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tent unless they were owned by co-operatives closely linked up, by the federal government or by private agencies under federal control. Here is a matter of policy which deserves our most serious consideration. It is probably that when President Harding, our secretary of agriculture, and some of our soundest economists expressed the belief that the way lies largely in the direction of co-operative marketing, they have in mind a warehouse system under the control of co-operative associations or privately owned, licensed and supervised by the federal government rather than owned and managed by the federal government, and I think the most far-seeing people of today will agree as to which is the better plan.

We still have large problems to solve in agriculture. On the other hand, our institutions and our people are awake to their importance. Our agricultural experiment stations are doing everything that available funds permit to make possible larger production per acre, more economical production, better farm management and better marketing conditions. In this they have the sympathy, support and helpful interest of a large proportion of the farming population which itself is doing much to promote more economical production. That there is still much room for improvement in this respect is well illustrated by cost of production studies which show that while a bushel of wheat, for instance, may be produced at 80 cents to 90 cents per bushel on one farm it may cost \$3 to \$4 per bushel on another farm. The less efficient producer necessarily must improve or get out of business. Increasing attention, therefore must be given to economical production. That the farmers realize this is well shown by the interest in the educational work conducted throughout the state by their own organizations and our agricultural institutions in co-operation with each other.

The condition and needs of agriculture also are now beginning to be recognized by our nation as a whole as never before. The farmers themselves, who through their organizations, have made it possible to secure large caliber men of sound judgment and proven ability to lead and present the case of agriculture are primarily responsible for this recognition. It is now beginning to be realized that agriculture is not a class industry but a great national enterprise. Congress, reacting to this fact, is more willing today than at any time in its history to do what can be done through helpful legislation. It has been brought to this state of mind through the presentation to it of the case of agriculture in such a light that it cannot fail to see and realize its importance. I, for one, would be most unhappy to see any legislation on the part of congress in behalf of any class as such, the farmer included. On the other hand, I believe any legislation to be permanently helpful to agriculture as an industry must be of such a character as to serve the welfare not only of those engaged in the agricultural industry but of the entire public.

There is one other phase of the agricultural situation which I would like to touch for a few moments, namely, that of the farm as a home. We are so intent upon the economic problems in connection with agriculture because they present themselves so forcefully that sometimes we overlook this particular aspect. When this country was first settled the incentive was not so much the financial returns as the opportunity to secure place for the building of homes

and the rearing of families. This is often lost sight of today. The farm is still preeminently the place for building the kind of homes that are needed more and more in this country. This will become more generally recognized as the acreage per capita decreases and as the pressure for food and clothing becomes greater.

It is interesting in this connection to note that there has been a steady decrease in the last 20 years in the acreage of cultivated land per capita. Before the war our population increased at the rate of three million per year, immigration not considered. The increase at the present time is very large. While there has been some increase in acreage under cultivation year by year, this does not keep up with the increase in population and whereas in 1880 there were 5.7 acres per capita under cultivation this had fallen to 5.2 in 1920. In other words, land is becoming more scarce. As this happens the appreciation of its value increases. Moreover, with the coming of good roads, the telephone, the consolidated school and the new community consciousness on the part of the farm community, the realization of the desirability of the country as a home is increasing and more and more people will be attracted to it from that standpoint. In the words of a well known writer in one of our agricultural journals, "There is no place comparable with the farm for the rearing of healthy normal children. Here removed from artificial distractions the influences of a wholesome family life can be impressed more readily and indelibly on childhood. Here boys and girls may more easily acquire that discipline which comes from the regular performance of useful duties. Many a man owes his success in life to an unconscious habit of steadfastness to duty formed as a boy on the farm in the doing of his daily chores." Again from another writer: "The eventual ruling and aristocratic class will be land owners. If they can hold their territory against a steadily increasing pressure, agriculture will itself yield a vital culture as one of its by-products. If private property in land shall remain an enforced right during the next century in America, the men who possess and intelligently manage farms will be the only real kings on the earth."

