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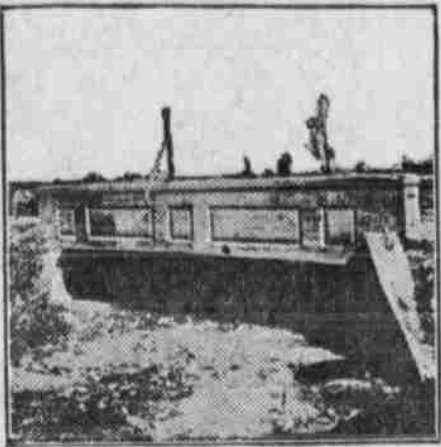
Courage is a matter of the blood. Without good red blood a man has a weak heart and poor nerves. In the spring is the best time to take stock of one's condition. If the blood is thin and watery, face pale or simply, generally weak, tired and listless, one should take a spring tonic. One that will do the spring house-cleaning, an old-fashioned herbal remedy that was used by everybody nearly 50 years ago is still safe and sane because it contains no alcohol or narcotic. It is made up of Blood root, Golden Seal root, Oregon Grape root, Queen's root, Stone root, Black Cherry bark—extracted with glycerine and made into liquid or tablets. This blood tonic was first put out by Dr. Pierce in ready-to-use form and since then has been sold by million bottles as Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. If druggists do not keep this in tablet form, send 50 cents for a vial to Dr. Pierce's Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y. Kidney disease carries away a large percentage of our people. What is to be done? The answer is easy. Eat less meat, eat coarse, plain food, with plenty of vegetables, drink plenty of water between meals, and take an uric acid solvent after meals for a while, such as Anuric (double strength), obtainable at almost any drug store. It was first discovered by Dr. Pierce. Most every one troubled with uric acid finds that Anuric dissolves the uric acid as hot water does sugar. You can obtain a trial package by sending ten cents to Doctor Pierce's Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute in Buffalo, N. Y.

ROAD BUILDING

GOOD ROADS OF THE FUTURE

Steps Should Be Taken Immediately to Provide New Highways and Keep Them in Condition.

While we have a very considerable mileage of so-called good roads in this country, it is an undoubted fact that the greater portion are not of a character to sustain successfully the heavy motor truck traffic that is now appearing on them, and which will certainly increase rapidly in the near future. To meet the new conditions steps should be at once taken to formulate



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a systematic plan not only to provide new roads, adapted to the new traffic, but to maintain them in operative condition. Provision should also be made for the re-building of much of the older mileage. What the nature of the construction of these new roads shall be is a matter for the engineers to solve, but there is no question but that there must be better drainage, better material and very much heavier foundations than have ordinarily prevailed in the past, especially as with smooth road surface the speed of these trucks is sure to be greatly increased. England has had her experience in this matter, for, what with heavy traffic added to lack of maintenance, on account of war necessities, there is hardly a main road in the country that is not utterly worn out, although they have been accustomed to build much more heavily than we have in the United States.—Scientific American.

GUIDE FOR ROAD ENGINEERS

Office of Public Roads and Rural Engineering Makes Public Desirable Standards.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

In order to assist in bringing about a greater uniformity in the highways of the country and to aid the better roads movement in some states, the office of public roads and rural engineering of the United States department of agriculture has published standard forms for specifications, standard methods of testing materials, standard forms for reporting test results, and standard methods of sampling materials. The publication of the standards was made desirable by the necessity for co-operative work by the office and the states in the carrying out of the federal aid conference participated in by representatives of the office of public roads and rural engineering and of a large number of the states. They are published as department bulletin No. 555 of the United States department of agriculture.

MORE GOOD ROADS REQUIRED

Necessary to Handle Commerce on Account of Inadequate Railroad Transportation.

Railroad transportation is inadequate to handle our commerce, and good roads must be constructed rapidly and comprehensively that truck lines running on regular schedule with stations and terminal facilities, may be established to take care of the immense productions of the land. Production beyond local needs becomes an economic loss if the things produced cannot be delivered to the factory or consumer safely and profitably.

INTERESTED IN GOOD ROADS

Mileage of Gravel and Stone Highways Increasing—Automobile of Great Assistance.

There is widespread and increasing interest in good roads in Illinois. The main traveled highways especially are wide, well graded and well drained. The mileage of gravel and stone roads is increasing, and a good deal of hard road of a still more permanent character is being built. The advent of the automobile has done much to make good roads enthusiasts of farmers, and with their active interest the work of improvement is progressing rapidly.

Increase Land Values.

