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STILL GROWING

Although business is quiet just now, Cross Plains is anything but a corpse. At this writing there are three houses in process of construction, and all nice little houses, too. Jeff Clark's five-room dwelling on north Main is well-nigh completed, and so is Jim Cross's seven-room house in south east part of town. These are both nice dwellings, we are glad to say. W. S. Butler is also erecting a cottage in northeast part of town. Gray Powell has let contract for the erection of a new modern 5-room bungalow in northeast part of town, between town and C. S. Boyles residence.

W. H. Kirg has moved the old bottling works building to his home and has made it into a barn.

John Swan has had moved a two room house from old town, locating same near C. S. Kenady's dwelling.

CROSS PLAINS TO

SWEETWATER.

In a recent issue the Manufacturers' Record has the following in regard to Katy extensions made possible since the passage of the Katy merger bill:

The Missouri, Kansas & Texas railway Company, according to a report from Austin, Texas, is expected to make several extensions as a result of the authority granted to it by the Texas legislature to merge its various roads in the state. Should it construct all the track that has been planned from time to time it would have built about seven hundred miles when all was finished.

Among the extensions planned by the various companies now in the system are as follows: On the Texas Central, from Rotan to the boundary of New Mexico, about two hundred miles; from Cross Plains to Sweetwater, Texas, about seventy-five miles; also a branch from Dublin, Texas, to coal fields in Palo Pinto county, about fifty miles. On the Wichita Falls & Southern, from New Castle to Cisco Texas, about sixty miles, connecting with the Texas Central. On the Denison, Bonham & New Orleans railway, from Bonham to Wolf City, about twenty miles; also from Ravena to Gilmer, Texas, about one hundred and fifty miles. On the Dallas, Cleburne & Southwestern, from Cleburne to Dallas, Texas, about fifty miles. On the Beaumont & Great Northern railroad, from Weldon to Jewett, Texas, about fifty miles, which the latter is under construction. S. B. Fisher, St. Louis, Mo., is chief engineer of construction for the system.

Stamford will be made a division point of the Texas Central railroad at an early date, according to advices that have been received at that place from W. A. Webb, general manager of the M. K. & I. road. DeLeon will also be made a division point in the near future.

A large assortment of lace and Embroideries at Carter & Kenady.

A bunch of men arrived here Monday to begin putting a two line copper circuit line between De Leon and this place. This will give us a good connection to Dallas, Waco, Fort Worth, etc. The Southwestern Telephone Co. is doing the work.

W. S. Butler has opened up a real estate office over the office of the Shackelford lumber yard. He says he is going to give his time and energy to the business, and asks that you list your property with him, and promises you results.

Lost: A pair of boy's gold rimmed eye glasses, between school house and home. Finder will please return to Mrs. V. V. Hart.

A transient sign painter has been in town for a few days and has left his "sign" among some of the firms of the town, his work being good. Good signs tend towards beautifying a town.

Rev. J. M. Parker of Blossom, Red River county, delivered able sermons at the Baptist church Sunday at eleven and at evening. He has been called to this work, and will soon move here, giving us half of his time and the other half to Daessy and Oplin. He is a young but an able preacher, and Cross Plains should feel herself fortunate in having him in one of her pulpits.

O-Cedar Polish cleans floors, furniture, pianos, buggies. Get it at Boydston's. (adv)

Spring has at last come to see us and you no doubt are reminded that you are in need of a new suit. I have something of interest to offer you, an all-wool suit, guaranteed to please, from \$15.00 up. Come in and let me show you.

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From Baird Star

T. J. McClure, of Pioneer, visited his daughter, Mrs. E. E. Stewart this week.

Miss Alice Floyd, who has been teaching school at Cross Plains, has returned home.

Uncle John Wagner came up Monday with Joe Shackelford and Sam McClure, who took the Royal Arch, and Council Degrees at Baird this week, J. H. Rowley, of Baird making the third man in the team. This work was begun Monday evening and was completed Tuesday night with the Council degree. There was a good crowd present.

Last week three old settlers died at Admiral.

First Grandma Anderson, mother of Mrs. R. C. Dawkins, died Wednesday after an illness of several weeks. Aged 93 years.

On the same day, but later in the day Mr. J. S. McClendon, an old Confederate soldier, died after a brief illness.

