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Manager of Creston Fruit Growers Union Makes Appeal for Harmony

ROCK SLIDE CAUSES TROUBLE

The train from the East today was a few minutes late in arriving which was a very fortnnate circumstances as it happened.

Just about train time a telephone message came to Bob Reid that there was a lagge slide on the track near Wynndel.

He immediately notified the dispatcher and called out the section gang and assembling extra men they were sent to the scene of the disaster.

Just at the foot of Mutton'2 ranch the slide occurred. It occupied perhaps fifty feet of the track and extended clear across it. The formation there is a peculiar limestone outcrop the strata extending at an angle of thirty-five degrees inclined upwards. The least little trickling of the water would undermine the earth and cause it to fall away thus exposing the rock. Then the falling away of the smaller fragments would withdraw the support to the larger blocks and the slide would easily occur as a consequence. The formation was not regular at this spot and it is easy to understand how the pressure from above forced the weakened supports from below and the slide occurred.

A force of about sixteen men were on the scene and by dint of hard work and some half dozen blasts of powder had the track clear for the passage of trains by 8 o'clock.

It is a tribute to the watchfulness of the C. P. R. that an accident was averted in this instance as the accident happened very shortly before the train was due to pass the spot, and it is to the credit of the company that the traffic was delayed only a very few minutes by this slide. The dispatcher got Sirdar and had a train go to connect with the westbound which went as far as the slide when the transfer was easily made.

DUCK CREEK NEWS

A pruning class started here on Monday with Mr. O. H. Hunt in charge. The class is nine strong, and have done great work in the different orchards throughout the district.

Miss Anna Hagen was a Creston caller Monday.

Carl Wigen and Carl Carlson spent Tuesday in Creston.

Carl Carlson met with a painful accident on Saturday. He was engaged in hitching his team, when just as he was hooking the butt chain to the single tree, the horse stepped up a little, catching his thumb between the chain and the hook, inflicting a nasty tear. He went into Creston and was treated by the doctor and is now well on the road to recovery.

Paul Hagen was a Creston caller Wednesday.

Paul Ofner has just purchased a cow from G. Hendren of Creston. He brought her to Duck Creek on Tuesday.

The Duck Creek Social Club will hold a dance, on Saturday March 7th, at 8p.m. in the club house. A large gathering is hoped for. A special orchestra from Huscroft's camp has promised to come and supply the music.

As we go to press the Executive Committee of the Duck Creek Conservative Association are met in solemn conclave, discussing matters of vital importance to this district.

Mrs. M. Hagen was a Creston caller Wednesday.

Don't forget the dance on Saturday Ladies especially invited.

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PACKING CLASSES MAKE GOOD SHOWING

The two classes which have just concluded their work in this district under the leadership of Mr. Walthers made a very good showing as regards points.

The work was divided into two weeks with a week to each class. The first class had sixteen pupils the second only 13. Mr. Walthers gave each pupil personal instruction and demonstrated to the class the general system of packs, grades etc.

Following is his report:

Creston, B. C.
March 5, 1914

To the Editor of the Creston Review:

Dear Sir: --

I wish to inform you with pleasure that the Creston Packing Schools have been my greatest suecess since my engagement with the Dept. of Agriculture having conducted four of these schools previous, this season. I wish to express my thanks for the way in which the pupils in general have shown me their patience and interest in their work and I hope sincerely that my instuctions will be beneficial to them for the ensuing season.

Yours very truly,
R. Walthers.
Govt. Packing Instructor.

P. S. Following is the list of pupils and their points gained out of the possible hundred.

FIRST CLASS.

