

# MR. FARMER, HAVE YOU JOINED THE NEW FARMERS SUPPLY COMPANY?

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**TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:**

This is to certify that J. W. Brinton, manager of the Farmers Supply Company of Beach, has filed with me as one of the officers of said company a bond in the sum of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (10,000.00) given by the AMERICAN SURETY COMPANY OF NEW YORK, payable to the Farmers Supply Company of Beach, for the faithful and true accounting of all moneys and property coming into his hands as manager, secretary and treasurer of said corporation. This bond is given as a guarantee of good faith and honest dealing on the part of said manager and that he will truly and correctly account for all money and property of the company over which he has charge. This bond was placed at \$10,000.00 and given at the suggestion and request of Mr. Brinton.

Signed: H. J. WOJAHN, Director.

Note: The American Surety Company bonds are accepted by the United States government and are the same bonds which were given by Mr Brinton during the four years he was postmaster at Beach; Mr. John Baer, the present Beach postmaster, is also under bonds to the government in this company for the true and correct accounting of postal, savings bank and money order funds. The postmaster at Beach, who handles thousands of dollars every week, is under only \$3,500.00 bonds.

You will have an advantage in buying if you become a member of the company. We want the help and support of every Golden Valley farmer who is a buyer of merchandise. We want you to investigate our proposition and find out for yourself its object and purpose. Your co operation means it greater success, and its success means your permanent benefit.

We are going to create new prices in the Golden Valley by selling merchandise for cash; we are going to get the money when we sell the goods and pay for the goods when we buy them—and give the buyer the benefit of that sort of merchandising.

We are organized under state laws as a corporation and our officers who have charge of the business are under heavy bonds for the faithful and honest management of the company. We are going to do business on business principles and we ask your support and co-operation on this basis.

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

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State of North Dakota

To All to Whom These Present Shall Come:

Whereas, J. W. Brinton, C. J. Strum and H. J. Wojahn have filed in this office a declaration in writing of Articles of Incorporation, as provided by the Civil Code of 1905 of this State, setting forth all the facts required to be stated therein by said Civil Code, and have in all respects complied with the requirements of the law governing the formation of corporations;

Now, therefore, I, Thomas Hall, Secretary of State of the State of North Dakota, by virtue and authority of law, do hereby certify that said parties, their associates and successors, have become a body politic and corporate, under the name of FARMERS SUPPLY COMPANY OF BEACH, Beach, N. Dak., and by that name have a right to sue and be sued, purchase, hold and convey real and personal property, and to have and enjoy all the rights and privileges granted to a private corporation under the laws of this state, subject to their articles of incorporation, and all legal restrictions and liabilities in relation thereto.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State, at the Capitol in the City of Bismarck, this 20th day of May, A. D. 1915.

THOS. HALL, Secretary of State.

# FARMERS SUPPLY CO. OF BEACH

INCORPORATED UNDER STATE LAW

WHOLESALE AND RETAILERS IN GENERAL MERCHANDISE

**WEEDS.**

By Chauncy Woodworth.

In the first place, what are weeds? Weeds are plants out of place. We have in North Dakota a few weeds which are thick and cause a lot of trouble. These are Wild Oats, Wild Mustard and Russian Thistle, of which the latter is the commonest and causes the most trouble. A few others which are bothering very much in the eastern part of the state, and which we had better keep our eye on, are the perennial Sow Thistle, French (or Stink) Weed, Quack Grass, Great Weed, Ball Mustard, False Flax, Darnel, Purple Cocks, Canada Thistle and Pepper Grass.

Weeds are classified the same as plants into three classes, Annual, Perennial and Biennial. The annual plants are those which grow from seed, produce seed and die the same season. Some annual weeds are Wild Oats, Russian Thistle, Wild Mustard, Ball Mustard, etc. Biennial plants are those which generally produce a thick root the first summer and flower and seed the second year, as Carrot or Evening Primrose. Perennial plants are those that grow from seed or cuttings and continue to produce seed for several years, although the top may die down each year, as in the perennial Sow Thistle, Canada Thistle and Quack Grass.

The Wild Oat, with which most of us are acquainted, was originally introduced from Europe and, I think, is gradually increasing itself and also decreasing the crops. The Wild Oat is very hard to distinguish from domestic oats before it heads out but after the grain appears the head spreads much more rapidly and branches out more widely. The Wild Oats grain may be known by the following: It has a horseshoe shaped scar at the base with stiff bristles surrounding it, but in some cases these are very few or may be broken off. It has a stiff, twisted beard, often bent at right angles. The grain is mostly black, but white and Yellow Wild Oats are becoming more common.

Wild Mustard was introduced from Europe, and has been a constant trouble in eastern Canada for many years. It is an annual and produces an enormous number of seeds which resemble turnip, rape or cabbage seed. A good way to get rid of this weed is to pull them before they go to seed, if the plants are thin. If thick, the field should be disced up nicely, early in the fall. The seeds will germinate and grow and the frost will kill it. It so

should be disced early in the spring, later in the spring plowed under and put to a heavy crop of some kind, or to corn, and the Mustard that comes up around the hill hoed down.

The Russian Thistle is, I think, a hard thing to get rid of. I don't think any one man can get rid of it alone, because his neighbor's thistles will just blow across his field and seed it down good for the next year. But I do think that if the farmers would put their foot down and put a mark on old Mr. Russian Thistle, that it wouldn't last long. They will have to come to it and if they don't they'll wish they had some day. The only way one man can keep it down pretty well is to see that the Russian Thistle doesn't get the start of your grain.

Other weeds that we should know how to kill, and that we should know, are Canada Thistle, Sow Thistle and Quack Grass. There are others which we ought to know, but these we should become thoroughly acquainted with, because they are perennial weeds and once they get into a field they will spread and cause a lot of trouble.

Diversified farming is a good thing for the destruction of weeds. We hardly ever see pasture or hay land grown up to Wild Oats. It grows in cultivated crops. Corn also gives a good chance for the destruction of weeds. Certain weeds have a certain place or crop in which they grow, and as it is better anyway, why not try diversified farming? In Pembina county the Canada Thistle got its start by the continued wheat crops that they raised there. That is just the way that the Wild Oats got their start here.

Summer fallowing is also a good way to get rid of a great many weeds, although I wouldn't advocate it. I think that a crop of corn will destroy as many weeds and you will also get a crop. They really don't summer fallow here. All they do is to plow in the summer and whatever weeds or anything else that happens along get a good place to increase themselves. That is not really summer fallowing. Summer fallowing should be worked to keep the moisture, and to keep the weeds down.

Weeds are very harmful. They lower the prices on grain, disqualify it for seed, decrease the amount of grain by taking the moisture and plant food that crops need, and leave the ground unclean, harder to work and poorer soil than if it had had raised crops all the time. No. It doesn't pay to raise weeds. No won-

der farmers can't make any more than a living because they will raise nothing but grain and give the weeds a good chance to multiply themselves. It is hard enough to make a living witho it any weeds. Some farmers ought to be put out of business because they do nothing but raise a half crop, let a measley pest multiply and also bother their neighbor.



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**Riddles.**  
Where did Charles L's executioner dine, and what did he take? He took a chop at the king's head.  
What is majesty stripped of its external? It is "a jest" (The external "m" and "y" taken away.)  
Why is hot bread like a caterpillar? Because it's the grub that makes the butter fly.  
Why are bankrupts more to be pitied than idiots? Because bankrupts are broken, while idiots are only cracked.  
Who was the first whistler, and what did he whistle? The wind—"Over the Hills and Far Away."