

Happier Outlook
For Farmers

Objects For Which the Commission on Country Life Was Appointed by President Roosevelt—Why Farmers Need to Co-operate to Lessen the Farm Drudgery and Make Life More Attractive to Themselves and Their Families.

Two of the most important actions of President Roosevelt or of any president in recent times were nonpartisan in character and in any sense of strict construction were outside the prescribed duties of his office. One was the calling of the convention of governors to consider the conservation of our natural resources, and the other was the appointment of the commission to investigate the condition of our farmers and report methods for their improvement. It would be difficult to find two more praiseworthy objects. Into both of them all patriots and lovers of their race can enter with the utmost heartiness. The two subjects are kindred in character and together with the beautifying of our cities and villages constitute a field of effort in which the harvest is ripe, but the laborers are few.

It is difficult to measure the relative importance of contemporary movements, but it is the opinion of the writer that the future will find none more commendable than the broad and general crusade included under these three heads. It is philanthropic in the highest degree. That it is necessary the destruction of our forests and the abandonment of our farms demonstrate. Its aims are for betterment, the creation of more beautiful surroundings and the increase of happiness. It not only goes with nature, but brings men back to nature. It is both practical and idealistic. It means the improvement of the outer and inner man. It makes for happier homes. It tends to an increased love of nature and hence an increased love

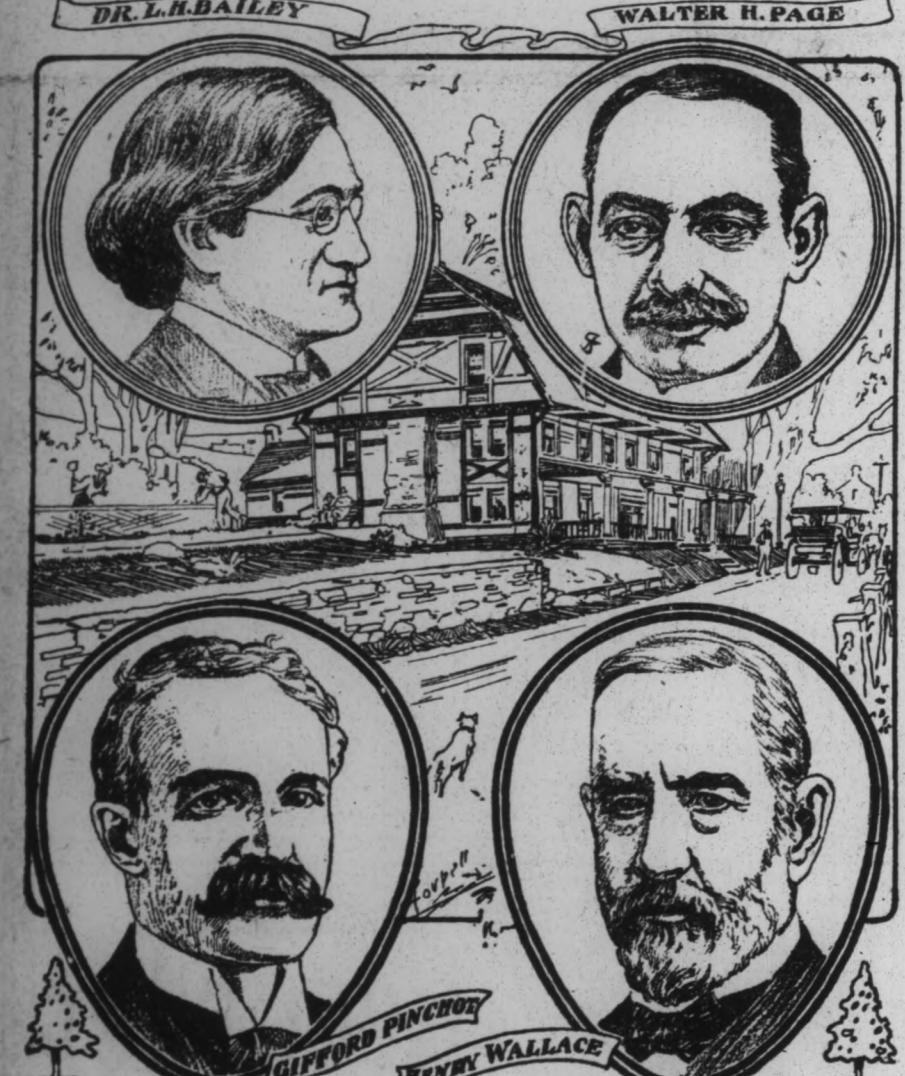
brought the farmer somewhat nearer to his kind. What is now required are good roads, the beautifying of the landscape, and the advancement of social and intellectual life in rural communities. In a business way the farmers need more co-operation among themselves both in buying and selling. Now they are at the mercy of market manipulators and middlemen. If they would band together, had warehouses in which to store their products until the market was most favorable and would buy in large quantities they would save at both ends. These objects can frequently be brought about by organizations such as the Grange, the Alliance, the Farmers' union and kindred bodies. Such movements serve another desirable object in that they increase the social life of the farmer and heighten his intellectual life, the lodge room often serving as a debating club, a literary society and a school.

