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### THE BOY'S WORLD.

(Detroit Free Press)

The "ninth annual state boys' conference" will meet in Detroit for three days next month. One thousand delegates from both peninsulas are expected and workers from many states will address them.

The world can probably afford to watch for a few years to see the outcome of the many wonderful things now being done for boys. The girls always said the boys have the best times, and that was never so true as it is today. Ministers obtain that because they are especially effective in governing boys in church and Sunday school. Interest in boys has brought into existence special courts and other costly experiments. Let it be confessed that the girls have their share also in the juvenile courts and have the same chance for admission to a detention home.

Some of these movements—including the organization of Boy Scouts—have some real appeal to manliness. In many others there is a coddling tendency, a way of surrounding the boy with nurses, guardians and grown-up playmates. Sometimes the sissifying work is increased in proportion to the badness of the boy. The girls are supposed to be good by their own energy and make their own good times. The boys have several magazines and five times as many stories as are written for girls.

This is no time to condemn the whole movement, or to select certain phases for condemnation. It is merely a time to remind ourselves that we are experimenting and experimenting rather elaborately. The great mass of special work for boys is tentative. When boys of 15 or more hold their own convention, it seems that childhood is getting very serious about itself, and juvenility is made a virtue and a mark of distinction. This is also an experiment.

"God, give us men!" is always the cry of the world, and any agency that will increase manliness is to be commended. But the patent processes hitherto devised have failed. Boxing has been recommended as "the manly art of self-defence," and the great pugilists of the world confute it by whining and pulling like so many old-time prima donnas. The Y. M. C. A. was established as a great school of Christian character—time has mellowed it into a club, a restaurant, a gymnasium, a swimming pool and a university.

So perhaps the new devices, the elaborate organization for manufacturing men, may bring no greater results. The man of the hour in the national crisis of 1910 may be today some Teddy Roosevelt taming broncos, some unobtrusive, Taft-like, some John Mitchell in the mines. And at least the coddled and petted bad boys of 1911, the ambitious and emulative good boys of the good boys' organizations, may be there to vote for these.

