

PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO HONOR KNAPP

**December 12 Is Knapp Day
in Mississippi, Which Ben-
efitted by His Work.**

BIGAMIST PARDONED

**Young Man Who Thought
He Had Right to Marry
Again Is Freed.**

**THE REGISTER BUREAU.
Jackson, Miss., Dec. 11.**

To-morrow, December 12, will be known as Knapp Day in the public schools of this city in memory of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, who for a long period was prominently identified with the department of agriculture at Washington, and who was greatly interested in the development of the South. It was during his administration that the department of agriculture took up the work of pushing the boys' corn club all over the South and the girls' tomato clubs and it was due to his recommendations and efforts that money was appropriated, lecturers were sent and diversity of crops urged. Numbers of special demonstration agents of the department were employed to take their information direct to the farmers and when the boll weevil became a great menace to this country, Dr. Knapp was the head and front of the fight to some way to outwit the bug, and show the farmers how they might make their cotton crop notwithstanding the pest. In other words, he is remembered as one of the most substantial friends the South ever had, and he was particularly partial to Mississippi. Therefore, these memorial services and the day has been set apart regularly in Mississippi to be observed annually in memory of the good friend of the state.

VICKSBURG, MISS., Herald

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Mississippi.

**Columbus Miss Dispatch.
Oct. 6th, 1912.**

The movement started by the farmers of Tennessee to erect to the memory of the late Dr. Seaman Knapp a memorial in the form of an agricultural school is a deserved and worthy one. Dr. Knapp did more for the farmers and consequently the country, than any other man of his age and generation. It is to him, and primarily to his good work, that the farmers of to-day who have followed his advice are prospering, and it is to him that farming has been placed upon a higher basis and science has been made to do her share in the increased yield. By all means honor the memory of Knapp. He was one of the nation's benefactors.

**Jackson Miss Ledger.
Dec. 1st, 1912.**

**SEAMAN KNAPP
MEMORIAL OBSERVANCE**

**WILL BE OBSERVED IN MISSIS-
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DECEMBER.**

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Local committees are getting fine responses to their appeals for funds in almost every county in the South. In Durham, N. C., nearly \$1,000 have been raised for the Knapp Farm and School by personal solicitation. In Sumter county, S. C., and in Marlborough county nearly \$500 each have already been pledged. Darlington county has prospects for about the same amount.

Any man, woman or child wishing to make a gift, however small, to this noble enterprise can send the sum to the local demonstration agent or county superintendent of schools.

**Lumberton Miss Head Block
Nov. 16th, 1912.**

**KNAPP AGRI-
CULTURAL DAY.**

Thursday, December 12th will be "Knapp Agricultural Day" in Mississippi. Governor Brewer having issued a proclamation fixing the date and urging the people of all the communities in the state to work together to make the new annual event profitable.

On the date in question collections will be taken up in the interest of the Knapp Memorial Farm and School to be connected with the Peabody College, in Nashville.

The proclamation of the Governor follows:

State of Mississippi,

Executive Department

Jackson, Mississippi.

Mississippi is pre-eminently an agricultural state and the prosperity and happiness of her people depend almost entirely upon the development of a profitable system of farming in connection with efficient social and educational institutions and systems adequate to the needs of all the people. To bring out a proper attitude towards these problems the schools must be so directed in their course of study and activities that the boys and girls, while yet in school, may have an opportunity to make application of the school room studies to the farm, home and community activities. The best kind of education and the strongest characters result from an intelligent and skillful study and control of the natural environment of the child in the process of education.

Nothing could be more fitting and beneficial than to set aside a day annually on which all the people in every community would come together at the school house mingling together socially and study together the vital problems connected with the community life. Means and methods of making good roads, better methods of farming, improvements of the community school, and many

NEARLY A MILLION FOR EDUCATION.

Once more John D. Rockefeller, the man who made Standard Oil famous, has dug into his pocket, so to speak, and pulled out a large roll of money which he proposes to give to various institutions of learning, the sum total being seven hundred thousand dollars.

Of this vast sum nearly one-third—\$250,000—goes to the George Peabody College for Teachers at Nashville and a like sum for the establishment of the Seaman A. Knapp School of Country Life; the University of Rochester, N. Y., (a Baptist institution of learning, and a good one) bets the next largest sum, \$200,000; an even hundred thousand each to Beloit College at Beloit, Wis., and to Coe College, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, the remaining \$50,000 going to MacAlester College at St. Paul, Minn.

But there is a string attached to these gifts. Before any of the several institutions can obtain the amount set aside for their use each of them must obtain an amount equal to that offered by Mr. Rockefeller; otherwise they get nothing.

This means, when boiled down to plain fact, that six institutions of learning will set the wheels in motion to obtain the money necessary to secure the Rockefeller contribution. Various means will be used to raise these funds; churches, Sunday schools, merchants, professional men and professional philanthropists, like Mr. Rockefeller himself, only on a smaller scale, and others will be asked to "put down their names" for "whatever they feel able to give" and this campaign will be kept up until the requisite amount will be secured. On that you may depend.

This giving "with a string" attached to it has its advantages; it makes the colleges favored get a "move on" and in that respect is healthy; but it also has its disadvantages of which the average man is quite familiar.

Aside from the college appropriations, the sum of \$210,000 was set aside for demonstration work in agriculture in the Southern states, for professors or secondary education in state universities of the South and to aid the work of negro education in the South. The demonstration work appropriation is \$133,000.

The miscellaneous appropriations were:

For professors of secondary education in the several state universities of the Southern states, \$33,100.

For the supervision of negro rural schools in Kentucky, North Carolina and Virginia, \$9,000.

To three negro schools—Hampton institute, Hampton, Va.; Tuskegee institute, Tuskegee, Ala., and the Spellman seminary, Atlanta, Ga., the sum of \$35,000.

Perhaps the most interesting contribution made by Mr. Rockefeller this time is that of \$250,000 for the establishment of the Seaman A. Knapp School of Country Life, because of the fact that for ten years previous to his death Dr. Knapp was the recognized leader of the new agricultural life in the South.

It was explained that the contribution for the Knapp school was conditional only in that it was intended to be a part of a million dollar fund which is being raised by the George Peabody college to insure the retention of \$500,000 bestowed upon it by the Peabody fund. In making the appropriation the board, with the consent of the college, specified that the \$250,000 should be applied to the uses of the Knapp school.

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FARM DEMONSTRATION WORK

Despite the practical work and effective good continually accomplished by the Farm Demonstration Work there are some destructive critics, who endeavor to block the progressive moment by their sarcastic remarks. But the fact that the vast majority of farmers refuse to listen to such criticism foretells of a better day for the rural districts, not very far distant in the future.

Perhaps, the most practical conscientious farmer the world has ever known was the prime mover of the farm demonstration work, being the late Dr. S. A. Knapp. Traveling over the entire country and closely studying rural conditions, he felt that the earning capacity of the people was not sufficient to sustain the advanced civilization of the present age, which was the fundamental evil of all our present day social unrest. His plan of increasing the earning power of the farms, was to teach them how to make the land to be more productive. To accomplish this end, the Farm Demonstration Work was organized, which when put in the hands of a capable persons as it invariably is, places a plain practical object lesson of scientific farming before the farmers' eyes, clearly showing them that the land can be made to produce more and at less cost. What sensible and unprejudiced man would object to a lesson of this character? None except the egoist and the foolish. It is a mark of

intelligence on the part of Coffee county farmers when you know how keen and anxious they are to co-operate and actively participate in the demonstration work. Interest this year is exceedingly encouraging. Almost daily, the local demonstration agent receives letters from the various communities of his district, asking him to make them a visit so that they may be advised along improved farm methods. Splendid results are bound to follow such an enthusiasm for agricultural knowledge.

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KNAPP DAY OBSERVED IN LAUDERDALE

HOMAGE PAID TO ONE OF SOUTH'S
GREATEST BENEFACTORS WITH
SPECIAL PROGRAMS AT MANY
SCHOOLS — GENERAL OBSERVANCE THROUGHOUT STATE.

Knapp Day was observed in practically every farming community throughout the entire state Thursday at every agricultural college and experiment station and in many of the public schools. In this county arrangements for an excellent program was made by County Superintendent of Education J. R. Ellis and special exercises were held at many of the schools, as a part of the observance of "Knapp Agricultural Day."

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The observance of Knapp day also included the raising of funds to assist in the creation of the memorial institution, but the amount raised could not be ascertained at this time.

THURSDAY, JUNE 5, 1913.

TO STUDY PROBLEMS OF RURAL LIFE.

The Seaman A. Knapp School of Country Life, in connection with the George Peabody College for Teachers, seems to be catching on, to use the vernacular.

There is encouraging evidence that the appeal for funds for the erection and equipment of this new idea in tackling the problem of elevating rural life has met with encouragement and that at no distance day the Seaman A. Knapp school will become a fact.

It is quite appropriate that the school be named after Prof. Knapp, who did so much during the latter years of his life for the upbuilding of the south along practical lines.

The school when completed and underway is destined to teach better farming, better business methods and better living in the country.

It will maintain practical courses on the campus and make demonstration

of the reducing of funds held by the county. This was done because of the fact that the bond of \$100,000 was cancelled and a new bond of \$125,000 was issued by the supervisors. One bond of \$150,000 and another of \$125,000 was cancelled and a new bond of \$100,000 was issued by the supervisors. The bond of County Treasurer R. F. McElroy, has been reduced to \$100,000.

Treasurers Reduce Supervisors' Bond

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Aberdeen Miss Examiner
Aug 23, 1912.

The Knapp Memorial.

A living, useful memorial will be erected in honor of the late Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, of the Department of Agriculture, founder of the Farm Demonstration Work. The committee has decided to raise \$150,000 with which to purchase and equip a farm and erect a building in connection with the Greater Peabody College for Teachers, in Nashville, Tennessee. The General Education Board of New York has recently appropriated \$250,000 to endow the Seaman A. Knapp School of Country Life. The memorial building for the purpose of this school will be located on the campus of the Peabody College, and will contain a life-like statue of the South's great benefactor and friend. The farm will be located within ten or twelve miles of Nashville, and will be conducted in accordance with demonstration methods. Pure bred seed and animals will be developed. The best devices and implements will be used. Crop rotations will be worked out for various southern conditions. Demonstration agents, county superintendents of education and other workers will make this farm a rallying point, in order to carry back to their states the benefits of the work done there. Corn Club boys and Canning Club girls will also make trips to this agricultural Mecca for inspiration and instruction. The pure bred products of the Knapp farm will be offered as prizes to the boys and girls who do the best work.

The Knapp Memorial Committee consists of the following members:

Chancellor David C. Barrow, Athens, Ga.
Dr. S. P. Brooks, Waco, Texas.
Gov. G. W. Donaghey, Little Rock, Arkansas.
Hon. J. E. Ransdell, Lake Providence, Louisiana.
Hon. John Fields, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.
Prof. W. H. Smith, Jackson, Miss.
Prof. J. F. Duggar, Auburn, Ala.
Mr. Lem Banks, Memphis, Tenn.
Supt. W. M. Holloway, Tallahassee, Fla.
Hon. C. S. Barrett, Union City, Ga.
Hon. A. F. Lever, Lexington, S. C.
Mr. Clarence Poe, Raleigh, N. C.
Gov. Wm. H. Mann, Richmond, Va.
Mr. O. B. Martin, Washington, D. C.
Dr. Barrow, of Georgia, is chairman.
Mr. Poe, of North Carolina, secretary, and Mr. Martin, treasurer.

This committee has employed a financial agent, who has opened headquarters in the Southern building in Washington, and has already begun to raise the \$150,000. This agent is Mr. Thos. A. Early, who has been director of the Corn Club work in Tennessee. The plan of the committee was presented last week to the Teachers' Summer School at the University of Virginia. At the first presentation more than \$1,000 was subscribed, and hundreds of teachers volunteered to aid the committee in their schools and communities. State committees have been organized in all the Southern States, and the work of raising the memorial funds will be pushed with all possible speed.

J. E. TANNER.

WEDNESDAY IS TO BE KNOWN AS KNAPP DAY

SPECIAL EXERCISES WILL BE
HELD IN FARMING COMMUNITIES,
AGRICULTURAL SCHOOLS
AND COLLEGES THROUGHOUT
THE SOUTH.

Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 26.—In practically every farming community throughout the entire south, at every agricultural college and experiment station and in many of the public schools as well, arrangements have been made to hold special exercises Wednesday as a part of the observance of "Knapp Agricultural Day." The farmers, their families and friends will gather to survey and review the agricultural resources and achievements of the South, and to express their appreciation of the services of one of their greatest benefactors—the late Seaman A. Knapp.

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Plans are now well advanced for perpetuating Dr. Knapp's memory and expressing the southern farmers' appreciation of his work. There is to be a Knapp school and a Knapp farm near this city, to be maintained in connection with Peabody college. When \$150,000 is collected for the farm and school building, \$250,000 will be added for endowment of the school of country life by the general education board. No other such institution exists. It will start out with the purpose of reaching and helping every school and farm in the south. The institution will be a laboratory, a clearing house, and an assembling place for agricultural and educational workers.

KNAPP AGRICULTURAL DAY

Jackson Miss News.
GOVERNOR PROCLAIMS IT TO BE
OBSERVED DECEMBER 12TH.
Oct. 11th, 1912.
Executive Requests Schools and People
In Every Community to Work To-
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Prove Profitable in Every Way.

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Practically every southern state, through the department of education, is making arrangements to observe a day in the public schools this fall as agricultural day and to make it an annual affair. In harmony with the plans of the Knapp memorial committee, it is understood that the day to be observed this year is to be designated "Knapp Agricultural Day" and voluntary collections are to be taken throughout the state in the interest of the Knapp Memorial Farm and School to be connected with the Peabody College at Nashville as a living memorial to the life and services of the late Dr. Seaman A. Knapp. This will be a most appropriate expression on the part of the people of the southern states of their appreciation of the services of this great benefactor. No man has done more to improve the condition of the farmers of Mississippi than has Dr. Knapp in waging his fight against the boll weevil, promoting the farm demonstration work and fostering the club work among the school children.

In order to emphasize the importance of this movement and to add my hearty endorsement, I deem it advisable to issue this, my proclamation, setting apart one day, Thursday, December 12th, 1912, as "Knapp Agricultural Day," and do earnestly request the schools and all the people of every community to work together to make this new annual event profitable.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the state to be affixed.

Done at Jackson, this the 31st day of October, A. D. 1912.

By the governor,
EARL BREWER.
JOS. W. POWER,
Secretary of State.

Vicksburg, Miss Herald.
Nov. 13th, 1912.

MUCH INTEREST IN EVENT.

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A great deal of interest is now being aroused over Mississippi for this event in educational circles, and the prospects are that the day will be observed by every school in the state.

W. H. Smith, chairman of the state committee having the event in charge in Mississippi, a member of the national committee and the rural school superintendent for Mississippi, said this morning that he had received a number of contributions to the Knapp memorial building fund. The first contribution in the state was from President G. N. Hightower of the A. & M. College at Starkville. It was a check for \$10. Mr. Smith said that the business men of the state who had the agricultural interests of the South at heart, and who wished to see commemorated the life work of Dr. Knapp, probably would contribute very liberally to the fund.

Jackson Miss News.
Dec. 13th, 1912.

KNAPP DAY OBSERVED.

Exercises Held in East Mississippi in His Memory.

Meridian, Miss. Dec. 13.—Knapp Day was observed in this county Thursday. Arrangement for an excellent program was made by County Superintendent of Education J. R. Ellis, and special exercises were held at many of the schools, as a part of the observance of "Knapp Agricultural Day."

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KNAPP DAY PREPARATIONS

INTEREST BEING AROUSED

PLANS FOR OBSERVANCE IN THIS
STATE NOV. 27TH.

Prof. J. N. Powers, State Superintendent, Approves the Plan—What Was Accomplished by the Great Pioneer in Agricultural Development.

Prof. J. N. Powers, state superintendent of education, has given his cordial approval to the observance of Nov. 27th in the public schools of the state as Knapp Agricultural Day.

The prime purpose of this observance will be for the 3,000,000 farmers, their families and friends, to gather in the 89,000 school houses that dot the land of Dixie and review their agricultural resources and achievements, and to express their appreciation of the services of the late Dr. S. A. Knapp, one of their greatest benefactors, the man who introduced diversified farming and modern methods of agriculture in the southern states.

Agriculture is worthy of this consideration, for the farmers of the nation have this year produced ten billion dollars worth of crops to feed and clothe nearly 100,000,000 people here, with a surplus for other nations.

Knapp Agricultural Day is the official designation. The South wishes to honor the memory of Dr. S. A. Knapp as the founder of the demonstration work and the boys' and girls' clubs. This is fitting, because 100,000 demonstrators are making larger crops on their farms and corn club boys are attracting world-wide attention by growing more than 225 bushels on one acre at low cost. The indications are that several of the 75,000 boys will this year break all records. It is fitting, because 25,000 girls, in the harvest season, are filling pantries with wholesome food and selling the surplus. It is a duty, because Dr. Knapp taught a new method in agriculture and the lessons must be more widely impressed and unfailingly transmitted. Representatives of England, Russia, Brazil, South Africa, Siam and Argentina have come to learn from him. It is high time

to put his O. K. on a depositor's book. And so you can eat what you will, whatever you like, knowing that it should induce you to eat what is best for your health. I should like to see commemo- rated the life-work of Dr. Knapp, probably would contribute very liber- ally to the fund.

DICTIONARY FOR SCHOOL MAKING
THE LARGEST CONTRIBUTION.

Copy of Letter Sent Out Yesterday Afternoon to County Superintendents of Education Throughout the State Explaining the Proposition.

A new Webster International dictionary has been offered as a prize for the school in Mississippi that makes the largest contribution to the Knapp farm school on Knapp memorial day in Mississippi, on December 12th.

Letters to county superintendents of education explaining the objects of the memorial, and containing sugges- tions regarding features of the pro- grams, were sent out late yesterday afternoon from the offices of the state superintendent of education. A copy follows:

Jackson, Miss., Nov. 15, 1912.

To the County Superintendents:

Under separate cover we are mail- ing you a limited number of programs for Knapp Agricultural Day in the public schools of Mississippi. Other copies of the program will be mailed you direct from the committee at Washington and they contain all the necessary material from which to select a program for the school exer- cises.

December 12, 1912, is the day.

Mail these programs to your teach- ers promptly and write them a letter calling attention to the matter and ask them to begin at once to get ready to make this first agricultural day in the public schools of Mississippi the beginning of the time of greater use- fulness for the public schools in the development of our resources.

Have your county papers to publish program and notices of the day, and to urge all the people to assist in making the event a success. Get the business men of your county interested in the proposition.

Mississippi must make a creditable showing in its contribution to the Knapp Farm School and every boy and girl in the state should have a part in this movement to commemorate the life of Dr. Knapp through this living monument to his work.

A new Webster International dic- tionary will be awarded to the rural school in the state that makes the most liberal contribution to this cause. Have contributions forwarded to the Merchants Bank and Trust Company, Jackson, Miss., or to either of the un- dersigned.

Suggestions.

Have an exhibit of interesting farm products at the school house.

Have one corn club boy and one club girl to report experiences in the club work.

Enroll members for next year in the clubs.

Select familiar songs for the school: America, Bringing in the Sheaves, Mis- sissippi, etc.

Papers: Sketch of my town, sketch of my county, what Mississippi fur- nishes to the world.

If practicable have a basket dinner at the school house and make the day a real social event in the community.

Booklets: A biography of Dr. Knapp, corn club booklets, tomato club book- lets, corn books, etc.

Do not neglect the contribution.

Respectfully,
J. N. POWERS,
State Superintendent Ed.
W. H. SMITH,
Chairman Memorial Committee.

LITERATURE ON KNAPP AGRICUL-
AL DAY IS RECEIVED.

Suggestions Are Made for Program to Be Observed at Various Schools Throughout the State on Twelfth of December.

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A great deal of interest is now be- ing aroused over Mississippi for this event in educational circles, and the prospects are that the day will be observed by every school in the state.

One of the pamphlets, in telling of the objects of the day, has the follow- ing explanatory paragraph:

"A double significance will attach to the day this year. In connection with the program of country life it is plan- ned to commemorate the life and serv- ices of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp. His teachings are universally known and followed throughout the south and their value is everywhere gratefully acknowledged. Among the men of re- cent years who have contributed ideas of vital worth to the educational de- velopment of the south, he stands out prominently. His contribution was not merely to our material wealth. But the larger returns our farmers are get- ting from their labor, time, and mon- ey, and the great agricultural awak- ening now in progress are emphatically due to his intelligence, teachings, and demonstrations. It is appropriate, therefore, that his influence should be perpetuated and made operative through the activities of the Knapp Farm and School of Country Life established at Nashville and in con- nection with George Peabody College for Teachers. It is highly appropriate that this should be done mainly through small contributions. How much bet- ter that a multitude of nickels and dimes and dollars shall establish this public-service institution for the en- tire south than to ask a few men to give the whole sum."

"When \$150,000 is collected for the farm and school building \$250,000 will be added for endowment of the school of country life by the general educa- tion board. No other such institution exists. It will start out with the pur- pose of reaching and helping every school and farm in the south. This in- stitution will be a laboratory, a clear- ing house, and an assembling place for agricultural and educational work- ers. Eventually it will have demon- stration schools in each state and county teaching its lessons. It will be a working, living memorial, but in a conspicuous place will also appear a life-sized statue of Dr. Knapp.

"The state and county superinten- dents of education are taking the lead in this movement. It will be a worthy tribute to a worthy man. The name of each contributor will be kept as a grateful record."

W. H. Smith, chairman of the state committee having the event in charge in Mississippi, a member of the na- tional committee and the rural school superintendent for Mississippi, said this morning that he had received a number of contributions to the Knapp memorial building fund. The first contribution in the state was from President G. N. Hightower, of the A. & M. College at Starkville. It was a check for \$10. Mr. Smith said that the business men of the state who had the agricultural interests of the south at heart, and who wished to see commemo- rated the life-work of Dr. Knapp, probably would contribute very liber- ally to the fund.

A program that probably will be adopted by the schools of Mississippi to be observed on Knapp Agricultural Day is as follows:

- 1—Songs, by the audience.
- 2—How the Bible teaches agricul- ture, by an invited minister.
- 3—How Dr. Seaman A. Knapp pre- pared himself for great service, by a
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9—What I did with my vegetables and fruits, by three girls.

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11—The best farm crops for this community, and why, by several pu- pils; display and judging of products in school exhibit.

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Jackson Miss Ledger.
Nov. 11, 1912.

ISSUES PROCLAMATION TO OBSERVE KNAPP DAY

GOVERNOR SETS DECEMBER 12 AS
TIME TO HONOR MEMORY
OF DR. KNAPP.

Governor Earl Brewer yesterday issued the following proclamation fixing the observance of December 12 as Knapp Agricultural Day:

"Mississippi is pre-eminently an agricultural State and the prosperity and happiness of her people depend almost entirely upon the development of a profitable system of farming in connection with efficient social and educational institutions and systems adequate to the needs of all the people. To bring about a proper attitude toward these problems the schools must be so directed in their course of study and activities that the boys and girls, while yet in school, may have an opportunity to make application of the school room studies to the farm, home and community activities. The best kind of education and the strongest characters result from an intellectual and skilful study and control of the natural environment of the child in the process of education.

"Nothing could be more fitting and beneficial than to set aside a day annually on which all the people in every community would come together at the school house, mingle together socially and study together the vital problems connected with the community life. Means and methods of making good roads, better methods of farming, improvement of the community school, and many other topics too numerous to mention, would be attractive and valuable features of the day's exercises, interspersed with songs, recitations and declamations by the school, as well as reports from the most successful boys' and girls' club members.

Practically every Southern State, through the Department of Education, is making arrangements to observe a day in the public schools this fall as agricultural day and to make it an annual affair. In harmony with the plans of the Knapp memorial committee, it is understood that the day to be observed this year is to be designated Knapp Agricultural Day' and voluntary collections are to be taken throughout the State in the interest of the Knapp Memorial Farm and School to be connected with the Peabody College at Nashville as a living memorial to the life and services of the late Dr. Seaman A. Knapp. This will be a most appropriate expression on the part of the people of the Southern States of their appreciation of the services of this great benefactor. No man has done more to improve the condition of the farmers of Mississippi than Dr. Knapp in waging his fight against the boll weevil, promoting the farm demonstration work and fostering the club work among the school children.

"In order to emphasize the importance of this movement and to add my hearty endorsement, I deem it advisable to issue this, my proclamation, setting apart one day, Thursday, December 12th, 1912, as 'Knapp Agricultural Day,' and do earnestly request the schools and all the people of every community to work together to make a new annual event profitable.

"In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the State to be affixed.

"Done at Jackson, this 31st day of October, A. D. 1912."

Gulfport Miss Herald.
Nov. 6th, 1912.

THE KNAPP FARM AND THE SCHOOL OF COUNTRY LIFE.

The Knapp Memorial Committee is meeting with gratifying success. The practical value of the Knapp Farm and School of Country Life has been widely and heartily endorsed, both by leading school men and agriculturists. The raising of funds is progressing rapidly. Everywhere the idea is meeting with substantial responses. At a meeting of the West Texas Co-operative Demonstration Agents at Fort Worth recently they raised among themselves \$425.00 in twenty minutes. The persons who knew Dr. Seaman Knapp and were his co-workers are enthusiastic over the farm and school to be established at Nashville and in connection with Peabody College, which will keep his influence spreading over the whole South for the future generations.

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KNAPP DAY IN MISSISSIPPI

Thursday, the 12th of December, will be observed through the state of Mississippi as Knapp day. The observance of the day is in order to memorialize the great Seaman A. Knapp, the pioneer agriculturist whose work to advance scientific farming in the south has meant so much for this section of the country.

In Lauderdale county, Superintendent of Education J. R. Ellis has arranged a program to be followed out in the various schools, which will prove of much interest to all who participate and hear it. The day will see the gathering of the farmers of the country to do homage to the great man, and plans are now under way to further memorialize him by erecting a perpetual testimonial in his honor in the shape of a Knapp school and a Knapp farm to be conducted in connection with the Peabody Institute in Nashville, Tenn.

Jackson Miss News.
Dec. 11th, 1912.

KNAPP AGRICULTURAL DAY

PROGRAM TO BE CARRIED OUT BY
SCHOOLS TOMORROW.

More Than Five Thousand Programs

Sent Various Institutions by W. R. Smith, Chairman of Knapp Memorial Committee in Mississippi.

"Knapp Agricultural Day" will be observed by the educational institutions throughout Mississippi tomorrow, and from letters received by W. H. Smith, supervisor of rural schools in the state, and chairman of the Knapp memorial committee in Mississippi, a great deal of interest is being taken in the event. The prospects are that the day will be generally observed.

State Superintendent of Education J. N. Powers has exhibited a lively interest in the day, and in his official capacity at the head of the educational institutions in Mississippi he has greatly assisted in working up general interest that will contribute to making it a success in every way.