The third was Mrs. Jennie Harris wife of R. J. Harris one of the first settlers at Admiral, died Saturday night after a long illness.

The remains of all were interred at the Admiral cemetery, where so many of the old settlers of the county have been buried.

We extend sincere sympathy to the families of the deceased among whom are some of the oldest friends we have in the county.—Baird Star.

Mr. and Ernest Riche of Burkett were here shopping Monday.

BUYS FARM

J. J. Crass, of Carbon has bought the M. L. Henson farm 3 miles south of town and will move the first of next year. Mr. Crass is a good substantial citizen, one who has the respect of all who come to know him. We are glad to have him come among us.

Burkett Bubblings

Uncle Jimmie Golson, one of our oldest pioneers, was a Plains visitor Wednesday.

Tom Colvin and family made a trip to the Plains Wednesday.

Married Wednesday two weeks ago Miss Flora Upton and Mr. Willie Head, Jr. The young couple are representative people of our neighborhood, the bride being the daughter of Dr. Upton of this place, and the groom the son W. W. Head, Sr., a pioneer and highly respectable citizen of Coleman county. For the time being they will keep house for Mr. Head, Sr. May their days be happy and prosperous.

Wade Golson of Coleman came out Sunday to see his folks.

Mr. Crawford, a traveling salesman, was here Wednesday night the guest of his brother E. P. Crawford of Davis-Garner & Co.

Mrs. C. A. Mangum, Jr., left on Sunday's train for Killeen, going in response to a telephone call, stating that her sister Mrs. J. D. Simms' little daughter was dangerously ill with appendicitis.

BALL GAME APRIL FOOL DAY

The Cross Plains school team in full force, accompanied by a number of burlesque school girls of the higher grades, and some other town girls and women as chaperones, left early Tuesday for Burkett to cross bats with Bayou devotees of our great national game. The game was clean, and though not errorless, was interesting, resulting 10 to 8 for Burkett. The game was played at Independence, 3 miles south of Burkett, and the girls and boys of both schools "rooted" vociferously for their respective nines. Several men of the Burkett neighborhood were in attendance, as well as nearly all the young boys and girls, especially those in school.

This is time about with these two nines, and so another game is scheduled for Saturday two weeks.

Burkett line up: Gene Wesley, Jess Harris, Cecil Head, Jim Webb, Clayton Burns, Harris and Brown and Jones boys. Cross Plains line up: Merriman McGowen, West Robinson, James Perry, Wyatt Gilbert, Joe Ellis, Lovett King and Ralph Odom.

Misses Adams, Kenady, Thomson, McDemmitt, Williams, Mable and Nellie Hall, and Mrs. Lee Jones and Messrs. Cicero Ray, Aduas, Andy Foster and Mark Strickland among those who attended.

DIED

Little Bruce Austin, aged five, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Austin of west of town, died Thursday 6:00 p. m., and was buried at 3:00 p. m. Friday at Cross Plains cemetery, death being caused by pneumonia. The boy first had measles, and afterwards developed pneumonia. We extend condolence to the bereaved family.

Ranchman McQuirter from up the Bayou was in town Saturday.

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Misses Mary Robinson and Ollie McGowen made a trip down the Central Sunday.

Miss Ellie Lummis returned Sunday from her home at Moran to resume her work as teacher at Dressy.

Wess Everett and family, of Cottonwood, visited relatives and friends in the city and surrounding country last week and this. Mr. Everett will begin reading the X-Ray with this issue.—X-Ray.

R. E. Harris, Sr., and John Brown, pioneers of the Burkett community, were here Monday.

Fred Robinson returned last of last week from Bakersfield, Cal., where he has been at work in a Dr.'s office for several months. Fred speaks well of California, and his avoirdupois shows it to have agreed with him.

ANNOUNCEMENT PARTY

An interesting social event occurred Tuesday from 3 to 6 when Mesdames James A. Rushing and J. L. Snider entertained with an announcement party at the pretty home of the latter.

The guests were met at the door by Mrs. Rushing and little Miss Dora. Miss Snider presented each with a violet score card.

The house decorations were violets and ferns. At the conclusion of eight games of Rook, the hostess, assisted by Mesdames Kirby and Chas. Snider served delicious salad, pickles, sandwiches, Saratoga likes and coffee.