Miss E. Cooper	78
Miss B. Cooper	90
Mrs. Hamilton	85
Mrs. Lyne	84
Miss Hushcroft	90
Mrs. Cotterill	85
Mrs. Holmes	85
Mr. R. Stark	78
J. Adlard	88
H. Dodd	87
J Maxwell	83
W. Hall	87
S. Watson	
Mrs. W. P. Stark	89
Miss Truscott	85
Mrs. North	80

SECOND CLASS

Mrs. Huscroft	87
Mrs. Maxwell	88
Mrs. Mckelvey	84
Mrs. Cartwright	78
Miss Turner	86
Mrs Van Ackerson	83
Miss Ebbutt	83
L D. Timmons	90
T. Leaman	85
J. Sherwood	79
E. S Butterfield	82
P. G. Ebbutt	79

ALICE SIDING NEWS

The Alice Siding Social Club held thier dance on Saturday night as usual and had a swell time, a good crowd coming from Creston, Erickson and Duck Creek. We had a full house everyone enjoying themselves to the limit. Over fifty people were present. The ladies brought plenty of lunch which was appreciated at 12 oclock after which a good many went home. The others then enjoyed themselves until 2:30,

The next dance will do held on Friday night March 13th. A. M. Todd will be manager for the occasion. Don't forget the date but come along.

Messrs. Thos., Douglas, and Edward Butterfield of Duck Creek were visiting Clarence and Earl Pease on Sunday.

The yearly short course spring meetings of the Farmers Institute will take place on Saturday, March 14. Public notices of same will appear shortly.

K. W. Schaum, representing Bradstreet's with headquarters in Calgary was in town yesterday and tood particulars for the rating of our business men.

DOUKHOBORS ON THE MARCH IN PROTEST AGAINST NEW REGISTRATION LAW

It is rumored that the Doukhobors of the settlements of Brilliant, Thrums and Glade are about to march in their own peculiar fashion and will probably be joined by their brethren from the Grand Forks districts.

They will make a demonstration in Nelson and march to Victoria.

The "Queen of the Kootenays" will be treated to a panorama guaranteed to rival the very latest in moving picture shows.

The reason given for the demonstration is the new law compelling the Doukbobors to register births, marriages and deaths.

Dan English was in town Monday.

John Middleton moved to his ranch this week.

Burnett Bros. left Tuesday for Bathum, Idaho, to look after their property there.

Born to Mr. and Mrs C. H. Black, on Monday last at the home of H. F. Weber, a daughter.

Simmers stands for quality. We handle their seeds for both field and garden, F. H. Jackson,

Joe Griffiths of Bellevue, and who owns some real estate was in town Monday looking after his affairs here.

O. L. Black, who represents J. R. Frankel, with headquarters in Cranbrook, was in town Tuesday.

Mrs. E. C. Gibbs has been confined to the house this week with very severe attack of the Grippe, but is now well on the road to recovery.

A Bazaar and "The Feast of Nations" given under the auspices of the Ladies Aid of the Presbyterian Church, will be held in the Mercantile Hall on Thursday, March 12. Admission 10c. Come one, Come all!

The Department of Agriculture are offering small quantities of Fodder Corn Seed Free, also Alfalfa at a charge of 50c. Applications for same to be made to Secretary of Farmers Institute.

Miss Vera Smith returned from Sand Point Thursday where she stopped over to visit her sister on her return from Seattle, Wash.

Miss Gertrude Gilpin returned to Creston after a months vacation which she spent in Sand Point, Idaho, The guest of Mrs. R. Wolverton.