More than 5,000 programs and other literature have been sent to various schools in Mississippi from the offices of Mr. Smith. The program to be followed in the different institutions is as follows:

1. Song by the audience.
 2. How the Bible teaches agriculture, by an invited minister.
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 11. The best farm crops for this community, and why, by several pupils; display and judging of products in school exhibit.
 12. How to express our appreciation of Dr. Knapp's great services and perpetuate his influence; collecting contributions, pledges.
- The money collected tomorrow, and from the pledges to be received from teachers, school children and citizens, will go into a fund to establish a Knapp farm and school of country life in Nashville, Tenn., in connection with the George Peabody college for teachers. The institution will be in the nature of a memorial to Dr. Knapp, who is credited with having done more for agricultural interests of the south than any other man.

MERIDIAN, MISS., Star.
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KNAPP DAY TO BE OBSERVED IN MISSISSIPPI

Thursday, December 12th., Knapp Day will be observed in Meridian, Lauderdale county and the state of Mississippi. Similar observances have been held and are to be held over the entire southland.

Knapp Day in its simplest meaning, is but the setting aside of some particular day on which to memorialize the South's greatest agricultural benefactor, Dr. Seaman A. Knapp. To him, can in large measure be ascribed the high stand taken today throughout the southland in an agricultural way. It is due to his teachings that agricultural methods have been advanced to what they are at this time, and so it is to do honor to him that Knapp Day will be observed, on this date over the entire state.

In Meridian and Lauderdale county the day will be carried out in fitting and appropriate manner. Mr. J. R. Ellis, county superintendent of education has arranged a program for the day, which will be carried out in every city, town and village school throughout the county. It will mean the gathering together of the farmer and their friends to survey the agricultural problems and to express the appreciation of the great work done by this noted man.

Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, whose death occurred about two years ago, was one of the country's leading agricultural educators, and one of the earliest exponents of scientific farming. To him is due in great measure the rapid advancement shown in many sections of the country, through the adoption of methods as taught by him. Himself a farmer it was in the early seventies that he conceived the idea of bringing about a general improvement in agricultural methods. He founded the Iowa Stock Raisers' association and later became president of the Iowa State Agricultural college. Later, Dr. Knapp removed to Lake Charles, La., and began at once a movement for the development of the South's vast agricultural resources. He was founder of the Boys and Girls clubs, and through work in this line farmers were enabled to raise larger crops, while members of the Boys' Corn club have won fame by their stupendous corn yields per acre.

Plans are being developed to perpetuate the name of Dr. Knapp in the whole country. There is to be a Knapp school and a Knapp farm established near Nashville, Tenn., to be maintained in connection with the famous Peabody Institute. A subscription of \$150,000 is sought by the originators of the idea to perpetuate Dr. Knapp's name, which when secured will be endowed with \$250,000 to further carry on the work. Through the observance of Knapp Day in the many states of the south, opportunity is given the farmer to assist in a material way the furtherance of this plan. No such institution as is planned now exists, and it will start out with the purpose of reaching and helping every school and farm in the south.

It is a great work that is to be memorialized thusly, and the celebration of Knapp Day in this state will doubtless find hundreds of farmers who are willing and ready to assist in man.

KNAPP AGRICULTURAL DAY TO BE OBSERVED NOV. 27TH

Prof. W. H. Smith, Superintendant of Rural Schools
on Committee for This State

Prof. W. H. Smith, superintendant of rural school work for Mississippi, and a member of the Seaman A. Knapp Memorial Committee, states that Nov. 27th has been set aside for Knapp Agricultural Day in the schools and colleges of Mississippi.

The Knapp Memorial Committee is meeting with great success in its plans for Knapp Agricultural Day in the schools and colleges of the South. The State Superintendents of Education and College Presidents have given their hearty endorsement to the value of such a day.

Mr. Thomas A. Early has just made a tour of the South and has received many suggestions from prominent men of every calling. A program for the exercises in the schools is being prepared by the Committee and will be sent out by the state superintendents. The colleges will arrange a program and hold exercises suitable to the occasion.

The date for these exercises most states will be November 27th. Much enthusiasm has been manifested in this day, which will focus the attention of the school children and the parents on the marvelous development of the South and the magnificent hope of prosperity already laid in the constantly increasing wealth.

The Memorial to Dr. Seaman A. Knapp

A living, useful memorial will be erected in honor of the late Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, of the United States Department of Agriculture, founder of the Farm Demonstration Work. The Knapp Memorial Committee has decided to raise \$150,000 with which to purchase and equip a farm and erect a building in connection with the Greater Peabody College for Teachers in Nashville, Tennessee. The General Education Board of New York recently appropriated \$250,000 to endow the Seaman A. Knapp School of Country Life. Nothing like this school has ever been worked out anywhere. It is a great opportunity for a distinctive work and a great service. The memorial building for the purposes of this school will be located on the campus of the Peabody College, and will contain a life-sized statue of the South's great benefactor and friend, so that his great, masterful, benevolent personality will always be an inspiration to the thousands who may come and go. The farm will be located within ten or twelve miles of Nashville, and will be conducted in accordance with the Demonstration methods. It will contain about 200 acres. Pure-bred seed and animals will be developed. The best devices and implements will be used. Crop rotations will be worked out for different southern conditions. Demonstration agents, rural school supervisors, State and county superintendents of education and other workers will make this farm a rallying point, in order to carry back to their

communities. Mr. Early appeared before the Farmers' Round-up Institute and Meeting of Demonstration Agents at the Agricultural College of Alabama and explained the plans for the memorial. Five hundred dollars in contributions and five hundred in subscriptions were raised in a few minutes. State committees have been organized in all the Southern States, and the work of raising the memorial funds will be pushed with all possible speed.

Hundreds of letters have already been received by the Knapp Memorial Committee approving the form of the memorial. There seems to be a feeling that it is in harmony with Dr. Knapp's life and work because it will be continually rendering service and doing good. In fact, his own sentiments influenced the decision in regard

to the memorial. "Keep in touch with the newspaper men," is the advice of Rev. C. F. Reiser, a New York pastor, who was the chief speaker at the New England conference of Methodist churches, in session at Cambridge, Mass.

"It is a great mistake for some clergymen to keep aloof from newspaper men, and refuse to be interviewed," said Dr. Reiser.

"Everybody reads the newspaper and if you want to get your interest before the public, you must advertise. They will always treat you fairly if you give them reason for doing so."

"I never could get a congregation my New York church did I not get the newspapers on my side."

"Can't I persuade you to subscribe for a copy of our latest book on polar exploration?"

"No, sir; you couldn't persuade me to take it as a gift. I spent four years carrying mails in North Dakota, ten years driving a cab in Minneapolis and I've just escaped from Duluth. I have a book on hunting in central Africa."

States the benefits of the work there. Corn Club and Canning Club girls will also make occasional trips to this agricultural Mecca for inspiration and instruction. The pure-bred products of the Knapp Farm will be offered as prizes to the boys and girls who do the best work. The Knapp Memorial Committee consists of the following members. Chancellor David C. Barrow, Athens, Georgia. Dr. S. P. Brooks, Waco, Texas. Gov. G. W. Donaghey, Little Rock, Arkansas. Hon. J. E. Ransdell, Lake Providence, Louisiana. Hon. John Fields, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Prof. W. H. Smith, Jackson, Mississippi. Prof. J. F. Duggar, Auburn, Alabama. Mr. Lem. Banks, Memphis, Tennessee. Dr. Fred Mutchler, Bowling Green, Kentucky. Supt. W. M. Holloway, Tallahassee, Florida. Hon. C. S. Barrett, Union City, Georgia. Hon. A. F. Lever, Lexington, South Carolina. Mr. Clarence Poe, Raleigh, North Carolina. Gov. Wm. H. Mann, Richmond, Va. Mr. O. B. Martin, Washington, District of Columbia. Dr. Barrow of Georgia is Chairman, Mr. Poe of North Carolina, Secretary, and Mr. Martin, Treasurer. This Committee has employed a Financial Agent, who has opened headquarters in the Southern Building in Washington, and has already begun to raise the \$150,000. This agent is Mr. Thomas A. Early, who has been director of the Corn Club work in Tennessee. The plan of the Committee was presented late in July to the Teachers' Summer School at the University of Virginia. At the first presentation more than \$1,000 was subscribed, and hundreds of teachers volunteered to aid the Committee in their schools and



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Mr. Lem. Banks, Memphis, Tennessee.

Dr. Fred Mutchler, Bowling Green, Kentucky.

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And now the Trustees of the Peabody Education Fund are massing a portion of the principal of that gift in a great Central Teachers' College. This institution will lend guidance and direction

KNAPP DAY OBSERVED THROUGHOUT SOUTH

KNAPP DAY AT THE INDUSTRIAL

LAFAYETTE, LA., Nov. 27.—Knapp Agricultural Day was celebrated in the parish schools today in memory of the late S. A. Knapp, whose work in connection with the United States Department of Agriculture did so much to improve farming conditions throughout the South.

At the local public school a very interesting program was given. Besides parts taken by the following pupils, instructive talks were delivered by the following citizens: R. L. Dickerson, principal; L. Leo Judice, merchant and planter; J. G. Lee, director of agriculture at Southwestern Industrial; N. P. Moss, president of bank; J. L. Kennedy, attorney at law.

Knapp Agricultural Day.

To commemorate the great services of the late Dr. Seaman A. Knapp it is proposed to observe Knapp Agricultural Day in the schools of the South. November 27 is the official date selected for the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Tennessee and South Carolina. In Texas the exercises will be held November 22; in Florida December 6; in Mississippi December 12; in Virginia December 20; in North Carolina the date is yet to be selected.

Dr. Knapp was the founder of farm demonstration work and the originator of the boys' corn clubs. It is hoped that the observance of Agricultural Day will grow into an annual custom, not only in the South, but in all the States of the Union. One of the immediate purposes of the meetings in the South is to secure contributions toward a fund of \$150,000 to be raised for establishing the Knapp Farm and School of Country Life at Peabody College. When the \$150,000 shall have been collected the General Education Board will add \$250,000 for the endowment of the school. There is no other such institution in existence and its plans are far-reaching. Ultimately it will have demonstration schools in every State and in every county and will hope to reach and help every farm and every school in the South.

In the closing years of his life Dr. Knapp accomplished a great work. He revolutionized farming methods in many parts of the South and the results he secured attracted the attention of the civilized world, so much so that many foreign countries have sent representatives to the United States to study his demonstrations with a view to their adoption. He has been called appropriately "the missionary bishop of American agriculture." It is most fitting that the States of the South should honor his memory and should aid in the still greater work contemplated by the Knapp Farm and School of Country Life.

KNAPP MEMORIAL FITTING TRIBUTE

DR. ASWELL SO REGARDS \$250,000 ENDOWMENT FUND.

Says the Proposed College Will Be One for Instruction in Higher Learning.

In commenting upon the \$250,000 endowment for an agricultural normal school for teachers at the George Peabody College, recently made by the General Education Board as a memorial to the late Seaman A. Knapp, Dr. James B. Aswell, who spent yesterday in the city, had the following to say:

"When the memorial to Mr. Knapp was first considered a number of his friends were of the intention of erect-



HON. JAMES B. ASWELL,
Recently elected vice-president General Education Board George Peabody Fund.

ing a bronze statue in his memory through subscription, if necessary, the soliciting of subscriptions to be a last resort. Later on, when the plans reached a more definite state, the Peabody fund became interested, with the result that instead of a statue or other similar memorial, the endowment of \$250,000 was made.

"This endowment is for the benefit of a normal school for teachers in agricultural high schools, agricultural departments of colleges and universities and for the higher branches of

agricultural instruction, thus covering a larger field than would otherwise have been the case.

"The normal will be a part of the George Peabody College, already a training school for teachers, and will furnish normal schools instructors for their faculties. It will study those newer needs of the South, such as training of teacher in agriculture, nature study, cooking and sewing, homemaking, the enrichment of country life, and the more practical direction of the country schools toward the needs of the country people.

A Fitting Tribute.

"It is very fitting that the name of one who has conferred such great benefits upon the South as has Dr. Knapp should be perpetuated in the manner in which it is to be, and Louisiana should feel more proud than her sister States, for the simple reason that Dr. Knapp was a Louisianian. And in the same degree is it fitting that the names of the two men who have in their widely different, yet closely similar methods, been two of the greatest factors in the awakening of the South along educational and agricultural lines.

"The endowment is drawn from the principal of the Peabody fund of \$3,000,000, and will afford an income to the Knapp College of Peabody College of \$15,000 or more each year, to be used in carrying on the work for which the college is designed.

"Eighty-five per cent of the people of the South live in the country. This gift to Peabody College guarantees a foundation for carrying out one of the cherished aims of the college, and gives in a fitting way assurance that the majority of the people will now be served educationally in a way responsive to their needs.

Rehabilitating Work.

"In this work of rehabilitating our section, industrially and agriculturally, the work of superintendents and supervisors of schools is the pivotal force around which will gather all the force of taxpayers and health campaigns and rural libraries and extension lectures. It is now certain that the whole tendency of the George Peabody College for Teachers will be to render the greatest service to that part of our population which is the largest and in greatest need of service, for the college will have to do with the South's great industries, with the questions of today, and with the majority of our citizenship, rather than with the questions and people of a remote, distant and unrelated era."

Dr. Aswell was recently made vice-president of the new General Education Board at the last meeting of the trustees of the fund, who met in New York last month to elect the board for the ensuing year.

Baton Rouge La Advocate Nov. 2nd, 1912.

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Plan Boosted to Establish Memorial Farm and School of Country Life.

New Orleans, Nov. 27.—Today was observed throughout Louisiana as "Knapp Agricultural Day," in honor of the memory of the late Dr. Seaman Knapp, the distinguished pioneer in farm demonstration work. Tributes were paid to his memory in public meetings in nearly every parish of the State, and voluntary contributions were made to the fund for the establishment of the Knapp Memorial Farm and School of Country Life, which is to form a part of Peabody College at Nashville.

At Tulane University this morning State Senator John Dymond, and Prof. W. B. Gregory, in tributes to Dr. Knapp's memory, declared that he was, perhaps, the greatest benefactor the South had ever known.

In seven other Southern States, Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Kentucky, Oklahoma, South Carolina and Tennessee the day was similarly observed.

Shreveport La Times Jan. 4th, 1912.

SCHOOLS IN CADDO LEAD KNAPP FUND

The rural schools of Caddo Parish contributed more towards the Knapp Memorial fund than any other parish in the State, according to Mason Snowden, State demonstrator of Farm Demonstration, of this city, yesterday. The sum received by him from the rural schools of this parish amounted to \$34.30. He has not heard from all the parishes, but this sum leads the others by a good margin and Mr. Snowden thinks it the best in the State.

The collection of the fund commenced on November 27, that being Agricultural Day in the South. Each pupil in the rural schools was asked to give five cents, which sum they had to earn themselves. Nearly every child contributed and the money was sent on December 23 to O. B. Martin, treasurer of the Knapp Memorial Commission, at Washington.

The fund is for the purpose of establishing in connection with the Peabody Normal School of Nashville, Tenn., the "Knapp Farm and School of Country Life," in memory of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, founder of the Farmers' Co-operative Demonstration Department and Boys' Corn Clubs, the South. The trustees of the Peabody Normal, to have this school

connection with the Normal agreed to contribute \$250,000 towards the erection of a building and the purchasing of the farm, provided that the schools and others in the South would raise \$150,000, the rest of the sum needed for the establishment of the school. Whether the South succeeded in raising the required amount has not been learned yet and it will probably be some time before it is known.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., State.

NOV 29 1912

KNAPP MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVED.

Special to The States.
WASHINGTON, LA., Nov. 29.—At the Washington High School Wednesday evening, in the presence of a large crowd of citizens and neighbors from the surrounding country, Knapp memorial day was fittingly observed. The program consisted of songs, ten-minute addresses on agriculture, good roads, poultry raising, and other subjects pertaining to the advancement of this state. The display of farm products, etc., was varied.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., State.

NOV 30 1912.

MOURN DR. KNAPP.

The 430 students of Southern University conducted a memorial exercise in honor of the late Dr. S. A. Knapp on agricultural day. Following a talk on the life and the valuable services of Dr. Knapp by President H. A. Hill, and a discussion by Prof. Goulet on "County or Parish Agricultural Club Work," a fitting program was rendered by the agricultural and dairy students.

Donaldson Is Chief.
Nov 23, 1912.

Monroe Is Star.
Oct 23, 1912.

HIGH SCHOOL MEMORIAL IN HONOR OF DR. KNAPP

Every county high school will probably hold some kind of service Wednesday, Nov. 27, commemorative of the work of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp.

Dr. Knapp was head of the agricultural demonstration of the national government, making many speeches in the south in favor of intensive farming and giving impetus to the establishment of corn clubs, tomato clubs and other agricultural organizations among the young people. By many people he is proclaimed "The south's greatest benefactor." A university will be dedicated to his memory in Washington, Nov. 21, and on the same day memorial exercises will be held in perhaps a majority of the rural high schools in America.

Supt. J. B. Brown has left to the different high school principals the matter of exercises. Programs will be arranged later. Mr. Brown is of the opinion that every high school in the county system will have a memorial service. The matter rests in the discretion of the principals, however, as the superintendent will issue no order.

On this same day the school teachers and pupils are invited to send contributions to the erection of the national memorial to Dr. Knapp. Mr. Brown says no contributions will go from Hamilton county. He is a believer in home missions first and foreign missions later on, and he says there are so many clubs and other organizations at home demanding financial support that the school children, their teachers and friends will not be able to send money away. The services of Dr. Knapp, however, are recognized by the superintendent, and he is anxious that all county high schools hold appropriate memorial exercises.

SHREVEPORT, LA., Journal

NOV 28 1912

DR. SEAMAN A. KNAPP.

Wednesday Observed Throughout Louisiana in His Honor.

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In seven other Southern States, Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Kentucky, Oklahoma, South Carolina and Tennessee, the day was similarly observed.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., State.

NOV 28 1912

IN MEMORY OF DR. S. A. KNAPP

In memory of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, the great expert who devoted so much of his life to agricultural advancement, and through whose efforts many boys and girls have been organized, memorial services were held in the Gibson Hall of Tulane University, Wednesday morning at 11:30 o'clock.

Dr. Knapp was president of the Rice Association of America, and accomplished much in promoting that cereal's growth in the South.

The hall was crowded with a number of the student body and friends of the late expert. Prof. W. B. Gregory, who presided over the meeting, read a short history of the life of Dr. Knapp, and the principal speaker, Senator John Dymond, delivered a beautiful oration in honor of the eminent agriculturist.

SUPT. HARRIS ON AGRICULTURAL DAY IN STATE

Good Farming the Greatest
Question Before the
People.

The department of education has issued the complete programme for the observance of Knapp Agricultural Day in the public schools of Louisiana on November 27.

In issuing the programme for Agricultural Day, Superintendent Harris, in his pamphlet says:

"Good farming is the most important question before the people of Louisiana today. When the farmers shall raise good horses, mules, cattle, hogs and poultry, farm intensively and raise abundant crops and do these things in a way that will add constantly to the fertility of their lands, organic themselves into associations with the purpose of disposing of their products to the best advantage, build good homes properly equipped with the comforts and consciences of life provided with the comforts and conveniences of life, provided proper quarters for their stock, and use implements that will transfer the heaviest burdens of the farm from the shoulders of the farmer, his wife and children to the stronger shoulder better able to bear them, farming will be an attractive profession, the country a delightful place to live in, and the land will be filled with plenty.

"November 27 has been set apart as the only day of the year when the attention of all people, rural and urban, may be directed to the rich blessings that await the farmer, and through him all other classes, if he but know how to appropriate them, and as a means of enabling the schools to contribute more positively to the development of our farming interests. November 27th should be made the most important day of the school session. The benefits to come from it should be real and far reaching."

NEW ORLEANS, LA., State.

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PUPILS HONOR MEMORY
OF DR. KNAPP.

Special to The States.
LUCY, LA., Nov. 30.—An elaborate program incident to the celebration of Knapp Day was carried out by the Berthelot school pupils Wednesday. Under the able supervision of Principal Ward Bannerman and his assistants, Misses Nellie Henderson and Hattie Plaisance, the usual Thanksgiving Day celebration was also held.

In all the other schools of the parish special programs were rendered. Miss Hattie Plaisance, who is a finished musician, rendered the piano selections. Dialogues, monologues and songs were rendered by the pupils.

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of Country Life.

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Nov 28th, 1912

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KNAPP MEMORIAL DAY YESTERDAY

Appropriate Exercises Conducted in
Rural Schools of Parish and State.
Today a Holiday.

Yesterday was observed in schools throughout the State as "Knapp Memorial Day" in memory of Seaman A. Knapp, whose efforts more than anything else were responsible for the nation-wide interest in agricultural pursuits and the development of that industry within recent years. The rural schools especially observed the day, their pupils rendering appropriate programs, the features of which were talks by prominent personages of the State on agricultural subjects.

Contributions were also in order for the Knapp Memorial College of Agriculture at Nashville, Tenn. In Caddo Parish each rural school pupil was asked to contribute five cents to this fund, but with this restriction; all monies so contributed were to be the result of agricultural activities, to be earned through the sale of agricultural products grown or marketed by themselves. How much was realized through these contributions was not known at the office of the parish superintendent yesterday evening.

Today is a holiday for all school children in the parish. Yesterday appropriate programs were rendered in the schools for the observance of Thanksgiving Day.

Knapp Agricultural Day.
The 148,000 teachers and the 7,000,000 pupils of the South are being urged by their educational and agricultural leaders to assemble 3,000,000 farmers, their families and friends, in the 89,000 school houses on November 27th for an hour, in order to survey and review their agricultural resources and achievements, and to express their appreciation of the services of one of their great benefactors. Agriculture is worthy of this consideration, for the farmers of the nation have this year produced ten billion dollars worth of crops to feed and clothe nearly 100,000,000 people here, with a surplus for other nations.

Knapp Agricultural Day is the official designation. The South wishes to honor the memory of Dr. S. A. Knapp as the founder of the Demonstration Work and the Boys' and Girls' Clubs. This is fitting, because 100,000 demonstrators are making larger crops on their farms and Corn Club boys are attracting world-wide attention by growing more than 225 bushels on one acre at low cost. The indications are that several of the 75,000 boys will this year break all records. It is fitting, because 25,000 girls, in the harvest season, are filling pantries with wholesome food and selling the surplus. It is a duty, because Dr. Knapp taught a new method in agriculture and the lessons must be more widely impressed and unfailingly transmitted. Representatives of England, Russia, Brazil, South Africa, Siam and Argentina have come to learn them. It is high time for American schools to take the lead in these ideas.

There is to be a Knapp School and a Knapp Farm near Nashville and in connection with Peabody College. When \$150,000 is collected for the farm and school building, \$250,000 will be added for endowment of the School of Country Life by the General Education Board. No other such institution exists. It will start out with the purpose of reaching and helping every school and farm in the South. This institution will be a laboratory, a clearing house, and an assembling place for agricultural and educational workers. Eventually it will have demonstration schools in each State and county teaching its lessons. It will be a working, living memorial, but in a conspicuous place will also appear a life-sized statue of Dr. Knapp.

What vast possibilities loom up, if the people of the whole South will annually contemplate agricultural matters for one hour! The State and county superintendents of education are taking the lead in this movement. It will be a worthy tribute to a worthy man. The name of each contributor will be kept as a grateful record.

Suggested Program for Knapp Agricultural Day.

November 27th, or the nearest Friday to that date.

1. State Song, or American school.

2. How the Bible teaches agriculture, by an invited minister.

3. What great poets have sung about the farm, selections by class of pupils.

4. How Dr. Knapp prepared himself for great service, by a boy.

5. What Dr. Knapp taught, quotations by class of pupils.

6. How the Demonstration Work was organized and conducted, by a leading citizen.

7. How Dr. Knapp's work helped this community, this State, and the South, by three boys.

8. How I grew my crop, by a Corn Club boy.

9. What I did with my vegetables and fruits, by three girls.

10. The best farm crops for this community and why, by several pupils. How can these crop products be displayed today, school exhibit.

11. What can we do to express our appreciation of Dr. Knapp's great work? Collecting contributions and pledges.

12. Song: Bringing in the Sheaves by all.

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A DESERVING TRIBUTE.

The proposal to assemble the boys and girls of the farm schools throughout the South, their teachers and parents in the 89,000 schoolhouses of this section on November 27 to hold exercises in memory of Dr. S. A. Knapp, father of farm demonstration and the boys' corn clubs, is a commendable one. It is to be hoped that Louisiana, for which Dr. Knapp has done so much, will enter into the spirit of this memorial day and make it a memorable one.

By all means, as the Atlanta Constitution so sincerely expresses it, "let the Southern farmer testify his appreciation of the movement toward scientific farming by honoring Dr. Knapp on this day and let the South's school children be taught there are others besides statesmen and soldiers and orators who deserve their admiration."

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KNAPP DAY AT THE INDUSTRIAL

LAFAYETTE, LA., Nov. 27.—Knapp Agricultural Day was celebrated at the parish schools today in memory of the late S. A. Knapp, whose work in connection with the United States Department of Agriculture did so much to improve farming conditions throughout the South.

At the local public school a very interesting program was given. Besides parts taken by the following pupils, instructive talks were delivered by the following citizens: R. L. Dickerson, principal; L. Leo Judice, merchant and planter; J. G. Lee, director of agriculture at Southwestern Industrial; N. P. Moss, president of bank; J. L. Kennedy, attorney at law.

Donaldson L. Chief.
June, 22, 1912.

Fitting Memorial to Dr. S. A. Knapp.

Mention was made in The Chief some weeks ago of a movement afoot to erect a monument to the late Dr. Seaman A. Knapp of Calcasieu, whose great services to the agricultural interests of Louisiana and other states placed him in the front rank of our philanthropists and public benefactors. A still more fitting memorial is now proposed by the General Education Board having the disposition of the Peabody education fund, namely, the endowment of a school of country life to be established as an adjunct of the Peabody College at Nashville, Tenn. The board has appropriated \$250,000 to be devoted to this worthy purpose.

The New Orleans Picayune pertinently says:

"Posthumous honors have been bestowed on many men much less worthy of consideration than Dr. Knapp. Many have rendered more glittering services to the state or to the people, but no one has done more to advance the cause of agricultural education in the south than he and his memory deserves to be perpetuated in just the way proposed. The School of Country Life will carry on the work inaugurated by Dr. Knapp, and while serving as a memorial to a great man it will also prove of the highest usefulness to the entire south."

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., Times.

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KNAPP DAY OBSERVED

Several Southern States Honor Worker for Better Farming.