The writer has advocated a general movement embracing all these objects. All of these efforts seemed to him related and capable of being included in one general work. In a gardening and landscape page he has repeatedly urged this entire programme, at one time giving it a definite statement thus:

It has occurred to the writer that there should be a general movement inaugurated along certain definite lines that are kindred and that naturally support each other.

The first of these should be a propaganda showing the importance of horticulture and landscape gardening. This should not be confined to large estates, but the people generally should be interested in it.

Second.—A movement should be inaugurated against the prim, precise and form-



FOUR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTRY LIFE COMMISSION.

of country. It helps those now living, but still more it helps the generations unborn. It benefits the farmer, on whose well being the prosperity of all nations rests. May it not well be that in years to come this crusade to improve the life on the farm, beautify landscapes, cities and villages, conserve and replant our forests, make better roads and better streets, will grow to be a fountain of blessing to the race and will receive the plaudits of that greater, wiser and better humanity that the future is to bring forth?

Need of Co-operation.

I know of no humanitarian effort of modern times that appeals to my soul more powerfully than does this. With the improvement of transportation facilities through the automobile, the electric road, the steam road, and latest and greatest, the ships of the air, men will live more and more distant from their places of business. This will end the frightful congestion of our cities and will improve the appearance of the country and the conveniences of rural life. Then the lessening of the drudgery of the farm and the increasing of the social and intellectual life of the farmer and his family will tend to stop the flocking of young men and women to the city and will increase the prosperity, the intelligence and the happiness of our most numerous class. In many European nations the farms are so cut up that those who till them can group their homes into little hamlets. This removes the lonesomeness of country life and adds to social pleasure. In this country the introduction of the telephone and rural free delivery has

