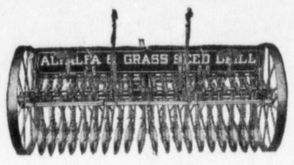
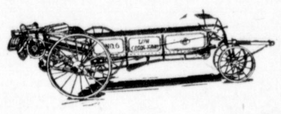
msa_sc2901_scm8628-0602 ©Maryland State Archives

Grass Seed Drills



By using a Grass Seed Drill you can get as good a stand of grass as you usually do from half the seed you usually sow.

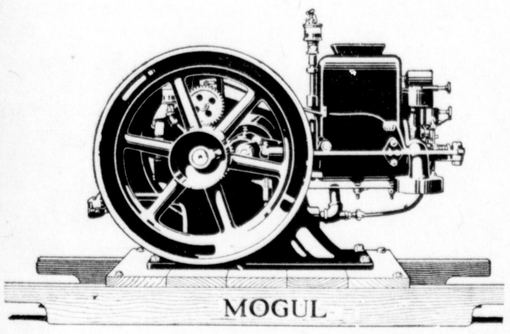
New Low Corn King Manure Spreader



The draft of this machine is not increased a noticeable amount by being thrown in gear. The weight of the tongue is carried by a spring and not by your team.

The Most Reliable

Pumping Engine Made



Starts and runs on magneto.
Uses only 1 pint fuel per hour.
Very economical.

THE J. I. CASE

CORN PLANTER

The most accurate Corn Planter on the market.

No Clutch on Drill Shaft.
Direct Drive from Axle.
Plants Butts, Tipps and Middles.
Has Tilt-Over Hoppers.

We will supply you with REPAIRS for any machine you have.

F. B. HARPER

Still Pond, Maryland

MILITARY PREPAREDNESS

By D. RUSSELL DOWNEY
Of Rock Hall, Md.

The crisis of February 3rd called for the verdict of public opinion in every nook and corner of the country. As every one will have to help to bear the burden, so every one should have a voice in the carrying out of this armed conflict on our part for the economical and adequate remedy for the wrongs imposed upon all neutrals by frightful methods employed to exclude them from illegal war zones in European waters.

One thing, however, is clear to all sensible people, and that is the dire necessity for preparation for war.

The most limited intelligence, in view of what has been happening in the world, should have demanded that the United States have, at the beginning of 1917, at least 5,000,000 rifles and ample ammunition in reserve; and yet we find hardly enough to go round the so-called regular army, and all our willing recruits in the various training camps forced to use broomsticks because there are no rifles available.

We have a great many excellent people of all ages who have been inventorying themselves and assigning their pleasant homes to hospital uses in case of war. This is very charming and quixotic, but as far as real preparedness goes, about as much use as similar tactics would be in Greenland.

The emergency naval funds voted by Congress began to be available late in March, and in six to nine months we shall be partially prepared against the submarine menace. The United States can get the money, but what about the men? Especially the man who does not believe in preparedness?

He works, which is preparedness against poverty. He eats, which is preparedness against hunger. He wears clothes, which is preparedness against catching cold and getting arrested. He supports a police force, which is preparedness against crime. A fire department, which is preparedness against fire. Schools, which are preparedness against ignorance. He brushes his teeth, which is preparedness against toothache. He sees doctors, which is preparedness against sickness. He goes to church, as preparedness for the life hereafter. But he does not believe in Preparedness! Why? Because he's a—well, I'm too polite to tell you.

And real preparedness means, not selective draft, or conscription, or whatever you like to call it, but universal military training. I want to be optimistic. The voluntary fighter must of necessity be better than the enforced fighter—at least, it sounds that way, doesn't it? Unfortunately, facts don't bear this out. The volunteer army has never been as good as the regulars. I expect howls of protest at this assertion. How about the Canadians, the London Scottish and the Australians in the present war?

Now wait a minute. It is true that these were volunteers, but do you know that they were held for three months in training camps in England with the regulars and another six months in France behind the fighting lines in order to learn the business of war before being allowed to practice it? And do you know that Canada has opposed conscription just as strenuously as America is opposing it? But her people are spread over an area equal to the United States, and organizing them has not been easy. She settled down to her task promptly and doggedly under the voluntary service system and on New-Year's day, 1916, Premier Borden pledged the faith of his country to raising a force of 500,000 men for service; and in January, 1917, she was 120,000 short of this number.