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LAFAYETTE WILL OBSERVE KNAPP DAY

LAFAYETTE, La., Nov. 23.—The city schools of Lafayette have arranged the following for Knapp agricultural day, November 27: Song, "Louisiana," by

school; "Knapp Agricultural Day," Prof. R. L. Dickerson; "Agriculture as Related to General Business," L. L. Judice, of Scott; "Value of Good Horses," Wilmont Dalferes; "What a Girl Can Do to Improve Home Conveniences," Miss Anna Villere; song, "Plants," by children; "Importance of Improved Farm Machinery," Prof. J. G. Lee; "Corn Clubs," Raymond Whitmeyer; "How to Make

Land Produce Bigger Crops," Luke Bourgois; "Value of Good Roads and How to Get Them," Dr. N. P. Moss; song, "Knapp," by chorus; "How Seed Selection Will Improve Our Crops," Ray Alleman; "Advantages of Screening Our Homes," Miss Josye Kahn; "Dr. Knapp's Contribution to a Better Agriculture in the South," Attorney John L. Kennedy; song, "America," by school.

SHREVEPORT, LA., Times.

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KNAPP AGRICULTURAL DAY.

In eight Southern States this will be celebrated as "Knapp Agricultural Day," in memory of the late Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, whose services in the agricultural progress and development of the South were of inestimable value. Texas already has observed a day of its own choosing. Florida has set apart Dec. 6, Mississippi Dec. 12 and Virginia Dec. 20 for like observance. Practically every Southern State, it will be seen, has arranged to honor the memory of the distinguished pioneer in farm demonstration work who labored so faithfully and successfully in behalf of the Southern farmer.

Dr. Knapp is perhaps most widely celebrated as the "father" of the Boys' Corn Clubs, whose number has become legion, and which have helped materially to the spread of intelligent farming methods. But the boys' clubs, which almost directly have increased the corn yields in Louisiana and other Southern States to an extent amazing to some of the veteran farmers, constituted but a single phase of Dr. Knapp's work as "farming missionary." "No man, writes Gov. Brewer of Mississippi in Proclaiming Knapp Agricultural Day in that State, "has done more to improve the condition of the farmers of Mississippi than has Dr. Knapp in waging his fight against the boll weevil, promoting the farm demonstration work and fostering the club work among the school children." Louisiana owes him an additional and peculiar debt of gratitude for his services in the development of her rice industry.

Hundreds of meetings in his honor will be held to-day in Louisiana, Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Kentucky, Oklahoma, South Carolina and Tennessee. It is hoped that Knapp Agricultural Day will become a permanent annual feature throughout the South and that it may come to be celebrated in all the Southern States on the same day. As a part of the program of the day's observance voluntary contributions will be invited at many of the meetings to a fund for the establishment of the Knapp Memorial Farm and School of Country Life, to be established in connection with the Peabody College at Nashville, to commemorate and aid in carrying forward the work to which he devoted his life. When the amount of the fund totals \$150,000, it is announced, the General Education Board will provide \$250,000 for the endowment of the school. There could be, we think, no better or more appropriate monument erected to Dr. Knapp than a living and valuably useful institution of this sort, dedicated to service in the field where he labored so faithfully and so well.

Special Exercises In Honor Of Late Seeman A. Knapp

Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 26.—In practically every farming community throughout the entire South, at every agricultural college and experiment station and in many of the public schools as well, arrangements have been made to hold special exercises tomorrow as a part of the observance of "Knapp Agricultural Day." The farmers, their families and friends will gather to survey and review the agricultural resources and achievements of the South, and to express their appreciation of the services of one of their greatest benefactors—the late Seaman A. Knapp.

Dr. Knapp, who died two years ago, was one of the foremost agricultural educators in the country and one of the earliest exponents of scientific farming. Born in New York State in 1833, he was associated in his early career with various educational institutions in the East and middle West. In the late '70s he engaged in farming and stock raising in Iowa and there he first conceived the idea of bringing about a general improvement in agricultural methods and conditions. He founded the Iowa Stock Raisers' Association and later became president of the Iowa State Agricultural College.

Removing to Lake Charles, La., Dr. Knapp began a movement for the development of the vast agricultural resources of the South. He was the founder of the Demonstration Work and the Boys and Girls' Clubs. Through the methods which he taught, the farmers have been enabled to raise larger crops, while his Corn Club boys have attracted world-wide attention by growing more than 225 bushels on one acre at low cost.

Plans are now well advanced for perpetuating Dr. Knapp's memory and expressing the Southern farmers' appreciation of his work. There is to be a Knapp School and a Knapp Farm near this city, to be maintained in connection with Peabody College. When \$150,000 is collected for the farm and school building, \$250,000 will be added for endowment of the School of Country Life by the General Educational Board. No other such institution exists. It will start out with the purpose of reaching and helping every school and farm in the South. The institution will be a laboratory, a clearing house, and an assembling place for agricultural and educational workers.

NASHVILLE, TENN.

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The Knapp School.

To the Editor of the Banner.

As a former resident of Tennessee, I have become greatly interested in the proposed Seaman A. Knapp School of Country Life, and am watching the papers with much interest in order to learn the outcome of the effort to establish this great institution near Nashville. That the progressive citizenship of Nashville should permit this institution to be located elsewhere seems too absurd to believe, and yet it occurs to me at this distance that there is a woeful lack of interest being manifested in its behalf, while there is an opposition to the proposed location of the school that is most unfortunate.

If the establishment of the school near Nashville depends upon its being located on a portion of the Hermitage Farm—and is that not the only land the state owns near Nashville that it could donate?—then most certainly the site should be chosen. I am well acquainted with the great work the Experimental Station at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville is doing for that section of Tennessee in particular, and I know that it has proved itself an inestimable boon to the farmers of East Tennessee. This is no mere supposition upon my part, but is a matter of actual knowledge.

I am sure you will agree with me in holding that the future of the great Central Basin of Tennessee depends in greatest measure upon its agricultural development. In that respect it is a section of vast possibilities. To have the Seaman A. Knapp School of Country Life located in the heart of that rich section, the centre of the state, will prove a veritable godsend to Tennessee, to the Tennessee farmer in particular, and indirectly to the entire population, both rural and urban.

I can very readily understand and appreciate the point of view he the members of the Ladies' Hermitage Association. Sentiment is a most useful virtue, and the inspiration of the up-keep of the home of America's most illustrious patriots, something well worthy of consideration. At the same time, however, we consider the matter of the great good, there can be no question in mind that the establishment of a school will teach in a practical the most modern methods of farming and give a decided impetus to country life in general, should prove of value than a mere expansive park surrounding the home place of a President, however dear the sentiments that might pervade it or in the influences that might go from it. This is a utilitarian age, wisely so, and to establish this institution on a part of the Hermitage Farm certainly should in no wise be detrimental to the memory of "Hickory" or make any less attractive the old Hermitage home. A true patriotism is not merely zealous in upholding the traditions of the past and keeping alive the memory of illustrious forefathers; a true patriotism must concern itself with even greater zeal in looking after the welfare of present and future generations. "Lives great men all remind us we can make our lives sublime," is doubtless true at least it has been quoted often enough to be true, but there is something for us to do for ourselves after being "reminded." If the Hermitage shrine will furnish us with inspiration the great School of Country Life should offer to us opportunity, and it should mean opportunity—immeasurable opportunity—for many thousands of young men and women not only in Tennessee, but throughout the entire South. Can for many young people of to-day an to-morrow is of almost as great value as guarding the memory of one man of yesterday?

It seems very unfortunate that an opposition should have arisen to the plan to establish this great school of practical value on the Hermitage estate; but since such opposition does exist—a very decided opposition in certain quarters—why may not a compromise be effected that will be reasonably satisfactory to all? As I understand it, the entire Hermitage farm is a tract of about 500 acres. Why not an agreement be reached that portion of the estate, the Knapp School should be located on the property of the Ladies' Association.

SOUTHERNERS PAY TRIBUTE MEMORY OF SEAMAN KNAPP

Every State Represented by
Speakers at Memorial
Exercises.

GREAT WORK TOLD

Conquered Boll Weevil and Earned
Undying Gratitude of Cotton
Section—Dr. W. Buttrick.



United States.
Given Permission to Enter the
Two Russian Social Democrats Are
FLEEING TO AMERICA
ESCAPED FROM SIBERIA

By Associated Press.
WASHINGTON, April 9.—Two Russian social democrats, "refugees from Siberia," were permitted to enter the United States today by Acting Secretary Cable of the department of commerce and labor.



ter H. Page, editor of the World's work and chairman of the meeting.

In his address opening the meeting, Mr. Page paid glowing tribute to Seaman Knapp, and then introduced Dr. Wallace Buttrick, secretary of the general education board of New York, who gave "A National Estimate" of the life of Dr. Knapp, in which he gave a recital of his life and the work he accomplished. He said in part:

"December 16, 1833-April 1, 1911. Between these two dates was comprehended the life of Seaman Asabel Knapp, one of the ablest and most useful men America has produced. I believe that no American ever did more than he to better the living conditions of his fellow men. In considering the story of his long and useful life, I am impressed with the fact that he was always thinking of the other man and of how he might make the conditions of the other man's being more satisfactory. A recital of the facts of his life will justify the foregoing estimate of his character and public services."

In 1902 Dr. Knapp began his great fight against the boll weevil in Texas, and after he had conquered that adversary and made himself still more famous, he became the veritable apostle of agriculture in all of the southern states and continued in that capacity until his death.

Following Dr. Buttrick's address, Clarence J. Owens, secretary and treasurer of the congress, read the address of Clarence Poe, editor of the Progressive Farmer of Raleigh, N. C., who was down on the program but who was unable to attend the meeting. The subject was "A Southern Estimate."

After Mr. Poe's address the chairman announced that the remainder of the program would be devoted to five-minute addresses from a representative from every southern state. The following are short extracts from the addresses of some of the various speakers, which give a clear insight into the character of the deceased and the esteem in which he was held all over the south.

J. F. Dugger of the experiment station at Auburn, representing Alabama: "He had a great personal power and sublime optimism; he had that rare faculty which is the supreme test of leadership; namely, to inspire disheartened and discouraged men to take a new grip on things."

Senator Duncan U. Fletcher, representing Florida:

"Florida esteems it a privilege to raise her voice commendatory of the life and service of Dr. Knapp. Praise has been expressed for him who made two blades of grass grow where one grew before. Words are weak messengers to convey adequate appreciation of the service of a man who made ten bushels of corn grow where one grew before."

"From Florida, I can report, as others can do from other states, the influence of Dr. Knapp's work is felt and shown in increased production and more efficient and judicious methods."

"In the grateful hearts of all his countrymen he will live."

J. C. Hardy, president A. & M. Agricultural college, representing Mississippi:

"Seaman Knapp accomplished a great work in Mississippi. He created there an aristocracy of efficiency, an aristocracy that was more inclusive and less exclusive. The people of my state always loved Dr. Knapp, and had a abiding confidence in his character. The greatest monument to his work in the state will be that he opened the door of opportunity for the boys and girls of the state. Dr. Knapp was several times a visitor at my home, and every time he left he left a sweet benediction behind him."

O. Schaub spoke on behalf of Dr. Hill, president of the A. & M. college at Raleigh, representing North Carolina. Thos. H. Early, representing Tennessee, said:

"The first time that I met Dr. Knapp I left him, impressed with the feeling that I had been talking to a great man. When I was a boy in early manhood my ideal of a man was a statesman, a member of congress or a governor of a state. But after being thrown in contact with Dr. Knapp a new ideal was created in my mind, and I felt that surely a man who had accomplished so great a work for humanity and his country was greater than any statesman or governor."

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NASHVILLE, TENN., American

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CITIZENS HERMITAGE DISTRICT WANT FARM

At a meeting of some of the citizens of the Hermitage district, Feb. 6, to take action in regard to bills before the general assembly the following resolutions, drawn up and presented by John Donelson, were adopted unanimously:

"Resolved, that the residents of the Hermitage neighborhood are in favor of the location of the Knapp demonstration farm on the Hermitage lands, and are opposed to a public park being located on the grounds.

"Resolved further, that each resident present be constituted a committee of one to oppose the park proposition and to work for the Knapp demonstration farm.

"The following memorial to the general assembly was adopted and signed by well-known residents and land owners of the immediate vicinity:

"To the members of the fifty-eighth general assembly, state of Tennessee, gentlemen: We, the undersigned land-owners and taxpayers of the Hermitage neighborhood, most heartily endorse the movement to donate to the Knapp School of Country Life that part of the Hermitage farm now being used by the trustees of the Confederate Soldiers' Home for farming purposes, to be used as a 'demonstration farm' in connection with said school; believing that this property could be put to no other use that would mean as much to this community and to the state at large. J. M. Turner, Mrs. Jno. Donelson, H. C. McFarland, J. W. Sikes, Jno. Donelson, J. J. Johnson, Mrs. I. W. Sikes, Miss Mary Fanning, T. D. Lawrence, B. L. Hurt, B. S. Sorey, Frank D. Fuller, Mrs. G. A. Henderson, R. J. Dodson, W. W. Cunningham, S. R. Johnson, J. G. Turner, J. M. Lawrence, Mrs. F. D. Fuller."

Descendants of President Jackson took an active part in the meeting. J. M. Lawrence and T. D. Lawrence are grandsons of Andrew Jackson II. Jno. Donelson, who introduced the resolution, is a direct descendant of Mrs. Andrew Jackson's father.

KNOXVILLE, TENN. Sentinel.

FEB 7 1912

KNAPP MODEL FARM

A bill before the legislature authorizes the transfer to Peabody college for Teachers, of 500 acres of the Hermitage farm. The proposed consideration is payment of an annual rental of \$2,500 to the Confederate Soldiers' Home, which is situated on the farm, and the use of the property as a demonstration farm. The Hermitage farm is conveniently situated for the purpose, the teaching of improved farm methods by Peabody college. The Confederate Soldiers' Home is deriving no revenue from the farm and the land is deteriorating. It is supposed that the Soldiers' Home will not be needed after ten years, but it will be maintained as long as it is required in a reserved tract of 75 acres. The bill embodies an agreement reached by the trustees of Peabody college and the Soldiers' Home and no objections have been raised by other persons.

The demonstration farm is to be known as the Knapp School of Country Life to which the general education board has offered an endowment of \$250,000 and for which a fund of \$150,000 is being raised in various states. It is intended as a memorial to Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, the founder of farm demonstration work in the south who died April 1, 1911. A wide sphere of usefulness is offered to it. The gospel of good farming and rural progress teachers from all parts of the west will be spread from this center with.

THE HERMITAGE FARM.

The bill introduced in the General Assembly at the instance of George Peabody College for Teachers, seeking to have the State grant, upon certain conditions, a large part of the Hermitage farm to the college for a demonstration for the Knapp School of Country Life, deserves serious and careful consideration, and with substantial amendments to protect other interests should be favorably considered. The bill as introduced provides that so much of the farm of about 500 acres as is not already assigned to the Ladies' Hermitage Association, in charge and care of the home of Andrew Jackson, and to the trustees of the Tennessee Confederate Soldiers' Home, shall be conveyed by the State to the George Peabody College for Teachers, to be used in connection with the Knapp School, on conditions, first, that the college shall pay an annual rental of \$2,500 for ten years, to be used for the benefit of the Soldiers' Home, and, second, that the land so conveyed shall be used for all time thereafter as a demonstration farm for teaching improved methods of agriculture, the land to revert to the State if these conditions are not complied with.

There can be no doubt that this farm is admirably adapted for a demonstration farm in connection with the Knapp School, nor can there be any doubt as to the advantages that would accrue to the farm by the use of the farm in connection with the Knapp School all that is contemplated as a center of agricultural education for the entire South, and if the State's interests are sufficiently guarded by the terms and provisions of the bill, there could be no reasonable objections to the transfer.

There are three things to be considered in reference to this bill—the Hermitage, the Soldiers' Home, and the Demonstration Farm. The Hermitage buildings, tomb and grounds should be properly safeguarded from any close environment that is not distinctly associated with the purpose of their preservation. The Hermitage area should not, therefore, be limited to a few acres, but

should consist of enough land to present the home of President Jackson in proper proportion, say about 100 acres that in time can be developed and beautified in a suitable manner to make the place more attractive to the greater number of visitors who will be drawn to it by improved transportation facilities which ere long must be provided. The Soldiers' Home will not require more than 75 acres, which are now used. The remainder of the farm might well be disposed of for the use of the Knapp School, under a fair rental arrangement.

The Knapp School would of itself be an attraction, not only for students from all parts of the South, but also for visitors from all parts of the country, and it would be an institution well worthy of proximity to the historic home of Andrew Jackson.

Knapp Demonstration Farm.

Editor Tennesseean and American:

May it be allowed to some of us who are trying to assist in bringing to this community a \$400,000 investment, which will help to make Nashville a great power house of service to the entire south, and the mecca for hundreds of thousands of farmers, to remove some of the errors conveyed by a resolution of three members of the Nashville Board of Park Commissioners, which appeared in your issue of yesterday relative to the Knapp demonstration farm?

The land in question is now in possession of the Soldiers' Home. It is proposed to pay the Soldiers' Home an annual rental of \$2,500, while this institution may exist. It is proposed to demonstrate the best methods of growing every plant which may be profitably grown in the south. It is proposed to demonstrate scientific and improved ways of growing those things upon which the south's economic and industrial success depends. It is proposed to further those pursuits in which Jackson himself was, perhaps more than any other American President, interested. It is proposed to substitute for weeds and barren fields the beauty of growing grain and fields of verdant corn. Such a memorial farm would be the highest tribute to the career of the great Commoner.

All of these things the three gentlemen of the commission seem to oppose (perhaps they have heard only one side of the case).

They would build a park which will be of interest to a few citizens of this section. Our plan contemplates the service of the whole south. They would serve a few city people; we would serve 10,000 farmers, their wives, their sons and daughters. They fancy the United States government would some time in the distant future convert these fields into a park. We are ready to make them blossom and bloom with the rich beauty of health-giving agriculture. They would like to leave it to waste until the United States government may improve it. We propose to beautify it now. We would help the great mass of plain people who create the wealth and bear the burdens of the South. They would maintain their personal wishes and dreams which assist only a few; we would fittingly commemorate the fame of Jackson.

The Mt. Vernon association, within sight of the nation's capitol and its wealth, is barely able to maintain fifty acres around the home of Washington. How can the good ladies who are doing such splendid work with their present twenty-five acres and the home of Jackson (which they still have) hope to do more than the Mt. Vernon association?

Tennessee now has two national parks; only one other southern state has any. Those who are acquainted with politics understand that we shall have been many years before the representatives from other states will vote a third national park for Tennessee. All the south can ever hope for in this direction is that the Appalachian park may be created and maintained.

We must therefore develop our own Jackson memorial, and in so doing do what we would do, viz.: bless a great and struggling people.

It is respectfully submitted that the above use of the Soldiers' Home property is quite as patriotic and serviceable as "alienation and diversion" of that estate as any other use to which it has been put or may be put. This is especially true when it is remembered that the demonstration farm proposes to pay a rental to the Soldiers' Home, and the Ladies' Hermitage Association does not so propose. The directors of the Soldiers' Home are not in a position to support comfortably those brave old men without either such additional funds or a large investment upon the improvement of the farm, which they are not able to meet. In all the rather hasty resolutions which have recently appeared in the papers, how rarely have the Confederate veterans or the Soldiers' Home been mentioned. The pending bill for the demonstration farm alone protects their interests.

W. L. LOONEY,
Secretary Nashville Business Men's Association.

NASHVILLE, TENN., Banner.

MONEY FOR KNAPP SCHOOL.

The committee in charge of raising \$40,000 in Nashville to assist in the establishment of a Knapp Demonstration Farm and School of Country Life in this city report that their work is progressing nicely and they have succeeded in arousing much interest among the citizens. Three subscriptions of \$500 each were received yesterday at the headquarters in the Stables Building from Judge J. M. Dickinson, A. H. Robinson and Judge J. C. Bradford. The large number of visitors that frequent the headquarters of the committee during the day is an indication of the amount of interest felt in the proposition.

KNAPP MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE ON NOV. 27

All of the Schools of Knox County Will Honor Great Agriculturist.

TAKE PENNY COLLECTION

Children Will Have Large Part in Memorial Farm Endowment.

All of the schools in Knox county will observe Wednesday, November 27, as Knapp Memorial day. Supt. M. W. Wilson urges all the teachers to properly honor the late Dr. Seaman A. Knapp in observance of his anniversary. Some kind of special observance will be in order in all of the county schools in the state, says State Supt. J. W. Brister.

No other one man has done more for agricultural education than did Dr. Knapp. As a boy he began his study, having ample opportunity on his father's farm. After his graduation from Union college he took up agriculture as his specialty. He was president of a number of institutions along agricultural lines before he took up the rice industry in Louisiana and Texas. The work though for which he will long be remembered and which was more generally known was after he became connected with the United States department of agriculture. He showed the people of the south the vast possibilities of their land of which they knew so little. Under him began the farm demonstration work which has served to show how much more can be gotten out of the land than was formerly the case. Boys' corn clubs and girls' tomato clubs are the result of his work. He has caused foreign countries to send representatives to this country to learn the best methods of farming. For these and other reasons his name will live and the boys and girls will be included among those to do him honor. "The Knapp Farm and School of Country Life" to be established at Nashville with an endowment of nearly a half million is proposed and contributions from school children will probably form the nucleus of this fund. On Knapp Memorial day penny collections will be taken in all the county schools toward this worthy project.

NASHVILLE, TENN., American

KNAPP FARM SCHOOL

FEB 4 1912

Wilson County Teachers and Citizens Want It at Hermitage.

Special Dispatch to The Democrat.

LEBANON, Tenn., Feb. 3.—A mass-meeting of teachers and directors of the public schools was held this afternoon for the purpose of considering measures pending or about to be introduced in the Legislature affecting the public school system of the State, and with a view to gaining the sentiment of the people in regard to the enactment of compulsory education, examination of teachers and other matters.

Capt. R. C. Hardison was made Chairman and B. O. Donnell Secretary. Talks were made by Judge J. N. Adams, Chairman of the County Court; Prof. W. H. Knox, City Superintendent of Public Instruction; Prof. H. S. Kennedy, Principal of Lebanon Public School; Capt. Jim Hamilton and Squire H. E. Doss.

The following resolutions were adopted: "Resolved, That we, the citizens of Wilson County in meeting assembled, do hereby endorse the bill pending in the Legislature to turn over a part of the tract of land of the Old Soldiers' Home to the Knapp School of Country Life, and request our District Representative, Hon. Albert E. Hill, and our joint Senator, Ernest C. Smith, to vote for said bill.

"That we endorse the compulsory school law now pending in the Legislature and to instruct our Representatives to vote for said bill.

"That we defer action on the school question until the first Monday in March."

The meeting adjourned to the first Monday in March.

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The Knapp School.

Editor of Tennesseean and American:

In closing her article respecting the Soldiers' Home property yesterday, Mrs. Donelson remarks: "Congress has made an unsuccessful effort to purchase Thomas Jefferson's home. Tennessee has already purchased Jackson's home. Why not keep it?"

I beg to correct this error. Twice since the death of Jefferson has the home and entire estate been offered to the Commonwealth of Virginia and to the United States government. In every instance the offer was refused, although the property is within three hours' ride of the nation's capitol and of the capitol of Virginia.

None of the homes of presidents are kept up by the United States government. It refused Jefferson's estate, just as it will refuse that of Jackson.

Furthermore, congress has not made an unsuccessful attempt to purchase Monticello. It steadfastly refused to consider the purchase. It is true that the ambitious wife of a New York congressman, essayed notoriety by an enormous amount of newspaper appeals, many of which strayed some inches from the exact facts, but her efforts were not considered seriously by the government.

The government can purchase Monticello, or the home of any other ex-president, when it pays the price. But it doesn't care, and never will care, to enter a general campaign of home-purchasing. The states must honor their own heroes in a way befitting

the genius, the tastes, and the careers of those heroes.

A splendidly developed demonstration farm, which reverts to the state when it ceases to be such, is the practical and beautiful method which we believe Andrew Jackson would choose to have Tennessee honor his memory and his stalwart democracy.

In conclusion, allow me to say that not for one moment would I oppose the desire of the good ladies of Tennessee to have a beautiful, well-kept park at the Hermitage; the only difference being that, in my opinion, it is better to keep well twenty-five acres, including the home site of Jackson, than it is to poorly keep 200 or more acres. I am in favor of the park, but believe that all over twenty-five acres can be used to a far better purpose in helping through farm work to build up the homes of the Southland than to lie barren and unkept in a proposed park.

Further, if this farm should be placed at the Soldiers' Home it would insure the interurban line to the Hermitage, and thus bring to that historic place, by the location of the Knapp farm, thousands more visitors and therefore several thousand more dollars to the Hermitage association.

Both my grandfathers were Confederate soldiers, and all honor to old soldiers and the ladies of Tennessee.

W. L. LOONEY.

Nashville, Tenn.

NASHVILLE, TENN., American

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WANTS KNAPP SCHOOL.

That General Jackson were alive, would heartily endorse the movement of establishing a Knapp Memorial School on the Hermitage farm, is the opinion of Mrs. Rachel Jackson Lawrence, granddaughter of Gen. Andrew Jackson. Mrs. Lawrence desires that the Ladies' Hermitage Association be given such land as is necessary to perpetuate the Hermitage and the memory of her grandfather and believes that the rest of the land could not be put to better use than that of establishing the school.

KNAPP SCHOOL FUND
SWELLED BY ACTIVITY
OF BUSINESS MEN

The various teams representing the Nashville Business Men's Association at work in the interest of the Knapp school and farm were guests at luncheon at the Duncan hotel yesterday afternoon of Dr. Bruce Payne, president of Peabody college, who took occasion to thank the organization and those who had so materially aided in increasing the Knapp school and farm fund. Dr. Payne assured his guests that the outlook for the big school looked good and that the final success of the enterprise would owe much to the loyal and hustling members of that organization.

The various teams at work for the cause of the Knapp school will assemble this morning at the association hall and continue the campaign with enthusiasm, and until the success of the enterprise is positively assured, so it was determined at the conclusion of the luncheon. It was ordered that all teams report tonight the result of the day's results.

Quite a number of good reports were had from workers Wednesday. Among subscriptions reported was one from the team of Captain Allison, of the Business Men's Association, of \$100 from Percy Warner.

Following a dinner Wednesday given by T. Garland Tinsley, chairman of the Knapp executive committee, with members of the real estate committee, some good results were announced, several realty men contributing at the instance of George R. Gillespie, Lewis T. Baxter and L. H. Davis. Some subscriptions reported yesterday were as follows: Percy Warner, \$100; Davis-Cockrill-Finegan Company, \$50; Geo. I. Wadley, \$50; H. C. Moore, Brentwood, \$50; C. C. Christopher, \$25; A. L. Moore, \$25; T. G. Moore, \$25; Nashville Plumbing Company, \$25; R. H. Worke & Co., \$25; J. H. Kirkland, \$25; Geistman, O'Brien & Co., \$25; C. H. Horne, \$10; H. Frank Cooper, \$10; J. A. Bowling, \$10; C. S. Caldwell, \$10.

FRANKLIN, TENN., Appeal.

