

county units to cooperate with the State Association. As a result, Fond du Lac County was the first to organize, March 28, 1908, under the name of the Fond du Lac County Order of the Experiment Association. Since that time, nearly every county in the state has been organized. Any person directly or indirectly interested in growing pedigreed seeds is eligible to membership. The County Orders usually hold their annual meetings and grain and corn shows about two or three weeks before the annual meeting of the State Experiment Association. The exhibits winning first place are placed in competition with other exhibits at the annual state show. Many county orders print their own circulars containing the names of the members and the varieties they grow and the quantities they offer for sale. Money for cash premiums at the county exhibits is usually donated by local merchants or banks.

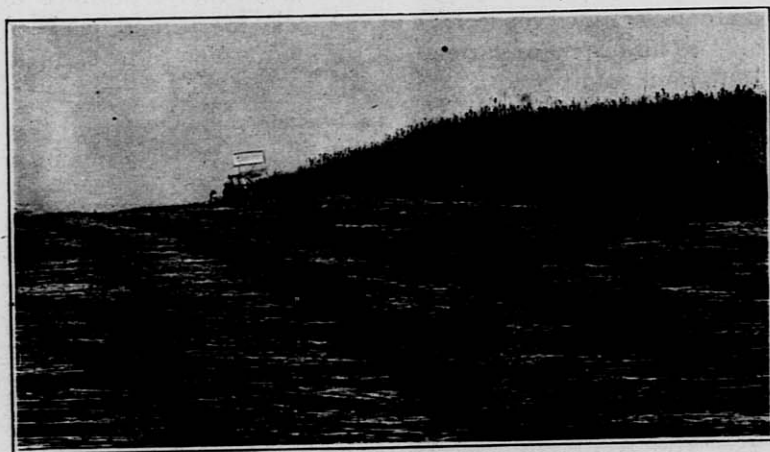
The Alfalfa Order

The Alfalfa Order of the Experiment Association is an organization of farmers interested in alfalfa growing and has for its purpose the encouragement of more alfalfa growing in Wisconsin. As one of the means to help the promotion of a strong alfalfa industry in Wisconsin, the Alfalfa Order has arranged for the cooperation of the members in carrying on numerous field experiments throughout the state. The association was organized in 1911 with only 21 charter members. It has increased in size from year to year so that in 1918 its membership was over 800. The members have carried on large state-wide tests to determine the relative value of different kinds of seed and have made every effort to solve winter killing problems. As a result of numerous experiments, the members are now able to determine the relative merits of the different kinds of seed so that the problem of winter killing will soon be largely eliminated. Literature on how to grow this crop may be secured free of charge by writing to the Secretary of the Alfalfa Order, Agronomy Bldg., Madison, Wis.

The Wisconsin Hemp Order

In 1918 Wisconsin became the leading hemp growing state in the Union. The stable growth which the hemp industry has made in this state is due considerably to organized effort.

At the very beginning of the industry at Waupun, an organization known as the Rock River Hemp Growers' Association was formed. This association was considerably responsible for guiding the new industry through the experimental stage. After the industry expanded and became of state-wide importance, a state association was formed. This association is known as the Hemp Order of the Wisconsin Experiment Association. The Hemp Order was organized at Ripon, October 18, 1917. The object of the Hemp Order is to promote the general welfare of the hemp industry in the state. Its membership is composed of hemp growers and



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hemp mill operators. Further information pertaining to this industry may be secured by writing to the Secretary of the Wisconsin Hemp Order, Agronomy Bldg., Madison, Wis., who will send free of charge Bulletin No. 293, entitled "Wisconsin's Hemp Industry."

Work Accomplished by the Wisconsin Experiment Association

Since 1901 the Association has been conducting experimental work in every county and on all the different types of soils and under various climatic conditions throughout the state. As an outgrowth of its work, the following results have been secured: