

COUNTRY LIFE SHOULD BE UPLIFTED

President Dwells Upon the Necessity of Farmers Being Given Chance—Agricultural Department Big Assistance.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Feb. 9.—President Roosevelt prefaced by a special message to congress the report of the commission appointed to promote the interests of "Country Life in America." The president's message in part follows:

To the Senate and House of Representatives—I transmit herewith the report of the commission on country life. At the outset I desire to point out that not a dollar of the public money has been paid to any commissioner for his work on the commission. The report shows the general condition of farming life in the open country, and points out its principal problems; it indicates ways in which the government, national and state, may show the people how to solve some of these problems; and it suggests a continuance of the work which the commission began. Judging by thirty public hearings, to which farmers and farmers' wives from forty states and territories came, and from 120,000 answers to printed questions sent out by the commission, the general level of country life is high compared with any other part of the country. It has risen in some places, its progress has been general, if not uniform. Yet farming does not yield either the profit or the satisfaction that it ought to. The field and may be made to yield more. There is discontent in the country, and in places discouragement. Farmers as a class do not magnify their calling, the movement of the country, though I am happy to say, less than formerly, is still strong.

Helpful to People.

Under our system, it is helpful to promote discussion of the country life. There are three main directions in which the farmers can help themselves; namely, better farming, better business and better living on the farm. The national department of agriculture, which has rendered services equalled by no other similar department in any other time or place; the state departments of agriculture; the state colleges of agriculture and the mechanic arts, especially through their extension work; the state agricultural experiment stations; the farmers' clubs; the agricultural press; and all combined to place within the reach of the farmer the best amount and quality of agricultural information which, if applied, would enable him, over large areas, to double the production of the farm.

The object of the commission on country life therefore is not to help the farmer raise better crops, but to call his attention to the opportunities for better business and better living on the farm. If country life is to become what it should be, and what I believe it ultimately will be—one of the most dignified, desirable and sought after ways of earning a living—the farmer must take advantage not only of the agricultural knowledge which is at his disposal, but of the other knowledge which has been raised and continue to raise the standards of living and of intelligence in other callings.

Proper Influence.

Now whatever the state may do toward improving the practice of agriculture it is not within the sphere of any government to reorganize the farmer's business or reconstruct the life of farming communities. It is, however, quite within its power to use its influence to bring about a condition which it can control for calling public attention to the needs and the facts. For such a purpose the duty of the government to call the attention of farmers to the growing monopolization of water power. The farmer above all should have power, on reasonable terms, for cheap transportation, for lighting their homes, and for farmable uses in the daily tasks on the farm.

It is true that country life has improved in all respects, and that the farmer's earnings are higher than they were. But city life is advancing even more rapidly, because of the greater attention which is being given by the citizens of the towns to their own betterment. For such a purpose the duty of the government to call the attention of farmers to the growing monopolization of water power. The farmer above all should have power, on reasonable terms, for cheap transportation, for lighting their homes, and for farmable uses in the daily tasks on the farm.

Plan of Organization.

The cooperative plan is the best plan of organization wherever men have the right spirit to carry it out. Under this plan any business undertaking is managed by a committee; every man has one vote and only one vote; and every one gets profits according to what he sells or buys or supplies. It develops individual responsibility and has a moral as well as financial value over any other plan. The commission has tried to help the farmers to see clearly their own problem and to see it as a whole; to distinguish clearly between what the government can do and what the farmers must do for themselves; and it wishes to bring not only the farmers but the nation as a whole to realize that the growing of crops, though an essential part, is only a part of country life.

Three General Needs.

From all that has been done and learned through the great general and specific needs of country life stand out: First, effective cooperation among farmers, to a level with the organized interests with which they do business. Second, a new kind of schools in the country, which shall teach the children as much outdoors as indoors and perhaps more, so that they will prepare for life and what the farmers must do for themselves; and it wishes to bring not only the farmers but the nation as a whole to realize that the growing of crops, though an essential part, is only a part of country life.

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The Petticoats \$2 Values 79c This extraordinary value prevails for Remnant Week only. It is occasioned by need for prompt disposal of all of a lot of odd lines in Women's Fine Petticoats slightly soiled. Made with deep flounce, trimmed with lace or embroidery, \$2.00 value, special at 79c

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Child's Underwear at 27c A remnant week opportunity to outfit the children with good quality underwear at small expense. Cotton or cotton and wool garments, in vests, pants or union suits; nearly all sizes are included in the entire assortment, though not all sizes are in one style; also a lot of women's corset covers in this assortment; regular values in the lot up to 65c the garment, during the remainder of the week we offer you choice at 27c