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CHANGE IN THE
HERMITAGE FARM

In the house Mr. Guber of Davidson introduced a bill Tuesday authorizing the governor to deed the 500-acre farm about the Confederate Soldier's Home to the Knapp School for Country Life of the George Peabody College for Teachers, upon condition that an annual rental of \$2,500 be paid for ten years, and the property shall always be used for teaching of advanced methods of agriculture. It is stated that the rental realized from the transfer is greater than the profits from the crops raised on the farm. It is to be applied to the Confederate Soldiers' Home. The Andrew Jackson home place and the lands of the old Andrew Jackson church, together with the grounds immediately about the Soldiers' Home, are to be reserved by the state.

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KNAPP DEMONSTRATION FARM.

A bill has been introduced in the legislature to sell in behalf of the state of Tennessee 500 acres of the Hermitage farm, on which is now located the Confederate Soldiers' Home, to George Peabody College for Teachers, for the annual rental of \$2,500 for ten years, the condition being that the farm be used for the George Peabody College for Teachers for demonstration of improved methods of agriculture.

This bill contemplates the establishment and equipment of an experiment and demonstration farm convenient to the Peabody college, where improved methods of farming may be taught in a practical way.

If the plan embraced in the provisions of the bill are carried out, and they will be if the bill is passed, a valuable tract of deteriorating land belonging to the state will be reclaimed and made to be of great service not only to the whole state, but to the entire south as well, for a demonstration farm as designed will materially advance the great farming interests of the whole country.

The soldiers' home proper, with about seventy-five acres, will be retained and preserved for the use of the

Confederate soldiers for ten years, or as long as their survival and needs shall require this to be done.

The sale and employment of the property have been agreed upon by the trustees of the soldiers' home and those representing Peabody college, and it seems that there is practically no objection to the passage of the bill and the consummation of this wisely designed plan.

This farm educational institution will be known as the Knapp School of Country Life, the General Education Board having endowed it with the sum of \$250,000, with the stipulation that the income alone is to be employed for the maintenance of the school, and the school to be a branch of the Peabody college. People of the various states are now engaged in raising the sum of \$150,000 by subscription to be used in the construction of the necessary buildings and for the equipment of the farm.

This will be a splendid memorial to the great educator, Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, the founder of the farm demonstration work in the south, of boys' corn clubs, and of girls' canning clubs, who died April 1, 1911. It is peculiarly appropriate that such a school should be established and dedicated to the memory of such a public benefactor as Dr. Knapp proved himself to be in his life's work.

But more than all, this school and demonstration farm will benefit to a marked degree all the people, in that it will teach the best and most advanced modes of farming, the greatest industry we have. It will advance and improve an interest we are all vitally concerned in. It will upbuild and make greater Tennessee as an educational and farming center.

We trust, therefore, that the legislature will find it the part of wisdom and of expediency to convert the land of Tennessee's great soldier and statesman, Andrew Jackson, into an institution that will be of greater public benefit than anything it could be devoted to. This would be consistent with the views and sentiments of Jackson, as in life it was his ambition to render the greatest service possible to the greatest number of people, and in reclaiming this property and making it of inestimable public service the legislature will perform well and faithfully a great public duty.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., News.

NOV 28 1912

KNAPP MEMORIAL DAY
IN COUNTY SCHOOLS

Knapp memorial day was observed in a limited way in many of the Hamilton county schools Wednesday with appropriate exercises. It was also Arbor day and tree planting was the subject. There was a good demand for the trees offered by Miller Bros.

The weather, of course, interfered to an extent with such outdoor exercises as were planned.

KNAPP CAMPAIGN GROWS IN INTEREST

Funds to Secure Big Enter-
prise Considerably Aug-
mented in Past Two Days.

The last two days work in the campaign for the raising of the \$40,000 necessary to secure the location here of the Knapp School of Country Life and Demonstration Farm have been most encouraging, about \$4,000 having been added to the amount previously reported.

The Nashville Clearing House has given eloquent testimony of its faith in the institution and its value as a commercial and industrial asset by subscribing the sum of \$2,000. Coming from that organization, which is recognized as the spokesman of the city's combined financial institutions, this most substantial contribution is viewed as most encouraging and helpful for the cause in view by the Knapp Executive Committee.

Among later subscriptions reported during the past two days, besides that of the Clearing House are: Bransford Realty Co., \$250; Warrenton Mills, \$250; Morgan & Hamilton Co., \$250; Castner-Knott Dry Goods Co., \$100; H. G. Hill Grocery Co., \$100; J. D. Blanton, \$50; "A Friend," \$50; Charles Cohn, \$25; Sam Levy & Co., \$25.

A dinner to complete final arrangements for the canvassing in the interest of the movement by the Men's Business Association will be held at 6:30 o'clock to-night at the Duncan Hotel. At this gathering teams will be organized for the inauguration of a whirlwind campaign by this live organization in the special interest of looking after those not yet approached or listed for a visit by other committees. All interested members of the organization are urged to attend the dinner and to take active

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KNAPP MODEL FARM

Even enemies of equal suffrage must sometimes be tempted to give up their opposition when they observe the pertinacity of women in the pursuit of a favorite aim. There is the Ladies' Hermitage association, for instance, which takes its gracious mission to maintain the home of Andrew Jackson in good condition so seriously that it wants to reserve for its care not less than 100 acres, or is it 200, of the Hermitage farm, which is now abandoned to briars, rabbits and bushes. A mere man would venture the rash assertion that it would suffice to care for the house, "front lot" and immediate surroundings of Jackson's beloved home and would hazard a guess that 25 acres was quite sufficient for the care of the Ladies' Hermitage association. It has been suggested that cultivated fields would look better than weeds and that a farmer like Jackson would be pleased if he could see the Hermitage acres visited by teachers of agriculture from all parts of Tennessee and the south, with the laudable purpose of raising the level of farm production and rural prosperity. Obviously the care of the Hermitage home is insufficient to absorb the energies of the Ladies' Hermitage association. One could easily reach the conclusion that the ballot is needed to afford a new outlet for the talents of the officers. But while this momentous question is being answered, why not let the Knapp farm develop in the largest possible way?

BUSINESS MEN TO AID KNAPP MEMORIAL WORK

Teams Will Solicit Subscriptions
From Nashvillians—Captains
Meet and Talk Plans.

Members of the Nashville Business Men's Association, appointed as captains for the campaign which is to be inaugurated by that organization in securing the remaining portion of the Knapp memorial fund, met at the Duncan Hotel Wednesday night and formulated plans for the campaign. Thomas A. Early, financial agent for the Knapp memorial committee was called upon by President Foster L. Wiles and explained the meaning of the movement and the proposed location in Nashville of the memorial school and agricultural farms.

He stated that the committee had secured about half of the \$40,000 which it was expected to raise in Nashville.

The captains, following the talk by Mr. Early, decided to begin their campaign to secure the remaining portion of the fund immediately and adjourned the open session until this morning at 8:30 o'clock, when the various captains and the members of their teams will meet in the headquarters of the association, on Union street.

Following the adjournment of the regular session a number of the captains met and began the work of selecting names from a list prepared by the committee, of those whom it is thought will give to the fund. This work will be completed at the meeting this morning.

The captains of the various teams of the association are: Foster L. Wiles, J. O. Tankard, D. D. Canfield, Tom Remy, R. W. Bratton, J. H. Allison, William M. Martin, O. Y. Elder, James Ellis, Francis Ready, E. A. Gilleland, Thomas R. Hughes, T. H. Joy, James P. March, D. H. Pinner, J. W. Skillers, Dr. H. H. Shoulters, Cecil Ewing.

Members of the supervisory committee: M. S. Ross, F. M. Drake, John Beasley, W. L. Looney.

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KNAPP AGRICULTURAL DAY

Will be Duly Observed at East
Tennessee State Normal School

Special to The Journal and Tribune.

Johnson City, Tenn., Nov. 23.—A program for the observance of Knapp agricultural day by the department of agriculture, East Tennessee state normal school has been arranged as follows:

- Nov. 27, 10:40 a. m.
1. Song—"America."
2. Bible reading and invocation.
3. Biographical sketch of Dr. Knapp—Sam Brown.
4. The Ten Commandments of Agriculture—Students in agronomy.
5. Points in Corn Culture—M. T. Jeffers.
6. Improvement of Rural Life—Students in horticulture.
7. The Demonstration Work—C. F. Striplin, agent for the United States demonstration work in East Tennessee.

The public is cordially invited to be present. The people of the south may well associate this memorial service with the annual Thanksgiving. The farm demonstration work organized by Dr. Knapp is by far the greatest and most effective scheme of popular education the world has seen. He will be numbered with the great benefactors of the race.

BUSINESS MEN'S ASS'N SWELLS KNAPP FUND

With a \$5,000 mark set and with nearly \$4,000 secured as the result of three days' work, two of these being very rainy, the Nashville Business Men's Association will start afresh Monday to clinch the securing for this city and section of the great Knapp School of Country Life and demonstration farm. What with additions reported by this energetic body and by members of the local general executive committee and the sum in hand the total amount raised now exceeds \$30,000, with several more thousand in sight. In other words, the Knapp school and farm is a certainty for Nashville if those not yet contributing will respond promptly.

Following are some subscriptions received by the Business Men's Association teams since its members entered so enthusiastically into the work of getting this big enterprise for Nashville: Nashville Railway & Light Co., \$1,000; Harry S. Stokes, \$150; W. F. Hunt, \$75; Joy Floral Co., \$50; Gray-Fox Tailoring Co., \$50; John B. Keeble, \$50; J. D. Blanton, \$50; Vernon H. Sharpe, \$25; Sanford Duncan, \$25; L. A. Bauman, \$25; R. T. Smith, \$25; L. A. Bauman, \$25; W. M. Pol-Eskind & Greenspan, \$25; W. M. Pol-Eskind & Greenspan, \$25; E. M. Bond Furniture Co., \$20. Among other subscribers were T. J. McMorrough, E. J. Hamilton, A. T. Levine, Thomas G. Watkins, J. G. Lackey, J. C. Morelock, Marvin Wiles, H. R. Cohen, A. W. Akers, George C. Drury & Co., James W. Winn, Nashville Pure Milk Co., Dr. W. C. Gillespie, J. W. Patrick, C. C. Waggoner & Bro., Joe G. Erwin, E. A. Gilliland, C. D. Sullivan, W. J. Corbitt, R. J. U. Daniel, W. E. Trahern, W. B. Hager, S. Stein, John Stumb, E. J. Walsh, R. E. Blake

J. W. Harmon, G. S. Moore, F. A. Berry, James T. Miller, Thomas G. Kittrell, Walter W. Faw, Avery Dandley, A. J. Grigsby, Jr., John H. DeWitt, W. R. Manier, Jr., I. L. Pendleton, G. S. Dickerson, Joe Spivy, M. E. Dunaway, J. A. Althaus, E. T. Lowe Publishing Co., John W. Moore, M. D.; R. E. Turbeville, Thomas H. Warren, Mrs. C. E. Fitzhugh, W. L. Bainbridge, J. E. Saunders, E. C. Pryor, C. R. Cockle, C. B. Wallace, J. D. Kishern, Herman Walker, G. F. Carter, W. I. Edwards, Mamie M. McNellis, E. S. Davis, C. F. Thompson, E. W. Daley, A. L. Hayes Co., H. C. Allen, W. S. Lynch, R. L. Baskette, Jr., W. B. Marr, Laurent Brown, W. C. Anderson, Southern Door & Glass Co., Madison Wells, W. E. Clements, Pennsylvania Hat Co., Beasley Son Co., Hume Jones, W. H. Binns, A. E. Graham, W. L. Hill, O. C. Cunningham, L. W. Hitt, N. B. Shyer, J. R. Shackleford, R. & A. Cohen, Tony Sudekum, Warner Drug Co., J. H. Ring & Sons.

SPECIAL MENTION.

Entitled to special mention for teamwork, that of J. H. Allison leads by a good majority followed by those of Pinner, Remy, March, Canfield, Wiles and Joy. Much rivalry has been engendered among these teams. For individual work that of Larkin Crouch, Dick Herzer and T. W. Cunningham is entitled to special mention.

Additional subscriptions handed in by the local executive committee Saturday were the following: Read Phosphate Co., \$100; T. L. Herbert, Sr., \$100; Hunter McDonald, \$50; Dr. Richard Barr, \$50; Lewis T. Barter, \$40; J. A. Meadors & Sons, \$25; Sam H. Borum, \$25; the Lyle Co., \$25.

KNAPP MEMORIAL AT SPRING HILL SCHOOL

Pupils of Spring Hill school presented an excellent program Wednesday morning. The program was a combined observance of Thanksgiving and of Knapp Agricultural day. It consisted of vocal music and recitations. The teachers at Spring Hill are J. W. T. Davis, principal, and Miss Blanch Bradley, assistant. Under their direction, the program was much enjoyed. The following members of that school were on the program: Lucile McConnell, Alberta McConnell, Gus Davies, Grace Underwood, Laman Hilton, Iris Burnett, Ross Burnett, Gertie Lovelace, Henderson Bowman, Wilfred Burnett, Willie Hilton, May Travis, Glenn Spitzer, Vinna Parker, Nellie Leak. As a preliminary feature, Prof. Davis read a sketch of the life and work of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp.

KNOXVILLE

KNAPP AGRICULTURAL DAY.

Every state in the south will honor the memory of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp this winter through exercises in the schools. Texas will observe November 22. Tennessee, Kentucky, Alabama, Georgia, South Carolina, Louisiana, Arkansas and Oklahoma have selected November 27, which will be Wednesday of next week. Florida will celebrate December 6, Mississippi, December 12, Virginia, December 20 and North Carolina at an early day to be announced. The celebrations will have a double object; to underline the great services of Dr. Knapp to southern farming and to grave upon memory's tablets some of his pregnant precepts; and to help raise \$150,000 for the establishment of the Knapp Farm and School of Country Life at Peabody college. The debt of gratitude of the south to Dr. Knapp is boundless. His teachings live after him and should bear abundant fruit in the coming years. They are now the inspiration of 75,000 boys and 25,000 girls who are beginning life by demonstrating to the best of their ability the capacity of an acre of ground. There should be general hearty interest in Knapp day.

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AGRICULTURE MEETING

A conference of the members of the executive committee of the board of trade will be held at the board of trade rooms at 11 o'clock this morning, when T. A. Early, representing the Knapp memorial fund will address the meeting on matters of interest to agriculturists of this section. Mr. Early is in the south trying to raise \$150,000 for the agricultural college, which it is proposed to build as a memorial to Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, and it is this matter that he will discuss with the members of the two commercial bodies.

MONDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 3, 1913.

SOUTHERN AGRICULTURE

The Knapp School of Country Life

Nation-wide attention has been attracted by the announced purpose of the General Education Board to establish a school of Country Life in connection with the Peabody College for teachers at Nashville, as a memorial of the late Dr. S. A. Knapp, whose busy life culminated in the Farm Demonstration work under the joint auspices of the Education Board and the U. S. Department of Agriculture. The board proposes to endow the school with a fund of \$250,000, and the public is asked to contribute a fund of \$150,000 for buildings and equipment, the plan including a demonstration farm.

In the nature of things details cannot be fully announced at this time, but the general features of the plan are such as to win the hearty support of every one interested in rural education and the betterment of country life. The work of Doctor Knapp in arousing public sentiment to the possibilities of Southern agriculture has made his name famous throughout the world. Its best result has been here at home, where his efforts began. Dr. Knapp and his associates showed the Southern farmer, who had come to regard himself rather a subject of sympathy as compared with his Northern co-worker, that the great opportunity of agriculture in America today lies in Southern fields, where crops are growing while the cold North is frost bound. His lessons of the conservation of moisture, of tillage and selection, green manures and fertilizers have pointed a better way, in which thousands of Southern farmers are finding success. In themselves these lessons were not new, but it remained for Dr. Knapp to teach them so forcibly as to carry to the farmer on his farm the conviction of their practical worth.

Dr. Knapp's great work was only a beginning, as he well knew. The duty of the schools is to continue it. Every rural school must become a center of influence for the spreading of the Knapp gospel of better farming. And to accomplish this the rural teacher must himself be taught. Without teaching any less arithmetic and reading and spelling, the country teacher must make these redolent of farm life, and in addition must be a leader in rural uplift.

To accomplish this great purpose there is need of help for teachers. The State Normal Schools and the Agricultural Colleges will welcome the proposed Knapp School of Country Life as a sharer and a leader in their work of preparing teachers for ideal rural schools, the kind of schools that thinking men are demanding. Much has been accomplished by the many forces now at work—demonstration farms, agricultural special trains, short courses, farmers' institutes and congresses, the agricultural press—but these are for men who have largely passed the impressionable age. The hope of a better agriculture lies in the children, and hence in the schools. The Knapp School of Rural Life for the training of rural teachers is a splendid conception, a worthy memorial of a great man.

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KNOX COUNTY TO
CONTRIBUTE TO FUND

With Which Memorial to Seaman A. Knapp Will be Established.

Knox county is to participate in the erection of a memorial to Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, Superintendent of Schools. M. W. Wilson having announced his plans Saturday morning.

Ten of the southern states are to erect the monument which has been proposed as a tribute to the late Mr. Knapp, and the part which Knox county will play will be the contribution of one cent per head for every pupil enrolled in the schools of the county. This was pledged at the meeting of Saturday morning, when Superintendent Wilson laid the proposal before the teachers. The enrollment of the county schools being 12,000, the fund thus raised will be \$120, and it will be forwarded to Nashville, the headquarters of the movement in this state.

BUSINESS MEN
AND KNAPP FUND

First Day's Campaign Brings
Excellent Results.

LARGE NUMBER OF TEAMS

With Ground Broken and Good Weather
Conditions, Big Results Are Ex-
pected Today.

The opening day's campaign of the Business Men's League in the interest of the Knapp School and Farm was pushed vigorously, despite the soggy weather conditions and much political excitement, and as a result more than \$1,000 was added to the fund that promises to surely bring to Nashville the big investment of \$400,000 and the only institution of its kind in the world. A dozen teams started out from the association headquarters early in the morning and reported the day's results through the various captains last night. The work of these teams was considered most satisfactory, regardless of most unfavorable conditions underfoot and the fact that the canvassing proposed to be done is among more modest contributors that have not hitherto been seen.

The work of campaigning will be resumed today, with much greater promise of material results, as much ground was effectively broken yesterday, when many subscriptions were promised that will materialize with today's work. There will be another meeting for the purpose of reporting results at the association headquarters tonight, and the campaign will doubtless be continued through Saturday. During yesterday Secretary W. L. Looney succeeded in mustering a number of new teams that will enter the field this morning.

The teams working yesterday were as follows:

G. Y. Elder, Captain; C. W. Latimer, John T. Banks, Tom Gross, W. M. Gray, W. G. Hutchison.

J. H. Allison, Captain; E. M. Bond, E. R. Burr, E. W. Crutcher, Jr., George R. Gillespie, George Geiger.

J. W. Spiller, Captain; Claude Street, Dr. W. A. Smoot, G. W. Beckett, George Decker, E. M. Allen.

D. D. Canfield, Captain; William Martin, Jesse J. Hitt, West H. Morton, David S. Morse, William Hume, Jr.

J. O. Tankard, Captain; T. B. Alexander, Alf Brown, Robert Connell, Dick Herser, Lon Whitfield.

James Willis, Captain; L. G. Boxwell, D. G. Brandon, F. G. Langham, J. D. Torrey.

Foster L. Wiles, Captain; J. T. Dunning, Watkins Crockett, Larkin Crouch, T. D. Chenoweth.

S. C. Ewing, Captain; E. S. Brugh, Norman Farrell, Jr., Eugene Howard, Joe Holman.

D. H. Pinner, Captain; E. A. Gilliland, Bell Carr, W. L. Anthony, H. K. Bell, W. C. Gillespie, B. R. Hughes.

Tom Remy, Captain; W. A. Daniel, R. R. Clark, Tim White, R. B. Beal.

James P. March, Captain; W. R. Craig, Thomas J. Crittenden, James Lyon, M. S. Ross, Verner M. Jones.

Tom Joy, Captain; Miller Dismukes, Letcher Connell, Will Bailey, W. M. Carr.

SHOULD RAISE MORE HOGS AND CATTLE.

Secretary James Wilson of the United States agricultural department and other prominent men who are interested in farming and stock raising have been attending the National Corn Exposition at Columbia, S. C.

Mr. Wilson in an address at the exposition advised the people of the south to raise more hogs and cattle and to grow more forage crops. He appealed to the farmers not to sell their corn, but to feed it to stock, his contention being that the country's great need is more cattle and hogs and that it is more profitable to the farmer to feed his crops to good live stock than it is to sell the crops. In addition he asserted that if southern farmers would follow this advice they would bring their soil to a high state of fertility and could maintain its fertility with a minimum use of commercial fertilizers.

The south is an ideal place to successfully and profitably raise live stock. The reason for this is because of the climate, the abundance of grass and the long grazing season, making the cost of stock-raising of less cost than in colder climates.

The possibilities for stock-raising are great in the south, as there are vast areas of uncultivated lands that could be converted into grazing grounds. There is a great deal of land in neglected fields, now a vast waste, which could be reclaimed, sown in grass and made to do great service in the industry of stock-raising.

While in the south there needs to be much improvement in all lines of farming, this section is now looked to as the coming agricultural center of the United States, for the teachers and promoters of the farming industry seem to agree that it is vital to the interest of the country to hasten the development and advancement of the south in both the cultivation of the crops and in stock breeding.

It was a wise thing for the Knapp School of Country Life, a branch of the George Peabody College for Teachers, to be located in Middle Tennessee, as has been designed, as will be done by the employment of 500 acres of the Hermitage for that purpose.

Having an endowment of \$250,000 to maintain the institution and the sum of \$150,000 for the construction of buildings and the equipment of the farm, the Knapp School of Country Life, as a place of experiment and demonstration in all matters pertaining to the farm will be of great value to the agricultural interests of the country, and the fact that such an institution is to be established in this section shows very plainly that this is rightfully regarded as the center of the farming industry. **NASHVILLE, TENN. American.**

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MEANS MUCH TO SOUTH.

Raising of the endowment fund for the securing of the Knapp School of Country Life in connection with the George Peabody College for Teachers is reported to be progressing, and with proper response on the part of this state the sum required will easily be raised. Other southern states are contributing their share to the endowment fund. This section will have the distinction and advantage of having the school located here.

The possibilities of the proposed institution are unknown to the greater part of its beneficiaries. From the school will go out a thousand agents, who will divide the south into districts in which will be fifty farms employed in demonstration work. These agents will make the round of these farms monthly and supervise the cultivation of crops. Near Nashville will be the big demonstration farms belonging to the school. Besides the farm feature there is the uplifting of the country school. Not a poor patterning after the city schools, but instruction in the art of making the country school a model in its own way. The improvement of community life is the third feature of the Knapp beneficence, and completes the factors which go to making the country life more attractive. The Boys' Corn clubs are also memorials to the work of Dr. Knapp.

With a realization of the ideals in view, many of the drawbacks to country life will be removed, and in their stead will be attractions which will compete successfully with those of more densely populated communities.

KNAPP AND PEABODY HAVE DONE MUCH FOR EDUCATION

Formerly the name of George Peabody stood out boldly in Southern educational circles, representing as it did the great movement so effectively carried on at Nashville in the interest of providing education for the Southern school teacher, and especially that of the preceptor of the rural school.

Now the name of Knapp is added to that of Peabody, and it is a somewhat significant coincidence that the names of these two great benefactors to the South and the cause of education, originators and patrons of education, should find their names linked in departments or schools of the same institution, and both located at Nashville. This will be the situation when the great proposed Knapp School of Country Life and Demonstration Farm is located here in conjunction with Peabody College, which will be guaranteed when Nashville shall have complied with the request and condition that its citizens raise \$40,000, which will be augmented by the \$250,000, along with \$110,000 from the remainder of the South, making an original investment of \$400,000, for which but one-tenth of the total sum involved in the original institution is required to be raised locally.

DR. KNAPP'S WORK.

The story of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, his remarkable work in the interest of the rural South, and what the possibilities of the proposed institution and farm here are is not so well known and realized here as further South, where Dr. Knapp's most original and revolutionizing educational work in the interest of the South was more intimately known. It was in the boll weevil section of Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi that his farm demonstration work originated and was most successfully conducted when the South was threatened with its direst calamity in the appearance of the boll weevil.

Dr. Knapp first came South in 1888, being impelled by a failing state of health as well as a realization of the wonderful possibilities of the South for development. He had gone from his native state of New York to Iowa, where he farmed and taught, and finally became President of the State Agricultural College. For many years previous to his removal South he had realized that the South was destined for a wonderful future.

COME SOUTH, YOUNG MAN.

"Here is a people," he said, "of pure Anglo-Saxon stock, energetic but conservative. These people should be the conservators of the best American traditions. Here is a productive soil, delightful climate and long growing seasons." Turning his face Southward, he also turned the adage, "Go South, young man," etc., to, "Come South, young man, and grow up with the country." This message he sent all over the Northwest, and caused a large number of most desirable people to come South and identify themselves with Southern development. He organized a great land development company in Louisiana, and then introduced the rice industry and taught the pioneers of the now extensive rice fields of Louisiana and Texas how to grow this great staple.

It was in 1903, however, at the age of seventy, when the great majority

have either entirely passed from the scene of earthly existence, or at least from active participation in life's affairs, that Dr. Knapp originated and put on foot, with immediate and wonderful success, the great movement that eventually caused the movement to seek to erect in the South and among the people he so loved and benefited some fitting tribute to his memory in the form of the proposed Knapp School and Farm that it is now Nashville's good fortune to be able to secure. Called by his old friend, Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, to go to the rescue of the boll weevil blight in the Texas fields in 1903, with a view to working out some means of thwarting the impending destruction of millions of property and throwing a shadow over the entire cotton growing section of the South, he went forthwith to the scene as a representative of the Department of Agriculture, and in a short while was demonstrating to cotton growers how, by means of improved methods of plowing, seed selection, planting and cultivation, cotton could be grown ahead of the boll weevil.

WORK EXTENDED.

This great work was finally extended to the entire South, and at the time of Dr. Knapp's death was attracting world-wide attention, with visitors officially representing all leading foreign countries coming to America to personally study his wonderful methods of production and agricultural and demonstration work. That there are now nearly 100,000 Southern farmers engaged in the various branches of farm demonstration work, with a general supervision and teaching corps of 1,000 agents in the field, 75,000 boys actively organized in corn club work, and 25,000 women in cotton club work, and that Nashville will be the center of this great work, is, in a nutshell, the Knapp School and Farm plan. That it will be actively under the supervision of the Department of Agriculture and the munificent patronage of the General Educational Board of New York, which is offering as a starter to the work \$250,000 as soon as the South as a whole raises \$150,000 for a school building and farm, is proof of much greater things for the people of this enterprise. That it will add greatly to Nashville's prestige as an educational center, and serve as a splendid industrial and commercial asset and advertising card, is obvious, and its location here is something that the entire local public is called upon to hail as a boon.

NASHVILLE, TENN. Tribune.

Nov. 28, 1912

FOR MEMORIAL TO DR. KNAPP Children of Knox County Schools Contributed—Report Will be Made Saturday.