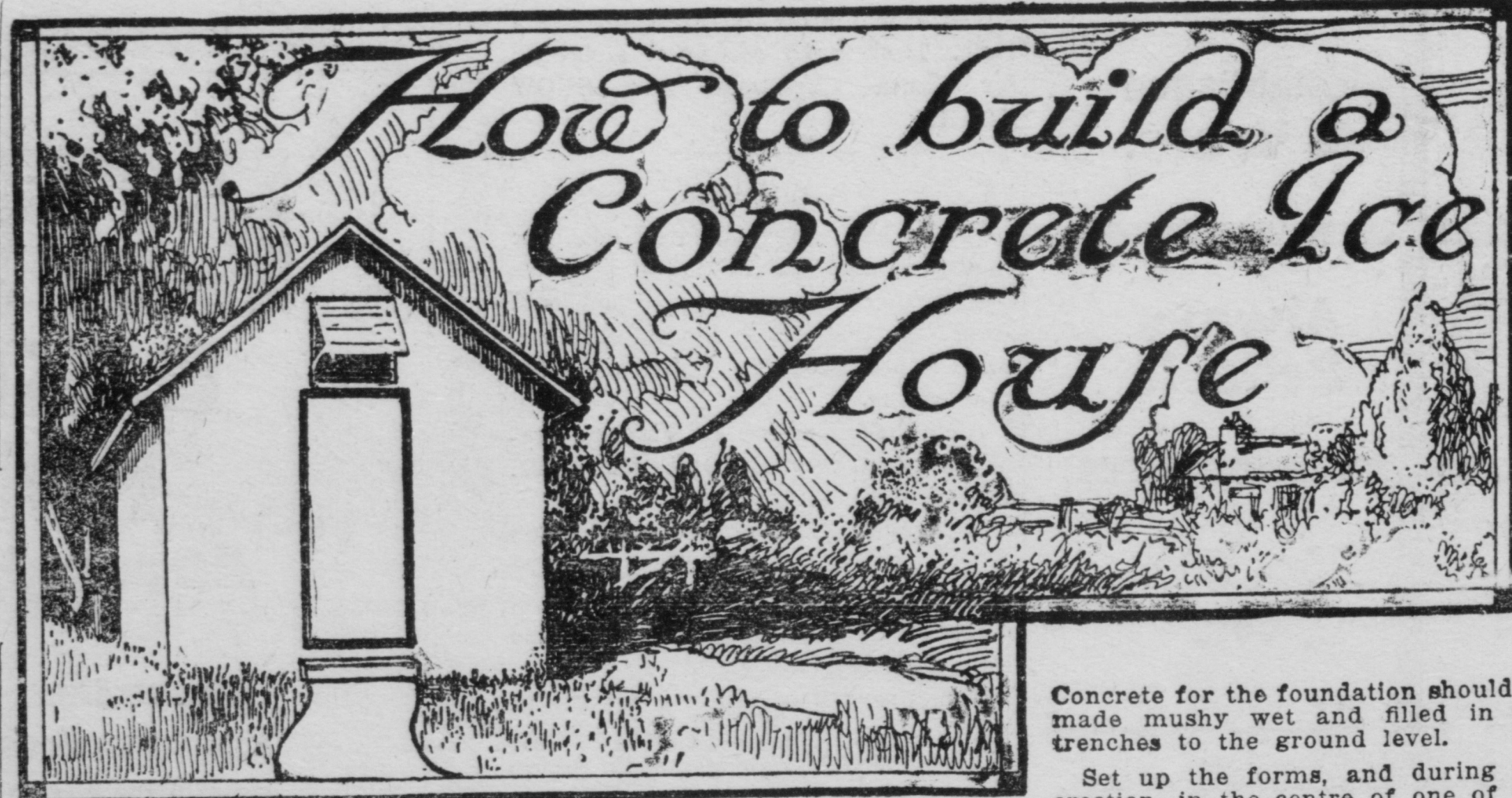
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THERE are few improvements possible which do more to make farm life pleasant than an ice house. Its stored blocks not only make it possible for the farmer to increase his profits by improving the market value of his dairy products, but also, to enjoy the comforts of a home supply of ice.

It is so easy and inexpensive to have an abundant supply of ice all summer that it is really surprising that every farm is not provided with an ice house. The spread of concrete construction on the farm has been followed by the erection of such buildings in all parts of the United States and Canada, and it is the purpose of this article to give some suggestions which may help those who have not yet built, to plan their ice-houses.

Concrete, being indestructible and not easily penetrated by heat or cold, is a splendid material for the walls. It has the added advantage of being comparatively cheap, since sand, stone, gravel and water are usually available on the farm, and the work can be done by the farmer or his assistants at seasons of the year when spare time is plentiful. Moreover, concrete walls are not affected by the continual dampness and do not rot like wood. The saving in painting and repairing, to say nothing of superior ice-keeping qualities, in a few years amounts to more than the first cost of the concrete building.

**Location.** In determining the location of the ice-house, a place should be chosen where the building can be well drained by an underground line of drain tile. If possible, it should be placed where the shade of large trees, or larger structures, will protect it from the heat of the mid-day sun. The concrete for the walls should be made of Portland cement, clean sand and a hard crushed gravel or screened gravel. Instead of the sand and rock, clean bank-run gravel may be used.

Naturally, the size of the ice-house will depend upon the number of pounds needed daily and the number of days ice will be used. A cubic foot of ice weighs about 57 pounds, and a ton, with 10 per cent allowance for seams between the cakes, occupies 38 cubic feet. It is not necessary to pack the ice between the cakes, but on the floor, around the sides of the building and on the top of the ice there should be placed 12 inches of sawdust, well rammed. An 18-inch thickness of peat or marsh hay may be used instead of the sawdust, provided it is well weighted down on top of the ice. Making allowance for sawdust packing and 8-inch concrete walls, a house 10 feet square (inside measurement) and 8 feet to the eaves, will hold 10 tons.

