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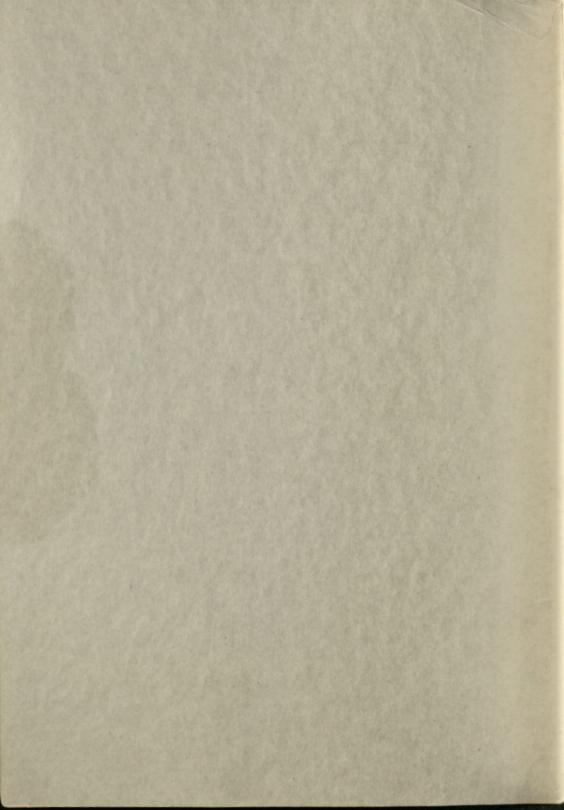
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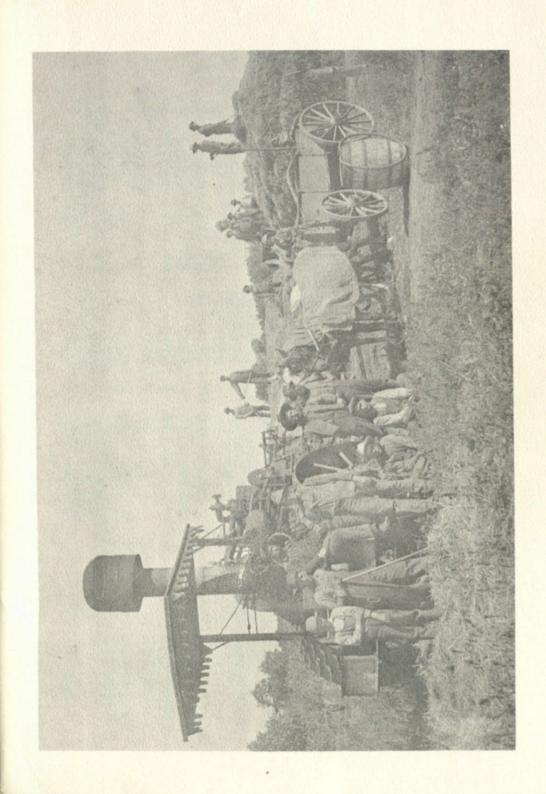
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Welcome

We of the Lake Region Pioneer Threshermen, would like to express a welcome to all visitors at our 12th Annual Show.

We are mindful of the older generation who has faithfully worked, lived and loved steam power, and our other early implements to carve a country out of the wilderness and prairies. We think, too, of the younger generation, who have never known their hardships, but as we benefit and learn from the past, may they press forward to new horizons and frontiers. We believe this to be a part of our great American heritage.

We sincerely hope you will enjoy reliving the memories of the by-gone days, as much as we enjoy bringing and presenting it to you. We hope you'll want to return to our Threshing Show from year to year.

KENNETH BRATVOLD, President Lake Region Pioneer Threshermen's Association

Thanks

The Lake Region Pioneer Threshermen's Association is happy to present this our Second Edition. To those who placed advertising, gave pictures and material, a very sincere thank you.

The spirit of the dedicated volunteers, men and women who help make up the show, accounts in large measure for its continued success.

Our appreciation to our sponsor, "The Dalton Community Club," the business firms who donated time and effort, to the various committees, to the newspapers, radio and television for their coverage, to one and all who contributed to the successful staging of this event.

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Program Schedule for 3 Days

Friday

7:00 a.m. - Threshermen's Breakfast

12:00 Noon - Dinner served by ladies aids

1:30 p.m. - Steam Engine Parade

2:30 p.m. - Threshing with large rig 3:30 p.m. - Plowing with steam or gas tractor

Saturday

7:00 a.m. - Threshermen's Breakfast

12:00 Noon - Dinner served by ladies aids 1:30 p.m. - Parade of steamers and tractors

2:30 p.m. - Threshing with steam rig

3:00 p.m. - Lumber sawing, baker fan

3:30 p.m. - Plowing with steam or tractor

Sunday

7:00 a.m. - Threshermen's Breakfast

9:00 a.m. - Church services by local pastors

10:30 a.m. - Gas engine show

12:00 Noon - Dinner served by ladies aids

1:00 p.m. - Giant parade of steamers and tractors 2:00 p.m. - Threshing Dakota Style with big steam rig

2:30 p.m. - Lumber sawing

3:30 p.m. - Plowing with steam or tractors

ABOVE PROGRAM WILL BE ALTERED IF NECESSARY

"Please Do Not Remove the "Old Land Marks"

Tradition is the passing down from generation to generation of ideas, customs, beliefs, and stories. In the broadest sense, it refers to all distinctively human activities, and includes achievements in every field, which man passes on from one generation to the next. Social change starts with the inventon of new technology, one of which was the Steam Engine in the 1700's which made modern industry possible. Until then, men had to depend on the power of their own muscles or on animal, wind, and water power. One steam engine could do the work of hundreds of horses. It could supply power needed to run all the machines in a factory. A steam locomotive could haul thousands of tons of freight hundreds of miles in a single day. The steam locomotives were instruments in bringing the East to the West like the Great Northern Empire Builder trains which provided safe, fast, dependable transportation. However, these new discoveries were sometimes misunderstood. The invention of the automobile created antagonism on the part of people who understood horses but could not understand this new mechanical device. Likewise with the discovery of steam engines. The majority sought to discourage Robert Fulton's work on the first steamboat which they named, "Fulton's Folly." Yet this Fulton's 'Clermont' in 1807 steamed the 150 miles up the Hudson from New York City to Albany in 32 hours. Steamboats carried passengers on the great rivers before the development of railroad systems. On the Great Lakes steamboats and steam ships carried most of the nation's iron ore and wheat, as well as coal, limestone, and other products.

