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## VILLAGES FOUND UNATTRACTIVE

Farmers Use the Village For a Buying Market More So Than a Selling—Make It Attractive For Him.

Nearly 20,000,000 people in the United States, or about one-fifth of the population, live in villages, and 30,000,000 farming people use these villages for purposes of business, education, religion, health and social well-being. Yet all these centers of rural population are usually unattractive and often very ugly. Villages in other countries are generally much superior to those of the United States in design, in the character of the streets and public buildings, and in their approaches and recreation spots. A start, however, has been made toward beautifying the American village.

Some examples in this respect are recorded by the Department of Agriculture, which has been studying the problem of village planning from the standpoint of its importance to the rural community and particularly to the farmer.

It is more, as a buying than as a selling place that the farmer makes use of the village. In marketing his principal products he generally deals with some large distributing center. But he purchases his household supplies in the village. He goes there for amusement and for social purpose generally. His children often go to school there. An attractive village, says the department, is an important influence in standardizing farm life and in counteracting the attraction which cities have for the young people of the farms. As the farmer's chief point of contact with outside interests, the village can make a big contribution to the happiness of farm life, even if it be considered from no other standpoint than the fact that it is the place where the farmer spends a large part of his income.

Where villages are being made more beautiful, the impetus has come in nearly every case from local initiative. Villages that have well-planned streets, attractive recreation spots, and pleasing approaches are nearly always indebted for these advantages to the energy and public spirit of some small group of citizens. Under such inspiration dump heaps have been turned into garden spots, unsightly shacks and dilapidated stores have been torn down and replaced by smart, substantial business buildings and extensive programs of landscape gardening and tree planting have been undertaken. Villages that have embarked on this path are finding that beauty pays. It improves local business and attracts tourist business. It enhances real estate values and has a powerful influence in raising individual standards of efficiency and enterprise.

One good example of a village that was not well planned originally but that has now been transformed into an extremely pleasing place, is Weston, Mass. Weston formerly had a large swamp area in its center. This has been drained, graded, seeded to grass, and planted to pine, fir and chestnut trees. A new town hall and a fire station have been built, opposite the entrance to the common. Public buildings are now centrally grouped. Old, unsightly structures have been torn down. The improvements were planned by a landscape architect. It took 25 years to put the plan through but everyone in Weston now believes that the enterprise was worth the time and money it cost.

A village that was started with a good plan, and has realized it is Patterson Calif. This village and a colony of irrigated farms occupying 18,000 acres were planned in 1910. Roads leading to the village were strategically located and planted with trees and shrubs. The village itself has eight streets radiating from a civic center where the public buildings are located. In the last four years the residents of the village have built a library, a community club house, a concrete swimming pool, and a grammar school, and have provided an automobile camp park.

Town dump at Lewisburg, Pa., has become a scenic asset, through the activities of women, who formed a civic club, launched civic club, launched civic improvements propaganda, and accumulated funds for an improvement program. Formerly the first impression a visitor got on arriving and the last one he took away with him on leaving was one of squalor, because the town dump lay across the main approach to the village. Today the land where the dump stood is the property of the civic club. Old shacks have been removed from it and refuse cleared away. It has been

## WILSON STARTS WORK ON CAMPS

Georgia Road Contractor is Building Camps at Otto and Tryphosa—Will Build Georgia End First.

The Wilson Construction Company contractors for the Georgia road started building camps last Wednesday at Otto and Tryphosa for the accommodation of the forces which is soon to be put to work on the Georgia road. It is the intention of the company to build the road from the state line to Otto first so that summer tourist and the traveling public in general may detour at Otto and come down the east bank of the river while the road from Otto to Franklin is under construction. This program appears to be an excellent one. No doubt the state will put the road down the east bank of the river in good condition to accommodate the public while the highway is under construction.

The Wilson Construction Company intends to begin pouring concrete just as soon as the weather will permit—possibly by the first of April. In the mean time they are getting things ready so that there will be no unnecessary delay after pouring of the concrete begins. The rock and sand to be used will be procured elsewhere and delivered at convenient places along the railroad. It is expected that about 12 carloads of material will be used daily.

This company has the reputation of doing big things in a big way. The citizens of Macon may therefore expect to see the Georgia road completed in record time.

## Dr. Winecoff is Honored

Dr. Thomas E. Winecoff of Laramie district missionary of the Episcopal church in Wyoming who is temporarily in charge of St. John's church of Powell has just received notice of his election as an honorary member of the Societe Entomologique de France or National Entomological Society of France.

This is a very high compliment as Dr. Winecoff is one of the very few Americans who have been honored with this membership.

