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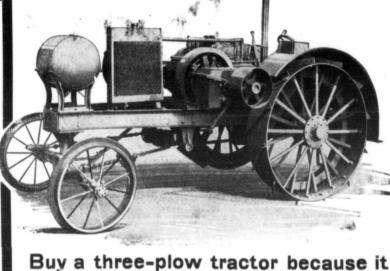
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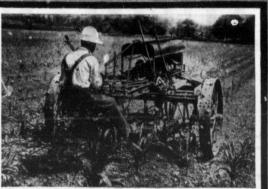




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Harry Designs a Tractor By Geo. P. Pearce ARRY was quite a me-chanic, and had always spent his spare time making things in the workshop he had built next to the barn. He had designed and built many laborsaving devices that enabled his father to operate his 150-acre farm with less trouble and labor than ever before and his father caught the "Make-the-machinery-do-it" spirit, and was always improving his equipment. Naturally the tractor problem came up and many trips were made to various farmers to inspect different makes and types. All kinds of opinions and advice was given by different tractor operators, which, instead of solving the problem, only made it more complicated because each, operator had different ideas and suggestions to make.

Harry and his father talked over the tractor situation many times during the evening discussions, but could come to no decision - some tractors had certain advantages that were lacking in others, but then they themselves were lacking in improvements that the other tractors possessed. Some had a fine engine but would not burn kerosene satisfactorily. Some that burnt kerosene would not make a close turn or the driver was too far from the plow. Others that had these things were not geared high enough for hauling loads to the depot. Thus they argued pro and con and could not decide upon a tractor satisfactory to both.

One day Harry said he had been thinking the whole proposition over and had decided that the only way to get a tractor suitable to their needs was to actually build it and he would start on the design that very evening. His father was a little doubtful about such a large undertaking, but finally was persuaded that it would

only cost a little more to build one and then they would have the "ready-to-order" kind beat half a dozen different ways because it would be just what they wanted.

Three months, slipped along before Harry had his plans perfect, and he now felt that he had a tractor designed that, when built, was going to be 'way ahead of anything on the market.

Harry wanted to start building one at once, to test it out, and if it proved satisfactory he then was anxious to start manufacturing the tractor in quantities, because he said there was a big demand for a good tractor and surely one designed and built by a farmer should be better adapted for the farmers' needs than one designed by some city fellow. His father was more cautious, however, and said that before they ordered the patterns made and machine work started it would be better to let an expert give his opinion on the design; it would not cost much and might save a lot. This seemed to be a good idea, and Harry readily agreed, although he was of opinion that he had thoroughly covered every detail and he could not imagine where any improvement was possible. A few days later Harry and his

father went to a well known tractor expert in the city and asked him to look over the plans and give his opinion on the new type. tractor. The expert first asked if they were going to make more than one, and Harry explained that if it proved satisfactory he was going to build them in quantities

After the expert had looked

over the details for a short time he said: "Well, this is a fairly good tractor and has many novelties about it, but there ought to be many changes and re-design before you start to build even the first one. Look here, for instance, when your tractor is plowing you intend to have the right wheel in the furrow, don't you?"

"Yes, that's the idea, and you will notice I have designed an automatic steering arrangement so it will follow the furrows," said Harry.

"That's all very well, but you have not spaced your wheels right; notice when the wheel is in the furrow and the plow following, that the line of draft comes just so many inches from the furrow and to have the tractor work well it is necessary that the line of draft practically coincides with the line of pull of the tractor, if they do not there is a twist thrown on the tractor, and while it will run under these conditions, still it is not so satisfactory and in soft slippery ground, may pre-vent it from working at ali. You will have to move that wheel in six inches to bring things right."

"I never thought of that, and it is plain enough now since you have called my attention to it," replied Harry.

"Here is another thing. If you draw a line from about where the driver's eye will be down to the front wheel where it is in the furrow, you will notice that it cuts through the cooling hopper and that means that the driver cannot see the wheel in the furrow and so will not be able to steer good. You must either move your engine over or else change the design of that hopper, or you could possibly put the seat about a foot or sixteen inches higher. It would certainly never do to make it as you have designed it."

"That's another one on me, all right," laughed Harry.

"I see you have adopted hopper cooling instead of a radiator; well that cheapens manufacturing some, but upon what data have you designed that hopper?"

"Oh! I didn't see anything at all fine about a hopper, so long as it holds water and covers the cylinder well, what more can it do?"

"Oh, it can do a lot," replied the expert. "That hopper of yours in the first place is much too small; I don't believe you could plow more than half an hour between fillings. You know a tractor is working under practically full load every minute it is plowing, and it will evaporate a large quan-

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tity of water unless it is also cooled by radiation. Now, as you have no radiator, all the cooling that can take place is the radiation from the sides of the hopper and as this is quite small, it will not cool much. Therefore, the heat that is constantly being delivered to the water will cause it to rapidly boil away and as the hopper capacity is small, this will mean frequent fillings which will be unsatisfactory to the farmer. expecially so if he is plowing about a mile or so from the nearest stream. Make that hopper five or six times the capacity and you will improve it in more ways than one. It will have a greater radiating or cooling surface, and, therefore, save water because every heat unit that is radiated from its walls means just that much less steaming. The larger quantity of water will take a longer time to get to the boiling point and during the stops and at noon it will radiate considerable heat, this also increasing the time before it needs refilling. This large hopper will run possibly six hours, in fact it should be made to run six hours, so that it will only need filling in the morning and at noon, the two times when a tractor gets 'the once over.' Here is another point you want to look out for. Notice you only left 3%-in. clearance between cylinder and hopper in the lower part; this is plenty, as long as only water is there, but what do you suppose is going to happen when scale, mud, sand and dead leaves accumulate there? It won't take long to overheat the lower part of the cylinder and distort it. Better leave an inch or an inch and one-half and also be sure to make your hopper so it can be easily scraped all around inside so when scale - forming water is used, which can not be avoided in some localities, there is plenty of room to scrape off all scale as often as necessary.'

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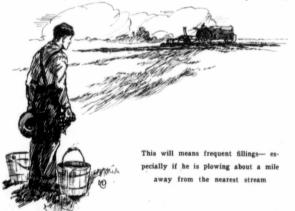
"My, but there is a lot more to a hopper than I had any notion," remarked Harry.

"Your rack and quadrant system of steering has the advantage of being novel, but it is wrong in principle. It turns each wheel through exactly the same angle. which will not do. When you go round a curve the inside front wheel must turn through a greater angle than the outside one; in fact, they must turn so that if lines are drawn as prolongations of the axles of the front wheels and the rear ones, these lines must all meet at one point, and this point will be the center of the circle upon which the tractor is You must design your turning. steering mechanism so that at all positions, right hand or left, the front wheels will automatically turn through different angles, so that each axle is practically a true radial line from the center the tractor is turning upon. The further you get from this design, the harder will it be for the tractor to turn, and power that is consumed dragging a wheel in a different way to which it is he: ded, means just that much power less at the draw bar. You had better spend a few days on another steering device or accept some of the wellthought out designs that are somewhat standard on automobiles and trucks."

"There is a great deal more to designing a tractor than you thought, isn't there, Harry?" remarked his father. The expert smiled and continued:

"Your method of taking the exhaust away from the engine is neat, but I notice you have the exhaust pipe passing under the carbureter. This you will find is very unsatisfactory, because once in a while the carbureter will leak a little and as soon as the fuel drops upon the exhaust pipe, it will catch fire and possibly set the fuel in the carbureter on fire. Your intention to get the exhaust pipe out of the way and incidently warm the carbureter was very good, but in this case the risk is too great and so you had better change this part."

"Well, I am certainly learning





things fast,"acknowledged Harry. "There is one thing I want to ask you, and that is: What is the objection to running the engine 'left hand?' If the engine were to turn that way it would save a pair of gears and simplify things some. If there is no serious objection, I suggest it be changed."

"There is no reason why an engine can not be designed to run one way as well as another, but there is a very serious objection to putting a 'left hand' engine in your tractor, and that is because everyone is used to 'right hand' engines and it would be as awkward as a left hand thread on a machine bolt, so even if i' does complicate the transmission a little, you had far better do that than try to force a 'left hand' engine upon the public.

"Here is another thing you want to look out for. You are running your clutch in oil, which is satisfactory providing it is properly designed, but you have made no provision to stop it rotating when in neutral where it has to be every time you start the tractor. Possibly you think that when you open the clutch and it is disconnected, that it will immediately stop rotating, but such is not the case. The drag caused by the oil revolving with the flywheel is amply sufficient to keep the clutch spinning and as soon as you attempt to shift gears the result will be to wear the gear teeth tips and burr them all up; also it will be very difficult to engage the gears at all. To cure this you will have to put some kind of a brake on the clutch or clutch shaft, so that when the clutch is opened it will press against the brake and stop revolving, allowing the gears to be shifted smoothly and quietly just as it is stopping. There are quite a number of things you should change or improve before you think of building your tractor.

'Your valve mechanism is too

much exposed and will rapidly wear on account of grit and fine dust working in. These parts shorld be well protected with a dust proof cover of some kind. Your exhaust pipe is discharging just underneath the engine and towards the ground; on dry days it will kick up such a dust that the operator will be scarcely able to see or breathe and will use up his energy cussing the tractor and its designer.

"The magneto is in a very poor lace, sticking out in front there. Why every time you run into anything, you will be very liable to damage it and put the tractor out of commission for a week or so. Your engine is mounted too high and it would be very awkward to crank unless the man stood on a box, better arrange to lower it about twelve inches. That rigid seat would jar a man almost to death when running over a hard road, and you have not provided any comfortable place for him to put his feet. If he were at all tall his legs would be all doubled up and he would probably have the cramp in a few hours.

"You have given him no protection against the sun or a sudden shower; add at least an umbrella holder for one of those large canvas umbrellas. It seems as though you have tried to hide every oil hole, for they are in odd places where no one would think of looking for them. If you expect the tractor operator to properly oil everywhere, you must help him to the extent of putting the oil holes in prominent places and then running tubes to where you want them to go. Also be sure and put good practical dust caps over every one.

"You have forgotten to put a good brake on the tractor. How do you expect to stop a tractor on a hill? As soon as you pull your clutch out, the tractor will start down the hill, and if you hap-

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THIS article has been written after a careful study of tractor problems both in the field and on the belt. Numbers of owners have been consulted and information regarding

their results obtained. Also some of the data was obtained from United States Bulletin No. 719. Need of a Tractor for Each

Individual Farm

To-day with so many calls on production we naturally are looking for some means to solve the help problem and at the same time if not to actually increase the acreage at least put in the usual amount. Wagon loads of advice

are being dumped on the farmers in general regarding the dire necessity of greater p r o duction. It reminds one of trying to get the last drop out of a bottle. By carefully tilting it up a few more drops can be obtained. So every time there is a shortage of food stuffs those at the head of other walks in life say, "Well. the farmer must increase his production to meet t h e demand," then lean back and wait. No provision is made to help out that production. Rates on railways may be

increased; help may be scarce; seed may be hard to get; it does not matter, the farmer has been ordered to produce more — a patriotic duty.

Personally I feel as though the farmer is trying his best despite tremendous handicaps. Regardless of advice he has gone ahead in his clear thinking way and worked harder than ever before, not from a mercenary standpoint on the average, but because he felt the call for more foodstuffs to meet the nations' need. One of the things being boomed to-day is more power. Get a tractor. This advice is being given out in nearly every paper. Much of it is being given by people who are in the habit of going around the country in a touring car and watching the other fellow work. Their experi-

By R. WHITEMAN, B.S.A.

ence is gained from seeing some farmer turning over the ground with a tractor. At once they are enthused.

It's great to think of sitting there, nothing to do but just listen to the motor's hum and behold as the sun sinks in the west are after acre of soil has been prepared for the seed. Many of these same men are much like the man with a Ford who after travelling some fourteen miles and finding the car would not go any farthet lifted the hood and behold there they are very rare. So with the purchaser of a gas tractor, the inclination for machinery must be inborn before a success can be made with it. The man driving a team has a number of active brains at work. His own and those of the team, because a horse trained for work performs that work using intelligence in doing so. Your engine is different. It has no brains. The engineer must supply them. Its well being also is entirely in the hands of the operator. gine would work very efficiently or is your place rolling or hilly? On the latter an engine very often must use nearly all its power in pulling itself up steep places.

Many overlook this fact, and buy, say a 3-plow tractor. The land is rolling and the engine is constantly overworked, while the neighbor gets along with less fuel and accomplishes more in a day. A 3-plow outfit on hilly land would be doing well if able to pull two plows day after day. Wet undrained spots on a field also cost money when being plowed by an engine. These are only a few of the things you as an intending purchaser must figure out

carefully befor spending \$1,200 or \$2,000, or more, for increased production on your farm.

Types on Market

Many types are represented to - day: Two -wheel, threewheel, four wheel and caterpillar. All do good work under certain conditions. The two-wheel type is, perhaps, for strictly cultivation work, a s suitable as any. It has a greater range of usefuln e s s because present implements a r e suited to it. The driver sits on the implement,

therefore has his eye constantly on the work being done. It will work in small fields very satisfactorily, and twrns easily in restricted areas. It can also be used for belt work. A very important thing some manufacturers seem to overlook is the belt work required. Farmers today in investing the amount of money in an engine must demand greater accessibility of the belt pulley.

Some engines appear to have been built and then as an afterthought a belt pulley was added any where the main shaft is located. In these times we cannot afford to waste time in securing alignment. One must remember that on a tractor—especially one of the four-cylinder type—runs at a fairly high rate of speed. This *Continued on page 35*

Overhauling his Outfit for the Great Drive was no engine. It had travelled that distance on its reputation. A great deal of this advice is poor —some extremely good—and the trouble one has with no experience of tractor work is to distinguish the tares from the wheat.

Do you need a tractor? Does your system of farming permit of the purchase at present figures, cost of *i*ael, etc? Will it give increased returns over ordinary farm operations without it that will make it pay for itself? If it will then you need a tractor and should not delay in buying one. Have you any mechanical ability? Do you like machinery? Did you ever see a farmer who had no love for horses that were always in the pink of condition and capable of doing their work day after day.

There may be rare cases, but

ficient use of one 4-horse team and not large enough to warrant the keeping of two outfits the small engine should be a paying investment. Where the farm is too large for two outfits and three would be more or less of a loss, a slightly larger engine could be used with good results. The thing to remember is that horses have to be kept anyway. We cannot, as some would have us think, run a farm by mechanical power

On farms too large for the ef-

alone. There are a hundred and one odd uses for the horse that the tractor will never be able to do as

efficiently. Then with these horses on hand they must not be idle for too great a period or even they would be a loss. So we must judge wisely in buying a tractor. Is your farm level where an en-



Try this test for saving the grain -

TAKE a pitchfork full of straw. Pour some grain onto it and into it.

Then lift and shake it up and down. Some grain falls through to the ground.

Next throw the straw down and rake it with the points of the fork. Tear it open —spread it out. More grain falls through than when you merely shook it.

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The common rack with the common shaker agitates the straw—and that's all it does.

The Rumely lifting fingers, together with the shaker, not only agitate the straw—they tear the straw open rake it—beat it from beneath—competing all the grain to

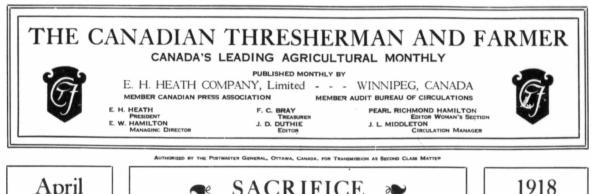
rake it—beat it from beneath—compelling all the grain to fall through the rack onto the grain pan and be saved. And it makes no difference what kind or condition of straw.

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Shaking alone is good as far as it goes. Shaking, raking and beating—as the Rumely Ideal does—is *sure*.

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worthy. They gave all or they staked all they had to give that the line might be held for home, for friends, and for liberty. We have all read the story of their valor in cold, passionless type, but how many of us have verily seen those indomitable spirits as they faced that inundation of

As we sit in our com-

our place with the midnight card party, how dare we measure ourselves with the humblest ranker in that deathless army to wit, that little decimated band of "Buffs," of whom it is written: "Reduced to less than half a company, fightingmarching-and fighting again, their fire dwindled till it finally ceased; and they have not been heard of since!" And all for what? To cover the withdrawal of

What in the name of "sacrifice" are our mean little dribblets compared with the complete immolation of these wonderful men? Are we not of those who conceive that self preservation is the first law of nature, and who also make it the last? How far removed are we from the yellow cur whose thought by day, whose dream by night is the safe-guarding of his life and property? We hate censoriousness, but as we review over our inadequate part in the face of what is being done for us, it does seem as if the "hog" is rampant, wallowing a si is his habit to wallow—glorious and unrestrained, in the swill of his indulgence. Thus far have we drifted from the simple ethics of that Man of Sorrows, who was also the King of Love!

ASTER week of 1918 has passed into history with a record of human sacrifice that has never been matched since the night of Calvary. Not since the Shepherd of Souls gave his life for the flock has the world witnessed such selflessness and heroic devotion as that of those wonderful British lads who died or who courted death for us in that week. Men they were whose names are written in a nation's tears; of whom the world was not pect of "a speedy and righteous peace"

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Is there anything in the average home of Western Canada to indicate that any such thing is taking place as that which is being enacted in Europe at this hour? Is there anything in human meanness that can hold a candle to the shameful interval there is between the plight of the men in the trenches and that of ourselves, squatting in security around the still loaded dining table? Is there anything so damning to the prosas a

whole nation given up to the spending of its splendid income at the sporting tables of debauchery? for even the mildest form of indulgence is debauchery at a time when millions are perishing and the last ounce of sacrifice is needed to save them.

A man was very properly punished the other day for making certain observations

with regard to the conduct of the Canadian soldiers in France. It was a base libel. The man meant well, but he was foolish, and had been misinformed. Had his strictures been directed towards the folks at home, he would have found ample scope for the most splenetic reflections. Here we are ----"dyed in respectability, embalmed in complacency," the very last word in western culture, actually unfit to be left

their comrades, and the scarcely less beloved horse and guns! at large where food is around! The country clamours for Noble fellows! How one longs to look such men in the face, splendid in life, thrice glorified in death! controller with plenary powers is found to be the only means after all others have been tried to enforce common decency in food consumption.

> We have a wholesome regard for the Food Controller, and will obey him to the letter; but our own self-respect must never play second fiddle to the Food Controller. God helping us, it shall be the business of our life to keep that self-respect inviolate. The self-respecting man's chief concern is that he may never discover himself in secret sin. Loyalty to one's one own self is the foundation of all fidelity. "It follows as the night day" that a man who is true to himself is above all law, for he cannot be false to any man. Let us secretly so live that the Food Controller's job will become a sinecure.



The Civilian: "Are we going to win this war?" The Soldier: "That depends more on you than on me, now, my lad."

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WAR TIME IMPORTANCE OF THE TRACTOR

T HE tractor industry has the largest graveyard of monumental failures behind it of any industry that has been established in modern times, but out of it has come success.

The tractor is distinctly a better-farming machine. It is so evidenced by the fact that it is used by a large number of farmers who are not machinery cranks but who are wide awake to the advantages of adopting methods that will enable them to produce better crops and more of them.

I am not out to promote any particular tractor. Tractor in general is to be the center of thought, and what tractors will do to win the war.

I have heard a lot and read some in the way of speculation on what the ultimate tractor is to be. Let us pay no attention to that. We have no time, neither has the farmer. What the world needs is bread and they need it now. Let the ultimate tractor take care of things at the ultimate time.

The man who farms during the year 1918 must pick for his use from the tractors that are now available and there are a lot of them and they will do good work if properly handled and all the farmer has to do is to make his selection wisely, purchase through the local dealer that is in a position to supply him with a machine made by an established and reliable company and who can and who will give him the necessary service and instructions. And here I want to press the idea that it is the farmer who stays at home and farms that must run the tractor and not the young fellow who has gone to war.

For he is the fellow who is really required by Government request to meet the world's food requirements, to double or more than double his output, and in doing so he has got to contend with the shortage of farm labor. His inability to drive and handle more than a limited number of horses makes it necessary for him to turn to mechanical means in performing this work. The tractor is the most important machine, because one man can handle a greater amount of power and accomplish more than double the amount of work in the same length of time, do it with less expense and do it on a character of fuel that will leave the feed necessary to maintain horses available for feeding meat-producing animals and thereby increase the quantity of human food. Neither man nor beast can exist

on the fuel the tractor uses and there are not enough horses in the country to meet the power requirements.

À man with a medium sized tractor and a double row motor cultivator can raise and cultivate more than twice as much corn as the same man could do with horses, and the same equipment will enable the same man to raise three to four times as much small grain.

I claim, the patriotic farmer is the one who sees the advantage of adopting the tractor and utilizing it to meet the country's needs through its crisis and at the same time gets the profits and advantages of early adoption. The proving to be practical and economical; plowing, discing, harrowing, seeding, pulling harvesting and haying machinery; then comes the belt power; running a thresher, a silo filler, a corn sheller, corn shredder, pulling hedge and trees, moving buildings, grading roads and making roadways, pulling ditching machinery, filling ditches, raising buildings, sawing wood, feed grinding and general hauling.

There are many other kinds of work, of course, but the advantages of the tractor are largely due to the fact that the tractor does not get tired, works better in hot weather. The operator is farmer who buys a tractor that is guaranteed to burn kerosene is showing a spirit of patriotism—not only that, but he is showing a streak of wisdom, because gasoline is liable to be needed for the war and may be restricted in its use. There are tractors on the market that are guaranteed to handle kerosene successfully, economically and satisfactorily.

When the farmer makes a purchase of a tractor he should immediately receive the manufac-'turer's instruction book and study it carefully. He should avail himself of the opportunity of attending the tractor schools. Then when his tractor arrives at the railway station, during 'the time it is being delivered to him and run to his farm, it should be carefully handled, watched and studied; no bearings should be allowed to heat; careful examination should be made at short periods to see that everything is running properly; after it is delivered to the farmer, he should continue to familiarize himself with every piece and part, both design of construction and mode of operation. Tractors will stand an overload of 20 to 25 per cent for a few minutes, covering such conditions as plowing through a hard spot, discing over a hill, or pulling a tree or stump. It should not be expected to work at the utmost capacity continuously.

My advice to the beginner in running a tractor is to take it carefully; any unusual sound, knocking, pounding or rattling should be the signal for the wise operator 'to stop and determine what is the matter before causing serious damage to his tractor. The wise operator pays attention to these signals and if he is unable 'to locate and remedy the difficulty, he calls for assistance. for he knows that if he should persist indefinitely he will en-counter serious trouble. If the operator could understand these unusual noises to be the scolding and cussing of the machine because it had an operator who did not understand his business, or was neglecting to tighten up bolts or make adjustments or put some oil in a certain bearing, he would be more prompt to act.

Tractors should not be forced to work a certain way because that work has heretofore been accomplished by horses in such a manner. Do work with a tractor the tractor way. Use care in laying out the field that is to be *Continued on page 38*



The Light Tractor may some day revive the old custom of barn threshing. In this case an Avery 8-16 is supplying the power

farmer who waits until the time arrives when he is forced to buy a tractor is not only losing sight of his own best interests and and greatest opportunities, but is not heeding his country's call for greater food production.

Doing work at the right time is of the greatest importance to the successful farmer.

With the tractor he cannot only plow deeper and cheaper but he can wait until the conditions are most favorable and then rush the work through faster, because he has greater capacity. The average farmer without a tractor is like a factory without sufficient power to run it—it is under powered.

Power is the great requirement to the accomplishment of larger things. The farmer with a good powerful tractor can keep ahead of the seasons in the matter of seeding; he can do all of his heavy work with a tractor, reducing the horses required to a minimum.

I do not wish to be understood as advocating the horseless farm, but there are many kinds of farm work for which the tractor is

enthusiastic and eager to get his work performed, therefore he puts in greater hours in the field with the tractor than he would with horses, because he does not have to do the same amount of work in caring for the tractor as he does caring for horses and then if he wants to he can double the capacity of the tractor by putting on headlights and another man and running it at night during the rush season. This is equal to practically quadrupling the amount of power on the farm, because the horses could not work continuously night and day.

With the price of wheat fixed at \$2.20 a bushel and other farm products soaring at an equally high price, the farmers' ability to buy has been very materially increased. At the present steadily advancing rates of labor cost, the prices of tractors are bound to advance; in fact, they should be sold higher right now and would be were it not for the fact that manufacturers are afraid of each other's competition.

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19 places where sediment damages your engine

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- 6. Crankshaft main bearings
- 7. Crankshaft
- 8. Connecting-rod bearings
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- 10. Valves
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- 13. Camshaft bearings
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- 16. Ignition driveshaft bear-
- ings
- 17. Generator shaft bearings

18. Oil circulating pump aces where 19. Spark plugs sediment damages your engine

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these surfaces is destroyed or excluded by sediment these tiny metal teeth grind together, thus causing friction and wear.

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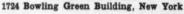
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THE TRACTOR IN WESTERN CANADA

A SPLENDID STORY OF INDUSTRY AND BRAINS High River, Alberta,

Jan. 24, 1918. Dear Sir:

AM using a 12-24 Waterloo Boy Kerosene Tractor. I

purchased same late in the fall of 1916, when I plowed eighty acres in nine days, but did not keep track of the oil or gasoline used. During the winter I used this tractor to drive a 12 inch, low down Manitoba Grinder, with elevator running from bin to grinder, and one from grinder to wagon, and did quite a lot of custom grinding.

The use of kerosene and oil varied very much, as it all depends on the condition of the grain. I have ground as much as forty bushels of oats on a gallon of kerosene, and again I have used as high as three gallons for the same amount. Some grain might be dry while some might be wet and full of snow and ice.

In the spring of 1917 I plowed two hundred acres, using a La Crosse three bottom 14 inch light engine Gang. I also packed and harrowed in one operation 320 acres, using a 22 wheel, I.H.C. packer and a three-section lever harrow attached behind the packer. The complete work took 526 gallons of kerosene at 19c. a gallon, 80 gallons of gasoline at 32c. per gallon, 25 pounds of hard oil at 11c. per pound, 14 gallons of machine oil at 35c. per gallon and 32 gallons kerosene tractor cylinder oil at 62c. per gallon. \$155.00 covers expenses for same.

There was also \$45.00 for repair, caused through my own neglect. The actual cost for all these operations was considerably less than \$1.00 per acre. We began working on the land April 7th and finished May 19th. I worked with the tractor myself, and had one man with a fourhorse team to do the discing and seeding.

Without the tractor it would not have been possible to do the work, as the year before I used one four-horse team and one fivehorse team, and put in only 249 acres, and we had better weather conditions in 1916 than we had in 1917. I had put some electric lights on the tractor, and in good weather I worked the tractor eighteen hours every other day, just stopping long enough to eat my meals and take oil.

In the summer of 1917 I broke up 50 acres of my own land, using a two-bottom 14 in. breaker gang, averaging about five acres a day, and using 2½ gallons of kerosene per acre. I also The following letters are in response to our request for actual experience in handling the tractor. They are entirely unedited—except as to punctuation, and are given as they reach us. We reproduce them whether the testimony is favourable or otherwise and believe that nothing printed in these pages can be of greater interest and value to the Western farmer.—Ed.

broke up 19 acres for a neighbor, which he could not do with horses, as it was too hilly, stony and dry.