The guests were then asked to sit in the music room while Miss Blair gave a number of piano selections. Each guest was given a small paper bag, inflated and tied with violet ribbon. At a signal from the hostess all were allowed to "let the cat out of the bag." Upon the hand painted cat was the following:

Mr. Robert Gray Powell and Miss Willie Gay Rushing, April 16, 1913.

Those present were: Mesdames Bass, Bird, Betts, Cobb, Cause, Henricks, Carbon, Morris, Dehn, Wilbanks, Kirby, McGinley, Tom Massey, Walter Massey, Jas. A. Rushing, Poole, Glark, Pettit, Pedigo, W. H. Seale, Ebb Seale, Jones, Hill, Jno. Barry, Gus Barry, Chas. Snider, and Misses Rushing, Morris, Borglund, Blair, Jones and Neill.—Walnut Springs Rascal.

The Baptist Ladies Aid Society of Cross Plains will give a play at the opera house, Tuesday night, April 8th. The proceeds will go for the benefit of the Baptist church. Title of play is "The Miner's Daughter", or "One Glass of Wine". Watch for circulars.

Mrs. J. Lee Jones, Secy.

We have made arrangements to receive two large photographs each week of the world's greatest events. These are real photographs and portray the happenings as they occur. In the very near future we expect some pictures of the great northern floods. When the baseball season opens we will have pictures of some of the big league games.

Watch our show window for these pictures; two different ones will appear each week. And should you find anything displayed in the window that you are in need of kindly call our attention to it.

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The freeze last week seems to have freed havoc with our fruit crop. As some have said, we still have a chance at a crop of fall turnips.

Behold, what things can come from Sipe Springs! That little municipality has put one by us in taking the initiative in erecting concrete sidewalks. It is time for Cross Plains to wake up.

Houston Post: Whatever any woman who is the mother of seven young children has to say to us in favor of suffrage is going to be listened to, but we do not think much of bridge whist statesmanship or poodle dog politics.

Last week we got two new subscribers after our heart. It is this way: C. H. Johnson of south of Burkett, and Roy Madison, who lives east of town, paid us one dollar each for the Review, without our asking them to subscribe for it. You can't keep a good paper down

There has been a bill introduced in the Legislature prohibiting the sale of "Zeno" extracts in Texas, experts claiming that one small vial will make a quart of whiskey. There is said to be a great demand for said extract in dry sections, but so far as we know there has never been introduced on our markets any of the "aforesaid". Perhaps some of our neighboring bacchanals could give us more reliable information on the subject.

The De Leon Free Press has been taken to task by T. S. Ross, member of the Legislature from Comanche county, for giving him more publicity than he cared for for raising a commotion in the house by refusing to take off his hat, an episode that probably most of our readers are acquainted with. Mr. Ross in his reply to the Free Press's comments waxed wrath, and the Free Press answers in kind, questioning his record as a prohibitionist and also arraigning him for voting against the Katy Consolidation bill.

Representative Boehner of Eagle Pass in his well known illiteracy bill opposes poll tax requirement for franchise, but demands an educational test. He also prohibits a voter from receiving any assistance in casting his ballot. Except the clause against the poll tax, we are heartily in favor of this bill. There certainly should be according to our way of thinking, an educational test to citizenship. To any who have ever gone to the polls there must have appeared the obvious danger of a voter's receiving aid in his voting, even from an election judge.

It is fortunate that it doesn't require money to be in the newspaper business, or rather, fortunate that there is not much money to be made in the business, else Jno. D. or William R. would monopolize the whole thing. The spirit of commercialism has crept in on us now until we have no more Bennetts, Greely's or Wattersons, in higher journalism. To be sure, locally, we still have our Sid Thomases and Mayes's, etc. That's because there are no great financial returns in the small newspaper business. Sometimes sweet are the uses of adversity.

R. O. Owen, the jeweler, has returned from a trip to Rotar

BALL GAME

Dodd Price's picked team, which he is pleased to christen the "Colts" met Burkett on the local diamond Saturday in what proved to be an interesting game, the score resulting in 8 to 7 in favor of home enterprise. The game was thought at first to be an easy victory for our boys, but about the fifth inning things began to look different, Burkett tying the score. Interest in the game now was warm, until the finish when Cross Plains untied the game by scoring.