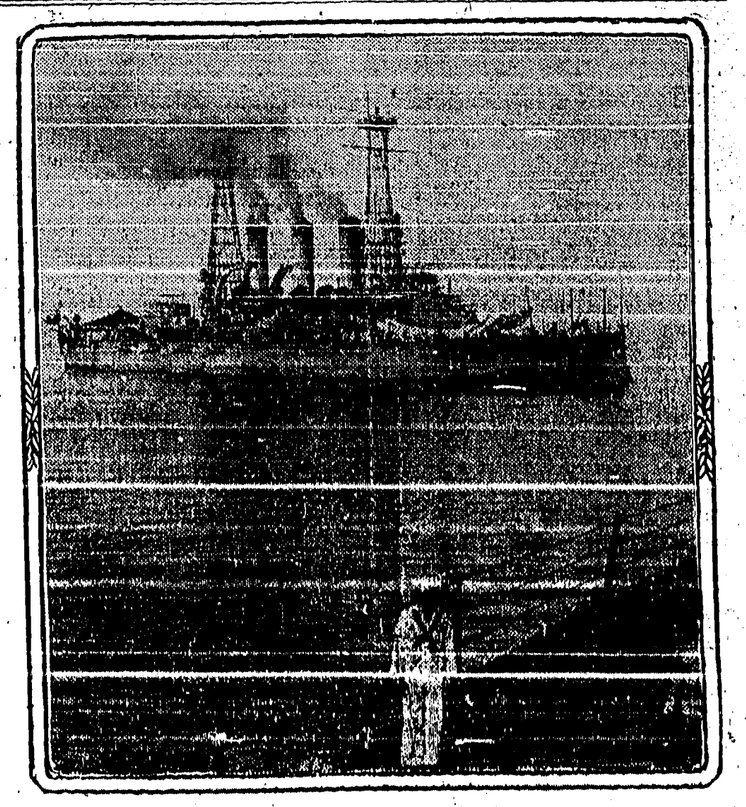
The ladies aid of Canyon City held an entertainment in the school house Friday evening. After the entertainment dancing was the order of the evening.

J. Stephens returned Thursday from his visit East. During his absence he took his wife to the hospital at Spokane. She is progressing very well at the present writing.

—Send for our prices on furniture, we pay the freight. C. C. S.

Resolved that Oriental Immigration into Canada should cease isthe question for the next debate to be held on Wednesday the 18th The debater's are J. A. P. Crompton and J. Compton for the affirmative and J. Heath and A. B. S. Stanley for the negative.

John Philip Hamilton who has been employed with the Canyon City Lumber Co. met with a painful accident Tuesday mornitg while loading logs. He was loading a log that was bigger at one end and miscalculated the swin and the log came around and before he could get out of the road caught his leg and broke it. He left on Thursday's train for Cranbrook hospital.



ON WATCH IN YERA CRUZ HARBOR

The above photograph was taken from the rear deck of the U. S Battleship Michigan, one of Rear Admiral Fletcher's dogs of war. The U. S. S. Rhode Island, another of the powerful fleet, may be seen in the distance. The deck of the Michigan does not show any signs of activity, but were certain orders to come from Washington, what a different scene would be presented.

With New Warehouse and Other Modern Facilities Future Presents Most Hopeful Aspect

First we will take the matter of soft fruits, owing to continued rains our strawberry and raspberry crop paticularly were made quite difficult to handle, shipments consigned to distant points invariably reached destination in damp and mouldy condition, Dealers were continually claiming that our growers were not filling their packages, some of the shrinkage we must place to damp condition the stock was picked and packed in. Gentlemen this is a very important point in preparing soft fruits and our growers can easily eliminate this trouble by filling their hallocks when preparing shipments.

Blackberries seemed to carry better and reached destination in fair condition. Dewberries also came up to standard. Currants, we seem to have had altogether too many complaints from the dealers, claiming packages were not properly filled, however stock was accepted as fair.

Cucumbers, we apparently handled too large a package last season. The Okanagan and other large producing districts of this commodity used the peach box for packing and shipping these goods in those contained about one and a half dozen, a sheet of lining paper placed over the goods adding much to the appearance of the package. Much of our stock in this line shipped last season was allowed to color yellow on the ends before sufficiently matured or large enough to ship, much of this can be eliminated by securing proper varieties and covering the ends of the stock with loose soil, when growing, this having a tendency to bleech them white.

Green beans and peas, we had a fair demand for those but the supply was very limited, shipments which were made were quite satisfactory.

Green Corn, fair demand was secured for this commodity, we find how ever so many complaints owing to the cobs being small and it being packed without taking some of the husks off, this causing the stock to heat in transit.