Wednesday was Knapp Agricultural day in the schools of the south, and was so observed in the schools of Knox county. It being the day before Thanksgiving, many schools of the county had an observance appropriate to Thanksgiving, and joined it with the memorial to Dr. Knapp, who did so much toward the development of the south by the establishment of demonstration work and the establishment of boys' and girls' clubs.

In all of the schools, even where there was no formal program, the school children made contributions. The money will be brought to the city on Saturday and counted, when a report will be made of the amount this county contributed to the statute to be erected on the plant of the agricultural farm near Nashville.

MORE EXPRESSION ON HERMITAGE FARM-KNAPP SCHOOL CONTROVERSY

A number of expressions of opinion concerning the proposed division of the Hermitage farm so as to provide space for the Knapp farm and school of country life, have been received by the Tennesseean and American.

The executive committee of the soldiers' home of Tennessee has prepared the following statement:

"We, the executive committee of the soldiers' home of Tennessee, realize that the comforts and welfare of these old soldiers depends mainly upon the Hermitage farm, owned by the state of Tennessee. This farm provides them with a home and their shelter, and the farm land, cultivated in their interest, show, by the trustee's books, a net annual revenue to the home of fully \$3,000. On its face this net yield is most gratifying to us trustees. Back of this, however, is another and unpleasant fact. The state's fixed appropriation for our expenses of all kinds is forty-eight cents a day for each old soldier actually present, a large proportion of these inmates are hospital patients, and the infirmities of age render the others of little real service to this institution's needs. This condition, with its numerous demands, for provisions, clothing, laundry, medicines, and especially efficient attendants, draws so heavily upon the finances of the institution that we have not been able to maintain these farming lands and buildings in that condition which they deserve.

"With these facts keenly before us, and looking to the best interests of these old soldiers, we have consented to a transfer of a part of these lands to the Knapp school of demonstration, as shown in a bill now pending before you. This bill obligates this school to give this home \$2,500 annually, and reserving to the home about seventy-five acres of farm land, which acreage we expect ample milk, butter, vegetables, chickens and eggs, the two first of which are eminently necessary for these old men. This \$2,500 in money, the garden and dairy products from this reduced acreage, together with the very material reduction in the farm payroll and expenses would more than compensate our annual farm receipts of fully \$3,000, relieve us of the endless perplexities of farming and especially would preserve the remaining farm acreage from washing, and its fences and buildings from dilapidation.

"Having deeply at heart the welfare of old comrades, whom infirmities have rendered unable to cope with the struggles of life, we trustees sincerely and earnestly beg that you give your approval to this Knapp bill, fostering the interests of these veterans and the farming interests of Tennessee at large. We can but think were all of these interests laid before Old Hickory he would say: 'By the Eternal, give it to the old boys and the farmers. Sincerely,

"M. S. COCKRILL,
"C. A. LOCKE,
"HAMILTON PARKES."

"Executive Committee Soldiers' Home."
"MRS. ALLEN'S STATEMENT."
Mrs. J. W. Allen, first vice-president of the Ladies' Hermitage Association, has prepared the following letter for publication in which she states her views on the question:

"As an earnest and active member of the Ladies' Hermitage Association for the past twenty years, and as a member of the board of directors for four years, during which time I have acted as treasurer, secretary, and am now holding the office of first vice-regent, I should be recreant to the trust reposed in me did I not make a

statement of facts as they now exist in regard to the bill introduced by the Ladies' Hermitage Association in the present general assembly, asking them to deed in trust to the association 232 acres of the Hermitage farm. The general membership of the association and the public should be fully informed in regard to the same.

"An agent of the Knapp School of Country Life met with the board of directors of the Ladies' Hermitage Association several weeks past, asking the ladies to lend their aid in securing a part of the Hermitage farm for the purpose of establishing a demonstration farm, with the request that the Hermitage Association content itself with an additional 100 feet on each side of the present twenty-five acres. This amount of land was considered wholly

inadequate for the preservation of the Hermitage in a suitable manner and for protection against objectionable encroachments. Said agent was not authorized to concede more at that time and the regent was requested to call a meeting of the general membership to determine what action should be taken. The meeting was called, and it was deemed advisable to ask the present general assembly for land east and west of their present holdings, also for the woodland in front of same, amounting to about 232 acres, which would give the Hermitage Association 267 acres in all. At this meeting there were present about fifty, or perhaps fewer, of the total membership, which numbers about 400. There were some objection to the motion made. I personally sustained the motion, at the same time stating clearly my hearty approval of the Knapp School of Country Life, feeling that we would have much to gain were the demonstration farm located on the Hermitage tract. Since the first action taken by the general membership, the directors of the association have had frequent meetings with representatives of the Knapp School, who had full authority to make all needed concessions to the Ladies' Hermitage Association.

AVOID LAND POVERTY.

"I have been fully convinced that it is sheer folly for us to load ourselves down with 267 acres of land without any funds with which to take care of it after it has been turned over to us. It also developed that, if we should succeed in securing this large amount of the Hermitage tract, it would certainly destroy the possibility of locating the demonstration farm on the Jackson estate, for there could not remain sufficient acreage for the demonstration farm. I have given expression to these opinions repeatedly, as have many others of the directors. At the meeting last Thursday between the directors of our association and the representatives of the school and demonstration farm, I stated clearly my views, agreeing to a compromise. It was my understanding that we would consult and meet the Knapp committee again. On Thursday night, at a public hearing before the joint committees on education an amendment to the Knapp committee's bill was discussed offering the ladies eighty-five acres in addition to the twenty-five acres they now hold, making 110 acres in all. Seeing the advantages in this offer, and that by opposing it, we might be forced to lose the eighty-five-acre offer, I heartily favored it. Several of the directors at the same time expressed their approval to Senator Baxter.

UNSELFISH MOTIVES.

"My allegiance to the Ladies' Hermitage association and my untiring efforts in the work of this patriotic organization can never be questioned. I am actuated by no selfish motive in stating now publicly that I think the establishment of the demonstration farm would redound to the everlasting glory of the state of Tennessee and the whole southland. But still greater will be the benefit derived by the Ladies' Hermitage association.

"We have been given every assurance that they will be of material aid to our association in beautifying and preserving the home of Andrew Jackson.

"The widening of the road in front of the Hermitage boulevard, the probable extension of the car line, which will increase our income; the addition of land on each side of the present site; the guarantee of protection to the park and trees lying between it and the Lebamans and between it and the south; the non pike in the field to the objectionable buildings near the residence nor to in any way mar the beauty of the home of Andrew Jackson, are assets not to be lightly aside by the Hermitage association.

"I believe that I voice of the great majority of the ladies of the association in asserting to be very unwise, not to consent to the amendment offered by the Knapp School of Country Life. If it is given, it is a supreme (wh)

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KNAPP SCHOOL REPORTS

Will Be Made at Meeting at Maxwell House Tomorrow.

Results of the canvass of committees for contributions towards erection of the Knapp Farm and School in Nashville will be made at a meeting of the members at the Maxwell House tomorrow.

It generally is thought enough money will be raised to insure beginning of operations when the first summer school of the George Peabody College for Teachers is held in June, 1914.

HIGH SCHOOLS AND AGRICULTURE.

Texas has the right idea about the importance of agriculture. The high schools of that State are actually teaching boys and girls how to farm, and the pupils are learning practically, as well as theoretically.

The following extract from the Bonham Favorite indicates what one enterprising high school in the Lone Star State is doing:

The agricultural department of the Bonham High School is arranging to ship a car each of potatoes and cabbages to Fort Worth, with a little outside help. How is that for farming on a small scale? The high school boys deliver the goods.

It will not be long until agricultural high schools will be established in every State in connection with demonstration farms which will afford students an opportunity to study every form of farm activity.

There is no sense in "back to the farm" talk which does not show boys and girls how to get back to the farm and how to stay on the farm under attractive conditions.

The Seaman A. Knapp School of Country Life, which will be established here in Nashville in connection with the George Peabody College For Teachers, is designed to equip teachers for agricultural high schools. It will not only prepare teachers who know how to raise potatoes, but it will send out experts who know how to improve social conditions in the country—experts who know how to make farm homes comfortable and attractive, and who know how to banish all the loneliness and monotony which have driven so many farmers into cities.

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SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THE KNAPP SCHOOL.

Nashville's part in the fund being raised in the south for the Knapp Farm and School of Country Life, to be located here, has been fixed at \$40,000, out of a total subscription of \$150,000. An active campaign is being carried on now to secure the sum set apart as this city's proper share. Already a number of generous contributions have been received, but the bulk of the sum named is yet to be raised.

This is a rare chance for Nashville to become the central point in a great movement inaugurated by the late Seaman A. Knapp for the benefit of the farmers and rural sections of the southern states. Here it is planned the main building will be, also the central experiment farm, and from this city a thousand agents will cover the south as personal aids to the farmers. From Texas to Maryland's border the project reaches every county and will do great things for two million people to be directly touched by its activities.

The generosity of Dr. Knapp has brought a message of hope to the rural sections of the south. His method is the practical one, available to every farmer of the southern states. His idea was to make two blades of grass grow where only one grew before, to uplift the farmer to a broader horizon where his work was along scientific lines. He believed that the country's future greatness would always be linked with the development of the farmer and to improve the latter's condition by bringing to him the advantages of improved farming methods, and to his children the model school, was his aim.

As a foretaste of the work to be accomplished, in 1911 the hundred boys' corn clubs in the southern states produced an average of 133 bushels of corn to the acre. His girls' canning clubs have been another object lesson. Nashville will be the center of all this extremely practical and far-reaching activity. To the uttermost part of the south this city will become better and more favorably known as the years go by.

The general education board has offered \$250,000 as an endowment to meet the current expenses of the Knapp school. The Knapp memorial committee must raise \$150,000 for buildings, farm and equipment. Of this latter sum Nashville has been asked to contribute a little over one-fourth. Looking at the matter in a solely materialistic light the investment will be a most profitable one. Responses to the committee which has the raising of the fund in charge should be prompt and

MR. FINLEY ON CORN CLUBS.

Courier-Journal.

In an address recently delivered before the State Teachers' Association of South Carolina, W. W. Finley, president of the Southern Railway Company, touched largely on the subject of agricultural education. Mr. Finley paid a high tribute to the work of the late Dr. Seaman A. Knapp in the South, which is now being continued by his son, Bradford Knapp. In that connection Mr. Finley said in part:

"Splendid as have been the results of Dr. Knapp's co-operative farm demonstration work, I believe that by far the most important thing he ever undertook was the inauguration of the Boys' Corn Club work. The immediate and primary effect of this work is seen not only in the records of the large yields made by individual members of the boys' corn clubs throughout the South, but in the increasing average yield per acre in all of our States resulting from the stimulation of interest in the best cultural methods and in seed selection. If the boys' corn clubs had done nothing more, their records would stand as an imperishable monument to the memory of Dr. Knapp. But in my opinion their most important results are not in the raising of corn but in the raising of farmers. They are essentially agricultural schools. The boy who hopes to make a creditable showing or a record-breaking crop and to do so by methods that will yield a profitable margin over the cost of production must be a student. The members of the boys' corn clubs not only acquire theoretical and practical knowledge as to the best methods of growing corn, but I believe that their work in these clubs tends to imbue them with a thirst for knowledge and that they will grow up into scientific and progressive farmers whose work will lift the standard of agriculture throughout entire section."

Mr. Finley has been a consistent and able advocate of agricultural development in the South, and has lent substantial aid to the campaign for bigger and better crops. His estimate of the importance of the boys' corn clubs should be of interest here in Kentucky, where the movement is still in its infancy. The Courier-Journal on many occasions has called attention to the work of these clubs in the various counties where they have been established, and to the possibilities of the clubs as a means of

FUNDS FOR THE KNAPP SCHOOL

Campaign to Raise \$40,000
In Nashville Auspiciously
Launched.

Success accompanied the meeting at the Maxwell House Saturday afternoon in the interest of the Knapp Farm and School of Country Life, subscriptions of about \$25,000 being announced. T. Garland Tinsley, Chairman of the Central Committee, presided. There were a number of prominent men present. Dr. Bruce R. Payne, President of Peabody College, spoke of the work as the most important for the betterment of the agricultural interests. There were talks by Maj. E. B. Stahlman, H. F. Smith, Robert L. Burch and others. Contributions of \$1,000 each were made by T. G. Tinsley and J. E. Caldwell, these being the largest subscriptions. The meeting was the beginning of the movement to raise \$150,000 to place the proposed institution on a firm basis and Nashville is asked to raise \$40,000. The institution is to be a feature of the new Peabody College.

The following committees were appointed and will continue the work of raising \$40,000 asked of Nashville:

COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

Executive Committee—T. Garland Tinsley, Chairman; Robert L. Burch, Whiteford R. Cole, Bruce R. Payne, H. F. Smith, E. B. Stahlman, Joseph H. Thompson and Percy Warner.

Carriers' Committee—H. F. Smith, Chairman. Members to be appointed by Chairman.

Manufacturers' Committee—T. L. Herbert, Jr., Chairman; B. L. Howe, H. E. Farmer, A. B. Anderson, T. F. Bonner, Bruce P. Shepherd, A. E. Howell and George L. Phillips.

Farmers' Committee—Frank D. Fuller, Percy Brown, Sam N. Warren, Robert Gallagher, H. B. White, T. E. Hord, John Henderson, W. O. Farmer, Jesse Overton, J. Taylor Stratton, S. A. Craig, George Henderson, E. A. Sutherland, E. C. Waller, C. F. Yale, Charles Bunin, J. Mack Wilson, T. F. Peck, Tom Ryan, Nat Baxter and J. Miller Turner. Other members to be selected and the committee to organize.

Real Estate Dealers' Committee—A. G. Merritt, Chairman; L. H. Davis, George Gillespie, C. C. Christopher, J. Matt Williams and D. P. Wrenne.

Corporations' Committee—Leland Hume, Chairman; J. H. Carpenter, J. H. Ambrose, Percy Warner, H. H. Mayberry and M. L. Johnson.

Seed and Farm Implement Dealers' Committee—R. H. Worke, Chairman; E. L. Geistman, C. A. Gartner, W. L. Looney, Alex. Hirsh, E. S. Boykin, Charles D. Jones, W. C. Pollard, Ed Reece, Duncan McKay, E. M. Kelly and W. G. Hirsig.

Insurance Men's Committee—L. J. Loventhal, Chairman; Vaulx Crockett, J. B. McKee, Paul Roberts, Dudley Gale and J. W. Smither.

Retail Merchants' Committee—John Early, Chairman; Charles Cohn, Joseph Frank, Charles Mitchell, Walter H. Clark, James Frank, John Coode, B. W. Landstreet and Henry Teitlebaum.

Bankers' Committee—T. D. Webb, Chairman; Walter Keith, D. Shelby Williams, J. T. Howell, H. E. Howse, W. W. Berry, B. F. Moore and M. S. Ross.

Wholesale Merchants' Committee—C. H. Brandon, Chairman; Green Benton, H. G. Hill, Joseph Lindauer, E. W. Foster, Houston Dudley and J. H. Fall.

Professional Men's Committee—Robert Ewing, Chairman; R. B. Lees, E. J. Smith, W. C. Collier, Bradley Walker, J. D. B. DeBow, John H. DeWitt and J. W. Brister.

Lumber Dealers' Committee—J. H. Baird, Chairman; H. A. Batchelor, C. E. Hunt, A. B. Ransom, W. V. Davidson, Hamilton Love, E. E. Barthell and Charles Morford.

Printers and Publishers' Committee—Robert L. Burch, Chairman; E. B. Stahlman.

The committees met to-day to resume the raising of the amount asked of Nashville.

FEB 19, 1912

KNAPP FARM AT HERMITAGE

Ladies' Hermitage Association
Unanimously Adopt Resolu-
tions For Location There.

IN THE ANNUAL MEETING

Mrs. Rachel Jackson Law-
rence, Honorary Life Regent,
Calls Session and En-
dorses Project.

ADDRESSES DELIVERED

In the unanimous adoption of resolu-
tions the Ladies' Hermitage Associa-
tion went on record, at the annual
meeting held this morning at the Cen-
tennial Club, as favoring the location
of the demonstration farm of the pro-
posed Knapp School on the Andrew
Jackson farm, according to the propo-
sition of the Knapp School Commit-
tee.

Every member present voted in fa-
vor of the resolutions with the excep-
tion of Mrs. Mary C. Dorris, former Re-
gent, and she stated she favored the
location of the Knapp Demonstration
Farm on the Hermitage lands. This
was the largest attended meeting in
many years. The meeting was called
by Mrs. Rachel Jackson Lawrence,
Honorary Life Regent. Mrs. Lawrence
was unable, however, to be present,
and Mrs. J. Walter Allen, First Vice-
Regent, was in the chair.

Preceding the adoption of the resolu-
tions, Whiteford R. Cole made a brief
address, telling of the three bills now
pending in the Legislature relating to
the disposition of the land belonging to
the Hermitage home, and pointed out
the nature of the proposition presented
by the Knapp School.

PROMINENT MEN SPEAK.

Following the adoption of the resolu-
tions, Maj. E. B. Stahlman and
James E. Caldwell, the latter a trustee
of Peabody College and Acting Chair-
man of the Board of Trustees, made
brief talks. Maj. Stahlman spoke of
the fact that he was not a member
of the Knapp School Trustees or the
Peabody Board, but was a member of
the Knapp School Committee and that
the committee had held a number of
meetings before the idea of locating
the demonstration farm on the Andrew
Jackson farm was considered. Maj.
Stahlman said further that he dis-
tinctly favored the Ladies' Hermitage
Association having additional grounds
on each side of the Hermitage Home
in such an amount as they could well
care for, and that he favored appro-
priation by the Legislature to put this
additional property in good condition.
He paid a tribute to the ladies who had
kept intact the Hermitage, but as their
resources were not sufficient to care
for the additional land some of them
were asking without it becoming a
great burden, he thought no more fit-
ting memorial could be established
with the farm portion of the property
than to devote it to the benefit of the
young men and girls of the state as a
demonstration farm.

The following additional resolution,
offered by Miss Elizabeth Bloomstein,
was unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, That the resolution just
adopted with reference to the sense of
this meeting respecting the disposition
of the Hermitage land be presented as
a memorial to the Legislature now in
session, and copies of same be furnish-
ed the daily papers of the city."

The following is a copy of the main
resolutions, which were presented by
Mrs. E. W. Foster, the first signature
upon it being that of Mrs. Rachel
Jackson Lawrence, the daughter of
Gen. Jackson's adopted son (he having
had no children of his own) who was
born and reared at the Hermitage and
lived there during the life of Gen.
Jackson:

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED.

"Resolved, That the following is the
sense of this meeting of the members
of the Ladies' Hermitage Association
with respect to the disposition which
should be made of the lands owned by
the State of Tennessee known as the
Hermitage farm lands:

"We agree that the location of the
demonstration farm of the Knapp
School of Country Life on Andrew
Jackson's farm will be the greatest
financial benefit to the Ladies' Her-
mitage Association, in that it will
bring thousands of visitors to the
Hermitage, the home of Tennessee's
greatest statesman and the nation's
most beloved hero. We think it will
in no way take from the glory of Old
Hickory, but be an everlasting memo-
rial to him. Jackson was a farmer,
the President of the United States, the
hero of the battle of New Orleans, and
Tennessee's most distinguished citi-
zen. He was always for that which
was for the greatest good of all the
people.

"We realize that the Knapp Demo-
stration Farm of Country Life is for
the development of the agricul-
tural resources, not only of the State
of Tennessee, but the entire South,
which will redound to the good of
the entire nation, and that Andrew
Jackson's farm should be devoted to
this purpose, we think, is pre-emi-
nently the thing to do, for Andrew
Jackson belongs to the entire nation.
We realize that the Peabody School
for Teachers and the Knapp School
of Country Life are composed of patri-
otic men and women who would in no
way further nor encourage any ob-
jectionable encroachment upon the
Hermitage domain. That they have
made a most generous offer to the
Ladies' Hermitage Association, giving
them as much land as could be spared
from the number of acres necessary
for the demonstration of Seaman A.
Knapp's idea of what country life
should do for the betterment of farm
life and the development of the agri-
cultural resources of the country.

"We think that it is unwise that the
Ladies' Hermitage Association should
undertake the custodianship of more
land than they can take care of; that
the maintenance of 500 acres for park
purposes would be too much for the
ladies to think of burdening themselves
with, and that the strip of woodland in
front of the Hermitage should not be
given to the ladies of the Hermitage
Association for picnic purposes. Such
a disposition of this woodland would
not only be no advantage to the Her-
mitage, but would be objectionable to
the residents of the Hermitage neigh-
borhood. We think this woodland
should be retained by the Knapp School
of Country Life for the purpose of
demonstrating forestry.

"We realize that the Ladies' Her-
mitage Association should come to a
reasonable and amicable settlement of
the number of acres to be donated to
them by the state, and not in any way
to obstruct the accomplishment of lo-
cating the Knapp Demonstration Farm
in Tennessee and on Andrew Jackson's
farm."

THOSE ENDORSING RESOLUTIONS.

The following are the ladies present
endorsing the resolutions, with the
addition of Mrs. Lawrence who, being
unavoidably absent, in writing au-
thorized her name to be included:

Mrs. Rachel Jackson Lawrence, Mrs.
E. W. Foster, Mrs. J. W. Allen, Vice-
Regent; Miss Elizabeth L. Bloomstein;
Mrs. Green Williams, Franklin; Mrs.
W. G. Pfingst, Mrs. M. M. Gardner,
Mrs. Walter Stokes, Mrs. James E.
Caldwell, Mrs. John E. Turner, Mrs.
James A. Howe, Sadie J. Cavin, Mrs.
H. Cavin, Mrs. W. T. Young, Mrs. C.
A. Glover, Mrs. Humphrey Timothy,
Mrs. Levy, Mrs. J. P. Connor, Mrs. H.
T. Campbell, Mrs. J. Alfred G. Merritt,
Jr., Mrs. G. W. Fall, Mrs. Stephen
Driver, Mrs. Elizabeth D. Harrison,
Mrs. M. A. Spurr, Mrs. Harry T. Harris,
Mrs. Charles W. Schuyler, Miss Lindie
Harris, Mrs. John R. Aust, Mrs. J. W.
Pentecost, Mrs. Charles G. Allen, Mrs.
Nathaniel Baxter, Mrs. Miles Williams,
Mrs. Roy O. Armstrong, Mrs. R. D. Wil-
son, Mrs. C. S. Morrow, Mrs. Lulan
Landis, Mrs. Charles Barham, Mrs.
Eaton Webb, Mrs. Craig McFarland,
Nora Power, Mrs. W. E. Trousdale,
Mrs. John Doneison, Mrs. George Hen-
derson, Mrs. Frank D. Fuller, Mrs.
John G. Webber, Mrs. Martha Gholson.

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WILL RAISE FUNDS FOR KNAPP SCHOOL

There will be a meeting this evening
at 6:30 o'clock at the Duncan Hotel of
the Nashville Business Men's Associa-
tion to perfect plans for the whirlwind
campaign in behalf of the Knapp Farm
and School of Country Life. The as-
sociation will organize twenty teams.
Dr. Bruce R. Payne, President of Pea-
body College, will speak.

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KNAPP DAY IN THE SOUTH

Memorial Services Will be Held
in Public Schools

And at Agricultural Colleges
and Experiment Stations.

Agricultural Expert's Memory
is to Be Perpetuated by a
Knapp School and Farm
Near Nashville.

Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 26.—In prac-
tically every farming community through-
out the entire south, at every agricultu-
ral college and experiment station and
in many of the public schools as well,
arrangements have been made to hold
special exercises tomorrow as a part of
the observance of "Knapp Agricultural
day." The farmers, their families and
friends will gather to survey and re-
view the agricultural resources and
achievements of the south, and to express
their appreciation of the services of one
of their greatest benefactors—the late
Seaman A. Knapp.

Dr. Knapp, who died two years ago,
was one of the foremost agricultural
educators in the country and one of the
earliest exponents of scientific farming.
Born in New York state in 1835, he was
associated in his early career with var-
ious educational institutions in the east
and middle west. In the late '70s he
engaged in farming and stock raising in
Iowa and there he first conceived the
idea of bringing about a general im-
provement in agricultural methods and
conditions. He founded the Iowa
Stock raisers' association and later be-
came president of the Iowa State Agri-
cultural College.

Removing to Lake Charles, La., Dr.
Knapp began a movement for the de-
velopment of the vast agricultural re-
sources of the south. He was the
founder of the Demonstration Work and
the Boys and Girls' Clubs. Through
the methods which he taught, the farm-
ers have been enabled to raise larger
crops, while his Corn Club boys have at-
tracted world-wide attention by growing
more than 25 bushels on one acre at
low cost.

Plans are now well advanced for
perpetuating Dr. Knapp's memory and
expressing the southern farmers' appre-
ciation of his work. There is to be a
Knapp school and a Knapp farm near
this city, to be maintained in connection
with Peabody college. When \$150,000
is collected for the farm and school
building, \$250,000 will be added for
endowment of the school of country
life by the General Education board.
No other such institution exists. It
start out with the purpose of reach-
ing every school and farm in the
south.

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him, "The Missionary of American A-
griculture."

Immediately following Dr. Knapp's
death numerous suggestions arose
throughout the south in regard to a me-
morial in his honor. It was argued
that we are prompt to build monuments
to heroes of war and why not to a hero
in the arts of peace? Dr. Knapp's work
and teachings made it well nigh impos-
sible to erect a monument of cold mar-
ble or dead bronze. It was felt that
there must be a living memorial. After
careful deliberation it was decided to
erect a Knapp school and to equip a
Knapp farm. The general education
board of New York gave \$25,000 to en-
dow the Knapp school in connection
with Peabody college at Nashville. The
memorial committee has undertaken to
raise \$150,000 for the building and farm
no such institution has ever been planned
before in the history of the world.
This is to be a demonstration farm and
a demonstration school. In order to aid
this worthy enterprise the 148,000 teach-
ers and 700,000 pupils of the south are
being urged by their educational and
agricultural leaders to assemble 3,000,000
farmers and their families and friends
in the 89,000 schools on Nov. 27 to
commemorate country life and express
their appreciation of their great bene-
factor. Each student is urged to give
at least one penny in order that this
may be pre-eminent a product of south-
ern effort. All are urged to do what
they can in order that rural life may
become inviting and beautiful.

In conclusion the sentiment which ac-
tuated Dr. Knapp's work is best ex-
pressed in his own words:—

"The power which transformed the
humble fishermen of Galilee into mighty
apostles of truth is ever present, and
can be used as effectively as when the
Son of God turned His footsteps from
Judea's capital and spoke to the way-
side children of poverty."

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KNAPP MEMORIAL DAY YESTERDAY

Appropriate Exercises Conducted in
Rural Schools of Parish and State.
Today a Holiday.

Yesterday was observed in schools
throughout the State as "Knapp Mem-
orial Day" in memory of Seaman A.
Knapp, whose efforts more than any-
thing else were responsible for the
nation-wide interest in agricultural
pursuits and the development of that
industry within recent years. The
rural schools especially observed the
day, their pupils rendering appro-
priate programs, the features of
which were talks by prominent per-
sonages of the State on agricultural
subjects.