In the fall I threshed 720 acres, 320 acres for myself and 400 acres for a neighbor, he furnishing a 22-36 Red River Special separator and I furnished the engine. We used three bundle teams, one pitcher in the field, and I ran the engine and separator. It costs us about \$160.00 for kerosene, oil, etc., not counting wages for help. Even allowing standard wages for the help, outfit. Plowed 100 acres stubble for summer-fallow 6-7in. deep; 12 acres per day, about 10 hours, used 30 gallons gasoline per day, or $2\frac{1}{2}$ gallons per acre.

Plowed 140 acres stubble in the fall $4\frac{1}{2}$ in. deep, with harrow trailing at 12 acres per day, $2\frac{1}{2}$ gallons gasoline per acre, gas engine oil about one pint per acre, lubricating oil about half pint.

Cost of plowing about \$1.50 per acre, including wages, but depreciation not included; no repairs needed. I have done no other work with it.



The real mechanic regards his machine with a feeling of affection

it did not cost us half of what the custom outfits charged.

After threshing this fall I plowed 140 acres, then I put the engine in the grinding shop.

My land is a light, sandy loam, hilly and very stony. If I did not have a tractor, I would not care to farm this land. Even if the tractor is a bother and a trouble sometimes, by just using common sense, it is, not only a good investment but also a money maker, and a very sorely needed labor saver. I am enclosing some photos, the only ones I have left.

Yours very truly, F. K. Schmitt.

JUST FILLS THE BILL

Piche, Sask., Feb. 6, 1918. Dear Sir:

M Y tractor is a Case 20-40, fuel gasoline; used for threshing and as an auxiliary to the horses for plowing.

Plow is a Case-Sattley, fourbottom power lift-a one-man Threshing cost a little under 8

cents a bushel for wheat, including all outlays and 3 cents for oats. This does not include cooking nor depreciation.

Practically no time was lost through stoppages, either threshing or plowing.

I think the tractor is just about right for the purpose I have in view; 'that is, to have the summer-fallow turned over quickly at the proper time.

You cannot keep enough horses to accomplish this satisfactorily with out being overstocked with them. I have tried it for years, and was always behind with the work, until I got the tractor. It just fills the bill.

A tractor to haul less than four plows is not very much of a labor-saving device, as the one man is still needed, while a larger one on a larger farm would still be a greater saver of labor.

My land is all clay loam of a medium consistency, but was very hard and dry last season, both in summer and fall, almost too hard for horses. Yours respectfully,

John Elder.

AN UNQUALIFIED SUCCESS UNDER KEEN TEST

Strassburg, Sask.

A S one who has had some experience in power plowing, I trust the following may be of some help to those who anticipate the purchase of a machine.

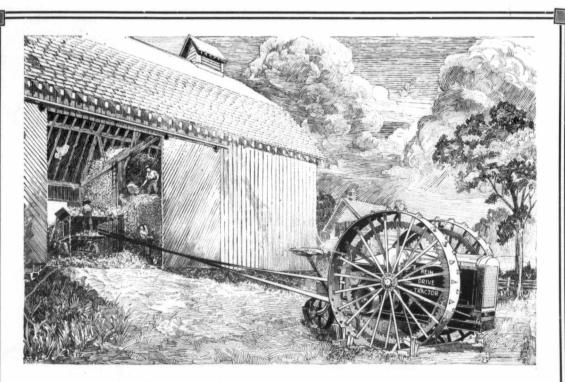
I have always had a preference (when speaking of the engine) for one of four cylinders, as I feel that this is the nearest approach to a steady power, similar to that delivered by a steam tractor. My ideal of a general purpose farm engine is this, first, engine four cylinder, automobile type, kerosene burner, radiator cooled, four wheel, and not to be heavier than 5,000 lbs.

And talking of the wheels, here is a matter which is often overlooked, or not known of at all, that the front wheels should be tall and not over wide in the tire; this is very important when one has to turn upon newly plowed land, as a smaller wheel would at once bury itself. This was my own experience only last year, and is very annoying. I think a wheel about 42in. x 5in. tire is best for the front.

Of course, as tractors go today, there are very few that are not economical to a certain degree, while others are even more so, and just here we have the most important thing from the farmer's point of view, and for an example I will describe our own working cost last fall on a 30 are field.

Our tractor is a Huber light four, 12-24 h.p. kerosene burner, and in my opinion one of the best light tractors on the market to-It pulled a 3-bottom 14 day. inches high lift, self lift, P. & O. plow, at a depth of seven inches, up hill and down (and there were some pretty stiff ones at that), at a speed of 21/2 miles an hour. using the following amounts of fuel, etc., to the acre: Coal oil, 11/2 gallons, 33c. worth; lubricating cylinder oil, 1/2 pint, 6c., and grease too small a quantity to mention, while gasoline 1 quart was ample for starting and stopping during a whole day. I also used 1 quart of water each midday for cooling purposes.

Thus you see that the cost was about 40c. per acre, generally speaking. Anyway, what I paid for fuels, etc., for the 30 acres was just \$17.12. I feel bound to say



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With a great and increasing shortage of help, it is imperative that one

man be able to operate your tractor and the machinery he is using under all conditions. If one man is needed to operate the tractor and another the binder, no saving in man-power is effected.

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that if I had been working on level land the cost would have been very much lower than this, but at the time I worked under very adverse conditions, the land being very dry and partly frozen up. I plowed as late in the fall as November 12th, which is unusual for this part of Saskatchewan.

Then, again, the nature of our soil does not conduce to the best of plowing, as it is a heavy chocolate clay loam, with considerable stone, which this fall was sticky on top, while at the bottom of the furrow slice it was hard and dry. This did not prevent me from doing a fairly good job, even though I was interrupted all the time by slough holes and short runs.

You have asked me for my opinion of the farm tractor as an implement, to assist in greater production, and I have absolutely no hesitation in saying that given the right type of engine, it will prove itself invaluable, and in the hands of a man who can take an interest in it, and who will give it ordinary care, will go far to help in producing and marketing grain, upon such a scale, as he could not possibly attempt with horses in the present time of labor difficulties.

To further illus'trate its allround possibilities, I may say that I have already obtained the permission of two elevator companies for this fall, which will enable me to haul 2 100 bushel tanks (one at a time) right on to the scale, without any outside assistance whatever.

As I wish only to speak of the engine which I am at present operating, I am unable to answer your questions regarding harrowing, discing, etc., although I shall be doing these things this spring, and no doubt just as cheaply. anticipate no trouble in turning upon the land, even under load, not at any rate with this particu-

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lar tractor, as I have demonstrated this many times while pulling loads, to interested farmers from far and near, all of whom were doubtful regarding this very point, as also in support of my theory of the tall front wheel.

In closing, let me say, though I do not want it to appear that I am prejudiced in favor of this particular tractor. But that this engine has, at any rate, filled a long-felt want right on this farm, and has filled it better than our most sanguinary hopes.

Very sincerely yours, Valentine Gwatkin.

ble, broke 73 acres, and plowed 50 acres that had once been broken, but had gone back to grass. The stubble was all plowed to a depth of six inches or more and about 80 acres of it was harrowed at the same time.

We pulled the five plows, followed by one section of harrow, which was supplied with an extension made of 2x4 scantling, and supplied with 8-inch spikes, to enable us to cover the swath of the plows.

Pulling the harrow behind the plows was an experiment we never tried until late, but found it to work entirely satisfactorily.



"We have handled it alone without any previous experience"

TRACTOR HOLDS A VITAL PLACE IN PRODUCTION Prospy, Alta., Feb. 6, 1918.

Dear Sir: UR tractor is a 15-30 Rumely, 1917 model. It

has regular equipment and 10-inch extension rims, and pulls five 14-inch Rumely gang plows in stubble and four in breaking. It was delivered on May 8,

1917. The agen't gave us about six hours' demonstration in handling it, since when we have handled it entirely alone and without any previous experience with tractors of any kind.

We plowed 317 acres of stub-

It is our experience that where there are no weeds one man can handle the outfit of engine, plows and harrow, in stubble ground, practically as well as two, and can plow and harrow one acre per hour with the above outfit.

In breaking, it is almost necessary to have a man on 'the plows, as they often catch a rock between the plow and colter and skip a long, unbroken strip before it is noticed by the tractioneer.

Breaking was done at a depth of from four to five inches. In plowing, the 440 acres we used 45 gallons cylinder oil, 35 gallons cooling oil, and about 50 gallons



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hard oil. No record was kept of the fuel oil, which was kerosene. We used about one quart of gasoline per day for starting.

In plowing and harrowing 90 acres, I used 286 gallons of kerosene, which is a little less than 3.2 gallons per acre, and would be a fair average on our clay loam. In breaking, about 20 per cent more fuel is used, as it apparently pulls four breakers with the same ease as it does five stubble plows and a harrow.

Most of this plowing was in heavy clay loam. The best time made was 271/2 measured acres plowed in two days of 14 hours each. This included time used in filling with fuel, and all stops. I had a man on the plows these two days.

We have done no other work except to move granaries; for such we find the tractor ideal.

This is the extent of my experience. But I believe the tractor holds a vital place in Canada's programme of production, and expects to enlarge upon my equipment and 'try out further experiments as early as possible. I enclose a photograph of the

tractor and plows. Very truly yours,

J. B. Hunter.

A BRIGHT BOY MAKES A FINE RECORD

Gilbert Plains, Jan. 30, 1918. AM enclosing two pictures

of my boy, not quite 16 years, when doing the plowing with my 12-24 Waterloo Boy Tractor. Last spring he plowed for me on my own place. I did not much notice what he was doing, any

more than I could see I would not have got through my seeding if

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plow. It was dry, stiff and hilly land. Could only do about 10 acres a day. He not only did breaking, but pulled the trees out too, the plow being a Massey-Harris 22-inch breaker.

I thresh with a Geizer Separator, 24-32 self-feeder and blower -thresh 1,000 bushel oats a day and 500 to 600 bushels of wheat on about the same quantity of fuel. Crushing grain-30 bags of A BIG SUCCESS AND A BOY DID IT Grainger, Alta., Jan. 23rd, 1918.

Dear Sir: Y tractor is a 18x36 H.P.

Aultman-Taylor Gas and Oil Tractor.

I have used it for plowing, moving buildings and for 'threshing.

In plowing, I use the Cockshutt, carrying seven plows in

"He not only did breaking but pulled the trees out too"

oats in a hour and 25 bags of barley in the hour with very little fuel.

The boy takes entire charge of the engine and it is really a great saving on the horses, and they are able to be doing something else while the engine is working.

I have the opinion that a farmer needs one on every farm, more so just now, as help is scarce. The machine doesn't mind working at noon, but the horses must have their time for feed, and only those who don't know when a horse has done enough work think of keeping their animals going after 6 o'clock in the evening.

Altogether, my boy plowed



"It was dry, stiff, hilly land"

it had not been for the tractor and four plows, the latter (14 in. Lacrosse) purchased from the grain growers.

After he had finished he took the tractor with the four plows and plowed 25 acres for a neighbor in two days-10 hours a day. He used for the two days 36 gallons of coal oil, 1 gallon gasoline and 1 gallon cylinder oil for the 25 acres. The picture where he has the tractor he has three plows; it took longer, of course, to about 200 acres spring and fall; some was timothy sod three plows and broke 25 acres.

Yours truly, Alfred Taylor.

SHO-ER "Women," declared the quiet little man in the corner seat, "endure pain more heroically than men. I know it by experience." "Are you a doctor, may I ask?" queried fellow passenger. "No, sir. I am a shoemaker."

stubble, and five in sod. The soil is not very heavy, neither is it too light, about medium, of a chocolate color. I plow about six or seven inches deep, an average of twenty acres per day in s'tubble. I use about one and one-third gallons of kerosene per acre, and about a quarter of a gallon of lubricating oil. In using gasoline it requires about one and one-quarter gallons per acre.

I move all my granaries with the tractor. I moved one 12x16-8 with 'three hundred bushels' of oats in it, and she was traveling right along.

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GOOD WORK AND GOOD SPEED AT VARYING DEPTH

Rapid City, Manitoba. Dear Sir:

A T your request I would venture to send you what small experience we have had with our tractor. Being a Scotchman from a good farming district in that country and coming the ten years ago, and seeing the slipshod methods of working the land practised around here (bound to end in failure), we had to turn our attention to some new method, and I hope the tractor will solve the problem.



"We failed in every attempt with the horses. It just turned over in chunks"

We farm one section, owning one-half and renting the other half. I have two sons, and for years they have been reading and studying everything they could get a hold of concerning tractors. We got the new outfit about September 1st, 1917, consisting of a 10-20 Titan Tractor and a 20-38 Goodison Separator, with selffeeder, high bagger and wind stacker, and a three-bottom 14-in. P. and O. Plow. Of course, it was too late for that when we got it, but we worked the plows successfully in the fall.

Our first work was threshing, which gave us no trouble whatever, as the engine had plenty of power.

Then we started plowing. The field we were plowing had lain for four years in timothy for pasture. In 1916 I plowed it three inches deep and took a grain crop off, but a lot of timothy came up again, so I was going to summer-fallow in 1917, but with the dry season, and the sub-surface being so hard we failed in every attempt we made with the It just turned over in horses. chunks. Then the tractor came on 'the scene, and that field seems to be just the right sort of land for it, good hard footing. We



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tried it at varying depths of six, seven, eight and nine inches, and it seemed to make very little difference in the speed. The hard-pan was at four or five inches, the depth at which it had always been plowed before, but we set it to eight inches for the balance of the field, twen'ty acres, and got a fine mould on top and a finer seed bed one could not wish. We seeded it to winter rye.

After we got through threshing, we started into a forty acres field of stubble, and were doing



"Every one present that day was highly satisfied"

good work. Some of our neighbors were anxious to see it working, so we set a day for them to come. I also sent to the I.H.C. of Brandon 'to send an expert. Mr. Robson of that company turned up in the morning. He is a good hand to coach a boy with a tractor. When in a fix he doesn't try to run the thing, but shows the boy how to get out of the trouble. Well the ground was in fine shape for a trial, and in the forenoon it was run at depths from six to eight inches. In the afternoon an acre was measured off and the fuel measured and the plows set to six inches depth. It plowed the acre in one hour with a few inches on one side over, on two and a half gallons of kerosene at 18c. per gallon. One gallon of lubricating oil lasts around eight hours.

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> Yours truly, JOHN A. SCOTT.

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Our land here is just a medium heavy black soil, with very few stones. Everyone present that day was highly satisfied with the work done. The headlands were just about the same width as we used for horses and the 'tractor plowed them, also going closer to the fence that you could possibly go with horses.

After we had put it away for the season another neighbor who had been late in getting through threshing wanted to see it working. There had been a very hard frost that morning, too hard to plow, but the sun was strong and by two o'clock in the afternoon the ground was just mucky on the surface, in half an hour my son started, but only went once around. The lugs on the drive wheels got bunged up, and he could not get up 'the speed. We got a good lesson never to start after frost. We plowed after a rain during threshing time and it went all right.

We have not had 'the outfit long enough to have results yet, but indications point to its being a very useful implement. As far as I know this is the only oneman outfit around here, so I had no chance of seeing one at work, but intending buyers should try to see one at actual farm work, where they will see the farm boy running it. While at the Fancy Fair Demonstrations they are all run by experts, and it is a matter that we have to think well over for prices are very high and still going up.

Yours very truly, Alex. Blake.

BETTER AND CHEAPER THAN STEAM

A Careful Survey of Good Work

Carman Man., Jan. 28th, 1918. Dear Sir

RECEIVED your letter requesting me to give my opinion of the tractor on the farm, so I will give you my findings, as I keep close track of everything in connection with the tractor as to the cost of work done by same.

My tractor is a 25-50 Nichols & Shepard Oil Gas Tractor. I find it excellent power for both threshing and plowing. This is all I have done with it as yet, but I think plowing can be done with the 'tractor cheaper and better than can be done with horses, especially hard, dry, heavy land, as the engine gang is much heavier than the horse plow, and the tractor has lots of power and the plows being heavy they stay in the ground better than the horse plow.

For summer-fallowing in the hot summer you can use your tractor and let your mares with short.

Now as to the cost of plowing, the amount plowed per day, the number of plows pulled per day and the make of plows; would say, my plow is a Cockshutt eight furrow, and I pull eight in stubble and six in breaking. Our land is very heavy. We plow twenty acres per day in stubble to a depth of four inches on two and a half gallons of kerosene per acre. In breaking we plow fifteen acres per day on three and a half gallons of kerosene per acre and two gallons of gas engine oil per day.

In threshing I drive a 36-60 Waterloo Separator with my 25-

50 Oil Gas Tractor, and use fortyfive gallons of kerosene per day. I also have a steam threshing outfit, but I find my gas ou'tfit is much the better as far as convenience goes as we get away from scarce and bad water, the tank team with man to drive them, coal hauling. Or if we burn straw, 'then another man for firing, not mentioning having to burn wet straw lots of times, and do not have to wait for steam nor keep so many men, as one good man will run both ends of the gas outfit. In my estimation the gas engine is the best both for plowing and threshing.

I have owned and operated steam engines for threshing for twenty years, and steam plowed for ten years, but I would rather have the gas engine. It is more

convenient and cheaper. I think the tractor as a farm implement is doing its bit, and fills a place in Canada's programme of production, that is the large and medium sizes, say, the 30-60, 25-50 and 15-30. I think the 25-50 or the 15-30 are the best, as they are not so heavy as the 30-60, and can do more work with less man power.

Then with the two or three plow tractor, one man can run a 15-30 and draw five or six plows just as well as he can one of the two or three plow tractors, and for the same wages, and the 15-30 will run a much larger separator in threshing time with the same man power it takes to run an 8-16 or a 10-20, and the extra cost is not much, as I find 'the small tractor is very dear for its rating.



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their colts out in the pasture. When fall plowing starts you can soon turn over a lot of land in a very short time, and time is as a general thing in this country, very April, 18

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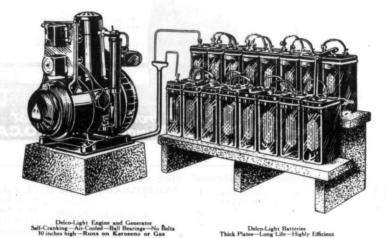
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Then, again, the small tractor is just as hard to keep in repair or adjustment as the larger one, and this is just where I think the small tractor is going to fall down as most farmers are not practical engineers, and their 8-16 or 10-20 tractor won't do enough to afford to pay a good engineer his wages as will the large or medium - sized tractor. Consequently the small tractor will be in the hands of the impractical men as a rule, and it will run for a short time, until it gets out of order, then there will be trouble as most men that are running them can't keep them up.

However, the small tractor will do what it was made to do, and is a good machine if in good hands.

Yours truly,

G. H. Carther.

PLOWING A SWAMP IN GOOD STYLE

Box 172, Melfort, Sask., Feb. 4, 1918.

Dear Sir: A S to my engine, the "Happy Farmer," a 12-24, which I purchased last fall, I think it a very good investment for the average farmer who has a half section or more.

I plowed and threshed with her last fall, pulling three fourteeninch bottom plows and a section of harrows, at the depth of six to eight inches, doing two things at once with one man. She is very simple to operate and self guiding.

My plows are the Case make, and the engine will guide herself, so the man can look after the plows and harrows. This engine burns coal oil to perfection, plowing from 10 to 15 acres a day on about 10 gallons of coal oil and a gallon of lubricating oil. I also threshed with her and she did good work with a 24-46 inch separator in wheat, oats and barley.

Enclosed find a photo of the "Happy Farmer" plowing through a slough which has not been plowed for two years.

Yours truly, Geo. Ellis and Bro. CO DILLE DE LO DE LO DE LE DE LE

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Rosetown, Sask., Jan. 26, 1918. Dear Sir:

I N reply to your letter will say I own an Aultman-Taylor Gas Tractor, 30-60, which I purchased the spring of 1912, and have found it to be the very best in every way. This engine has run every season steady, and is in good shape yet.

I have done all kinds of farm work with this engine, plowing, harrowing, discing, seeding and threshing and also moving granaries. We pull a 10-furrow disc plow with 20 feet of harrows behind which double harrows what is plowed. The plow cuts 10 feet. This makes a beautiful job of plowing. We pull 3 double 10 ft. E.B. Disc Harrows and 3 10 ft. harrows behind them. I found them to do perfect work. Never used cultivator.

My Dad wears 'em.

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We also do all cutting with engine, pulling 3 Deering binder. This engine is extra strong on moving buildings and good in the belt. We pull a Red River Special Separator with "Garden City" wing feeders and she pulls this machine with ease with four spike pitchers.

In a steady run of 10 hours we plow 21 acres per day on about 3 gallons of gas per acre and 3 gallons of Mobile B. cylinder oil per 21 acres.

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thing by far to farm with. I feel it fills a high place in Canada's programme of production.

The only thing to do to make the tractor thrive is to remove that $42\frac{1}{2}$ per cent duty on repairs from the U.S.A., and everything will be O.K.

Yours truly, W. R. Dexter.

THE ONLY THING FOR BREAKING IN DRY SEASON

Daysland, Alta., Jan. 29, 1918. Dear Sir:

W^E (my boys and I) have two tractors, one is a 24x45 Rumely Oil-Pull and the other is a 15x30 same make. We are working 9 quarters of land, which we have, about

475-500 acres under cultivation. In the spring of 1917 we disced about 300 acres of breaking, using the 25x45 tractor, pulling 5 disc harrows loaded down to the limit with rocks. By putting in 12-14 hours working day with the rig, we kept a 12-foot seeder (pulled by 6 horses), going all the time.

The soil here is black loam in some places mixed with clay and clay subsoil. After finishing spring work, two of my boys went out to do breaking, using a Cockshutt gang plow, 8 plows in the gang (prairie). They broke from 5 to 8 inch deep in all kinds of soil, and turned over about 450 acres during the summer. Last summer it was so dry that it was almost impossible to do any breaking with horses, so a year like last summer a tractor would undoubtedly be the only thing for breaking.

To give an account of the running expenses while breaking, the nearest correct account we can give is:

Kerosene, per acre (at 23c.

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Total cost per acre \$1.50 Of course, this is open prairie land and we have no experience

yet in breaking brush land. In the fall we operated a 32x50

inch Aultman-Taylor grain separator. Everybody was well satisfied with the threshing.

While the boys were out threshing one of my boys and myself run the 15x30 tractor, plowing, using the same gang as for breaking with 6 plows. We went right along with it, though this was mostly second year's plowing (backsetting).

We turned over around 350 acres during the fall, plowing from 6 to 8 inches deep, averaging about 10 acres a day. The



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average cost per acre would be about :

Kerosene (at 23c. a gallon) \$0.70 Lubricating oil12 08 Gearing oil and grease ...

Total cost per acre ... \$0.90 We have done very little hauling, with the exception of moving our granaries around in the fall from one place to another, and once taking it out from town (we live 13 miles out of town). we had the kerosene tank holding 450 gallons full, and a big load of lumber and a disc harrow behind.

When leaving town we watched to see how far it would run on the gallon. We filled up 5 gallons of kerosene and run it 8 miles on that. It has two gears, high and low, and can go up to 31/2 miles per hour on high and 21/4 on low.

If I am going to explain what I think of a tractor as a farm implement, I want to say that I am in no doubt that a tractor fills its place in Canada's programme of production, and I also think it comes cheaper than horses.

Of course, it takes the cash when a man is working it, but when a man is through work it does not cost him anything to keep it. When one considers the price of grain, cost of harness repairs, etc., I do not think horses will fill the place of a tractor, as it also costs a lot to keep horses over winter.

One is also running a great risk in keeping so many horses. have lost four horses in three (died). And, another rears thing, last fall it was so dry that it was almost impossible to do any plowing with horses, but on account of the heavy plows we used we made good success in We plowing with the tractor. also made good success in putting in the crop in the spring. The engine packs the soil at the same time, and it pulverizes it better than with horses on account of the discs being loaded down with rocks.

We also used it successfully in grinding feed and sawing wood in 40 degrees below.

Yours truly, P. N. Loberg.

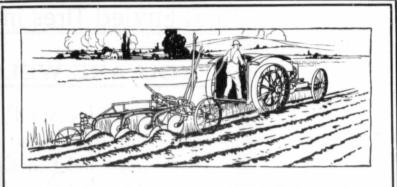
FAR AHEAD OF THE STEAM OUTFIT

Mere, Alberta, Feb. 3, 1918. Dear Sir:

TE own and operate an 18-36 Avery Tractor, which we have used for plowing and threshing.

In plowing we used a four-furrow Avery self-lift plow. This outfit makes a good one-man rig. Our land is very hilly and stony, and of a medium heavy grade, that is, it takes four good horses to drag a plow. And last summer

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it was very dry. We plowed at a depth of from five to six inches. Our expenses for breaking per

acre were as follows: Kerosene, three gallons, at 22c., 66c.; lubricating oil and grease, 20c.

We plowed from ten to eleven acres per day, according to 'the time put in. As I run this outfit myself, I am not giving the cost of any other items than fuel and lubricants.

The tractor on belt work-We ran a 28 in. Avery Separator with all attachments, using gasoline for fuel, at a cost as follows: Gasoline, 30 gallons, at 38c., \$11.40; lubricating oil and grease, \$1.50.

We threshed from 1,200 to 1,800 bushels per day, according to the condition of the grain, and one man operated the outfit.

At one time we used a steam outfit, which in plowing required six men and eight horses, and burnt three tons of coal. The burnt three tons of coal. best we could do with this outfit was twenty-five acres a day.

Toronto. Agencies

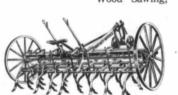
When you compare this with our gas outfit it shows quite a difference.

The small tractor is a great labor and feed saver, and is the means for bringing a large acreage under cultivation. Yours 'truly,

Snyder Bros.

Why not raise some sugar beets this year, the price is high and the old world sour.

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A VALUABLE TIP AS TO SIZE

HAVE a J. I. Case 20-40 Gasoline - Kerosene Tractor, purchased in June, 1917, therefore, used only one short season.

I have a four-bottom power lift plow, as they did not have a five-bottom plow, which is the proper size for this tractor.

I broke an average of ten acres per day, five inches deep in rather heavy soil at a cost for fuel and oil of approximately \$1.00 per acre.

I did no cultivation work, but others in this district have with entire satisfaction.

I run a 32-54 Case separator with ample power to thresh fifteen hundred bushels of wheat per day under fair conditions.

It must not be supposed that ability to guide a tractor across the field constitutes an efficient operator, far from it. It requires one with considerable mechanical ability, and an aptness for detail, as he will find that an hour given to filling, oiling, and an inspection of the outfit for each eight hours work is none too much. It is absolutely necessary that the outfit be in working order, and kept so to obtain the best results; and the present time is when best results will count most in increased production.

I am going to take the liberty of expressing my views on the small tractor. A 15-30 is certainly small enough. I tried one smaller and discarded it as a toy, and I would have gotten a larger one, a 20-40, but for the fact it was too late in the season to get delivery.

There is too great a tendency to overloading of gasoline tractors; while the lighter load may require a little more fuel to do a given amount of work, it takes less engine. There are few fields in which there are not places that require reserve power, and if your tractor is loaded to its capacity on level ground, you are handicapped when striking the unfavorable spots.

For various reasons, the tractor has come to stay, and it is for each one who owns or contemplates owning one, to acquaint himself as much as possible with its disadvantages as well as with its advantages.

