

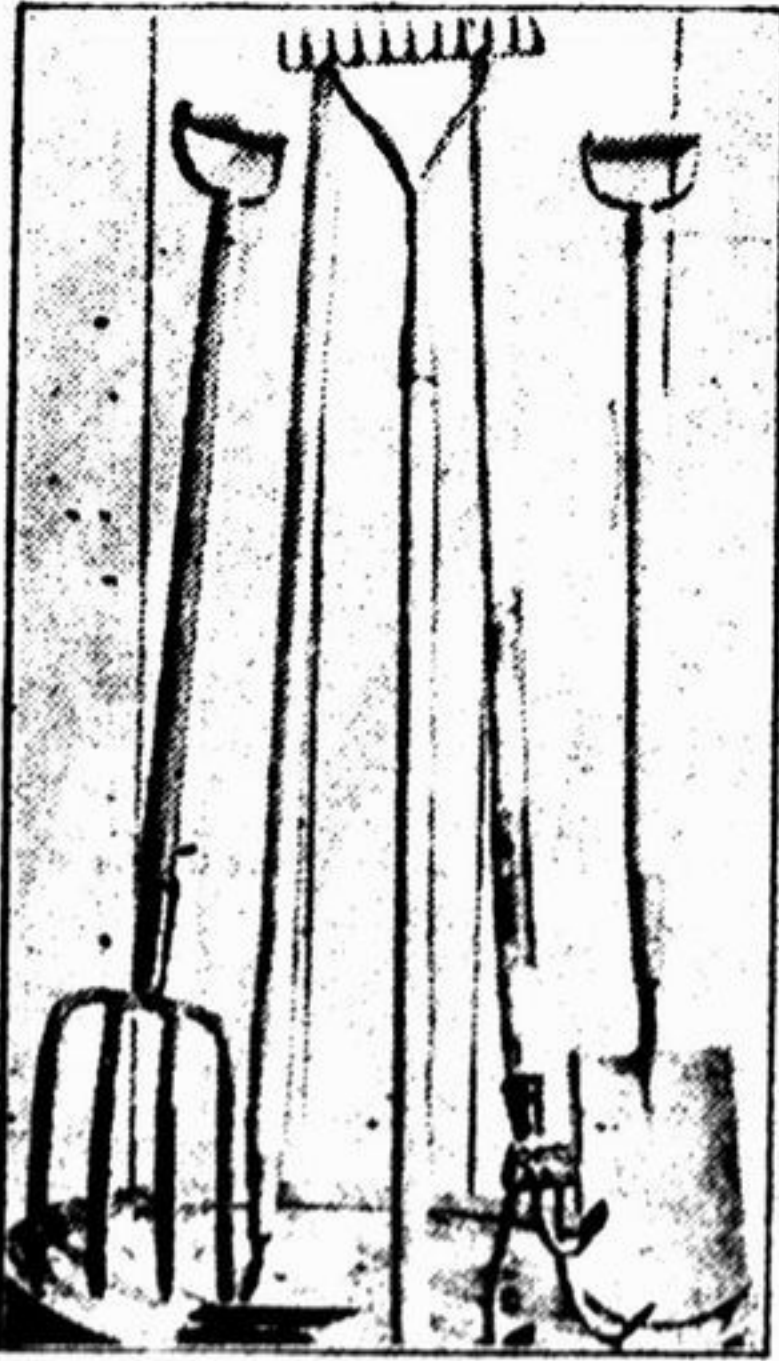
**PRACTICE REQUIRED  
IN HANDLING TOOLS**

**Gardener Knows How to Manipulate Spade or Fork.**

Soil is Carefully Cut in Thin Slices and Clods Broken Up as Work Goes On—English and French Are Ahead of Us.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

There is an art in handling a spade or spading fork and it is only the gardener who knows this art who gets his garden soil in the best possible condition. A great many gardeners have an idea that the only thing necessary is to work the surface up into huge chunks and then pound these into pieces with the back of a hoe, but, says the United States Department of Agriculture, the gardener who really knows how, spades his soil very carefully, cutting it in thin slices to



Simple Tools Essential in the Cultivation of Bumper Crops.

the full depth of the spade, then breaking up each spadeful as he goes, using the edge of the spade or spading fork for breaking the clods.

No matter how much work is done on the surface a poor job of spading can never be remedied and, while the surface may be loose and mellow the underlying soil will be rough and cloddy so that vegetables planted upon it will not do well. A good plowman turns over the furrows evenly and of uniform depth. The same principle holds in spading, and the spadefuls should be of uniform thickness and depth and every one be turned evenly.

The gardeners of England and France are far ahead of our American gardeners in the matter of soil preparation, and we could well learn a lesson from them. In preparing their land for planting they fork it over very carefully and mix with the soil considerable quantities of manure. This mixing, however, is so well done that the manure disappears in the soil and becomes an intimate part of it. There are no slipshod methods in the work of these English and French gardeners and they are enabled to grow more on an acre than some American gardeners grow on five acres. A little land well prepared the Department of Agriculture believes, is better than a large area improperly fitted. Get the habit of doing things well. It pays in the long run.

**GET EARLY CABBAGE PLANTS**

They Can Be Grown Indoors or Shipped in From Points in Warm Climates.

Early cabbage plants for setting in the garden can be procured in two ways, suggests the United States Department of Agriculture. They can either be locally grown indoors by some plant grower or they can be shipped in from a southern point where the climatic conditions are such that the plants can be grown in the open ground. Plants grown out-of-doors are often advertised as "frost-proof" plants. While this term is rather misleading, the plants are really very hardy and will withstand considerable cold. The great difficulty with cabbage grown in greenhouses, hotbeds or in the home is that they are soft and easily injured either by wind or cold when set in the garden. This difficulty, however, can be to a considerable degree overcome by properly hardening the plant to outside conditions before setting them in the garden.

