

Over 300 Farmers Attend Army Vehicle Auction

More than 300 farmers from points within 100-mile radius flocked to the Markham Fair grounds Thursday to buy army vehicles which were being offered for sale by the War Assets Corporation in co-operation with the Ontario Federation of Agriculture. In all, 125 military trucks were sold at \$330 each, and 25 field artillery tractors at \$280 each.

The purchasers were supposed to be bona fide farmers certified by the Federation of Agriculture. Because the farmers were more numerous than vehicles, the sale was conducted by the drawing of lots for each type of truck and tractor.

When the sale began for the 15-cv trucks there was a rush to get applications in the ballot boxes. The farmers agreed that this type of vehicle could be put to good use on a farm. They were a little dubious about purchasing the F.A. tractors because they weren't sure what they could be used for. However, all were sold.

Garage owners came from as far away as Goderich with the idea of buying tractors to be used as tow trucks. Some were disappointed when they were informed that they could not qualify for a purchase. Several of these garage men dreamed up the idea of arranging for

farmers to purchase the tractors for them, but this idea didn't work out because a farmer is not permitted to resell a tractor within 90 days of the time of purchase.

"I can't possibly see what use a tractor could be to a farmer," said one garage man. "The machines run only about four miles to the gallon. But they would be idea for us for towing purposes."

All vehicles were sold for cash and had to be removed from the grounds immediately. But farmers were warned that they would have to give the trucks and tractors another coat of paint—of any color but those of the army and air force, otherwise the vehicles could not travel on a public highway.

The sale was conducted by V.S. Milburn, secretary of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture. He said there would be eight more such sales at Markdale, Orillia and centres east.

While the war was on, it was necessary to control the size of the hem width for sheets and pillow cases, the number of colors of yarn that could go into towelings, and the number of different types of curtains that could be produced. All that is now revoked, Wartime Prices and Trade Board officials announce. Price controls remain but any kind of production is permitted.

PLANNING for TOMORROW'S FARMING

Canada's Future in Bacon
By W. P. Watson, Assistant Director, Livestock Branch, Ontario Department of Agriculture, Toronto.

(NOTE—This is the fourth in a series of comments by well-known authorities, written expressly for the Weekly Press of Ontario.)

During the past five years the production possibilities of Canada's vast agricultural resources have been amply demonstrated to the whole world. In response to a universal demand for food, farm production in this Dominion has increased to the point where 40% of the gross output must be marketed abroad in order to maintain a stable industry at home. This increased production has added materially to the national income, hence it is desirable that it be maintained. Maintaining it means finding markets for that product which is not required in Canada. There is little need for apprehension regarding our ability to find markets while Europe lies prostrate and destitute. After that unhappy continent has experienced a few normal crops, Canadian agriculture may again be confronted with the difficult problem of coping with surpluses.

In a well-planned economy attention should be focused on those products which have a special adaption to Canadian conditions. Hogs rank high in the list of products that have a national significance. They form an integral part of the production program on 10,000 Ontario farms. Western farmers who still retain unhappy memories of the early 1930's and the uncertainties associated with a one-crop system of farming, are not likely to forsake hog production entirely in the days to come.

If there is any merit in the old maxim, "one good turn deserves another," Canada's position in the British bacon market should be secure. When the Baltic countries were invaded Canadian farmers met the challenge by producing hogs in sufficient numbers to compensate for a large portion of the deficit so created. For this magnificent performance the people of Britain are eternally grateful. Nevertheless, they cannot be expected to continue purchasing large quantities of our bacon unless it is as good as the product available elsewhere. Moreover, it must be shipped to that market in regular quantities and not seasonally as in the past.

Canada lost the British market after the last war because her bacon was inferior to that supplied by most competitors. Vast improvement has been made in the last ten years but the average quality is high cash income.

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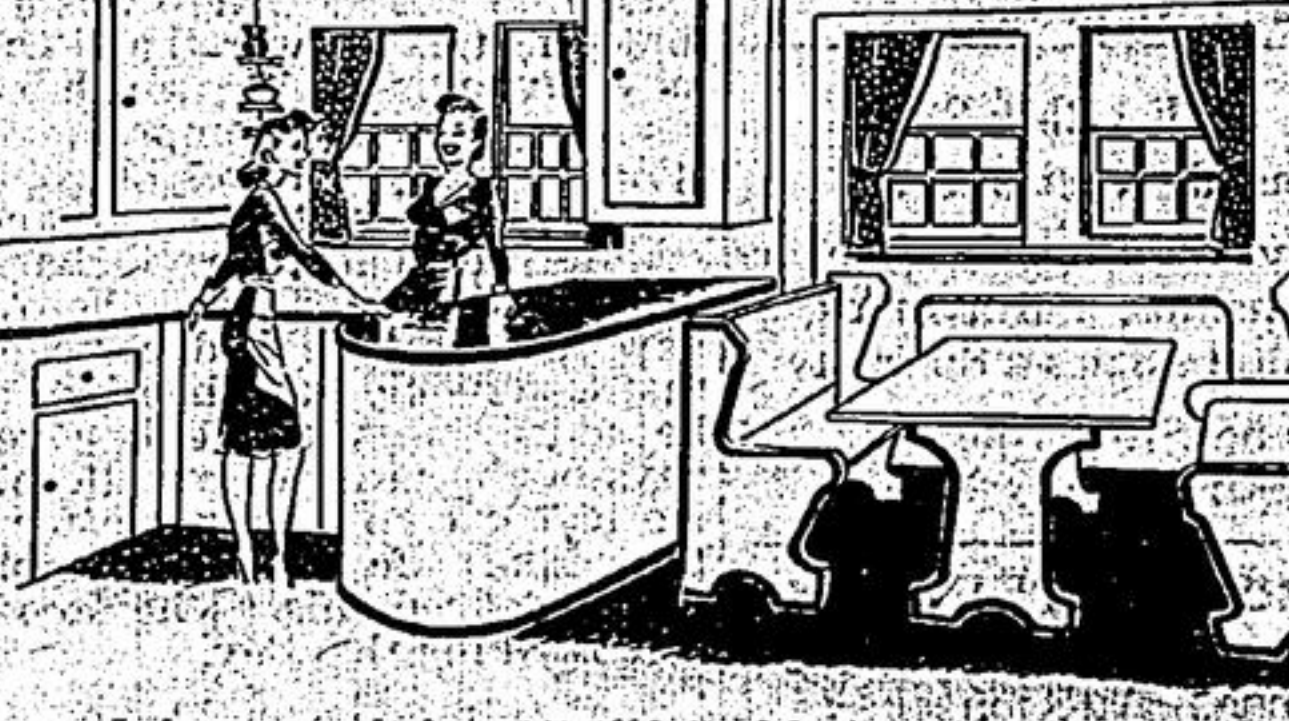
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By 1945, the official governm
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of something between 115,000 a
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