> Yours truly, E. C. Jacoby.

"You ran over that fellow there at the corner. Aren't you going to stop?" demanded the startled passenger in a friend's car.

"Yes," nodded his friend, "as soon as we reach a garage. I heard something break when we hit him."

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ANOTHER SWAP OF STEAM FOR GAS POWER

Newdale, Manitoba,

February 14, 1918. Dear Sir:

THE size of my tractor is 25-50, Nichols and Shepard, and I use it to drive a 36-56 separator of the same

make, and it works fine. We kept six 'teams going easy, and I find it a good and cheap way to thresh. I have been using a steam engine for fourteen years up to this fall when I traded for the gas on account of the scarcity of help, as we can thresh with less help using the gas tractor. We used about thirty-five gallons of kerosene,

and three of gasoline to thresh about 2,500 bushels of oats per day.

I don't know much about plowing with the engine, as I just got the rig last fall, and only had a few days to try it, and then the ground was partly frozen. I have a P. & O. engine gang with seven plows and use three sections of harrows behind them. We could

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plow and harrow about twenty acres of stubble land five inches a deep a day, on an average of twenty gallons of coal oil and two of gas engine oil.

I think the tractor is a good rig for the farm, and I would not like to be without mine. Yours very truly,

J. A. Hammond.

ITS ADVANTAGES AND ALSO ITS DISADVANTAGES

Imperial, Sask., Jan. 24, 1918. Dear Sir:

MY father received a letter from you asking about his experience with a tractor. This is a mistake, for he can be adjusted, so the side draft will all be on the tractor and let the plow run straight, or it can all be put on the plow and let the tractor run straight. I find it best to divide it up and put a little on both. Side draft can be done away with entirely by running the right-hand drive wheel in the furrow, but the wheel on my tractor is too wide to fit the furrow.

I disced and dragged about 140 acres of breaking last summer. I pulled a sixteen disc harrow and trailer, and an eight foot plank drag loaded with about four hundred pounds of stone.

I use it to run a twenty-four inch, fully equipped separator,



Breaking with a Mogul 10-20

has none, but I have one, so I am writing you my experience.

The tractor is a Mogul. 10-20, equipped with a self-steering device for plowing. I have a John Deere, three bottoms automatic lift plow, which works to perfection. I plow about five inches deep in stubble at a speed of two and a half miles per hour, and about three inches deep in breaking with three plows at a speed of one and three-quarter miles per hour. but have not quite enough power for that size separator.

I do not think that a tractor can take the place of horses entirely. The tractor has no brains and you cannot teach it anything. The self-steering device will guide it as long as there is no break in the furrow, but if you are busy with the plow, and the device comes to a break in the furrow, it will make a bad crook in the plowing before you can bring it back.



The same outfit with a disc and plank drag

I can plow about six acres per day of ten hours in stubble, and use about three gallons of kerosene and about one quart of lubricating oil per acre.

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I find a little trouble with the side draft on the plow and tractor. The draw-bar and plow hitch It is impossible to do quite as good work of any kind on the land as can be done with horses. It is also more disagreeable work to operator a tractor than horses. One is always covered with grease and it kicks up more dust in the field than horses do. Then it has to



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be filled up with water and oil every three or four miles. The tractor has an advantage over horses in many ways. It can be operated day and night, and does not need any harness, and no attention or feed during the winter. It can also be used for belt work.

You will find enclosed two photos, one breaking prairie and the other discing and dragging with a plank drag on my own farm

> Yours truly, Duncan W. Smith.

A SUCCESS, BUT ONLY AS A SUPPLEMENTARY

Viscount, Sask., January 24, 1918.

Dear Sir: HAVE operated a tractor for two seasons where all the work on a 320 acre farm must be done by a 'tractor or not at all. This has placed me as close to the tractor proposition as anybody can get. I have a 12-24 "Water-

get. I have a 12-24 "Waterloo Boy" of the vintage of "15" I use a "Deere Pony Engine Gang" of 3 14-in. bottoms for son-Brantingham two-way throw engine disc 10 feet. After seeding I removed the rear in-throw set of discs and had better results, 'though far from satisfactory.

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The seeder attachment was a failure to my notion. The disc rode high in the center and low at each end, due, I thought, to the hitch. The pull comes on each end and caused the discs to sink or pull into the ground up to and over the axle. This causes the dirt to crowd the disc chain shield until it pushes the chain out of gear. This is really off the tractor subject so we will pass it by.

The only other work I did was hauling rock, and there the difficulty of manoeuvring a tractor to where you want it makes it a failure at that kind of work. I contemplated road hauling, but when I figured the difficulties to be encountered up and down hill and the rack to machinery on hard roads, I gave it up.

There is the same hour cost in almost every operation, and in a one-horse job you must use the tractor just the same as in a four



"Under right conditions the tractor will eventually find its place"

stubble work and 2 14-in. for or six-horse job. I believe there are places where a tractor is a

In breaking, I aim to go about 3 to 3½ inches deep, and in stubble between 5 and 6 inches.

I do not notice much difference in operating between breaking and stubble work. The cost approximates 4c. an hour for cylinder oil (polerine), about $\frac{1}{2}$ pint; $\frac{27}{2}$ c. for kerosene, $\frac{1}{4}$ gallons; $\frac{2}{2}$ c. for lubricating oil and about 1c. an hour for cup grease. This amount totals 35c. per hour.

The Bull pinions are geared to 3 miles per hour, which should give me about $\frac{7}{8}$ acre per hour; but I find that I must deduct for stops, going around the ends, and other incidentals, which cuts me down to about $\frac{1}{2}$ acre an hour.

This is for breaking. Add onethird more for stubble work; the soil is mostly black loam with streaks of chocolate loam. It works up very much easier than blue loam. My greatest day's work was just over 6 acres in a day of 12 hours actual field work.

In harrowing I used an Emer-

are places where a tractor is a paying proposition, but alone on a farm they are a failure. This might look to you as a broad statement, but I have given the matter careful consideration for seasons (1916-17). I have farmed with oxen and horses and a tractor at different times, and before buying a tractor I had some experience with a stationary gas engine and an automobile, besides taking "Modern Power" and "The Gas Age." Also had literature on all the modern makes of tractors and attended two tractor shows at Kansas City, Mo.

I have been on seven different threshing machines of both steam and gasoline, and worked one winter in the Weber Gas and Gasoline Works, of Kausas City, Mo. I would like to make the tractor a success, as I like to be around machinery, but my experience has proved that they can only supplement, and then under certain conditions only.



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Belt work I have not tried yet.

Last year cost me \$2,000.00 to prove my failure. I had horse work alongside of tractor work, and the horse work was ahead of the tractor both in speed and results. We are simply imitators; Nature leads!

I find I must go over the ground just as many times with a tractor as with a 4-horse outfit to work the soil into proper shape, and then I find also 'that the tractor has streaked the land where the wheels went. This is in operations other than plowing.

As a plow horse and for belt power under the right conditions the tractor will eventually find its place.

Very truly yours, A. E. Erickson.

TWO BOYS AND NO PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

The Sort of Fellows Who Deserve Success

Spirit River, Alta., Feb. 5, 1918. Dear Sir:

UR tractor is a 12-24 "Happy Farmer," which reached us only October 1st las't.

When we received the engine I must confess it was the first gas tractor I ever saw. I have two boys, 17 and 21 years, respectively, and it was they who persuaded me to buy the outfit, although they also had never seen one.

They both like machinery, however, and we had lots of land to plow, but were short of horse The "Happy Farmer" power. people sent a man with the engine to start it up, and we made a beginning the day after its arrival at threshing.

I threshed my own crop (about 1,500 bushels) and then threshed for four of my neighbors, making in all about 7,000 bushels. Then we started plowing, one of the boys running the engine during the day and the other taking it on at night.

We pulled 3 14in. J. I. Case plows and one 16 x 16 disc behind the plows, doing the work of 10 horses. We plowed and disced about 7 acres in the day time and from 5 to 7 acres at night. In all we plowed and disced about 130 acres, using about 2 gallons of coal oil per acre. About 40 acres of our soil was gumbo-the balance chocolate loam.

Yours truly,

John Welch.

Legislating people to jobs is like coining paper money, it debases the currency.

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Your busy season is on. Your tractor must work every moment of the day-some-times at night. Through high working temperatures it must give constant service.

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the temperature points of at from 2000° to 3000° Fahrenheit, while on the pis-tons and cylinder

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est, the temperature ranges from 400° to 600° Fahrenheit. Your oil must protect the

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tractors at a minimum of maintenance cost.

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Correct TRACTOR LUBRICATION

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Explanation : — The four grades of Gargoyle Mobilolis for tractor lubrication, purified to renove free carbon, are: Gargoyle Mobiloli'' A'' Gargoyle Mobiloli'' BB'' Gargoyle Mobiloli'' BB'' Gargoyle Mobiloli'' Arctic''

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A SATISFACTORY ALL-ROUND EXPERIENCE

Govan P.O., Sask., Jan. 25, 1918. Dear Sir:

NSWERING your letter re Annual Traction Number. will say the tractor I have is a "Titan" 10-20 by the International Harvester Company.

This is a two-cylinder horizontal motor with double throw type of crankshaft, crank balanced by counterweights 'taking an impulse every revolution this makes a smooth running nicelybalanced engine. The tractor is very compact, but rather inaccessible when it comes to overhauling.

Lubrication is by a six feed mechanical oiler, without a splash system. This uses up more oil but is preferable, I think, in an engine using low-grade fuels as a certain amount of distillate works past the pistons and would dilute oil carried in the crank case.

beam may be easily detached when it is advisable to use two plows. The plow would be improved if it were made to lift a little higher.

In threshing a 24-40 Racine separator was used, the engine was nicely loaded and the outfit worked perfectly. We averaged about 700 bushels wheat per day.

I find 8.acres a fair day's plowing, using 16 gallons of distillate and 1 gallon of lubricating oil.

My cost per acre plowing and harrowing man and tractor for last year was \$1.60 per acre, for man and horses \$2.10 per acre.

The bearings on the tractor are a good size and equipped with steel shims. On looking it over this fall I found none of the bearings would stand taking up and no sign of excessive wear on any other part.

> Yours faithfully, G. W. Hanmer.



The tractor worked first rate breaking, pulling three plows.

Angle lugs are provided as an I find it necessary to extra. keep these on all the time, although on cultivated land they are a source of discomfort, throwing dust into the face of the operator.

This tractor has a chain drive with provision made to take up the slack when necessary. The wear on the chain is not notice-The chain rollers are exable. tremely hard.

Cooling is by water from a tank holding about 35 gallons. This type having no radiator or fan uses a lot of water, about a barrel a day

In the spring when the land was wet, I found the tractor would slip and get stuck with the angle lugs on when the horse team had no difficulty plowing on the same land.

The plow I use is a P. and O. 3x14 and works very well. drag a section of harrows behind the same width as the plow.

The tractor worked first rate breaking, pulling three plows when there was lots of moisture. This plow is built so that one

SMALL—TRACTOR WILL WIN

Boissevain, Manitoba,

January 21, 1918. Dear Sir:

RECEIVED your letter of the 18th inst. asking for information regarding traction cultivation. I do not think I can give you very much valuable in-formation, as I have not had my tractor very long and have not done a great deal of work with it. But I will tell you what I have done, and might add that I intend doing more of this kind of work in the future.

I have a 12-24 Waterloo Boy tractor, and use it to drive a 22-36 Nichols and Shepard separator. This outfit requires four stook teams and threshes about 800 acres of ordinary crop per year. The tractor burns kerosene, and as nearly as I can estimate will thresh about two and a half acres of ordinary average crop per gallon. This year I only used about twelve gallons of cylinder oil, although last year I used a little more than that. Ŀ also used a small amount of gaso-





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line, but that was only used in starting and warming up on cold mornings.

With regard to plowing, I might say I have only plowed one season with the tractor, that was summer-fallowing this past summer, 1917. I was plowing in low, heavy clay land, using two ordinary 12 in. horse gang plows, making in all four 12 in. bottoms. I plowed about seven inches deep, and averaged about ten acres a day

If I put in a long day I could do twelve acres, but I quit at night about the same time as the horses. There were horses plowing in the same field, and the tractor went about the same number of rounds in the day, it travelled a little slower than the horses but kept continually at it. It was very hot weather, and the horses had to be rested frequently.

I might say that we had these plows hitched by a home-made hitch. The tongues were taken off, and short tongues, about 2 ft. long put in (made out of ordinary 2x4 scantlings). The front plow was fastened by a chain right up close to the engine, and the short tongue tied to any convenient place that suited the run of the plow. The second plow was also fastened by a chain, long enough to let it follow close behind the front plow, the chain and clip of both plows being set so that the plows traveled just where desired.

The seat was 'taken off the front plow, and the short tongue of the second fastened to the place where the seat came off the front one. It was bolted loosely with washers, so it could turn at When these horse the ends. gangs are hitched behind a tractor the clips on the front can be set in the center or over nearer the furrow if desired, and the tongues set where desired, which eliminates all side draught. They worked better this way than I ever saw them work behind horses.

With regard to fuel, I used about twenty gallons of kerosene per day, plowing from ten 'to twelve acres. It averaged a little less than two gallons per acre. A five gallon can of cylinder oil would last for a week or so.

What plowing I have done with the tractor was satisfactory, and I think that plowing can be done as cheaply as it can with horses. When the price of horse feed, harness and men to drive them are considered, I think the tractor will do just as cheaply.

I believe the small tractor is going to be one of the leading farm implements in the future. But I think there are many tractors on the market that are too small, and are not capable of



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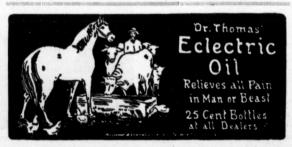
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doing ordinary farm work properly, and I think there are tractors that are too large and heavy for farm work. Yours truly,

W. A. Latimer.

Call a spade a spade and get down to business.

Justice, not sophistry, is what the backbone of the country wants.



LOTS OF WORK AND SATISFACTION

Vibank, Jan. 31, 1918. Dear Sir:

FTER operating several tractors for the past years, I am still operating a 18-36 Canadian Avery, and it gives me best satis-I broke abou't 400 faction. acres in 34 days in 1917 with the Cockshutt Avery Self-lifter Plow.

I plowed from 4 to 6 inches deep, a medium yellow clay, averaging about 11 acres daily, with a four-bottom plow. I used about 28 gallons of kerosene daily, and about 1 gallon oil.

I harrowed and disced above land twice, in three weeks with same tractor.

Regarding road grading, I may state that I graded 13 miles twice in 10 days, in August of 1917.

It pulls. a 28-46 inch grain separator with all attachments. In 29 days I threshed 33,700 bushels of grain, which averages about 1,100 bushels daily in last season.

This summarizes my experience since I operated a gas tractor satisfactorily.

> Yours very truly, A. F. Gerein.

BIG TRACTOR SATISFAC-TION ON A BIG SCALE

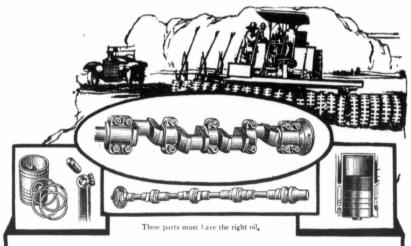
Gentlemen,-I have your enquiry of January 17, and beg to inform you that we operate eight tractors: six "Big 4," 30-60 horsepower; one Aultman-Taylor, 35-60 horse-power, and one Imperial, 40-80 horse-power.

We plow, harrow, disk, root, plant and harvest with our engines and find we can do excellent work in all these lines.

We pull six John Deere plows, doing about eighteen acres per day on about sixty gallons of gasoline and five gallons lubricating oils, besides some hard oil and transmission grease.

We also run two separators, and haul grain from separators to cars, using small elevator to unload grain into cars. We haul four tanks, 125 bushels to each tank at a trip. The Imperial a 35 Minengine handles neapolis Threshing machine very nicely and the Ault-man-Taylor a 30 Minneapolis machine. We pull five sets John Deere heavy lever harrows and do excellent work with same. We pull four John Deere double disk harrows with each engine, and four grain drills largest size "Van Brunt," single disk.

In harvest we usually pull five 8 ft. cut binders. Can pull six, but feel we can do better work pulling five. We do just as good clean work as can be done with horse binder. Of course we use about six binders with horses to



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between the bearings and the crankshaft. This prevents metal from touching metal eliminates friction wear-keeps the bear-

ings and crankshaft from overheating-

Any oil will do this for a little while. But a **poor** oil will "break-down" and wear out when the engine heats up. Polarine and Polarine Heavy won't. These oils stand up under intense engine

that it won't run right for long, or deliver full power, on an incorrect

bearings cannot burn out.



oil. So it is wise economy to use the right oil, even if you have to pay a few cents more per gal-

lon. Unsuitable oil is expensive at any price; the right oil is cheap in the long run.

heat—hold their body and keep right on lubri-cating perfectly. When you use them you don't have to shut down to let the engine cool off. You work steadily. You turn losses into profits. have to shut d work steadily.

Expert "Imperial Service" Free

When you decide to use Polarine or Polarine Heavy we are vitally interested in seeing that you get the grade best suited to your engine's lubricating requirements. Put it up to us. Send a full description of your engine. You'll be glad that you got our expert assistance.

Polarine and Polarine Heavy are sold in steel barrels and half-barrels, and in

one-half, one and four gallon cans. Buy in the larger sizes for economy but always keep a four gallon can on your tractor.





keep corners rounded off for six engines pulling five binders each. In drilling we also use about missed.

six horse drills to fill in corners, four drills, each man carries flags Two men look after

low places, or any places that are on his drills. When he happens Continued on page 51



A great scene on the F. A. Bean Farm, Young, Sask.

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The thresherman's greatest asset is his satisfied customers, who are entitled to the most effective machinery for saving all the grain. *

Every farmer wants all his grain saved. Every thresherman must use the most improved machinery to save all the grain.

Enough grain is wasted every threshing season to feed millions. Every thresherman must do his utmost this season to prevent this frightful waste. * *

Waste not, want not, is an old and true saying. We plow, till, sow, reap and slave, only to have our grain wasted during thresh-Waste brings woe. ing time. See that all your grain is saved in threshing with a Grain Saving Wind Stacker.

There would be no meatless days if the world has wasteless threshing days. This frightful



waste can be prevented by using improved machinery. Investigate before you purchase.

Every bushel of grain wasted in threshing is food for our enemies. Why waste it, when it can be saved! Save the grain! Save the grain! *

To save is to serve, and to serve is 'to save every kernel of grain threshed this season. Save all the grain. *

Face to face with waste, when you know your threshing machine wastes grain, why not at once attach the most modern saving attachment and save all the grain. *

Power farming is the modern method of producing grain, and modern machinery for saving every grain is the power of the farmer.

I live and die each year 'to save the hungry. Boys in the trenches love and eat me three times daily. Give me a good threshing next harvest with the lates't grain saving machinery so that I will not be lost in the straw stack. To save me is to serve your country. - A Grain of Wheat. * *

Leadership in threshing means the most efficien't machinery and service for saving all the grain. Investigate the latest improvements before purchasing threshing machinery. * *

Save your grain, eliminate green straw stacks, and thereby increase our greenbacks. Save your grain. Save your grain, with a Grain Saving Wind Stacker. * * *

"Think out new ways; think

of threshing machinery.

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The whole is greater than a part. Then why waste a part of your grain in threshing. It can be saved, and this is the year to save it all.

From start to finish every effort must be made to save every kernel of grain next harvest. Now is the time to investigate the latest improved machinery for saving all the grain.

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Grow up with the threshing machine business by using the latest improved machinery for saving all the grain. Take advantage of every improvement and maintain your rightful place as a saver of the grain. * *

Think it over! We need every grain that can possibly be saved. Every thresherman should now begin to consider the latest and most efficient devices developed for saving all the grain when threshing.

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Make Your Ford a Food Producer

FOOD WILL WIN THE WAR! INCREASE YOUR PRODUCTION! The demand for FOOD will become more insistent as the war continues-and the demand MUST be met.

COMBINED WITH YOUR FORD THE AUTO-PULL

gives you a machine that will duplicate the work of four horses on the farm, will pull up to five tons on the road, and do all that any 10 H.P. stationary engine has ever done.

BUILT FOR SERVICE

Frame is constructed of selected angle iron. Tractor wheels are of steel, with steel spokes. Ten-inch tread; steel cleats. Large roller bearings are of chilled steel.

The AUTO-PULL is guaranteed to stand up under continuous service.

NO UNDUE STRAIN

The AUTO-PULL is the tractor attachment that has perfect frame sus-pension. It attaches to your Ford in three places. Every ounce of pull is evenly and equally distributed. Cannot strain car under normal load.

EFFICIENT COOLING SYSTEM

EFFICIENT COOLING SYSTEM EVERY AUTO-PULL is equipped with a "Du-Al" cooling system, the only one that successfully did the work required of it under every severe test we could devise. It consists of an enlarged fan and compactly built centrifugal pump. The pump is built with a bronze shaft with $3i_2$ -inch bearing on one end and a 2-inch bearing on the other. This $5i_{2}$ inches of bearing surface prevents excessive wear. This cooling system greatly increases the efficiency of your car whether used with the Auto-Pull attachment or as a pleasure car alone.

DEALERS WANTED!

BUSY EVERY DAY

The AUTO-PULL won't replace a big tractor and isn't designed for the same work. But it will be busy every working day in the year while the big tractor will be idle three-quarters of the time. There's no end to its uses on the farm.

PUT YOUR FORD TO WORK

It is a slacker for any purpose other than pleasure. Put it to work. Make it pay for itself. The AUTO-PULL turns your Ford into something more than a means of pleasure. It places the useful side of your Ford power within ever ready reach. It saves man power. It replaces horse-power. It saves money, time and labor.

IT IS UNNECESSARY TO REMOVE WHEELS OR FENDERS WHEN TURNING YOUR FORD INTO AN AUTO PULL TRACTOR.

IF YOU OWN A FORD

or expect to get one, write at once for the AUTO-PULL FOLDER. shows how the AUTO-PULL is a money maker for every farmer. for your copy to-day. Write Department T. Send

We are looking for good, five dealers to handle AUTO-PULL in exclusive territories. Attractive proposition to responsible men. If you are a dealer and interested write to us at once to Department T.

Northern Implement Company Foot of Water Street WINNIPEG. Man.

Whether you have a large or small threshing machine you will not do your duty to yourself or customers if you do not learn about the latest grain saving devices for your machine, the Grain Saving Wind Stacker. *

The Grain Saving Wind Stackstandardizes all threshing er machines and makes them save all the grain all the time. The Liberty Motor is a great example for aeroplanes to win the war. It has been adopted by all 'the allied governments, and means all of the best principles of English, French, Italian, American and German construc-Standardization is the tions. secret of its success.

THE TREATMENT OF WILD OAT LAND

HERE are many injunctions given out to western farmers on the elimination of wild oats and despite all that has been said and done the weed still flourishes and will continue to flourish so long as grain raising is the dominant feature of western agriculture. The seed is germinable almost as soon as it is formed, but it will not germinate until conditions are favorable for its growth. It is almost impossible to induce it to germinate under artificial conditions, or at any other time of year than 'the early spring, or at any depth except within a couple of inches of the surface of the ground.

The only effective methods are derived from the facts that seed germinats more readily in early spring and in the presence of other plants. In a system of allgrain farming, therefore, the fallow and the stubble must be so worked as to furnish the most favorable conditions for early spring germination. The seed of the wild oat falls to the ground at the time of, or shortly previous to, harvest, and so long as it lies there is perfectly safe, for it will not grow, but if covered by a little earth, it will be sure to grow the following spring. If this stubble land be left till spring and then seeded to grain, or

plowed or cultivated, or disced and then seeded, the wild oat will germinate at the same time as the sown grain and lower the yield of good grain accordingly. If. however, the wild oat be covered in the fall or early spring by shallow plowing or double discing or cultivating, and then harrowed and left till germination has well begun and again shallow plowed or double disced, the weed is killed and the land is in clean condition for a crop of good grain.

In a system of farming where the rotation is all grain, such as summer-fallow followed by two crops of wheat and a crop of coarse grain, the treatment is in accordance with the foregoing principles.

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After harvest shallow plow or double disc all stubble that has borne more than one crop since previous summer-fallowing. In early spring harrow this worked-over stubble land and leave till the weed seeds are germinated. Sow and pack the land that had been fallowed the previous year. Then come to the land that has borne only one crop since fallowing and shallow plow it, harrow and pack and sow to wheat and pack again. If the preceding fall was wet, the first year stubble might have been plowed in the fall and sown in the spring immediately after the summer-fallowed land was sown. All the land should be packed as soon as sown

By the time the wheat is sown in an ordinary season, the weeds on the remaining land will have germinated, and all that which has borne two crops since fallowing should now be plowed a little deeper than previously, packed, sown to oats or barley and packed again. The time is well on now towards the middle of May and respite can be taken for planting such hoed crops as may be grown and by the end of the first week in June there will be a beautiful stand of weeds and especially of wild oats on that which should be plowed now at least six inches deep and kept cultivated for the remainder of the season sufficiently to prevent further weed growth.

Cultivation for Treatment of Land Infested With Wild Oats

Order of fall operations:

Shallow plow second year wheat stubble and oat and barley stubble, and if ground is moist shallow plow first year wheat stubble. If pressed for time double disc instead of plow.

Order of spring operations:

1. Harrow everything except first year wheat stubble land.

2 Seed summer-fallowed land to wheat.

3. Plow first year wheat stubble, if not already fall plowed, and seed to wheat.

Plow second year wheat 4. stubble and seed to oats or barley.

First year-Summer-fallow

Plow shallow previous autumn. Harrow early in spring. Plow six inches in June and pack. Cultivate to keep weeds in check for remainder of season.

Second year-Wheat Seed in spring as soon as all land is harrowed. Pack.

Third year-Wheat

Plow shallow previous autumn if land is moist. If not plow shallow in spring, pack and seed and pack as soon as fal-low is seeded.

Fourth year-Oats or barley

Plow shallow previous autumn and pack, or double disc. Harrow as early as possible in spring.

After wheat seeding is finished plow shallow, harrow, seed to oats or barley and pack.

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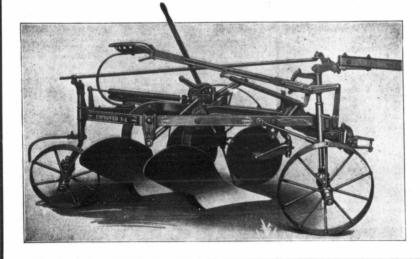
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Own an OLIVER PLOW

ERE is shown the OLIVER IMPROVED NO. 1 GANG, the great Western Cana-H dian favorite. It is a model of strong construction, light draft, close adjustment, ease of operation-the result of 59 years of good plow building.

Getting down to details, compare the heavy one-piece bar steel frame, the bracing, the bail hangers, the wheel connections, wheel bracket bearings and control rod adjustment, with those of any other plow sold in Western Canada. The OLIVER No. 1 leads them all. The plow beams with their rigid bracing; the long, strong frog that makes the foundation of the plow bottom; the longer, stronger, sharper point of the OLIVER share; every feature that mear good work and long life for the tool, is found in this OLIVER plow. Look it over carefully; compare it point by point with any other gang plow offered.