America, with twelve times the population of Canada, was not able to raise even 180,000 to send to Mexico when the need arose last year. Just fancy, with 1,000,000 young men coming of fighting age every year, and with 25,000,000 men of fighting age in the country, neither our army nor navy is up to its full strength on a peace basis—on a peace basis, which is to the majority of well-thinking men far too small, and we have virtually been in a state of war for three months.

There is no question that a lot of opposition to universal military service is through misunderstanding. It does not mean that every able-bodied man shall fight, but that he shall be prepared to fight if necessary; and if not to fight, to serve his country in whatever capacity most needed. There are many activities that are just as important as the fighting unit. When men come of themselves, they are apt to come from the farms, the mines, the factories. Now, while the country needs them, it is more than probably needs them very much more urgently right where they are than anywhere else. The whole kernel of universal military training is that there is a universal obligation to serve and that the most economical and democratic method of conserving this obligation is to control every able-bodied citizen and through a central authority, decide the charactor of his service.

The world has never before seen such extensive, thorough, and comprehensive military preparedness as exists today. This preparedness exists in varying degree throughout all the great nations excepting China and ourselves.

As nations grow richer and as their civilization increases there is more and more to protect, not only at home but also on the high seas. Preparedness recognizes the fact that right and justice are not of themselves adequate protection.

Universal military service is the only solution of our national military problem. The militia system has been unsatisfactory in all our wars. The volunteer system has failed us in time of need. Good men come in the first rush but enthusiasm soon passes away. A man owes his country this service and should be trained and equipped for it and know that if an emergency arose within his period of obligations he would have to serve. There would be no uncertainty as to who was to go, no shifting and changing about at the last moment, no forced draft, bounty, purchase of substitutes, and all those makeshift, debased and debauching influences that paralyze the energy of a nation.

We shall always need a strong navy and a well-equipped and strong army but we want as small a number as possible leading the lives of professional soldiers. In fact we want a nation trained to arms but not living under arms.

We want no privileged class, no class that claims the right to volunteer to let better men do its military service for it.

Universal service is true democracy. It is sound, it is just, it is effective. It renders unnecessary a large standing army and reduces the permanent regular force to the necessary needs of the nation at peace.

The volunteer system is unsound and unjust; unsound because it is founded upon uncertainty and put in operation under condions of stress and chaos; unjust because it bears unequally upon the population, throwing the burden of war upon the few and the best. It is vicious because it kills the general widespread sense of individual responsibility for service. The burden of war should be so distributed that preparation in all its forms—instruction, supplies, equipment—should be done in times of peace.

Cowards and shirkers naturally prefer a system which makes it possible to volunteer and to let some better man do duty for them. They prefer to let the brave and patriotic bear the burden and pay the blood, and perhaps life, tax of war. This is absolutely contrary to the great principles of democracy of which we boast, the principles of equality of opportunity and equality of obligation and service within the limits of one's ability.

From true preparedness comes better men, greater respect for law and the constituted authorities, a higher sense of obligation to the nation at large, and our fellow-man in particular; and a more peace-loving and stronger nation not only in time of peace but throughout life's economic and moral conflict.

H. SACHS & SON

Anniversary Special No. 1
LADIES' FINE GAUZE VESTS, taped neck, all sizes 1c
Sold only to those purchasing $5.00 or over.

Our Fourth Anniversary Sale
Has Begun and Will Continue For Ten Days

Anniversary Special No. 2
Men's and Boys' Fine Madras and Percale Dress Shirts all styles and sizes,..... 9c
Sold only to those purchasing $5.00 or over.

WE are proud to make this announcement and to see how this house has grown. We have been preparing for months to make this Anniversary sale outclass any previous celebration, and to make it more glorious we have placed our entire stock of this season's new spring stock of Ladies' Suits, Dresses, Skirts, Waists, Spring Coats, Millinery, Ladies' and Men's Furnishings, together with a complete line of Men's and Boys' Clothing. Also, our newly inaugurated Shoe Department for Men, Women and Children, which we have recently annexed, next door to Toulson's Drug Store, will be included in this sale. For full particulars read Shoe adv. Look for the big sign in front of store. Extra salespeople have been secured for this sale.

Ladies' and Misses' Suits, Coats, Dresses, Skirts, Waists

We are headquarters for these goods and always carry a large assortment of all the leading styles and newest creations, and on account of our alteration and tailoring department we are in a position to fit everybody, and make no charge for alterations.

