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This is what A. F. Gustafson of
the state college of agriculture at
Ithaca says in pointing out that
clover is a most important crop in
New York rotations. Without clover,
he says, it is difficult an costly
to keep the soil well supplied with
nitrogen.

"Clover and alfalfa," he adds
"are the cheapest and probably the
best source of protein for dairy
cows. These legume hays, cut early
and cured properly, supply absolute-
ly essential vitamins for cows. Le-
gumes also provide lime and phos-
phorus so necessary for milk pro-
duction and for the normal develop-
ment of a healthy calf. Abortion
is less likely to be prevalent among
cows fed plenty of alfalfa and good
clover hay."

"Both of these crops need plenty
of lime in the soil for fall growth.
Much of the southern and eastern

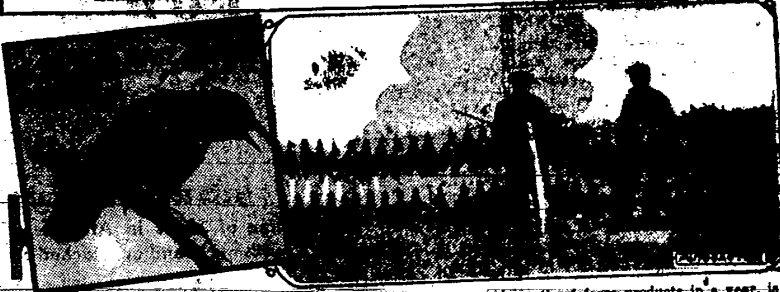
parts of the state need from one to
one and a half, and, on exceptional-
ly sour soils, two, tons of limestone,
or its equivalent, for red clover.
Alfalfa and sweet clover require
even more.

"Limestone may be applied on fall
plowed land as soon as the fields are
dry enough to get on them; it may
be worked in while making the
seed-bed preparatory to drilling the
spring grain and clover seed. Burn-
ed or hydrated lime may be applied
after the soil is dry enough to stir,
and should be mixed with the soil
very soon after spreading. Any
form of lime should be mixed very
thoroughly with the soil for best re-
sults with either clover or alfalfa.

"Good, well-sorted, domestic north-
east-grown clover seed is also neces-
sary to obtain a good red clover hay
crop."

THE CROW MUST GO

Estimated Farmers Lose \$200,000,000 per Year From Crows



Oklahoma's war on its ten million crows, which eat \$10,000,000 worth of farm products in a year, is spreading and agriculturists all over the country are now waging a war against the cunning bird of prey. It is estimated there are two hundred million crows in the United States.

Donald Agnew is authority for the

statement in regard to the number
of crows in Oklahoma—and he adds:
"Crows are increasing at such a rate
in that state that the agriculture
college at Stillwater is trying to find
an effective way of killing them off."

The Rev. Noel J. Allen, of Vir-
ginia, a noted authority on crows
and other vermin, estimated that
there are at least two hundred mil-
lion crows scattered throughout
the country, so if these black scamps do
a dollar a piece damage to crops
each year, the figures are appalling.
In Kentucky a farmer reports
that fifty of his lambs were blinded
by crows picking out the eyes—and
they died.

Perhaps the following letter ex-
presses the real conviction of the
average agriculturist. This farmer
in Pennsylvania, like all workers in
the country, likes birds. All thru
his communication it can be noted

his hesitancy to condemn one of

them. Still, he finds the crow a
nuisance and like thousands of others
thinks he must go. He says:
"In discussing the crow, I would
say that I am a farmer; having
been born and reared upon a farm,
at the base of the North Mountains
of Cumberland Valley, Fr. Co., Pa.,
hard by the tall timber, where there
are thousands of crows. My obser-
vations have fully convinced me that
the crow's merits are few, while his
demerits are many. Since the crows
in case is to be tried and weighed in
the balances of civilized human judg-
ment, I entertain grave fears for his
destiny; we have suffered much from
his ravages and pilfering.

"Also, my neighbor, Mr. Peter T.,
complains that in the winter of
1917-18, the crows came in thou-
sands and thrashed and devoured
about 50 per cent. of his corn, and
that he and his landlord had a dis-

pute as to who should suffer the

loss. "Man is not the only victim of
the crows' ravages. The song birds,
the insectiferous birds, and the game
birds as well, such as quail, pheas-
ant and wild turkey, these are all
victims for his prey and all share
the same fate. He robs their nests
of the eggs and kidnaps their young
and carries them away to gorman-
dize himself. Practically, the whole
feathered tribe share his unrelent-
ing ravages.

"So in summing up the evidence,
I adjudge the crow to be guilty of
violating practically the whole cate-
gory of the criminal code. He is
black! He is a pirate, robber, thief,
assassin and a murderer, and if so
convicted he deserves the sentence
of extermination by capital punish-
ment, which execution should be en-
couraged by a legislative act, offer-
ing a premium for his scalp."

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