Batteries: Burkett, Jim Webb and Heck Brown, pitchers, and Jack Brown, catcher; Cross Plains, Weise Roberson and Hub Mitchell.

Gene Westerman of Sabanno was here Tuesday.

TAKE YOUR WATCH

Jno. W. Audas of Burkett was here Tuesday.

REPAIRING TO R. O. OWEN

J. W. Boase, of Rising Star, is in town working in the the W. O. W. Lodge. He will be here some time.

AT THE FURNITURE STORE

Misses Ollie McGowin, Mary Roberson, Jesse Adams, with Mrs. Jno. Westerman as chaperon, made a trip to Rising Star Tuesday evening in S. F. Knight's new auto.

ADV. TAKE YOUR WATCH

Charley Stone and Lonnie Triplett of Cross Cut were in town yesterday, and while here called on the Review office.

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AT THE FURNITURE STORE

A Modern Liner. "How are you going to amuse yourself this afternoon?" asked the first passenger.

"I am going to a moving picture show in the main cabin. Better come."

"Can't. I've promised to take my wife for a taxicab ride on the upper deck."—Pittsburgh Post.

Majesty. "My wife adores the majesty of the Alps, whereas I adore the majesty of the ocean," said Pford.

"And your daughter?" inquired a friend.

"Oh, she just adores majesty by itself."—Lustige Blatter.

Didn't Like the Combination. Weary Walker—I allers know'd it. Tired Tatters—Know'd wot?

"Wot dat sign over de way sez—'Cleaning and Dyeing'?"

"Well, wot erbout it?"

"Why, I allers know'd dey went together."—Boston Post.

Willing to Oblige. Lawyer—We want you to be willing to waive immunity in this case. Witness—All right; hand the old rag here. I'll waive anything to oblige you.—Baltimore American.

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READY

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See the latest designs in Spring Millinery. Carter & Kenady.

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use continuing the argument, for Hamlin's fingers were upon the butt of his revolver, and his eyes hardened at the delay. The gambler's inclination was to oppose this summary dismissal, but a glance at his crowd convinced him he would have to play the hand alone, so he yielded reluctantly, swept the chips into the side pocket of his coat and departed, leaving behind him a trail of profanity. The Sergeant smiled, but remained motionless until they disappeared.

"The bluff works," he thought serenely, "unless they make a kick at the office; some peevish, Charlie was."

He stepped over to the window, and held back the curtain. A burly figure occupied the bench, with feet upon the rail. Even in that outside dimness could be distinguished a black beard. The very man, and the Sergeant chuckled grimly with a swiftly born hope that the fellow might create a row. Nothing at that moment could have pleased him more. He blew out the parlor light, partially closed the door, and stepped forth on to the porch.

"Say, you," he said gruffly, dropping one hand heavily on the other's shoulder. "Did you hear what I said to those fellows inside? Well, it goes out here the same. Pack up, and clear the deck."

"Reb" dropped his feet to the floor and stood up, his bearded lips growling profanity, but Hamlin gripped his wrist, and the man stopped, with mouth still open, staring into the Sergeant's face. All bravado seemed to desert him instantly.

"Who—who says so?" and he stepped back farther into the shadow.

"I do, if you need to know," pleasantly enough. "Sergeant Hamlin, Seventh Cavalry."

"Oh!" the exclamation came from between clenched teeth. "Hell, man, you startled me."

"So I see; nervous disposition, I reckon. Well, are you going quietly, or shall I hoist you over the rail?"

"I had an appointment here."

"Can't help that, partner. This porch is going to be vacant inside of one minute, or there is a declaration of war. Your easiest way out is through that window, but you can go by rail if you prefer."

The black beard wasted half his allowed time in an effort to bluster; then, to Hamlin's utter disgust, slunk through the open window and across the darkened parlor.

"The pusillanimous cuss," the latter muttered, "he's worse than a cur dog. Blamed if he wasn't actually afraid of me. A gun-fighter—pugh!" He lifted his voice, as "Reb" paused in the light of the hall beyond and glanced back, a fist doubled and uplifted. "Oh, go on! Sure, you'll get me? You are the brave boy, now," and Hamlin strode toward the door threateningly. "Lope along, son, and don't turn around again until you face the bar."

He drew the door partially to again, and sat down facing the opening, where a stray beam of light fell across the floor. Thus far the adventure had scarcely proven interesting. The last encounter had been a distinct disappointment. The dispersal of the card-players was, as anticipated, easily managed, but the reputation of "Reb" as a killer and bad man had given him hope of resistance. But instead he had proven a perfect lamb. Hamlin crossed his legs and waited, his mind divided in wonder between what Miss McDonald might want, and the cowardice of the fellow just driven out. The man was actually afraid—afraid to start a row. Yet he had got to his feet with that intention; it was only after he had looked into Hamlin's face and asked his name, that he began to hedge and draw back. Could he have recognized him? Could Mrs. Dupont have warned him of danger in his direction? That would seem impossible, for the woman had not been with him for even a minute since their conversation. She had given him a swift signal at the door of the dance hall, but that could scarcely account for his present desire to avoid trouble. An engagement? Probably with Mrs. Dupont. But what was the use of speculating? Perhaps when the girl came she would have some light to throw on these matters. Surely her sudden determination to see him privately must have connection with this affair.

These thoughts came swiftly, for his period of waiting proved to be but a short one. He heard the laughter and talk as the merry-makers came into the hotel from the dance hall, crowding the passage, and thronging in to where the tables were set. Then a rattle of dishes, and the steady shuffling of waiters rushing back and forth. Occasionally he could distinguish a shadow out in the hall, but never changed his motionless posture, or removed his eyes from the aperture, until she slipped noiselessly through and stood there panting slightly, her hand clasping the knob of the door. Apparently in the semi-darkness of the room she was uncertain of his presence, while her white dress touched by the outside reflection made her clearly visible.

"It is all right, Miss McDonald," he murmured hastily, arising. "There is nothing to fear."

"You are here—alone?"

"Yes," smiling in memory. "There were occupants when I first arrived, but they were persuaded to depart. I had a suspicion you might prefer it that way."

"Yes," puzzled by his manner, yet softly pushing the door back so as to exclude the light. "I can see better, now. Are—are you sure no one can overhear? I have something to tell you—something important."

"There is no one else here, yet some one might stumble into this room. It is not private, you know. We shall be safer on the porch outside. Will

you take my hand, and let me guide you?"

"She did so unhesitatingly, but her fingers were cold, and he could feel the twitching of her nerves. "You are frightened—not of me surely?"

"Oh, no!" a slight catch in her voice, "but I am running such a risk venturing here. I—I had to pretend a sick-headache to get away. You must not condemn me until you hear why I came."

"I condemn? Hardly, Miss McDonald. I am merely a soldier receiving orders; mine not to question why. Here is the window; now sit down on this bench. I'll keep guard, and listen." His voice sank lower, a little touch of tenderness in it impossible to disguise. "Are you in trouble? Is it something I can aid you to overcome?"

She did not answer at once but rested her chin in one hand, and turned



"We Were Engaged to Be Married," He Acknowledged Frankly.

her eyes away. Her breath came swiftly, as though she had not yet recovered from fright, and her face in the dim light looked white and drawn.

"Yes, you can," she began slowly. "I am sure you can. I—I came to you because there was no one else in whom I felt the same confidence. I know that sounds strange, but I cannot explain—only it seems natural to trust some people even when you do not know them very well. I do not suppose I know you very well; just those few hours we were together, but somehow I think you are true."

"I certainly hope so," he put in earnestly. "I couldn't very well help being—with you."

"I believe that," and she lifted her eyes to his face.

"Yet I do not wish you to think me bold, or—or indiscreet. You do not think so, do you?"

"That idea has never once occurred to me, Miss McDonald. I am only too glad to be of service."

"It is good of you to say that; you see, there was no one else."

"Your father?" he suggested.

"But that is the very trouble," she insisted, rejoicing that he had thus unconsciously opened the way to her confession. "It is because my father is involved, is completely in her toils, that I am compelled to appeal to you. He will not listen to a word against her."

"Her? You refer to Mrs. Dupont?"

"Of course; why, I hadn't mentioned her name! How did you guess?"

"Because I am not entirely ignorant of conditions, he answered soberly. "Although I have only been at the post a short time, I have managed to see and hear a good deal. You know I chanced to become involved in the shooting of Lieutenant Gaskins, and then I saw you riding with Mrs. Dupont, and recognized her."

"Recognized?" in surprise. "Do you actually mean you knew her before?"