It is so easy for us to forget traditions of the past because of our fast new scientific inventions and improvements like the hydrogen bomb or space travel.

In the Bible, history reveals the danger of forgetting the Old Land Marks. In Proverbs 22:28 the Bible says: "Remove not the ancient landmark, which Thy fathers have set." And certainly the invention of steam to move machinery, was a high point in the events of history moving progress to our civilization in harnessing the elements of nature to free men from the laborious back-breaking crude instruments of hand labor.

Today man has advanced so far in the field of invention and labor, that he is almost afraid of automation and labor saving devices which free him more and more from hand labor. However, if these labor saving devices are used to lower production costs and decrease prices, it results in expanded consumption and in turn creates more jobs. On the other hand, if the remaining workers, after some are displaced by automation, demand and get shorter hours and increased pay, absorbing all the gains resulting from automation so there is no reduction in prices, consumption will not increase and jobs may be permanently lost. Herein is one of the fears. Therefore, it is good to recall the "Good Old Days" when the threshing machine, the "Old Crew," would gladly exchange work because they knew the needs and difficulties of their neighbors. They had a oneness of Spirit and they entered upon each others fields which were "ripe unto harvest" with joy in anticipation of good fellowship, delicious meals, with much coffee and lunches between their laborers. Their exchange of conversation covering current events, politics, and gossip. This is the reason why the "Lake Region Pioneer Threshermen's Association, Inc., Dalton, Minnesota, presents their annual showing of lumber sawing, threshing, steam plowing, a by-gone era of great achievements by men who dreamed dreams of great things to come to pass from a past generation to our present one.

We should never forget that a greater contribution than this past "Era" has brought are the family ties which were held, for the most part, as something sacred and hallowed. One was impressed by the fact that so many sensed that God's hand was upon everything, and that the events and even the smaller incidents of life were appointed and directed by the Lord. The Word of God seemed very real and sacred. To them, God really had spoken. They believed it to be "God's Holy Word" with no questions. They built upon solid foundations.

We are living in a day and age when some of these foundation principles are being questioned. This has resulted in trouble, confusion, and moral decay which in turn results in unrighteousness, hatred, and unbelief toward God and His Holy Word. The question that comes is, "If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?" (Psalm 11:3) Thank God, the devil will never destroy the Bible, or the faith of the true believer, or the true church. I am so glad that Jesus said, "Heaven and earth may pass away, but my Word shall never pass away." And we have heard stated. "The family that prays together, stays together."

There are some traditional foundation principles that are absolutely essential to human progress and happiness that are being attacked today as never before. If any of you farmers who also are builders and carpenters know how important foundations are to a building, I don't need to tell you how important a solid foundation is for the individual, personal human life and his advancement in society. Jesus spoke of this in I Corinthians 3:11. "For other foundation can no man lay that that is laid, which is Jesus Christ."

Rev. Harry Molstre

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We hope you enjoy this Bigger and Better event of "The Past in Action."

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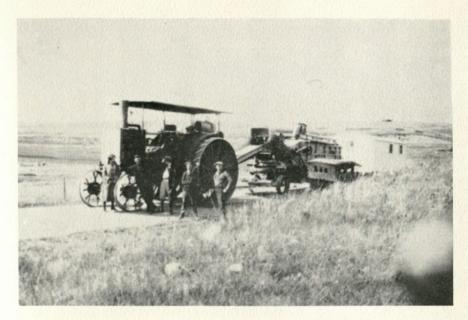
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Our Ladies

Our Ladies help make our show one of the great attractions that it is, in that they undertake to feed the thousands of people that attend each year.

These Ladies Aid groups and for the past two years, the members of the Underwood Band, have used the two large buildings as dining halls, their setup and efficiency in serving the fine food makes meal or lunch time an enjoyable event for each and everyone.

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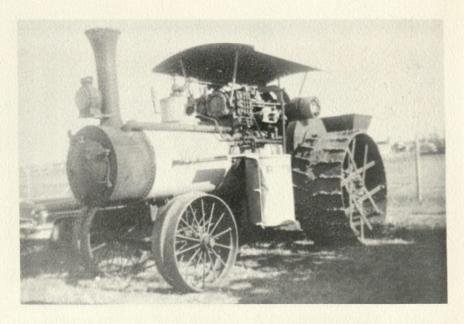
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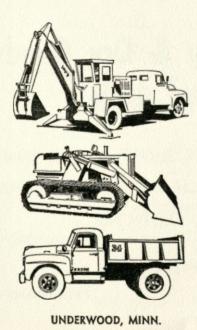
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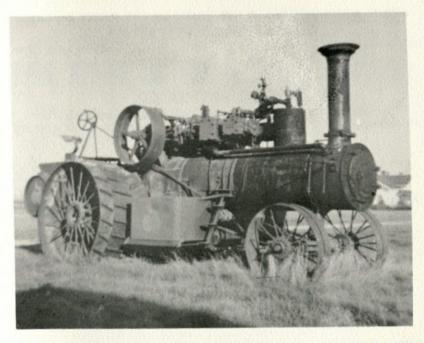
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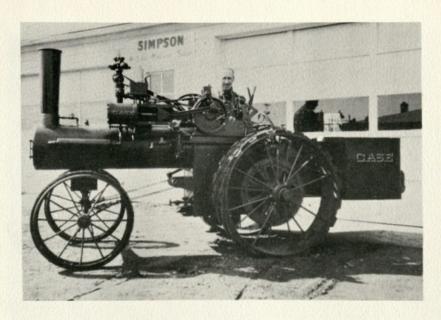
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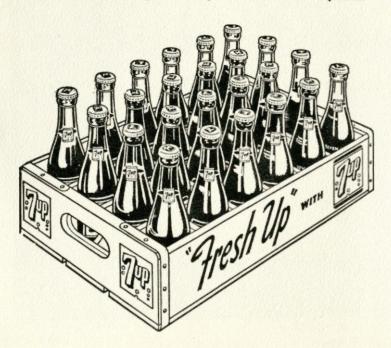
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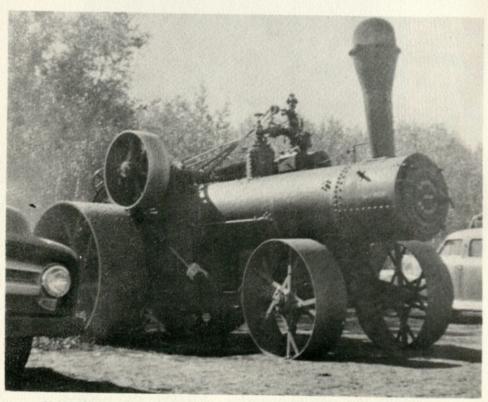