In this same good OLIVER plow line are tractor plows, sulkies, disk gangs, prairie and brush breakers, and walking plows to meet every possible plowing condition. See the local dealer for full information about any plow in the OLIVER line. Write the nearest of the branch houses listed below.

International Harvester Company of Canada. Limited

BRANCH HOUSES:

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HARRY DESIGNS A TRACTOR

Continued from page 6 pened to put the gears in neutral you would have a difficult job to put them in 'gear' again before the tractor ran into something. I would suggest that you take these plans and carefully go over them and make these changes, together with any others that may suggest themselves, and then we will have another discussion and see if any further improvements can be made. Remember the cheapest place to make changes is on the drawing paper.

and his father both Harry thanked the expert and felt that he had saved them considerable time and expense, and Harry decided to spend at least another month upon the design before he was going to have it criticised again.

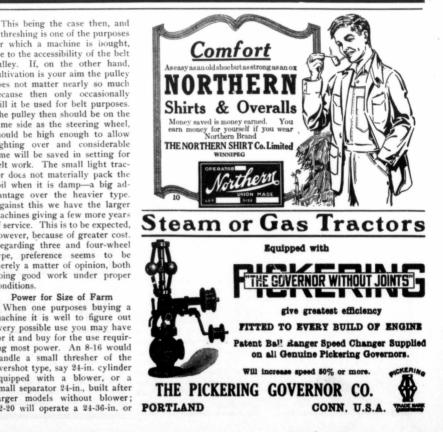
SOLVING THE POWER PROBLEM

Continued from page ? necessitates a small drive pulley. And a small rapidly revolving drive means that in order for the belt to stay on at all clmost perfect alignment must be secured. Now a steam engine is furnished with a large drive pulley and considerable latitude can be made in order to keep the belt on. Not so with a tractor of high speed type.

if threshing is one of the purposes for which a machine is bought, see to the accessibility of the belt pulley. If, on the other hand, cultivation is your aim the pulley does not matter nearly so much because then only occasionally will it be used for belt purposes. The pulley then should be on the same side as the steering wheel, should be high enough to allow sighting over and considerable time will be saved in setting for belt work. The small light tractor does not materially pack the soil when it is damp-a big advantage over the heavier type. Against this we have the larger machines giving a few more years of service. This is to be expected, however, because of greater cost. Regarding three and four-wheel type, preference seems to be merely a matter of opinion, both doing good work under proper conditions.

Power for Size of Farm

When one purposes buying a machine it is well to figure out every possible use you may have for it and buy for the use requiring most power. An 8-16 would handle a small thresher of the overshot type, say 24-in. cylinder equipped with a blower, or a small separator 24-in., built after larger models without blower; 12-20 will operate a 24-36-in. or



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40 machine nicely, if built along light lines, as one built for a combination machine, where engine and separator are both on one frame completely equipped, or a 20-36-in. body, perhaps larger, small model machine, and should furnish ample power. After that we get into the larger heavier type of engine, and it is not the intention to discuss those here.

For plowing it is a great deal harder to estimate owing to various soils. But it may be stated that where a 14-in, gang can run by four fair-sized horses an 8-16 will pull two 14-in. plows; 10-20 will pull three plows and 12-25 four plows. However, there are heavy clay soils where a 10-20 will only handle two plows. And when one understands that an overload is a terrific strain on a gas tractor, care must be taken to avoid giving it too much heavy work. With steam we can furnish a sufficient amount of extra horse power to help over bad spots and up grades. But with gas only a certain amount can be placed there and no surplus secured. It is well for the intending purchaser after selecting the make of engine he desires, to take the manufacturer into his confidence and give him particulars regarding the character of the land -whether level or rolling-and the dealer will be able to advise as to the size required.

From the material at hand it is estimated that for a farm of 140 acres or less, a 2-plow outfit is sufficient; 140 to 250 acres, a 3plow outfit; 200 to 450 acres, a 3or 4-plow outfit; 450 to 750 acres. a 4 or 5-plow outfit.

Cost of Operation Compared with Horses

According to United States Builetin No. 719, the life of a tractor is estimated at six years for a 2plow and ten and a half for a 6 or heavier type engine. This is taken from estimates of several hundred owners. This means then that if a 2-plow outfit were to cost \$600, one hundred dollars per year would be wear. (This might also include average repairs because a vast difference in a machine's life is made by the man in charge. Several years may easily be added or the same number taken away.) The average number of days these owners worked their machines was fifty. Thus, if these estimates are correct. there is a cost of \$2 per day before any account is taken for fuel.

These figures seem rather severe, and from experience it seems that a machine properly cared for should give ten or twelve seasons of fifty days. At this rate \$1 would cover depreciation per day. This is not much more than any other farm machine used for hard work, such as the binder or mower. Also it must be remembered in comparison with horses that there are many extra belt jobs that come in and these if added would materially lessen the cost of depreciation. According to tests made by one manufacturer, cost of fuel for their 10-20 was 2.3 gallons of kerosene, at say 15c.==34.5c. per acre. Oil would be about 5c. per acre. Making a cost of 39.5c. per acre plowed six inches deep. To plow one acre required one hour eight and three-quarter minutes at a rate of travel of 2.29 miles per hour. Now, costs can be considerably above this figure, and may run to 60c. per acre quite easily. Carbon on cylinders will use more fuel. Heavier soil, rolling land, all these increase the cost of plowing.

A team (four) of horses will require one gallon of oats per feed. With oats at 80c., three feeds per day would cost \$1.20; hay at \$20 per ton, feeding 25 lbs., would cost \$1.00; total \$2.20.

A four-horse team would average four acres per day, \$2.20-4 =55c. per acre, and no account taken of the winter and idle days when the tractor is not consuming away. Now these are figures place before us by the manufacturer. But is it a fair basis? Your horse does a dozen and one jobs the engine cannot do.

The mares are able to increase the num ers and give us at the end of six years say an average of three colts—3x4=12. An increase of eight horses fit for work and the engine is done. Therefore from actual acres plowed we are prepared to grant that the engine will do it much more cheaply, but from profit extending over a number of years it remains to be proven.

Now, the important thing is this: The engine does the work of about six horses and one man only is needed to operate it. More land can be prepared in a given time with less man power and at less cost. On hard soils and where we want to get right down stir up the subsoil the tractor is right there and works away even in the hottest weather. From information at hand an engine only pays for itself when the result is increased production per acre.

The modern tractor is dependable just as much as the modern car. Early model cars were rather fearsome things. One never felt safe in one, and it was a foregone conclusion that sometime on a cold dark night, miles away from home, the engine would stop and absolutely refuse to budge, and you faced a long cold tramp with a spirit of "Never again," but when the sun once more shed its light your being was stirred and away you went again. To-day the car takes you there and back just as often as old Molly did.

The tractor, however, is under



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a more continuous strain, and therefore is more apt to give trouble. It is dependable and sure, though the wisdom of the operator must be there to keep it so. The car develops trouble and the garage is then within reach. The tractor, when trouble comes, is miles away from aid, and so the operator must be trained to give first aid at least, if not a full cure. From information procured of 200 owners, 57% report whole time, 43% report seven days lost so you see its dependability is fairly well assured.

Training and the Urgent Need of Service Stations over the Country

That every farmer will make a successful tractioneer is not true. One must have a love for machinery and only through that fondness for mechanical things will success come. Too many seem to think an engine simply means whirling the fly wheel, giving it fuel and water, and that it will hum away day after day. This is far from true. Your auto engine gives pretty constant service under these conditions because the strain is not so great. Momentum counts a lot with an auto and therefore your auto is seldom required to exert maximum power for any very great length of time. With a tractor things are different. It is constantly using maximum power and only with constant care will results be obtained. Your auto may develop a cough or knock, and because it is not working at maximum rate will still give service until such time as you can pull up to a garage. On the other hand the tractor will soon get worse, overheating will occur and in a very short time considerable damage may be done.

Constant vigilance must be exercised for complete success. The ear must be so trained as to detect the slightest fault, and at once the machine, should be shut down, the trouble located and fixed. When plowing one must always be ready for anything. Only when such care is exercised will an engine prove a financial success.

Intending buyers should choose their engine and then make a careful study of that particular make. The only way to know an engine is to see what is inside of it. Outside appearance will never train a man to be an engineer. Many tractor firms to-day are putting on tractor schools — a splendid idea.

Learning to run an engine by experience is rather an expensive proposition, as a small thing may cause delay, and this soon runs



into ready cash, especially in the busy seasons. The instruction books put out by the manufacturers are of very little value because so many troubles are apt to occur while the machine is actually at work which never occur under test conditions. The value of the instruction book lies in its explanation of parts and care of the machine. The more study one puts on his machine the more efficient service will he receive from it.

Sales and Service

One crying need to-day is efficient service stations at country points. Many men are deterred from buying a tractor because of the fear of breakages or engine trouble. It is a sad but true fact that many salesagents know as little or less about a tractor as the intending purchaser.

Motor car manufacturers have a string of thoroughly efficient service stations where one can get repairing done quickly. But with a tractor one buys the machine, the agent gets his commission and unless the purchaser has had training he is loaded with somewhat of a white elephant.

And so the farmer very often loses days before an expert can arrive to set the engine running. Manufacturers should insist on salesmen having training on their engines. Some are doing this, but many are not. They overlook the fact that one satisfied customer is better than a dozen unsatisfied. We hope to see the time arrive very shortly when every town has a service station.

LEAKS ABOUT THE TRACTOR

Small cracks or leaks in cylinders or water jackets may often be stopped by filling with a strong solution of sal ammoniac and water until well rusted up. In larger holes or leaks, it is better to fill the opening with a cement of some sort. A number of cements are made to withstand heat, water and oil in iron and other metals. They also are excellent for use in fitting pipe joints. Following are some formulas: Sal ammoniac, four parts; sulphur, two parts; iron filings, thirty-two parts.

This formula is for iron exclusively, and should be mixed to a paste with water.

Another formula for iron or other metals may be made as follows: Dry white lead, six parts; sulphur flowers, six parts, powdered borax, one part. This should be mixed to a paste with strong sulphuric acid and used at once.

Following is another mixture for general use where the heat is not too great: Red lead, five parts, and litharge, five parts, mixed to a stiff putty with glycerin.

Small oil or compression leaks

around cylinders, crank case or bearings may be stopped by cleaning the parts and coating one or more times with shellac. The first coat should be allowed to dry before later applications are made. When the leak is in the cylinder head it usually will be best to remove the head entirely and give the cylinder head gasket a thorough coating of shellac on both its sides. Bolt securely back in place and allow the shellac to dry before running the motor.

Paint or putty should never be used to stop leaks in a motor, though these will sometimes do for use in making water pipe connections.

One of the best methods for stopping a leak in a radiator, tank, water jacket or pipe is to use chewing gum. Almost any brand will do. Place a piece of well masticated gum — being sure to remove all the sugar—over the leak and wrap well with adhesive tape. This will make a perfectly tight repair and will last a long time.

If small leaks occur in the pipes or radiator they may be temporarily stopped by sprinkling fine commeal, bran or oatmeal in the water. This should be done while the engine is running and the water hot enough to circulate.

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plowed, for instance. Leave a margin of 30 or 40 feet around the edge of the field for turning space. After the center is plowed out, then plow around the field and plow out this margin that was left for the turning space. Study the science of laying out the field and the art of plowing it with a tractor in a booklet furnished by the company from whom you purchase a tractor.

The operation of a tractor is very simple and easy to understand; it is simply a matter of study and practice. Ingersoll became a great orator by careful study and practice; that is true of any undertaking of life-the man who gives study and practice to attain an undertaking is the man who makes the greates't success. The tractor is an agricultural implement and it performs efficiently just in proportion to the amount of efficient handling it receives from the operator. The ignition apparatus is perhaps the most delicate part of a tractor's construction. My advice to a tractor owner is to first carefully examine the ignition apparatus-do it intelligently-it only takes a few seconds. Don't go to making adjustments of carburetor, governor, air tension valve and various other things before you are sure you

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have located the trouble. Anv farmer with ordinary intelligence can take the direction book and in thirty minutes familiarize himself with the essential elements of a magneto. There is nothing complicated or hard to understand about a modern tractor.

They have a slogan down in some county in Missouri which goes something like this: "Make an effort to get acquainted with your neighbor-you might like him." I think this applies to the tractor-the farmer should make an effort to get acquainted with it-he might like it.

The country is calling for more food production. The prices are ranging high. The farmer is being offered through the tractor the means of more than doubling his output and the boys are going to the war. The boys are compelled to take a course of strenuous training for the job they have in hand. Is it asking too much, under the circumstances, that the farmer study the advantages of the tractor and when he adopts it, that he give a little time and attention to the matter of learning how to operate it in the mos't successful and efficient manner, being assured that if he does he will receive a handsome reward in the form of profits?

A NOTE OF APPRECIATION

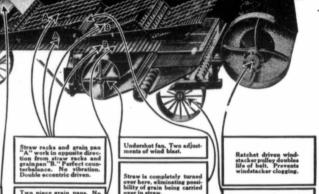
The Farm Engineering Short Course, held at Manitoba Agricultural College, Winnipeg, from January 22nd to March 22nd, was exceptionally well attended by farmers and farmers' sons from Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta. The students were taught everything in connection with steam and gasoline tractors, also small stationary engines of all sizes; their construction, ignition and operation generally. They were also taught forge work, building construction, concrete work, grain-judging, stock-judging, arithmetic and English. The students received lectures and practical work alternately, which made it more interesting for them, and gave each man a chance of becoming more familiar with the different subjects taught.

During the term they visited some of the large power plants and implements showrooms in the city, also Grain Exchange and Inspection, Board where the students saw how the grain was inspected and graded as it came into Winnipeg.

Professor L. J. Smith had charge of the course, in which he was ably assisted by the following members of the engineering department :

Lecturer Lawson Shangs, gas engines; Instructor R. Watt, forge work; Instructor R. Mitchell, woodwork; Instructor R. -DA

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SOIL BLOWING

There are several things that can be done to lessen the blowing of the soil. Straw or manure scattered on the land is one of the best measures. Cultivating strips 3 to 4 feet wide at intervals of two or three rods and at right angles to the direction of

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"You must put your shoulder to the wheel," said the earnest citizen.

"Glad of the chance," replied Mr. Shuggins. "I feel lucky if I. don't have to crawl under a motor car and lie on my back to fix the works."



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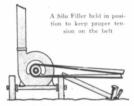
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Belting the Tractor

T O be a commercial success the tractor must be just as capable of delivering belt power as drawbar power. It

should, therefore, be provided with a drive pulley. Unfortunately, however, not every tractor has its main drive pulley situated so the tractioneer can keep it before him for lining up belt machinery. If some of the designers



could spend a season in the field, actually doing this work, they would realize the importance of this position for a drive pulley.

On some of the early steam tractors the drive pulley was placed on the left side, while the handwheel for steering was on the right side. With this kind of tractor, lining up was a big job, which usually required the work of the whole crew shouting directions for ten to thirty minutes.

Before long, however, all manufacturers realized that this wasn't practical, and the result was an almost uniform standard on steam tractors with reference to location and peripheral speed of the main drive pulley.

Time may develop such changes on our present tractors. The pity is that lessons cannot be learned, from what the older manufacturers have gone through. This would relieve the farmer who purchases a tractor of a lot of unnecessary hard and discouraging work.

On nearly all the belt-power machines, such as threshers, shredders, hullers, balers and so on, the drive pulley is in the same plane with the truck wheels or length of the machine. On some silo fillers, shellers, grinders and so on, the drive pulley is at right angles to the length of the machine.

. In lining up with machines of the former type, like threshers, the wheels of the machine should be well blocked before the tractor is backed into the belt. It is, of

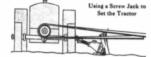
course, supposed that the beltpower machine has been leveled up properly. This is best done by digging out from under the high rear wheel.

It is assumed that the tractioneer has a tractor with the drive pulley within plain view when he has his hand on the steering wheel. It is also assumed that he has a friction clutch pulley on his tractor; the machine would be most impractical without it for farm work—in fact, almost useless.

Running Into the Belt

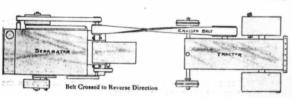
A good plan is to run up toward the machine to be belted, getting as nearly in line as possible. Stop as soon as the drive pulley of the tractor and the driven pulley on the machine are in line, and the tractor is within the belt's length.

The belt should be put on crossed or straight, depending upon the direction of rotation required, and the tractor backed up very slowly, keeping an eye on the alignment continually until the belt is taut. At this same time have one man alongside the drive wheel with a "block" to keep the tractor from pulling forward due to the belt pull when running. As soon as the belt is taut, stop and drop the block into place, being sure that it is pressed close under the drive wheel.



By taut I don't mean as tight as a fiddle-string. But the belt should be good and tight, because when releasing the gearing it will loosen up a trifle. After this loosening it should not be any tighter than is absolutely necessary to drive the machine.

If this main drive belt is unnecessarily tight, heavy loads are thrown on the bearings of the power machine and the tractor. With the old type of babbitted boxes there has been many a sad experience because the tight drive belt made such a pressure that the box would burn out within twenty minutes. With the modern roller-bearing box in the belt machine and in the tractor.





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this is impossible, yet the loads are often greater than necessary. Leveling the Tractor

It will often be found that after getting the alignment and being backed into the belt, the tractor will not sit level. This now needs first attention. Leveling can best be done, as in the case of the belt-power machine, by digging out from under the wheel on the high side. A little experience will soon enable the tractioneer to know exactly how much ground to remove to make his tractor level. It is usually when working in the barnyard, as at silo filling, shelling or shredding, that this is most needed.

When you are all ready wait until the operator of the other machine gives the signal to start. Many dangerous accidents have resulted from the tractioneer's eagerness to test out his alignment too soon.

The novice will find very often that the alignment is not so good as it looks and that resetting is necessary. Practice will enable the tractioneer to get his correct setting the first time.

When setting in the field or wherever a strong side wind is blowing, allowance should be made. It will be found that it is necessary to set quite a bit out of the true alignment to compensate for this wind. Frequently

there will spring up during the day's work a wind that threatens to blow the main drive belt off the pulleys. In this case a jack can be placed under the front axle of the tractor and the front end moved into the wind until the belt runs properly.

Lining up tractors with the drive pulley at right angles to its direction of travel is a bigger task. In this case the tractioneer should run his tractor as nearly in alignment as possible and with the assistance of another man get the exact location.

Another plan is to get the exact alignment with the eye beforehand and mark this by driving a stick into the ground. Then run the tractor up till the pulley just touches the stick. The proper alignment should be had if the first line was made correctly.

In this case it is necessary in order to get the belt taut to back the machine into the belt. This, of course, means all hands at the wheels. Here, too, judgment must be used to get the main drive belt the right tightness. Both machines should then be leveled to insure the belt's running on the crown of the pulleys.

If one has this type of tractor to belt to a corn sheller or a silo filler with the drive pulley also set crosswise, other means must be . Continued on page 50

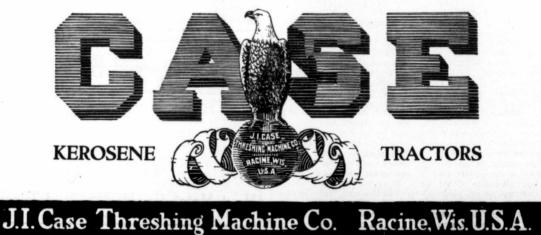


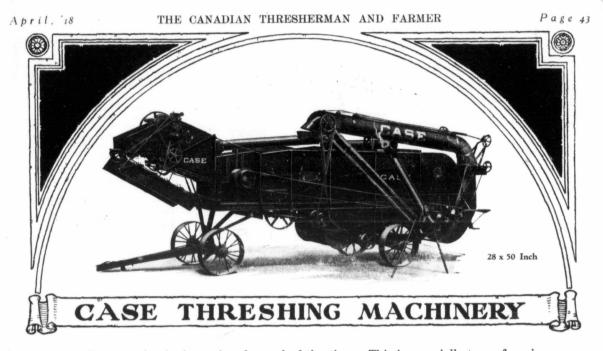


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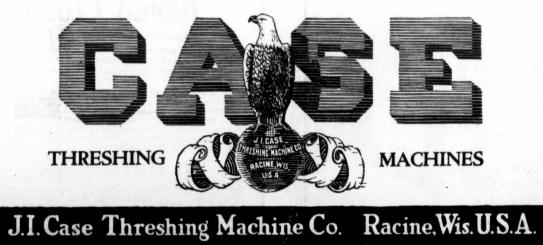
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THE SOIL IS THE PLANT work rapidly and well must have KITCHEN

By R. S. Goodhue

HE soil is not a dead, inert mass of material that we farmers are so often apt to think it to be. It is filled with More wonderful processes life. are going on within it than human ingenuity can imitate. The greatest chemical laboratories in the world do not compare with it. In the soil, organic matter is being decomposed, mineral compounds broken up, and new compounds formed, all to feed the hungry plant roots creeping down into every niche and cranny of the soil to feed upon the surface of the tiny soil particles.

I like to think of the soil as a great plant kitchen; the plants are the boarders who must be well fed, bacteria are the cooks, organic matter and mineral compounds the raw material which must be worked over and served as prepared plant food.

How well the crops will be fed will depend upon three factors: First, the amount of raw materials in the soil that can be used for plan't food; second, the number of bacteria at work as cooks; third, the environment in which the bacteria work.

Soil Conditions

Just as it is necessary to keep the cooks in our kitchen good natured, by providing them with plen'ty of fresh air, light, and sanitary surroundings, so we must give attention to keeping the bacteria in the soil good natured by giving them the kind of conditions they like. Bacteria to do their air, moisture, heat, and a soil free from acids.

Soils not properly drained do not let air circulate through them. Cold, water-clogged, undrained land does not offer favorable environment for soil bacteria and plants growing in such a soil will not be properly fed.

One of the first steps, then, toward increasing the productive power of the soil is to drain the wet spots. Often, by a few hours labor with a team, plow, and scraper, outlets may be made which will let the water run off from low spots that would otherwise be flooded in wet times. A few rods of tile properly laid may often increase crop production sufficiently to many times pay for the cost of the tile.

Organic matter in the soil helps to improve soil tilth. It loosens heavy soils and binds together loose, sandy soils. It acts like a sponge to hold moisture in such form as is most desired in the soil. It is also a source of food for 'the bacteria and constitutes a large part of the raw material which must be worked over into plant foods. For these reasons much attention should be given to provide the soil with sufficient organic matter, either as manure or green crops plowed under.

Three Elements Likely to be Lacking

Nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium are the three elements most apt to be lacking in the soil. Nitrogen is for the most part contained in the organic matter of the soil. Soils with a large supply of this element are dark in color and for this reason black



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soils have always been desired by farmers. Peat soils and soils heavily fertilized with manure often have excessive amounts of this element and a deficiency of the others. On such land, grain grows tall and rank, lodges badly, ripens slowly. Light colored silt loams and sandy soils are apt to be deficient in this element and produce grain so short in straw and with so little stooling that low yields are the result.

Phosphorus seems to be of special value to the plant in producing large, plump kernels of grain, good root development. and early maturity. Tests with acid phosphate added as a source of phosphorus shows that corn well supplied with this element matures much earlier and resists frost better. Whether this element is lacking in our soil cannot be told except by chemical analysis. It is a safe guess that most of our upland silt loams and sandy soils are quite deficient in this element. Chemical analysis have shown that the chief cause of low yield on many farms has been the lack of phosphorus.

Potassium is necessary to give health and vigor to plants. With a deficiency of this element, the straw is weak and is readily attacked by rust and other diseases. Potatoes, sugar beets, and other crops storing up large amounts of starch and sugar require an abundance of this element. All peat soils are extremely deficient in this element and special effort should be made to supply it. Wood ashes contain from 3 per cent to 5 per cent of this element and until muriate of potash and sulphate of potash can be purchased at a reasonable price, the peat land farmer should make use of this source of potassium. Most of our upland soils, especially those containing some clay, have large supplies of potassium. In sandy soils the potassium is not readily available, due to the coarseness of the soil particles and a lack of sufficient organic matter to make the proper environment for soil bacteria. Proper tillage, plenty of organic matter, and the right amount of moisture will do much to make available sufficient of this element from the large store already in our soils.

With acidity in the soil, bac-

teria do not work actively. The preparation of plant food is slowed down. Legume bacteria, living on the roots of alfalfa, sweet clover, medium red clover, and soy beans are especially sensitive to acid conditions. The largest yields of these crops cannot be expected from acid soils.

Barnyard Manure

Barnyard manure is a great store of plant food. It ought to be carefully husbanded. ought not to be piled close under the eaves of the barn to leach away its soluble plant foods. Exposed for only three months it will lose more than one-half of its plant goods. It should be hauled direct to the fields, kept well tramped down under cover, or piled in manure pits with concrete bottoms and kept well packed down. It should be applied to the fields with a manure spreader and never in small piles from a load to be spread by hand later, as such methods result in much waste and uneven distribution of fertility. Applied as a top-dressing to winter wheat and rye, new clover seedings, and old meadows, light applications of manure will do much good. Heavier applications should be used for corn or potatoes. Disked into the soil either before or after plowing it is said to be more effective than when applied first and plowed under.

Manure alone does not meet the demands for plant foods if the soils are deficient in either phosphorus or potassium. Many dairy farms receiving frequent application of manure now produce so rank a growth of straw that the grain lodges and does not fill well. In most cases this is due to a lack of balance between the amount of nitrogen and phosphorus and potassium available to plants. Manure is disproportionately high in nitrogen and continued use of large amounts has the effect described above. On soils which chemical analysis shows comparatively low in phosphorus, special attention should be made to supplement the manure with either acid phosphate, rock phosphate, or bone meal.

To get the quickest returns acid phosphate should be used, applying it with the manure at the rate of 300 to 500 pounds per acre. Thirty to fifty pounds spread as





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an even layer over the lead in the manure spreader will do this if ten loads of manure are applied to the acre and the manure and phosphate will be evenly mixed by the spreader.

Rock phosphate is less expensive, but its results are not so quickly apparent. It should be applied in larger amounts, usual applications ranging from 500 to 2,000 pounds to the acre. It must be applied with manure as described above.

Legume crops when properly inoculated are great soil builders. They gather nitrogen from the air and store it in the soil. They produce high protein foods so important in the ration for the milch cow and growing animals. We should grow these crops more extensively for their feeding value and on the light colored silt loams and sandy soils for the special purpose of increasing the nitrogen supply in which these soils are deficient. Let us grow more soy beans for hog pasture, for hay, and for grain. Our lighter soils will grow this crop well and it will be appreciated only as wea grow this crop more extensively.

HOME-MADE SYRUP FROM SUGAR BEETS

(Experimental Farms Note.)

A S one of the consequences of the war the price of granulated sugar has very materially advanced during the past two years. This fact has prompted the inquiry, can a wholesome syrup be made in the home from sugar beets that can be used as a sugar substitute?

