



Give It a Chance to Work for You

Build a house upon that vacant lot and convert it from an *expense* into an *asset*. Then instead of owning idle land which brings you *nothing*, you will have valuable property which will always be a source of income.

One of the greatest needs of America today is the need of *homes*. Read the opinion handed down by the publishers of the *Atlantic Monthly* on the subject of building conditions:

"The best authorities at this time state that the United States is short on practically all character of buildings. As a whole, this country is Forty Per cent underbuilt."

This being the case, don't you see that you are actually *losing* by not building? Because the demand for homes is so great at the present time, rents are higher than ever before. Why don't you build a house and rent it?

By building on that vacant lot you are increasing the value of all real estate in the neighborhood, your own along with the rest.

Build *now!* Authorities state that you can build as economically today as at any future time that can yet be foreseen.

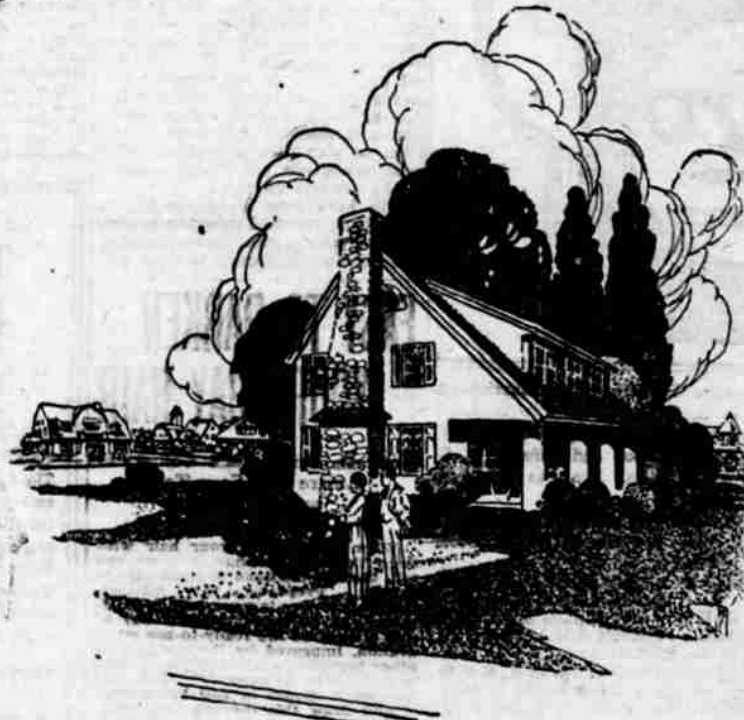
The Dead Weight of a Vacant Lot

See this vacant lot; perhaps it is *your* lot. In it you have tied some Hundreds or Thousands of Dollars from which you are not receiving a cent of profit. Is it good business to let money lie idle when it can be so easily made productive?

It is actually *worse* than idle money. It is a constant, annual source of loss—an expense. The tax collector attends to that. Is it good business to pay tax on property that is profitless to you?

Furthermore, this city *actually needs* more homes. You are holding a piece of ground which might be turned into some one's residence. To this extent you are under moral obligations to the city to build.

And by allowing your property to lie, unsightly and unimproved, you are hindering the enhancement of property values in your neighborhood. Thus you suffer still another loss.



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MODERN BARN FOR THE SMALL DAIRY

Building to House 18 Cows and Feed Supply Is Described.

GOOD PROFIT IN MILK HERD

Up-to-Date Housing and Silo Are Positive Necessity—They Keep High-Priced Animals Healthy, Save Labor and Conserve Food.

Mr. William A. Radford will answer questions and give advice FREE OF COST on all subjects pertaining to the subject of building work on the farm, for the readers of this paper. On account of his wide experience as Editor, Author and Manufacturer, he is, without doubt, the highest authority on all these subjects. Address all inquiries to William A. Radford, No. 1227 Prairie Avenue, Chicago, Ill., and only inclose three-cent stamp for reply.