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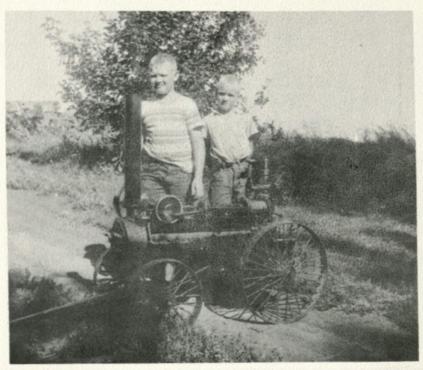
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Yes I love to hear the zoomin' as the concaves rip the grain; Hear the blower's deep notes boomin' like a basso's rich refrain; Hear the drive belt's chipper rippin' as it leaves the enjine's wheel In response to power impulse from the throbbin' steed o' steel! Chud a chud a chud a chud a chud a chud a chud! Hear it talkin' to the pitchers like a thing o' flesh an' blood! Fifteen strappin' husky pitchers form the backbone o' the crew With a separator tender an' a water hauler too; While the man who runs the enjine is the king-pin o' the lot. We must not forgit the cook-shack with its cook an' coffee pot. Chug a chug a chug a chug a zipp! The safety like a shot! Both the cook and enjine driver have to keep their kettles hot!

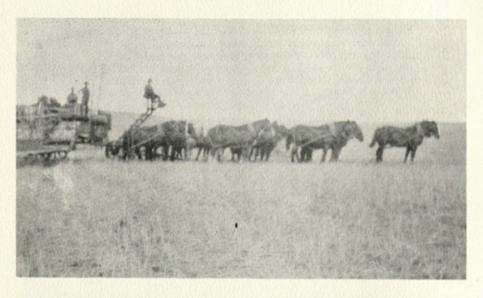
Nineteen men to keep it busy an' a boss to watch the clocks While a dozen pair o' Normans strain at pullin' in the shocks. It's a he-man's aggregation that surrounds a big steam rig An' a starvin' congregation if the cook takes on a swig! Chug a chug! Hear it cluckin' like a rooster that has found a lady-bug!

Oh ye'r dirty an' ye'r dusty an' ye'r full o' soot an' grease, An' you've filled my rags with wheat beards till they burn like stingin' fleas;

In the heat I've sweat an' struggled tryin' hard to fill yer maw, But her appetite's o'erwhelmin' when it comes to chewin' straw! Chug a chug a chug a chug a chug a chug a chug! Hear that blistern' black ol' biler sayin' "Slug, ye spikers, slug!"

In the evenin' after supper when you gather roun' the shack Spinnin' yarns about the threshin' thet wuz done in years "way back," Tellin' how the grain poured out until the only thing you'd see Wuz the spring seat on the wagon an' the lead team's double-tree! Chud a chud a chud a chud a chud a chud a chud! Gee! Thet blamed ol' enjine snorted like a filly smellin' blood!

As the stars begin to twinkle an' you seek the bunk-tent rest, You unroll a pack o' blankets on the straw an' make yer nest; You relax the weary muscles an' it seems yer very soul Feels thet sense o' satisfaction which is mankind's richest goal! Chug a chug a chug a chug a chug a chug a chug! An' you dream about the enjine and its rhythmic chug a chug!



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MAYBE money talks, but the greatest trouble is that most of us fail to understand the code generally used.

IN your own home you hardly feel like scratching matches on the wall-paper, while as a renter, it doesn't matter so much.

THE miserly man seldom finds himself in trouble from breaking down the family fences after other women.

IT'S a kind of natural trait in most of us to speak of the bad part of the world as "they," and the good part as "we."

EVEN when, down deep in his soul, a man knows he's unworthy of the woman he wants to marry, he's still willing to take chances on her.

LOTS of women have the faculty of creating their most approved smile only when they feel like crying. It's the way in which they pucker their lips.

If those people who are most interested in the geneological tracings of the family tree will run far enough back, they'll find a wood-chopper or a thresherman and a few of them can locate a Jesse James or Cole Younger.

STRANGE yet true, paradoxical as it may be, lots of women never realize the worth of their husbands, and quite as many others fail to realize the worthlessness of theirs.

THE Lord told us that "the poor we have with us always." There is one comforting thought: the poor don't have to get their bellies rubbed in order to reduce their girth.

SORT of comforting, isn't it, to have the young' uns home for the holidays, even though we only see 'em for a moment or two at a time? It's also nice to have the kids learn fast at college. However, it's only fair to scheme some way to get the use of the car part of the time yourself.

A LONG with the infamous habit of smoking eigarettes and leaving a stink behind almost on a par with that of the skunk when it wabbles its tail, the smoker of today piles up the stubs for somebody else to clean up, almost as disagreeable a job as acting wet-nurse to a brood of young chickens.

If the Texas kinfolks who informed Old Sile of his being remembered in the will of Mrs. Joe Freeley will agree to "Participate" in the last request of "Cousin Joe" he or she shall be made a joint heir to the gate receipts, which, judging from the sketch presented are of such generous proportions as to provide an extra whiff without crowding the mourners.