"Not as Mrs. Dupont, but as Vera Carson, years ago. She knew me at once, and sent your driver over to the barracks with a note."

"Why, how strange. She asked me so many questions, I wondered at the interest shown. Do you mind telling me what the note was about?"

"Not in the least. She referred to the past, and asked me to meet her."

"Were you—very intimate? Great friends?"

"We were engaged to be married," he acknowledged frankly, his eyes upon her face. "That was at the breaking out of the war, and I was in my senior college year. We met at school, and I was supposed to be the heir to large property. She is a beautiful woman now, and she was a beautiful girl then. I thought her as good and true as she was charming. Since then I have learned her selfishness and deceit, that it was my money which attracted her, and that she really loved another man, a classmate."

She glanced up at him as he paused, but he resumed the story without being interrupted.

"The war came, and I enlisted at once, and received a commission. Almost our entire class went, and the man she really loved was next below me in rank."

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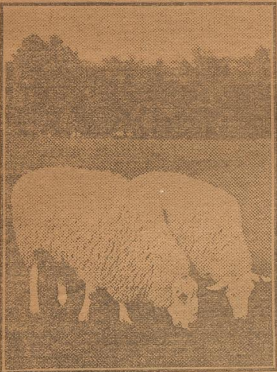
FIRST ARTICLE—SOIL CONSERVATION.

By W. J. SPILLMAN, Agriculturist in Charge of Farm Management, Bureau of Plant Industry, Department of Agriculture.

HOW to restore and maintain the productivity of the soil is the most important phase of the conservation problem. In many of our older communities soil fertility has been reduced below the point of profitable production. Nation-wide effort at the present time, through federal and state agency, is directed toward the restoration of fertility in these localities. In the older countries of Europe, where farming has been followed for many centuries, the problem of satisfactory yields of farm crops has been solved. The agriculture of Germany is similar to that of the United States, but the yield per acre of wheat in Germany is more than twice that in the United States, the yield of rye nearly twice as large, the yield of barley nearly a third larger and the yield of oats more than one-third larger.

The proportionate area of cereals grown in Germany is about one-fifth less than in the United States, while the proportionate area of hay and forage crops is one-half greater. In addition to that, the percentage of the total area which is planted to root crops is enormously greater in Germany than in the United States. These root crops consist largely of potatoes and sugar beets, and the best German authorities estimate that at least one-third of the products of the area of these two crops is available for stock feed. They also estimate that one-third of the products of the area devoted to cereals is devoted to the feeding of domestic animals. Germany therefore devotes very much more of her soil to the production of feed for live stock than does the United States.

On the same area of farm land the German farmer maintains on the average from 30 to 78 per cent more live stock than does the American farmer. The manure from these animals is also better cared for in all European countries than it is in this country. Not



"ANIMALS WITH GOLDEN HOOF"—SHEEP MAKE THE SOIL FERTILE!

only that, the United States exports vast quantities of cottonseed meal, linseed oilmeal and other rich nitrogenous feeding stuffs, while Germany imports vast quantities of these materials. German farmers not only conserve their own natural resources, but they draw on other parts of the world to maintain the fertility of their lands. America has been mining her soil and shipping the products to Europe. In addition to the sources of fertility above given, Germany uses annually on her soil 550,000 tons of nitrate of soda, 275,000 tons of sulphate of ammonia, 1,200,000 tons of superphosphate and 1,400,000 tons of basic slag in addition to large amounts of potash salts.

We are now confronted by the same necessities that compelled the adoption of sound systems of agriculture in the old world. How shall we meet this problem?

The Solution of the Problem.

In the first place, we must increase the number of domestic animals on our farms. Where land is farmed by renters the leases must be made for longer terms, and where the renter has not the capital to provide the proper number of domestic animals these must be supplied by the landowner. The effect of live stock on the fertility of the soil needs no demonstration. It is well known to every intelligent farmer. Up to the present time, at least, no system of agriculture has been permanently profitable without the use of domestic animals as a means of maintaining the productivity of the soil. Whether such systems are possible remains to be seen.

