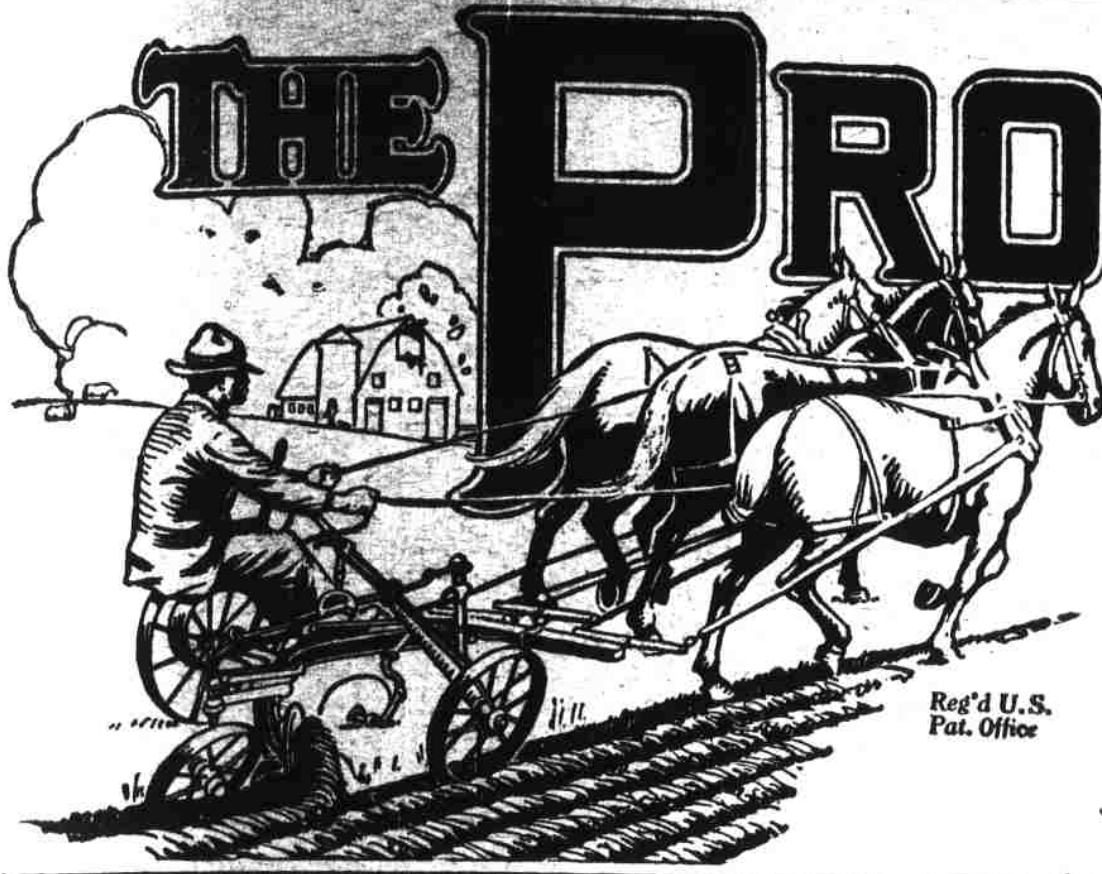


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GOOD ROADS SHORTEN THE HAUL TO MARKET

Not only do good roads reduce the cost of getting farm products to shipping points or market, they frequently make it possible to develop sources of cash that otherwise would not be available. Satisfactory dairying cannot be done where roads to market are impassable, even a small part of the year. Strawberries, peaches, and many other perishable crops cannot be sold to advantage if hauled very far over rough, jolty roads.

Five Live Subjects in This Issue

A THANKSGIVING Sermon for Progressive Farmer Readers.—“The fundamental problem of every farmer, of every farm community, is the spiritual problem. That truth is stated in the words of the Great Teacher, who was himself a man of the open country, a toiler for his daily bread; who talked familiarly of the care and tilling of the soil, planting seed, nurture of vines and trees, caring for flocks and herds, of home, fireside, rearing children, social and civic obligations and the harmonious adjustment of each life to the will of God.” Page 2

Progress of Coöperative Marketing in the Carolinas and Virginia.—“Our 13 American states, after the Revolutionary War, had a lot of trouble before they finally made political self-government a demonstrated success. Nevertheless, self-government in politics was right in principle, was necessary to the freedom and prosperity of a great nation, and victory for it was inevitable. In the same way today self-government in marketing is right in principle, is necessary to the freedom and prosperity of the men who grow the fruits of the soil, and complete victory for it is equally sure, certain, inevitable.” Page 13

“Wives Versus Livestock.”—Are you an “Uncle Jed”? Is your wife an “Aunt Martha” who is being hurried to her grave by

lack of ordinary conveniences? The Cheerful Plowman makes a few very appropriate comments on why farmers' wives grow old and stooped prematurely. The best cure for that constant “pain in the shoulders” of which she complains is to be found in a few conveniences that will lighten the work..... Page 4

Farm Lighting and Power Plants.—“It is now possible to have any and all labor-saving devices in farm homes which are found in large cities,” says Mr. Alford. Farm light and power plants bring them. May the spirit of Thanksgiving help farmers do what they can towards adding comforts and conveniences to their homes and helping lighten the burdens of their self-sacrificing help-mates..... Page 20

Giving Is Living.—“This being the end of the year, the season of thanks and gratitude and gifts,” says Mrs. Hutt, “I want to tell you about a scheme to give a gift to your community, one in which everyone from the poorest child to the wealthiest manufacturer can help.” Now to what do you suppose Mrs. Hutt refers? Turn to the article and you will find a suggestion for a splendid opportunity for service to the suffering, an opportunity that is open to farm women as well as to town women Page 15