Tomatoes, one of the most important products of this valley, yet I believe the least precaution is taken in preparing them for the market. I have been advised by many practical people that the tomatoes grown in the Creston district have the finest flavor of any produced on this continent.

The growers here should readily see how essential it is that those goods are properly prepared for the market especially in the way of grading as to size and color and be offered to the trade for what the stock is No. 1 or No. 2.

Our neighbors to the south and the Okanagan valley are wrapping their No. 1 stock in paper and I have been advised this aids in having the goods color in a uniform manner. The No. 3 or cull stock should not be offered to the market, the other tomatoe growing districts are more fortunate than we, owing to the fact that they have canning plants to care for this class of goods.

Cherries, demand good, prices fair, supply very limited, I believe owing to the crop being late in this district. However there is some demand for plums from this valley especially the following varieties: Seedlings, Bradshaws, Washingtons, Lombards and Italian Prunes. The stock produced here was a fairly good grade, giving satisfaction wherever placed. We held our prices too high last season, this retarded our sales considerably.

Peaches, demand was splendid but supply very limited, the varieties called for were: Triumph, Crawfords, and Elbertas, stock handled splendid quality.

Pears, demand good supply very limited, varieties called for were: clapps, Bartlett, Flemish Beauty, Kieffers, and Winter Neiles.

Crab Apples, demand fair for following varieties: Transparent, Hyslop, and Whitneys, stock proved very satisfactory.

Apples, demand fine for the well known varieties. Our shipments gave a general satisfaction and if our growers will improve as much next season as they did this one they will gain a reputation which will be worth while. For the information of the growers I wish to name here the varieties which we found a demand for: Transparents, Astrachans, Duchess, Wealthies, McIntosh Reds, Gravensteins, Alexanders, Johnathans, Wagoners, Ribston pippins, Spitzenberg, Baldwins, Rome Beauty, Spys, Delicious, and Winter Bannas, some Tallman Sweets, Snows and Golden Russets and occasionally for Cox Orange, and Grimes Golden.

This concludes any information or suggestions which I have to offer, other than that you are now equipped with good facilities for handling your business and should with the aid and support of the members of this union be a success, however it is harmony you most need and until that is established you cannot expect to succeed.

S. E. BRADLEY,
Manager

You are invited to attend Mrs. M. Young's 5 h Spring Opening, Thursday, Friday and Saturday March 12, 13 and 14 from 3 to 6. Refreshments served.

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Keep Tuesday March 17th an open date. The Irishmen are going to invite you to their celebration of St. Patrick's Day.

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Wanted a pair of old buggy wheels, Second hand spring tooth harrow write Box H Erickson. 8-9

Above the Clouds a drama in two acts under the capable instruction of Mr. H. Leonard. Mr. Leonard is devoting his well known abilities not only in giving instruction to the characters but also in painting the scenery and arranging makeups. Sufficient guarantee of success. Mercantile Hall March 20th.

—The C. C. S. of Cranbrook is selling Iron Beds with mattress and spring for $11.

Mr. Logan arrived from the prairie Saturday with a bunch of cattle and some horses to work the ranch which he bought from R. Lamont this summer.

The darkest hour in any man's career is that wherein he first fancies there is an easier way of gaining a dollar than by earning it. [illegible]

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A. B. S. Stanley - - - - Editor and Manager

A trade paper points out what may be a developement of the parcels post system. The competition which some anticipate will arise from the mail order houses can be met if the local retail merchant places his business on a cash basis. If he recognizes that the prices can be met by buying cheaply for cash and selling for cash then he will be able to hold the country trade otherwise the country merchant will find this passing to the larger centres. There is something in this contention to which the live merchants in the Creston Valley would do well to give consideration. —Exchange

We respectfully draw the attention of Judge Forin to the following editorial taken from the Calgary Herald. The men in question received sentences of from 21 months to 5 years in jail. Our chief object in publishing this article is to draw His Honor's attention to the principle involved and which he seems to have entirely overlooked in dealing with the cases from this district which have come before him for sometime past.

