

# INDUSTRY HELPS AGRICULTURE TO BUILD UP THE SMALL TOWN

**Decentralization of Manufacturing Brings Markets for Products Closer to the Farm—Gives Employment and Better Standards of Living to Rural Communities.**

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NO class of people has been more diligent in trying to understand the agricultural problem than the bankers of this country. The agricultural problem is a real problem and demands the best thought of everyone. This country cannot continue along happy lines with only sections of the country prosperous. Prosperity must be passed around if anybody is long to enjoy it. This question cannot be solved by the farmers alone, but the majority opinion is that there is no legislative remedy for agriculture. It is an economic question pure and simple and must be worked out accordingly.



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A few years ago it was contended that agriculture did not have sufficient credit facilities. That proposition was often made a political question. I do not presume there are many who will question the fact that agriculture now has ample credit facilities.

### Mixing Farms and Factories

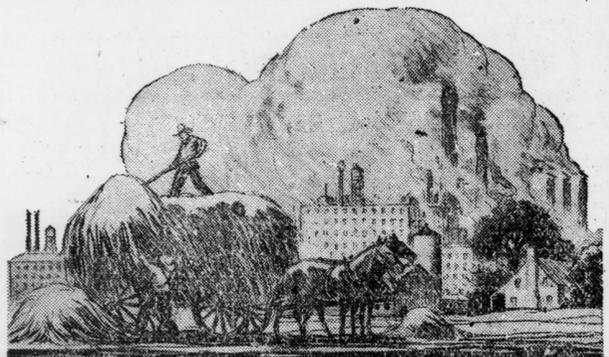
It is a fact that no community and no state has ever become great purely from agriculture. It is not to the interest of New York and other great centers to see the small communities and the agricultural sections losing their wealth and importance. In the end it will react upon them to their disadvantage.

There seems to me a real remedy for these small communities and also for agriculture. This remedy, which is the mixing of industry with agriculture, is now being applied in many localities with satisfactory results.

Industry and agriculture are better balanced in Ohio, North Carolina and Pennsylvania than in any other states of the Union, and in these states there is no serious agricultural problem and we hear little complaint from the farmers. This mixing of industry

ing examples from my own state to prove this proposition, and I mention these because I am more familiar with conditions there than elsewhere.

Twelve years ago Kingsport, Tennessee, had a population of about one thousand. Great industries like a large camera company, a big cement plant and a number of other industries were located there partly through the influence of an outstanding New York business man. In a little more



Mixing Industry With Agriculture Means Prosperity for Rural Districts

and agriculture is called by some decentralization of industry.

I would not suggest that manufacturing institutions move from the cities to the small villages, but I do think it would be better for this country for future industries to be placed in these small villages rather than to be further congested in the great centers. This would in part also be a solution of our labor problem. The bringing of industries to small villages increases the market for agricultural products, gives employment to surplus labor, elevates the standards of living, increases public revenue, reduces taxes and vastly increases educational facilities.

Two Striking Examples  
I believe I can give you two striking

than twelve years these have brought the population of that city up to seventeen thousand. Just a few miles away, at Elizabethton, they are building a great rayon plant, the first unit to cost \$5,000,000. The population of that town is now two thousand, but it is estimated that this will be multiplied by five in less than two years. It is stated that the total investment in manufacturing industry in that community within a period of five years will probably reach \$50,000,000.

The balancing of industry and agriculture will solve most of our so-called agricultural problems and we will not need such political measures as will in my opinion, do harm if enacted to the very class they pretend to benefit.

## ACID STOMACH RUINS APPETITE



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## GULF ITEMS

The Easter Star order of Goldston invited the Masons and their wives to Goldston Friday night to a supper and entertainment. Those who attended from here were as follows: Dr. and Mrs. Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Murchison, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Johnson and B. A. Asborne. All reported a good time and partook so much of the bountiful feast; we are afraid they won't be able to go again soon.

Several officers and members of BYPU of Bethany Baptist church attended the special BYPU program at Siler City Baptist church Sunday afternoon 3 o'clock. They report a very instructive and inspiring program.

Miss May Asborne of this place and Mrs. J. S. Lilly of Raleigh visited in Goldsboro a few days last week.

Mr. G. E. Oldham who was carried to C. C. hospital at Sanford three weeks ago for treatment is improving and we hope may soon be at home with his family and friends.

Miss Mary L. Palmer of Durham spent the week-end with home folk.

Mr. Clay Grubb of Wake Forest college spent the week-end with his sisters, Mesdames A. J. Little and R. T. Beck.

Mesdames Alton Jordan and Freeman Smith of Durham, visited Mrs. G. P. Murchison Thursday afternoon after attending the funeral at Buford of their aunt, Mrs. Emily Webster, who was struck by a car in Greensboro Monday p. m. was carried to hospital for treatment, but died Tuesday night.

## SHOWING OFF THE NEW FORD

The editor had the privilege of accompanying Mr. J. C. Weeks in his new Ford on quite a round Thursday afternoon. The long-looked-for sample arrived Wednesday, and Mr. Weeks was busy the balance of the week demonstrating it here and at other points in the county.

The first stop was at Coal Glenn, where Mr. Howard Butler and number of employees of the mine and Mr. Matthews manager of the store looked it over. And while the Ford held the attention largely, the record man did not altogether neglect the business of getting subscribers. Four or five new names were put on here, and at the Carolina Fireproofing Company, the tile and brick plant, the same processes were gone through. Gulf also saw the new car, as did Goldston and Bear Creek.

The sample is a Tudor sedan, and is a beauty. It goes like forty and can turn in an ordinary road.

Mr. David Weeks, a brother of the Ford man, who had come in the day before from New Jersey, where he has been employed by the Standard Oil Co., also was a member of the exploring party.

Mr. Weeks hopes to begin his deliveries next month and to gradually increase them during the year.

## D. E. OVERY SUCCEEDS SUPT. H. L. LONGNECKER

Mr. H. L. Longnecker, who has so ably managed the Carolina Fireproof Brick and Tile plant at Gulf, has been promoted to the superintendency of all the business of the Hood Brick Company, and has his headquarters at Charlotte. He is succeeded as superintendent of the Gulf plant by Mr. D. E. Overby, who has been in charge of the plant at Monroe. Mr. Overby came a week ago, and will move his family to the plant as soon as Mr. Longnecker has vacated the superintend-

## HARDLY

(Mt. Olive Tribune)  
Senator Simmons thinks the leaders of the Republican party are anxious for the Democrats to nominate Al Smith for President. He goes further than that and charges them with working to that end.

To our way of thinking, the senator is somewhat illogical in his notion about that. Judging from present surface indications, Smith undoubtedly is the strongest man the Democrats could name for president, the one man, perhaps, with whom they could look forward to the election with some measure of hope of success.

Does the senator, then, think that the Republicans are foolish enough to deliberately court disaster at the polls? Isn't such a notion contrary to the usual workings of human nature?

Smith's nomination quite likely will cause some dissension in his party in the South, and for that reason, some Southern Republicans, believing that their party would, nevertheless, be successful at the polls, might be of the notion that Mr. Simmons charges for local reasons; but hardly any of the responsible leaders.

More farmers in North Carolina are recleaning and treating their tobacco seed before planting this season than ever before in the history of the State. Some farm agents who have recleaning machines state that from 15 to 25 men bring in their seed each day. One agent treated seed for 150 growers in one day recently.

# MOTHER

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