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everywhere, and rightly, unanimous in demanding. To these may well be added better sanitation for easily preventable diseases hold several million country people in the slavery of continuous ill health. The commission points out, and I concur in the conclusion, that the most important help that the government, whether national or state, can give is to show the people how to go about these tasks of organization, education, and communication with the best and quickest results. This can be done by the collection and spread of information. One community can thus be informed of what other communities have done, and one country of what other countries have done. Such help by the people's government would lead to a comprehensive plan of organization, education, and communication, and make the farming country better to live in, for intellectual and social reasons as well as for purely agricultural reasons. Gives Useful Knowledge. The government through the department of agriculture does not cultivate any man's farm for him. But it does put at his service useful knowledge that he would not otherwise get. In the same way the national and state governments might put into the people's hands such useful knowledge of school work. The task of maintaining and developing the schools would remain as now, with the people themselves. Fund for Expense. The only recommendation I submit is that an appropriation of \$25,000 be provided for the commission to digest the material it has collected, and to collect and to digest much more that is within its reach, and thus complete its work. This would enable the commission to gather in the harvest of suggestion which is resulting from the discussion it has stirred up. The commissioners have served without compensation, and I do not recommend any appropriation for their services, but only for the expenses that will be required to finish the task that they have begun. To Pin Stars on Teachers. To improve our system of agriculture seems to me the most urgent of the tasks which lies before us. But it can not, in my judgment, be effected by measures which touch only the material and technical side of the subject; the whole business and life of the farmer must also be taken into account. Such considerations led me to appoint the commission on country life. Our object should be to help develop in the country community the great ideals of community life as well as of personal character. One of the most important adjuncts to this end must be the country church, and I invite your attention to what the commission says of the church and of the need of an extension of such work as that of the Young Men's Christian Association in country communities. Let me lay special emphasis upon what the commission says at the very end of its report on personal ideals and social character. Everything personal itself in the end into the question of personality. Neither society nor government can do much for country life unless there is a voluntary response in the personal ideals of the men and women who live in the country. In the development of the character of the farmer must be more important than the school, or than society at large. When the basic material needs have been met, high ideals may be quite independent of income; but they can not be realized without sufficient income to provide adequate foundation, and where the community at large is not financially prosperous it is impossible to develop a high average personal and community ideal. In short, the fundamental facts of human nature apply to men and women who live in the country just as they apply to men and women who live in the towns. Given a sufficient foundation of material well-being, the influence of the farmers and farmers' wives on their children becomes the factor of first importance in determining the attitude of the next generation toward farm life. The farmer should realize that the person who most needs consideration on the farm is his wife. It does not at least mean that she should purchase

THIS SATCHEL WAS LINCOLN'S WAS LINCOLN'S Tacoma Man Presents to Museum Prized Relic of Abe's Lawyer Days. (United Press Leased Wire.) Tacoma, Wash., Feb. 9.—The satchel carried by Abraham Lincoln during the Douglas debates and when "riding the circuit" in his law practice, was today turned over to the Perry museum by Frederick G. Bemann of this city, who recently secured the relic from his father at Springfield, Ill., who secured it directly from the martyred president. The satchel consists of a heavy wooden box covered with leather and reinforced with iron. It is a short time ago, it is reported, that the relic was discovered by a man who was engaged in the business of repairing and restoring old furniture. The relic was found in a box of old furniture, and was discovered by a man who was engaged in the business of repairing and restoring old furniture. The relic was found in a box of old furniture, and was discovered by a man who was engaged in the business of repairing and restoring old furniture.

CHINA TURNS SCHOOLMASTER Opens at San Francisco Second of System in America. (United Press Leased Wire.) San Francisco, Feb. 9.—The largest school for Chinese children operated by direction of the imperial government ever opened in any country except that of China began its sessions today in the Chinese quarter of the city. Two hundred children of Chinese born in America became officially the wards of the emperor, whose counselors are determined that although the children are living in an alien land they shall not forget the tongue of their fathers. A similar school has already been started at Sacramento, and plans are being made by the government schools in all the large cities of the United States. In the schools no English is taught, the curriculum being in Chinese along modern lines. The school was opened by Special Commissioner Leong Hing Kwal, who declared its purpose was to educate men for the future safekeeping of China.

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DRISCOLL MAY BLOCK GRAND AVENUE WORK Property owners along Grand avenue are up in arms over a report which has gained circulation among them that Councilman Driscoll is going to turn in a minority report against the paving of Grand avenue from Belmont to Clay street with Hasaan pavement. A petition circulated a short time ago, was signed by every property owner along the street, with two exceptions. Both these men were out of town at the time, but it was understood they both favored the improvement. The plank pavement on this street from Belmont to Clay is almost completely worn out and the new pavement is very badly needed. With the property owners unanimous in favor of the work, the question was taken up with the street committee of the council. A report favoring the work is to be made today.

'ARMY' OFFICERS WERE THE POOR Captain of "American Salvation Army" at Seattle Accused of Graft. (United Press Leased Wire.) Seattle, Wash., Feb. 9.—The police are investigating the business methods of William Stacy, divisional officer of the "American Salvation Army," as the result of a complaint filed by Joseph Kennedy, a former member of the corps, who resigned, he states, because of alleged questionable methods pursued by Stacy, who claims the title of captain. Kennedy told the police that provisions donated to the "army" by business men, in the belief that they were going to the relief of the poor, were eaten by the ten or twelve officers, who make their home at the headquarters. Clothes collected for the needy, was sold, Kennedy said. Kennedy's charge against Stacy is so serious that the police have declined to give out further information concerning it until a complete investigation has been made. Stacy declared today that Kennedy's charges were untrue and were due to spite. To Revise Criminal Code. Richmond, Va., Feb. 9.—The Commonwealth's attorneys of Virginia met here today to adopt plans for the revision of the state's criminal code. The proposed revisions will be submitted for ratification to the next annual meeting of the State Bar association, and then will be laid before the legislature next winter. Building Permits. East Sixteenth street between Alameda and Sand Road, L. S. Stephens, erect one story frame dwelling, \$2000; Page

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