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## THE RURAL CHURCH

THE FARMERS THE CUSTODIANS OF THE NATION'S MORALITY.

Co-operation of Church, School and Press Essential to Community Building.

By Peter Radford

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The church, the press and the school form a triple alliance of progress that guides the destiny of every community, state and nation. Without them civilization would wither and die and through them life may attain its greatest blessing, power and knowledge. The farmers of this nation are greatly indebted to this social triumvirate for their uplifting influence, and on behalf of the American plowmen I want to thank those engaged in these high callings for their able and efficient service, and I shall offer to the press a series of articles on co-operation between these important influences and the farmers in the hope of increasing the efficiency of all by mutual understanding and organized effort. We will take up, first, the rural church.

The Farmers Are Great Church Builders.

The American farmer is the greatest church builder the world has ever known. He is the custodian of the nation's morality; upon his shoulders rests the "ark of the covenant" and he is more responsive to religious influences than any other class of citizenship.

The farmers of this nation have built 120,000 churches at a cost of \$750,000,000, and the annual contribution of the nation toward all church institutions approximates \$200,000,000 per annum. The farmers of the United States build 22 churches per day. There are 20,000,000 rural church communicants on the farm, and 54 per cent of the total membership of all churches reside in the country.

The farm is the power-house of all progress and the birthplace of all that is noble. The Garden of Eden was in the country and the man who would get close to God must first get close to nature.

**The Functions of a Rural Church.**  
If the rural churches today are going to render a service which this age demands, there must be co-operation between the religious, social and economic life of the community.

The church to attain its fullest measure of success must enrich the lives of the people in the community it serves; it must build character; develop thought and increase the efficiency of human life. It must serve the social, business and intellectual, as well as the spiritual and moral side of life. If religion does not make a man more capable, more useful and more just, what good is it? We want a practical religion, one we can live by and farm by, as well as die by.

**Fewer and Better Churches.**  
Blessed is that rural community which has but one place of worship. While competition is the life of trade, it is death to the rural church and moral starvation to the community. Petty sectarianism is a scourge that blights the life, and the church prejudice saps the vitality of many communities. An over-churched community is a crime against religion, a serious handicap to society and a useless tax upon agriculture.

While denotations are essential and church pride commendable, the high teaching of universal Christianity must prevail if the rural church is to fulfill its mission to agriculture.

We frequently have three or four churches in a community which is not large to adequately support one. Small congregations attend services once a month and all fail to perform the religious functions of the community. The division of religious forces and the breaking into fragments of moral efforts is oftentimes little less than a calamity and defeats the very purpose they seek to promote.

The evils of too many churches can be minimized by co-operation. The social and economic life of a rural community are respective units and cannot be successfully divided by denominational lines, and the churches can only occupy this important field by co-operation and co-ordination.

The efficient country church will definitely serve its community by leading in all worthy efforts at community building, in uniting the people in all co-operative endeavors for the general welfare of the community and in arousing a real love for country life and loyalty to the country home and these results can only be successfully accomplished by the united effort of the press, the school, the church and organized farmers.

**They Were Connoisseurs.**

Many years ago, on our return from a wedding, we found the house rified. Mother had put out furs, her wedding gown, and other things to air before storing them. These were gone; the solid silver also, and the plate broken.

The burglars had ransacked the icebox and fixed themselves an elaborate spread. Upon the table was an empty cigar box, and in it on a strip of paper was scrawled: "The grub was fine, but, Fatty, your cigars are rotten. Do better next time."

As my father was a corpulent man, they evidently knew their unwilling host—Chicago Tribune.