To listen to some men blowing their bellows about how they make folks stand around, their wives included, and then watch them duck for the cyclone cellar when Mamma mounts the bridge and begins directing the ship, is positively interesting. It's generally the fellow with the biggest patch on the seat of his trousers that does the most broadcasting before his wife sounds the alarm, but who is the first to duck for the cyclone cellar when she gets in full eruption.

OUT of the darkness comes the dawn, and out of the fighting and turmoil that fills the world to overflowing comes the threshermen with enough legitimate bellyaches to keep several policemen busy listening to them, and with enough imaginary troubles to stop the clock. But at the end of the run, everybody seems to get three square meals a day, and clothes to keep them from freezing. For this, as the cat said when it found the fish hanging within reach, we might well say, "O, Lord make us thankful for what we are about to receive."

IT'S a changeable world in which we live today, and nothing like what it used to be. In the old days when a young couple got married they moved off by themselves, and with a meager start they built up their homes, whether they owned or rented their houses. How about it now? Go anywhere in the city and you'll find young couples occupying a room or a kitchenette, and both man and wife working, perhaps at different places, many times leaving their children, if they have any, in the care of others. It seems almost impossible for the man of limited means to provide for the home, according to the demands of the present, and yet they keep on in this way, like raising chickens in a brooder. If this is the proper way in which to raise families, I've got my log-book opened at the wrong place.

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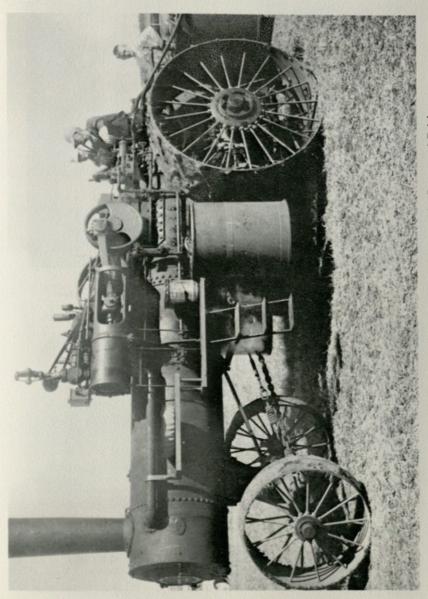
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24 h.p. Kitten steam engine belted to a Case separator at Dalton's show.



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I should like to go to Heaven when my work on earth is done. I hope to meet the boys that said threshing grain was fun. I hope my old friend Cushman and the Michigan boys that day Will meet me at the summit of the steep and narrow way. I hope B. B. and the Madison crowd regardless of creed or whim, Also that man of Thresher World known as "Handsome Uncle Jim"

Will be on hand to greet me, for wherever it may be, The place where Uncle Silas is, is good enough for me.

I hope that Johnnie Rynerson, with his methods so unique,
His earnest, honest manner and the words that he can speak,
With Davidson, Swark, and Jellings always close at hand
I'll surely feel at home when I reach the Promised Land.
All these, my cherished comrades of the years so long ago,
George Durban, Fisher and the Ohio Boys will meet me there
I know.

However strange conditions are beyond the silent sea, Where old Bill Newsom makes his Home is good enough for me.

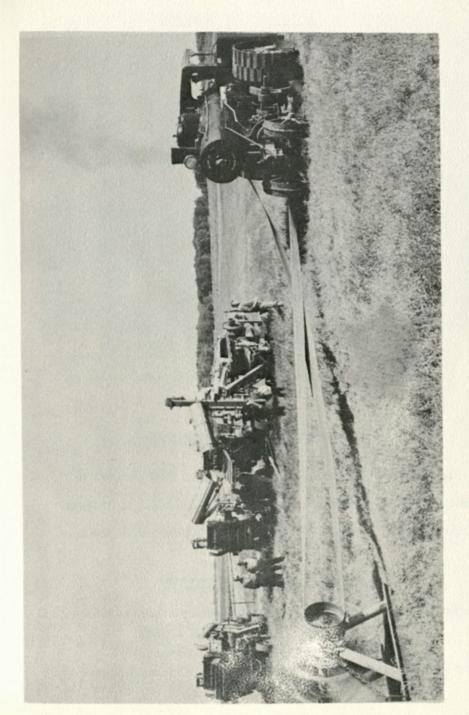
And then when I am sailing through the Islands of the Blest I hope I'll meet Joe Stephenson and his partner Billy West, I want to hear Lee Hardin's voice, distinct though never sharp, Explain the Threshers' wants and play upon the golden harp, Then, Zehr, and Payne and Bornemann, will be among the throng, They'll say with Harry Kellogg that they knew I'd get to come. Darnell, Snook and Gildemeister, I'll naturally see, But where Hon. Jud Parker is, will be good enough for me.

Rev. Hart I expect to see among the Mansions bright.
You know without his presence it won't seem really right.
Cool Eddie Barlow with the voice we learned to know so well
Undoubtedly a story of the Brotherhood will tell.
There'll be big good-natured Wallace, and the guy we knew
as "Tom"

Buller, selling couplers, and will never miss a one.

The Maryland, New Jersey boys, I'm convinced that I shall see,
With Jacob Rose, all in the place that's good enough for me.

When from this earth I'm forced to part,
The place where Bill and Jake and Hart,
J. B., Uncle Sile and all the rest I'll see
I'll take one look and then I'll say "'Tis good enough for me."



22 h.p. Avery undermount steam engine pulling the Baker Fan at the Dalton Reunion. Owned by H. N. Johnson of Dalton, Minn.



Back end of 25 h.p. Gaar Scott steamer. Ralph Melby, owner.