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The Negro and His Vote

The Negroes aim should be to be a part
of everything that tends to the elevationand progress of this nation. His thoughts
and action must accord with and be found
in such channels. There is no denying the
fact, that the race is making rapid progress
in all lines, save one that concerns his en-
richment. With 85 per cent of therace living in the South and denied their
right of suffrage it is evident that something
is wrong somewhere. The constitution of
the United States says that the Negro shall
vote, but the South sees to it that he don'tvote, and there's the rub! The South is
stronger than the Nation on Negro suffrage,
so after all the question resolves itself into
one of policy rather than law. And the
Negro must give serious thought to the
question, if he would improve present ten-
dencies and conditions. The Negro must
vote as any other intelligent citizens would
and does exercise his franchise.The white republican will not vote for a
"yellow dog" on the republican ticket, but
the Negro will; and there is where he errs.The white republican will not vote for an
unfit republican candidate, but the Negro
will and is accordingly censured by all good
citizens. The ballot is the strongest assetin the hands of any American citizen, and
when that is destroyed that is little wonder
that every other right and privilege is soruthlessly attacked. The Negro must so
ingratiate himself into every fibre of Ameri-
can progress that no enemy can strike him
without jarring the best influences of thatcommunity, and then he will have solved
the Race problem.Politically, the Negro must change fronts.
He could well afford to be a part of all par-
ties, for why should not his beliefs and ideals
run from Republicanism to Socialism the
same as other citizens. But the one thing
essential is that the Negro give due con-
sideration to the issues and not vote blindly.President-elect Taft in his opening speech
of the recent campaign made at Lexington,
Ky., discussed the Negroes franchise.After mentioning the various means of
disfranchising votes, decaring that such
laws were proper if applied with equal fair-
ness to both white and black he expressedthe hope that as the colored citizens under
the leadership of such men as Booker T.
Washington, would become respected busi-
ness members of the communities in whichthey live, and when they exercise inde-
pendence of judgment in respect to political is-
sues, we may be sure that gradually the
right to vote will be accorded them and
they will exercise a far more useful influenceas intelligent and solid members of the
community for the benefit of their race
than the ignorant members of their race
would have exercised had they been allowed
to vote. In this way, through devious
ways which can not be justified or approved
we may still reach a result that will square
with the requirements of the Federal con-
stitution and will give to the Negro every
political and economic right and will con-
fer great benefit upon the colored race."

Booker Washington's New Book

Booker T. Washington's "Up From
Slavery," which is the story of his life
has been translated into Malaya, Zulu
Indian, Arabic, Chinese and Japanese
to say nothing of European languages
such as German, Norwegian, Danish,
Spanish French and Finnish. Furthermore, it has been printed in raised
characters for the blind. Mr. Washington
is now writing "The Story of the
Negro," which Doubleday, Page &
Company will publish some time this
fall. This is to be a simple, direct
narrative of a people's progress.

MOUND BUILDERS FANS.

Chicago Professor Says Their In-
closures Were Baseball Fields."Baseball is not a modern game, and
all credit for the invention of it should
go to the mound builders," said Profes-
sor Frederick Starr of the University
of Chicago in a recent lecture on
prehistoric archaeology. Professor
Starr declares that through the south-
ern part of Ohio and Indiana he has
found geometrically perfect mounds
or inclosures closely resembling the
modern baseball diamond. These are
generally believed to have been built
for purposes of protection. Professor
Starr, however, says:"They are nothing more or less than
old baseball fields of the mound build-
ers. The game as played by these old
people resembled our modern game
closely. The most essential difference
is that our game calls for only nine
players, while in prehistoric times as
many as a hundred men were neces-
sary."

Cure For Lovesickness.

In a lecture before the Chicago Col-
lege of Medicine Dr. A. R. Hagle ex-
plained a cure for lovesickness. He said:"A doctor can prepare himself to
treat lovesickness through mental in-
fluence just as more serious ills are
treated by it. One suggestion is to find
a new love. This occasionally cures an old
love complaint."He commanded the theory of Bishop
Fallows of mind and medicine work-
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ley, street.

Negro dolls.

Humor and Philosophy

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FIRST TRY-OUT.

Pathetic
On its face
As the case
Of the little girl
Whose big brother
Has just discovered
That she has an apple
Yes, all of that

Wise
And prominent citizen
Arises to make
His first speech in public
Behold

On his brow the cold
Sweat

The muscles of his neck set

Ready for a fight

While in his heart

He meditates flight

First on one foot he stands

His chest expands

His legs are short

And quick, and there is a sort

Of feeling that the world

Is slipping away

He starts to say

The words he had learned

With toll and pain

But he has taken the train

For now, now,

Vanished in the air

And left, alack

A message saying

They would never be back

You've been there?

Not, not

Well, that's one part of the show

You missed

It looks easy

As tumbling in the hay

But, say,

It isn't any such thing.

Not Interested.



GOING TO THE GAME?

Going to the football game?

"Not me."

"Don't you understand the plays?"

"No; I am sorry to say my early education in pugilism was sadly neglect-
ed."

JOHNNY KNEW.

"Papa, what is a cross examination?"
asked Mary.

