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**CHARITIES TO GROW
DURING YEAR OF 1914**

Those at Head of Central Body Make Plans to Extend Its Sphere of Usefulness

ONE of the activities it is planned to enlarge during 1914 is the work of the Associated Charities—the organization around which centers nearly all of the city's charitable organizations, influences and work. Its work is to see that all the worthy poor and needy receive care, to prevent needless and sometimes harmful duplication and to detect imposters.

One of the members of the Charities has thus outlined its objects:

To serve as a clearinghouse for all the charity work of the city.

To investigate the needs and conditions causing the needs of all persons in distress, reporting promptly to those inquiring about such persons.

To co-operate or organize charity by effecting system among the benevolent individuals or agencies giving relief.

To secure prompt and adequate action in the giving of relief and the temporary plan.

To rehabilitate the family, or to restore them to a normal position in society and to prevent, when possible, others from losing such position.

The Charities considers the most important feature of its work is the rehabilitation of the family, by eliminating from it all conditions tending to produce poverty, thereby restoring such families to a normal position in society, is according to their principles. The organization does not give alms, but by effecting complete co-operation among all the agencies that furnish material relief, institutional care, etc., they are enabled to respond invariably within six hours to any call upon them for relief. This relief is generally given the first time without question, but adequate knowledge is gathered before it becomes necessary to repeat it and complete histories of all families are kept as confidential records at the clearinghouse.

The Charities' visitor is, in charity work, exactly parallel to the medical practitioner and the visiting nurse. The visitor studies the symptoms and after conference with the case committee and general secretary, the treatment is continued by furnishing the relief necessary, as a physician would administer a drug, only long enough for them to develop natural resources, secure such institutional care, employment, hospital or other attention as may be required. All treatment is administered only for the purpose of effecting a permanent cure. One slogan of the association is that "Charity without a plan defeats its own object." Another is "Organized love." Another is that "inadequate relief is worse than no relief," that any family which should be helped at all should be adequately relieved until they are restored to normal places of society. In order to do this the Associated Charities calls upon every agency in the city, if necessary, until the object is obtained.

In many ways the Charities operates for the benefit of the community, last Christmas canvassing the city in order to obtain the names, ages and addresses of all poor children, that members of the Telegraph Full Christmas Stocking Club might play Santa Claus to them.

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**MARKET GARDENING
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DAIRIES ARE ALSO PROFITABLE

Farm Prices Not High Considering Location and Quality of the Land

If there is one opportunity open to the investor with a knowledge of the business and a willingness to work in this year 1914, it is market-gardening and small fruit growing in the vicinity of Harrisburg.

Time was, and only a very few years back at that, when what is now Allison Hill and practically all that great territory north of Rely street and west of Sixth as far as Rockville, was given over to the raising of vegetables, berries and the like. In those days Harrisburg and vicinity produced more vegetables and fruit than could be used here. Because the land was very rich, the transportation nothing and labor comparatively cheap, farmers prospered and some of them who managed well grew rich.

The remarkable success of the Householders and the Heisters in this respect indicate the possibilities of market-gardening for Harrisburg even in those early days.

Some of this fine bottom land is still under cultivation and the Heister gardens and orchards are still noted for their productiveness and the excellency of their crops but much of the one-time farmland is now given up to city dwellings and the remainder is so rapidly being built upon that soon the cost of it must disappear.

But as the city has encroached upon the farmland, the population has grown, and with it the demand for home-grown things.

That the local markets are not supplied by local farmers to anything like their capacity to absorb is shown by the vast quantities of green goods and small fruits handled here by the commission men.

There is fine land for the purposes indicated in any direction outside of Harrisburg and within easy reach. That it can be profitably worked is shown by the large number of farmers who bring their wares to market twice a week. But most of these market people grow vegetables and small fruits merely as a side line and make no serious attempt at profit-garden crops.

Apple Growing
Apples and peaches can also be grown to profit. An example of what may be done along this line may be seen at the Simons farm near Linglestown and the Walton farm, near Hummelstown, is a fine sample of Dauphin county's productiveness in the way of fruit.

There is also good chance of success in poultry raising and dairy farming. The Fitzhey poultry farms near Linglestown and the Blough farms near Dauphin produce poultry for the market and eggs on a large scale and both are said to be profitable investments. The men who are making money in chickens in Dauphin county are working along scientific lines purely—as are the agriculturalists and the horticulturists. The old-time barnyard hen is gone. In her place has come a carefully bred, carefully fed and properly housed fowl that may be depended upon to produce from 200 to 250 eggs a year. This is expensive and requires care but it pays in the end and nobody can make money in the poultry business in Dauphin county, even in these days of the four-cent egg, that does not go about his work from the standpoint of the scientific expert.

So strongly convinced are many level-headed businessmen of the profit in eggs that they have formed the Central Pennsylvania Poultry Association and will hold their second annual show this year. Later they hope to go into the subject of co-operative buying.