LADIES' SUITS

All-Wool Serge, newest leading shades and styles, all sizes, worth up to $15.00; anniversay price to close out at..... $ 9.95

All-Wool Poplins and Serges, in assorted styles and colors, beautifully made up, worth up to $20.00; anniversary price to close out at..... 12.95

Our Best Grade All-Wool Poplin, trimmed with white broadcloth collar and cuffs. These are our leading sellers and best suits; anniversary price to close out at... 14.95

LADIES' SILK DRESSES

All-Silk Taffetas, made up in the newest creations, Betty Wales and other makes, some with Georgette crepe sleeves and collars, worth up to $18.00; anniversary sale price to close at..... 12.95

Silk Poplins, assorted colors, beautiful styles, all this season's make, worth up to $10.00; anniversary sale price to close at 5.95

LADIES' SKIRTS

Wash Skirts in all sizes, from 24 to 30 waist measure, in various styles, also extra sizes for stout women—these skirts are worth up to $1.75; anniversary sale price.....$ .95

Wash Skirts in better grade materials and styles, made up of cotton corduroy, gabardines, honeycomb and gallatea, worth up to $3.50; anniversary sale price 2.29

Wash Skirts, made of Palm Beach cloths, linen and the best novelties of the season, well tailored, worth up to $4.00; anniversary sale price..... 2.95

Dress Skirts, assorted sizes and styles, broken up lots in neat effects; anniversary sale price to close at..... 1.95

Dress Skirts, in All-Wool Serges, Poplins and various designs in worsteds, all well made up; strictly tailored, worth up to $5.00; anniversary sale price..... 3.45

Dress Skirts, made up of all the Novelty silks in demand, French, Serge, Poplin, Flannels, and many others too numerous to mention. These are our best numbers and are worth up $7.50; anniversary sale price 4.45

LADIES' SPRING COATS

A beautiful line of pretty styles in classy designs, made of Cheviot wool materials, in the newest spring styles, worth up to $8.00; anniversary price to close out at $ 5.95

Our Best Poplin Coats, in all the leading new spring delicate shades, very much in demand this season, sold up to $18.00; anniversary sale price..... 10.95

LADIES' WAISTS

Made up of beautifully colored crepe de chine silk, worth up to $4.00 anniversary sale price..... 2.95

Job lot of odds and ends in broken up sizes which sold up to $1.00; anniversary sale price ..... .44

As a special leader we have thrown on our tables a large assortment of Waists ranging in size from 36 to 50, made up in extra fine voiles, organdies, plaids and stripes, very tasty designs. Some are valued up to $2.00; anniversary price..... .95

All Silks and Voiles, assorted colors and sizes, worth up to $3.00; anniversary sale price 1.95

Our Men's and Boys' Clothing Department

It is well-known throughout this and adjoining counties that a Sachs Suit of Clothes is always dependable, and that the makes of all our clothing are well tailored; no danger of losing any buttons or opening of seams; everything is reliable; we allow no misfits to leave our store. We know the business from A to Z, and that's the reason of our success. We are sole agents for the celebrated "SCHLOSS BROS. & CO." Clothing.

Men's Suits made up of all wool serge in navy blue and gray. A value that comes only once in a lifetime, worth $15.00; anniversary price $12.95

Men's Suits, our best make, in all the finest materials used by all the leading tailors in serges, worsteds, all wool cheviots, hand tailored, worth up to $20; anniversary price $14.95

Men's Suits, made up of fancy cheviots in a number of styles, substantial make, desirable patterns, worth up to $10.00; anniversary price..... $7.95

Men's Pants, worth $3.50, made up of all worsted materials, full hand tailored in neat stripes; anniversary price $2.69

Boys' Pants, made up of pure all wool worsteds and cassimeres, in all ages, ranging from 9 to 20 years; anniversary price $1.95

Men $13.00 All Wool Serge Suits, strictly hand-tailored, some broken sizes, these will be closed out at anniversary price $10.95

Boys' Suits, made up in very nobby styles, good quality materials excellent designs, worth $5; anniversary price..... $3.95

Boys' Suits, made of good substantial materials, in cheviots and worsteds, worth $6.00; anniversary price..... $4.39

Boys' Suits, $8.00 novelty grade our best make, to fit all ages, from 10 to 17 yrs; anniversary price..... $6.45

Boys' Pants made of good quality cheviot and worsted, worth 89c; anniversary price..... 69c

Boys' Dress Pants, made up a better grade of worsted and cassimeres, extra well made up, ages from 10 to 20 years, worth up to $1.75; anniversary sale..... $ 1.19

Ladies and Men's Furnishings

Unusually big reductions on all grades of Ladies' and Men's Furnishings, Notions, Hosiery, Underwear, which are too numerous to mention here, owing to lack of space. *For full list read circular.*

Our Millinery Department

We are well equipped with a large line of Ladies', Children's and Misses Hats in all this season's newest creations. The new Sport Hat in all the wanted shapes and colors. We can suit most any lady, miss or child, and as to price you can depend upon us to save you considerable. Our prices range from 95c up during our Anniversary Sale.

