hold these lands out of use at prohibitive prices. A graduated land tax increasing in rate with increasing acreage would load large holdings so heavily that the owners would be compelled to sell.

If Congress fails to measure up to its duty and go to the bottom of this phase of the problem, the states can use the lever of taxation effectively to produce the needed result.

### Help Tenants Get a Square Deal

INCLOSED find clipping from the L Monroe Journal, which I think is one of the best things that I have seen in some time. I have twice experienced just what he has out in print, and am now on a very poor, run-down farm, but have a binding agreement not to raise the rent. hope you will take this matter up. Union County, N. C.

"How is a renter to follow the methods of improved farming (even if he is so disposed) and undertake to improve the farm he occupies by proper crop rotation and planting legumes, when past experiences and observation show him that the very year he gets an increase in yield and shows a better farm than when he first moved there, the landlord runs the rate up on him, and he either has to move or pay for his own hard work in bringing the improvements?

"Where is the incentive to try to make greater yields when the tenant knows in advance that if he makes more stuff at a greater expense to himself and continuous toil for his family, the surplus will go to the landlord in the shape of increased rents, and leave him and his children only enough to subsist on anyway?

"It seems to me that these questions furnish a field for thought that we would do well to consider.

"The greatest stimulus to beautify and improve a plot of God's land would be the knowledge that "This is my home, and what I do here will benefit me or my children, and will remain the home of those who spend their time and energy in making it more beautiful and more valuable."

"Is there no way to prevent men who are too nice to get their hands; soiled on a farm implement from accumulating whole townships, counties and sometimes whole states for the purpose of laying tribute on these unfortunates who have inherited nothing but the right to work (if they can find an employer), and make them pay unreasonable tribute for the privilege of living on the earth?" -Novus Homo, in Monroe Journal.

#### Have a "Public Meeting" of Your Local

WHAT is your Local Union doing to develop a better community spirit? Are you doing anything to improve the school building, or the public roads, the social life, to help members who are sick or suffering from other misfortune?

It is all right to look after the things that affect us financially, but it makes us bigger and better men and women to do something occasionally to help the community and make it a more desirable place to live

A public meeting at the schoolhouse occasionally will be worth as much to your Local Union as any of the closed meetings, for the more community spirit you develop the easier it is to maintain a strong and active Local Union. J. Z. G.

#### CONTAGION

Little George had heard a great deal said about disease germs, such as tuberculosis etc. One day the family were at dinner, and mother said a drink of water. The tired

he is through eating." uncle's glass, George; The little fellow commenced to cry, and the backache,"—Eustis Lake Region,



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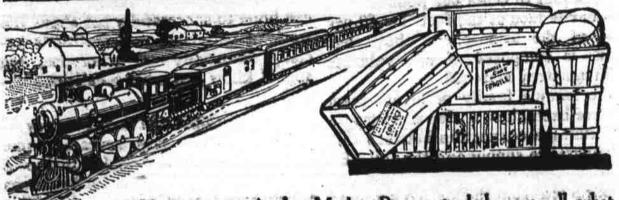
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