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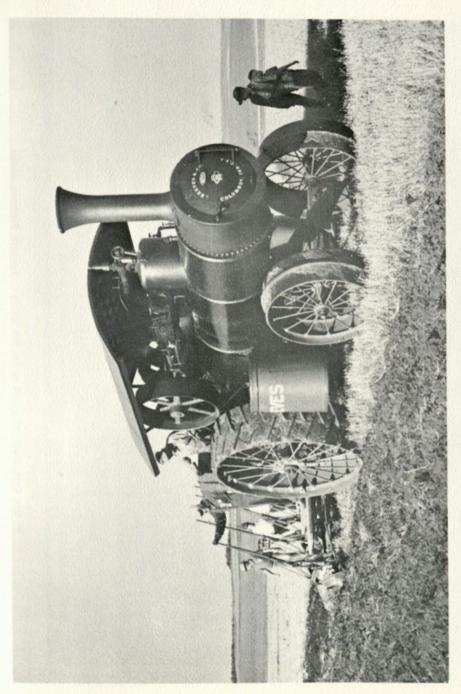
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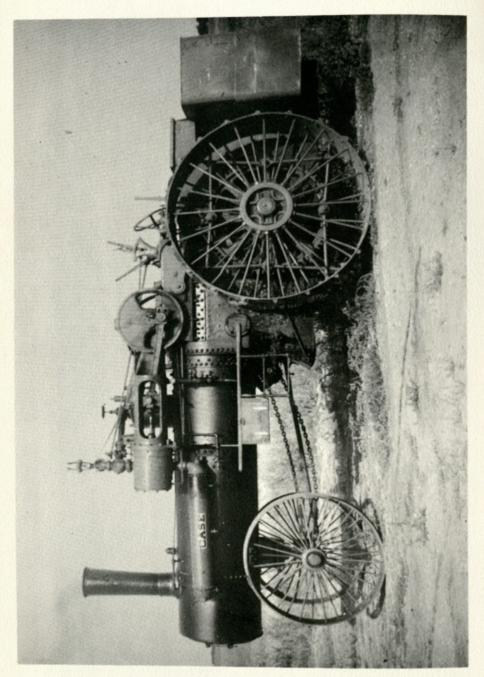
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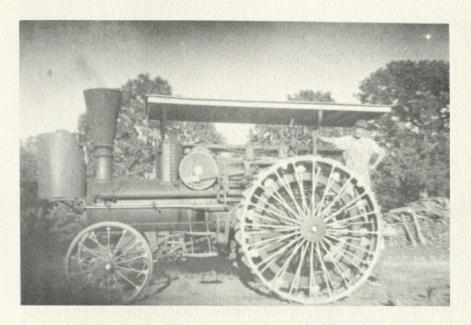
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32 h.p. Reeves compound steam engine plowing at the Dalton show, pulling a 10-bottom John Deere gang, owned by Ralph Melby of Dalton, Minn.



80 h.p. Case engine steamed up for the reunion. Kenneth Bratvold, owner.



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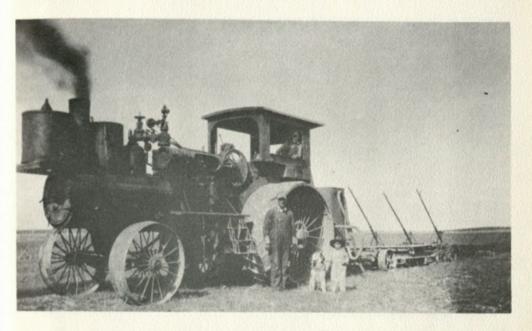
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110 h.p. Case owned by Henry Torsky of Conrad, Montana. These engines were popular for breaking prairie sod in Montana.

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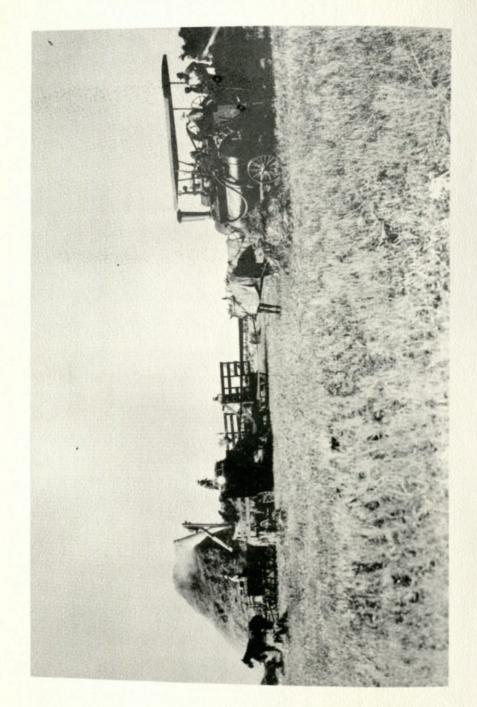


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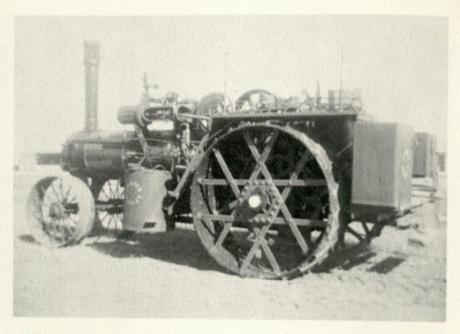
110 h.p. Case plow engine; 6 h.p. portable and 20 h.p. Avery undermounted steam engines, shown at Stanford, Montana.

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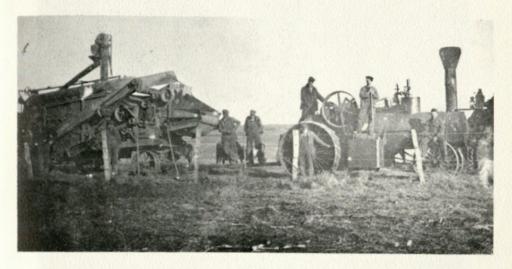
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25 h.p. Rumley engine and separator taken in about 1912. Owned by Theodore and Chris Risbrudt of Dalton, Minn.

