

Since the adjournment of Congrees, members are giving more real attention to studies of the farm problem than perhaps any other phase of pending legisla-tion. The word pending can be used because the farm problem will be the first order of business at the next session, or at a spec-ial session should one be called by the President.

studies disclose some cheerful factors with reference to the general improvement of agriculture since 1932. Farm cash income has moved upward eightyave per cent-farm prices are up seventy-five per cent - forced farm sales have been cut in half -farm wages have increased sev-enty-five per cent, and farm realestate values have gained sixteen per cent.

Thus there is reason for the statement that agricultural progress has been made during the first four years of the administration of President Roosevelt and it strengthens the determination of all concerned to maintain those

In agriculture, as in industry greater strides in some sections have been offset by less favorable trends in others, but the general improvement has undoubtedly been felt throughout the country. In 1932, tobacco was selling on the average at ten and a half cents per pound, and on July 15. 1937, it was bringing nearer twenty-seven cents per pound. In 1932, cotton was down to six and a half cents per pound and on July 15, 1937, was at 12.4 cents Corresponding improvement is noted in a wide va-riety of agricultural commodities.

Cash income available for farm living, after deductions for wages, operating expenses, taxes and interest, increased even more rapidly, during the four-year span from 1932 to 1936, than did cash income as a whole. Cash income available to the agriculture population for living from 1932 production was \$1,473,000,000 From 1936 production it was \$4,475. 000,000. This was 204 per cent above the 1932 depression low and within eight per cent of its 1929 level.

Of course, the gain in income during this period was somewhat offset by an increase in the price of things the farmers buy. But allowing for an increase of sixteen per cent in prices farmers pay for commodities and services used in living and production, the purchasing power of cash income from farm production was sixty per cent greater in 1936 than in did advance quite as rapidly as the price of commodities used in production, the increase in purchasing power between 1932 and 1936 was even greater.

In other words, the disparity between the prices the farmers get for their commodities and the prices at which they buy has been greatly lessened, although not entirely at the goal that is sought.

The improvement in farm real estate values is also significant and along with a reduction forced sales, is certain to bring new hope to those who live on the farm. There are many other evidences of a widespread im-provement since the dark days of 1932, when the farmer faced an almost hopeless situation. The condition of the farm pop-

ulation in this country has come to be an index to conditions generally. Agriculture prices are us-nally found to be a barometer of the purchasing power of the great cross-section of Americans. An the improvement today indicates strongly that gains have been made and is most encouraging to members of Congress who are primarily interested in using the legislative machinery of the Government to preserve those gains and further improve the status of rural America.



I find that livestock fed on legume hay and pasture makes cheaper gains and sells for more because of extra quality.

WHAT'S WHAT ABOUT SOCIAL SECURITY

we pay a commission of \$1.90 to a regular customer, such as a grocery store or a private individual, in a home, for every new customer they procure for us. Are we liable for the payment of taxes on commissions paid to such firms and individuals? If so, is the grocery firm bequired to furnish us with an employee's account number in order that we may file our informational returns?

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The project provides a grand that the store owner is not your prize of \$166 for the best picture employee; that he procures customers for you merely as an incipant of the conduct of his own Fishing, hunting, recreation, incontractor, rather than your some instances, newspapers are employee; but some detail of conducting complementary consulting and fishing pictures thonal Program and W. C. Boyce the world of pseudo-science, and was in charge of the Educational of a feud aboard a plunging, rolling busines program for boys.

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tobacco season. I will be paid an hourly wage for the time I work understand that because I am a farmer I do not come under the Social Security Act and do have to have an account number.

Is this correct? ANSWER: No Your information is not correct. You are a farmer only when you farm, so far as the Social Security Act is concerned. The Social Security law does not exclude any profession or group as such; it merely ex- to the Line cepts certain employments. Agricultural labor is excepted but when you take employment in a tobacco warehouse or engage in, any other than agricultural em-ployment you come under the Act. You must apply on Form SS-5 for a Social Security account number and you become eligible for the benefits' provided under the law, just as other workers in commerce and industry. You can get Form SS-5 from your Social Security Board office, from your post office, or from your employ-

QUESTION: I take in washing for a private family but this fall I plan to work in the stemmery de partment of a tobacco company for three months. Will I have to get a Social Security account number?

ANSWER: Yes, when you become an employee in coverd em-1922. Allowing for an increase of thirteen-per cent in the price that under the Social Security Act, you farmers pay for things used in must comply with all the requirements of the Act.

QUESTION: week. My employer had me fill out an application for a Social Security account number, but when Saturday came I had not received my number and he would not pay me my money. Did he do right?

ANSWER: No. When you ap plied for your number you did what you should. You are requir-ed to make your account number known to your employer. Keep your account card. Your number is good so long as you live. The Social Security Board does not wish any man to be deprived of a day's wages, because he does not have an account number. The employer must-keep-a record of the account number of each of his employees; but your employer went beyond the law when he refused to pay you your wages.

WINS PRIZE

Wilbur Williams, member of the Louisburg colored fire company won the second prize of \$2.50 offered in the foot race during the State Colored Firemen's Convention held at Farmville durthe week of Aug. 9th to 14th. Wilbur showed the boys how to run, when it was time to run.

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of dairy products, milk chiefly of Conservation and Development Ca

our informational returns? which do not win prizes and are

ANSWER: If the relationship desired by contestants of course boys in Camp on Crop Identificaof employer and employee exists the Committee reservs the right
between the distributor of dairy to use all entries as it sees fit. Kenneth Davis, Louisburg, N. C.,
products and the owner of a groc-making as many prints as it assisted as Life Guard. Miss Wea-

your relationship, not set forth in tests and are offering additional Counselor; and Mrs. L. E. Barnes. on the trail of city criminals your question, may put a different prizes. Amateurs, to whom the Camp Post Office. light on the matter and make contest is restricted may enter your relationship with the store through these newspapers, or diowner an employer-employee re- rectly with the Advertising Comlationship; and, inasmuch as tax mittee; Department of Conservaquestions must be decided by the tion and Development, in Raleigh.

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QUESTION: I am a farmer two registered Jersey cows as a but this fall I plan to help out in part of their livestock improves a fobacco warehouse during the ment program.

Sand community, Louisburg, N. ter-churning tarpon. Tips on how to c. R 4, has accepted the position as advertising manager of a cost metic company in Arizona. Miss broken field to how to be correct Johnson graduated from Gold in a ballroom!

Sand High School in 1931, since the ment program.

Revival of 4-H Club work has Foreign subscriptions 50c a been begun in Macon County, extra. Send your name, ad He Saws Straight farm boys and girls in the reor- troit, Mich.

FRANKLIN COUNTY FARM ITEMS

non-prize-win- Club Camp. Camp was held at Toe, Tap and Acrobatic. There Department Camp Leach near Washington, N. will also be a Ballroom class. All

Instructions were given the Adventure Is Coming

Miss Pattie Johnson, daughter his work. They transmit the thrill of Mrs. Sam Johnson, of the Gold of battling a hundred pound, waregistered C. R 4, has accepted the position it's done are also given pictorial.

DANCING SCHOOL A Dancing School will open a · Fuller's Dance Hall on Tuesday · Sept. 14th, with Miss Sarah Ster • • ling Price, of Raleigh, N. C., at Franklin and Vance Counties teacher. All forms of dancing joined together in conducting 4-H will be taught including Ballet. Seventy-nine campers atten- that are interested in these class-

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