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INFORMATION ABOUT AGRICULTURAL SUBJECTS FROM RELIABLE SOURCES

The depressing effect of the continued use of inferior sires upon live stock production and profits is becoming too apparent to be longer ignored. When the grade and scrub bulls have all been converted into beef steak and "bullion" it will be time to ask the average breeder to differentiate between good and poor purebred sires. The extension specialists and the county agents of the Agricultural College will be glad to assist in working out a definite program for eliminating the scrub sire. Scrub sires can not be effectively legislated out of existence. Organization, education and hard work will be needed.

How does the type of corn that you select look and yield as compared with your neighbors' corn? Tests have shown that there is considerable difference between varieties. Many of the county Agricultural Extension Agents are carrying on community corn tests to compare different ear types and varieties when grown side by side on uniform soil on one farm centrally located in a community. Each neighbor selects a sample from his seed corn to be compared with samples from the surrounding farms. In the fall the corn is husked and weighed up, with each man present to see how his corn yielded. If you are interested in such a test for your community see your County Agricultural Extension Agent about the details.

The starting of new growth at the crown and the lower parts of the old stems is recommended by the University of Nebraska Agricultural College as a guide in deciding alfalfa for hay. If the season happens to be dry, the new growth will be slow in starting and the alfalfa will be in full bloom. If the season is wet the new growth will start earlier or when the first bloom appears. Cutting the alfalfa

at just the time the new growth starts gives the alfalfa plants the best chance to compete against weeds of all kinds and also keeps the ground shaded the greatest percentage of the time.

Delaying the cutting of alfalfa until it is nearly in full bloom has been found a better practice than mowing it soon after blooming starts. Trials made by the United States Department of Agriculture and State Agricultural colleges indicate that the yields are larger over a period of years, and that the life of the stand is prolonged by delaying harvesting until the plants are nearly in full bloom. Hay made when the plants are nearly in full bloom possibly is palatable, but this is offset by the gain in quantity of hay. The fields that were cut prior to or at the beginning of blooming showed a tendency to die sooner. Cutting a crop late in the fall so that not enough growth was left for protection in the winter also had much to do with thinning stands. It is recommended that alfalfa be given time to reach a height of 6 to 8 inches before cold weather shuts off the sap flow. In the past the growing of alfalfa in rows in dry regions has been recommended, but experimental evidence gathered in the last few years show that, with the exception of a few rare varieties the seed of which sells for a high price, this method is seldom practical. Where the rainfall is not sufficient to grow alfalfa in broad cast stands it can not usually be grown profitably in rows. A slightly larger yield may be produced, but not enough to pay for the added expense. Also the hay harvested on this cultivated ground is apt to be dirty and it is hard to cut and load.

Accumulating experience also has exploded some old notions about the value of cultivation of broadcast stands. It has been found that harrowing a field of alfalfa ordinarily does not increase the yield; neither does it prolong the life of the stand to any noticeable extent. Some sort of cultivation appears advisable in irrigated regions where the water carries a great deal of silt or where the soil has been compacted by the tramping of cattle pastured on the alfalfa. If weeds and grass work in and reduce the stand it is better to plow up the field and put in another crop for a year or two.

BIGNELL

The quarantine has been removed from the Carl Fletcher home and they are able to be among us again.

Everyone is working hard in the Radiophone campaign. We believe in boosting and we will win.

Rev. Benjamin preached in Bignell last Sunday and as it was Mothers' day, many flowers were in evidence.

Some of the roads in this vicinity are being graded. Bignell is noted for keeping her roads in good condition.

The speakers at the Community club next Friday will be Miss Murphy, University Extension worker, and S. M. Souder, secretary of the Lincoln County Fair. There will also be a demonstration of building a hen's nest and setting the hen by members of the Poultry club.

The Chicken club met with Mrs. Abercrombie Monday evening. The children have planned to sell candy at the Community club Friday evening. They will make the candy themselves according to the recipes used in the Hot Lunch club. They will also auction off a cake, the proceeds to be used in purchasing a poultry book for the club.

LINCOLN COUNTY CENTER

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Waller last Sunday.

Karl Krammerer spent last week visiting his sister, Mrs. Glen McKain.

Mrs. Olaf Ostlund of Polk is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Roy Branting, for a few weeks.

We understand that District 44 has some lively basket ball games. School will be out May 26.

Leonard Heist was called to Kearney Monday by the death of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Clinton Heist.

Mrs. Florence Guard and daughter of Aurora have been visiting at the home of her uncle, L. W. Heist.

Miss Jessie Powers of Hampton, Neb., is making a visit to her sister, Mrs. H. C. Rahmeyer.

M. E. Collins is spending several weeks at Excelsior Springs, Mo., taking treatment for rheumatism.

Dr. States was called out to attend Mrs. Joe Neisler who has been ill.

F. E. Kronquest is using two tractors to put in an enormous crop of corn.

Will Collins is comfortable now in his new home on Section 1. J. A. Anderson is chief cook and housekeeper.

Mrs. Will Collins and Mrs. F. E. Kronquest drove out to Leonard Applegate's last Monday. They live northeast of North Platte.

The wind of last week was said to be the worst and lasted longer than any at this time of the year for many years. Much damage was done to crops and farm buildings.

The Lincoln County Center base ball team defeated a North Platte Fourth Ward team, Sunday, on the home grounds by a score of 15 to 4. Next Sunday the game is at Echo and promises to be a lively one.

John Schram, J. E. Schram, Bert McMurty, Will Collins, H. C. Rahmeyer, George Single and John Connor and their families attended Mothers' day services in North Platte last Sunday.