To ascertain the possibilities in this direction 'the Division of Chemistry of the Experimental Farms has been making a number of experiments, taking as a basis the simple process described in the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Farmer's bulletin No. 823. The results of this investigation have shown that a syrup may be prepared from sugar beets, which, though not palatable for direct use, as on pancakes, porridge, etc., can be successfully employed as the "sweetener" in the making of buns, muffins, cookies and gingerbread, and possibly other cookery products in which a dark color is not objectionable. The syrup-the method of making which is about to be described-is of a thick consistency, very dark and contains from 50 to 60 per cent of sugar. It is intensely sweet but unfortunately leaves in the mouth a very distinct and unpleasant after-taste which is very persisten't-due no doubt chiefly to the mineral salts extracted from the beet in the procees of making the syrup. This disagreeable after-taste precludes, in our opinion, the possibility of using the syrup directly on articles of food. However, a number of trials with it as a sweetener in cooking has demonstrated that it can be satisfactorily employed in baking operations, as already stated, the product being free from any appreciable unpleasantness. The process, which is exceedingly simple, is as follows:

1. The beets should be thoroughly washed, and the crowns cut off at the lowest leaf scar and rejected. The remainder of the beet is then sliced as thinly as possible, put into a tub, crock or other suitable receptacle, and covered with boiling water at the rate of 11/2 gallons per 10 pounds sliced beets. The whole should be kept hot for an hour or so, with constant stirring and then strained through two thicknesses of cotton. The juice so obtained is brown or brownish black in color and was found to contain 5.75 per cent to 6.75 per cent sugar.

2. The juice, obtained as already described, is boiled down to a volume of approximately one-tenth of that originally present, care being taken that the syrup as it thickens does not scorch or burn. During the boiling the scum, which constantly rises, should be removed.

To preserve the syrup for future use it should be bottled while still hot in self-scaler and the covers at once tightly serewed down.

CORN AS A SUBSTITUTE FOR SUMMER FALLOW

(Experimental Farms Note.)

T HE experimental work at Brandon Experimental Farm, as well as the practical experience of many Manitoba farmers has shown that fodder corn can be made to take the place of summer fallow with good success.

Effect on Yield

In 1917, a season of extreme drought, a field of wheat on corn land at Brandon yielded twentyeight bushels per acre, a field on summer fallow nearby yielded twenty-one and one-third bushels per acre. In 1915, the corresponding fields in the same rotations yielded forty bushels per acre on corn land and thirtytwo bushels per acre on summer fallow. These are not exceptional cases, but are quite the usual result obtained.

Cost of Production

Not only is the yield of wheat maintained, or even increased, by the substitution of corn, but the cost of production is greatly decreased. The corn fodder pays for the use of the land and for the work applied during the year



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of summer tillage. When wheat is grown on summer fallow, the interest on the value of the land for an idle year and the cost of the work of summer fallowing should be counited in determining the cost of production. But when corn is used, the corn fodder pays for these costs, and the following wheat crop has only the costs of its own year of growth to pay for. In this way the cost per bushel of growing wheat after corn is found to be from one-half to two-thirds what it is on summer fallow.

Earliness

Wheat grown on corn land matures about a week earlier than that grown on summer fallow at the same date. This gives a safer crop, less likely to be damaged by frost, rust or windstorms. The straw is less bulky and rank and stands up better in wet weather. It is easier to cut and cheaper to tie.

Limitations

There are several limitations in the use of corn for this purpose. The area must necessarily be limited to what the farmer can handle properly, and the product of which his live stock can use economically. On most farms 20 to 30 acres would be as much as could be handled properly. Then too it should not be sown on very dirty land. On most well managed grain farms a regular rotation of crops is followed, so that a certain area is due for summer fallowing each year. Usually part of this area is comparatively clean, with only a limited number of weeds and these not of a very tenacious character. This part should be chosen for the corn, so as to make the work of keeping it clean as easy as possible. The dirtier parts of the land, and especially any infested by persistent perennial weeds, should be left for a regular bare fallow.

In order that corn may successfully replace the fallow, it must be kept clean; this means thorough preparation of the land before planting and frequent intertillage while the corn is growing. If the corn is kept free of weeds there is no need to plow it before sowing wheat the next Best results are obtainvear. ed when the wheat is sown among the corn stubble in the surface soil which has been cultivated frequently while the corn was growing. The surface should be loosened up in the spring by means of disc or harrow, the harrow is sufficient in loamy soil, but the disc is necessary in heavy clay.

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THE FARM WELL

(Experimental Farms Note.)

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with a greater abundance of pure wa'ter in lakes, rivers and springs than Canada, and there is no insuperable difficulty in the larger number of our agricultural districts in obtaining a supply ample and pure.

A glance through the annual reports of the experimental farms shows that the division of chemistry is doing a valuable work towards the improvement of the farm water supplies throughout the Dominion. In the course of the past thirty years many hun-

dreds of samples from farm wells have been analysed and reported on. A perusal of these reports shows that year in and year out only about one-third of the waters were pronounced as pure and wholesome, in other words, were free from excretal drainage matter. This is not as it should be. and the reason is not hard to find. In too many instances convenience only has been considered in locating the well. For the mos't part we find these polluted wells under stables, in barnyards

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or dangerously near the privy or where the slops from the farmhouse are thrown out. Wells in such locations can never be depended on to yield pure water. They must sooner or later become polluted by filth draining into them from the surrounding soil, which inevitably becomes saturated with manurial products. These wells indeed act as cessnits and the records show not a few instances in which the water of such wells possessed a distinct fertilizing value from the presence of excretal matter.

The lesson from these facts is: don't sacrifice health to convenience, locate the well at a safe distance-50 to 100 vards at least -from any possible source of contamination. A bored or drilled well tapping a deep seated source, tightly sealed off at the junction of the soil and rock, is likely to give the purest supply. If a dug well, line it to a depth of 10 or 12 feet with concrete or puddled clay, 4 to 6 inches in thickness, to ensure the exclusion of water from the surface layers of soil. Keep the surroundings of the well absolutely clear from the accumulation of filth and preferably in the grass. Make provision to carry off the waste water from the pump, so that it may not re-enter the well and so protect the mouth of the well that surface water cannot flow in and mice, frogs snakes, etc., are excluded. With wells such as these pure water may be secured. A windmill, gasoline engine, or hand force pump will be found a paying investment, enabling the water to be piped to the house, stable and barn, thus securing running water in the farm buildings-a convenience and blessing that needs only to be experienced to be appreciated.

THE BRITISH FARMER

Specially contributed to the Canadian Thresherman and Farmer by an Officer in the Canadian Army.

T O an extent that is becomnig increasing realized in

the British Isles, the farmer holds the key to the economic situation. Food, food, and yet more food is the urgent need of the hour. And the food supply depends upon the farmer.

Wonders have already been done by the British farmers. But greater wonders still must be wrought before any sound solution of the food problem can be found Last year, it was stated recently in the House of Commons, over a million new acres were added to the cultivated area of Great Britain producing additional cereals of 850,000 tons and an additional 3,000,000 tons of potatoes. This year a further 1,200-000 acres will go under the plow in England, Scotland and Ireland. Think for a moment of the vast effort behind these increases, in a land where for many years there have been all too few encouragements to the farmer. In these strenuous days of agriculturethe "backbone of any country"is coming nto its own.

There are many features of the present agricultural situation in Great Britain of extreme interest to all engaged in agriculture and some of these changing phases may appeal to many readers of "The Canadian Thresherman and Farmer."

At last there are signs that the British farmer is beginning to realize a principle that has long been recognized by the agriculturist of Canada and the United States—that to reap the full measure of success, the farmer, no less than the merchant, must cooperate,



Harry (just "out"): "Listen, Bill! Sounds like ole Fritz comin' over in the mud-Squish squash, Squish squash." Bill: "That's orl right--that's only the American boys further up a chewin' their gum rations."



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An important meeting was held in London the other day, in a very decided sense an historic meeting. It was a conference of farmers and allotment - holders called for the purpose of forming an Agricultural Wholesale So-ciety. Proposals were made to form a co-operative society, with a capital of £100,000, to assist farmers in the purchase of land, the raising of crops by the most scientific methods and the most advantageous disposal of their crops. It will be interesting to watch the development of this sound scheme. Who knows but from these beginnings may come complete reorganization of . 3 farming methods in Great Britain?

That the present government

appreciates the vast importance of the whole-hearted co-operation of the farmers is abundantly clear. Innumerable are the appeals and exhortations made to them; and loyal the response. But at last the powers that be are awakening to the fact that these appeals must be thoroughly practical, made by men who understand 'the situation, know exactly what is wanted, and say so in an unmistakable fashion. It was officially announced a few days ago that the Ministry of Food and the Board of Agriculture have ruled that in future all orders dealing with agricultural matters "should be couched in the plainest possible language" instead of in the old official jargon which would fre-quently puzzle the very lawyers

to understand. Plain speaking to plain men is a pretty good plan the world over.

Not all the suggestions and appeals that are being made to farmers are distinguished for their wisdom. There is a tremendous controversy in the press at the present time upon the ruling that pig raising is undesirable at the present time. The powers that be take the view that pigs cannot be fed without use of grain needed to feed the popu-Practical hog raisers lation. claim that they can, and who are the better judges?

Last year, huge supplies of potatoes were grown by the farmers, allotment holders and backyard gardeners. This year, in all probability, still greater crops of this useful tuber will be raised. But here are voices here and there questioning whether one cannot have "too much potato" that the food value of the homely tuber is relatively small, as compared with the parsnip, sea-kale, broccoli or bean.

One sound principle has been announced which comforts the hearts of a great many amateur growers. It has been made a penal offence to hoard supplies, and many a prudent housewife who, without any thought of hoarding, has cannily stored her cupboard with supplies against a still more rainy day, finds that she must unload her shelves. But home-grown produce of the garden is to be exempt from seizure. The director-general of the Food

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Production Department makes the following assuring statement:

"Not only is it not proposed to commandeer the produce of allotment holders, but special facilities will be granted to them. That is to say, they will be entitled to retain for their own consumption the whole or any part of their produce, while, on the other hand, they will be offered every encouragement to group their surplus produce as in the case of potatoes, in four-ton lots, so as to obtain the benefit of State purchase or for the purpose of marketing any other surplus produce."

And just as there is a laudable tendency to give every encouragement to the active farmer, swift punishment falls upon the landowner or tenant who fails to use his land to full advantage. A farmer in Buckinghamshire who has held some 200 acres for over thirty years, failed for some reason to cultivate more than half his land last year. He was fined £10 and £50 costs, and his farm was confiscated. Here is an instance of the growing view, which in recent years has been so widely overlooked, that the land is a national asset, only to be held on the principle that its holders do service for the privilege. That principle will increasingly extend. If the British farmer will but

do his best, the German submarine may do its worst, and, happily, the British farmer knows it.

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resorted to. Then it is necessary to use long crowbars or jacks to move one or the other machine into the belt. If you are using a silo filler, which sits plumb up against the silo to get a straight pipe, it will be necessary to pack over the tractor to get the right results.

Blocking these machines, too, is more difficult. It will be found necessary to drive stakes into the ground to quite a depth to hold them in place to keep the proper tension on the belt. Screw jacks will be found of much convenience between stakes and tractor.

Now that we are all set, we can start up at the proper signal. The friction clutch should be moved in very slowly, and at the same time the tractioneer should watch the belt very carefully, and also keep an eye on the man who runs the machine end of this rig. He may find something wrong and want to stop in an instant. It will be a pleasure and personal satisfaction to hear the tractor motor pick up this load.

If the belt runs properly—and be sure that it does—the tractor can then receive what attention is necessary. Be ready, however, at any instant to throw out the clutch if a signal from the operator of the other machine is given. On the rig that I worked with we felt that it was useless for the tractioneer to stand by the tractor during this time, since it required no attention. We, therefore, drove a stake into the ground some twenty feet back of the tractor, on which we wired a single pulley sheave block. From the friction clutch lever we ran a rope back through this sheave block on the stake, then forward up to the front wheels of the belt machine.

Everybody working about this machine knew that a good yank on this rope would throw out the clutch and let the machine stop. This gave us the tractioneer's work with the rig, where he could do much helping. Of course, he would go back to the tractor now and then to see how things were moving.

Now just a word about throwing off the belt. When the job is finished the tractioneer usually throws the belt. He is anxious to back up and get turned about so he can couple up and move to the next place. But don't be in too much of a hurry. First of ali the engine friction clutch should be thrown out of engagement when the job is finished. The best plan to follow is to let the belt come to almost a dead stop before throwing it. Even if it stopped absolutely the engine can run ahead a foot or two to release it, which will be better than throwing it, which might cause an accident.

When Pulley Picks Up Belt

If the belt is thrown off when the belt machine is still pretty well up to speed there is great danger of the drive pulleys not letting go. In this case it will pick up the belt and start to wind it round itself. In one experience of this sort the shaft on the thresher was bent badly. Another time the belt slipped off the pulley on the silo filler and got wedged between the sharp face of the pulley and the frame of the machine and cut the drive beltnew 8-in. 4-ply stitched canvashalfway across before the machine could be brought to a stop.

Also it happens in many cases men have had their arms broken by getting them between the belt and the drive puley of the tractor while throwing the belt.

The plumber boy to the war has gone.

- In the army ranks you'll find him;
- His soldering iron bravely shone, And his spirits of salts behind him.

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TRY to picture yourself in the muddy cold trenches after exciting days and long nights of mortal danger and intense nervous strain. Rushing "whiz-bangs" and screaming "coal boxes" are no respecters of persons. You are hit! But despite shock and pain you still can face the long weary trudge back to dressing station. Weary, overwrought and depressed you are prey to wild imaginings of that other coming ordeal with the surgeon. There are other "walking wounded," too! You must wait, wait, wait. And then—

Up comes a cheery Y.M.C.A. man, the ever present big brother to the soldier, with words of manly encouragement. Close beside the dressing station the good, generous folks at home have enabled him to set up a canteen. He hands you biscuits, and chocolate or coffee.

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Cheer Up, and Thank God for the Y.M.C.A.!

Brief Survey of

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The non-combatant in charge of the dugont had been a minister in peace time, a native of the breezy western plains of Canada. He had joined the ranks as a stretcher bearer, and was later transferred from the banner of the Red Cross to the Banner of the Red Triangle. He was serving as indefatigably in this branch to help men as he had in the other, and the sergeant's stripes indicated that his work was being appreciated.

Once again the Ypres salient was resounding with intense artillery fire. The British regulars had blown up six giant craters in the enemies' lines at St. Eloi, and the Canadians were holding the captured territory. But the ground was held at great cost. Our men were returning wounded, broken and weary. In those days both the man and the dugout were needed. Early and late he toiled over a troublesome gasoline stove to prepare hot cocoa for the wayfarers. A constant stream of heroes came down the road.

At night, working parties crept by. Men who went up to rebuild the parapets and stretch new wire dragged themselves back fatigued and unnerved by their operations in "No Man's Land" under the flare of the star shells. It was often the grey dawn when they returned, but the non-combatant had a hot drink ready when they passed by. There he toiled all alone, serving hundreds of cups of cocoa daily, stoking the stove, washing the mugs, and by his cheery presence and kindly word comforting the passing men.

He stayed there through a furnace of shells whizzing around him in 'that whole month's battle of St. Eloi, and he was still at his post when the battle of Hooge began, with its still more devastating shell fire. But he was forced to find a new dugout.

Two or three times pieces of his little shelter were torn by flying fragments; this time the most destructive of all the German shells, a 5.9, got a direct hit. He was buried in the debris, but he escaped. In two days another dugout and a new stock were procured, and a new sign graced the side turned away from the Germans. There he began again to minister to the many.

For three months he thus toiled, unselfishly, ungrudgingly, serving. Although he made many friends the constant change of regiments gave him little opportunity for companionship. The greatest joy that came to him from without was the weekly letter of his invalid mother; this and his daily communion with the Unseen, provided his soul's inner strength. Yet the desolation of the battlefield and the strain of



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his loneliness shook his nerves. Men hate to face danger alone. That is probably one rea-son why the Germans love massed attacks. Even when our best companies go over the 'top they are inclined to bunch. Men would rather die together. The Non-Combatant was alone, and the strain was too heavy to withstand

One morning his face betrayed signs of 'trouble. The previous night he had "seen things." Noises had disturbed his rest. He jumped up expecting an attack. Then in moments of suspense he thought of an artillery major, who, leaving the guns to go to the observation pos't, had suddenly disappeared into the unknown. Some suspected that he had been foully murdered, a victim of the wonderful efficient German spy system. The Non-Combatant shuddered, was it now his turn? In a few momen'ts the noise died away and he went back to his blankets.

Once again a noise, this time order. He waited. This time louder. He waited. his mind wandered and passed across the terrible tragedies that across the termine lived in his memory. But ne tracked. Taking the initiative, his disturber fled. The intruders were rats. Rats, the scavengers of the battlefield, almost as pestiferous as the lice and flies, were seeking the sweet-meats in his little tuck-shop. Much relieved he retired-but not to rest. His already highstrung nerves brought forth fresh The terrors until the morning. suspense, anxiety and dangers were beyond a lone man's endurance.

Would he be relieved before his nerves completely gave way? Two days later his officer came through with the news that his service had gained him a commission, and that he would leave the next day at dawn for Eng-land. Off to "Blighty" for his new outfit! Wha't a change! bath and a bed for six days in Old London!

That very night the Germans blew up the mine north of Wytchaete. It was so dark that one could not see a yard ahead. There was an unearthly stillness on 'the front, that spelt mischief. About midnight the explosion of a mine sent the gun pits quivering. In an instant every gun the foe had was going from "whizz bangs" to "Jack Johnson's." Such unearthly music! The crimson chorus of the devil's orchestra. The reply was staggering, and the Canadians gained superiority of fire. The Non-Combatant got busy in the dugout.

Soon the procession began. Men, wet with blood, dodged the shrapnel to gulp down a hot THE CANADIAN THRESHERMAN AND FARMER



hole, they saw the fruit cans gashed as if by a hundred chisels; the stock scattered and destroyed; the mugs broken; the cocoa overturned; and when they had

was placed in his last dugout. As the padre prayed, the party stood staring into the unknown. Death faces them so frequently that they have no fear of it. They accept

but as one of its most dramatic

reiterating their thoughts. "Death has severed us from our comrade, but out here face to face with the great realities, we have learned that death is but 'the portal to a larger life. Aye, it would take more than death to stop Harry; he will 'carry on.'" And as they crossed back to their dugouts, they wondered what ministrations Harry would "carry on" among the angels.

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to miss a place he sticks up a flag, then the horse drill comes along, fills up place, picks up flag which is returned to engine drill man; thus we are able to do perfect seeding.

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We plow our summer fallow about eight inches deep, fall plowing about six inches. We drill in our grain just as deep as we can, using one and threequarter bushels wheat and three bushels oats per acre. Always harrow after seeding and use packer as much as possible in addition to harrowing. Our land is sandy loam with clay subsoil and it gives excellent results. One should in all cases pur-

chase an engine large enough, so engine will seldom have to pull up to its capacity. An engine is pretty much like a man, horse, or any other animal. If they are driven to the limit all the time they will not last long, while if they can do their work with comparative ease they are always ready, will accomplish more and live much longer .--- Very truly yours, Jas. Scilley.

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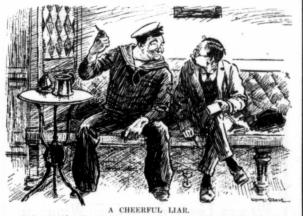
Arran, Sask., Feb. 2, 1918. Dear Sir:

HAVE been reading your article in "The Canadian Thresherman and Farmer." and as you ask somebody to say something, I'm ge you. Your going to oblige you. scheme is all right, but it does not go far enough. You have a few of the loafers located, but not all. There are hundreds, yes hundreds, of good men practically killing time. Where? Why, back from railway, from fifteen to fifty or more miles, homesteading. They have got from ten to maybe thirty acres of crop. Some have got scrub farms, some have bush farms, with prospects of railway nil. Wha't sort of people are they? A goodly number of them are good farmers. Why are they there? They tried to pay for land close to railway, but on account of low prices, hail, frost, too much machinery, from one or a combination of these causes they failed to make it pay. Some are there to get a homestead to sell, some to get a homestead and wait for a railway, but there they are.

Why should they remain there when they could produce ten times as much grub close to railway? Why should they grub stumps when there is plenty of land without stumps. Of course, it would upset things a little, but that is what they need. Now my idea of things is that the government has enough on its hands, but take pigs for instance. They are asking people to produce bacon, but it will be a year before they know the result. Now I would say let the government appoint a man in each district, not an old man, but an active man, a man who has been growing bacon for years and knows his job. Give him power to compel farmers who know how to grow bacon.

To ask all to grow pigs will mean there will be a lot of waste, as it requires knowledge and experience to raise bacon, but give a man who knows pigs an order for a certain amount of bacon and put him in khaki, allow him to supply pigs and feed where needed and you could figure on getting bacon. This howl about help-what's the use? There is no relief in sight. If farmers would get down to the fact that this war is not won yet, and that the Germans are confiden't they will win it, and if the Germans win, how long would they be in training Canadian farmers for German soldiers?

In past wars, every able-bodied man living in the territory they captured has been trained and used to stand the brun't of the next war. Have they changed? Yes, for the worse; civilization has been destroyed before will it be again? It will be if the farmers in this country don't wake up soon enough. Some farmers seem



Staker (to "Our Special Correspondent") — "I see the torpedo approachin' us; so without waitin' fer any orders I dives overheard, just gives 'im a flick on 'is little rudder, an' off 'egoes to start'id an' passes us 'armleasy by."



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to think that they have just come into their own, or would if the government would compel someone to do their work ; whereas it's only borrowed money, borrowed on the future labor of everybody in Canada, and will have to be repaid with interest.

And farmers should know from past experience who pays Canada's bills. As for machinery, some people seem to think the best way to get new machinery is to destroy what they have, for they don't use it the way it could be used. Nor do they work it as much as it could be worked. The most of our farm machinery will last indefinitely if it is looked after, and the wear taken up. My binder has cut eighteen crops, and still goes perfect, and it has never been in a shed. It cut two thousand five hundred bushels of grain the past season. Nor have I bought many repairs, I've replaced the whippletree iron twice.

My mower I have used for twenty-two years, and it cu'ts hay The knife heads are not vet. worn much yet, and they are the two I got with 'the mower. Re-Yes, the tongue has pairs? broken or rotted several times. Maybe I've not used it well

I have been keeping from thirty to fifty head of stock. I have sixty-five this year, and before this war is over there will be lots of farmers using what machinery they have instead of buying new.

I quite agree with you about pulling together. I have no tractor, nor suitable land to work it on if I had it, but if I could get suitable land and a tractor I believe I could keep it going twenty-four hours a day if neces-

I've got help, a wife, a boy 14 years, and a girl of 16, and still we could not be doing the equal of the boys at the front.

Now I've got to stop because I've got some cattle to feed. How thankful you will be 'that

something stopped him. Wishing you luck when you start training girls for traction-

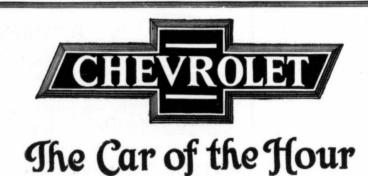
eers. Yours truly, S. Baker.

The Tractioneer Replies to Above

R EPLYING to yours of February 2nd an - m cy expert would, no doubt, be very enthusiastic over your plan, for it offers a chance to grow more crop with the present available help, but I don't see how it could very well be carried out without putting the whole country under military law. It would be an enormous undertaking, and one, the results of which are, in my mind, very doubtful.

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and put him on to strange land is very apt to make him lose his interest in farming altogether. If he be a single man, the result would probably not be so disastrous but, when a young couple have worked together, to make a home, they don't like to leave it in a hurry.

However, we'll look at the thing from a different angle. We have pretty well shown that, with proper organization and extended use of the 'tractors already in the country, we can farm all the land which is now under cultivation. This means that if these "outside" men were brought closer to the tracks new land would have to be broken up in order to provide land for him to work.

I don't think there would be much gained by letting the average homestead "go back" while new land was being broken up for the homesteader to work nearer the railroad. Instead of doing this I would rather extend my plan of power organization to cover the problem of getting this grain from "way-back" to the railroad.

However, I'm not a farmer; all I know about the farming is the power end of it, and I still contend that all the land now under cultivation could be successfully cropped this year with less severe measures than those which seem to be coming.

As to what you have to say re the Germans training our farmers to be German soldiers, these ideas are very close to ones that often pass through my mind, but I feel that I must get rid of them, for I can't believe that the Canadian farmer is going to sit down and see Germany win this war, because this same Canadian farmer didn't do all he could.

I can back up your sentiments regarding the use of old machinery, and you'll find that a lot of machinery is being brought out from the fence-corners and put into working shops.

I will be pleased to hear from you again any time.

Yours very truly, Doug. R. A. Drummond.

AS TO KEROSENE

HE question of burning kerosene successfully still seems to be bothering a great many farmers. Questions along this line have been showered upon the heads of short course lecturers all winter, and in some cases the lecturers have been at a loss for an answer, not because they thought they did not know because a direct answer but would have been a direct knock at some one or other of 'the popular makes of kerosene tractors. In a case of this kind the only possible solution is to give your own personal experience and

opinion.

If you watch the progress of kerosene burning 'tractor motors very closely and for a long time you'll see some funny things. For instance, go out into the field and tear down the first fifty high speed kerosene motors you find and come back and tell us how many of them were clean in the combustion chamber. Now, go out and hunt up fifty of the oldtime, heavy duty, slow running tractor motors and see what you find there. As a general rule, if your experience is anything like mine, you'll find that the engine which burned kerosene most economically, and burned it all, and left 'the cylinders clean, giving very little valve trouble, ran at a speed not over 300 r.p.m., had a hit-and-miss governor, cool with oil, had relief exhausts and used as much water as fuel.

On the engine which burned all the kerosene and didn't smoke and got all the power out of the fuel, you didn't find a lot of heaters stuck around on the outside, neither did you find a complicated carburetor, in fact, if you look closely at the kerosene motors on the market to-day you'll find that some of the most successful ones have discarded complicated kerosene carburetors and gone back to the most simple form of the animal.

A great many of the so-called kerosene tractor motors of to-day are nothing more than gasoline motors trying to burn kerosene with the aid of heaters.

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DEFORE the establishв ment of the Waltham Watch Company in 1854, there was not a single factory in the world where a watch movement was made in its entirety.

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But with the advent of the Waltham Watch Company a

revolution in watch making took place.

took place. One of the first results of this Company's establishment was to produce better watches at a lower cost than were ever possible before. Watches ceased to be a luxury of the rich and became a convenience that all might possess.

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This is just the beginning of the story. If you want more of it write and ask what you want to know. The average tractor operator loses a surprisingly large amount of good information for the simple reason that he won't ask for it.

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It is generally understood that in order to win this war we must have more grain, not only for ourselves but for the allied countries in the war zone. We are told from reliable sources that France is producing but 61 per cent of her normal crop and England faces much the same depreciation, and so it is necessary that we Canadians produce far more than ever before to make up this inevitable shortage. Not only have we this shortage to make up but we have to produce and ship enough so that after the losses due to submarine warfare have been considered there will still be enough grain reach these countries to supply the usual demand, and, in addition to this make up, the shortage caused by the falling off of crop producing area as well as to supply food for the thousands of soldiers that have been sent in from other parts of the world.

All this is an often told story, but one which cannot be told too often if each telling will impress it a little more solidly in the mind of every Canadian, and one which must be told and remembered if necessary steps are to be taken to overcome the menace of labor shortage, for nobody is inclined to take serious steps in this or any other direction without first seeing some good reason for so doing.