Contributions were also in order
for the Knapp Memorial College of
Agriculture at Nashville, Tenn. In
Caddo Parish each rural school pupil
was asked to contribute five cents to
this fund, but with this restriction;
all monies so contributed were to be
the result of agricultural activities,
to be earned through the sale of agri-
cultural products grown or marketed
by themselves. How much was real-
ized through these contributions was
not known at the office of the parish
superintendent yesterday evening.

Today is a holiday for all school
children in the parish. Yesterday
appropriate programs were rendered
in the schools for the observance of
Thanksgiving Day.

Jackson Tenn Sun.
Nov. 24th, 1912.

AGRICULTURAL RALLIES AT 4 COUNTY SCHOOLS

Knapp Agricultural Day Will
Be Generally Observed in
Madison County

PROMINENT SPEAKERS

Will Deliver Addresses—Male-
sus, Center Point, Mercer
and Brown's Schools.

Four Madison county high schools
will celebrate Knapp Agricultural
Day Wednesday with Agricultural
rallies.

In honor of the memory of Dr.
Seaman A. Knapp, founder of the
Demonstration Work and Boys' and
Girls' Agricultural Clubs, 148,000
teachers and 7,000,000 pupils of the
South will assemble in 89,000 school
houses Wednesday to give expressions
of appreciation for one of the
South's greatest benefactors.

In Madison county rallies will be
held at the Malesus High school, the
Center Point High School, the Mer-
cer High school and the Brown's
Church High school. All of the other
county schools will give holidays
in order that all the school children
enrolled in Madison county schools
may participate in the day's exercises.

Following is the set program that
will be carried out at each of the
high schools where rallies will be
held:

Songs, by the audience.
How the Bible teaches agriculture
by an invited minister.

How Dr. Seaman A. Knapp prepared
himself for great service, by a boy.
What Dr. Knapp taught, quotations
by class of pupils.

Song or recitation.

How the Demonstration Work was
organized and conducted, by a demon-
stration agent or other leading citi-
zen.

How Dr. Knapp's work helped this
community, this state, and the South,
by three boys.

How I grew my crop, by a Corn
Club boy.

What I did with my vegetables and
fruits, by three girls.

The strength, beauty and truth of
nature; Selections from the great
poets and lovers of the country, by a
class of pupils.

The best farm crops for this com-
munity, and why, by several pupils;
display and judging of products in
school exhibit.

How to express our appreciation of
Dr. Knapp's great services and per-
petuate his influence; collecting con-
tributions, pledges.

In addition to the regular program
given above there will be addresses at
the various schools by state and gov-
ernment agricultural experts and ed-
ucators.

At Malesus addresses will be deliv-
ered by S. A. Roberts, superintenden-
t of the West Tennessee experiment
station, and Prof. J. C. McAmis, su-
pervisor of agriculture for the coun-
ty schools. The addresses will be de-
livered in the afternoon. Another
feature will be a demonstration in
fruit canning and stock judging.

At the Center Point High school the
principal speaker will be Prof. H. D.
ate, state agent for the Farm Dem-
onstration Work in Tennessee.

The speaker for the rally to be held
at the Mercer High School will be
Prof. A. M. Nichols, director of the
Farm Demonstration Work in West
Tennessee. There will be several
other features on the program.

At the Brown's Church rally, Prof.
L. Harned, state high school in-
pector, Prof. Z. K. Griffin of the
Jackson city school, and Prof. Mc-
Amis will speak.

A double significance will attach to
the Knapp Agricultural Day each
year. In connection with the pro-
gram of country life it is planned to
commemorate the life and services of
Dr. Seaman A. Knapp. His teachings
are universally known and followed
throughout the South and their value
is everywhere gratefully acknowledged.

Among the men of recent years
who have contributed ideas of vital
worth to the educational development
of the South, he stands out promi-
nently. His contribution was not
merely to our material wealth. But
he larger returns our farmers are
getting from their labor, time and
money, and the great agricultural

wakening now in progress are em-
phatically due to his intelligence,
teachings and demonstrations. It is
appropriate, therefore, that his influ-
ence should be perpetuated and made
operative through the activities of the
Knapp Farm and School of Country
Life to be established at Nashville and
connection with George Peabody
College for Teachers. It is highly ap-
propriate that this should be done
mainly through small contributions.

When \$150,000 is collected for the
farm and school building \$250,000
will be added for endowment of the
School of Country Life by the Gen-
eral Education Board. No other such
institution exists. It will start out
with the purpose of reaching and
helping every school and farm in the
South. This institution will be a lab-
oratory, a clearing house, and an as-
sembling place for agricultural and
educational workers. Eventually it
will have demonstration schools in
each state and county teaching its
lessons. It will be a working, living
memorial, but in a conspicuous place
will also appear a life-sized statue of
Dr. Knapp.

Nashville Tenn Banner.
Jan. 8th, 1912.

KNAPP SCHOOL HEADQUARTERS

The Executive Committee of citizens
having in charge the raising of \$40,000
for the Knapp Farm and School of
Country Life, to be a department of
Peabody College for Teachers, has
opened headquarters in room 207 on
the second floor of the Stahlman Build-
ing. The campaign will be pushed
vigorously. Committees appointed at
the meeting Saturday, when \$25,000
was pledged from Nashville, met this
morning and started the work of sol-
iciting subscriptions. The enterprise
has met with approval on all sides
and it is believed the necessary amount
will be raised in a short time.

At the meeting of the Ministers' Al-
liance this morning the proposed in-
stitution was given a strong endorse-
ment and its purposes praised.

FARM DAY FOR SCHOOLS.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Oct. 16.—State Su-
perintendent of Public Instruction J. W.
Brister makes the following announce-
ment concerning the observance of agri-
cultural day in Tennessee schools:

"To county superintendents: The state
superintendents of the various Southern
states have agreed to recommend the ob-
servance of Wednesday, Nov. 27, 1912, as
agricultural day in all their public schools.

"The purpose of this movement is to
focus attention on the country school and
country life for one day in every part of
our section. Suggestive programmes are
being arranged, containing songs, recita-
tions and readings bearing on country life.
Boys of the corn clubs and girls of the
canning clubs will be asked to display
their products, and all the school activi-
ties which center in the country will be
called into operation in the exercises.

"It is hoped that this observance will
grow into an annual custom and that
some day in November can be agreed
upon when the millions of school children
in the country, with their friends and
parents, can come for a few brief hours
and consider the needs peculiar to the
country school and country life.

"A double significance will attach to
the day this year in that in connection
with the programme of country life it is
planned to commemorate the life and
services of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp. It is
useless to remind you of the value of
Dr. Knapp's work. Of all the men of
recent years who have contributed ideas
of vital value to the educational develop-
ment of the South, he stands out promi-
nently. When we have passed through
the present educational change and have
worked out a satisfactory country school
and have arranged a course of study and
activities which will thoroughly equip
our young people, it will no doubt be
found that the ideas of Dr. Knapp have
given coloring to the whole scheme.

"But his contribution was not merely
an academic one; it was directly and im-
mediately of material value. The larger
returns from investments of time, labor
and money in agricultural pursuits which
are reported from every state, the agri-
cultural awakening which marks these
latter years in every section of the South,
is due largely to his labors, suggestions
and teaching. It is natural that the South
should undertake to pay some tribute to
the memory of this man; and soon after
his death a memorial committee was ap-
pointed, who, after consultation, planned
to erect a memorial to him of such a na-
ture as to conserve the great agricultural
ideas he had given to the world. Later
the general education board set aside
\$50,000 to endow the Seaman A. Knapp
School for Country Life as part of the
George Peabody College for Teachers.

The Knapp memorial committee thereupon
resolved to raise a fund of \$150,000 from
the school children and parents of the
South to purchase a farm and erect a
suitable building for carrying on the ac-
tivities of the Seaman A. Knapp School.
"Knapp agricultural day in Tennessee
and the South this year will be utilized
to secure this fund. This does not mean
that the primary purpose is to raise
money, the real aim, as already sug-
gested, being to study country life; but
in incident of the gathering is a collec-
tion for this great and worthy cause.
Small contributions are especially desir-
able. There are men who are willing to
give the whole sum, or a large part of it,
but the committee in charge would much
prefer a multitude of nickels and dimes
and dollars to a few large subscriptions.
It has been suggested that, if desired, the
school observing the day may retain half
the collection for local purposes, and do-
nate the remainder to the Knapp mem-
orial, the part reserved to be used in
school improvement, purchase of books
bearing on country life and supplying
other needs of the country school.

"Every county superintendent who has
ever organized a corn club, or who has
realized the benefit of such an organiza-
tion in another county; every boy who
has ever been connected with a corn
club, or every girl who has ever heard
of a canning club; every parent who has
seen the interest of his children expand
because of these and kindred organiza-
tions; every man, woman and child who
has felt the stirring of these new move-
ments in country life, ought to partici-
pate in the programme and make the
Knapp agricultural day notable in the
educational and material development of
his community and state.

"I hope that you will take hold of this
matter vigorously at once and through-
ly organize your county. At the earliest
possible date have a meeting of your
teachers and urge them to observe the
day in their school. Suggestive pro-
grammes will be furnished from my of-
fice. Every superintendent who will co-
operate in this movement will do me a
favor by communicating with me at once.
J. W. BRISTER,
State Superintendent.

Sketch of the Life of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp

Dr. Seaman A. Knapp was born
Dec. 16, 1833 in Essex county, New
York and died in Washington, D.C.,
April 1, 1911.

He showed such aptitude and am-
bition as a small boy that his boy-
hood indicated what his manhood
might be. At ten years of age he
repeated to his mother from such
writers as Addison and Macaulay,
and said at that early age he looked
forward to the time when he might
travel through the spoken and the written
word, influence and lead mankind.
He took advantage of such schools
as were then available in the coun-
try districts of New York, but he
attributed a large measure of his
success to the training and influence
of his mother and older sister.

Little Seaman A. Knapp got most
of his recreation by change of work.
He was fond of horses, cattle and
other animals on the farm. It was
great sport for him to go to the
country store for his mother on his
favorite horse. He had impressed
on his mind there the idea of thrift
and economy, for there was not
much money in circulation in those
days and most of the trade was a
matter of barter.

He married in 1856, having formed
the acquaintance of his wife while
both were high school students at
Troy, four years earlier.

As a young man he had an ambi-
tion to found a great college and
had much success as a school ad-
ministrator with his wife as his best
assistant. A wrenched knee and
failing health caused him to take
the advice of Horace Greeley, "Go
west young man and grow up with
the country." On one occasion a
speaker in introducing Dr. Knapp
said he was a combination of Socrate-
s, Horace Greeley and Gladstone.

He regained his health in farm
work in Iowa and worked with Jas.
Wilson in securing many agricul-
tural reforms for that state. When
Wilson became secretary of agricul-
ture of the United States he made
Dr. Knapp his trusted assistant.

While Dr. Knapp was professor
and president of Iowa college his
health again gave way under a
severe attack of rheumatism. To
the statement of his physicians that
he must give up work and that he
had only a few months to live, he
replied he would accept their ad-
vice about giving up work, but not
in the matter of giving up his life.
He then bought a million acres of
land in southwest Louisiana and
sent invitations all over the north-
west, "Come south, young man and
grow up with the country." He
thought the people of the south on
account of their pure Anglo-Saxon
stock should be the conservators of
the best American traditions. He
was very optimistic as to the future
of the south, and gave as his reason
that the germinating power of the
south is five times as great as any
other part of the country.

He started the demonstration
work in 1903, visiting one small farm
in Texas about twice a month neigh-
boring farmers met in field meetings.
The work soon attracted the atten-
tion of congress, and it appropriated
funds for extending the work. The
General Education Board of New
York asked to be allowed to appro-
priate funds for a similar purpose.
So the work has grown until today
it has a force of a thousand agents
an enrollment of one hundred thou-
sand and farmers, seventy-five thousand
boys in the corn clubs and twenty-
five thousand girls in the canning
clubs. During the year of his
death Russia, Brazil, South Africa,
England, Argentina, and Ireland
sent representatives to study the
demonstration work.

JAN 24 1912.

OBJECT TRANSFER HERMITAGE ACRES TO KNAPP SCHOOL

Editor Tennessean and American:

Dear Sir—Through your columns we ask the privilege of explaining to many whom we do not believe understand the position taken by the Ladies' Hermitage Association in regard to the Knapp Memorial Demonstration Station.

The Knapp Memorial has been made an adjunct to Peabody College. Professor Early is here to locate the demonstration farm. Of the 500 acres known as the Hermitage farm, 475 acres were given for twenty-five years to the Confederate Soldiers' Home. This organization is asking for an extension of ten years to their lease. Twenty-five acres was given to the Ladies' Hermitage Association, and you know what they have done to make it a mecca for the wandering pilgrims, so that annually from 6,000 to 8,000 persons visit the Hermitage. When Nashville extends an invitation to big conventions, it is the prospective visit to Andrew Jackson's home, which makes the committees decide in favor of Nashville, over much larger cities of great commercial value.

The Soldiers' Home has agreed for the sum of \$2,500 annually for ten years to give up to the Knapp Memorial, all their holdings, have the house now occupied by the soldiers and the surrounding 75 acres of land. There is a bill now before the legislature, giving to the Knapp Memorial the whole 500 acres, save the 25 acres now held by the Ladies' Hermitage Association, the Soldiers' home using this house and 75 acres for ten years more as agreed upon.

Our frontage is little more than the garden and front yard as it stood in Jackson's day. When this property is given to the Knapp Memorial, the title passes from the State of Tennessee to the Peabody College. They are then at liberty to erect whatever buildings they please and wherever they please—perhaps destroying the beauty and sacredness of the place. This is why the Ladies' Hermitage Association ask the State of Tennessee to preserve the entire farm of Andrew Jackson as a memorial to him.

We are in perfect sympathy with the Knapp Memorial and are glad to work with them, but object to their taking the Andrew Jackson memorial and re-christening it the Knapp Memorial. The directors of the Ladies' Hermitage Association had an engagement to meet Dr. Payne and Mr. Early, and each explain their position. Dr. Payne was unavoidably detained by illness. We explained to Mr. Early what we wished in regard to making our Jackson memorial.

The United States has only three homes of its Presidents as memorials, Washington's, Lincoln's and Jackson's. We all know of beautiful Mt. Vernon. The Lincoln park recently dedicated as a national park by President Taft, and the dream of the Ladies' Hermitage Association and many others has been that when the Confederate soldier no longer needed their home, the entire 475 acres should become a memorial park to Andrew Jackson. Washington, Jackson and Lincoln are the heroes of three of the most memorable wars. In two more years (1915) shall we celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Battle of New Orleans by saying to the people: Go to the Knapp Memorial, and some where on its grounds behind some of the Knapp Memorial buildings, you will find all that remains of the Hermitage, the home of one of the nation's greatest heroes.

The Ladies' Hermitage Association feels very keenly the injustice of taking the memorial place of Andrew Jackson, who lived and served so well his people, his state and the nation, and re-christening it the Knapp Memorial.

You have read of people who sell for five years or more a grave which the hereafter wet with tears and bedeck with flowers; then at the expiration of that time another body is deposited there, or they rent a coffin to carry the body to its last resting place. Then, after a time, it goes back to receive another body. These people we call almost heathen.

Now let the State of Tennessee in 1915 celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Battle of New Orleans by making the Hermitage farm a memorial park to Andrew Jackson, who made us all free-born Americans. (But not taking it from the old soldiers until they are through with it). The entire nation will join the State of Tennessee in this great celebration.

LOUISE G. LINDSLEY, Regent,
ANNA GAUT MANLOE, Treasurer.

WANT 200 ACRES AS MEMORIAL TO ANDREW JACKSON

Ladies' Hermitage Association
Adopts Resolutions — Mrs.
Bradford Favors Locating
School on Hermitage Land.

Wishing, as they argue, to preserve the house and grounds formerly belonging to Andrew Jackson, the Ladies' Hermitage Association, at a meeting held yesterday morning, unanimously passed resolutions asking that the State of Tennessee set aside 200 acres of the original Hermitage tract as a memorial to "Old Hickory."

Miss Louise Lindsley, the Regent of the association, and representatives from various other patriotic organizations, while heartily endorsing the establishing of the Knapp School, are making a strong fight for the Andrew Jackson memorial. Miss Lindsley made a vigorous talk at the meeting, bringing out the fact that the association was willing for the Confederate Soldiers to have the farm, with the exception of the twenty-five acres now held, but since there was a movement on foot to sell this farm to Peabody College and do away with the original title, it is now time for the association to ask for 200 acres for the memorial.

SUPPORT KNAPP SCHOOL.

The Regent also laid before the members the plans for the Knapp Memorial Demonstration Farm, giving them to understand that she was an ardent supporter of the Knapp School, but stating that the first object of the association was to preserve a memorial to Andrew Jackson. This was put in the form of a resolution, after which an open discussion among the members was held.

Miss Lindsley read the following list of patriotic organizations which are endorsing the movement to secure the Jackson memorial: Cumberland Chapter D. A. R., Campbell Chapter D. A. R., McCrory Chapter D. A. R., Mrs. James S. Pilcher, President of the Colonial Dames of Tennessee; Daughters of 1812, Tennessee Woman's Historical Association, Tennessee Woman's Auxiliary of the Southern Commercial Congress; Peabody Woman's Association, Housekeepers' Club and Centennial Club.

INVITATION TO LEGISLATURE.

The Regent and a committee yesterday afternoon presented the following invitation to both Houses of the Legislature: "The Ladies Hermitage Association invites the members of the General Assembly of Tennessee to visit the Hermitage, to see and inspect the work they have done there, in preserving and beautifying the home and grounds of Andrew Jackson, which is a pride, not only to the State, but to the whole nation. The invitation was unanimously accepted and a visit will be made at an early date.

MRS. BRADFORD SPEAKS.

At the meeting of the Ladies' Hermitage Association Mrs. James C. Bradford spoke in favor of the Knapp School. She said, in part:

"If the Knapp Demonstration Farm is located in Tennessee and on Andrew Jackson's farm it will be the greatest thing that has ever been done here for the development of the agricultural resources of the State, and of the South as a whole. This is to solve the problem of 'back to the farm,' the crying need of the day. The wealth of the whole South depends on teaching the farmer better methods of the living and of tilling the soil, and that the Hermitage should be the center of the whole plan would but add to the fame and glory of Andrew Jackson."

JACKSON A FARMER.

"Jackson was a farmer, the Hermitage was his farm, and the center of his activities. Could there be a more fitting tribute to his name than the locating of this great school here, or the associating of his name with this great movement? I am sure that if he could but know and could make his wishes known, he would command us to go ahead and establish the school on his farm."

Mrs. Bradford also stated that the locating of the school on the Hermitage land would result in great advantages to the Hermitage, in that it would cause many additional visitors to call and inspect the beauties of the place.

Others who spoke in favor of locating the Knapp School at the Hermitage were Major E. B. Stahlman, Mrs. E. W. Foster and Frank Fuller, Mrs. Walter Allen, Mrs. Maggie Hicks, Mrs. Bettie M. Donelson and Mrs. Mary Dorris made strong talks on behalf of the Ladies' Hermitage Association. The meeting was held at the Tulane Hotel and was largely attended. Another meeting will probably be held in the near future, when further discussion will be had.

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FUNDS FOR KNAPP SCHOOL COMING IN

Satisfactory Progress Already
Made in Securing Money.
Business Houses.

Satisfactory progress has been made in the canvass for funds for the proposed Knapp School of Country Life and many firms of the city have donated considerable sums to forward the enterprise. That the \$40,000 will be raised without any trouble is the opinion of those behind the movement and from present indications it will be but a matter of a few months until the last of the amount is realized.

Literature explaining the purpose of the school is being distributed by the field agents now in the city, and according to those interested in the movement the people will be glad to donate when they become acquainted with the great good that the school will bring to Nashville.

Nashville has been asked for \$40,000 out of \$400,000 for the erection of the school, the remainder to be given by other states in the north and south. Students from all parts of the country will come to Nashville to attend the school and it can be readily seen that the institution will bring many foreign dollars into the coffers of the business houses and other enterprises.

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KNAPP FARM BILL FAVORED AND OPPOSED

The bill to give the Knapp School a large portion of the lands of the old Hermitage farm was Monday afternoon recommended for passage by the Senate Committee on Education. The House Committee differed and decided to recommend the measure for rejection. The action followed a joint meeting of the two committees, at which there was considerable discussion.

The sub-committee, appointed to change the original bill which gives to the school all of the farm except twenty-five acres surrounding the home, reported a measure which gives to the Ladies' Hermitage Association the land between the Lebanon road and the old Jackson home, eighteen acres on the opposite side of the road and the width of 100 feet from the pike to the house.

KNAPP SCHOOL FARM

Confederate Soldiers' Home
Property to Become Part
of the Big Project.

ELECTRIC RAILWAY

That the bulk of the present Confederate Soldiers' Home property is to become the first of a series of proposed demonstration farms to be operated in conjunction with the Knapp School of Country Life, and that Nashville is to have a new trolley line putting it in quick touch with these institutions, with the historic Hermitage and possibly Lebanon and the intervening populous and fertile section, is the assurance given in a most important and interesting announcement made Tuesday night by the Knapp school and farm committees.

Saturday, it is said, the consent of the trustees of the Soldiers' Home was obtained for the securing by purchase of 450 of the 475 acres of fine land immediately adjoining, 25 acres approximately to be thus left surrounding the long time home of the honored veterans of the lost cause. To this arrangement, as the result of the presentation of the matter by Frank D. Fuller and Thomas A. Early in behalf of the Knapp movement authorities, the Ladies' Hermitage association Tuesday agreed, in a special meeting, to consider the matter, some minor conditions to the arrangement.

suggested by the ladies' association, being cheerfully acceded to.

With these preliminary matters agreed upon, it only remains for the legislature to give its consent and to this end a bill was introduced in the lower house Tuesday. The home of the old soldiers is situated upon a part of the nation-famed Hermitage property, now under state control, through the Ladies' Hermitage Association, which has done such a splendid work in maintaining it, preserving the Andrew Jackson relics and making it one of the leading historic points of the entire country. So that the legislature is now appealed to, although it is thought, with both the ladies' association and the trustees of the home agreeing, the consent of the state's law-making bodies, will be readily forthcoming. Certainly their formal endorsement is the only thing at present standing between the securing for the capital city of Tennessee of the great Knapp school and farm with an original valuation of \$400,000 and an early promise of a much greater expenditure of money. And even this does not include the likely and promised consummation of the long considered plans for a trolley line to the Hermitage, which would undoubtedly greatly increase the attracting qualities for visitors from all over the country of the home of Old Hickory, always so inaccessible, even to the local population.

BENEFITS UNDOUBTED.

If there have been any doubts hitherto in the minds of some members of the community with regard to the meaning and possibilities of the Knapp school movement, they should be dissipated with the foregoing announcement, for the promised benefits of that enterprise and its location here have already manifested themselves to a degree no anticipated or claimed by local enthusiasts, or even its projectors themselves. That this is but the opening of the pot as far as the demonstration farm feature is concerned, is an assurance easy to credit for with the successful launching of the Knapp School of Country Life, the only institution of its kind in the world, and one that will bring this city and section into immediate and beneficial contact with the agricultural department at Washington and the general education board of New York, a greatly increased endowment and eventually a number of other farms for demonstration work in connection with the school will quickly come.

RIGHT FROM THE PEOPLE

HERMITAGE AND KNAPP SCHOOL.

To the Editor of The Democrat:

In closing her article respecting the Soldiers' Home property yesterday, Mrs. Donelson remarks: "Congress has made an unsuccessful effort to purchase Thomas Jefferson's home. Tennessee has already purchased Jackson's home. Why not keep it?"

I beg to correct this error. Twice since the death of Jefferson has the home and entire estate been offered to the Commonwealth of Virginia and to the United States Government. In every instance the offer was refused, although the property is within three hours' ride of the Nation's Capital and the Capital of Virginia.

None of the homes of Presidents are kept by the United States Government. It refused Jefferson's estate, just as it will refuse that of Jackson.

Furthermore, Congress has not made an unsuccessful attempt to purchase Monticello. It steadfastly refused to consider the purchase. It is true that the ambitious wife of a New York Congressman essayed notoriety by an enormous amount of newspaper appeals, many of which strayed some inches from the exact facts, but her efforts were not considered seriously by the Government.

The Government can purchase Monticello, or the home of any other ex-President, when it pays the price. But it doesn't care, and never will care, to enter a general campaign of home-purchasing. The States must honor their own heroes in a way befitting the genius, the tastes and the careers of those heroes.

A splendidly developed demonstration farm, which reverts to the State when it ceases to be such, is the practical and beautiful method which we believe Andrew Jackson would choose to have Tennessee honor his memory and his stalwart Democracy.

W. L. LOONEY.

CONFEDERATE PENSIONS.

To the Editor of The Democrat:

While the Legislature is increasing the salaries of State officials, why not increase the pay of pensions to ex-Confederate soldiers in the same proportions who are not receiving half the pay that is allowed the Union soldiers by the Federal Government? Let the Confederate soldiers have fair play—who, generally speaking, served through a four-years war, while the Union soldiers served from ninety days to one and two years. The pay of the Confederate soldiers should be classified according to age, physical debility and indigency.

T. J. NEIL.

Bell Buckle, R. 3, Feb. 10.

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THE HERMITAGE FARM.

The General Assembly should be able to agree upon an adjustment of the matter of the disposition of the Hermitage farm that will properly conserve the interests of the Hermitage, the Soldiers' Home and the Knapp School. The suggestion made by Mr. James E. Caldwell before the joint Judiciary Committee as to the division of the land is one which would give ample grounds for the beautification and protection of Jackson's home and afford a suitable area for the Agricultural School. This would leave in charge of the Ladies' Hermitage Association about 110 acres, and upon conditions on the part of the George Peabody College for Teachers that no improvements shall be made on the school land contiguous to the Hermitage plot that would be objectionable.

As previously suggested by The Democrat, an area of approximately 100 acres could be made to serve admirably for the Hermitage to be adorned and beautified, while the proximity of the Knapp School Farm would be an additional attraction to visitors and be an educational institution that would be eminently appropriate for the location. The grove across the lane opposite the Hermitage would not only not be destroyed, but would be preserved and improved, and full provision would be made in the interest of the Old Soldiers' Home.

THE HERMITAGE FARM.

The Nashville people are anxious to secure the location of the proposed Knapp School of Country Life. It is a worthy and commendable ambition. We would like to see the farm in Tennessee, and in the vicinity of the state capital. But as we see it, it is no part of the business of the state to purchase a farm for the school when the chief benefit of it will be more local than state-wide.

The Hermitage, the home where Andrew Jackson lived in the last years of his life and where he died, and upon which his mortal remains rest, is the property of the state. Upon it is the state home for confederate veterans. The veterans should have a home there. But the time is coming and is not far away, when there will be no occasion for furnishing homes to the veterans of either of the armies that contended with each other in the civil war. All of them will soon go to their "long homes," where they will need not shelter, food or clothing.

