

## TOO MUCH WORK

(W. C. Palmer, Agr'l Editor)

"Too much work" is a remark that meets one on nearly every farm. The writer has often heard the same remark at Farmers' Institutes. And especially when new methods are advocated. It is a real serious problem. However, it must be faced and solved too. As long as the land was new, spreading over a large number of acres was in many cases profitable.

That time has now passed as the results in half farming now too often result in crop failure or so many wild oats and weeds in the grain that it makes a man ashamed to take them to market. Half farming with such results simply wastes work. Some better method must be worked out.

What is the man to do who has more land than he can work thoroughly? One solution is to sell a part of it. That, however, is not what most land holders want to do. Another solution is to sow a part of the land to alfalfa, clover or some grass as timothy, bromus or slender wheat grass. The returns from the land in hay will be fully as good as from that in grain, and the work will be much less. At the same time the land will be cleaned from weeds and plant diseases and the humus content will be increased. In the Red River Valley, medium red clover and timothy is a good mixture to sow, while out of the valley, alfalfa, bromus or slender wheat grass will prove more satisfactory.

The starting of the clover and alfalfa may need some special preparation, as manuring and sowing without a nurse crop, and introducing some of the germs that live on the nodules. Get a small piece started and that will help you get the whole farm in condition.

Leave it in grass 3 to 5 years. Every year sow more grass and also plow up some sod. This new land will be in fine condition to grow large crops.

By this procedure the work on the farm will be reduced and the returns increased, and the land put in much better shape than is possible in continuous grain growing. The work that is saved on the hay land should be used to give the land more thorough tillage.

Do not delay sowing some grasses, as the longer the land is cropped to grain the harder it is going to be to get the grasses to start.

### KENSAL

The Misses Flaud and Birdie Sterrett left Friday morning for California going via Minneapolis.

Mrs. J. H. Brewer and Miss Anna returned Tuesday morning from St. Paul where they spent a couple of weeks with relatives.

Miss Mae McBride was in town for a few hours Sunday.

Mrs. Rich, who was in attending at little Sissy Thayer's funeral, left the latter part of last week for her home at Lignite.

Mrs. Theo. Hjorth and Miss Karen Hanson went to Valley City Wednesday morning where Miss Hanson's brother will be operated upon for appendicitis.

Messrs. Skjerseth and Gibbs, of Courtenay, transacted business in Kensal Wednesday.

Miss Laura Ferguson left last Wednesday evening for Minneapolis where she expects to attend a business college.

George Keeping returned Sunday evening from Fessenden,

where he had been assisting in the Rogers yard.

Rev. C. E. Vermilya, of Minot, held Communion and Quarterly Conference services in the M. E. church Monday evening.

William Ritten returned to his home in Minneapolis the latter part of last week, business in his line having suddenly fallen off owing to the arrival of Sheriff Romer last week.

W. Stevens, of Fargo, was the guest of Miss Rossbrook over Sunday.

Rev. H. W. Hynes is enjoying a visit from his mother who arrived from Donnybrook Saturday evening.

W. G. Tubbs, of Minneapolis, arrived last Thursday evening and will spend a couple of months here looking after his business interests.

The Soo Line construction crew in charge of Tom Daley are making some needed repairs around the Soo property here.

Miss Lillian Raettig is the teacher in the Sterrett district, having begun the winter term of school there last week.

Geo. H. Piercy, the revenue collector from Pingree, was here last Wednesday looking after business in his line.

C. E. McKinnon began plowing this week with his new gasoline traction engine and it does the work in first class shape.

Rev. C. G. Naeseth of Valley City, the Norwegian Lutheran minister who now makes regular visits to Kensal every three weeks to hold services, was here last Wednesday in attendance at the Lutheran Aid at the L. C. Lane home.

Fred Edgeworth has returned from the country after his much needed rest.

Sheriff Romer came over from Jamestown a week ago Tuesday and arrested Albert Emery for the illegal sale of liquor. As a consequence thereof Mr. Emery will spend 90 days in the county bastille and pay a \$200 fine.

Mr. Salisbury is the new assistant at the T. R. Clemons social parlors.

A. A. Rounce went to Bordulac Sunday morning with Rev. A. D. Cumming who holds services there every Sunday morning.

Rev. H. W. Hynes and Rev. C. E. Vermilya, of Minot, drove to Grace City Tuesday for a visit with Rev. Chester and also to look after church matters.

Miss Hazel Roach is assisting at the V. T. Ryan store since Miss Ferguson left for Minneapolis.

Mr. Maynard, of Velva, is visiting with his son, Geo. Maynard.

### 3 Bargains

SE $\frac{1}{2}$  20-143-63, improved farm; price \$30 per acre. Terms \$1,000 cash, balance easy terms.

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### Notice to Creditors

On and after October 1st all meal tickets will be strictly cash and all those knowing themselves indebted to me are requested to make settlement of all accounts before October 1st or steps will be taken to collect same by law.

47-0 George Adams.