"I know, I know!" piped up Johnny.

"Aw, you don't either!"

"Do too!"

"Well, what does it mean?"

"The cross talk mama gives you
when she's trying to find out if you
have been in swimming."

OF THE STANDARD VARIETY.

"Can you think of anything more ex-
citing than love letters?"

"You bet."

"Well, what?"

"Off letters."

OF HAS BEEN.

How fickle fashion changes

In toys and other wares!

In many an attic now is stored

A flock of Teddy bears.

ALL OFF.

"He is in love
with himself."

"Then he could
not like me?"

"Why?"

"Because he has
such queer taste."

DO YOU KNOW—

That it takes only one to make a
quarrel when that one is what is
known as a third person?

That success is sweet, but sometimes the
sweetening quality is about the
consistency and flavor of black strap?

That persistence is a horrid quality
when it is found in a person you don't
like bent on interfering with your af-
fairs?

That where ignorance is peace it is
quite often profitable to get wise?

That a rolling stone is a smooth one
and a mossback a back number?

That the early bird takes his chances
with the tomat and the barn owl?

That while the worm may turn it
will be only to get it on the other side of his head?

That you never miss the water till
the well runs dry, and not then if you
chance to live in moonshine territory.

That there is no place like home, for
which some exiles thereof are most de-
voutly thankful?

That, while it takes money to make
the mare go, most any old thing will
have that effect on money.

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News, Incidents, Social + and + Personal Activities

HAUGHVILLE.

Communion services were held at St. Paul Baptist church Sunday afternoon, with Rev. F. R. Averett officiating. Rev. H. H. Palmer of Jeffersonville, filled the pulpit at evening services. Rev. T. A. Feugerson filled his own pulpit at Caldwell Chapel Sunday, and delivered two splendid sermons to his congregations. An old time Tennessee festival was given at St. Paul Church last Saturday night, by the ladies of the church. A large crowd was present and an enjoyable time was had by all. The women's westside culture club met with Mrs. L. Johnson on Franklin avenue on last Friday afternoon. A very interesting paper was read by Mrs. Lula Robinson on "Woman in Politics," and its discussion was enjoyed by the members. The Shakespear Literary club will meet at the residence of Mrs. Henry Prince, on North Traub avenue, next Friday afternoon. The boys and girls New Moon society club met with Ada Owens last Sunday afternoon at her home on N. Sheffield avenue in honor of her birthday, and the members left many little tokens, in remembrance of the day.

NORWOOD.

A very brilliant wedding occurred Wednesday evening, the contracting parties being Miss Barbara Edelen and Rev. Jas. Young. Presiding Elder Wm. Chambers officiated. Mrs. Jennie Brown Warner played the wedding march, and during the ceremony played, "O, Promise Me." The bride wore a beautiful white gown, trimmed in valentine lace. Many useful and costly presents were received. Rev and Mrs. Young will reside in Kansas. Mrs. Belle Street, organist at Penick Chapel, gave a very successful entertainment Thursday evening to secure means to purchase choir books. Miss Henrietta Davis, assisted by an able array of talent, will give a burlesque on Uncle Tom's Cabin, a female monologue and impersonator and other numbers will add to the entertainment. The leading soloist will be Mrs. Nannie Coleman Lewis. This entertainment will be held Saturday evening, Nov. 14, at Gymnasium hall, for the benefit of the Gymnasium fund. The school children of this place will have their annual Thanksgiving dinner. Much has already been promised in order to make the affair the largest and best dinner given. Prominent speakers have been secured to address the parents and friends who may attend. Little Clarence Turner, the grandson of Peter Trabue, is sick with lung fever. Miss Naomi Hardwick, who has been attending the teacher's college, had to stop because ill of tonsilitis and rheumatism.

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VINCENNES.