Dairy Farm Opportunities
Still another opportunity for the man casting for an investment that takes with it profitable employment is that of dairy farming near Harrisburg. Milk is the one farm product that this territory produces in quantities sufficient to permit of export on a large scale, and yet the supply is falling behind the demand so much that a raise of price has been threatening for several years. The vast Hershey farms to the east are examples of dairying on a large scale. Bonnycastle, nearer still, is yet a better illustration of milk production in a manner thoroughly sanitary and yet able to hold its own with the milk of some less careful farmers, from a profit-making standpoint.

The dairy herds of Dauphin county are steadily increasing in size and quality while meat animals are falling off in numbers. Here, too, profit depends upon scientific management. Selection of stock, feeding and housing are big features of the business and yet the handling of the milk is of scarcely less importance.

Taken all in all, land, first cost, prices to be realized, Harrisburg and vicinity offer excellent opportunities for the farmer who knows his job.

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HAVE THEIR EYES ON
FUTURE OF CITY**

Chestnut Street Owners See Time When State Street Will Be Wiped Out

ALL ARE WELL PATRONIZED

Food Products of Whole World on Sale Here at Reasonable Prices

THE Chestnut street market house management is planning toward the innovation of an all-day market in Harrisburg. Already the Saturday evening market at Chestnut street is well patronized. It was started—not to compete with the half-century old Saturday night market at State street, but to take its place, for it is very evident that with the purchase of this property by the State, the famous old State street market house will be removed and its patrons have been driven elsewhere. The pioneers at Chestnut street are doing good business and already there have been inquiries from some who would like to keep stands open there all of Saturday.

Such a move would prove a welcome addition to Harrisburg's excellent market facilities, which are unexcelled in Pennsylvania.

It is the pride of Harrisburg people that they can buy about anything on the local markets that is eaten anywhere. Want a bit of Canadian salmon, a sword-fish steak, a quart of scallops or a dish of green turtle or terrapin? Harrisburg markets will have it if in season. Does your palate crave a few English hothouse grapes, strawberries in midwinter or a California cassaba? Harrisburg commission men have them if they are on sale anywhere. Perchance you would like a bit of Chinese birdnest pudding? We have it to order.

These things just to illustrate the fact that this city has the wherewith to satisfy the cravings of even the most particular appetite. As for the commoner good things, we revel in them.

It is natural that this should be so. The city is geographically the center of a vast forming region. Lancaster county, richest of all agricultural communities in the whole world, the fertile Cumberland Valley, the Juniata Valley and the Lebanon valleys all converge at this point and pour in upon us their plenty.

The Atlantic seacoast, Chesapeake bay and the Great Lakes are all within a half day's journey of Harrisburg. They send us with the tang of the sea and the lake grass still upon them oysters, fish of every kind, both fresh and salt; clams, crabs, lobsters, scallops and waterfowl of all marketable varieties.

We begin to eat Carolina shad in February and keep it up until the Delaware and Susquehanna fish begin to run and after that we partake of the local supply until June. Florida strawberries are here by the latter part of January and during May and June, York, Cumberland and Dauphin counties send in the most delicious berries grown anywhere. The whole range of northern grown fruit then comes to our markets, together with a rich abundance of farm produce, meats of all kinds, cheese and home-cured fruits.

In all five market houses, well distributed, are visited once, twice or three times a week by tens of thousands of housekeepers. To three of these the farmers from miles around, butchers, grocers, fruit and vegetable dealers, fish and oyster men, mer-

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chants of every conceivable food commodity, gather early Wednesday and Saturday mornings the year round and spread their wares upon the 'stalls' or tables, which they rent by the week, to tempt the eyes of the thousands of purchasers that crowd the aisles. Even articles of clothing and household utensils are offered for sale and there seems to be no limit to the variety of wares offered. "If you can't find it anywhere else, look around when you go to market," is a common saying. The other two markets are open only on Saturday evenings, for the benefit of those unable to attend the morning markets, and they, too, are largely attended. The Chestnut street market is open also on Saturday evenings. Verbeke street market house, which is also the largest—about seventy-five feet in width and extending from Third street almost to Sixth, is the oldest and most largely attended. Sometimes as many as 15,000 people attend this market in a single morning. It is built upon ground donated for the purpose by William Verbeke. Next in size is the Chestnut street market, which does almost as much business as Verbeke street, while the Allison Hill market is smaller but does an enormous trade. The Kelket street and the State street markets are open Saturday nights.

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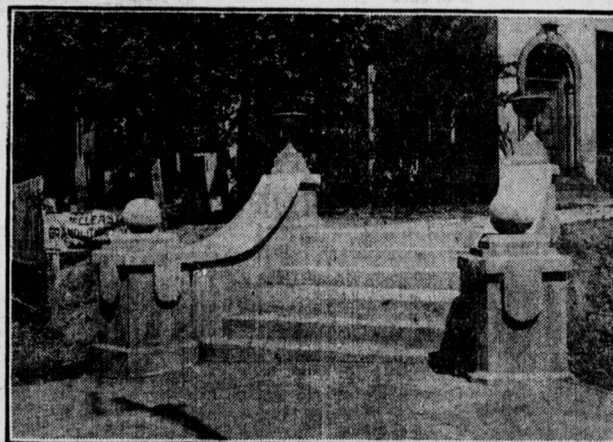
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