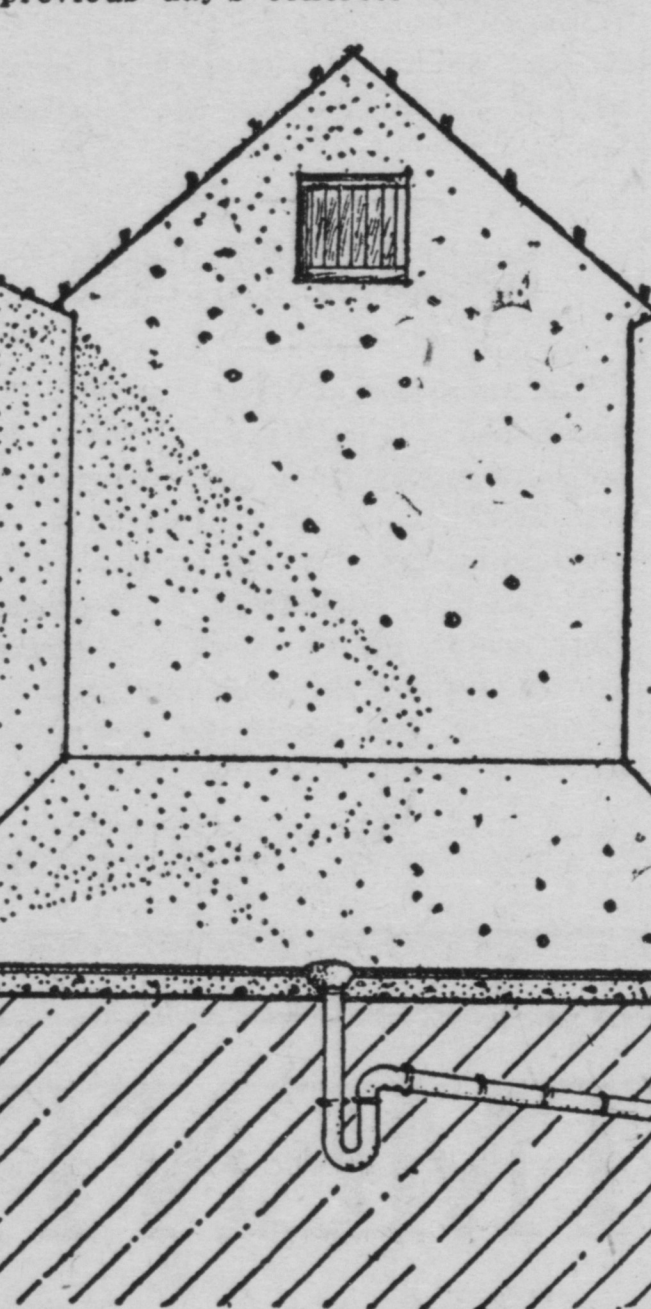
### MEN WHO FAIL TO VOTE

(From the Canadian Courier.)

While maintaining that loafers, non-earners and uneducated men should not have the vote, one cannot shut his eyes to the fact that many educated, property owners fail to use their ballots because of selfishness. These men are almost as dangerous as the others. The Ottawa Free Press points out that at the last municipal election in Ottawa, there were 19,500 people on the list entitled to vote and only 8,700 voted. The Free Press intimates that this is partially explained by the fact that the candidates for municipal honors were not such as to commend themselves to the public. This is a poor excuse. No matter what the quality of the candidates, every voter should exercise his suffrage. Municipal elections in many

The materials may be hauled to the site at odd times, and piled so as to be convenient for working.

The wooden forms for the concrete may be either fixed or movable. Fixed forms are merely two boxes without top or bottom, which fit one within the other with an 8-inch space between for the concrete. Such forms are made of 2 by 4 inch studding spaced two feet and sheathed next to the concrete wall with 1-inch siding. The forms should be held in place at the bottom by timbers called "liners," and should be well braced. To save lifting the concrete, the outside boards may be nailed on as the concrete is placed in the forms. Movable forms require less lumber than the fixed variety. Such forms are built in sections 2 to 4 feet high and in lengths convenient to handle, usually 8 to 10 feet. The 2 by 4 inch uprights are spaced three to four feet. Cross-cleats at the top are provided to keep the forms eight inches apart. Near the bottom twisted wire ties are used to draw the forms up tightly against the previous day's concrete work. Each



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succeeding day the wires are cut and the forms raised.

