

WHY NOT HAVE A "SCHOOL FARM" THIS YEAR?

A Way in Which the School Funds May Be Materially Increased and Community Spirit Intensified—Talk It Over With Teachers and Committeemen

THE organization of the school farm has marked the beginning of a new era in a number of rural communities in the Southern states.



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In one section I know there were three little schools—two of the houses being open, weather-beaten shanties, the other a tiny cottage. At two of these schools, little two-acre farms were started. At the close of the day when the people had come together to pick the cotton on one of these farms, the question of improving the school was raised. The house was too little and one teacher could teach only the elementary branches. The funds were so limited that not even the teacher had ever caught a vision of how the school should teach the grown-ups as well as the children, and radiate light into all the home and farm activities. Consolidation was proposed. Well, the next October found those three schools housed in a beautiful three-thousand-dollar building, situated in a pretty oak grove of two acres, adjoining a four-acre farm that belonged to the school.

Another Fine Example

IN A small village where farm labor had not yet commanded the respect of the boys and young men, the School Betterment Association decided to cultivate two acres of the school site. All the neighbors were invited to come out to the "school farm working-bees." Young and old all joined in, for there was the spirit of recreation.

That was several years ago. The school is no longer a two-teacher elementary school, housed on the first floor of a weather-beaten fraternal hall. It now does four years of high school work, has a \$20,000 brick school building, on a farm of 10 acres. A thorough course in domestic science is given, in ample rooms with ample equipment. Domestic science was begun by an untrained teacher, but one who had a vision. There was no room or equipment. She procured the use of a cabin by the school grounds, begged a few cooking utensils, used vegetables grown on the school farm, and interested the girls to bring a few things from home. Real agriculture is taught. A wonderful change? Yes, but not greater than that which took place in the community. For the community made the school and the school has remade the community.

How to Organize a School Farm

IT IS simple. Call the folks together at the schoolhouse. Get them to talking about the need of a better school, better homes, better farms. Tell them how the school farm has helped in other communities; state the objects and plan of the organization:

The Objects Are: To introduce the people to each other in work-a-day clothes; to teach them to work together for a common purpose; to teach in a practical way simple principles of agriculture; to make money for the school; to provide opportunity for social and recreative activity after the work is over; to provide the occasion for informal talks on all these subjects that lie so close to home, farm and community life, the school and the church.

The Plan Is: Elect one of the most progressive farmers school farm superintendent. It is his duty to call the people together to decide what crops are to be planted and to

notify them when work is to be done. Certain of the work will be done by them, working in small groups; other work will be done all working together.

For Further Information

THOSE interested may find further information as to purpose and plans, and detailed reports of how the School Farm has worked out in other communities, in Bulletin, 1912, No. 28, published by the Bureau of Education, Washington, D. C., price five cents.

Since so many of our Southern rural schools are so limited in funds the opportunity for making money has proven for many of the schools one of the most interesting features. I give here the record of a few school farms, all of which are selected from Wake County, North Carolina. Superintendent Riley of Macon County, Alabama reports that there will be some twenty school farms in his county this year. Several counties in North Carolina will have farms at a number of schools.

School	Area	Value of Product
Holly Springs	2 acres	\$140.00
J. Y. Joyner School	2 acres	103.90
Bay Leaf	2 1/2 acres	183.91
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Mt. Hope	1 1/2 acres	89.20
Antloch	2 acres	84.39
Judd Hill	2 acres	75.65
Enterprise	3 1/2 acres	130.87
Oak Grove	3 1/2 acres	202.30
Clements	4 1/2 acres	187.00
Shotwell	2 acres	75.80
Method	2 acres	102.77
Rock Spring	2 acres	250.00
Turner	2 acres	313.50

Clear Profit

PRACTICALLY all of the sale value of the products of the school farms is clear profit, because the work was given. But the school-farm "working bees" are not really work, because of the spirit in which it is done. Do the people really enjoy these occasions? Well, you will think so when I tell you that in a single summer, on some of these farms (counting each additional time a person works as an additional person), the number of workers ranges all the way from 50 to 750.

Auburn, Ala. ZEBULON JUDD.

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