In the recent case of E. Payette convicted of forgery, His Honor told the prisoner to return to Creston and work to pay back the money. As an evidence of just how much respect even the prisoner has for such sentences, he has not returned nor is it at all likely that he will.

On the other hand is it not an open and flagrant insult to the people of this district, when they through the proper legal mediums send a prisoner to Nelson for trial and sentence, when that prisoner is found to be guilty, is it not an open and flagrant insult to the people of this district to have the judge send him back unpunished; or as in the case of the cattle killer, give him a ridiculous sentence. If His Honor thinks the people of the Creston Valley are ignorant or slow, or lacking in influence, let him beware. At the present stage the matter is in excellent shape for presentation to the Minister of Justice and we remind His Honor of the tremendous significance of the "last straw". Following is the clipping from the Herald:

"Five Alberta men were given severe sentences by Justice Harvey on Saturday, the crime being horse stealing The chief justice did well in sentencing these prisoners to draw attention to the meanness of their offence, and to show by the severity of the sentences imposed in what regard it is held by the authorities.

In all communities, old or newly settled, public opinion is invariably strongly against the horse or cattle thief. Owners of horses and cattle are forced to trust largely to a sense of honor among their fellow men for protection in the ownership of their stock which, more or less, has to be left a considerable portion of the time in the open. The cattle or horse thief is altogether devoid of any sense of honor.

And it isn't a bad idea that these offenders were sentenced in a bunch on Saturday. There has been so much cattle stealing in Alberta for sometime past, indicating the development of an unprincipled gang of rustlers who have been emboldened by past successes, and were apparently prepared to continue their disreputable game in all parts of the province. This dose of stern justice handed out to five of their number will, let us hope, give a setback to rustlers' aspirations for a long time to come."

"Above the Clouds is the title of a drama to be given by a cast of 11 local characters on March 20th. Roy Staples is manager and director.

The next event of local importance will be the celebration of St. Patricks Day by the Irishmen. The committees hove the matter in hand and are making plans for a big celebration. If you are of Irish descent make the fact known to J. B. Moran, A. L. Allen or Andy Miller anb you will be enrolled amongst those who will help to make this affair a success.

LAND ACT

Form No. 9

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GEORGE THOMPSON

Dated 20th. December, 1913.

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BOYS' PIG CLUB.

A New Organization Started by Department of Agriculture.

The department of agriculture has its Boys' Corn club and its Girls' Canning club and now comes the Boys' Pig club, being organized in the south for the purpose of increasing the supply of pork and encouraging good breeding of hogs. Already clubs have been organized in Alabama and Louisiana, and a club organization has been started in Georgia. It is the purpose of the officials of the department to organize clubs in every southern state.

The idea of the organization started with the farmers' co-operative demonstration and has been carried on with the co-operation of the animal husbandry branch of the bureau of animal industry. The organization is an offshoot of the Boys' Corn club, which has an organization in every southern state and which has been the means of producing record breaking yields of corn. The Pig club when thoroughly organized will, it is expected, work hand in hand with the Corn club. The boys of the latter will produce the corn, and the boys of the newly organized association will see to it that the pigs are produced to eat the corn.

In connection with the organization of the Pig club the department makes the following statement:

It is the purpose of the department to have every member of the club encourage not only an increased production of the swine family, but a better breed of pigs than is being raised at present. It is a serious purpose the officials of the department are engaged in—one that is aimed at the high cost of living.

The production of pork is not keeping pace with the increased population, and something must be done to harmonize these two elements. If each member of the club—and they will be growing, it is expected, all the time—will see to it that one more pig and a better pig is produced each year, then a long step will have been taken in meeting the ever growing chasm between pork production and increased population.

Love's Awakening.

When a girl imagines that a big oaob who has bristles on his chin and who smells like an old pipe is the greatest thing ever invented--that is love.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

They Do It.

"Nobody can achieve the impossible."

"Oh, yes, they can. I know at this moment plenty of folks who can't sing, but who will sing."—Baltimore American.

