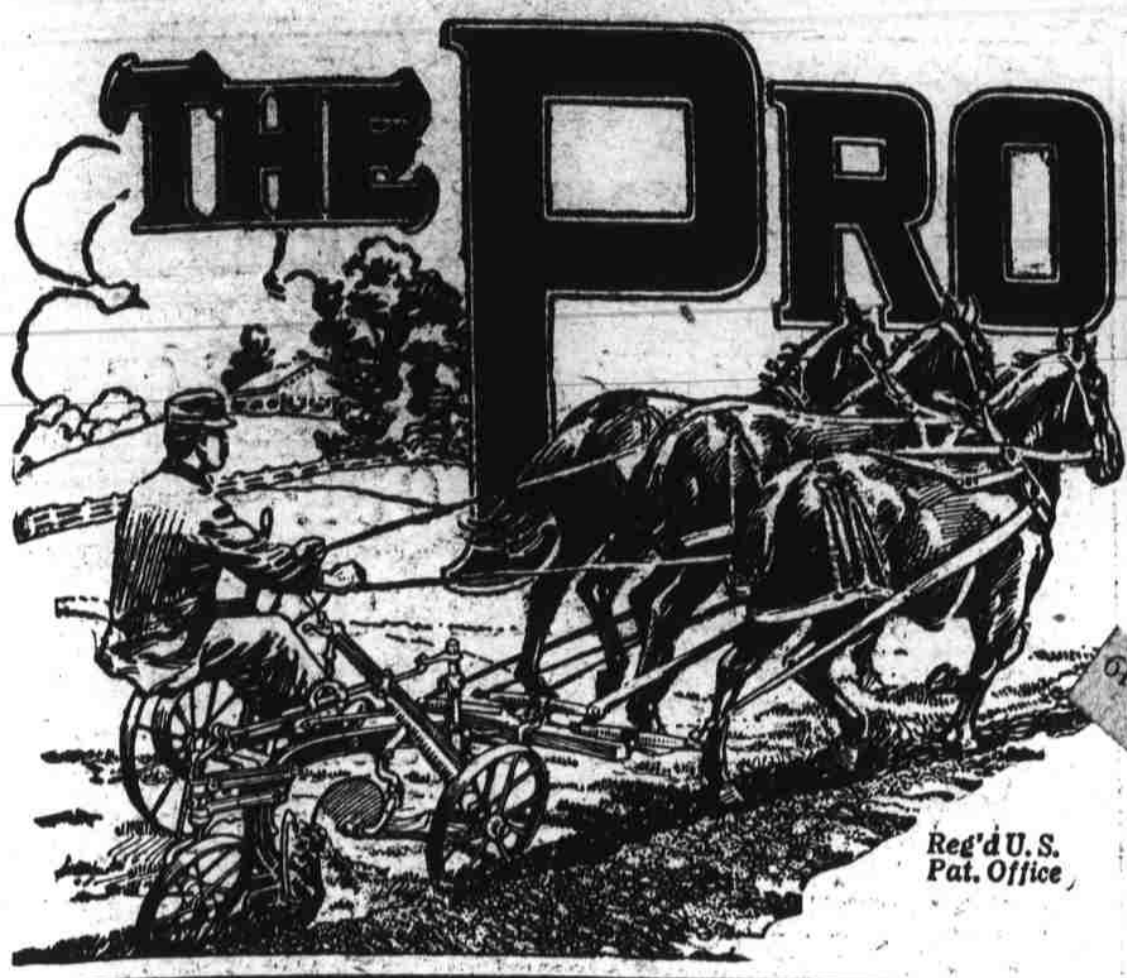


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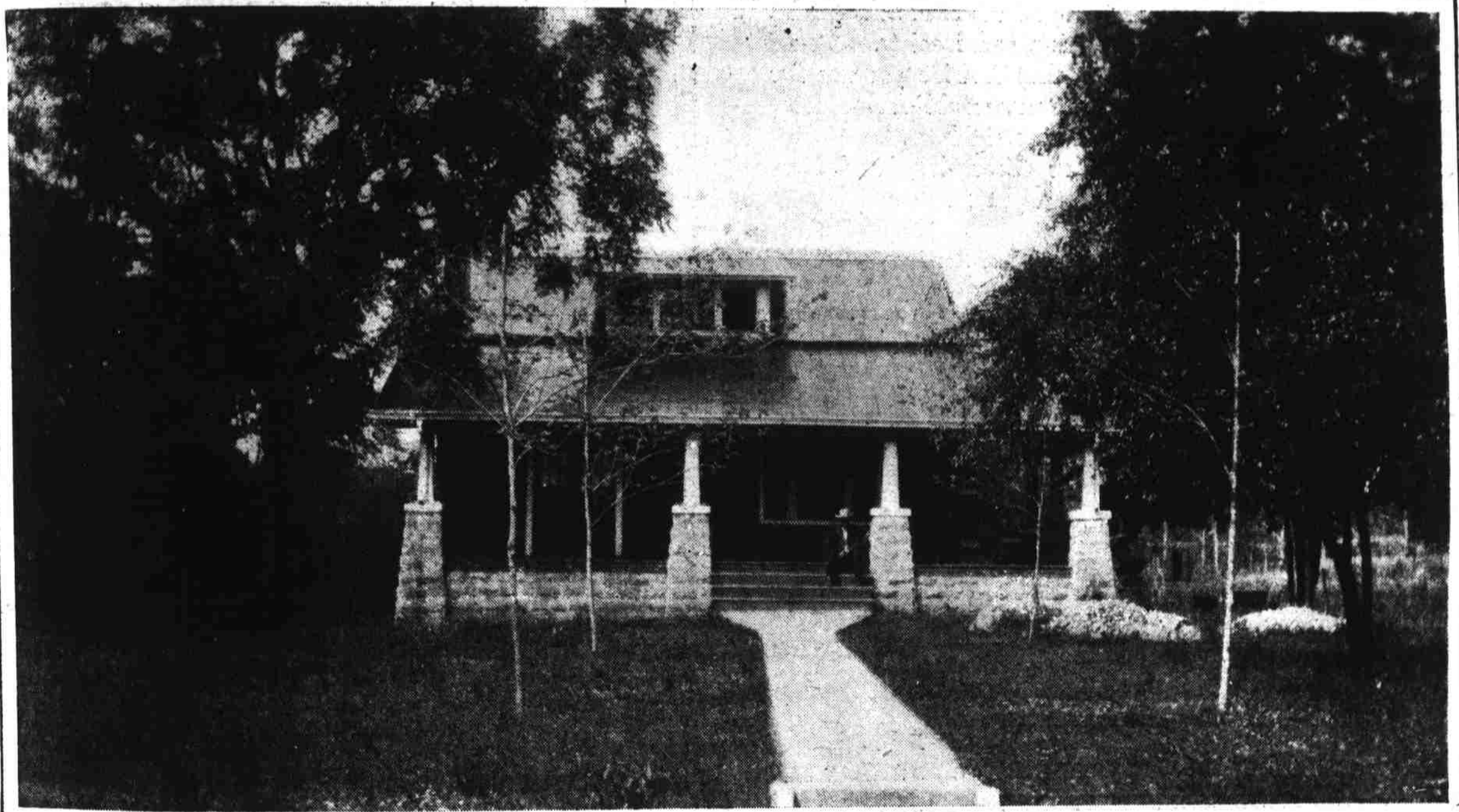
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## Make Sure of Plenty of Good Reading Matter for the Family

WITH the coming of the long winter evenings, there comes also a golden opportunity for reading and study that no farm family should let pass. As a means of mind improvement and

for the mother and the older girls. Then after these should come the weekly and daily newspaper, some of the best magazines, and as many good books as fit the family taste and purse.



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development, as a broadener of outlook and sympathies, to widen the horizon to include in our ken all the world and the peoples thereof, and, finally, as a source of wholesome entertainment, reading matter of the right kind is of almost inestimable value.

It is especially important in the training of the child that it early acquire the habit of reading. That this habit may be acquired, it is essential that reading matter of the right kind be always available. Illustrated children's story books and one or two high-class illustrated children's magazines in easy reach of the growing child will stimulate a taste and love for reading such as may be acquired in no other way. It is the duty of the parents in every farm family to see that these are supplied.

Then for the older members of the family there will come, first of all, of course, such reading matter as will help most in making their work more efficient and effective—books and bulletins and papers about farming for the father and the older boys, books, bulletins and papers about health, housekeeping and home-making

This matter of an ample supply of good reading material for all the family should be attended to now. In the first place, write the United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., for a list of all the farm bulletins available for free distribution, and then check off

and write for those that you and your family need. Ask the Department also to send you the free monthly list of publications, from which you may select each month any new bulletins or other publications that will help you in your business. Also write your state agricultural college and state department of agriculture for similar lists and ask for those you need. Then subscribe for three or four of the best farm papers you know, your county paper, one good daily, and a few of the best magazines. On page 17 we are publishing a list of papers and magazines we recommend. Turn to it today and order those you believe will be of most interest and value to you and your family.

This question of more and better reading matter for the farm home is of the highest importance. If you value your own efficiency, if you hope to have your children develop into educated, trained men and women, don't neglect it.

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