Dr. Winecoff furnished the Smithsonian Institute with the major part of our national museum's collection of Boreal Lepidoptera, and gave the French Museum National d'Istoire Naturelle practically its entire collection of arctic insects; and in addition he has sent this French museum each of the last four years many thousands of Wyoming insects, till Wyoming now has the largest collections of insects in that museum of any state in the Union, and he has sent every one of them.

Bouvier, probably the foremost living entomologist, writes Dr. Winecoff that Wyoming's insects displays in the Paris museum now stands out very noticeably larger than that of any other state.

leveled and planted to grass, flowers and trees. It is spanned by gravel walks and surrounded by ornamental lighting standards. Now the visitors enters the village through a green and smiling park.

Many other examples of effective village planning have been noted by the department's investigators. Yet the idea that village planning is as necessary as city planning has taken root in comparatively few places. It has not the pressure behind it that brings results in crowded cities where congestion makes radical changes compulsory. The Government points out, however, that village planning often means great saving to the community; that it is never too early nor too late to begin it; and that the expense never prohibits and is seldom a serious handicap.

### Solution of Puzzle No. 2.

CENTRAL BASSO  
ALERT CELLO R  
BURY JELLY JO  
ADO FULLY LEA  
LE BADLY SEAS  
A DRUGS DEALT  
PEASE SEEKS  
SLANT SLEDS S  
LAND STEMS TO  
ITS MARES SOL  
ME TULIP LOUD  
E BICEP FALSE  
REEKS LADDER

## TANNERY TO USE ABOUT 400 H. P.

Connection Made Saturday And Will Yield \$1,000 Per Month—No other Sales Have Yet Been Made

The first big sale of power from Andrews' new power plant has been made, to F. P. Cover & Sons Inc., for their tannery here and the actual connection was made and the use of town power begun, on Saturday afternoon last week.

The tannery, it is stated, will use approximately 400 horsepower, and the income to the town from this sale will amount to around \$1,000 per month.

While this is a big sale, it is comparatively small, it is pointed out as compared with the amount of power the town has for sale, the new plant developing about 2,000 horsepower as a maximum.

No other sales of wholesale power have been made to date, so far as can be learned; it is generally understood, however, that a number of concerns have made inquiries.—Tri-County News.

## In Memory Of Our Darling

On last Saturday January 31st, a wave of sadness swept over the entire community, when Dee Simmons the little five year old son of J. R. and Anna Simmons shot and instantly killed his little sister, Marie. She was the sunshine of their home. Everyone that knew little Marie knew her to love her. She was always loving and wore a sweet smile. A short time before she was killed she sang "There Will Be Bright Angels Over There," and soon she was among the band of Bright Angels. Our loss is little Marie's great gain. May the Lord, who doeth all things well lead and guide us up Heavens bright way to meet little Marie in Heaven where parting comes no more. MRS. C. J. ADAMS.

## TOWN ALDERMEN BUY SOME LAND

Holdings of Mr. J. L. Barnard and Mr. E. H. Franks Purchased Last Friday—Other Lands Be Damaged.

The town board has now purchased all the lands that the waters of the lake will cover excepting about 10 acres. On last Friday the board purchased approximately 86 acres from Mr. J. L. Barnard for \$12,500. Mr. E. H. Franks also sold the town board between 10 and 12 acres for just a little over \$1500. It is not believed that the town will experience any great difficulty in reaching agreements with the owners of the remaining land that the lake will cover.

Of course there are certain other lands that will be damaged. To date no agreement has been reached with the owners regarding these lands with the exception of one or two.

## Holly Springs Commencement Exercises At School

The public is cordially invited to attend the exercises Feb. 25-26, 1925. Wednesday Feb. 25, 7:30 P. M. a Play—"To Much of a Good Thing" Comedy in one act.

Negro Minstrel—Chorus—"Bells of Dreamland" By Primary Grades. Pageant Old Bachelor Sale

Thursday Feb. 26, 11:00 A. M. Sermon by Rev. A. S. Solesbee. 1:30 P. M. Declaration and Recitation Contest and exercises by Primary Grades.

Thursday night, 7:30 Play—"Old Time School" Comedy in one act. Awarding of prizes and certificates.

Negro Play—"The Great Chicken Stealing Case of Ebenezer County" Chorus—"Spring Time." Closing Song—Good Bye S. J. SMITH Principle.

## FIRST MEETING IN CHARLOTTE

The American Legion Will Make Drive For Endowment Fund For Soldiers and Orphans.

Lexington, N. C., Feb. 20—The first meeting in North Carolina in connection with the national project of the American Legion for a \$5,000,000 endowment fund for disabled soldiers and orphans, was held at Charlotte, Friday, February 13.

