic, social and moral condition of our times, and reforms along these lines are admittedly sadly meeded. Then the last and least reason I would urge for a united and organized electorate is what woman can accomplish for her "mistress and maid" problem, and to



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new organization have sold their birthe right as national women leaders to serv-the interests of a particular section? Perhaps you ask how the U.W.V. is to avoid becoming biased by party how is it to transcend provincialism and become the open forum of any elass of Canadian women, rich or poor, employer or employed, cosmopolitan. or isolated, the busy housewife or the woman of large public affairs. It will need trusty leaders, it will need a trusty leader. But it will be just what the women of Canada make it. Is anything too hard for the woman of Canada? The last five years have proved that Canadian women, with her intelligence, ability, her deft and quick sense, her unerring instinct for rightcounses and mercy, has grappled with and conquered situations that she yould have deemed insurmountable in pre-war days. The crisis is just as im-portant now, though it may not append to us so concretely. Are we drightened? Are we downhearted? No! And it now remains with the woman of Canada to guide and direct her new power, to nobly surrender pre-conceived and individual ideas of method, and grasp the principle that will make her voice a loud, melodious, harmonious demand for righteous democracy in our Dominion.

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peg. The "Boys' and Girls' Clubs," of which there are over 200 throughout Manitoba, embracing a membership of 35,000, are under the supervision of the Agricultural

under the supervision of the Agricultural Extension Service. What a wonderful opportunity our boys and girls have in the country! Will the members who read this de-partment write and tell us about their

work? It will help other boys and girls.

Oak River, Man

Jan. 30, 1919. Jan. 30, 1919. Dear Cousin Doris:--Having been reading the letters of your club for quite a while, I thought I would try to be the winner of the two dollars. We have been getting the Canadian Theachemer and getting the Canadian Thresherman and Farmer for some time. Both my father and brother get this book. I go to the Consolidated School of Oak River. I am in grade 7. But the principal

River, 1 am in grade 7. But the principal of our school is going to give us exam-inations at Easter to see if we are fit for grade 8, if I pass I will be trying for my entrance at summer holidays. There are seven vans that bring the children on the farms to school. My father drives number four van. He has been driving the van ever since Consoli dated School

I am thirteen years old, but I am fourthen years old on June 3rd; King George the fifth's birthday. I have four sisters and six brothers. I had two brothers overseas. My one brother returned home overseas, my one brother returned nome a year ago. My other brother was killed in action, on June 2nd, 1917. It nearly happened on my birthday. I wish he was coming home, but I guess not. I have other brothers and sisters dead.

have other brothers and sisters dead. We have about one hundred and fifty pupils in our school. There are four rooms in our school. The names of the teachers are as follows:--Primary room teacher's name is Miss Beggs, who came from Winnipeg at

Primary room teacher's name is Miss Beggs, who came from Winnipeg at Christmas. The intermediate teacher's name is Miss Stewart, who came from Carberry last summer holidays. My teacher's name is Miss Svienbjorason, who came at Christmas time. teacher's name before Christmas Miss Ferguson, of Hamiota. She ta My She taught me over two years. I liked her fine. And the high room teacher's name is Mr. Johannson; he has been here about two years. We have four toboggan slides at years, we have four toopgan marked our school. One for each room. They were just built this winter. One girl broke her wrist on the slides, but it was her own fault. But we are not frightened o slide down the slides. Our school is closed on account of to

Spanish Influenza. It is pretty thick around here. There has been two deaths around here. One was Mr. Waldon, a well-known blacksmith of the district, the well-known Diacksmith of the district, the other was Mrs. Cunningham, a farmer's wife; they live about three miles south of here. They have six children. Mr Cunningham had the flu, and also the children. We all had the flu, but my father and sister. My sister is at Dauph-in. I was in bed a week. There is one boy who had the flu, his name is Melvin Wilson. He had the flu one day and got up and went outsidg in the cold, without a cap on and he tóok a relapse, and is not expected to live. Hoping I will win the prize of two dollars. I remain, your friend, Beatrice Cleaver. P.S.-Excuse writing as I am just over

P.S.—Excuse writing as I am just over the flu, and I am not very strong. I will try to do better next time. -

Vanguard, Sask., Jan. 30, 1919.

Jan. 30, 1010. Dear Cousin Doris.—For some time I have been reading with great interest the prize letters in the "Canadian Thresherman and Farmer," and as I notice two dollars are given each month for the girl or boy who writes the most interesting letter, I am going to give my "life ambition."

I was born and raised on a farm in Ontario-on the outskirts of Owen Sound

Ontario-on the outskirts of Owen Sound (about 3 miles) in the township of Sydenham in the County of Gray. I was two years old when we came west to settle in township ten, west of the third in the district of Vanguard, where I have spent many happy days playing with the gophers, until I was able to go to school. I started when I was six years old, and am in grade three, senior, and expecting to go into grade

I am going to try very hard to be a school teacher or a music teacher. I am

school teacher or a music teacher. I am getting an organ or a piano next fall if our crop is a good one, and I am going to do my best to play the instrument. Last summer, before I went to school, and after coming home, I would get the cows and milk one for two, sometimes. I liked the milking, sometimes, and sometimes I didn't.

sometimes I didn't. We have twenty-eight horses and three little colts, whose names are Beauty, Nell and Nancy. I used to drive to school with one of our work-horses; her name is Lady. Well, I guess I will bring this letter to an end because it is getting longer, and I want to leave room for some other girl. I hope to see mine published, and wishing Cousin Doris all kinds of success. I am, yourg sincerely. Annie McDonald I am, yours sincerely, Annie McDonald (age 111/2).

Senlac, Sask., Feb. 10, 1919. Dear Cousin Doris :-- I have been an interested reader of your page for some time. I saw you were giving a two dollar prize every month for the best letter written to you, so I thought 1

dollar prize every mount letter written to you, so I thought I would try my luck. I go to school, and am in the fifth grade. This year our school won the silver cup at the school fair, and we are very proud of it. The crops out here were not very good that year, what was not dried out was

last year, what was not dried out was frozen, but let us hope there will be a

Irozen, but let us nope there will be a better one this time. When I am old enough I think I would like to be a teacher. I do not think I would ever get tired of teaching. I think I will close now, as my letter is too long already. Your loving cousin, Mary Thomaitea Mary Thwaites. P. S.-Will some one please write to

me?

Coronation, Alta., Feb. 2, 1919.

Feb. 2, 1919. Dear Cousin Doris:—This is the first time I've written to your club, so I thought I would try my luck in earning the \$2, as my greatest ambition is to earn the two dollars, as Madame Swed-burg said.

burg said. Tim going to tell you now what I'm have stayed home and done my chores, and in spare time I carry water for the house, and a few other things. Some boys and girls don't want to do their chores, they would sooner be idle, but why not work and help make your home happy, and when our mother's and father's get old, get a nice home for them. I am writing too much, wishing all good luck. Manfred Martinson, age 18.

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