

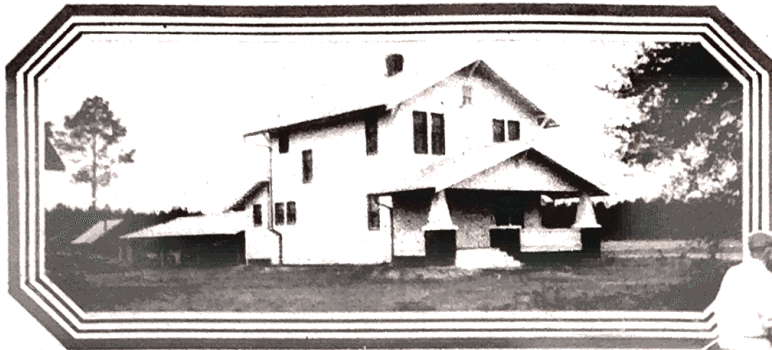
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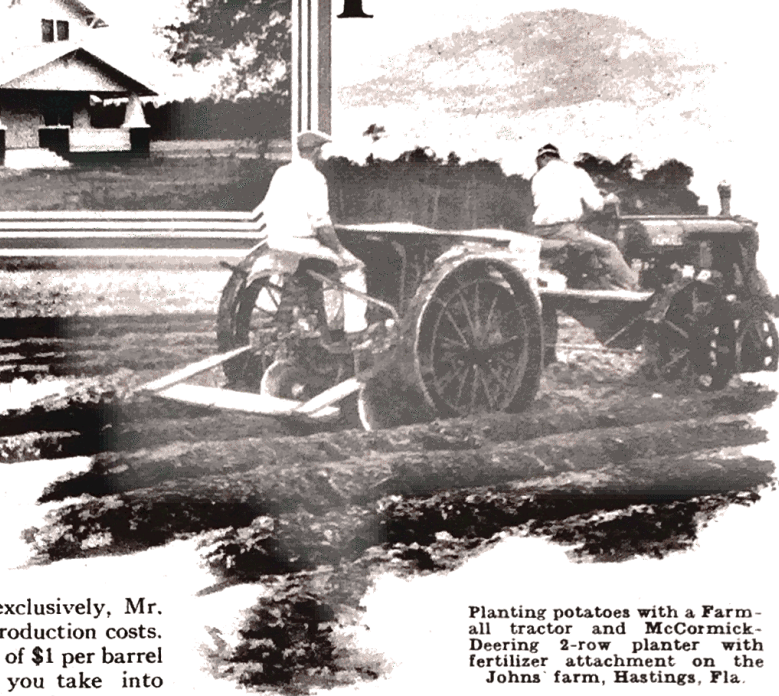
Mr. Frank Johns' residence near Hastings, Fla.

FLORIDA'S

MR. FRANK JOHNS and his son, F. A. Johns, who are located in the famous Hastings, Fla., Irish potato section, plant 100 acres in potatoes, with an average yield of 5,000 barrels. All operations are done by modern power-farming equipment. The only stock kept on this farm is one cat, three kittens, and a hen.

By operating with power machinery exclusively, Mr. Johns figures that he will greatly reduce production costs. He conservatively estimates a reduced cost of \$1 per barrel when using power equipment, and when you take into consideration a crop of 5,000 barrels or more, it amounts to quite an item.

Mr. Johns is an experienced potato grower, or, in other words, "he knows his potatoes," and is conservative in his figures. He is well convinced of the value of modern equipment and has adopted the following motto: "Speed



Planting potatoes with a Farmall tractor and McCormick-Deering 2-row planter with fertilizer attachment on the Johns farm, Hastings, Fla.

in operation and thorough cultivation." He has two Farmall tractors, one Farmall lister, one Farmall cultivator, and a 2-row McCormick-Deering potato planter with fertilizer attachment. Plowing, harrowing, marking, fertilizing, planting, dusting, and harvesting are all done

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with improved equipment and tractor power. Even cutting seed potatoes is done by a small foot-operated machine which will cut as many seed per day as five good cutters by hand.

We give the following comparisons between the method using mules and the Farmall way: 2 men, 1 Farmall, and a 2-row planter with fertilizer attachment can fertilize and plant the same acreage as 6 men and 7 mules; 1 man and 1 Farmall can middle-bust 25 acres per day, whereas it takes 3 men and 3 mules; 1 man and 1 Farmall can build 25 acres of rows per day, whereas it takes 3 men and 6 mules; 1 man and 1 Farmall can dust 100 acres per day, whereas it takes 4 men and 8 mules.

Mr. Johns is so thoroughly convinced of the advantage of operating modern equipment that he positively will not have a machine on his place that can be replaced by another or newer machine that will reduce his production costs.



This shows the quality of work done by the Farmall and potato planter.