A committee from District 44 was in North Platte Monday conferring with the county commissioners about a new road to be laid out west of the school house. The committee consisted of F. E. Kronquest, Collins Brothers, L. W. Heist and A. Rahmeyer.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed bids will be received at the office of the State Department of Public Works, fourth floor Brownell Block at Lincoln, Nebraska, until 12 o'clock noon, on June 12, 1922, for gravel, surfacing, culverts and incidental work on the North Platte-Vroman Crossing Project No. 170, Federal Aid Road.

Bids will be opened and contracts let in the Senate Chamber, Capital Building as fast as practicable after

time for filing bids is closed. County Boards are hereby requested to be present or represented. Bidders are invited to be present.

The proposed work consists of constructing 26,326 miles of Gravel road.

The approximate quantities are:

18,500	Cu. Yds. earth excavation.
1,191.04	Sta. Blade grader construction.
17,500	Cu. Yds. Clay excavation for binder.
100	Cu. Yds. Special excavation Class A Grading.
100	Cu. Yds. Special excavation Class B Culvert.
6,000	Cu. Yds. Sta. overhaul.

14,500	Cu. Yds. Ml. Hauling clay for binder.
27,25	Cu. Yds. Concrete for Head-walls.
552	Lin. ft. Wood Guard rail.
78	Lin. ft. 18 in. Corrugated pipe.
40	Lin. ft. 24 in. Corrugated pipe.
26	Lin. ft. 36 in. Corrugated pipe.
280,711	Sq. Yds. 4x20 Gravel surfacing.
21,627	Sq. Yds. 3x20 Gravel surfacing.
6,333	Sq. Yds. 2x20 Gravel surfacing.

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200 Cu. Yds. Special excavation amount of the bid will be required with each and every bid received.

Plans and specifications for the work may be seen and information and proposal forms secured at the office of the County Clerk at North Platte, Nebraska or at the office of the State Department of Public Works at Lincoln, Nebraska.

The State and County reserve the right to waive all technicalities and reject any or all bids.

A. S. ALLEN,
County Clerk, Lincoln County.

GEO. E. JOHNSON,
Secretary.

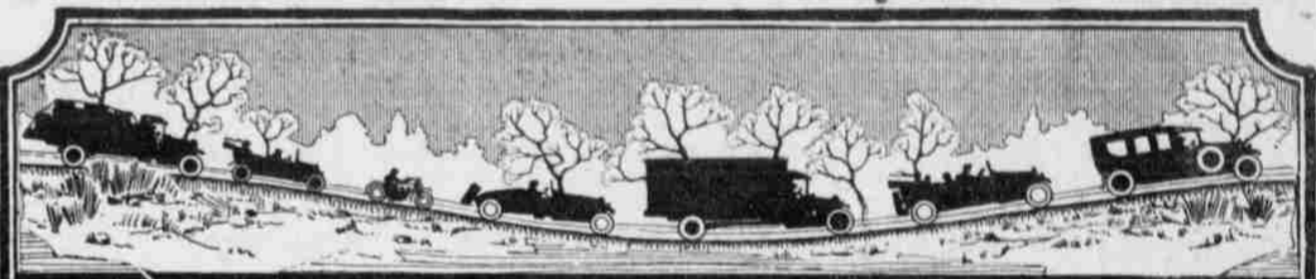
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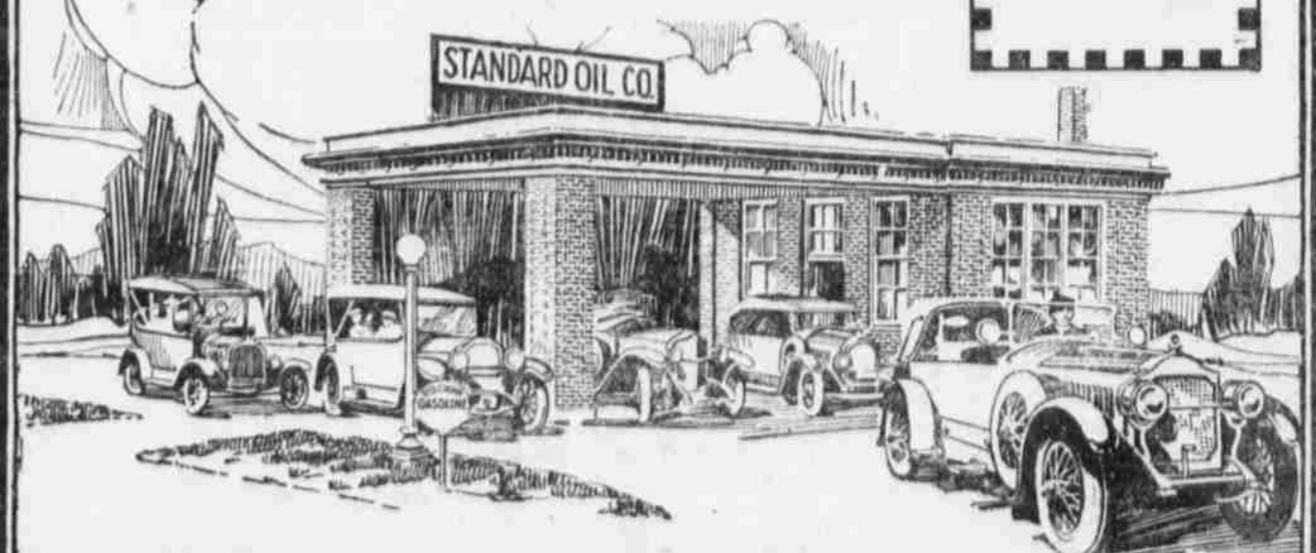
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