SYNOPSIS OF COAL MINIG REGULATIONS

Coal mining rights of the Dominion, in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the Yukon Territory, the North-west Territories and in a portion of the Province of British Columbia, may be leased for a term of twenty-one years at an annual rental of $1 an acre. Not more than 2,560 acres will be leased to one applicant.

Application for a lease must be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or Sub-Agent of the district in which the rights applied for are situated.

In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections, or legal sub-divisions of sections, and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be staked out by the applicant himself.

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of $5 which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lessee may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of $10 an acre.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

W. W. CORY,

Deputy Minister of the Interior.

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THE LURE OF MAGIC.

Why One Man Just Had to Rub Elbows With a Conjurer.

Ambition takes men very differently. One would enter parliament and one would have a play accepted at the court; one would reach the north pole, and one would live at Chiselhurt, while a fifth would be happy if only he had a motorcar. Speaking for myself, my ambition has always been to have a conjurer perform under my own roof, and it has just happened. I obtained him from the stores.

I have never been so near magic before. Like all great men when one comes closely in touch with them, he was quite human, quite like ourselves; so much so indeed that in addition to his fee he wanted his cab fare both ways. It is very human to want things both ways.

I have been wondering how long it would take me to learn to be a conjurer and if it is not too late to begin. * * * I don't want to be a finished conjurer. I merely want to do three tricks with reasonable dexterity. Of course if one can do three tricks one can do thirty, but it is three, and three only, I have in mind—first, I want to borrow a watch and put it in a pestle and mortar and grind it to powder and then fire a pistol at a loaf of bread and find the watch whole again in the midst of the crumbs; second, I want to borrow a tall hat and throw in flour and break eggs into it and stir it all up and hold it over a spirit lamp for a second and then produce a beautiful warm cake; third, I want to find hens' eggs in old men's beards and little girls' hair.

Tricks with cards and money and so forth I don't mind about, because I would always rather see them done than do them, there is such fascination in the clean, swift movement of the conjurer with cards, his perfect mastery of his fingers, the supple beauty of his hands. And tricks with machinery I would gladly forego.

My conjurer's most popular trick was, of course, that which calls upon the co-operation of a rabbit. I wrote to him in advance to insist on this. No man who at a children's party produces a live rabbit, particularly when it is very small and kicking and also black and white, is making a mistake. No matter what has gone before, this apparition will seal his popularity. The end crowns the work (as I could say in Latin if I liked).

It was not only to the children that this trick was welcome, but to an elderly literary friend of mine with whom I have collaborated more than once and into whose life I hoped to get a little brightness by inducing him to bring the tall hat which the wizard should borrow. The thought filled him with excitement. It was bringing radiance indeed into his life to know that this old hat, which had done nothing more romantic than keep his head warm all these years, was to be used for magical purposes and have a real rabbit extracted from it.—From "Character and Comedy," by E. V. Lucas.

"Our Wretched Bone."

How can we—we who have gained for ourselves health and comfort and knowledge—how can we stand patiently by and see our brother diseased and miserable and ignorant? How can we bear our luxuries as long as a child is growing up in savagery whom we might have saved, or a woman is drooping from sorrow and overwork whom we might have cherished and helped? We are not our own—we are parts of the whole. Generations of workers have toiled for us in the past, and we are in return to carry our wretched bone off to our miserable corner, sharing and giving nothing? Woe upon us if we do.—Mrs. Humphry Ward in "The History of David Grieve."

Cecil Rhodes' Eggs.

Cecil Rhodes used to take a coop of hens on board to provide fresh eggs on his numerous voyages between England and South Africa. But those were three weeks' journeys, and not a mere five day crossing of the Atlantic. Hence another prominent South African personage was asked why he did not follow Rhodes' example and provide himself with the luxury of new laid eggs at sea. "Oh, I don't bother to take a coop of fowls on board," he replied, "but I tip the bos'un who looks after Rhodes' hens, and I get Rhodes' eggs."