A very few years ago, not more than three, four, or five, this problem would have been difficult to solve for the gas tractor, although a working success was generally regarded as a substitute and not a very popular substitute for the steam tractor. The small tractor was at that time practically unknown, and the large tractor then in use seemed proficient only when worked on level ground, except when handled by particularly efficient operators and in most cases it was necessary for the operator to be a mechanic in order to make the tractor a paying proposition.

However, manufacturers and inventors appreciated the possibilties of the gas tractor, and by improving its design and increasing its reliability they placed it solidly in the farming industry and made of it what appears to be the only efficient substitute for the men and horses that have been taken from the agricultural field, and as a result of this there are some thousands of gas tractors now in use, the increase in this



N dealing with the very large number of claims for exemption brought forward for consideration in connection with Class 1 under the Military Service Act, it has occurred, as was inevitable, that as a result of false statements and difficulties put in the way of investigation, some individuals have secured exemption whose proper place is in the Army.

It is not the intention of the Government to allow these men to evade permanently their obligation to bear their part in the military defence of the Country and of the ideals for which we are fighting. To do so would defeat the purpose of the Act, and cause grave injustice to men in the second class necessarily called out to fill their places.

Exemptions Granted on False Grounds

It is, therefore, proposed to scrutinize carefully all exemptions granted to date in order to separate those which have been granted on false or insufficient grounds from those that are well founded.

With this object in view the various Registrars under the Military Service Act have been instructed to issue a series of questionnaires to exempted men. These questionnaires must be filled up correctly and returned promptly under penalty of forfeiture of exemption for failure to do so.

Exempted Men Who Have Changed Address

It is therefore important in their own interest that all exempted men who have changed their address since their exemption was granted and who have not already notified the Registrar of such change should notify him at once. Under the Regulations it is the duty of exempted men to keep the Registrar advised of any change of address, and failure to receive the questionnaire by reason of neglect of this duty must be treated as equivalent to failure to return the questionnaire after receipt.

Citizens Urged to Assist

In many instances information has been furnished by members of the public which has led to the cancellation of exemptions obtained by false or misleading statements. Further co-operation of this character is invited. The Government regard it as the Duty of all loyal citizens, not only to the Country, but to the men at the front, to assist in this way in securing reinforcements on a just and legal basis. Correspondence of this character will be treated as strictly confidential and will receive the fullest investigation.

> CHARLES J. DOHERTY, Minister of Justice.

Correspondence should be directed to Registrars under the Military Service Act. GEO. A. TOOLE, Esq. Registrar under the Military Service Act. Winnipeg, Manitoba A. L. BAININO, Saq. Registrar under the Military Service Act. Regina., Sakatchewan. J. M. CARBON, Esq. Registrar under the Military Service Act. Calary, Alberta.

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number being regulated only by the capacity of the factories making them.

Probably the fact that "big business" and government authorities have recognized the value of gas tractors, and have made extensive use of them will in part explain their sudden rise in popularity. For instance, we learn on reliable authority that an eastern railroad, the Buffalo, Rochester and Pittsburgh, realizing the necessity of boosting the greater production campaign, bought three small tractors and equipment to be used in assisting farmers along its line with their plowing and harrowing. The company's price for plowing was \$1.50 and for harrowing 75 cents per acre. These prices included the services of a skilled operator, the farmer furnishing the fuel. These prices, of course, would not hold good in Western Canada, in fact, the company made little or no profit from this work, but they were not thinking of profits when they undertook it, their motive being a patriotic one as a means for increasing food production and to encourage farmers along this line to adopt modern methods of farming. The tractors were operated in New York and Pennsylvania, and the convincing part of the undertaking is that thirty farmers along the line of this road have since purchased small tractors.

This is only one example of

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the confidence placed in the small tractor, and it might be supported by an account of the organization in the State of Texas of four thousand tractors which worked day and night and did the work more quickly, more efficiently and at less cost than was ever the case before in that state. Another example of big confidence in the small tractor was the buying of thirty small tractors by the Ontario department of agriculture last spring. These tractors and the implements with them were placed in thirty counties and operated under the supervision of a district representative of the department. The farmer paid the operating costs and boarded the operator. The cost of plowing an acre of land varied from 95 cents to \$2.13, according to 'the condition of the soil and the efficiency of the operator.

The latest piece of confidence in the gas tractor which has come to our notice is contained in 'the news that the United States food administration are shipping 1,500 tractors to France to increase the crops in that country and to reduce the burden now resting on her old men, women and children. These tractors will not only be of great service to France, but will release tonnage for the Allies by increasing the amount of food produced in France and decreasing the amount of food that must be shipped from here. The food administrator is sending a man to France with these machines to put them into operation. He will organize schools of instruction and assist the French minister of agriculture in every possible way to obtain the greatest efficiency from these machines.

The tractor, is beginning to receive its warranted recognition, and while it may seem a long jump from the heavy and lumbersome tractor of a very few years ago to the thousands of efficient small tractors that are doing a large share towards making this world a safe abiding place, still to anyone who has followed even remotely the progress of the small tractor it must be evident that, as Lord Northcliffe has stated, the tractor is likely to be the determining means for winning the war.

In open base engines, that is, engines which do not have a closed crank case, or, to be still more explicit, engines in which the crankshaft, connecting rod, and the front of the cylinder are not covered in, a great deal of wear in the cylinder can be eliminated by stopping the engine with the crankshaft in such a position that the piston has come out just far enough to be flush with the face of the cylinder.

If the engine is stopped with

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needed. It saves fuel, it pre-vents slippage. It does not pack the ground.

The lever hitch is patented.

It is found only in the Nilson-the

the crank on the forward dead

centre a portion of the piston will

project from the cylinder, the oil on it will hold all the dust and

sand which comes in contact with

it, and when the engine is again

started part of this sand and dust

will be carried into the cylinder

and cause excessive wear of the

piston and cylinder walls. If left

on the rear dead centre the re-

Knicker: Is Jones patriotic?

hasn't more than half-a-dozen

ideas to offer the government.

Bocker: I'm afraid not; he

D. R. A. Drummond.

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A somewhat unique but no less useful scheme for filtering tractor engine and machinery lubricating oil is shown in the drawing above. It consists of an old felt hat and a bucket. The sketch being self explanatory, nothing need be said except that one should use a felt hat with no vent holes in it. If there are holes they must be covered by cutting small pieces out of the rim and sewing over them. The writer assures anyone that the felt will filter lubricating oil perfectly, and those who are not owners of a filter should at once look round for an old felt hat and make one.

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much oil can be saved by catching it in drip pans and filtering it for re-use.

The drawing at the bottom of this column represents two types of drip pans made from empty five-gallon paint and gasoline cans. A pair of snips and a soldering iron will make these.



AUXILIARY POWER OF THE FARM

LITTLE over a year ago, there came into existence, as a result of the keen interest that was being taken in

power farming machinery, the tractor attachment for automobiles, particularly for Ford cars. This tractor attachment, since

that time has been a much discussed subject, and as "the proof of the pudding" is always "in the eating," a great number of the advantages claimed for and the criticisms against this type of machine were misdirected. Now that the machine itself has had a year's work in the field, we are able to speak with some degree of authority.

We refer particularly to the Staude-Mak-A Tractor, as that is practically 'the only one of the type we are discussing that has been used to any extent in Western Canada. As nearly as we can learn, this little machine is making good. We have seen letters that we would not dare print because they are most extravagant in their claims. Many write they can pull a 14-inch gang plow in any stubble in the West. This not true, as there are many differen't kinds of soil in Western Canada. Others write that it can do the work of six horses. It is true this can be done for a little while, but it won't pay in the long run

The tractor attached to a Ford car will deliver approximately 750 pounds on a draw-bar pull without any appreciable injury to the car. A real mechanic might run this pull up to the thousand pound mark, but this is not safe in the hands of the averfarmer. The motor will age cool and lubricate itself, and owing to the fact that the strain is taken on a cushion formed by the channel bars and the rear springs of the Ford there is very little strain on the car. As the car has sufficient power to drive almost continually on high, there is very little wear on the transmission. The average car requires from one and a half to two gallons of gasoline per acre,

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"MY OWN GOPHER POISON" will be sent prepaid at 75c., \$1.00, \$1.50 per pack age if you have any trouble getting it.

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according to the load being INDIAN STRATEGY STILL pulled.

The Staude-Mak-A Tractor is not designed to take the place of a tractor, but it is designed as an auxiliary power to the regular outfit. When we figure this tractor on a percentage of first cost, it works out somewhat as follows: Figuring depreciation over a period of five years at 8 per cent interest, 5 per cent per annum for repairs, and 10c. per mile for rental of the Ford car, the farmer with 150 acres to plow, using two gallons of gas per acre, will find that his per acre cost will not exceed \$2.00 exclusive of his own labor.

At the present time there are about 30,000 Fords in the hands of the farmers of Western Canada. If all of these were equipped with Staude-Mak-A Tractors production could easily be increased to the extent of 150,000 acres per day during the plowing season, and this is a considerable item in these times when we are straining to the limit to feed our armies.

The Staude-Mak-A Tractor is not designed to take the place of the heavy machine, but it is designed to do a certain class of work, and it does it. We simply make this statement on what it has done in the past.

FAVORED

Wars were once fought by bearded men. That they are not now fought by bearded men is due to the light which Science has been able to throw on the subject of sanitation and to the inventive genius of man, which produced the safety razor, when the old-fashioned type of razor failed to keep pace with the march of civilization.

Soldiers are not permitted to wear beards because they impair their efficiency as soldiers. But even at that soldiers would now be wearing beards, were it not for the invention and subsequen't improvement of the safety razor. This for the reason that the old type of flat bed razor cannot stand up under active service conditions. Most men know how difficult it is to keep a keen edge on an old-fashioned razor at the best of times. All soldiers know that it is next to impossible to keep it sharp under the stress of actual war conditions. The mechanically perfect universally known safety razor helps to keep the soldier at the peak of efficiency, and it helps to keep him out of reach of the heavy hand of those who deal with violations of K. R. and O. It is doing its bit.

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but, you can protect yourself against financial loss by taking a Hail Insurance Policy with us. Our proved financial strength assures you prompt and full settlement of your hall losses.



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THE SHORT COURSES Through the Eyes of the Tractioneer

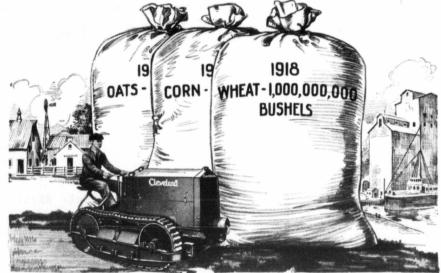
Y the time this issue reaches its readers the Manitoba Agricultural Extension Service short courses will be about finished, and, while I was rather skeptical about them for a while, I'm fully convinced now that it was all money well spent. That is, of course, the gas engine part of the courses. I don't know anything about how the other parts of these courses worked out, for I don't know anything except gas engines, and probably not very much about them. But, taking the courses as a whole, I firmly believe they were all to the many.

However, it wouldn't be me if I didn't find something to kick about, so I'll take a kick at both sides. In the first place, I think the gas engine work could be handled a little better, that is, it could be handled more easily and more systematically with cheaper equipment. The present system is to take out three tractors and four small engines, along with some other small equipment. The idea is all right, but I'd like to see the equipment changed to about seven small engines and three tractor motors without the tractors. Then a lecture could be given in one branch of gas engine work, say, valve timing. Then during the practical period which followed the lecture every member of the class could work on valve timing until it was properly salted away in their heads.

The next day, another branch of the work could be taken up in much the same way, and the last two or three days could be spent in generally disabling the gas babies and having the students play gas doctors with themselves.

The big trouble is that most of the prospective students, or a number of them, don't seem to know just what is good for them and they aren't happy unless they see a chance of getting into a tractor and running around through the snow banks and the tractor acts as a drawing card to coas the students to come and get something that is good for them.

Tractors, as a whole, do not appreciate being chased around through the snow, and the boys who are in them don't learn very much about tractor operation while they are at it. But the tractor motor is a very important affair and should be studied very carefully. This is hard to do when the motor is on the tractor for, very often, if you want to get a tractor motor, you start out by taking off the drive wheels or some other such convenient piece of the tractor



Task Before the Dominion's Farmers

Over a billion bushels of wheat must be produced in Canada and the States this year.

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and removing everything; from there up to the motor.

From what little experience I have had with tractor manufacturers, they'll go quite a long way in lending machinery for this work. They lend their tractors for this work now, and I'm pretty sure they would be willing 'to take the motor off a tractor, put it on blocks, and let it go out instead of the whole tractor. Incidentally, they would be saving quite a chunk of money by getting rid of the expense caused by

green hands playing with the tractors in the snow banks.

In addition to this, I'm pretty sure that carburetors and magnetos could be obtained in the same way and a very thorough gas engine course given in two weeks.

Of course, I think it would be quite easy to hit the other extreme, and make the course one which it would be very hard for the average man to get and hold on to.

Then again, these courses which

are a big success, would be a far greater success if every man who attended them made up his mind to get all he could out of them, the instructor doesn't have time to go around and open every student's head with a chisel and hammer and then, after the course is over, weld 'the heads together again.

That is just my opinion, and a lot of people probably won't agree with it. But then nobody will say anything unless somebody starts it.



PASTURE FOR HOGS

(Experimental Farms Note.)

THE feed situation confronting the swine grower during the coming summer is not a bright one. Standard hogfeeds are not likely to be plentiful, with high prices ruling. Shorts and middlings, while fixed as to price, show no likelihood of a surplus. Corn, for some months practically unprocurable, and in any case too high in price to be considered, may be available, but whether in reliably constant quantities remains to be seen. Barley will be high priced also and difficulty available in many localities. Oats, under ruling and probable future prices, should be used only for the milking sow and for weaned and growing pigs. Only in small quantities should this feed enter into the fattening ration. It has been shown 'that with breeding stock, whether during winter or summer maintenance, cheap home-grown feeds may be largely utilized as an economy, and that from such feeding practice best results may be obtained in health and production. It has been, further, clearly demonstrated that home-grown feeds for summer feeding may economically replace a considerable percentage of meal even at pre-war prices.

The findings at Lacombe would warrant the recommendation of alfalfa for early pasture with a block of rape to supp1 green food for hogs when they attain considerable size. Where alfalfa may be successfully grown, the swine grower would be well advised in retaining a small block for swine feeding purposes. Failing alfalfa, clover will give almost equally good results. With neither of the legumes available, results at Lacombe indicate that a cereal pasture second only to the legumes, is to be obtained by the use of a heavy seeding (3 bushels per acre) of oats and barley, or

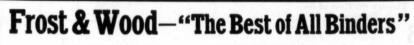
Any one of the pastures above mentioned should be followed by rape seeded early in June, preferably in drills 27 inches apart. At Lacombe the results of

the use of self-feeders versus hand-feeding on pasture, while not sufficiently verified by repeated experiment, would in-



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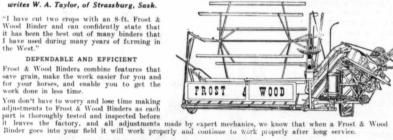
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dicate that where hogs are fed to a finish the self - feeding method shows most economical gains. It has been proven where corn is the principal grain used, self-feeding is more economical than hand-feeding. That this is also the case where mixed grains, wheat by-products and feeding concentrates are used, is indicated by the results at Ottawa, Lacombe, Brandon and elsewhere on the Experimental Farms System.

At the Experimental Station at Lethbridge excellent results have been obtained from alfalfa and peas, the hogs being allowed access to both crops at the same time. Here, of course, alfalfa is one of the most dependable crops grown, conditions being in all respects suited to its culture.

While much evidence is, therefore, at hand, to show that alfalfa possibly holds first place as a hog pasture, it must be remembered that in many sections of Canada this crop cannot be grown at all, in many others that it is unreliable in the extreme, and that even under more or less favorable soil and climatic conditions for one reason or another it cannot always be relied upon. For reliability and wide cultural possibilities and from the standpoint of palatability, producing power and resistance to pasturing, red clover should receive emphasis equal to, if not greater than, that given alfalfa.

In conclusion, high priced grain and meal for hogs must be replaced, as far as possible, during the coming summer. Pastures, as discussed, form a home-grown, palatable, easily available food, that is harvested without labor. The self - feeder combines well with pasturing, and for growing and finishing hogs is peculiarly worthy of attention during present labor scarcity.

PEAS-THE STOCKMAN'S CROP

(Experimental Farms Note.)

HE high price at which peas have sold on the market for the last two years has given a decided impetus to their production. Canadian production in 1917 exceeded the previous year by nearly a million bushels. This is as it should be. The production of peas is lower than that of any of the cereals. Insect pests, diseases and the low price decreased the production of this important legume previous to the war, but since then, due to the rapidly rising price of the last three years, the acreage has been greatly increased, especially in the provinces of Quebec, Saskatchewan and Alberta When we



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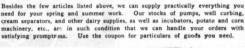
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consider the numerous ways in which one can utilize this crop either in the seed or on the vine it is surprising that pea growing has not received an even greater impetus than it did las't season.

Split peas and whole peas especially in Canada occupy a prominent place in human diet in that delectable food pea soup. Pea meal is a very proteinaceous food excellent for use in a balanced ration for stock feeding purposes, furnishing as it does a lowpriced concentrate. Considering the high price of concentrates, the farmer who has a crop of peas, that he can convert into pea meal, is doing much to free himself from danger of exploitation at the hands of feed dealers. Unthreshed peas are of great value for sheep feeding purposes, being an ideal winter roughage for breeding ewes, while they are likewise an excellent feed for young cattle. They can also be successfully grown with oats and ensiled, furnishing where corn cannot be grown one of the most valuable silage foods, or again the same mixture can be cured as hay and fed with profit throughout the winter. As a summer pasture for hogs, they return profitable gains, an acre of peas forming a most valuable adjunct to the summer ration coming in at a time when the young shoats are able to make the best use of this kind of feed.

The successful culture of peas is largely a matter of climate. Being a legume instead of a cereal, they are classed among those crops known as soil improvers. While they do not do their best on light soils particu-larly during a period of dry weather, yet almost any heavy well drained soil that has not been robbed of its virgin fertility The will produce a good crop. best results are obtained by putting them on sod land which has been plowed the previous autumn and thoroughly top-worked before seeding.

Peas cannot be sown as early as wheat or oats, owing to the tenderness of the young vines which a late spring frost is apt to damage seriously, also the cold and dampness of the seed bed may cause a rotting of the seed. It is impossible to give an exact date when it is desirable to start pea seeding, but this is a general rule that may be followed : If you have sown your whea't on the earliest date possible, the seeding of peas may be commenced from ten to fourteen days afterward. This rule might be modified in certain localities, depending entirely on the local weather conditions.

We would recommend farmers who are in extreme northern districts, and who are desirous of trying out peas, to start in a

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small way. As peas are subject to severe injury from frost both in the late spring and early autumn, it would be poor advice to recommend any farmer who is situated north of the 50th parallel in the eastern provinces, and north of the 53rd parallel in the prairie provinces, to sow a large acreage until he is certain that they will escape late spring and early fall frosts.

The many ways in which one can utilize a few acres of peas with profit should tend to make this one of our most popular crops instead of occupying, as it does, a lower place than any of the Canadian cereals. There are no cultural difficulties to discourage the farmer while the chief insect pest, the weevil, can always be successfully controlled by the sulphide treatment.

There is a large place for peas in our farming and stock feeding practices, much larger than has been thought by most of our practical agriculturists.

Mildred-"Women don't have so many enemies as men do, do you think?"

Clarence-"Maybe not, but the women seem to get more pleasure out of theirs."-Judge.

CONTROLLING THE SOW THISTLE

R. LUDVIG PETERSON. a successful farmer living in Kittson County, Minnesota, has solved the sow thistle problem to his own satisfaction. His method of control is worthy of study by others who are seeking means for combating this weed pest.

Mr. Peterson follows a six-year rotation plan on the 320 acres of land that he has under cultivation. His plan of rotation was adopted five years ago, and has been in operation long enough



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to produce results. Before this plan of rotation was followed on his farm, summer-fallowing had been practised.

No claim is made by Mr. Peterson that his crop-rotation plan has entirely done away with thistles on his farm. The thistle is 'there, but not to the extent that it cuts down crop yields or in any way interferes with his plans of crop management. In spite of the dry weather of the past summer, he secured a yield of 33 bushels of wheat per acre. The crop year of 1916 was very poor throughout 'the valley; but Mr. Peterson's wheat yielded 14 bushels per acre against a neighborhood yield of about four bushels per acre. The 1917 hay crop as a rule was poor for northwestern Minnesota; timothy and clover yielded for 1917 one and a quarter tons per acre on Mr. Peterson's farm. These yields have been secured in the part of the valley that is badly infested with sow thistle. Mr. Peterson expects big yields; if the yield is cut down in any way, other factors than that of sow thistle will be the cause. His six-year rotation plan is

as follows:

Corn

Wheat seeded to timothy and clover

Two years meadow One year pasture

Oats

The fields are equally divided. One-sixth of the 320 acres is in corn each year. The farm is sufficiently fenced so that the annual shifting of the pasture can be done with the least expenditure of time and labor. Fences also make it easy to pasture the wheat and oat stubble and last year with the early frost killing the corn and the corn too green at the time to make good fodder, the fence enabled him to turn stock in the corn field for what feed was there.

Mr. Peterson was a stockman. For five years he has had a silo. Feed raised is fed on the farm. Aside from the benefits derived from having stock on the farm, the fact that stock is kept on Mr. Peterson's farm is a valuable aid to hold the sow thistle in check.

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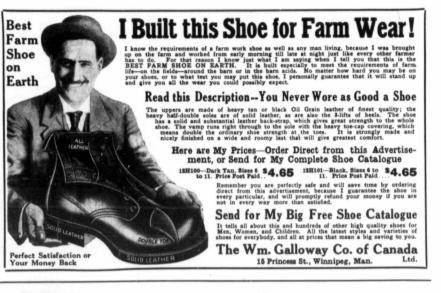
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One-sixth of the 320 acres being in corn means 54 acres of the crop each year. This cultivated crop takes the place of summer-fallow. Cultivation will not keep out the sow thistle, as some will escape and produce seed, but the cropping system is so well handled that succeeding crops do not suffer from the thistle. In order that the thistle may be held in check as thoroughly as possible, the corn is gone over once during the season with a hoe. This costs about a dollar per acre.

No preceding crop can so well prepare the ground for wheat as



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a cultivated crop. After such a crop a good firm seed-bed can easily be prepared without much Thorough disking and labor. harrowing is all that is required. Wheat on such a field can easily hold its own with the thistle and usually has the best of the thistle.

The two years of hay and one of pasture prevent any sow thistle on that part of the farm from seeding. These three years tend to kill out any weeds that may have gotten a foothold in the previous two years of corn and wheat. The pasture is broken up in late summer ; breaking at this time hurts the sow thistle roots. Oats the sixth year following pasture is the cleanest of any of the crops.

A careful study of this rotation system will show many com-mendable features, but it has been sufficient to set forth its value as a method for sow thistle control. It is well worth remembering that this rotation plan was put in practice after several years of summer-fallowing. To adopt a rotation plan with a badly infested sow thistle farm would result in disappointment for the farmer. Some headway must be made against this weed before a rotation can be used effectively. Summer-fallowing paves the way by entirely eradicating the pest. A cultivated crop will not eradicate the weed, cultivation only holding the thistle in check after its control has previously been made possible by summer-fallow methods. To have such a large area in a cultivated crop as Mr. Peterson has each year is at present beyond the practice of the average Red River Valley farmer. It must be admitted that, when this much of each farm is a cultivated crop each year, farming conditions throughout the valley will be on a better paying basis, as it will naturally mean increased crop yields and more live stock per farm. This latter condition is sadly needed on valley farms. Where the cropping plan cannot use as large an area of cultivated crops, a part of the farm each year must be summerfallowed, if the thistle is to be kept under control.

Mr. Peterson was asked to give his reason for changing from summer-fallow, as formerly practised by him, to his method of crop rotation and cultivated crops. His first and best reason is that he cannot afford to have land that is not producing some crop. He has shown to his own satisfaction that the present method produces larger returns. The good corn year of 1914 well illustrates this point. That year the corn field of 54 acres produced enough to fill his 150-ton silo, and 1,800 bushels of well matured Minnesota No. 13 corn, also the

additional feed of fodder. Under the old system of summer-fallowing this particular field would have given no returns. The next year, 1915, over 30 bushels per acre of wheat was raised on this same field.

The soil in the neighborhood of Mr. Peterson's farm is of the lighter sandy type of Red River Valley soils. To summer-fallow such oil will cause a loss by drifting. This loss by drifting, Mr. Peterson figures, offsets many of the advantages of summer-fallowing that otherwise might be expected on soil of the heavier type.

To make summer - fallowing effective, the surface must be cultivated often enough to prevent the starting of any new growth. Many times when the summerfallow field should be gone over, the teams may have to be in the hay field : having followed closely by harvest will also keep the teams busy. At the critical time when the summer-fallow field should be cultivated, the teams are busy at other farm work. The result is that the thistle gets a good start, many produce seed, and the benefits expected from summer-fallowing are not realized.

The fact that there are farmers in the Red River Valley who are controlling the sow thistle and making a success in their farming operations should lend encouragement to those who are seeking means for its control. There is no farm management problem that is not subject to a solution. The same means of solution are not applicable for all farms. Adjusting conditions for the best practice on any farm requires a study of the methods of farming that are in operation on a well-organized farm. This often requires a modification of the exact line of methods that are best on one farm in order to make the same practice of management feasible on another farm. These different features in farms are many and varied, such as location of the farm, soil type and soil fertility, size of the farming business, the major line of work, equipment in buildings, live stock, machinery, etc. These differences in a large measure often apply to neighboring farms. The broad underlying principles of farming must be applied to all farms. The reason one man succeeds in farming and another fails is often the difference between modifying farming principles for the best management of the farm and the failure to study and apply the particular needs to the farm.

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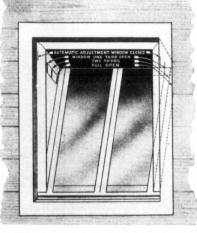
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From every hamlet and hall She has come with her splendid deed, Ready for every call. She is winning and doing, and still In larger ways and complete. Sending the spur of her own high will To every heart she may meet. This is the worman's day! And she has not failed nor wmced, We lotizeed oor dowdled upon the we

And she has not tailed nor winced, Nor loitered nor dawled upon the way Nor growled, nor murmured, n mineed. The woman—the queenly part Of all that is fine and free, Giving the best in her golden heart For her land, for you, and for me!" nor

Helps By the Way

One great value of thinking about others is that we get a rest from thinking about ourselves, which is the chief cause of personal unhappiness.

"When you know God your world will be beautiful." . . .

"The language of love is more often silence than speech. What is most deeply felt is least easily told."

"To recognize that higher self, which is truly made in the image and likeness of God, is to be always at your best. 'No-thing can resist the will of one who knows what is true and will what is good.

"For flowers that bloom about our feet, For nowers that bloom about out ree For tender grass, so fresh and sweet, For song of bird and hum of bee, For all things fair we hear or see, Father in heaven, we thank Thee!"

"All reforms and all mental healing must result from changing the minds when the mind is changed, the man is changed." .

"Faith is the force that moves moun-tains. It is the very pith and marrow of achievement. It is and has ever been the miracle-worker of the ages; it is the connecting link between God and man. And we may have it if we will."