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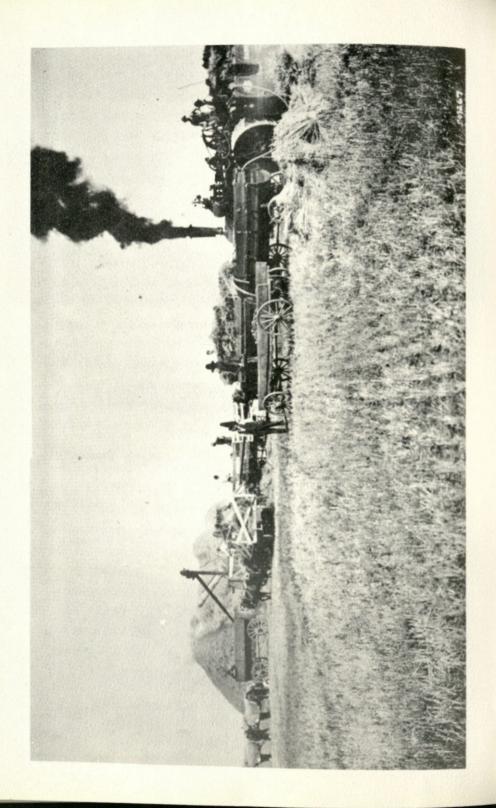
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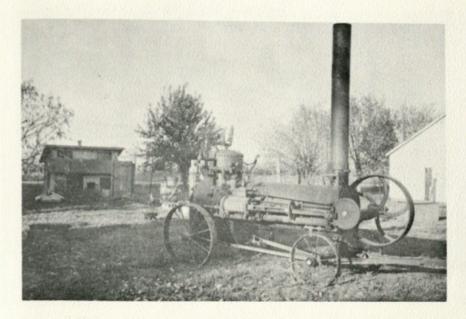
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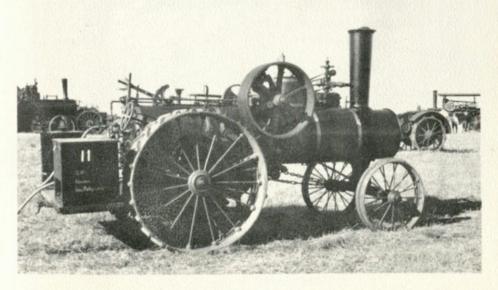
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10 h.p. Woodsum steam engine owned by J. B. Killing and R. G. Bohman of Cool Valley, Ill. This is the only one left of its kind.



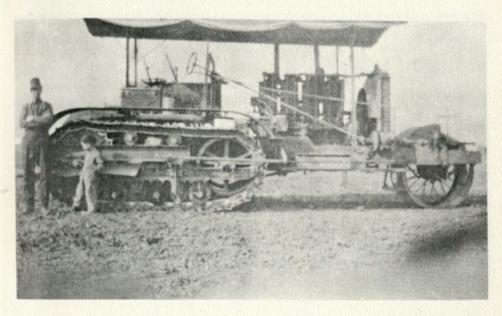
12 h.p. Advance steam engine owned by George Melby of Ashby, Minn.



1908 combine made by Holt. Picture taken somewhere in Montana.



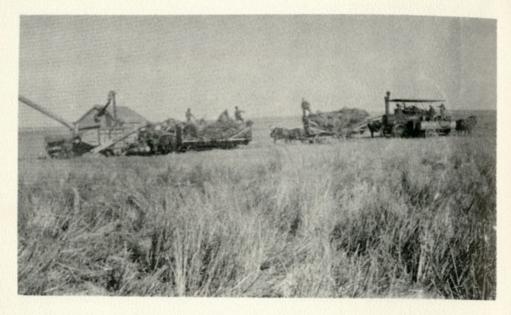
Geiser steam tractor. This 40-120 h.p. double cylinder traction engine is a 12-plow size. It was built about 1910 and sold in Manitoba as a demonstrator. From 1920 to 1935 it was used in the Hague district. It has been used for plowing, threshing, moving buildings, as a power plant, and for a sawmill until 1945.



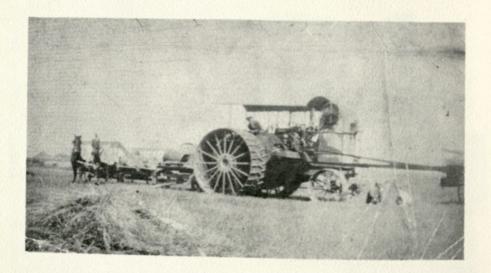
75 h.p. C. L. Best tractor. 1917 model. This picture was taken in 1920; uses ten gallons per hour under full load.



25 h.p. Rumley double cylinder engine used in Canada sawing lumber. Owned by R. J. Melby of Dalton, Minn.



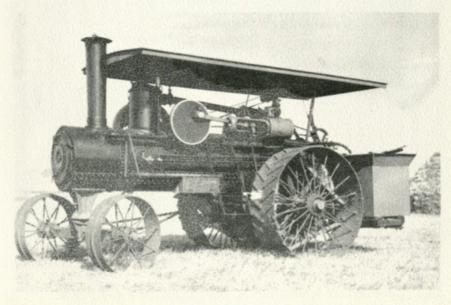
Harvesting in Canada. A Red River separator. 30-36 and a 36 Rumley plowing engine threshing in Canada on a Gunning farm in 1921.



40-65 Reeves gas tractor. Year: 1918. This is a large tractor, 4-71/4x9" cylinders. Owned by Alfred and Albin Kling of Donnelly, Minn.



40-65 Twin City gas tractor in 1918 threshing near Sloux Center, Ia.



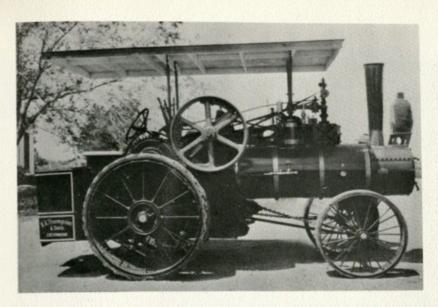
25 h.p. Nicols & Shepard engine owned by Kenneth Bratvoid of Ashby, Minn.



The 35 h.p. double-cylinder Buffalo Pitts engine pictured above is still used each fall for power during harvest on the Anderson Bros. farm at Christine, North Dakota. Each fall the Anderson Bros., Carl and Joe, stack and thresh between 35 and 40 stacks.