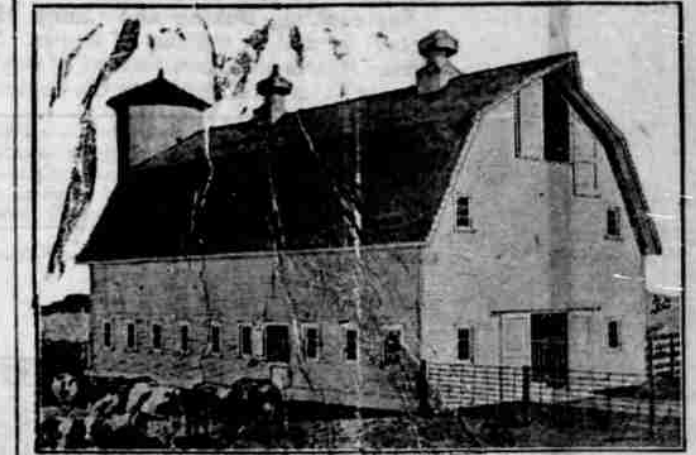
Housing the dairy herd in the winter so that the cows will be most productive and most profitable is not much of a problem for the modern dairyman. The present-day methods of designing and constructing dairy barns have been brought to a science by farm building architects and the comfort

has made a study of the best method of housing his stock and of caring for the animals. The feed alley is equipped with an overhead carrier system that leads from the silo and feed rooms to each stall. The ensilage and grain are placed in the carrier and taken to each manger, which, it readily will be seen, eliminates many steps and much time. Carriers are over each litter alley and lead to the manure pit of pile on either side of the silo at the rear of the barn. Here again the work is done easily and with a minimum expenditure of time.

Tanks Do Not Freeze. The stall floors as well as the stable floor are constructed of concrete. At the rear of each row of stalls is a gutter, with a drain at one end. It is the work of but a few minutes to flush these gutters after the manure has been removed. The indoor water tanks will not freeze in the winter and water always is available for the stock. With a small additional expense the water can be piped to individual drinking cups at each stall.

Sunshine and fresh air are two of the things that keep the cows healthy and productive. The windows in this barn permit the sunshine to fall on the litter alleys and gutters. Sunshine kills germs and keeps the barn air wholesome. The windows also admit plenty of fresh air, the foul air being drawn out of the stable through the shafts and out of the ventilators on the roof.

Just a word about the silo. One-third of the feed value of corn is in



and health of the animal, two things necessary if they are to be profitable, are provided for.

Keeping a dairy herd is one of the most profitable parts of the farming business. Not only are the cows revenue producers, but they supply the farm owner with fertilizer that is necessary to keep the soil at its best. For these reasons the farmers who keep good-sized herds of cows are increasing in numbers each year.

Seven months in the year in the corn belt the cows are fed and housed in a barn. And to feed them and water them and milk them and do the other work that is necessary requires a considerable amount of time. At the present price of farm labor, time really is money and the modern barn is designed and equipped so that all this work can be done with the least amount of effort.

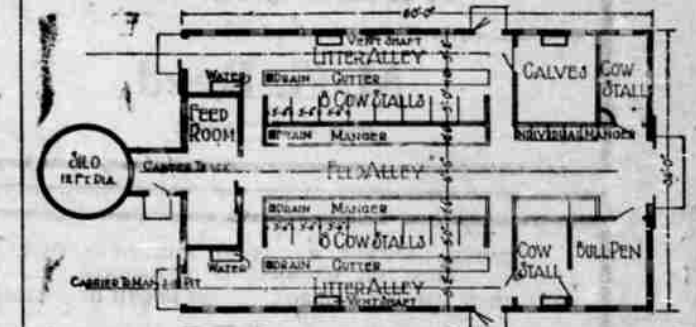
Barns of Several Types. Dairy barns are of several types, but the farm owner with a herd of eighteen or twenty cows wants a building that can be constructed economically and will be weather-proof and arranged conveniently. Such a barn is shown in the accompanying design. This

the stalk. Consequently one-third of the productive value of each acre planted to corn is conserved when the stalks are chopped and stored in the silo. This is the only fresh feed that can be provided for cows in the winter, and there is not only a saving in money, but the cows fed on ensilage produce a larger amount of milk, that is heavier in butterfat.