Every acre of land lying near good roads is easily a valuable, available asset, while mud-bound land is unprofitable except for the unsocial man and the sociable hoot owls and predatory wild animals.

Way to Fatten Steers.

Fattening steers on grass and cottonseed cake is nearly always more profitable than grazing them without feed. The use of a small amount of corn in addition to the cottonseed cake has proved profitable.

CHANGE IN THE FARMER'S LIFE

"Making a Living" Idea Has Developed Into a "Money-Making Fact."

A few years ago—and not so many at that—most farmers were satisfied if they saw ahead of them the opportunity to make a fair living, a reasonable competence in their falling years, and an assurance of an existence for their families. They worked hard, and tilled their acres with this end in view. Honest struggle, earnest effort and a true conception of upright manhood, together with the increasing knowledge that upon the fruits of their endeavor rested the structure of the world, whose people had to be fed and maintained. Economy in method, improved conditions of working, have added to the farmer's possibilities, and today instead of being a plodder for an existence, which his early training had bred into him, he has become the bulwark of the nation, and, as such, has become elevated to a position where his word and his work are recognized as the factors it was always intended they should be. He is now the man of business—of big business. He has forced an appreciation of his work, and the true value has been placed upon it. The big men of the country today are the farmers, who, with business acumen and forensic forethought are able to tell you—from their books—what it costs to produce a bushel of wheat or a pound of wool.

All of which is intended to prove that farming is a business, as much as banking or selling a suit of clothes. It is an industrial business, with more certain profits than accompany any other line of trade. It is a manufacturing enterprise, devoid of any of the dangers that the frills of fashion's follies and desires force upon ordinary pursuits. Food is something that all must have and the farmer produces it. The cheaper it can be produced the less will be the cost to the consumer. And this is one of the chief thoughts of the farmer. Within the memory of the ten-year-old boy there have been improvements in machinery, changes in methods, scientific discoveries of chemicals as adapted to agriculture, all of which has lessened cost of production and made possible the cultivation of increased acres. In some parts these things have brought about more intensified agriculture, growing heavier crops on less acres. Improved machinery and demand for greater production have led another class in search of larger areas, where their ability may cope with the growing of a greater number of bushels. That is one of the reasons why Western Canada lands have recently come into such demand. These, at from twenty to thirty dollars an acre, and producing the prodigious crops that are claimed for them, have attracted thousands of American settlers, while other thousands have gone out into the lands in the Western states. But, as to the Canada lands, there is this to say of them, today they are cheap, and if they will yield sufficient in one year to pay the cost of the entire purchase, why should not there be a demand. The country is well settled, and settlement is increasing. As evidence of the growth of the three Western Provinces into whose territories the Canadian Government invites settlers, recent reports show the following increases from 1913 to 1917 inclusive:

	1913	1917
Manitoba	\$4,557,000	\$137,470,550
Saskatchewan	129,376,000	349,488,200
Alberta	46,712,000	176,965,800
Total	\$240,645,000	\$663,924,550

The total value of field crops for 1917 was \$663,924,550, produced on less than 59,000,000 acres of land.

Further evidence of prosperity and progress is found in the Government estimate of the value of farm lands, and increase in value since 1908:

	1908	1916
Manitoba	27.30	32.03
Saskatchewan	20.40	23.07
Alberta	18.20	22.18

It will be observed that the average price of land has not kept pace with their producing value. It is therefore pointed out that the opportunities for the purchase of high-class land is still within the reach of those with limited means.

A good idea of advancement in a country's progress may be obtained by a knowledge of what has been done in the production of cattle, and when these figures are studied in connection with Western Canada, a country whose fame having been heralded as a grain-growing country, giving the idea that that was what it was mostly adapted to, it will be realized that there is there a vast storehouse of wealth awaiting those who choose to take advantage of it. In the three provinces in 1912 there were—horses, milch cows, other cattle, sheep and swine, four million head, while in 1917 the number was seven million.

In 1901 the entire population was 419,512; in 1916 1,998,220.

One marvels at the rapid progress of the United States during the nineteenth century. But America's opportunities for growth at the beginning of that century were nothing compared to the opportunities which are Canada's at the present time.

The fact that Canada has as its next door neighbor a nation of over 100,000,000—the richest nation in the world—is bound to have a stimulating effect on its progress. Already one sees signs of it on every hand.

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In the Soup.

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Human Legs Still in Evidence. So many legs are in evidence as one moves thoughtfully about these fine days that the owners seem to be flaunting them in the face of that eminent scientist who persistently predicts that we shall soon become a legless race, to show their contempt for his views.—Ohio State Journal.

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