Don't Forget—For Ten Days Only. Look for the Big Sign in Front of Store.

When in town don't stop but come straight to Sach's Store and make it your headquarters and meet your friends there—FOR TEN DAYS ONLY.

THIS WEEK Chestertown's most popular store enters upon its fourth year of Anniversary sale, which has been acknowledged by our large circle of friends and patrons to be a service which we render them and for which they have shown their appreciation by patronizing us throughout the entire year. We began our business here with certain definite principles. We promised that this store would sell honest merchandise at fair prices—that we would not misrepresent our goods to the public either in print or by verbal statements—that whatever would be purchased here would be exchangeable or returnable if the purchaser so desired. We have nothing to add to these principles and promises. That they have been adhered to is evidenced by the growth and success of our firm in the four years we have been here, and these years have taught us to continue along the same lines and to be even more liberal in the future by giving better values at lower prices.

H. SACHS & SON, CHESTERTOWN, MD.

H. SACHS & SON, - - Toulson Bldg., Chestertown, Md

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher

Walter T. Bramble
Chestertown, Md.

GEO. W. RODENHISER
SUCCESSOR TO
GEO. W. ROEDER & CO.
General Commission Merchants
No. 15 West Camden Street
BALTIMORE, MD.
Grain, Fruit and Produce.
After 15 years experience with the above firm which I was a part I feel confident of satisfaction.

WELCOME! WELCOME!
Shafer, Redmile & Co.
Manufacturers and Dealers in
Farm Wagons & Dearborns
Carriages and Runabouts, Carriage, Wagon and Plow Harness, McCormick Binders and Mowers, Olive No. 11 Sulky Plows, Oliver Walking Plows and Repairs, Iron Age and Ohio Sulky Cultivators, Hand Cultivators and Drag Harrows, All Makes Spring-Tooth Harrows.

Black Hawk Corn Planters
New Ideal Manure Spreaders Roderick Lean Steel Land Rollers, McCormick Side Delivery and Self Dump Hay Rakes, Wood Pumps and Repairs, American and Barb Wire Fencing, Poultry Wire, Staples and Nails, Reeves and International Gasoline Engines

Big Stock Clover, Alsyke,
Alfalfa, Timothy and Red Top Seeds.
Hard and Soft Coal, and Binder Twine.
Come and see us and bring us your Repair Work.

Shafer, Redmile & Co.
KENNEDYVILLE, MD

SPECIAL ATTENTION TO TELEPHONE ORDERS
Coal Under Cover
Palmer's Lump Lime
IN BARRELS
Headquarters for **Cements**
Baled Hay
Agricultural Lime
By Rail or Water
Your Orders Solicited
J. D. BACCHUS
Phone 22 CHESTERTOWN MD

Stevens Bros.
Grain, Fruit and Produce Commission Merchants
226 S. Charles St., Cor. Camden St.
BALTIMORE, MD.
Grain Salesmen: R. Nelson Stevens, J. W. Emory. Fruit and Produce Salesmen. A. B Carey, John L. Corson, C. H. Norris, C. D. Biggs Robert F. Smoot. All under the personal supervision of R. Nelson Stevens
We have the best possible facilities for handling shipments of Grain, Fruit, Asparagus, Poultry and Produce of all kinds.
References: Merchants-Mechanics National Bank Baltimore, all Commercial Agencies

A CARD TO PUBLIC
I wish to inform the public that I am still in the
Plumbing Business
All Sanitary Plumbing, Heating, etc., will receive expert attention if entrusted to us. Estimates given.
Office and Shop in Automobile Garage, Cannon Street, near Princess.
W. C. SUTTON.

DR. D. C. BLEVINS
—DENTIST—
OFFICE OVER BENEMAN'S STORE
MILLINGTON, MD.
Methods Modern. Reasonable Prices. aug5

'KENT NEWS' $1 per year

Advertize in the "KENT NEWS."