Positive Necessities. A modern barn and silo are positive necessities in modern dairy farming. They keep high-priced animals healthy and productive, save labor, and conserve feed, which at its present price is good business.

In planning a dairy barn, or general purpose-barn, it is always well to consult the local architect, builder and material dealer before deciding on the design. These men know how a barn should be built to supply the needs of the individual. They also can tell what such a building will cost, and will help finance the building should it be necessary.

Dairy products are high in price now, just as are other farm products. And they will continue so for some years to come, according to those who are in



barn is planned for a herd of 20 cows, their calves and one bull, with storage room for the feed supply.

The dimensions of the building are 36 by 60 feet. It is of standard plank frame construction, set on a concrete foundation. The gambrel-trussed roof, which eliminates all posts in the hay-loft, permits the storage of a maximum amount of roughage, while the silo at one end provides the animals with fresh feed all winter.

There are many interesting features—features that make this a modern, efficient barn—shown in the floor plan of the dairy stable that accompanies this article. Through the center of the barn there is a driveway, 6 feet 6 inches wide, while on either side are litter alleys, 5 feet 2 inches wide.

Arrangement of Stalls. The single cow stalls are ranged along the driveway, which also is used as the feed alley. Single stalls facing the feed alley provide for 16 cows, eight on each side. At the front of the building are two stalls, a bull pen and a pen for the calves. At the rear of the building are feed rooms and the entrance to the silo chute, while on either side is an open water tank, supplied by the farm water system. There are ten windows on each side of the barn and a ventilation system leading to the ventilators on the roof. All of these features will have an immediate appeal to the dairyman who

a position to predict future conditions. For these reasons the farmer or dairyman who is successful must have his milk and butter manufacturing establishment built and equipped so that he can produce what he has to sell at the least cost. In this way his herd will pay him a handsome profit.

Innocent Little Break. A Washington woman was called West to her brother, who was feared to be dying. Upon her arrival she was able to write home that a happy improvement had taken place and the sick man was out of danger. A kindly neighbor made inquiries, and when the husband had informed her that his brother-in-law would probably live, the dear soul expressed her sympathy like this: "Oh, isn't it a pity your wife had to take that long trip for nothing?" She had made a well-meaning little break, even as you and I—Washington Star.

How Musician Uses Periscope. Directing the music for a pantomime, which he could not see on account of his position below the footlights, the orchestra conductor in a New York theater solved the problem by using a periscope, says Popular Mechanics Magazine. With its eyepiece at his stand he was able to follow the action without difficulty.

Go Ahead

It was in the Philippines, as we recall the story, that a party of soldiers found themselves in a strange region where they had reason to suspect that bolo knives abounded. It seemed prudent to reconnoiter and then hold a council to decide which direction would be safest. So the soldiers went out scouting in pairs. The first pair climbed a hill and saw another hill, and having climbed that they saw another. After some sweaty hours they returned and reported that they had not seen anything but just one hill after another. The other scouts made like reports. "Well," said the lieutenant, "it seems that nobody really knows anything, so we best just go ahead."

And they duly reached their destination. If you are looking for hills there is nothing else within the whole circle of the horizon; you can see uncertainties in any given direction. It would be foolish, in this disturbed world, to assert that anybody absolutely knows anything about the future. So the only sensible plan is just to go ahead, for there is one certainty—namely, that if we don't go ahead we shall never get anywhere. There is the matter of prices, for example. Do not sit round waiting for any suppositious readjustment of prices. If there is anything you can make good use of, from a pair of shoes to a farm, go ahead and buy it right now and get the use of it. If

you have immediate need of a building, go ahead and build it. Mr. Micawber, you remember, was always waiting for something to turn up. Nothing ever does turn up for the man who sits round waiting for it. Things turn up for people who go ahead. Go ahead now; buy and build whatever you have use for. Do not be extravagant of money or credit; but do not be extravagant of time either; and waiting is spending time. Thrift means going ahead with production and useful expenditure as well as avoiding waste. (—Editorial from The Saturday Evening Post.)
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