

FARM BUREAU NOTES.
W. C. Swarner, County Agent.

2000 Persons Attend Tractor Demonstration.—A total of approximately 2000 persons attended the tractor demonstration held by the Holt County Farm Bureau, last Thursday and Friday, near Mound City, many of them coming from adjoining counties. The nine tractors in the demonstration proved that the modern tractor is past the experimental stage and is now just as reliable as the modern automobile. There was not one minute of tractor trouble during the three hours plowing. All the operators had trouble to get their plows to scour, but that was neither the fault of the operator nor the plows.

Unfortunately the field in which the plowing contest was held turned out to be very unsatisfactory for a fair contest. Despite the fact that the surface of the field looked dry, and as though the soil would plow fairly good it was entirely too wet for plowing. The field proved to be somewhat uneven in other respects, although it was quite and looked as though there would be very little variation in it. Some plots were wetter than others, and some had small areas of soil that would scour the plows, while the soil of most of the plots was of such a nature that it would not scour even the best of plows.

Owing to the unevenness of the plots in length, in condition of soil, the time lost by all operators in cleaning trash from their plows and the time lost by a few operators in getting their tractors out of the bogs on their plots, the plowing contest cannot be called a fair one. Neither can it be called an economy test. Each tractor will necessarily have to be judged on its own merits. As a matter of interest, however, we give the following data:

Cleotrac—2 14-inch plows; acres plowed in three hours, 2.07; average depth of plowing, 7 1/4 inches; fuel used, Distillate; cost of fuel per acre, \$6.02; cost of operator per acre, \$7.72.

Fordson—2 14-inch plows; acres plowed in three hours, 1.24; average depth of plowing, 6 inches; fuel used, gasoline; cost of fuel per acre, 80c; cost of operator per acre, \$1.21.

Moline—2 14-inch plows; acres plowed, 1.62; average depth, 7 inches; fuel, gasoline; cost of fuel per acre, 87c; cost of operator per acre, 92c.

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Waterloo Boy—3 14-inch plows; acres plowed, 1.51; average depth, 7 inches; fuel, kerosene; cost of fuel, 79c; cost of operator, 99c.

Rumley—3 14-inch plows; acres plowed, 1.9; average depth, 6.7 inches; fuel, kerosene; cost of fuel, 55c; cost of operator, 79c.

Titan—3 14-inch plows; acres plowed, 1.74; average depth, 6.6 inches; fuel, distillate; cost of fuel, 68c; cost of operator, 86c.

Case—3 14-inch plows; acres plowed, 1.94; average depth, 6.9 inches; fuel, kerosene; cost of fuel, 57c; cost of operator, 77c.

Wallis—3 14-inch plows; acres plowed, 1.8; average depth, 7 inches; fuel, gasoline; cost of fuel 95.4c; cost of operator, 84c.

Parrett—(Disqualified. See below.)

The cost of operator was obtained by allowing 50c an hour for an operator. This is probably what a farmer would have to pay.

The operator of the Parrett was unable to get his plows to scour. Rather than make a poor record in the contest he disqualified himself by not plowing after the first few rounds.

Case Did Best Plowing.—After the contest, a committee of three farmers, judged the quality of the plowing done by each tractor. In judging, they took into consideration the straightness of the furrows, evenness of the plowed surface and the amount of trash left on the surface. They gave the Case first place, Wallis second, and Moline third. The others were not placed, but it was generally conceded that the Cleotrac and Fordson did about the poorest plowing, the Cleotrac making the most skips and the most crooked furrows. This was probably due to the fact that the operator did not clean his plows as often as other operators.

Farmers Pleased With Demonstration.—In order to get the farmers' opinion of the tractor demonstration many farmers were asked what they thought of the demonstration. The general sentiment was that the conditions of the ground did not afford opportunity for a fair test of any of the tractors. They all agreed, however, that the plan of the demonstration was an excellent one and would like to see the tractors given a fair chance on a better piece of land. Nearly every one present, who was interested in tractors learned many valuable points about tractors, although they did not see the plows working at their best. They saw what tractors could do under very adverse conditions, and were convinced that the tractor could be successfully used in plowing land that is too heavy or hard to be plowed with horse power.

Tractor owners and prospective owners learned from the experts many tricks in operating tractors and plows that will save them time and help them to operate their tractors and plows with greater ease. For example, one farmer who owns a tractor told one of the experts that he learned from him how to back up and clean the plows without getting off the tractor. He told the operator that he had been stopped hundreds of times by his plows being filled with trash, and that he considered that one lesson worth the time spent in coming to the demonstration.

High School Pupils Attend Demonstration.—High school pupils from all over Holt county attended the tractor demonstration, Friday.

A. H. Montford, superintendent of Daleview Consolidated High School, near Fairfax, Atchison county, brought 25 pupils down Friday to take notes on the various tractors. In the afternoon he took them through the Mound City mill, where they saw all the processes used in making wheat into flour. No doubt, such excursion trips are very valuable to the high school pupils, many of whom will be the modern farmers of tomorrow.