"Dear, we must share if we would keep All blessings from above; Ceasing to give we cease to have— Such is the law of love."

"Remember there is no greater everyday virtue than cheerfulness. We are re-freshed by the presence of cheerful people. Let us not forget to confer that pleasure upon others. An ounce of cheerfulness is worth a pound of sadness to serve God with." with. .

"The grandeur of strength is in silence In the power of quiet and will; To turn from life's turmoil and worry, To know, and to work, and 'be still'."

"There are nettles everywhere, but smooth, green grasses are more common still. The blue of heaven is larger than the cloud." . . .

Home Economics

Home sconomics Kindly send all reports and papers before the fifteenth of each month. A prize of two dollars was offered in the February number for the letter containing the most helpful influence of the con-vention to a delegate. The prize is awarded to the delegate from Souris-Mrs. G. A. Poyner. I am sure every awarded to the delegate from Souris-Mrs. G. A. Poyner. I am sure every member of the H.E.S. will be pleased to know that the most helpful influence to the writer of this letter was a woman's personality—our president—Mrs. Day-ton. This is the letter: Dear Mrs. Hamilton:—In regard to your offer of a vrize for the most helpful influence of the convention, I feel that it was the personality of Mrs. Dayton. I had never been there before so every

Miami, March 5, 1918. Dear Mrs. Hamilton:—I see by the last Thresherman that a request is made for reports from our H.E.S. meetings and work; am sorry that we have not attended to this very regular during the past year, but our new directors are anxious to have the work published in our official organ, The Thresherman, so we will endeavor to turn over a new leaf. Our society is taking up patriotic work at every meeting taking up parriotic work at every meeting this year and that is one reason we expect to have something worth while to report. Our first meeting in the new year was held on February 16th. After the busi-ness was disposed of we served a Queen Mary's tea, in aid of the prisoners of war fund. We have had a great number of

A Splendid Example



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Who of us can write the epic of the down for a while. Phoenix-like, from women are spreading it to the breeze ten of France in their great hour of testing? Beaten smoking homesteads the tricolor rises again, and the er regained France. regained

one was new to me, but what interested one was new to me, but what interested me more than anything else was the way our President considered the different opinions. Never by word or look did she express anything but respect for every one there. She had most remarkable power of self control. One cannot help but love a woman like that. Even if we do not agree with different opinions we need first to control ourselves, and love every one. Mrs. Dayton's absolute self-control and her unselfsh interest in every one at the convention taught me a lesson I shall never forget and it has made me toward others. Joan Poyner.

very instructive talks on food conserva-tion but we always seem to go on after-wards in the same old way. Strange as it may be in the fact that we fear criticism more than sacrifice. However our mem-bers went bravely forward and decorated the room with flags, shields, etc., wrote out a card like the enclosed one for each table, and served tea with bread and butter. Both the congratulatory remarks on the example set and the \$20 realized were sufficient reward for our work. Queen Mary has requested that only tea and plain bread and butter be served at Royal Household Teas. L. Seip, Sec., H.E.S. very instructive talks on food conserva-

Rural Conservation

Bural Conservation Dear Mrs. Hamilton—There was a pertinent remark in one of our daily papers re the women representatives sum-moned to Ottawa to the conference on Food Resources. It said: "Whether these women would represent the rural district, or whether a rural representative would be sent, it was not known." We also see reports of conservation from the cities, but L heave never seen a report from any reports of conservation from the eities, but I have never seen a report from any rural district, nor of what the rural popu-lation of any province is doing. Does it mean the rural housewife is to be left out of all these organizations, and conferences and reports, or am I ignorant of the subject? If the rural population is to do so much to provide for the allies, are they to be left out on the conserving of food? If there were more campaigning and organization and unifying of the rural forces, there would be great supplies liberated for the allies. It is in the country where food (beef, bacon and flour) is so abundant and so near at hand, and where alas! country appetities demand these

where food (beef, bacon and flour) is so abundant and so near at hand, and where alast country appetites demand these things as the bulk of their bill of fare. But mobilization of the country forces is most difficult to accomplish on account of the way the country housewife is situated. She has much to contend with in realizing the need across the sca—her environment isolates her—aurrounded by wide spaces of producing land, she is prevented the common contagion of community life. Thed down by exacting duties that de-mand the constant exercise of both her mental and physical powers, she is not free either to study the methods of pro-viding for outside needs, or to change her method of providing for her family. And would not the plenty that has come to farmers since the war began have a tendency to affliet the womankind with "future degeneracy of the heart," so that she is unable to feel the need of sharing her plenty with suffering ones. Also We fear the "anaenic" villages (as Alson Craig says) do not furnish the medium they might of linking themselves and their rural sisters to the great movements that are bettering the world.

Craig says) do not furnish the medium they might of linking themselves and their rural sisters to the great movements that are bettering the world. Perhaps the greatest obstacle to system-ntic conservation in rural homes is the husband and family. A husband's in-stinct when anything is "going to be scaree" is to "lay in" a supply. The very word "husband" infers this. It is his nature, he can't help it. This is where a woman may literally "fight" for her country. A man is a creature of habit. Nothing but the M.S.A. or his wife can change his habit of eating. This is where the wife plays a responsible part in the war. It is, we slope, the husbands who are responsible for the storing and hoard-ing of one, two ad three years' supplies of flour, in family store-houses, from end to end of our Dominion. What elevator from const to coas' would contain the flour hoarded in this way. As the house-wife goes to her store-room, she must see, painted on every sack, a wan face be-

flour hoarded in this way. As the house-wife goes to her store-room, she must see, painted on every sack, a wan face be-seeching for bread—or, perchance crouch-ing, a lean khaki-diad form with tense face, waiting to do or die for liberty. And so with all these-obstacles to a proper conception of food conservation we here such remarks while canvassing pledge eards: "There's nothing wasted around this house," as if we could feed the allies on what usually goes in the garbage can, or out to the dogs. Another woman wanted to sign a pledge eard, and her husband had laid in a year's supply of flour, though she protested. Another woman, after a "sharp engagement" at the dinner table, had insisted on eutting in half the usual winter's supply of beef. But what was her mortification, when after giving a strenuous talk on conserva-

tion at a meeting, her husband next day, rolled half a barrel of pork into the house. She dreamed of spoilt meat in the cellar and of swimming around in the ocean brine, looking for hams for several nights. And so it moves us to suggest a stricter tab be kept on country consumption. We were annazed on asking two local four dealess re sales of flour for this senson, to find they were greatly in-creased over last senson. Why can't the dealers in flour and meat be compelled to send in monthly statements of sales, and they could be made into reports for each municipality. It might create mun-icipal competition where the national call would fail. Would in the be possible to prevent a retailer from letting out more than three month's supplies of war com-modities to one family. And hastly I would plead for the woman herself. This conservation is such a training of the sympathetic and generous qualities of our nature, as well as a training in personal therit. It is the universality of this sympathetic and generous qualities of our nature, as well as a training in personal thrift. It is the universality of this training that is going to make Canada great and powerful, both now and after the war, that will help us to rebound from the shock for war unbroken—that will re-build our country along natural lines, that will rear up a race of sturdy, sane, humane democratic Canadians.

(I am sure the above letter will call forth other letters. This woman worked hard through cold weather in her cam-paign for conservation and in her letter to me personally she had much discourage-ment.—P.R.H.)

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By L. Venables of Hamiota.
Report of the Eighth Annual Convention
By L. Venables of Hamiota.
(We are glad to publish this report from
the delogate's point of view.)
Held in Winnipeg, February 19 to 23.
All the sessions being held in the banquet
hall of the Royal Alexandra Hotel.
The Convention was opened with
prayer by the Rev. Chas. R. Flanders of
broadway Methodist church, followed
by an address of welcome by Lady Aikins.
It seemed to be the general consensus
of opinion that this the 1918 Annual Convention of H.E.S. and Agricultural
solutions have ever held.
There were present a goodly number of
the lodd "stand-bys" who from the beginning have given these organizations
heir loyal support. There were in
addition a large number of new faces—1
might say young faces, present.
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when will be evaluated in rule and community life. As on previous occasions the social side of the convention was emphasized. The delegates over 300 in number, very gladly accepted the cordial invitation of Lady Akins to a reception at Government House. After listening to music provided by Mrs. Billings' orchestra and partaking of a dainty cup of tea the delegates were shown through the conservatory, where a breath of blooms and palms made one borget that it was below zero weather outside. Sir James presented Mrs. Mar-saret Moxley, of Killarney, Man., the unitary medal won by her son at the iront, which had been recently received at military headquarters.

military medal won by her son at the ront, which had been recently received i military headquasters. A very pleasant innovation this year was the get-together banquet held in the hanquet hall of the Royal Alexandra litotel, where over 500 delegates enjoyed war-time menu dinner, after which speeches by Sir James Aikins, Premier Norris, Hon. Van Winkler and others were listened to with much interest. The most successful and enjoyable gathering closed with three cheers for the national authem.

Mrs. McPherson gave a personal in-vitation to the convention to visit the 1.O.D.E. Convalescent Home. Invita-

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tions were extended to visit Red Cross headquarters in the Keewayden Building, the Khaki Club and the Tuxedo Con-valescent Home. While no sessions were held at the M.A.C. this year H.E.S. delegates were invited to visit the college on Friday. Mrs. Watt, of Birtle, in her reply to the address of welcome expressed regret that we were unable to have all our members attend the conventions. It was an-nounced that one society had ten repre-sentatives. We were pleased to have

four from Hamiota. Over 300 delegates

four from Hamiota. Over 300 delegates in all having registered. Wednesday afternoon was given over entirely to business. Mrs. H. W. Day-ton, of Virden, was unanimously elected Pro. President. Mrs. McBeath was elected to the advisory board to represent the Eastern district. Mrs. McIntyre, of Dauphin, the Northern and Mrs. D. Watt, of Birtle, the Central district. Judging from discussion, the Dower Bill for women of Manitoba was the most interesting to the convention. S. E.

Clement, member for Brandon, after reading the bill which he had introduced to the law amendments committee said: "while it is not a perfect law by any means, but an earnest good will designed to correct some of the glaring wrongs, to give a fair measure of justice, and to form a basis of law that will call forth the best consideration of the most thoughful people, and that will result inadequately protecting the interests of our married women." At the conclusion a lively dis-cussion followed, after answering many

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questions. At the request of Mr. Clement a committee from the convention was appointed to meet the law amendment's committee, with the result that recom-mendations for improvement of the Dower law were asked for. A resolution which was passed without a dissenting voice was submitted by the Portage society, calling upon the exten-sion department, parents end school teachers to use their utmost influence to put a stop to the demoralizing practice of allowing school children to exhibit work, which was known not to have been done

which was known not to have been done by themselves. At the close of Tuesday evening's session Mrs. Jean Muldrew of the Food Controller's office, Ottawa, announced from a wire just received that drastic laws to stop all wilful waste were being passed by the government. A resolution was passed that we co-operate with the Local Council in re-questing the government for the appoint-ment of women jurors, women police officers, which would make it impossible officers, which would make it impossible

officers, which would make it impossible for a repetition of such a trial as the Goodridge trial. Another resolution passed that a move be started to bring about the federation of organizations of all the Provinces such as the Woman's Institute, Home Makers' Club, Home Economies, and all such organizations from coast to coast to be under one name as it is felt such a na-tional organization would be one of the strongest in the Dominion. It was decided to affiliate with the National Council of Women. Affiliation fee \$10.00 suggested to be raised by a collection. Another resolution approved and which

Another resolution approved and which will be presented to the government asking for re-organization of the rural territory of the Province into consolidated school of the Province into consolidated school districts to prevent over reaching. as it was explained that large consolidated districts have been found to Laintain themselves, leaving small strips of land which cannot support a rural school nor benefit from consolidation. The convention pledged itself to follow the Food Controller's wishes in the matter

of food conservation and do all in its power

of food conservation and do all in its power to use substitutes for beef, bacon and wheat and to do its utmost to induce others to do likewise. The motion to change the time of con-vention to the summer time was defeated. It was decided to print and distribute minutes of the Annual Convention among H.E.S. and to give all possible help through the columns of The Canadian Thresherman. A vote of thanks was given Lady kikns for her cordial invitation to a veception at the Government House. An established feature of the convention is a joint session with the Horticultural society. As the H.E.S. have proved of valuable assistance to this department over half the membership being H.E.S.

members.

Too much praise cannot be given the

Extension Department with Mr. S. T. Newton as superintendent, as undoubtedly the burden of arrangement of programme, also attending to details of convention, which are essentially necessary for a successful convention falls heaviest on him. We were afforded the privilege of listening to speakers of Dominion-wide knowledge, such as Mrs. Jean Muldrew, of Ottawa, W. T. Macoun, Dominion Horticulturist, J. Lochie Wilson, Supt. Ontario Agricultural Societics, also Cora E. Hind, of Winnipeg. J. C. Waugh of the Manitoba branch Red Cross spoke in place of Mrs. H. P. Plumptre, secretary Canadian Red Cross, Ars. J. H. R. Bond, President Woman's Auxiliary Red Cross, who presented tatiaties for three months of last year and three months of this year which showed that the number of garments made, also Extension Department with Mr. S.

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Fight with Food

A Call to the Whole Dominion for the Utmost Effort to Produce Food for our Soldiers and Allies



OUR ALLIES are desperately short of food. In the midst of plenty ourselves we must face the stern reality of England on shorter rations than she has been for over a hundred years, and France with only three days' food reserve. Even from their present small supplies they are saving Italy from collapse through hunger.

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Stock raisers are asked to provide the greatest possible production of meat, especially pork.

Starvation is threatening our Allies. Everyone in Canada must fight by doing his or her utmost to produce and to conserve food.

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Mother's Corner

Notice. Baby Picture Contest

Western Canada may well be proud of the beautiful children that smile their way into the great parental hearts of her-men and women. The climate ana-environment are such that produce sturdy environment are such that produce sturdy bodies and keen mental inheritance. The editor of this department believes that our women would be greatly helped if we conduct in this corner a baby photo contest for six months.

our wonner wonner be greatly nepled prote conduct in this corner a baby photo contest for six months. To the mother who sends us a photo of the set developed child with a description of her care of the child, will be awarded a prize of twenty-five dollars. A prize of en dollars will be awarded to the second and five to the third. The contest will be awarded to the second and five to the third. The contest will be in this month and close October first. The weight and measurements of the child must be sent with the description. We shall have for judges three women who are well experienced in the knowledge onnounced at the close of the contest. The published each month as well as some and interest, among the mothers and much valuable experience on the care of children will be gleened for our less experienced mothers. Let us try in of the care of the numbers and much valuable experience on the care of children will be gleened for our less experienced mothers. Let us try in of the care of the numbers to four the title children. The age limit in the contest is four years. Send all communications to Pearl Kinnound Hamilton, 983 Grosvenor Ave., Winnipe.

Our Sundays

Our fittle children look forward eagerly to Sunday, for we have a little Sunday school of our own at home. The two little girls listen to Bible stories and they in turn tell their favorite stories and then we sing the favorite hymns. Sometimes they invite a little friend in. It really is a heartiful burr.

they invite a little friend in. It really is a beautiful hour. Then they have their Sunday games. Attractive games that are kept on the top shelf are taken down for Sundays only. Sunday is a happy day for them. I trust the memory of it will influence their lives always.

Many a mother is like a candle, lighting whole house but consuming herself. the

Wars leave scars, but an unrighteous peace is an open wound.

The little common things of life-

A kindly word, a little trust, A friendly smile amid the strife

A friendly smile amid the strife That crushes souls into the dust. A flower for some tired eyes, Or music for a weary heart— "Just little things"—not any size— But ah, the sweetness they impart! —Edith McKay

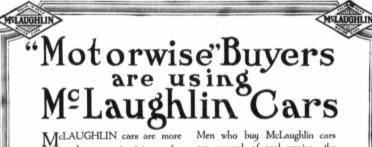
Because

By Anna B. Bryant Because He loves the children so God gave them mothers, just to be His holy ministers below, To fit them for eternity.

Because all mothers are His care God lends the helplessness and grace f childish hands to lead them where Their angels always see His face. Of

Baby's Rights

It is a fact often commented upon, that as a rule the babies of poor people are not nearly so nervous as the babies of the wellas a rule the one sources of poor people are not nearly so nervous as the babies of the well-to-do. This is because the poor mother is too busy to spend time entertaining or playing with the child. Well meaning people often take rattles or bright-colored noisy toys of some sort and shake them close to baby's eves in their efforts to amuse him. Now baby's vision is weak and his optic-nerves are very sensitive, so this is even worse for him than it would be for an adult. Just stop and think for a moment how it would hurt your own eyes to have some bright colored object waved rapidly close to them. Baby tries hard to see what you are doing, but he can't quite follow such quick motions, all of which is bad both for his eyer and his



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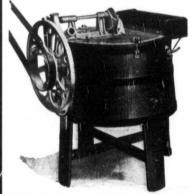
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nervous system. Tickling his feet to see him writhe and laugh, or tossing him up in the air are both extremely injurious. Cases have been known where even adults have gone into convulsions when they have been tickled, because he cannot help himself, but he does not enjoy it at all. Likewise before you toss him up in play, you should remember that his hones are very soft, his nerves very sensitive, his eyesight bad, and his brain undeveloped, and then consider whether such violent motion will do him any particular good. When you have thought a moment, I am certain you will agree with me that you are taking a very sensitis not a plaything, but a human being, even though a very young and immature one. And he is even more nervous than you are yourself. young and immature one. And he is even more nervous than you are yourself. How would you like to be suddenly tossed in the air or jabbed in the ribs by somebody who was five or six times as big as you are? Love baby all you want to, but don't spoil him, and don't make a plaything of him.

A Child's Earnings

A Child's Earnings Some persons seem to fear that earning money will make a boy or a girl avaricious. There is no reason for such an appre-hension. Teach a child how to spend wisely and the joy of generosity and he will get more happiness out of giving from money earned himself than he could ever get if that money had been presented to him without any effort on hie part. It is the child who never has money, or to whom it is doled out reluctantly, that is more apt to become avaricious or mean, rather than the one who learns that work rather than the one who learns that work gets a fair reward, and is given freedom

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to spend what he earns, even if tact and guidance are employed in steering him into wiser expenditures and more saving habits than his own untrammeled fancy might suggest.

might suggest. Don't let the money they earn come too easily. That is, don't pay all their losses and let them take all the profits. If a boy is raising chickens be perfectly fair with him. See that he pays the incidental expenses, the feed bill, etc., and that his profit is real profit. Help him judiciously; lend him money if it seems wise, but make him realize the responsibility of managing his job in a businesslike manner.

The Woman's Forum

The Last Reserves

(From The Woman Citizen—the official organ of the National American Woman Suffrage Association)

organ of the National American Woman Suffrage Association) Those who treat as a mere war emer-gency measure the Ottawa Congress of women, lately called to consult with the war cabinet, will miss something deep down and significant. Its truest meaning came out in the words of Sir George E. Foster in his speech at the final session on March 2d. This is the strongest call yet heard from any man in any country for the co-operation of women with men in political life. It is not a surface ex-pression of the country's need of its womanhood for running tractors and March March 2d. This is an acceptance of Mrs. Nellie McClung's phrase that women are needed in government for its very existence. "You must call upon the women to help," said Mrs. McClung. "They are the last reserves. We can't call the angels down."

call the angels down." And Sir George also sees women not only as the last reserves, but as a sure prop to that ideal democracy for which western nations are giving their life-blood.

"Consider yourselves no longer as women segregated from men as far as the government is concerned. Don't form yourselves into a compact mass as woman-hood. You are now diffused throughout whole mass and are working from hin," said Sir George to the women of the within," Canada.

within," said Sir George to the women of Canada. He went on to speak of men and women as "equal parts of the body polici," and added that he would hate to see women adopt the shibbolets and practices of the old parties. He called upon them for help in rooting out "that old and poisonous method of patronage." In response to vigorous applause at this expression, he continued earnestly: "You'll not do it by clapping your hands. It tell you it's rooted deep down. It has been so long in our country and become so widesprend that it will require all the energy women have, added to our deter-mination, to entirely soutch it." It was a complete surrender to the fact that the "problems of Canada are the problems of its women" as well as of its men.

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A Prayer by Billy Sunday

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"And, say, Jesus, while you're blessing our navy, if a German submarine sticks its snaky head above the water and tries to get one of our ships, bless and help the

fellow that sights our gun. Help him to sight her right—tell him when to pull the trigger—then good night!"

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corrollment of 100,000 women is expected. Model outlines of these courses have been mailed by the food administration to all colleges with women students. "Thousands of bushels of wheat and other foodstuffs will be saved by this campaign, it is estimated. "These new experts in cooking will be widely employed as high school teachers. High sohool girls will be taught conserva-tion measures, with the view of carrying new methods into their homes. Even graded schools will be reached ultimately by the plan now being adopted."

Rights

We have no intellectual right to be ignorant when information lies at our hand, and we have no spiritual right to be weary when great moral issues are at stake

Care for Mothers

Care for Mothers "Better care for mothers, with Gov-ernment aid to local authorities and agencies, has been part of Great Britain's war program; she achieved for 1916 her lowest infant mortality rate. The Gov-ernment of New Zealand, whose infant mortality rate is scarcely half that of the United States, has for several years afforded to New Zealand mothers care at alidbirth.

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The Straw Hat: "What, know him? Of course, I do ! We were in the n at school. He never did much, though-he was a frightful slacker." We were in the same

Primary Marriages Primary Marriages The "secondary wife" with her "narrow gold wedding ring," recently advocated by a German writer; the leaflet, "Empty Gradles, a Soldier's Duty," distributed in millions in the German trenches, urging the soldiers to become "secondary" fathers for the sake of the fatherland, have become notorious throughout the world. Meanwhile the allies have not had to resort to such devices, nor has the "strong-minded woman," whom the war from it; she has become wife and "pro-vider" at once. In England she has married in numbers never reached before. In 1915 the marriage rate in the United Kingdom, according to figures just pub-lished, was 19.4, or almost 3 per cent higher than the highest rate previously attained. Having married, the British woman has sent her husband to the front and taken his place in industry, to the number of a million and a quarter, at home.—From The Woman's Century.

What the Ballot Means to Women

"We want to purify politics," Mrs. Catt has said, "not by inaugurating a cut-and-dried legislative program or by sending suffrage leaders to high political positions, but by instilling in the average voter, especially in the average woman, the inghest possible sense of political respon-sibility. We shall not aim to influence a single woman's vote. But we shall aim to make the vote of every woman the learest and most conscientious expression of her own convictions that it can possibly be. "We want every woman to look upon the ballot as a holy thing, a right, a duty and a responsibility. We want her to understand how harmful it is to her and to society when such a sacred privilege is bartered away or prostituted to any ignoble end." We want to purify politics," Mrs. Catt

Women as Engineers

women as Engineers Engineering has so far been the pro-fession in which women have made least headway. But since the war they have gone ahead abroad, replacing men in this as well as the humbler pursuits; even in Italy, where two women recently won degrees as civil engineers in the Technical Institute at Rome.

Dr. Mary Crawford has been appointed superintendent of medical inspection in the Winnipeg schools at a salary of \$3000 a year. She has an assistant.

Mrs. H. M. Speechley and Mrs. Vere Mrs. H. M. Speechey and Mrs. Fere Brown are launching the women's part of the Red Cross campaign for the \$600,000 fund. Mrs. Speechley is doing splendid work as president of the Winnipeg Red Cross and she is so well known in the province that she will be a great help on the provincial executive of the Red Cross.

"God has put it into the hearts of women to organize for many causes. Twenty-six nations are allied in the National Council of Women-and so they are not unprepared for calling into the ranks of organized womanhood those not already enlisted. "It is God's providence that women have been unconsciously preparing them-selves to meet the great issues that face them.

selves to meet the great issues and them. "'For God, for Home, for Honor of Womanhood, for Love and Opportunity for Childhood shall be the clarion call which will unite the motherhood of the world."—From Child Welfare.



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Making an Old Thing Useful

My oven had a tendency to burn on the bottom until a friend told me to cut a piece of old wire screen just the size of my oven, and always keep it in place. Since then I have had no further trouble. The cost was nil as I cut the screen from a dis-carded door.—M. B.

To make a dustless mop, take stockings that are worn beyond further use, even by refooting, cut in strips and oil slightly. Old stockings, too, make the best kind of dust cloths when oiled. Cut off the worn feet, cut the leg from top to bottom, and whip four of the opened legs together—or more if you want a tweet doth This more, if you want a larger cloth. This plan saves the buying of dust-cloths, by utilizing material that would otherwise be of no service, and one can put the money

utilizing material that would otherwise be of no service, and one can put the money thus saved into thrift-stamps. Noak your new lamp-wicks in vinegar and let dry before using them, also put a teasponful of salt in the cil. A much clearer light will be produced, and there will be no smoke from it. These sug-gestions may be old to many, but I re-cently gave them to a friend who was so delighted with them that I resolved to "pass them on" to others who might not know of them. Let me say to the homemaker who asked a remedy for appendicitis that there is nothing better than pure olive oil. I suffered from this dread trouble, and a friend told me to take olive oil whenever I felt an attack coming on. I did so, a tablespoonful at a time, and relief came in a very short while. The last attack was more than a year ago, and a very light one. It is recommended to take a teaspoonful of the oil after each meal for three months, but I did not do this regularly, because olive oil is a flesh-builder and I did not want to become stout.

The Economy of Time From the Youth's Companion

From the Youth's Companion The first chapter in the book of home-making might well be headed How To Save Time. Time-saving is the most important of the economies, for upon it depends the saving of expense, health, patience, and all the other indispensables. When the hours allotted to household tasks are misused or wasted, one of two things must inevitably happen: either the work will be botched or it will encroach on the time reserved for other duties and work will be botched or it will encroach on the time reserved for other duties and for rest and recreation. It is astonishing how much time cm be wasted uncon-sciously in the course of one morning's work and in how many different ways; but the housekeeper who will figure it out will find that by saving a half hour a day she will add two weeks of daylight to her working ver.

Some ways in which the housework time is wasted: (1) By not having a regular programme

of work (2) By poor planning and lack of

(3) By uncertainty about what is to be

(a) By line tailty about what is to be accomplished, so that many minutes are lost in hesitating and debating.
(4) By lack of forethought, which ne-cessitates an extra number of steps and an unnecessary repetition of movements in general

(5) By pottering and dillydallying—
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(6) By mistakes made through care-trating once for all upon the work in hand.
(6) By mistakes made through care-lessness. Every blunder means just so much time spent in repairing damages.
(7) By doing superfluous things and thus making the day's work more complex than it need be.
(8) By neglecting to use labor-saving devices that are easily available.

'I won't wash my face!" said Dolly,

defantly. "Naughty, naughty!" reproved grand-mother. "When I was a little girl I always washed my face." "Yes, and now look at it!"

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New Dentist: It will. Bronco Bill: Then, stranger, for your sake I recko: I'd better take it.