Announcement of the meeting and of the opening of the endowment movement in the state, was made by Wade H. Phillips, of this city, commander of the department of North Carolina.

Following the Charlotte meeting, others will be held in every city and town in the state where there is a post of the Legion. One of the first steps in the organization plans will be the formation of committees in each locality composed of prominent Legionnaires, and members of the Legion Auxiliary. In this work, A. Lindsey Skerry, of Indianapolis, field secretary, will assist the state department and local posts.

North Carolina is one of twelve states, most of which are in the south, where The American Legion projects of aid for their disabled comrades and children of "buddies," who died, is being initiated. In addition to the southern group, the undertaking also has been started in Indiana, Illinois, and Kentucky.

"Just as she has been among the first in every great, patriotic, and humanitarian movements in the past we hope that North Carolina will be in the van of states in responding to this appeal," Commander Phillips said. "The endowment is for those who did the most in the war."

"For orphans, the Legion's program as laid down by National Commander James A. Drain, is—a home for every homeless child."

President Collidge is chairman of the national honorary committee supporting the endowment fund. Among the members of the committee are John W. Davis, former ambassador to Great Britain; General Pershing; William Gibbs McAdoo, former secretary of the treasury and director-general of railroads during the war; Secretary of War, John W. Weeks; Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis, Bishop Brent; Mrs. Frances Grover Cleveland; Julius H. Barnes, of the United States Chamber of Commerce; and many others.

## KYLE LOCALS

Rev. Philip Passmore filled his regular appointment at this place Saturday and Sunday. He preached a good sermon.

Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Evins are moving back to Kyle to farm this year. Mr. Evins says the farm is the place to make the money.

Mrs. Van Morgan is ill at this writing. We hope she will soon recover.

Raleigh and Earnest Roper, Wiley and Alex Pendergrass of Oak Dale passed through Kyle Sunday on their way to Buck Creek, where they are employed by the Andrews, Mfg. Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wood of Tusquitee are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Andy Pendergrass of Kyle this week. Mr. T. A. Bateman of East la Port is visiting his family at Kyle this week. Mr. Bateman is employed at the Black Waw Lumber Co.

It seems as though the country is getting behind with the roads. We voted for a bond issue of twenty thousand to build the roads from the Morgan out to Kyle and from Kyle to Nantahala Station, and our roads are in worse condition than they were before we had any work done. They are now impassable.

We haven't any trustee to look after our road or money either.

Come on Nantahala and let's do our best to have a good roads built here in the near future.

Mr. Owensby who has been home on a visit has returned to his work at East la Port.

Mr. L. L. Rowland has got his store building almost completed.

Mark Haney started work on his house. Mark says he likes the Bungalow styles.

Dallas Rawland has returned home from Iowa where he has been working for Mr. Galloway.

Mr. Tom Cope has moved to his new house. Tom is fixing to plow. He says he will make the crickets live hard.

Mr. Odell Hall went back to his work at Topton last Sunday. We regret he left as he is a jolly good fellow.

## CROSS-WORD PUZZLE No. 3

### "THE FOUR ANGLES"

Here's a dandy puzzle for beginners and for old hands at the game. Several unkeyed letters, but only one technical name and one abbreviation. These facts and its all-over interlock make it not such a hard one after all.

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### Horizontal.

- 1—Together
- 6—Says
- 11—Roman tyrant
- 12—Decay
- 15—Article of apparel
- 16—Blow of a horn
- 17—Anthropoid
- 18—Comfort
- 19—Hotels
- 20—Small green vegetable
- 21—Source of lumber
- 22—Finish
- 23—Peel
- 24—Wishes for
- 25—Prepare for table
- 26—District
- 28—Kind of dog
- 27—To scoop out
- 29—Girl's name
- 42—Plot of ground
- 46—Conveyance
- 47—To exchange
- 50—To cheat
- 51—United (abbr.)
- 52—Free of defects
- 53—Story
- 54—Observe
- 55—Golf club
- 56—Heavy hammer
- 57—Rented

### Vertical.

- 1—Unfastened
- 2—Element in air
- 3—Metal
- 4—Small children
- 5—Dealer in cloths
- 6—Firm
- 7—Encourage
- 8—Rip
- 9—Other
- 10—Horses
- 13—Uncloned
- 24—One
- 25—Negative
- 26—Obtained
- 27—Earn
- 29—Organ of head
- 30—Part of verb "to be"
- 31—Primary color
- 32—Old horse
- 35—Begins
- 36—Make over
- 37—Fox trotter
- 38—To let loose
- 40—Weathercock
- 43—Fuel
- 44—Acted part
- 45—Earned
- 47—Part of leg
- 48—Superfluous growth
- 49—Wood of the agalloch plant

The solution will appear in next issue.