The Hermitage farm, itself, is well adapted for use as a live-stock farm, to be conducted under the direction of the state as a part of the agricultural college of the state. It is in a locality that will commend it for use in that direction. Old Hickory himself, was a breeder and grower of good live stock in his day. What could be more appropriate in the perpetuation of his memory, if it were necessary to do anything for such perpetuation, or what else could be done with that which was his to honor his memory, than to hold the farm by the state until such a time as it might be utilized for the purpose here mentioned?

The state is not so rich that it can afford to give away valuable property any single community, especially when it is easily seen how the property may be utilized for the benefit of the whole state, and for the benefit of other

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KNAPP AGRICULTURAL DAY.

Every state in the south will honor the memory of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp this winter through exercises in the schools. Texas will observe Nov. 22. Tennessee, Kentucky, Alabama, Georgia, South Carolina, Louisiana, Arkansas and Oklahoma have selected Nov. 27, which will be Wednesday of next week. Florida will celebrate Dec. 6; Mississippi, Dec. 12; Virginia, Dec. 20, and North Carolina at an early day to be announced. The celebrations will have a double object: To underline the great services of Dr. Knapp to southern farming and to grave upon memory's tablets some of his pregnant precepts; and to help raise \$150,000 for the establishment of the Knapp farm and school of country life at Peabody college. The debt of gratitude of the south to Dr. Knapp is boundless. His teachings live after him and should bear abundant fruit in the coming years. They are now the inspiration of 75,000 boys and 25,000 girls who are beginning life by demonstrating to the best of their ability the capacity of an acre of ground. There should be general and hearty interest in Knapp day.

URGES STATE TO HOLD HERMITAGE

Mrs. Bettie M. Donelson in Letter to Solons.

JACKSON PARK FAVORED

Says Nashville Is Large Enough to Have Both Knapp Farm and Jackson Park.

An open letter to the Tennessee Legislature is addressed this morning through The Democrat by Mrs. Bettie M. Donelson, whose interest in the historic property has always been most earnest, and who now urges the solons to stop and think before they take any action with reference to the property. Her letter follows:

"An open letter to our State solons: 'You, as guardians of the Andrew Jackson property, known as the Hermitage lands, are expected to handle your trust with judicious care.

"In 1856 your predecessors prized the property at a purchasing value of \$46,000 and today, from an historical point of view, it is vastly more valuable than it ever was, at any period.

"There is nothing in the entire country more beautiful, or more interesting, and together with Jackson's National and international fame, his wonderful military ability, when with so small an army of badly-clad, badly-scattered soldiers, he made it possible for you to be born free Americans, you owe him a debt of thoughtful consideration. And the little I have to say concerning your trust, I say, not with any authority as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Soldiers' Home, or as a member of the Ladies' Hermitage Association, but as a free American thinker, urging you as busy workers, to stop and think!

THE KNAPP SCHOOL.

"All are interested in the Knapp School. 'Every member of the Ladies' Hermitage Association, with ordinary understanding, is interested in the success of the Knapp School, and that, too, from several angles; but when it is expected to convert about all the Soldiers' Home (Hermitage lands) into anything but a Jackson Park, I, in my feeble way, with many, many others, desire to enter a plea that the Jackson Memorial Association—Ladies' Hermitage Association—should have the first claim, rather Jackson's fame as a liberator of African freedom, has a prior claim for earnest consideration.

"Nashville, with its rich surroundings, is sufficiently large to have both the great Knapp School and a State, a National, Jackson Park. Let's have both.

SALE OF THE HERMITAGE.

"When the adopted son sold the Hermitage to the State of Tennessee, he says in his lengthy published letter that Gen. Jackson had said to him, 'If ever you find it necessary to sell the Hermitage, sell it to my own beloved State.' So this desire of the able statesman was fulfilled.

"Successive Legislatures have devised means to appropriately use this valuable farm; one was that the United States Government use it as a branch of West Point Military Academy. But nothing materialized, and the adopted son's family remained on the farm as tenants at will until 1889, when the Legislature of that year passed two bills, one to establish a Confederate Soldiers' Home on 475 acres, and the other to convey—in trust—the remaining twenty-five acres, house and tomb, to the Ladies' Hermitage Association, an organization founded by Mrs. Andrew Jackson III, as a memorial to President Jackson, one modeled after the association of women who are caring for and preserving Gen. George Washington's Home—Mt. Vernon.

"My hope is that you WILL RESERVE the square block of land lying between the Lebanon Road and the Jones Bend Road for the Ladies' Hermitage Association, since said association has proven by its labor what it can and is doing. This tract will make an ideal park, as it surrounds the handsome old mansion, gives nice space both on the east and west side, with the beautiful woodland just south.

This is the first plan Mrs. Andrew Jackson III, tried to father, in her organization of the Hermitage Association. Living in the Hermitage Mansion at the time she realized how advantageous it would be to the memorial to Jackson, but the Legislature then declined, preferring that indigent and disabled Confederate soldiers have the use of said lands.

"That was good. But the shadows are growing long, in pointing toward the evening land of life for these disabled Confederate heroes and in a short time something must and will be done with these lands. Save your land! Don't lose it; don't lose the name!

"Look at Thomas Jefferson's home! The owner, Levy, will not even permit Congress to mark Jefferson's grave. Jackson came home from the Creek wars the pride of the Nation. He loved people, the common people, and they confidence in him, and your predecessor in 1822 presented to him one of the handsomest gold swords that ever came into the borders of Tennessee as a token of his meritorious services performed in the war with Great Britain. Several cities have erected Jackson monuments and provided beautiful Jackson parks. You already have a Jackson park. Why give it up? Why not Tennessee hold an already made park, one, too, made by the lion-hearted man himself we all honor one, where every stately tree, every acorn and every blade of blue grass is

finder of the courage, the bravery of the valiant deeds of the hero of New Orleans? BETTIE M. DONELSON
"Hermitage, Jan. 29, 1912."

GOOD RESULTS FROM KNAPP FARM CAMPAIGN

Some good results in the interest of securing the necessary \$40,000 for Knapp School and Farm were accomplished yesterday, the report in The Democrat of the proposed securing of the building the Soldiers' Home for a demonstration farm for the School of Country Life, new life in the campaign.

At noon Dr. Bruce R. Payne entered at luncheon at the Duncan Hotel various teams engaged as representatives of the Business Men's Association, assured them of his appreciation of splendid work they were doing and gratulated them upon their energy, loyal enthusiasm. After several talks prominent members of the organization was urged that all teams take up work with increased vigor this morning and stay with the movement until last penny of the \$40,000 necessary to cure the school and farm had been earned. Team captains were requested report at headquarters tonight with suits of the day's activity.

Some substantial results were reported through the instrumentality of the estate agents who were visited yesterday by a special committee composed of George R. Gillespie, Lewis Baxter and L. H. Davis. This committee was the guest of T. Garland Thayer yesterday at the Hermitage. A bid unreported subscription of \$100 from Percy Warner by one of the Business Men's Association teams was also reported. Other results for the day were: Davis, Cockrill, Finnegan, \$50; I. Wadley, \$50; H. C. Mopp, \$25; C. C. Christopher, \$25; A. L. M. \$25; T. G. Moore, \$25; Nashville Plumbing Company, \$25; R. H. Worke & \$25; J. H. Kirkland, \$25; Gels O'Brien & Co., \$25; C. B. Horne, \$25; Frank Cooper, \$10; J. A. Bowling, C. S. Caldwell \$10.

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WORKERS ACTIVE FOR KNAPP FUND

The bright weather has enabled committees to prosecute their canvass for subscriptions to the Knapp Farm and School vigorously. The committees which had been hindered previously have been able to do good work to-day. All are meeting with success.

That the people of Nashville appreciate the great value of this farm school is shown on all sides by expressions of approval and commendation. A number of citizens are showing their public spirit by generous service on these committees and liberal giving. Everybody appears to be in sympathy with the far-reaching meaning of the idea embodied in this enterprise, both for the whole South and for Nashville, and responding as liberally as means

the one thousand farm demonstration agents will come here from the county of the South.

Geo. Peabody and Seaman A. Knapp

No more splendid token of appreciation and none more worthily bestowed has found expression in recent times than that of the general education board in giving \$250,000 to George Peabody College for Teachers as a memorial to the life and work of the late Seaman A. Knapp.

There has not been a name to which the farmers, their sons and their daughters in the South are so much indebted as that of this good man who died a little over a year ago. In organizing the co-operative demonstration work, in promoting the boys' corn clubs and canning among the girls on the farm, Dr. Knapp did three things which firmly fix his name in the history of the great industrial awakening now going on in the South. His fight against the boll weevil, while epoch-making, will in time sink to insignificance when compared with his splendid campaigning for diversified farming, for deeper plowing, and for increase of live stock on the farm. For his wisdom and sane counsel, for his persuasive optimism and untiring industry, our people will not cease to remember him.

It is, therefore, fitting that a name which has taught such great lessons and conferred such great benefits upon the whole South in making agricultural pursuits more worth while and in rendering life in rural communities more economically profitable and humanly interesting, should be associated with that of George Peabody—America's first great philanthropist, and in a real sense the South's school child's first great friend.

George Peabody gave over \$3,000,000 to the South in 1867, at a time when she had no heart and no strength with which to establish a common school system for her boys and girls. He gave to teachers of the South their first training school in the Peabody Normal at Nashville. As a result of his services the South has its own school systems today and thirty-seven state-supported normal schools, rendering a fine service to the teachers in our public schools.

And now the trustees of the Peabody education fund are massing a portion of the principal of that gift in a great central teachers' college. This institution will give guidance and direction to the normal schools and to the public school systems. It will furnish normal schools with instructors for their faculties. It will assist public school superintendents to a wider knowledge of their field. It will study those newer needs of the South, such as training of teachers in agriculture, nature study, cooking and sewing, home making, the improvement of public health and sanitation, the enrichment of country life and the more practical direction of the country schools toward the needs of the country people. It will study the economics of school expenditure and of waste in public education. In brief, this institution is calculated to perform such a wonderful service that every dollar expended in public education in the South will bring far greater returns than heretofore.

Eighty-five per cent of the people in the South live in the country. This gift to Peabody College guarantees a foundation for carrying out one of the cherished aims of the college and gives in a fitting way assurance that the majority of the people will now be served education-

ally in a way responsive to their demands and suited to their needs. In this work of rehabilitating our section, industrially and agriculturally, the work of the superintendents and supervisors of schools is the pivotal force around which will gather all the forces of taxpayers and health campaigns and rural libraries and extension lectures. It is now certain that the whole tendency of George Peabody College for Teachers will be to render the greatest service to that part of our population which is the largest and in greatest need of service, for the college will have to do with the South's greatest industries, with the questions of today and with the majority of our citizenship, rather than with the questions and peoples of a remote, distant and unrelated era.

THE KNAPP SCHOOL.

One of the bills to attract the attention of the people of Nashville and of Tennessee pending before the present Legislature is that to turn over to the Knapp School of Country Life that portion of the Hermitage farm now occupied by the Confederate Veterans' Home. The bill has the endorsement of the Executive Committee of the Soldiers' Home, Mr. Mark Cockrill, Maj. C. A. Locke and Mr. Hamilton Parks.

It is provided that the annual rental of \$2,500 be paid by the Knapp School to the Soldiers' Home and that seventy-five acres of land be reserved by it for pasturage, truck gardening, etc. This is pre-eminently a profitable transaction for the Soldiers' Home, as it would relieve them of the burden of keeping up the farm and at the same time guarantee to them a profitable income and so much of the land as they may need.

The Ladies' Hermitage Association would assuredly be a large beneficiary, since the location of this farm near the Hermitage practically guarantees the extension of the car line to that community. This would so increase the number of visitors to the Hermitage that the gate receipts would be increased many fold. If the average citizen could reach the Hermitage by trolley, it would widen the scope of the splendid work now being done by the Ladies' Hermitage Association.

But by far the most impressive and helpful result of the passage of this bill is that this farm of Andrew Jackson's should become at once a practical agency for lending blessing to the thousands of farmers, their sons and their daughters throughout the South and a splendid memorial of concrete helpfulness to the name of America's first commoner. Andrew Jackson was par excellence the plain people's first representative in the White House. He thought in terms of their needs. It is, therefore, eminently fitting that his farm shall be devoted to the service of the great majority of the South's productive citizenship.

It does not fall to the lot of many Southern Legislatures to render so great a service to the whole South and to the nation as this opportunity affords to the present session of the Legislature of Tennessee.

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KNAPP SCHOOL CONFERENCE TODAY.

appointed to raise funds for the Knapp School of Country Life will be held at the board of trade rooms at 11 o'clock today. This committee is composed of well known citizens of Nashville and Middle Tennessee who are interested in the establishment of the big agricultural school in Nashville.

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TO OBSERVE KNAPP DAY

Schools of County Prepare Program for Wednesday.

RAISE MONEY FOR SCHOOL OF MODERN AGRICULTURE.

S. A. Knapp Was First Man to Teach Intensified Farming—Institute Will Be Part of Peabody College.

On Nov. 27 county school teachers and pupils over the entire south will observe Knapp memorial or agricultural day, and already plans for programs in the different schools of Hamilton county have been prepared.

The purpose of the day is to raise funds for the establishing of a school in connection with the Peabody Institute at Nashville in memory of Seaman A. Knapp, father of intensified farming and the first man to study agriculture along scientific lines. He was the man who first taught farmers not to be mere miners, taking crops from the ground and giving nothing in return, but to study soil and each year increase the productive possibilities of their land.

Prof. Brown, head of the Hamilton county school system, has received copies of programs suggested by the Knapp memorial committee for next Wednesday and these have been forwarded to heads of all schools in the county, with instructions to each to see that something is done to observe the day.

If each child in the schools of the county gives one cent—and this is what those in charge of the affair have asked, a goodly sum will be raised for the agricultural school, and it has been said that the amount will be all that could be desired from this county. The question of exercises and donations will depend entirely upon teachers, as Prof. Brown has issued no directions in regard to this.

Already more than \$5,000 has been given for the fund and it is confidently expected that next Wednesday will see the entire amount raised, with the possible exception of a small sum that can be secured by the memorial committee from other sources. Although the school is to be located in Tennessee, so far this state has given but a few dollars to the fund, and strenuous efforts will be made to have a good-sized sum come from those who, in the end, will realize the greatest profit from the undertaking.

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MEETING IN BEHALF OF KNAPP SCHOOL

There will be a meeting to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock at the Board of Trade in the interest of the Knapp Farm and School of Country Life, which is to be a department of the Peabody College for Teachers. Preliminary steps will be taken looking to the raising of funds asked of Nash-

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KNAPP MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE ON NOV. 27

All of the Schools of Knox County Will Honor Great Agriculturist.

TAKE PENNY COLLECTION

Children Will Have Large Part in Memorial Farm Endowment.

All of the schools in Knox county will observe Wednesday, November 27, as Knapp Memorial day. Supt. M. W. Wilson urges all the teachers to properly honor the late Dr. Seaman A. Knapp in observance of his death. Some kind of special observance will be in order in all of the county schools in the state, says State Supt. J. W. Brister.

No other one man has done more for agricultural education than did Dr. Knapp. As a boy he began his study, having ample opportunity on his father's farm. After his graduation from Union college he took up agriculture as his specialty. He was president of a number of institutions along agricultural lines before he took up the rice industry in Louisiana and Texas. The work through which he will long be remembered and which was more generally known was after he became connected with the United States department of agriculture. He showed the people of the south the vast possibilities of their land of which they knew so little. Under him began the farm demonstration work which has served to show how much more can be gotten out of the land than was formerly the case. Boys' corn clubs and girls' tomato clubs are the result of his work. He has caused foreign countries to send representatives to this country to learn the best methods of farming. For these and other reasons his name will live and the boys and girls will be included among those to do him honor. "The Knapp Farm and School of Country Life" to be established at Nashville with an endowment of nearly a half million is proposed and contributions from school children will probably form the nucleus of this fund. On Knapp Memorial day penny collections will be taken in all the county schools toward this worthy project.

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Thomas A. Early, until recently director of the Corn Club work in Tennessee, but now financial agent of the Knapp memorial committee in the campaign for locating at Nashville, the proposed Knapp Farm and School of Country Life, is now in the city and has launched immediately into his work which he hopes within a very short time that the \$40,000 assigned to Nashville shall have been absolutely guaranteed. Mr. Early has just returned from a business trip over the several southern states, and for the next several days will be in consultation with the committees from the board of trade and industrial bureau and other prominent citizens, on final campaign plans. Before the board of trade and the industrial bureau endorsed the movement some time ago, as will be remembered, and have a joint committee at work on the project.

"The prospects are everywhere flattering," said Mr. Early, "with indicating not alone to the proposition, a sure one, but to a very early completion of the fund. Every southern state has responded liberally where the plan has been presented, and that is proof well over most of all of them. I believe further that the time is ripe for Nashville to advance her part and I believe that within a very few days the \$40,000 should be absolutely guaranteed."

WHAT THE KNAPP SCHOOL MEANS TO CITY OF NASHVILLE



JOHN M. GRAY, JR.,
Vice-president of the Gray, Dudley Hardware Company, who sees in the Knapp School of Country Life one of Nashville's greatest opportunities.

"While the Knapp School of Country Life and Demonstration Farm would be a great addition to Nashville's educational resources and as such is entitled to the support of all classes of citizens, the securing of this large enterprise for this city and section has a business appeal that cannot be too strongly emphasized," states John M. Gray, Jr., vice-president of the Gray & Dudley Hardware Company and president of the industrial bureau.

"In the first place," said Mr. Gray, "the opportunity to secure an original investment of \$400,000 and one that should grow rapidly in importance and resources with the passage of time for the modest outlay of \$150,000, is one that is inclined to make any community take

notice. It is a very rare one indeed and if presented to any individual business man would be accepted very suddenly.

"I am informed that there is 1,000 field agents of the department of agriculture, about 75,000 boys in corn clubs and many more thousands of men and women workers in the various branches of the work instituted by Dr. Knapp in the interest of improving southern agricultural conditions and educational and social work on the farm. Nashville would be the central point for the holding of the gatherings of the agents and workers generally and there would be attracted here annually a very large number of interested visitors in addition. And as the school will be the only one of its kind in the world it will be very widely advertised and Nashville is bound to thus receive large benefits in a publicity and advertising way.

"As the work of the school and farm will be under the active patronage of the department of agriculture at Washington, whose trained employees will use it for demonstration work along with teaching improved methods in rural improvement, this very important department of the government will naturally be much more closely identified with this city and section than at any time hitherto.

"The general educational board of New York, which has displayed its great interest in the Knapp movement by offering to turn over to Nashville a quarter of a million dollars for sustaining the new school, will also naturally have a greater interest in this city and community than ever before, and the fact that its original interest has been so substantially shown, would indicate that in all likelihood further aid to the movement would be soon forthcoming, thus adding materially to the value of the investment.

"I would not consider it an extravagant prophecy," said Mr. Gray, "to predict that instead of an investment of \$400,000, which is offered in the original proposition now before the citizens of Nashville, and to secure which local citizens are only asked to contribute one-tenth of that amount, would grow within a few years to be worth a million dollars. And this would be only its value in dollars and cents. Its largest benefits could not be well estimated. These would consist in the great work being done with Nashville as the center, the vast amount of publicity and advertising received and the increasing number of visitors attracted to the city."

BIG DAY FOR THE KNAPP SCHOOL FUND CAMPAIGN

Reports from committees having in charge the raising of the necessary \$40,000 in order to secure for Nashville the Knapp School of Country Life and demonstration farm showed the best single day's result so far, about \$3,000 in all being realized.

The banner subscription so far resulted when the committee from the Nashville Clearing House sent with the good wishes of that organization a subscription of \$2,000. This evidence of appreciation of the movement is highly valued by the Knapp school and farm executive committee, attesting as it does the faith of the allied financial institutions of the city in the material value of the enterprise.

Some other subscriptions announced were: Warito Mills, \$250; Morgan & Hamilton Company, \$250; Castner-Knott Dry Goods Company, \$100; H. G. Hill Grocery Company, \$100; "A Friend," \$50; Chas. Cohn, \$25; Sam Levy & Co., \$25.

The final organization of the committees representing the Business Men's Association, which will enter actively into the campaign Thursday, will be had at a dinner at 6:30 at the Duncan tonight. All interested members of the organization are urged to be present.

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GREAT \$150,000 MEMORIAL TO DR. KNAPP AT PEABODY COLLEGE

MEMORIAL PLANS.

The idea of a memorial to Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, whose work was of such incalculable value to the South, has been considered ever since his death in 1911, but it was the establishment in Nashville that gave final form to the memorial and caused a decision as to its nature.

The officers of the Knapp Memorial Committee are as follows: David C. Barrow, Athens, Ga., President; Clarence Poe, Raleigh, N. C., Secretary; O. B. Maryin, Washington, D. C., Treasurer; I. C. Schaub, West Raleigh, N. C., Assistant Secretary. There are also chairmen from each Southern State. The chairman for Tennessee is Lem Banks of Memphis.

GREAT TASK.

The great task of improving conditions of living on the farm, of making life in the country more productive and more humanly interesting, which Dr. Knapp inaugurated, and which his representatives are carrying forward to-day, presents one of the most vital and pressing problems in Southern life and citizenship. The Knapp school demonstration agents now working in the South, as well as to supply the demand for an increase of such workers who are expected to carry on services already begun. It is needed to assist the rural school and the rural teacher. It is to be a rallying point for demonstration agents, county su-

perintendents of education and other workers. It is to be a clearing house for rural school ideas and plans. It is to furnish a model country school, home, farm, model barns, fences, gates, implements and general equipment at

reasonable cost. The farm will be located several miles from Nashville.

GREATLY INDEBTED.

There has not been a name to which the farmers, their sons and their daughters in the South are so much indebted as that of Dr. Knapp. His practical wisdom, his sane counsel, and his untiring energy have reached hundreds of thousands of families. He has made agricultural pursuits more worth while and he has inaugurated a work which must not be allowed to decline. Every family in the South has profited by his advice; every teacher and every school child have been benefited by his teachings; every commercial establishment and every industrial institution have increased their earnings because of the increased productivity and efficiency which the great movement which he introduced brought about.

CONCRETE WORKERS FOR

ALREADY AT WORK FOR THE KNAPP MEMORIAL

COMMITTEE HAS BEGUN LABORS TO RAISE THE NECESSARY SARY \$150,000.

For the purpose of purchasing and equipping a farm and erecting a building in connection with the Greater Peabody College for Teachers in this city, the Knapp Memorial Committee has already begun the work of raising \$150,000, which is the amount necessary for the enterprise. Thomas A. Early, who has been director of the corn club work in Tennessee, has been employed as financial agent with headquarters in the Southern Building, Washington, and the campaign for raising the memorial funds will be pushed with all possible speed.

The proposed farm will be located ten or twelve miles from Nashville and will be conducted in accordance with the demonstration methods. The building for the purpose of this school will be located on the campus of Peabody College, and will contain a life-size statue of the late Seaman A. Knapp. On the farm the best devices and implements will be used, and crop rotations will be worked out for the different Southern conditions. Boys and girls who are taking courses in any phase of agriculture will be sent to this farm for inspiration and instruction.

The Knapp Memorial Committee consists of the following members: Chancellor David C. Barrow, Athens, Ga.; Dr. S. P. Brooks, Waco, Texas; Gov. G. W. Donaghey, Little Rock, Ark.; Hon. J. E. Ransdell, Lake Providence, La.; Hon. John Fields, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Prof. W. H. Smith, Jackson, Miss.; Prof. J. F. Duggar, Auburn, Ala.; Mr. Lem Banks, Memphis, Tenn.; Supt. W. M. Holloway, Tallahassee, Fla.; Hon. C. S. Barrett, Union City, Ga.; Hon. A. F. Lever, Lexington, S. C.; Hon. Clarence Poe, Raleigh, N. C.; Gen. Wm. H. Mann, Richmond, Va.; Mr. O. B. Martin, Washington, D. C.

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CAMPAIGN TO BE PROSECUTED

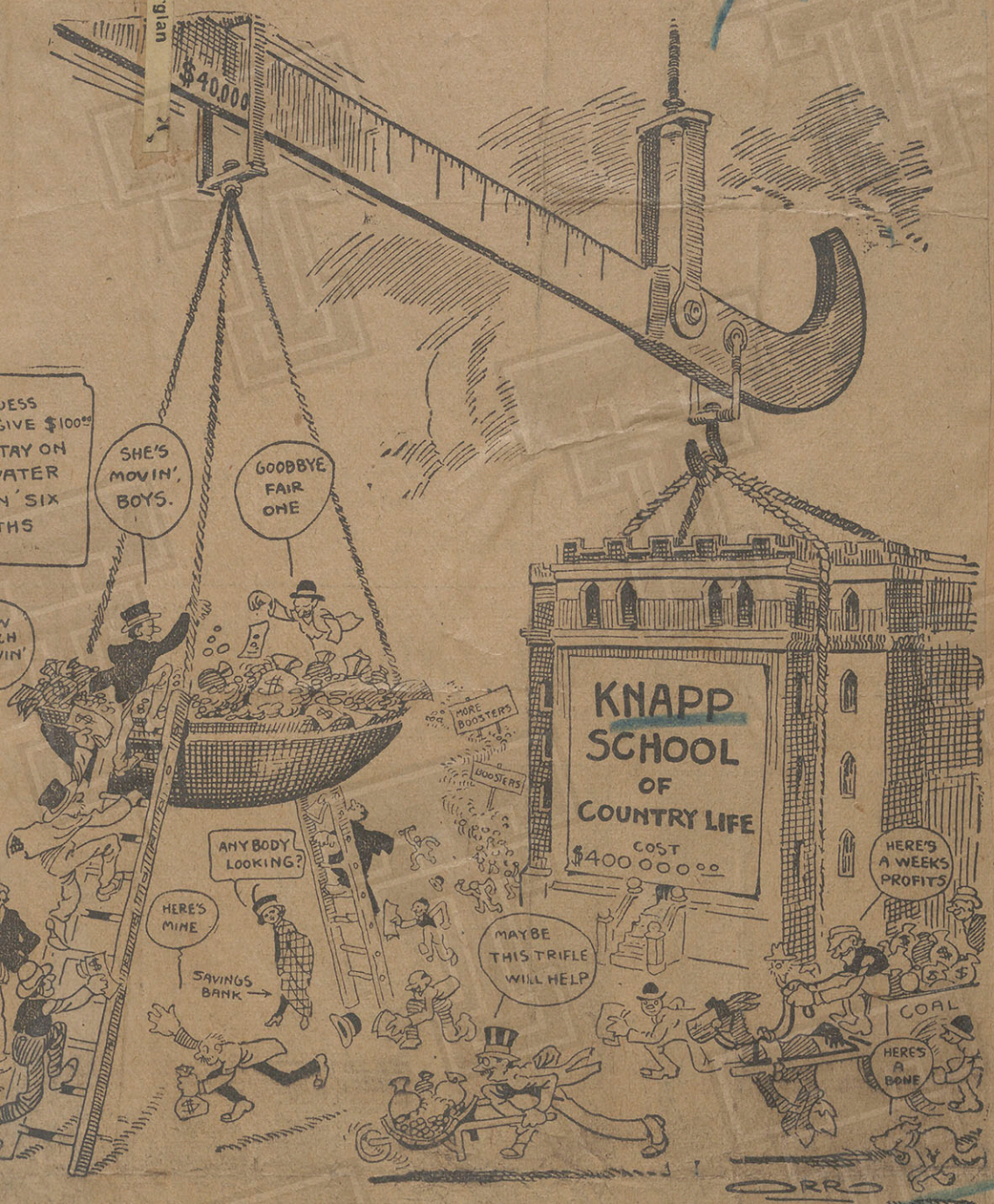
Fifty Citizens to Work For the Proposed Knapp School.