**PLANT EARLY IRISH POTATOES**

Put Them in Ground Just Before Time for Last Spring Frost to Get Good Start.

Early Irish potatoes may be planted a little before or about the time the last spring frosts occur. This will give them an opportunity to make a start and reach the surface of the ground by warm weather. Irish potatoes require frequent cultivation and should be gradually billed up to form a bed. Large quantities of manure should not be used. Great care should be taken to avoid seed affected by scab, as this disease develops rapidly and greatly injures the quality.—United States Department of Agriculture.

**AMERICAN LEGION  
ADOPTS BY-LAWS  
— DISCUSS FIELD**

Ex-Service Men Will Back Any Plan to Keep "North Side Field" for Public Use.

At a regular meeting of the local American Legion post held Monday evening the by-laws and constitution for the regulation of the post were adopted substantially as read. They will go into effect immediately.

The ex-service men ended the meeting with a discussion of the proposition of purchasing the "north side field" for community athletic purposes. They are ready to go ahead with the deal but the general feeling seemed to be that some civic body should have the ownership of it.

At a meeting of the backers of the plan, with the committee representing the Legion, held Tuesday evening, the matter was thoroughly threshed out. The men of the community, who originally conceived the idea, are somewhat loath to see it pass out of the hands of the ex-service men. On the other hand the ex-service men are looking toward the future, and fear that if the property is not in the hands of some civic body that will be here always, the purpose of the idea, that of holding the field in perpetuity for community athletics, may

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be lost. A committee will meet with the Board of Supervisors in the near future to discuss the idea of a field in the Forest Preserve property at the edge of the village.

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A quiet marriage was solemnized Monday evening, February 13 when Miss Edna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Max Klinke, of Fullersburg and Rudolph Mochel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Mochel of South Main Street, were married at the parsonage of St. Paul's Evangelical church in Grove street. The Rev. Wm. Grotefeld, pastor of the church, performed the ceremony in the presence of relatives.

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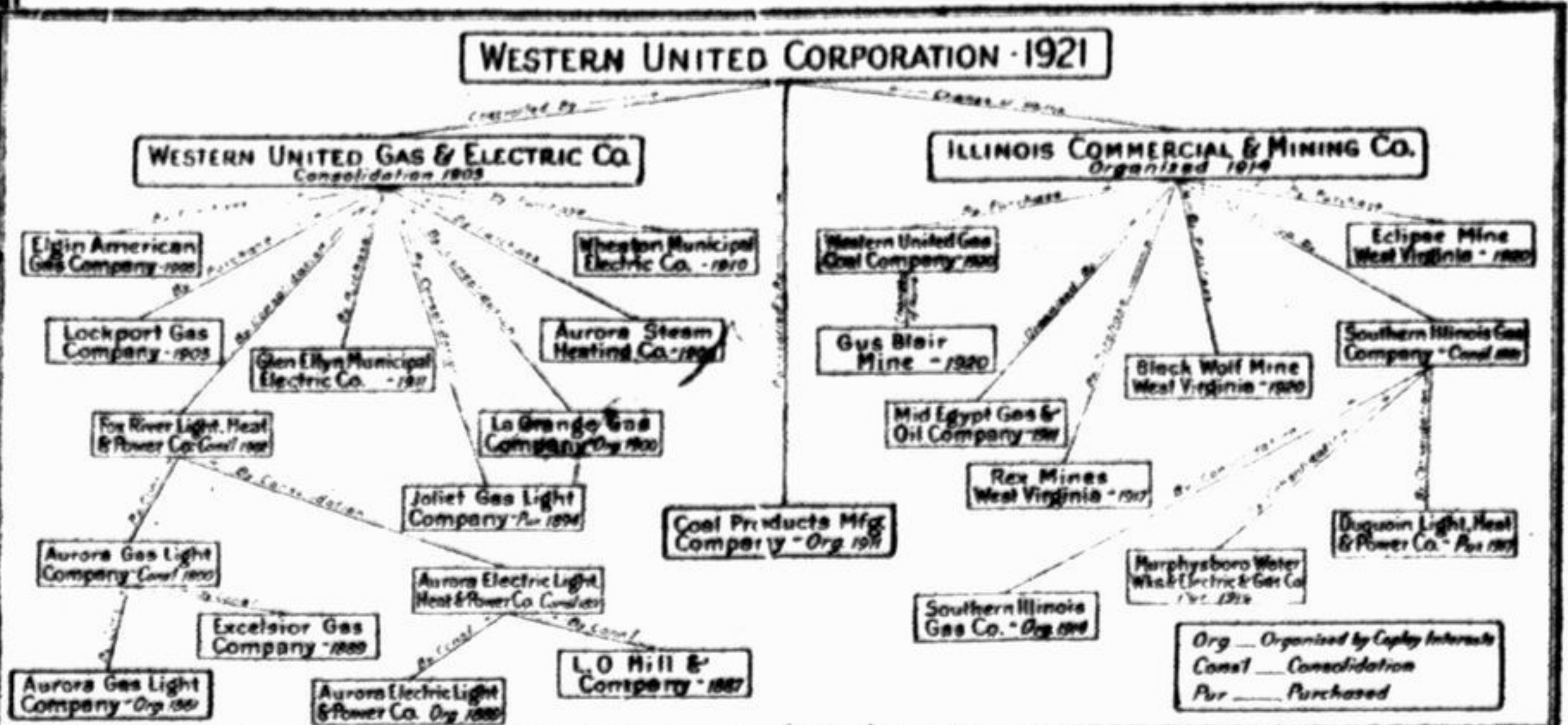
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