There has been great progress in the agriculture of this country, a progress which though handicapped by occasional set backs is still going on. Many problems are yet unsolved but there are many workers. The attention of the nation in a large measure is directed to them. Out of it all should come better conditions for the agricultural industry as a whole, greater opportunities for those engaged in working on the land and the highest type of citizenship in the homes of the open country, a citizenship which after all is the backbone of our civilization.

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
In the Superior Court of the State of Washington, in and for the County of Whitman, Elizabeth K. Adams, Plaintiff, vs. Dean Adams, Defendant.

The State of Washington to the said Dean Adams: You are hereby summoned to appear within 60 days after the date of the first publication of this summons, to-wit, within sixty days after the sixth day of January, A. D. 1922, and defend the above entitled action in the above entitled court, and answer the complaint of the plaintiff, and serve a copy of your answer upon the undersigned attorneys for the plaintiff, at their office below stated, and in case of your failure so to do, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the complaint, which has been filed with the clerk of said court, that this is an action for divorce.

DOW & DOW,
Attorneys for the Plaintiff,
Post office address: Pullman, Whitman county, Washington.
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NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned guardian of the estate of John Streibich and Herman Streibich, minors, pursuant to the order of the Superior Court of Whitman county, Washington, made and entered on the 28th day of January, 1922, will sell at private sale on or after the 10th day of February, 1922, to the highest bidder for cash, subject to confirmation by the court, all of the right, title and interest of said minors, to-wit: an undivided one-sixth interest in and to the following described real estate, situate in Whitman county, state of Washington, to-wit:

The southeast quarter of Section 29, Township 13 North, Range 46, E. W. M., and that part of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of said Section 29, lying south of the county road and that part of the northeast quarter of Section 32, Township 13 North, Range 46 E. W. M., described as follows: Beginning at a point on the east side of said section 32, north 0°01', west 344.5 feet from the 10th mile post of the resurvey of the Idaho-Washington boundary line, running thence north 0°01' west 802 feet to the northeast corner of said section, thence along the north side of said section 98°57' west 2752.7 feet, to the north quarter corner of said Section 32, thence south 1659.5 feet along the west side of the northeast quarter of said Section 32, thence south 89°45' east 1378.5 feet, to the north and south subdivision line of the northeast quarter of said section, thence north 0°06' east 835.8 feet along said subdivision line, thence north 88°54' east 1375 feet to the place of beginning, containing in all 208.91 acres.

Bids for said real estate must be in writing, and will be received by the undersigned at Uniontown, Washington, or may be left at the office of Neill & Sanger, at Pullman, Washington.

Ten per cent of the purchase price is to be paid when the bid is accepted, and the remainder when the sale is confirmed and deed is made. Dated this 31st day of January, 1922. NICK KNOPE, Guardian.

SUMMONS FOR PUBLICATION

In the Superior Court of the State of Washington, for Whitman County.

Fred H. Wexler and Sylvia May Wexler, his wife, Plaintiffs, vs. The Unknown Heirs of Elizabeth J. Riley, Deceased, Also All Other persons or parties unknown claiming any right, title or interest in the real estate described in the complaint herein, Defendants.

The State of Washington: To the said Unknown Heirs of Elizabeth J. Riley, Deceased, also All Other Persons or Parties Unknown claiming any right, title or interest in the real estate described in the complaint herein, Defendants above named:

You are hereby summoned to appear within sixty days after the date of the first publication of this summons, to-wit, within sixty days after the 6th day of January, 1922, and defend the above entitled action in the above entitled court, and answer the complaint of the plaintiffs, and serve a copy of your answer upon the undersigned attorneys for the plaintiffs at their office below stated; and in case of your failure so to do, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the complaint, which has been filed with the clerk of said court.

The object of the above entitled action is to quiet plaintiffs' title in and to the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section 22, township 15 north range 45 E. W. M., Whitman county, Washington, and exclude you from claiming any right, title or interest in or to said land or any part thereof.

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