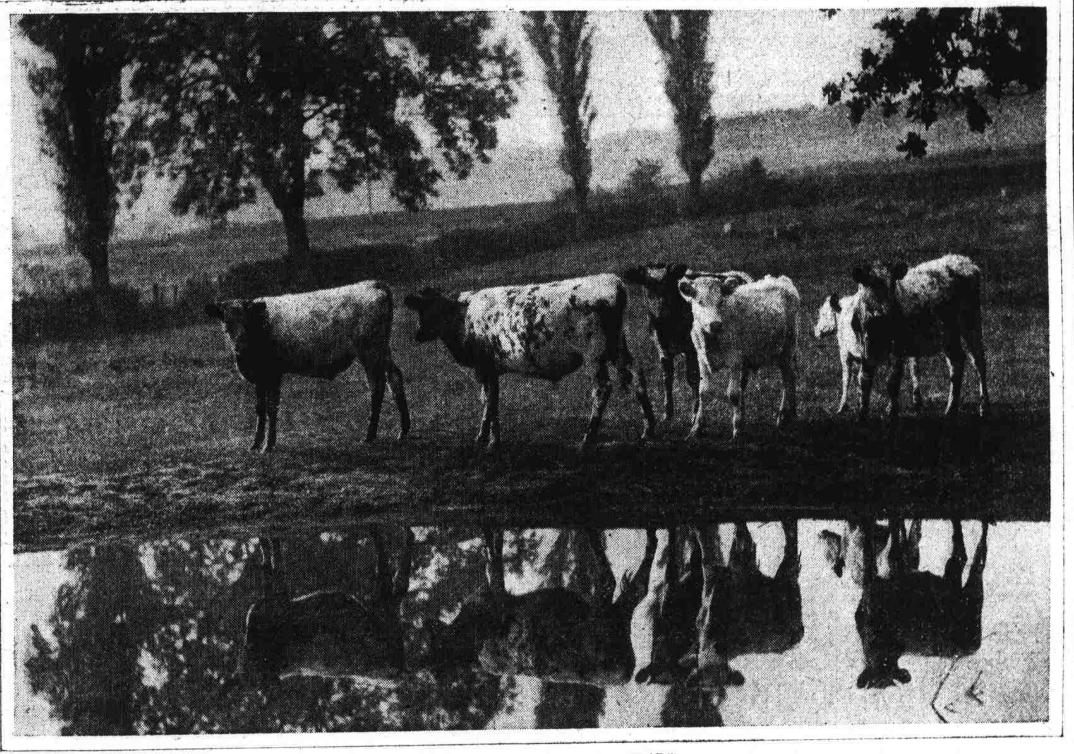




## Let's Make Use of Last Week's "Reference Special"

1. Let's read Mrs. Mathis' program of farm work by weeks, (page 3) and see how far behind (or ahead) we are, and check up this way every week, seeing how often we men-farmers can getahead of this noted woman-farmer.

2. Let's figure out our commercial fertilizer plans from formulason page 31, studying also tables on page 9 showing value of animal manures and of various sources of commercial fertilizer. 3. Let's order garden seed from varieties mentioned on page 6 and get ready for an all-theyear-round garden, getting our rotations from page 34. 4. If your Legislature is in session write your Senator or Representative about the needed reforms mentioned on page 19.



"THEIR BEAUTY MAKES THEM GLAD'

5. Look up spraying dates and formulas on page 7 and get ready to spray fruits and vegetables.

6. Take a pencil and go over the list of free farmers' bulletins on pages 10 and 11, checking those you want, and then order them.

7. Order fruit trees from lists on page 6 and set out promptly.

8. Resolve now on grazing crops to make cheap pork in 1916, working our rotations from pages 12 or 34. Use tonic formula on page 13 instead of fake hog medicines.

9. Select papers and farm books from page 14 and send order to The Progressive Farmer. Try also to get a deighborhood library according to plans on that page.

10. Study the acre values of corn, hay, and oats (page 18), noting how low is necessary labor cost per acre as compared with cotton, and resolve on diversification.

11. Ask authorities mentioned on page 18 to help you with your marketing problems.

12. Memorize cost of "time prices" in your state (page 19) and avoid as you would a plague.

13. Study "A Plan of Organizing the Rural Community" (page 19) and decide what are. first steps to take in your neighborhood. Then talk over with your neighbors value of having an organization of farmers, farm women, a 'Community League'', and a community fair, and start moving. "Somebody must lead; why not you?"

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14. "Ailments of Children" (pages 20-23) contain references to many diseases of grown people also. Nearly every family can find help here.

15. Every year we dig thousands of children's graves unnecessarily simply because these little ones were fed unwisely. Every father and mother of a child should read and reread pages 24 and 25.

16. If your community has a coöperative organization of farmers of any kind, insist upon observing the "Twelve Fundamental Principles"

on page 29.

17. If you need information about lime or legumes, pages 15 or 30 may help you.

18. Resolve to have this year a home glorified by the beauty of flower, vine and shrub. Make up your list of varieties from page 34.

19. Resolve to have beauty inside the house also, ordering pictures from lists on pages 14-15.

20. When you need help about any farming problem, consult the authority in your state as named on page 35.

21. Write to your Representative and Senator in Congress (page 31) and tell them your wishes about rural credits, a National warehouse law, and any other National legislation.

22. Finally, keep coöperating with The Progressive Farmer. Notice list of premiums offered subscription workers on page 16, and our advertising guarantee on page 34. If you wish information about any farming subject, ask our editorial department. If you wish to buy or sell anything, ask our advertising department.

The blank we are printing on page 25 will also help you about some of these matters. Fill it out and send it back to us.