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This is Christmas. Let us make the most of it by giving the best of ourselves to others, for the "gift without the giver is bare." Often a kind word or a smile is worth more than gold or other material wealth. At times we all need that something within, that something that gives comfort and encouragement; it lightens our load and enables us to carry on with enthusiasm. The little child, the lonely adult and the busy business man are helped by a smile or kind word. No one is so tough that he is immune to the effects of kindness. And that is a gift within the power of each of us to give to everyone we meet. Strange to say, we lose nothing by the giving, rather we are made richer. . . This is Christmas Day, and it calls for Santa Claus and presents, and food and entertainment and lots of company. It is a time when friends like to get together; a time when they travel hundreds of miles just to be with friends. But across the street or walking beside you is a stranger or someone you barely know; it is a good time to give him a word of cheer. To some degree we act as mirrors on one another. That sour old puss might look better if we gave him

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Honored for Lord's Acre

Birmingham.—The Rev. Dumont Clarke, religious director of the Farmers Federation in Asheville, N. C., has been named "Man of the Year in Service to Southern Agriculture" by The Progressive Farmer magazine.

The award is announced in the January issue of The Progressive Farmer in an article by Dr. Clarence Poe, President and Editor.

Chief reason for honoring the Rev. Mr. Clarke is his work in promoting the Lord's Acre movement in the rural South. The Lord's Acre plan provides that each church member plant one acre of some crop, tend it, and harvest it, and give the proceeds to the church. Or, if more convenient, the member can raise an animal and sell it for the church.

"It is our hope that this Man of the Year recognition of the incalculable values of the Lord's Acre movement, so long promoted by the man we now delight to honor," said Dr. Poe, "will cause many another Southern church to start a successful Lord's Acre plan in 1952."

The Rev. Mr. Clarke was named Rural Minister of the Year in North Carolina by The Progressive Farmer earlier in 1951.

Born in 1883, the Rev. Mr. Clarke was raised on a New Jersey farm. He attended Princeton University and McCormick Presbyterian Seminary in Chicago.

He was pastor of a Presbyterian church in Mount Vernon, N. Y., and later a missionary to India for the YMCA.

For 22 years, however, he has been religious director of the Farmers Federation, a cooperative farm-

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