Word of Appreciation.—The executive committee of the Holt County Farm Bureau and the County Agent desire to express publicly their sincere appreciation of the splendid co-operation given by the tractor companies, their salesmen, experts and local agents in holding our first tractor demonstration. We realize that without their co-operation it would have been practically impossible to hold much of a demonstration.

We also take this opportunity to thank all the observers and others who helped in any way.

To Hold Annual Tractor Demonstration.—That the tractor men who took part in the demonstration last week appreciate the importance of a local demonstration is evidenced by their willingness to come back next year and put on a still bigger demonstration.

At a meeting of the tractor men Friday night it was unanimously voted that the Farm Bureau be urged to hold an Annual Tractor Demonstration and that it be held shortly after wheat harvest, when a more suitable tract of land can be had.

The executive committee of the Farm Bureau is unanimously in favor of the annual demonstration and will do all it can to hold a bigger and better demonstration next year. Needless to say we learned many things in holding our first demonstration that will be helpful to us next year.

Local Tractor Shows May Supplant National Shows?—According to the sentiment of most of the tractor men attending the demonstration last week, the national tractor demonstrations are about to be "tabooed." They say that the big shows have served their purpose, namely to educate the dealers, and that the local demonstrations being held by Farm Bureaus and

County Agents are doing much more to educate the farmers along tractor lines than the big shows.

Salesmen on the ground last Friday said that there was a bigger percentage of interested farmers and prospective buyers at our demonstration than at the national demonstrations. They were indeed well pleased with the interest shown by farmers. They found out that Mr. Farmer is human and that he would not discredit a plow or tractor because the plow did not scour, when it was neither the plow's nor the plowmen's fault.

New Point Community Fair A Success.—Nothing but praise for the Community Fair held at Consolidated School No. 6, New Point, October 22, was heard all through the crowd of 500 persons in attendance.

The fair was surely a success. It was the first real community fair to be held in the county.

The live stock and farm products exhibited were a credit to the community. There were more entries in some divisions than are seen at county fairs. We wish to make special men-

tion of the corn and fruit exhibits. There were many entries in both departments and the quality of the products is not to be surpassed anywhere.

The exhibits in the Household Arts and Science Division showed evidence of the splendid training the girls of the community have received in this department.

Further evidence that the mothers of the community are masters in the culinary line was seen when the crowd gathered in the basement to partake of the feast that awaited them there. Two long tables were laden with good things to eat. Dinner was served in cafeteria style to 400 persons. The ladies in charge of the dinner deserve much credit for the splendid manner in which the crowd was handled. (It is estimated that 100 persons came after dinner, thus making a total of 500 in attendance.)

The educational program was interesting as well as educational. Those present learned how to cull chickens, judge live stock, farm products, household arts exhibits and the women got helpful ideas in preparing school lunches. Mr. Paul Naylor, Columbia,

gave a splendid address, discussing the advancement of agriculture and the great need of farmers "sticking together." He said that if farmers only realized it, they could make country life so attractive that the town folks would want to come into the country to live instead of the country boys and girls wanting to go into the city, as is usually the case now. Mr. Kelly Wright, Columbia, who was to give an address, was unable to come on account of having influenza. High school pupils and Lum Patterson's band, which is so widely known, furnished music for the day.

The people of the New Point community were so well pleased with their first Community Fair that they voted unanimously to make it an annual affair and suggested that it be held for at least two days next year.

Farm Poultry House Demonstration.—T. S. Townsley, poultry specialist, of Columbia, will spend Thursday and Friday, November 6 and 7, in Holt county. He and W. C. Swarner, county agent, will give demonstrations in remodeling poultry houses as per the

schedule below. Persons interested are urged to attend the nearest demonstration:

Thursday, Nov. 6, 9 a. m., John Slater's, near Fortescue.

Thursday, Nov. 6, 1:30 p. m., Will Reynolds', on bluff road near Forest City.

Friday, Nov. 7, 9 a. m., Ashby Price, Lincoln school district.

Friday, Nov. 7, 1:30 p. m., Mrs. Hanna, Oregon.

Live Stock Shipping Association to Be Organized.—Mr. Ralph Loomis, marketing specialist, will return to Holt county, Wednesday, Nov. 5, for the purpose of assisting farmers in the communities mentioned below to organize live stock shipping associations. Below is the schedule of meetings. The various committees are requested to advertise the meeting in their respective community.

Wednesday, Nov. 5, 9:30 a. m., Bank of Fortescue.

Wednesday, Nov. 5, 1 p. m., City Hall, Forest City.

Wednesday, Nov. 5, 8 p. m., Community Rooms, Mound City.



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Sand (cubic yard)	1.50	3.40
Cement (bushel)	1.65	3.45
Plaster (ton)	6.50	15.60
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