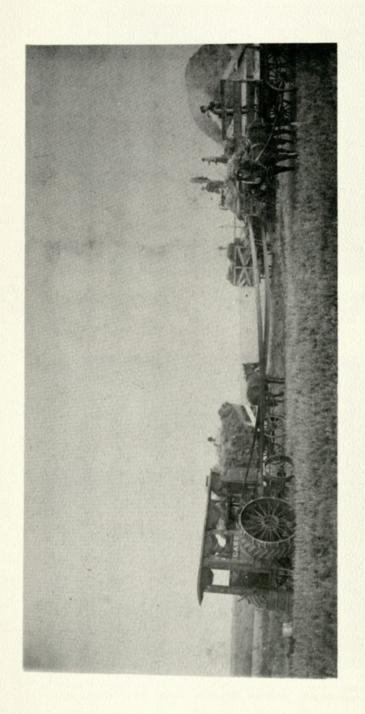
28 h.p. Minneapolis engine owned by Glenn Risbrudt. Purchased in 1961, this engine was last used in a saw mill north of Grand Rapids, Minn., about twelve years ago.



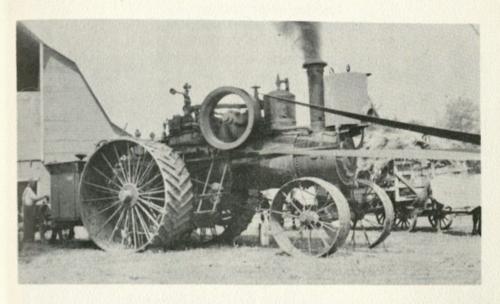
9 h.p. Case. Knute Thompson is the proud owner of this 9 h.p. Case, purchased in 1958 from Gilmer Johnson of Frédric, Wis.



H. P. Lahr's 8 h.p. engine built by Mr. Lahr at St. Joe, Minn.



20-40 Case tractor and a 32x52 Case separator threshing at Turner Valley, Canada. Picture was taken in 1917. Tractor burned distillate. Gilbert Kirkeby is on the tractor. They broke prairie sod pulling six breakers with this tractor.



35 h.p. double cylinder Nicols & Shepard steam engine. This is the largest engine this company built; was used in the Donnelly, Minn. area in 1931. Owned by Albin Kling of Donnelly.



30 h.p. Huber steam engine shown at the Dalton show. Owned by H. N. Johnson of Dalton, Minn.

Don't be what you ain't,
Jes' be what you is.

If you is not what you am,
Then you am not what you is.

If you're just a little tadpole,
Don't try to be a frog,

If you're just the tail,
Don't try to wag the dog.

You can always pass the plate,
If you can't exhort and preach.

If you're just a little pebble
Don't try to be the beach.

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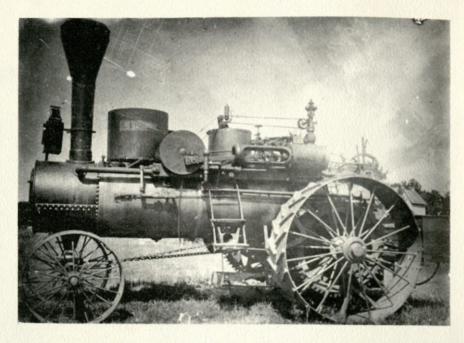
THE THRESHERMAN

He sounds his horn at early morn,
His whistle blows at noon;
Late on the road with trailing load
He challenges the moon.
From farm to farm, his shrill alarm
Summons his hardy crew
From field and plain to thresh the grain
That crowns a harvest new.

And all day long that self-same song
His separator sings,
As hour by hour with tireless power
Its flail this giant swings.
Legends have told of monsters bold
Who ruled the world through fear;
Dragons and knights famous in fights,
Heroes of sword and spear—
Our thresherman still leads the van,
For after all is said,
His work is best who helps the rest—
He keeps the world in bread!



George Winther of Pipestone, Minn. made this model of a Case engine. It is a perfect job done.



Nicols & Shepard 25 h.p. steam engine, taken in about 1912. Owned by Ronning Bros. of Dalton, Minn.

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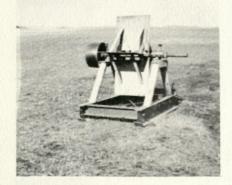
36 h.p. Rumley double cylinder steam engine, plowing prairie sod in Canada. They used 3-ton of coal and 9,000 gallons of water per day, pulling 14 breaker plows. This picture was taken in Canada.



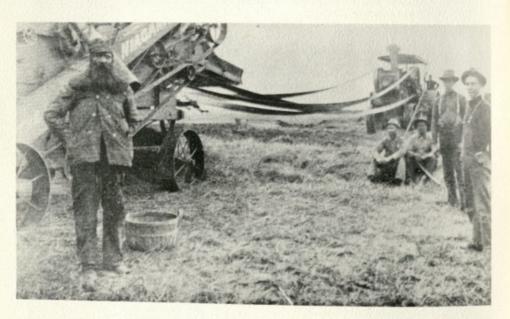
Sawing lumber in summer of 1962 on the Iver Hanson farm, 2 miles north of Ashby, Minn.

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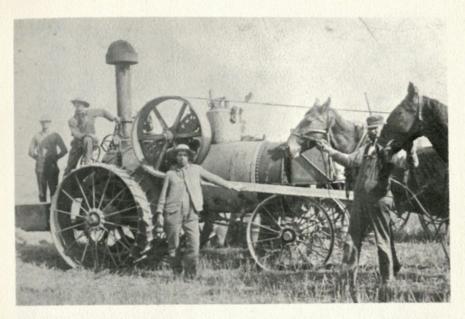
The Baker fan was perfected by the Baker Co., manufacturers of threshing machinery. The fan was used in the plant to test engines, putting a load on them and by so doing they could detect weak places in the boilers and engines.



Buffalo Pitts double-drive engine and thresher.

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Old threshing scene some 75 years ago. The engine is a Minneapolis steamer.

Notice the man holding the horses so they wouldn't run away.