In addition to increasing the number of domestic animals on American farms our farmers must pay more attention to leguminous crops and to other crops which provide a supply of humus for the soil. Legumes, such as clover, peas, alfalfa, etc., are especially important because of the fact that with the aid of certain soil bacteria they are able to draw their supply of nitrogen from the air. Having thus an unlimited supply of this valuable plant food constituent, they become very rich in nitrogen. The stubble and roots of a

leguminous crop frequently leave in the soil sufficient nitrogen for the needs of the crop that follows. Recent investigations by the department of agriculture in Kansas and Nebraska show that the average increase in the yield of corn grown after alfalfa, compared with corn grown after nonleguminous crops, is 75 per cent. A good crop of clover has a similar effect on the yield of crops which follow it. Instances are known where the practice of sowing bur clover in cotton fields in the fall of the year and turning it under in spring in time for another crop of cotton has in three years doubled the yield of cotton. Crimson clover sown in a similar manner between crops of corn has in a few years increased the yield of corn 50 per cent or more.

The reason these leguminous crops have such a marked effect on fertility in many cases on depleted soils lies in the fact that nitrogen is not a constituent of the soil proper, but only of the decaying plant and animal matter in the soil. When soils are farmed for many years without any attention to their fertility this organic matter is rotted out and the nitrogen disappears. Hence nitrogen is nearly always the first plant food constituent to become deficient in the soil.

The fact has already been referred to that we export a large proportion of our cottonseed meal, oilmeal and other rich nitrogenous feeding stuffs. These materials are all exceedingly rich in nitrogen. They should be kept at home, fed to live stock and the manure returned to the land.

Dependence on Our Own Resources.

There is this difference between our situation and that of the older countries of Europe: Hitherto we have been exporters of our feedstuffs rich in fertilizer constituents, while they have been importers. They have been drawing on the newly settled regions of the world for materials with which to feed their crops. The American farmer will be making a long step forward when he quits exporting these materials and returns them to his own soil. What ever shortages there may be made up by the intelligent use of commercial fertilizers. There is no danger of a nitrogen famine. We can grow leguminous crops to supply nitrogen. We can also, by judicious use of the refuse from grain and other crops and by the use of intelligently planned crop rotations with occasional catch crops for green manure, keep up an abundant supply of humus. Even if we had no other resources for maintaining the fertility of the soil than leguminous plants and humus making crops we could on much of the land in this country maintain a much higher standard of yields than obtains at the present time.

Examples of Successful Farming.

In New York state there are large areas of land which formerly produced satisfactory crops, but which in recent years have been reduced in fertility to the point where their cultivation is no longer profitable by the methods in vogue in that section. A few years ago a representative of the department of agriculture induced a farmer in that section to grow four acres of potatoes under his direction. This farmer had been growing potatoes for many years, using seed which had been grown for sixty years in that locality without selection to maintain its quality. His ordinary yields of potatoes were about forty bushels per acre. He was induced to secure new and improved seed and to cultivate in the most thorough manner. As a result these four acres produced a yield of 250 bushels of potatoes per acre. Similar results have since been secured by a number of other farmers in the same locality.

An Illinois farmer a good many years ago established on his farm a rotation of corn, corn, oats, clover. The corn and oats were fed to hogs, which were allowed to graze on the clover. Very little feed was purchased, but everything raised on the farm was converted into manure and returned to the land. At the beginning of this system of farming the yield of corn was about thirty-five bushels to the acre. Ten years later it had risen to eighty bushels per acre, the average yield for four consecutive years being 80.4 bushels per acre.

A Missouri farm which had been devoted to corn and wheat for seventy years and on which the yields of wheat were about eight bushels per acre and corn about twenty-five bushels was subjected to a system of farming similar to that just described for an Illinois farm. In six years the yields of this farm were more than doubled. In work of this character the following points are emphasized:

Deep fall preparation of the soil.
Planting of well selected seed.
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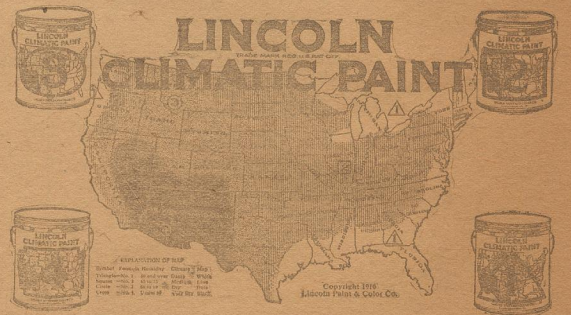
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