The sheathing and rafters for the wooden roof may be used in the forms. It is not necessary to cut them; their ends may simply be allowed to project beyond and above the walls.

Foundation trenches should be dug 10 inches wide along the lines laid out for the building and should be carried down to solid ground and below frost, usually three to four feet. Bring a drain tile up within the building lines to the point where the door will be.

### Mixing.

In mixing the concrete a tight wooden platform should be used. The proportions are one part Portland cement to 2 1/2 parts sand to 5 parts crushed rock. Or one part cement may be used to 5 parts bank run gravel. In measuring, count one bag of cement equal to one cubic foot.

Provinces are now coming on and it is the duty of every man and every woman with a vote to use it to the best advantage. If good men realize that there is danger from "general apathy" they will be more anxious to come out as candidates. There is no reasonable reason why candidates should be forced to go about hand-shaking, coaxing and cajoling voters to come out and cast a ballot for them. The whole practice is wrong. Its natural result is to leave municipal politics in the hands of small men who have so little sense of dignity and self-respect that they are willing to devote weeks to what is known as a "personal canvass." What Canada needs is not more voters, but more men who may be relied upon to vote at every election.

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Concrete for the foundation should be made mushy wet and filled in the trenches to the ground level.

Set up the forms, and during the erection, in the centre of one of the end walls, place a door frame (2 1/2 by 6 feet clear) within the forms. Brace it well so that the concrete will not bulge it out of shape. Place the concrete in layers 6 to 8 inches thick carried around the entire building. In the concrete walls of each gable end set a frame for ventilating doors (2 1/2 by 2 1/2 feet) in the same way as the large door frame was placed.

As the forms are filled, at intervals of 18 inches, imbed bent iron rods or twisted wire in the concrete around the corners of the building. Likewise put two 3/4-inch rods or an old wagon tire in the concrete 1 1/2 inches above the door opening. When the side and end walls have reached their full heights and while the concrete is yet soft, set 3/4-inch bolts, 8 inches long, 32 inches apart. To these bolts will be fastened the 2 by 4-inch plates for the roof.

After the building is a week old, the forms may be removed and the concrete floor built directly on the ground. Begin at the back of the building and slope the floor 1/4-inch to the foot in the direction of the drain tile at the door. Lay the last few sewer pipes of the 6-inch drain with well-cemented joints and include a tile known as a "trap," having a bend which always contains water. The water acts as a seal to keep out the warm air in the drain. Cover the floor end of the drain with a trash strainer.

### The Roof.

The roof may be covered with shingles or any other good material. Close the door opening, next to the ice, with removable sections of boards fitting in slots or grooves and provide a door swinging out. Hang the little doors in the gables with hinges on the outside, so they may be cracked to provide the necessary ventilation and at the same time keep out the rain. Store the ice as previously instructed. Success in ice-keeping depends largely.

On an air-tight, heat-proof building. On good drainage, with the drain "trapped" to keep out warm air; On careful and thorough packing of the ice; On well regulated ventilation in the roof space over the ice. A well built concrete ice-house fulfills these conditions. Every year it is ready for use without repairs. And by means of ice, farm life can not only be made more comfortable and attractive, but fruit, poultry and dairy products can be marketed to better advantage. For an ice-house 10 by 10 feet, 8 feet to the eaves and 13 feet to the roof peak, with 8-inch walls, 4-inch floor, and a flat that is 10 inches by 3 feet, the following materials will be required for the concrete: Crushed rock, 15 cubic yards. Sand, 7 1/2 cubic yards. Portland cement, 21 barrels, and 1 1/2 3/4 by 8-inch round head bolts.

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