One of the horse shows that perform at our annual show each year. These youngsters really go all out for this event.



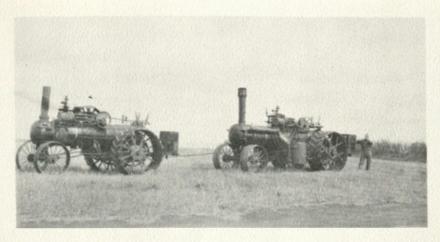
George Melby filling silo with his 22 h.p. Advance engine. Year: 1920.
Filling silo at Neely Gray farm at Ashby, Minn.



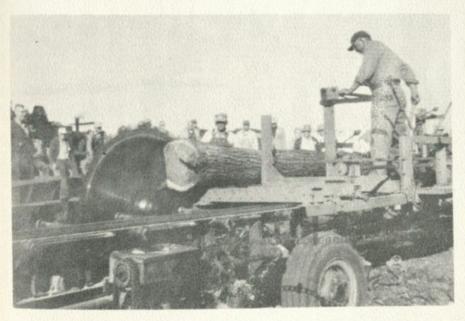
Stacking grain for the show at Dalton. About 30 acres are stacked each year. Cutting grain and stacking is done by the Dalton Community Club, which sponsors the show each year.



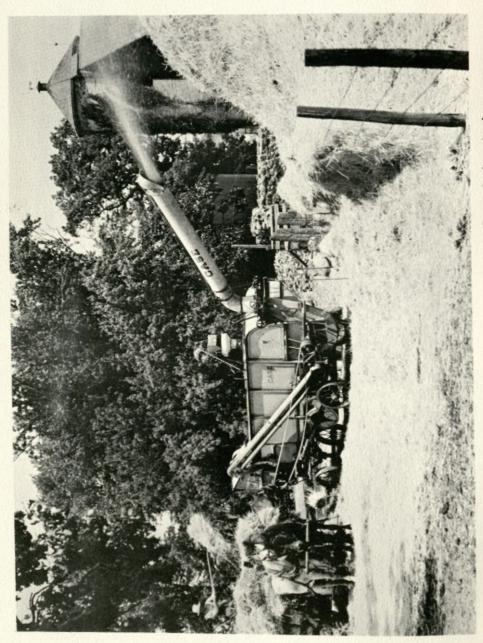
65 Case engine and 32x54 Case separator owned by L. L. Berge of Fergus Falls, Minn. Year: 1942. This was the last year they threshed with the steam rig. Ray



25 h.p. Sawyer Massey and 17 h.p. Sawyer Massey steamers, owned by W. E. Deering of Regina, Sask. Canada. These are beautiful engines.



Loyd Larson of Alexandria, Minn. sawing lumber at the Dalton show. Mr. Larson has been in the saw mill business since 1923, helping his father operate a Harwell saw mill. He sawed with this mill until 1953. His father had passed away and Loyd went on his own, sawing lumber in Minnesota, North and South Dakota and Iowa. He owns a Jackson lumber harvester and saws lumber besides farming a 160-acre farm. He does custom lumber sawing, furnishing his own power and goes anywhere you want him to go. Just call or write: Loyd Larson, Alexandria, Minn. Telephone 763-7327.



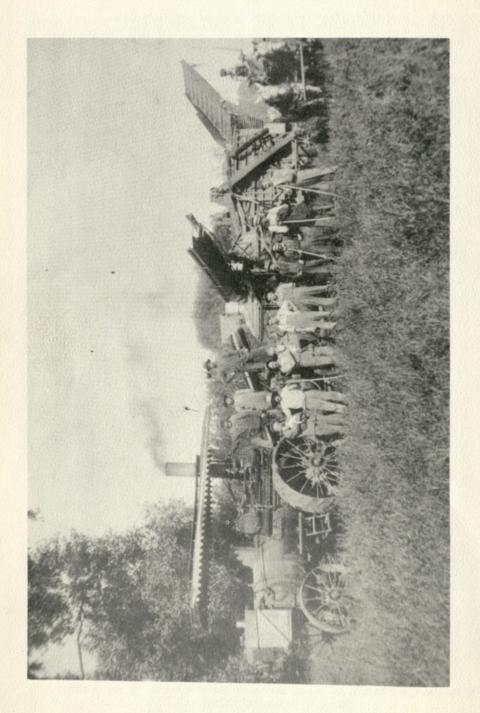
Courtesy of the J. I. Case Co. See the straw falling on the fence. Looks natural.



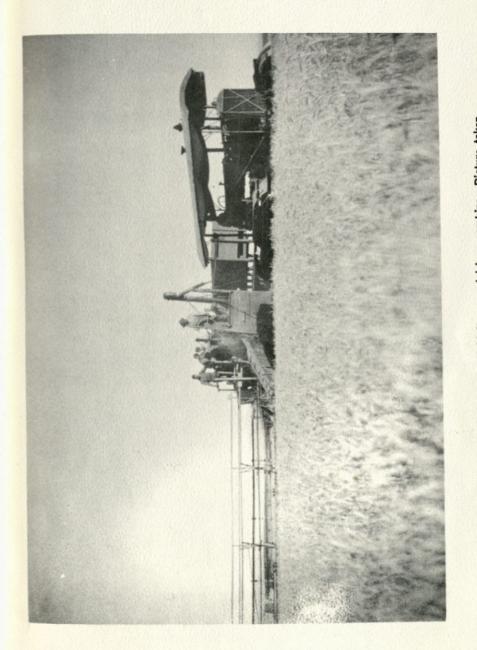
25 h.p. Northwest steam engine sawing lumber. Owned by the Skindrud Bros. of Underwood, Minn. Year: about 1916.



36x60 separator and 25 h.p. Northwest engine bought new in 1906 by the Skindrud Bros. of Underwood, Minn.



25 h.p. Minneapolis return flue engine and 44x64 Minneapolis straw carrier separator. Picture taken near Sioux Center, Ia.



1915 Best Track Type 75 Tractor and 24 ft. ground-driven combine. Picture taken at Great Falls, Montana, courtesy Lynn Gunning, Davenport, Washington.



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