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## TOM & JIM

### FATTENING HORSES.

Some of the farmers in Nebraska have been making a specialty of feeding horses for the market. One feeder made a gain of four pounds a day on a 150 head fed two months. They each consumed twenty-one pounds of alfalfa daily. The buying element at the public auction ring demands fleshy horses and pays well for them. Hence, it is purely a dollar and cents proposition with the feeder, and so long as buyers insist on fat there will be someone that will fill their demand. A yard a drove of 200 horses finished on the following daily ration: Five pounds of oats, eighteen pounds of coarse ground corn, three pounds of out alfalfa and ten pounds of sugar beet sirup. [This was fed mixed in troughs twice a day and in addition the horses had access to alfalfa hay in racks. These were large horses, many of them exceeding 1,500 pounds. The heaviest horse was a sound dapple gray of good age which sold out of the yard for \$350 and tipped the scale at 2,100 pounds. Ten cars of these horses went through the Chicago stock yards and much newspaper comment was created by their splendid appearance.

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### WASN'T LOOKING FOR FREAK

Young Man Realized That Girl of His Choice Was Much Like Rest of Her Sex Today.

A proposal was imminent and they both knew it. He talked politics for a while, but that topic was soon exhausted. Finally he reached for her hand.

"Dearest!"

She said nothing.

"You know that I love you."

More silence.

"I want you to be my little wife."

Her silence must have given him a slight chill. He switched off to practical talk.

"I get \$25 a week, Mabel, and I feel sure that you think well of me. How about it?"

The girl looked at him steadfastly.

"George," said she, "I like you well enough, but I'm going to talk to you frankly. Listen. You want me to marry you on \$25 a week. I have no interest in the home. I play bridge for money. I smoke cigarettes. I require expensive clothes and continual excitement. I can't cook. I won't learn. I know very little that would be useful. Now, under these conditions, do you still want me?"

The young man smiled indulgently.

"Certainly I want you," he answered. "Why should I have a wife any different from so many other men's wives?"

Evolution in Professions.

George II in 1745 spilled the beans for the surgery-barbery corporation. Several obnoxious individuals who had been doing surgical operations in competition with the barbers did some new stunts with the surgeon's knife and got George's ear. They knocked the barbers' work, said their operations for the removal of corns were crude stuff, and that George ought to get hep to himself and start a new profession of surgery in distinction to barbery. George fell for it and dissolved the combination. The surgeons got it back on them for being so fresh not so many years afterward, when fellows calling themselves chirpodists sprang into existence and declared that no man should have his corns removed by anybody except experts at the business.

Wisdom From Thomas.

The thoughtful look on young Thomas' face betrayed that he had a few questions to ask. As soon as Mrs. Boardman had gone, he asked them.

"Mother," said he, "do you like to kiss Mrs. Boardman?"

"No, dear."

"Do you think Mrs. Boardman likes to kiss you?"

"I don't think she does."

"Then why do you and she always kiss when you meet?"

"I don't know, dear."

"Don't you think Mrs. Boardman would rather you didn't kiss her?"

"I have no doubt of it."

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"Oh, very much rather."

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Father's Good Point.

Little Elizabeth had been offended some way. She went off into a corner and turned her back on the family.

"I'm mad," she exclaimed sulkily.

"I wish I didn't have any father or mother."

"That's wrong, dear," said her mother. "We are the best friends you have."

"Well," said Elizabeth, doubtfully, "I don't mind having father; he doesn't hang around here much, but I'm getting awful tired of the rest of you."

### EASY TO TELL REAL GENIUS

Man With Capacity for Infinite Toil Is the One So Gloriously Endowed.

Genius is always nine parts gift of God. A gifted person may learn something at school, but he becomes great, as Ruskin says, only when he develops that peculiar capacity within himself which he can learn from nobody.

How is one to know whether he is a genius or not, whether those strivings within him are the ferment of mediocrity or the first push of superior talent? The woods are full of young people who think they can write stories or poems, or paint, or sing, or perform upon musical instruments, or act. How are they to know if they be real natural-born geniuses?

Perhaps the best test is this. A real genius usually has such a passion for his work that no power on earth can keep him from it. In other words, Carlyle's dictum holds true, that genius is the capacity for infinite toil. If you are a God-endowed one, therefore, you will know it by your unconquerable joy and courage. If you are a second-rater you will give up, and be easily turned away into money-making.

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