Mrs. Maggie Gordon, who has been sick, is better. Mr. and Mrs. Kemp and family left Sunday morning for their home in Missouri. Mr. and Mrs. Cottier of Washington, were the guests of their sister, Mrs. Anthony. Quarterly meeting last Sunday was a success. Quarterly was held Monday night. Mrs. Lettie Nash, who has been quite ill, is reported better. The sewing circle will meet at the home of Mrs. Ellen Goins Thursday. The children's band of the Second Baptist church gave an entertainment Thursday night. Mrs. Ellen Knight, who has been visiting her sister in New Orleans has returned home. The Juvenile G. U. O. F. lodge will give a supper Thanksgiving night. Several of the friends gave a surprise party on Rev. Ampey and wife last Wednesday night. If you want your items published give them to Miss Irene Carter.

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NOBLESVILLE

ANDERSON

The services at Bethel A. M. E. Church were excellent last Sunday. The attendance at night was the largest that has been at Bethel for a great while. There was organized at Bethel church last Sunday, an Aileen Connectional Brotherhood Prayer Band. Brother Alfred Scott was elected President, and Brother Isaac Scott, Secretary. Among the visitors at Bethel last Sunday night was the Rev. Mr. Lyons of Indianapolis, who visiting his daughter, Mrs. Francis Freeze. Quite a number of friends were over from Westfield last Sunday. Mrs. Thomas Hammon entertained Rev. Lewis and family at dinner last Sunday. Mrs. Woodard Stewart, who has been on the sick list for the past three or four weeks, is improving, but she is still unable to be out. Mrs. Alfred Scott was able to be out last Sunday for the first time in two or three weeks. Rev. Bassett who has been on the sick list, is improving. Mrs. Harvey Lee entertained Rev. Lewis and wife at dinner, last Thursday. Don't get the Harvest Home and Fall festival at K. of P. hall, Wednesday and Thursday nights, Nov. 25th and 26th. The ladies of Bethel church are sparing no pains to make this the grandest entertainment of the season. All those who are missing the services at Bethel church, are certainly missing a spiritual feast. Call up phone 23 and give your subscription for the Recorder, the leading Race journal of the state, and also phone any news that you may have for the paper.

FT. WAYNE.

Rev. C. L. Pettiford went to Clear Lake this week, upon a three day's fishing tour, in company with Dr. Morse Herford and others. Mrs. Edward Carter and daughter returned home last week from Lafayette, where she was called to the bedside of her mother. Mrs. Addie Rhodes of Denver, Col., and Mrs. Florence McFadden of Brookfield, Mo., left Tuesday for their respective homes, after attending the funeral of their mother. Mrs. Melindie J. Green. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Brackenridge were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Jones last Sunday. L. D. Cook of Greenville, and Nelson Cook attended the funeral of their sister, Mrs. Green. Mr. Rome Peters went to Dayton Sunday on business. A grand time was had at the party given by the B. D. B. Saturday night. Those present were Miss Merle Moten, Miss Lucretia Rhodes, Miss Katherine Smith, Miss Ella Peters, Miss Ida Williams of Springfield, Miss Rock Smith, Miss Blance Adams, Mrs. M. Talbot and Mrs. R. K. Jones, Mr. Millard Young, Benjamin Talbot, Louis Talbot, Theo. Talbot, Orville Turner of Logansport, Wm. Finlay, Oliver Green and Samuel Jones. The evening was spent in games. Mr. Lee Boyd is in the city visiting his aunt Mrs. Minnie Adams, with whom he will probably spend the winter. The game supper given by the Catanthe Court Tuesday night was a great success. Mrs. Lydia Brown has returned home from South Bend, Indianapolis, Loganport and various other places. Mrs. Maggie Moore returned from Emporia (Kan.) Gazette. The simple fact is that no man has done more to place union labor on a sound, square, law-abiding, respected footing than William H. Taft by his decisions in labor cases. Both employers and employees have acknowledged the justice of his decisions and learned to abide by them, and to-day there is not an intelligent worker or farsighted employer who would seek to abrogate them.