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Education for Women By ESTHER THOMPSON

We are privileged in being able to publish the following article, which is really an address de-livered to the faculty and student body of Manitoba Agricultural College, by Miss Thompson, and which gained her the gold medal in the oratorical contest. From more than one source we had heard of the exceptional merits of the diddress and of the vonderful graps of the subject obtained by so young a lady, on perusing the manuscript, we felt at once that the very high opinion of our priends was fully justified. The common sense views of this young

The common sense views of this young educationalist can hardly be criticized by any thoughtful person in these days, especially when all circumstances point to the urgency of conserving the home

We can see a great future for Miss Thompson. She has undoubted talent, and her extreme modesty will not prove and her extreme modesty will not prove any barrier to her progress. On the con-trary, it will secure her friends and a hearing where the finest talents evapor-de into thin air when they are accom-panied by the unfortunate handleap of reflectoring self-conscie usness.

self-consciousness. Miss Thompson is a Norwegian by birth, coming to this country from Christiana eleven years ago, a circum-stance which makes her attainments in this country all the more wonderful. Bhe has the honor of being the first community worker in Canada. Her efforts in this capacity around White-mouth have met with great success, and in her recent appointment by the Mani-toba Department of Agriculture to a still more important field, we wish her all the success and happiness is her work she so richly descree. richly deserves

MISS ESTHER THOMPSON

MISE ESTHER THOMPSON N is so obscure as that of girls. This obscurity is itself suggestive that ittle is known. Prior to the Victorian era, we know nothing about the education of girls. They were trained in the homes by the mothers. Victor Hugo was right when he described the nineteenth century as the woman's century, for, with the beginning of Queen Victoria's reign there was a marked improvement. The need of ducation for women was recognized; irviate schools for girls were opened, and later, seminaries and colleges for women were established. This movement and projection and the exception of Caubridge and Oxford, are conferring

British universities, with the exception of Cambridge and Oxford, are conferring ogrees on women. The opening of Mount Holyoke Semin-ary in 1837 marks the beginning of higher education for the American woman. After its inception, seminaries and academies for girls were quickly established. Some of the American uni-versities were open to women as early as 1886, while many have been co-duca-tional from the start. To-day, only four American universities, including Har-vard, refue to recognize women's rights to graduate. With these few exceptions,

it may be said that throughout the whole It may be said that throughout the whole range of education, from the elementary school to the highest university course, girls have been put on an equality with men, enjoying equal freedom in the choice of subjects of study.

Let us consider briefly the courses of udy available for girls. When the eed of education for women was first study felt, there were no trained women to take the initiative in organizing and arranging suitable courses for them. As arranging suitable courses for them. As a consequence, the lines of study already open to, and followed by men were copied, without either reorganization or readjustment to the needs of women. For example, the curricula of the British and American universities, were neither al-tered nor revised when the women were admitted.

admitted. This precedent women have continued to follow, with the result that to-day we have women doctors, lawyers, judges, professors, mechanics, and even minis-ters. Women are found in every depart-ment of life doing what was formerly done by men only. The teaching pro-fession illustrates what has resulted and is likely to result from this. Less than fession illustrates what has resulted and is likely to result from this. Less than half a century ago all teachers were men. Then a few women entered the profession; more and more followed, crowding out the men. To-day there are few men teaching in our public schools, and those few doing it only as a means to an end.

crowing out the men. To-day there are few men teaching in our public schools, and those few doing it only as a means to an end. Perhaps it is the case that in this duplication of men's work no harm has been done except in so far as it has influ-enced women to turn away from the home. It is a fact that women are being educated out of the home and away from their own true work. Men and women are different; their functions are differ-ent; their natures are different. How, then, can the courses planned for men train women efficiently for their sphere? The idea that they can is absurd. Our nuiversity education has taught women to see the size of men's work and the littleness of their own; to despise and rather look down on the work of the home; to consider the home a sphere to marrow for a woman's fullest develop-ment; to value a "career" more than home, husband and children. In short, work and mow they are drifting diriting away from the home. Why? Because university education has placed wife-hood, and motherhood on too low an mind—is it natural, is it necessary, is it in the best interests of markind that women follow the courses planned for men? Moat deeidedly, Nol. There is a woman's sphere. It is well worth while; it is well worthy of a woman's best effort, and of her most intensive study. The woman's "Ever-Od' and "Ever-new" aphere is the home.

The woman's "Ever-old" and "Ever-new". sphere is the hous woman to be a home-midler, a mother, and pl-nted deep, deep in her heart the desire for home, hus-and and children. The instinct for race preservation is the strongest human instinct. Woman's greatest service to humanity can be rendered in the home, humanity can be rendered in the home, but no place else. University education ignores woman's true function. While does the average university course-medicine, arts, science or law-teach women about home-building, motherhood and child culture? Nothing! Less than onthing, for the trend of our higher edu-cation is directly away from these. I are willing to grant, from an intel-education has enriched the lives of many women. It has given them a broader vision of life. On the other hand it is sankrupting our national womanhood. The courses planned for men are not built to women. They do not develop woth other. They do not develop woth to train woman for her mission in life, to train woman for her mission in life. Lata woman other mission in life. Lata woman women for men are not with the woman out of the home. The home is the one institution that must be maintained at all costs, for on the homes the foundation of our national







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life is laid, and without them our civili-tation cannot last. The woman is the home-builder, and to her we must look for the preservation of this institution. An education for home-making, or the study of a home economic course, is the only factor that can re-establish woman in her true sphere. I may seem to be arguing that woman should maintain an inferior position. That is not the case. Let man and woman be equals. There is no natural law stating that one should be the master, the other the slave. Let woman have the full rights of citizenship, but, let them be considered a means to an establishing women in the home I do not mean confining them to the four walls of the kitchen. of the kitcher

of the kitchen. The scope of the home has undergone a profound change; it has evolved; it has grown. The woman's sphere now extends beyond the front gate. It is now necessary that women take an active part in the control of all public matters relating to the well-being of the family. In taking such an interest in good legis-lation, a woman will not be leaving her borne or usurpring man's perconstrue—the lation, a woman will not be leaving her home or usurping man's prerogative—the franchise. Rather she will be protecting her home and helping man—her help-meet—in managing it most effectively. Thus we see that the responsibility of being a home-maker has increased. The fact that a woman is a woman is

The fact that a woman is a woman too longer an adequate qualification for her task. She must have a full educa-tion. An education for home-making, or the study of a Home Economics Course the study of a Home Economics Course is ideal for women, for it is the only course training women for their true work. All through it runs the idea of woman's high function as a wife, as a mother, as a home-builder. Thus a girl is led to take as her ideal, the home; to realize the immense responsibility in-volved, and to feel the need of training. As a result of such a training, a girl begins to consider h.me-making a priv-ilege, a sacred obligation, and to accept the duties of wife and mother as the

ilege, a sacred obligation, and to accept the dutices of wife and mother as the greatest and most wonderful service a woman can render to mankind. The training for home-making is essen-tially the course which every woman needs. It leads woman to make as her ideal, home-building. However, it is neither necessary nor advisable that woman's right to follow other courses of study be taken away. Rather encourage her to pursue any course in which she is interested. When woman has once re-evived the idea of her high function, the study of any other course will greatly enrich her life and further prepare her for her life's work. for her life's work

for her life's work. Let us or.e for all banish from our minds the ideas that the educated woman's place is outside the home; that home-building is the work of the un-schooled; that instinct is sufficient guide and instructor for this work. The wo-man, as a true wife and mother, assumes the memory how more memoribuilty. No

man, as a true wife and mother, assumes the greatest human responsibility. No other is equally great nor equally high. A real man's wife must be something more than his housekeeper and the mother of his children. She must be his companion-one who understands him and can enter into his life, giving sym-pathy and inspiration. Does this not call for education? It is not sufficient that the mother care for the physical needs of her child; it is equally import-ant that the spiritual, moral and intelneeds of her child; it is equally import-ant that the spiritual, moral and intel-lectual needs be provided for. The real mother is the child's confidential friend,

nother is the child's confidential friend, and first and greatest teacher. Does this not call for education? The woman, as a home-builder, demands the broadest education our eivilization can offer. To conclude: Our university education is unsuited to women. It has failed to train them for home-making; it has edu-cated them away from the home because it has placed wifehood, notherhood and home-building on too low an economic, social and intellectual plane. The newer education—the training for home-mak-ing—will re-establish women in their true aphere, the home. This is the ideal education for women, and is primarily the course every woman needs.

He: Do you study economics? She: Yes. He: Do you want protection? She: Oh, Gerald, this is so sudden. WHAT WOMEN CAN DO IN PRACTICAL GARDENING By Mrs. DUMBRILL

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At this time when labor is so scarce and the farmers are asked to produce all the grain and pork they can, something has to be neglected, and it is usually the garden that comes last in importance. By the time they are through seeding, it is too late to put in some varieties of seeds. Then is the time it falls to the lot of a great many of our women folks to sow and plant the garden, if it is done at all.

For some it is very hard work but it ed not be if time is taken to plan ahead. need not be if time is taken to plan anead. Before the time for gardening comes, good plan is to have a diagram of your garden and mark out just where you want your vegetables. Such as onions, parsnips, etc.: and how many rows you want. In your vegetables. Such as onious, parsnips, etc.; and how many rows you want. In this way you will save yourself a deal of time and worry. I wonder how many have a seed drill and wheel hoe, or how many know what a wonderful little machine it. Sou can put on the hopper and sow all the seed in a day if necessary.

all the seed in a day if necessary. But I would take the onions and par-snips first, for they should be in the ground as soon as the soil is fit to get on. Then at an interval of a week or ten days, the carrots and such hardy seeds can be sown. All of the small seeds can be sown with the machine. But such seeds as corn, peas and beans can be sown by hand. hand

After all the seed has been sown, the After all the seed has been sown, the hopper can be taken off and stored away, the pair of hoes attached to the machine which only takes a few minutes, and you are then ready to go astride the young plants. It is really wonderful the amount of space you can cover in a short time, and without so much back-ache as in the old ways of bending over a hoe. It makes very neat job too.

old ways of bending over a hoe. It makes a very neat job too. I would advise having all the vegetables in long rows of about 50 feet in length, if space will permit, by so doing it is an economy of time and labor. There are also two pairs of cultivator teeth which are easily adjusted to cultivate between the rows. The only really hard work is the thinning out and even it can be made a little easier by wearing the new overall suits now commonly used. They are very comfortable, and do not hamper the movements as do the long skirts, which bend the young plants, to say nothing of the washing they save, which is an item not to be overlooked these days. Be sure while you are about it to put in a tabe extra rows of peas, beans and corn also extra tomatoes for canning. Take the time to figure where you want the corn, peas, beans, then the lower space, that you may go between comfort-ably.

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To have early tomatoes, take a few plants and drive a stake four or five feet long beside each one, and tie the plant to this stake, keeping the laterals nipped out. This helps to put more strength into the fruit and allows the sun to get at them. Twenty-five to fifty plants will be suffi-cient for a good sized family, and allow enough for canning and pickles.

enough for canning and pickles. I think every one has they own favorite varieties of vegetables, so it is not neces-sary for me to mention the ones we use. To make your garden raore attractive and encourage you to go amongst the vegetables, try a row of sweet peas across the garden; if you cannot afford the named varieties, use the mixed. In another part of the garden put asters or any favorite flower, and cultivate the same as the vegetables. You will find you will have far more than you need for your self, and many a bouquet you will have to give to the sick, or to a friend. Don't forget the herbs. These are easily

to give to the sick, or to a riend. Don't forget the herbs. These are easily taken care of, gather on a fine day, trim off all the roots, shake them well to loosen any dirt and hang over a line in a large, airy room. When well dried rub off the leaves from the stems; run through a food chopper and bottle. This method visce the rest is the root of the state and the state of the state of the state of the state state of the state of the state of the state of the state state of the state of the state of the state of the state state of the state of the state of the state of the state state of the state state of the state state of the gives a very attractive green besides always being ready for use color,

It is not generally known that carr-away seed can be grown here, and seed saved for flavoring cakes, and since fruits are so high, even these seeds have gone up. One person was telling me she paid 35 cents for a quarter pound, which be-fore the war cost her 5 cents. We can raise our own supply from 5 cents worth of

seed. We can also raise our own sugar beets, the genuine sugar beet. It is said that it is easy to make jam with them, using them instead of sugar. A very good table syrup can also be made from them. Another thing we as women can do is to raise our own supply of army beans. So many are needed for our boys, and I believe the supply is very low. Our gar-den beans can be used for winter if well ripened, and are just as nice only the color is against them. It is our duty to raise all the garden

t is our duty to raise all the garden seeds we can, so I would advise selecting a few of the finest vegetables that have a rew of the mess vegetables that have come through in good condition, and plant them, give them good care and carefully save the seed. We have in this way saved our parsnip seed, and find that it has tested out well. Onion seed can be raised, also carrot, and as these seeds are all going up in price something has to be done. Then the satisfaction of having some reliable seed is something.—S.D.

SOMETHING ABOUT CHICKS

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I lifted her off the nest and was ne having those mites crawling up sick tin

To time having those mites crawling up my arms. I lost no time spraying and using insect powder on the sitter, which soon recov-ered. You may be sure I keep a sharp look-out for mites now. While collecting enough eggs to load the machine, keep the eggs at about 60 to 65 degrees, and never wash eggs before hatching. Now is the time for hatching early chicks and giving them every chance to mature before winter, if you want winter eggs. Given every attention, the growing of poultry brings quick and usually pro-fitable returns.

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fitable returns. There is a good demand for well dressed also our patriotic duty to produce all the fowls we can. I am well aware that feeds are very high, but even so you can make a fair profit. Last season I came out with \$150.00 profit on fifty hens, after pay-ing for all the feed. This was made from the sale of dressed poultry and winter eggs.

Ing for all the feed. This was made from the sale of dressed poultry and winter eggs. We have a very good winter laying strain, but I do not suppose they would be any better than any other breed if they were not well cared for and given as near spring conditions as possible. There is no really hard work in connec-tion with poultry raising, but a constant watch is necessary and attention to the warmth of the chick; chilling often stunts a chick if they ever recover. It may interest some to know how I raise my incubator chicks. I have no brooder, but I put them in a box in an empty room in the house. I then put a charcoal brick in the stove and when well alight, I put it into the foot warmer. When the first fumes have evaporated, I put the warmer into the box with a flan-el or old undervest around it; you should see the wee fellows brace themselves against it. The warmer stays warm for 12 hours. hours.

12 hours. But to make sure that everything is all right, I get up once during the night. In this way I raised three machine hatches last season at the cost of \$1.00 for bricks (charcoal). On the floor of the room I spread heavy paper, and on this quite a lot of soil and sand. I also had some sods handy. You should have seen how happy they were, ever busy and berratching the soil around and hunting for food. I give them some chopped meat three

scratching the soil around and hunting for food. I give them some chopped meat three times a week, but not a great deal. They have all the milk and fresh water, also cracked wheat, plenty of grit and chick-sized bone and charccal. How they did grow! In four weeks they were out-doors in a colony house, and only had heat when I thought they needed it. Of course it is necessary to keep their quarters per-fectly clean, but that is easily done if plenty of dry soil is available and a little cresol used every time keeps their quar-ters sweet. Butter milk, sour milk and curds are all very good for them, they grow quite fast on the sour milk. I prefer it to sweet milk, it seems to ward off bowel trouble. The drinking vessels need to be cleaned

Dower trouble. The drinking vessels need to be cleaned quite often, as the chicks soon soil the vessels. I prefer the brooder chicks to the hen-raised chicks. I find taking one thing with the other that they are not so much trouble as with hens. They are not troubled with vermin to start out with and then rounding up, the key with, and then rounding up the hens in the evening and shutting each one up in her coop is a nuisance.—S.D.

Curing Wings and Breasts

Curing Wings and Breasts If the skins are dry, soak themin slightly warm water till they are as soft as when they were remov-d. It is not necessary to wet the plumage much; rub the water well into the skin. Clean the skin thoroughly, removing all pieces of flesh and fat. Spread out smooth and rub well with a mixture of three parts fine salt, one part powdered alum and one-half part arsenic. Mix well and rub it into all wrinkles and out to the edges of the skin. skin

For the wings, a little more arsenic may be added; and if the flesh is quite thick, split it on the underside and rub the mixture in well.

Initiative in well. Flumage also may be well eured by using arsenic soap made as follows: One pound of white soap, one pound of powders arsenic, two and a hall ounces of camphor, three ounces of subcarbonate of potash and four ounces of alcohol. Melt the soap, add the potash and then the arsenic.



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Dissolve the camphor in the alcohol and add. Boil down till the liquid is as thick as molasses. Put it in a glass jar. It will keep this way indefinitely. When needed mix a small amount with water till the liquid is about as thick as buttermilk. Apply this to the flesh side with a brush three or four times. Skins should be well cured in a week or ten days. If the skins smell they may be washed in warm water with a few drops of ammonia.—R.S.W.

On Sugar Beets

Charleswood, March 27, 1918. The Editor Canadian Thresherman and Farmer-

Dear Sir: Such a number of requests Dear Sir: Such a number of requests are coming in for more particulars about the sugar beets and the method of pre-paring them! The method now used and until more experiments have been made is as follows:

The genuine sugar beet is the beet used on account of its sugar content. The name of this beet is the "Waneyieben name of this beet is the "Waneyleben." I believe they have been trying them at the Agricultural College, and will no doubt give us particulars when they have made their experiments; in the meantime this is our method.

sour method: Scrub the beet, then parboil, skin the beet. Run through a food chopper and put from one-half to two-thirds of the

put from one-half to two-thirds of the pulp with whatever fruit you are using; no sugar at all. Boil until it becomes thick like jun; keep stirring lest it sorch. When thick enough you put it in scalers and seal up tight while hot, the same way you do when canning. This will not keep indefinitely when open like jam but is sweet and capital to use for all definition processor. but is sweet. nary purposes. Yours sincerely, Selina Dumbrill. rdi

Recipes Cottage Cheese

The U.S. Food Administrator told the people there that if the skimmilk left from the making of butter in the U.S. were made into cottage cheese it would produce 1.024,497,936 pounds of protein or about 50,000 pounds more than the protein in all the beef consumed in the U.S. in a year. all the beef consumed in the U.S. in a year. Cottage cheese has a wonderful food value. The American Woman's magazine has this to say regarding cottage cheese and also gives these recipes in the April number of the magazine: "Every pound of cottage cheese eaten,

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then, will release at least a pound of meat for shipment to the soldiers and our Allies, and the Food Administration is extremely anxious that we create a big demand for cottage cheese, and more cottage cheese, and still more cottage cheese, for if a and still more cottage cheese, for if a sufficient and persistent demand is cre-ated for the cottage cheese, it will event-ually be produced; and this rests with the women of the country. It is hoped that on the farms it will be made and dis-tributed to the nearest towns or through the creameries. the creameries

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There are two simple rules, either of "There are two simple rules, either of which may be followed in cooking with sour milk; one is to use one-fourth level teaspoonful of soda to each cupful sour milk and to use in addition one level teaspoonful of baking-powder to each cupful (level) of four called for in the recipe. This is enough soda to neutralize the milk, and the baking-powder will: raise the dough. The other rule is to use one-half level teaspoonful of soda to each cupful of sour milk, and to omit the baking-powder altogether. Take your choice. Some prefer one, some the other; and of sour milk, and to omit the ing-powder altogether. Take your e. Some prefer one, some the other; mally I prefer the lesser amount of and the addition of the bakingchoice perso

Soua and powder. Cottage Cheese Put sour milk into a pan and heat it slowly until the whey separates from the milk. Then put all in a strainer and let it strain for an hour. When the whey is milk. Then put all in a strainer and let it strain for an hour. When the whey is all out sweeten the thick part of the milk left and season it with salt and nutmeg. It can be made into little round halls if one wishes it to be served alone. The little round balls in leaves of lettuce make an attractive dish. For the following recipes use the cottage cheese as it is after straining— without the seasoning. Phylicious Cottage Cheese Cake

without the seasoning. Delicious Cottage Cheese Cake Sift together twice two level cupfuls flour (part barley-flour may be used), two teaspoonfuls baking-powder, one-half tea-spoonful salt, two tablespoonfuls sugar, one-fourth teaspoonful cinnamon. Work in one and one-half tablespoonfuls fat, then add one cupful milk. Spread in a greased shallow pan, and over the top put this mixture: Beat one egg until light, add one-fourth cup of sugar, half pound cottage cheese, and half a teaspoonful cloves. Bake in a hot oven about half an hour. hour

Cottage Cheese Patty-Cakes Cottage Cheese Patty-Cakes Have patty-pans lined with paste. Fill with the following filling: Beat three eggs, add one-half cupful milk or butter-milk and pour over one-half cupful fine dry bread erumbs. Stir in one-fourth cupful sugar and one-fourth cupful honey, one cupful oottage cheese, one-half cupful raisins and the grated rind and juice of half a lemon and one-half teaspoonful cinnamon. Bake in a quick oven to a delicate brown. Cottage Cheese Custard

Cottage Cheese Custard (No meat should be served at the same meal.) Beat three eggs thoroughly, add one pint of milk or buttermilk, one pound one pint of milk or buttermilk, one pound of cottage cheese, quarter teaspoonful salt, one teaspoonful einnamon, one-half cupful brown sugar and one cupful stoned dates or raisins. Turn into a well oiled baking-dish and bake until set. Serve hot or cold with top milk or cream. This is at-tractive decorated with the dates and sized horeas. sliced banana.

sliced banana. Cotage Cheese and Rice (A meat substitute.) Mix one pound of cottage chrees with two cupfuls cocket rice, one-quarter cupful grated cheese, one mineed green pepper and a little mineed onion or chives. Add salt to taste, one beaten egg and a cupful of milk or buttermilk. Sprinkle the top with grated cheese or oiled crumbs, and bake about tweety minutes about twenty minutes.

Cottage Cheese with Creamed

Cottage Cheeses with Creamed Asparagu Prepare hot buttered toast. Moisten cottage cheeses with hot top milk or cream and spread over the toast generously. Cream sufficient asparagus, season well, and pour boiling-hot over the cheese.

Cottage Cheese with Shrimp

Cottage Cheese with Shrimp Mix together one pound of cottage cheese, one cupful of finely chopped cab-bage and a can of shrimps, or a few fresh shrimps. Season with salt and white pepper. Add a few chopped chives or a little grated onion, and a dozen stuffed olives. Mix well with mayonnaise diluted well with eream. Serve on lettuce, deco-rated with sliced olives and shrimp.

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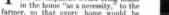
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dance, as used to be enjoyed in the old dance, as used to be enjoyed in the old dance as used to be enjoyed in the old dance as used to be enjoyed in the old dance as used to be enjoyed in the old dance as used to be enjoyed in the same pro-portion as they are to-day. All of us should appreciate and en-deavor to establish thrift, but this like everything else can be overdone, as well as underdone. We cannot deprive young and old of everything but food and clothing and expect to maintain the development of cheerful will to see the present situation through and to meet still more scrious things to come, and the spirit necessary to carry us through our present struggle. What then at less expense and of more lasting qualities can be recommended than the present day form of home music? One does not have to minimize or ex-aggerate present conditions. They are all too clearly defined, but serious, sad or bad as they are, the average Cana-dian can and will take a sensible, moder-fort can be had from his food, his home, his clothes and his music, instead of wearing sackcloth and preaching calamity. If there ever was a time when every man and woman should meet their tasks, trials and sorrows, as optimistically, determinedly and cheerfully as possible, it is now. Our many tasks, howevere, cannot be accomplished under the strain of oppression, depression, gloom or fear, and there is nothing will keep these of oppression, depression, gloom or fear, and there is nothing will keep these distressing forces from a home, a country or a nation like "concord of sweet sounds," essential. Take music from our national in-

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What the Face Told

What the Face Told Two young girls in the parlor of a cele-brated photographer, says an exchange, were waiting, somewhat impatiently, their turn for a sitting. They had consulted the mirror and each other, had straightened every bow and ornament, had skilfully brushed the abundant hair into its most becoming waves and tendrils, yet still they were obliged to wait. When the studio door was finally opened and two middle-aged ladies emerged, the cyses of the girls an swiftly over the face and figure of the one who had evidently been before the camera. camera

The who had evidently been before the camera. "Dear me! All this time wasted on her?" whispered one pair of rosy lips. "When I get to be as old and as homely us that, I'll not bother with having pio-tures taken, I can tell you." But the artist was even then expressing to a friend his satisfaction with his sitter. "I like to take that kind of a picture—a face that is full of character," he said. "That patient steadfastness in the eyes, the strong lines about the mouth will come out finely. Pretty faces are plenti-ful enough—they mean nothing except that care and time have not yet touched them—but strong, sweet faces have to be chiseled out, year by year, by some work-man within."

man within." So the careless young girl is even now deciding what her face of the future shall be, and somewhere, whether she chooses or not, it will be plainly pictured.—From The Girls' Companion.

Prize Letters

Prize Letters The prize this month is awarded to Margaret Kohler, Watson, Sask. Mae McInroy's recipes are practical and we are pleased to have them. How many of our girls can cook? Let us have scores of letters from boys and girls. We can make this department the best in the magazine if our boys and girls will write about their experiences.

the best in the magazine if our boys and girls will write about their experiences. First, we want all the news we can get of the boys' and girls' clubs. Why you are beating a long way the clubs men and women have. The work you did last year was marvelous. This year you are going to raise enough cattle and hogs and grain and vegetables to keep the country in food. We want letters telling all about your

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March 6th, 1918.

March 6th, 1918. Dear Cousin Doris:—I an a reader of Our Young Folks' department, and thought I would send you a few lines to say that I enjoy it very much. I, an twelve years old, and I am five feet and two inches in height. We have had a lot of cold weather this winter with blenty mean and the last fem

We have had a lot of cold weather this winter with plenty snow, and the last few days have been quite stormy. We don't feel the storms so much where we and there is quite a bit of bush around here. Last summer I had a garden of my own, at home, and at school each one of us scholars had a small garden to take care of. At home I had potatoes planted, and at school I had peas, carrots, onions, beets, parsnips, lettuee and radish. At first a man came and plowed the garden and dragged it. And then I took the rake and raked the big pieces of soil off. Then I made the drills for the seeds. Then after it was all planted I had to water it because it did not rain for some time. time

time. Well I am afraid uny letter is getting kind of long, so I think I will close for this time, hoping to see ny letter in print. Margaret Kohler, Watson, Sask. March 10th, 1918. Dear Cousin Doris:—I am sending you a fow seniors.

a few recipes. Oatmeal Cookies

Unitmeat Cookies Two cups of ontmeal, one cup of flour, one cup of butter, one-half cup of sour milk, one-half cup of sugar, one cup of chopped dates, one teaspoon of baking-powder, use flour to roll out.

powaer, use flour to roll out. Buttermilk Cookies One cup of sugar, one cup of lard, three eggs, one cup of buttermilk, seasoned with ground nutmeg, flour, mix stiff enough to roll. Age 10 Mae McInroy, Gadsby, Alta.

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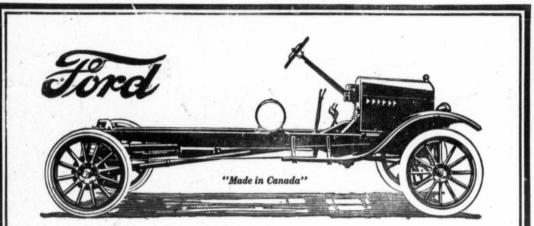
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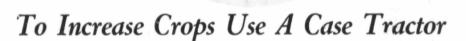
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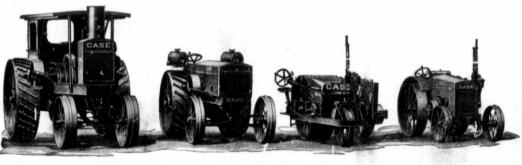
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