The Count's Hedge.

The Hague was originally a mere hunting station of the counts of Holland. Its name freely translated means "the count's hedge." The little town first rose to importance in 1527, when it was made the seat of the supreme court of Holland. In 1584 it became the place of assembly of the states general and the residence of the stadtholders, since when it has been the diplomatic conference place of Europe.

Dissatisfied.

"Charley, dear," said young Mrs. Torkins, "the cook says she is going to leave."

"What for?"

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FOR IMPROVED POTATOES.

We Should Develop Better Varieties, Says the Department of Agriculture.

American progress in the development of improved varieties of potatoes has not been satisfactory as compared with the progress of leading European countries is the statement of the bureau of plant industry of the department of agriculture.

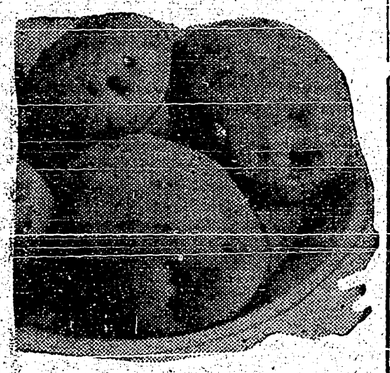
The best European varieties possess a better flavor, color and texture, particularly for boiling and frying, but these do not succeed when introduced into the United States. If private growers would engage in this work as they have in Great Britain, Germany and Austria, they would find it a fascinating industry and would undoubtedly make notable achievements.

In America we have much to accomplish in breeding a potato with a greater starch content. Our potatoes are now lower than the German varieties by from 4 to 8 per cent.

Our climatic conditions in America are so diverse that we need varieties of potatoes adapted to special localities. Particularly do we need a heat resistant strain that can more successfully withstand the high summer temperatures. Disease resistance is another quality that has been bred into certain foreign sorts, but is so lacking in ours that we have to quarantine absolutely certain foreign types that might bring disease with them.

The breeding of potatoes for different kinds of cooking might even be found profitable. A variety specially suited for baking is needed, another for frying; a close textured tuber is in some demand for salads. The housewife today finds it necessary to waste much good material in preparing her potatoes for the table, particularly the irregular, deep eyed sorts.

The use of commercial fertilizers universal in Germany is unknown in our western potato districts. Certain of our districts in Maine, New York and the Atlantic trucking belt have already found it to their profit to use



SPECIMENS OF AMERICAN POTATOES.

more fertilizer, and potato growing is most prosperous in these sections. This should become more universal.

Crop rotation is of fundamental importance to the potato crop in controlling diseases and maintaining production, but in the United States only the beginning of an ordered system has been made. Germany has a rotation of from three to seven years between potato crops. Nor has the importance of green manuring yet been fully appreciated in this country.

The problem of securing disease free seed has been met in Germany by an official inspection, which results in certificates being issued only to owners of disease free crops. Such a plan for the United States would be better if carried out by the co-operation of potato growers' associations, the state experiment stations and the United States department of agriculture rather than through legal enactment.

We shall never solve the rural problems with the city man, and we shall never solve them with the renter and the man that flits from farm to farm. We shall solve them by the young man who goes to the farm and says, "Here I purpose to live," and takes his ideas and follows them through from year to year persistently and does the thing.—President W. O. Thompson, Ohio State University.

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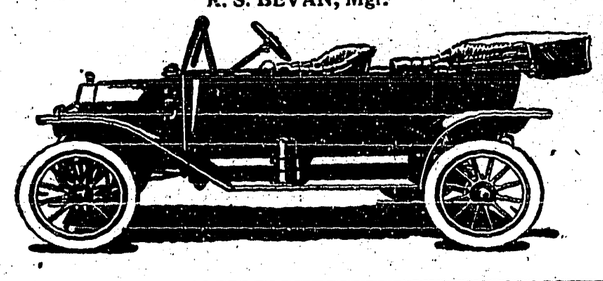

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