Judge Taft lifted union labor from the doubt and uncertainty as to its rights which had before prevented and gave it a standing which it has ever since retained, and which has proved under his rulings, secure against all attack. The old assumption, derived from England, that union labor is a conspiracy, and that workers could be prevented from leaving railway or other employment at their will, was swept away forever by Judge Taft so far as the United States is concerned, and when an attempt was made, years later, to revive the principle, Judge Taft's decision was quoted successfully by the labor side to defeat the plea.

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Chief Statistician of Census Bureau
Writes on "The Assets of the
United States."

The nation's wealth is not in the hands of a few, according to L. G. Powers, chief statistician of the census bureau at Washington.

Writing on "The Assets of the United States" in the September number of the American Journal of Sociology, issued recently from the University of Chicago press, Mr. Powers has the following to say of the concentration of wealth in America:

"If we start with the value of farms and other homes which are known to be owned by men of small possessions, the savings bank deposits and other known possessions of those of moderate means, and then add the lowest popular estimates of the possessions of our millionaires, we have an aggregate far in excess of the census appraisal of national wealth, and the conclusion under such circumstances is irresistible either that the census estimates are ridiculously small or the popular estimates of the wealth of our millionaires are greatly exaggerated.

"The writer does not find any evidence that would justify either the statement that our national wealth is

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How beautiful the description of

David in II Sam. xxiii, 1, "David the

son of Jesse, the man who was raised

up on high, the anointed of the God of

Jacob, and the sweet psalmist of Is-

rael," and notice in verse 2 from

whence he received his messages, "The

spirit of the Lord spake by me, and

His word was in my tongue." The

tongue and the pen were David's, but

the messages were the Lord's by His

spirit. See also Ex. iv, 12; Jer. 4, 7-9;

Ezek. iii, 10, 11; John xii, 49, and note

how the prophets and even our Lord

Himself received their messages from

God the Father. The spirit of Christ in

the prophets had mainly a twofold

theme, the suffering of Christ and the

glory that should follow (I Pet. 4, 11),

and in no psalm are these more fully

set forth than in Ps. xxii, written as

if by an eyewitness and giving some

of the very words He uttered on the cross

(verse 1), yet pointing on to His resur-

rection kingdom and glory, saying,

"The kingdom is the Lord's, and He is

the governor among the nations" (verse 28).

The psalm for today seems to refer

to the millennial glory of Israel and

yet was the personal experience of

David and may be that of each indi-

vidual believer. David knew well the

life of a shepherd and what it meant to

care kindly for the sheep, and even to

put his life in danger for them, as

when he delivered one of his lambs

from a lion and a bear and slew them

both (I Sam. xvi, 34-36). As he thought

of his care of his flock, he could look

up to the living God, the Lord of hosts,

and say, "Jehovah is my shepherd,"

as he knew that his sheep were

safe and well cared for under his

watchful care, so he was sure that he

was even better cared for by his shep-

herd, the stone of Israel (Gen. xlxx, 24;

Ps. lxxx, 1). Hear the Lord's own

words in this connection in John x, 11:

"I am the good shepherd. The good

shepherd giveth his life for the sheep."

Think of Him also as great shepherd

living in us and working in us to will

and to do of His good pleasure (Heb.

xiii, 20, 21). Then see (I Pet. v, 1-4)

where as the chief Shepherd He will

reward those who for Him feed His

flock. All the blessedness comes from

being able to say My Shepherd.

We may know all the facts about

Him and believe all that He says He

is and has done and will do, but if

there is no personal appropriation there

is no benefit. The soul must be able to

say My Redeemer, My Lord, My Shep-

herd. Then we can rest in Rom. viii,

32, and know of a surety that we shall

not want, for there is no want to

them that fear Him and live uprightly

before Him (Ps. xxxiv, 9, 10; lxxix,

11). Lying down is restful, and green

pastures speak of satisfaction; satisfied

and restful. He satisfies the hungry

soul. There is such a thing as abiding

satisfied (Prov. xix, 23), and yet there

is a satisfaction that will be only when

we are awake in His likeness (Ps. xvii,

15). In Him dwelt all the fullness

of the Godhead (Col. 1, 19; II, 9), and if

we are not filled full in Him the diffi-