At a meeting held at the office of T. Garland Tinsley for considering plans for raising \$40,000 locally for the proposed great Knapp Farm and School of Country Life which is to be located in Nashville, it was decided to enlarge the committee in charge of the campaign to fifty members and complete the task of raising the \$40,000 asked from the public-spirited citizens of Nashville as quickly as possible. A meeting of the larger committee will be held at 11 o'clock Friday, January 3, at the Board of Trade.

The Steering Committee of the Knapp Farm and School of Country Life is composed of T. Garland Tinsley, E. B. Stahlman, W. R. Cole, Joseph Thompson, Percy Warner, H. F. Smith, Bruce R. Payne and R. L. Burch.

NASHVILLE'S BOOSTER SPIRIT

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KNAPP AGRICULTURAL

DAY ON NOVEMBER 27

Knapp Agricultural Day will be observed all over the South. In Texas the exercises will be held in the schools on November 24; on November 27 in Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee, South Carolina, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Kentucky; in Florida on December 6; in Mississippi on December 12; in Virginia on December 20. North Carolina will celebrate Knapp Agricultural Day at some early date, which will soon be announced.

Knapp Day will bring together the people of every community to discuss their special needs and plan greater progress for another year. The tide of farm prosperity is enough to inspire great hopes for the future, and such gatherings will lay the sure foundations for better farming, for more profitable and more enjoyable life on the farm.

A special object of the day this year is to honor Saman A. Knapp, the founder of the demonstration work and the boys' corn clubs.

Contributions will be made towards the \$150,000 to be raised for establishing the Knapp Farm and School of Country Life at Peabody College. The establishment of this farm and school will mark the beginning of a series of good things for the rural schools in every section of the South.

A demonstration country school will be established on the farm, and similar schools will in quick succession be planted in every Southern county.

Programs and information have been placed in the hands of every school principal through the active exertions of the state and county superintendents.

The city superintendents will also hold exercises and signalize the unity of interest between urban and rural citizens.

Agricultural Day will doubtless become a fixed institution, because of its fundamental nature. The great facts of the soil and the people who till it are of a perennial interest. This year and the celebration in the South is but a beginning of such occasions. It is certain that the first observance of Agricultural Day will inaugurate a new custom.

Already Dr. P. P. Claxton, S. commissioner of education, is planning to extend this observance to all the states of the nation.

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KNAPP AGRICULTURAL DAY WILL BE NOVEMBER 27

(Sentinel-News Special.)

Nashville, Oct. 14.—Wednesday, November 27, has been designated as Knapp Agricultural day in the public schools of the state by State Superintendent J. W. Brister, after communicating with State superintendents all over the south. It is planned in connection with the occasion to ask the people to make contributions to the fund necessary to purchase a farm and erect a building in memory of Seaman A. Knapp. Prof. Brister is sending a letter to county superintendents all over the state, in which he lays stress on the importance of the celebration of Knapp Agricultural day. An appropriate program is to be arranged and the day to be made thoroughly enjoyable.

AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION

Progress Being Made in Completing the Knapp Farm.

The Knapp memorial committee is meeting with gratifying success. The practical value of the Knapp Farm and School of Country Life has been widely and heartily indorsed both by leading school men and agriculturists. The raising of funds is progressing rapidly. Everywhere the idea is meeting with substantial responses. At a meeting of the West Texas Co-Operative Demonstration agents at Fort Worth recently they raised among themselves \$425 in twenty minutes. The persons who knew Dr. Seaman A. Knapp and were his co-workers are enthusiastic over the farm and school to be established at Nashville, and in connection with Peabody college, which will keep his influence spreading over the whole south for the future generations.

FARM AND SCHOOL AS KNAPP MEMORIAL

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KNAPP FARM AND SCHOOL

Typing results are being obtained the efforts of the Knapp memorial committee to promote interest in the proposed Knapp farm and school of country life, to be established at Nashville in connection with Peabody college. The movement is everywhere receiving hearty endorsement of prominent men of all walks of life, and substantial funds are being subscribed for the purpose of establishing the farm and school. At a recent meeting of the West Texas co-operative demonstration agents was raised for this fund in twenty minutes. It is hoped that this work, carried on in the name of Seaman A. Knapp, will continue to promote indelibly the noble teachings which he gave the world during his life.

THE HERMITAGE FARM.

This community if it fall not into the way of unwisdom, will be the home of the first educational institution in the whole world devoted exclusively to the problems of rural life. That, when the trend back to the land is becoming vital everywhere over America, means a great deal more than anyone can now comprehend in its fullness of scope. If the Knapp School of Country Life is established in Nashville with a magnificent demonstration farm beyond the city—such a demonstration farm as the Hermitage Plantation would make possible—Nashville, the capital city of Tennessee, will be, for all time, the center and impetus and inspiration for the South at least, of that rural life movement, broad and deep, that is destined certainly to recrystallize and revitalize our social structure.

If the Knapp School must outlay a great portion of its funds in the purchase of a farm, then there will not remain sufficient that it can, in this generation, fulfill its mission. And we may as well understand now as after we have lost the greatest opportunity that has come our way in a lifetime, that the Knapp School is not going to spend any large portion of its money in the purchase of a farm. It is not under the necessity of obtruding itself upon Nashville or the State of Tennessee. Other cities—Louisville and Birmingham, notably—are anxious to offer it real inducements, and Nashville need not charm herself with the fond delusion that it is the only community in which the institution can be successfully established.

It is proposed to turn over to the Knapp School of Country Life such portion of the Hermitage farm as is not needed for the perpetuation of the memory of Tennessee's most famous son—all, say, except 100 acres, which is quite all that those who maintain the Hermitage need or can keep in condition. Fifty acres would even be quite sufficient.

With the exception of some twenty-five acres immediately around the mansion, the farm is now almost a jungle of briars and weeds largely uncultivated, unsightly, unproductive, of no sort of use. Under

the management of the Knapp School of Country Life, the farm would be a beautiful and productive place. It would be a place where the children of the South could learn the value of the land and the value of the life that is to be lived on it. It would be a place where the children of the South could learn the value of the land and the value of the life that is to be lived on it.

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KNAPP MEMORIAL AT NASHVILLE

School and Demonstration Farm to Be Located Here.

INSTITUTE PROCEEDINGS

Farmers of Middle Tennessee Listen to Several Interesting Addresses By Men of Prominence.

PRIZE POTATO GROWER

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4.

Afternoon Session, 1:30—Address, Col. Robert Gates, Land and Industrial Agent, L. & N. Railroad; "Poultry Industry in Tennessee," J. A. Murkin, Nashville, Tenn.; "Federal Co-Operation in Live Stock Sanitary Control Work," Dr. J. A. Kiernan, United States Veterinary Inspector, Nashville, Tenn.; "Feed and Seed Control Laws in Tennessee," A. L. Garrison; "The Swine Industry in Tennessee," J. D. E. DeBow, Nashville, Tenn.; appointment of committees; "Nashville as a Market for Farm Products," discussion by farmers and members Nashville Board of Trade.

Night Session, 8:00—"Health and Sanitation on the Farm," stereopticon views, Dr. Olin West, Assistant Secretary for Eradication of Hookworm; "Cost of Production of Farm Crops," stereopticon views, F. W. Gist, Special Agent United States Department of Agriculture.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5.

Morning Session, 9:30—Invocation, "Hog Cholera, Bovine Tuberculosis and Texas Fever—a \$5,000,000 Proposition," Dr. George R. White, State Live Stock Inspector; "Industrial Education in Schools," Prof. J. W. Brister, State Superintendent of Public Instruction; "The Importance of Saving Our Soils," Dr. A. H. Purdue, State Geologist; address, "Practical Ideals," Mrs. Rutledge Smith, Cookeville, Tenn.; report of committees; election of officers.

HOME MAKERS' ASSOCIATION.

SECOND DAY, AFTERNOON.

December 4—Address, Capt. T. F. Peck, Commissioner of Agriculture; "The Farmers' Best Crop," Mrs. Rose Nipher; "The Care of Children in the Home," Mrs. T. G. Settle; discussion; "The School Lunch," Mrs. Hayes Hall; discussion; (a) "How I Raised My Tomatoes," (b) "How I Did My Canning," by two members of the Girls' Tomato Clubs; "The Right Books for Children," Miss Mary Skeffington.

THIRD DAY, AFTERNOON.

December 5—"Sanitation and Hygiene in the Home," Dr. H. H. Shoulters; "Idea Exchange, with Discussion of Home Problems," Mrs. John Walker; "What Reading Means to the Farm Women," Mrs. Pearl Kelley; "Benefits the Country Women May Derive from the State Fair," Mrs. J. O. Rust; election of officers.

The Middle Tennessee Farmers' Institute reassembled in the Hall of the House of Representatives at the capitol at 1:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The first speaker of the afternoon was Prof. J. C. Pridmore of the University of Tennessee, who addressed the convention on corn seed selection. The speaker said no movement yet started in the state promised greater results than the Boys' Corn Clubs. He said one gratifying result would be that in a few years Tennessee farmers would be producing double the number of bushels of corn. He pointed out what such an increase in dollars and cents would mean.

He said it was just as important for the farmer to understand plant life as for the live stock breeder to understand animal life.

BENTON COUNTY CLUBS.

M. L. Hardin of Camden addressed the convention on the Boys' Corn Club work in Tennessee.

Mr. Hardin is the County Superintendent of Benton County and has probably done as much as any man in Tennessee for the advancement of the Boys' Corn Club idea. He told what the Boys' Corn Club of Benton County has accomplished and the interest manifested in the work. He spoke of the Benton County Canning and Poultry Club composed of girls.

B. H. Gaultney of Pulaski talked about Boys' Corn Club work in Middle Tennessee and told of the great possibilities of the movement.

EARLY IS SUCCESSFUL AS FINANCIAL AGENT

Secured \$1,000 From Farmers at Auburn, Ala., for Memorial.

A SUCCESSOR WANTED

F. D. Fuller, Secretary of the Tri-State Fair Association, Is Spoken of as a Successor for Mr. Early as Corn Club Representative.

Thos. A. Early, financial secretary of the Seaman A. Knapp memorial committee, is elected with the success of his first venture in behalf of the new enterprise. He returned yesterday from Auburn, Ala., where he had \$1,000 pledged to the fund.

This was the first meeting attended by Mr. Early since assuming his new position. He recently resigned his work as special agent for the department of agriculture in charge of corn clubs for Arkansas, Mississippi and West Tennessee.

He said yesterday that the agricultural feature of the Knapp school so impressed the farmers who attended the institute at Auburn that they were free to subscribe and the fund secured was mostly in small amounts.

Mr. Early will spend some of his time in Memphis and is said to be willing to assist in carrying on the work of the corn club organization, provided his time will permit.

No successor has been selected for Mr. Early, although there is some talk of securing F. D. Fuller, secretary of the Tri-State Fair Association. Mr. Fuller has been engaged in the corn club work to some extent under Mr. Early, and some are of the opinion that he could carry on the additional work without interfering with the duties of secretary of the fair.

The City Club will devote the Saturday meeting to the corn club work. A number of speakers will address the meeting on the accomplishments of the work during Mr. Early's supervision, and the successor will be discussed also.

The City Club was instrumental in securing the services of Mr. Early and has borne a part of the expense of maintaining the office in Memphis. The Business Men's Club donated the desk room and various citizens have contributed to help make the work successful.

The disposition of those who have aided in the work heretofore apparently is to see that it should not be abandoned, now that it is in position to do the most good and produce the best results.

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KNAPP MEMORIAL.

The establishment of the proposed Seaman A. Knapp school of farm and country life, as a memorial to the man whose name it bears, is of vital importance to the whole south. The establishment of this home will perpetuate a noble life's work and multiply the beneficent influences of a great and good man's life. A committee of prominent gentlemen is behind the movement to raise the \$150,000 with which to realize the important endeavor. Eighty-five per cent. of the people of the south live in the country. Dr. Knapp aroused more interest in improved agricultural methods, probably, than any other man in recent years. It is highly proper that the south should show its interest in this effort to establish a memorial to him. Mr. Thomas A. Early, 729 Southern Building, Washington, D. C., is in charge of the raising of the fund and those who desire to contribute should communicate with him.

KNAPP AGRICULTURAL DAY.

Every state in the south will honor the memory of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp this winter through exercises in the schools. Texas will observe Nov. 22; Tennessee, Kentucky, Alabama, Georgia, South Carolina, Louisiana, Arkansas and Oklahoma have selected Nov. 27, which will be Wednesday of next week. Florida will celebrate Dec. 6; Mississippi, Dec. 12; Virginia, Dec. 20, and North Carolina at an early day to be announced. The celebrations will have a double object: To underline the great services of Dr. Knapp to southern farming and to grave upon memory's tablets some of his pregnant precepts; and to help raise \$150,000 for the establishment of the Knapp farm and school of country life at Peabody college. The debt of gratitude of the south to Dr. Knapp is boundless. His teachings live after him and should bear abundant fruit in the coming years. They are now the inspiration of 75,000 boys and 25,000 girls who are beginning life by demonstrating to the best of their ability the capacity of an acre of ground. There should be general and hearty interest in Knapp day.

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GENERAL MEETING FOR KNAPP SCHOOL

Thomas A. Early Greatly Encouraged By Interest Shown In Laudable Cause.

There will be a general meeting at the Board of Trade Friday morning at 11 o'clock in the interest of the Seaman A. Knapp Farm and School of Country Life, which is to be made a feature of the George Peabody College for Teachers. There is a general committee of seventy-five and a special central committee, of which Mr. T. Garland Tinsley is Chairman. The work of the committee is to raise \$40,000, which Nashville has been asked to contribute, and other parts of the South will be asked to contribute \$110,000, making a total of \$150,000 for starting the institution.

Thomas A. Early, Financial Agent for the school, says he has received most favorable statements from many of the foremost citizens and assurances of support. Some of the most prominent farmers of the state will be asked to attend the meeting Friday. This is a movement of vast importance to the development of the agricultural interests of the South, as well as to make for the happiness and general welfare of the population. Mr. Early expressed himself well pleased with the progress made.

AGRICULTURAL DAY

Wednesday, November 27th to be
Observed as Agricultural
Day in Public Schools.

The State Superintendents of the various Southern States have agreed to recommend the observance of Wednesday, November 27, 1912, as Agricultural Day, in all their public schools.

The purpose of this movement is to focus attention on the country school and country life for one day in every part of our section. Suggestive programs are being arranged containing songs, recitations and readings bearing on country life. Boys of the corn clubs and girls of the canning clubs will be asked to display their products, and all the school activities which center in the country will be called into operation in the exercises.

It is hoped that this observance will grow into an annual custom and that some day in November can be agreed upon when the millions of school children in the country with their friends and parents can come for a few brief hours and consider the needs peculiar to the country school and country life.

A double significance will attach to the DAY this year in that in connection with the program of country life it is planned to commemorate the life and services of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp.

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AGRICULTURAL DAY IN MEMORY OF KNAPP

The Knapp memorial committee is meeting with great success in its plans for Knapp agricultural day in the schools and colleges of the south. The state superintendents of education and college presidents have given their hearty endorsement to the value of such a day.

Mr. Thomas A. Early has just made a tour of the south and has received many suggestions from prominent men of every calling. A program for the exercises in the schools is being prepared by the committee and will be sent out by the state superintendents. The colleges will arrange a program and hold exercises suitable to the occasion.

The date for these exercises in most states will be November 27. Much enthusiasm has been manifested in this day, which will focus the attention of the school children and their parents on the marvelous development of the south and the magnificent basis of prosperity already laid in our constantly increasing wealth.

the remainder to the Knapp Memorial, the part reserved to be used in school improvement, purchase of books bearing particularly on country life, and applying other needs of the country school.

Every County Superintendent who has ever organized a corn club, or who has realized the benefit of such an organization in another country; every boy who has ever been connected with a corn club, or every girl who has ever heard of a canning club; every parent who has seen the interest of his children expand because of these and kindred organizations; every man, woman and child who has felt the stirring of these new movements in country life, ought to participate in the program and make the Knapp Agricultural Day notable in the educational and material development of his community and State.

I hope that you will take hold of this matter vigorously at once and thoroughly organize your county. At the earliest possible date have a meeting of your teachers and urge them to observe the Day in their school. Suggestive programs will be furnished from my office. Every Superintendent who will co-operate in this movement will do me a favor by communicating with me at once.

J. W. BRISTER,
State Superintendent.

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Knapp Committee

The greatest interest is being shown throughout the country in the project to erect at Peabody College, Knapp School and to maintain a Knapp farm. The General Education Board of New York offered to give \$250,000, the interest from which should go to the running expenses of such a country-life school in connection with Peabody College. The Memorial Committee has undertaken to raise \$150,000 for the building and for the farm. This is to be a demonstration farm and a demonstration school, and the following are the officers of the Knapp Memorial Committee:

David C. Barrow of Athens, Ga., President; Clarence Poe of Raleigh, N. C., Secretary; B. Martin of Washington, D. C., Treasurer. State Chairmen are: S. P. Brooks, Waco, Tex.; G. W. Donaghey, Little Rock, Ark.; J. E. Ransdell, Lake Providence, La.; John Fields, Oklahoma City, Okla.; W. H. Smith, Jackson, Miss.; J. F. Duggar, Auburn, Ala.; W. M. Holloway, Tallahassee, Fla.; Fred Mutchler, Bowling Green, Ky.; Lem Banks, Memphis, Tenn.; C. S. Barrett, Union City, Ga.; A. F. Lever, Lexington, S. C.; Clarence Poe, Raleigh, N. C.; William H. Mann, Richmond, Va.; and O. B. Martin, Washington, D. C.

I. O. Schaub of West Raleigh, N. C., is Assistant Secretary, and Thomas A. Early, whose address is 729 Southern Building, Washington, D. C., is Financial Agent.

PROPOSAL FOR THE KNAPP MEMORIAL

Effort to Be Made to Secure
Soldiers Home For
Purpose.

Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, the founder of the Farm Demonstration Work in the South of the Boys' corn clubs, and of the Girls' Canning Clubs, died April 1, 1911. His work has grown until there are now in the South one thousand agents demonstrating better methods of farming and home-making to fully a hundred thousand farmers, seventy-five thousand boys and twenty-five thousand girls.

It is proposed to raise a fund in the South to build a memorial to Dr. Knapp at Nashville. At the December convention of the Middle Tennessee Farmers' Institute a resolution was unanimously adopted and considerable money subscribed to erect this memorial on the campus of the George Peabody School for Teachers, but later an idea developed favoring the location of the memorial in the shape of a school and demonstration farm at or near the present site of the Confederate Soldiers' Home, which occupies a part of the old Hermitage tract of Gen. Andrew Jackson. Since the first suggestion this idea has grown and it is said now that the matter will be put up to the incoming General Assembly with the view of having the legislative power of the state donate the farm if not the buildings to the use of the Knapp Memorial. The veterans now living in the home are too old and feeble to work the farm, and it will not be very many years till these worthy of admittance to the refuge built for them and maintained by the state will pass away, as the fighters of 1861-65 are rapidly passing to the great beyond. In the event the property is turned over to the Knapp Memorial Association for the purposes named, it is said by those in a position to know the facts that the few veterans left can be cared for at a different place.

KNAPP AGRICULTURAL DAY NOVEMBER 27

Superintendent Brister Designates
Memorial All Over South.
Sending Letter.

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PERFECTLY SOKING

FUNDS FOR THE KNAPP SCHOOL

Effort Will Be Made to Raise
\$40,000 In Nash-
ville.

Thomas A. Early, financial agent of the Seaman A. Knapp School of Country Life, which is to be in Nashville, had a meeting this morning with the Executive and Agricultural Committees of the Board of Trade and Administrative Committee of the Industrial Bureau, when his request that Nashville raise \$40,000 for the institution was unanimously approved. A joint committee will be appointed to co-operate in the raising of the money. Mr. Early in presenting the proposition said:

"You are fully aware that the Seaman A. Knapp Farm and School of Country Life will be located at Nashville and promises to be one of the most far-reaching educational institutions in America. This farm and school will serve as the central power house for the 1,000 demonstration agents who are carrying forward the Boys' Corn Clubs, Girls Canning Clubs and Men's Demonstration Farms in the South. They are directly reaching the masses of the people—more than 200,000 farmers—their sons and daughters, are receiving instructions direct from our agents and these in turn are influencing their communities for scientific agriculture. This school will be the rallying point or training quarters for our agents, boys and girls club winners, as well as other rural life workers and teachers. In a large measure the movement to develop and extend the rural schools and make them more efficient will center around this institution.

GENEROUS ENDOWMENT.

"The General Education Board realizing the greatness of Dr. Knapp's work and the importance of carrying it forward in a continual march of progress for the Southern farmer and better living on the land, has generously offered to endow this school and farm with \$250,000, the interest of which is to pay the running expenses; provided, the people of the South would show their appreciation of this great work by giving by private subscription \$150,000 to build this school and equip this farm.

"The movement is on to raise the \$150,000 and the campaign is on in every Southern State. The leading men of the South are on this committee, and are anxious to make a creditable showing for their states for this all-South institution.

LOOK TO NASHVILLE.

"We feel that we must have Nashville squarely behind us in this movement. When our work is complete the whole amount brought to your city for this purpose will be \$400,000. We ask that you pledge us \$40,000. Your action will make the whole movement a surety.

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KNAPP SCHOOL TO RECEIVE HEARTY LOCAL SUPPORT

A conference of the agriculture and executive committees of the board of trade, the administrative committee of the industrial bureau and Thomas A. Early, financial agent of the Seaman A. Knapp School of Country Life to be located in Nashville was held at the board of trade Friday morning. The purpose of the conference was to secure the endorsement of the commercial organizations of Mr. Early's plan to raise \$40,000 for the school in this section. The board of trade approved the plan, and it was decided to have a joint committee appointed to raise the money.

The approval of the committee was expressed in the following resolutions which were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, we learn with pleasure that the general education board has offered \$250,000 as an endowment to meet the current expenses of the School of Country Life to be built in Nashville,

Whereas, we are thoroughly convinced that this School of Country Life and its co-ordinated demonstration farm will be a most effective agency for the improvement of our financial, industrial and educational interests.

Resolved, That we do most heartily approve and endorse the Seaman A. Knapp School of Country Life and the plan of the Knapp memorial committee to raise \$150,000 in the south, in addition to the endowment fund mentioned, with which to build buildings and purchase the physical equipment necessary for the enterprise.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to act in conjunction with the Knapp memorial committee in raising \$40,000 of the total \$400,000 from the business men, farmers, and other men of public spirit in Nashville and its community.

PURPOSES EXPLAINED

Mr. Early, in explaining the purposes and prospects of the new school, spoke

as follows before the committee:

"You are fully aware that the Seaman A. Knapp Farm and School of Country Life will be located at Nashville and promises to be one of the most far-reaching educational institutions in America. This farm and school will serve as the central power house for the 1,000 demonstration agents who are carrying forward the boys' corn clubs, girls' canning clubs and men's demonstration farms in the south. They are directly reaching the masses of the people—more than 200,000 farmers, their sons and daughters, are receiving instructions direct from our agents and these in turn are influencing their communities for scientific agriculture. This school will be the rallying point or training quarters for our agents, boys and girls club winners, as well as other rural life workers and teachers. In a large measure the movement to develop and extend the rural schools and make them more efficient will center around this institution.

"The general educational board realizing the greatness of Dr. Knapp's work and the importance of carrying it forward in a continual march of progress for the southern farmer and better living on the land, has generously offered to endow this school and farm with \$250,000, the interest of which is to pay the running expenses; provided, the people of the south would show their appreciation of this great work by giving by private subscription \$150,000 to build this school and equip this farm.

CAMPAIGN ON.

"The movement is on to raise the \$150,000 and the campaign is on in every southern state. The leading men of the south are on this committee, and are anxious to make a creditable showing for their states for this all-south institution.

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KNAPP SCHOOL COMMITTEE BEGINS ITS ACTIVE WORK

First definite steps toward the raising of a fund of \$40,000 to be used in building the Knapp School of Country Life in Nashville were taken at a conference held in the board of trade rooms Friday morning at 11 o'clock, at which a large number of members of the general committee were present. The importance of the school and the significance of its being located in Nashville was emphasized by all the speakers and every member of the committee became enthusiastic over the prospect of having the big institution here.

It was explained that the Knapp school which is to be erected as a memorial to the late Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, is to be built in Nashville and will be run in co-operation with the Peabody College, which is now in course of construction. The general education board, it was explained, is contributing \$250,000 to the school and \$150,000 is to be raised in the south. Nashville's part is \$40,000.

It was decided to appoint committees to solicit funds for the school. These committees and sub-committees which are to be appointed will be named from representative Nashville citizens, and prominent Middle Tennessee citizens of other towns. The names of the members of the committees will be announced at a luncheon at the Maxwell House at 12:30 Saturday afternoon, when the campaign for raising the \$40,000 will be formally launched.

T. Garland Tinsley presided at the meeting. Speeches were made by Thos. A. Early, financial agent of the Knapp school, who is in Nashville for the purpose of conducting the campaign; Dr. Bruce R. Payne, Capt. T. F. Peck, Prof. W. V. Brister, W. R. Cole, Mayor Howse, J. D. Tate and others.

NASHVILLE, TENN., *Banner*

JAN 8, 1912.

NASHVILLE IS THE HOME FOR BIG KNAPP SCHOOL

"Peculiarly appropriate it is," declares Dr. Edwin Mims of Vanderbilt, a classmate at that institution of Bradford Knapp, "that the Knapp Memorial School of Country Life be located in Nashville."

"Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, in whose memory the proposed new institution, the only one of its kind in the country, is to be named, although not himself a Southern man," said Dr. Mims, "became so profoundly interested in the section and the people and was inspired with such enthusiasm regarding the possibilities of its commercial and social development that he devoted many years of his most fruitful life to one of the greatest works ever done for the South—that of spreading the gospel of improved methods of operation of and of living on the Southern farm."

"Dr. Knapp's faith in and love for the Southern people and their institutions is further well evidenced by the fact that he sent his son here to be educated. And it is therefore peculiarly appropriate and significant that the splendid new institution to be erected in his memory should be located in Nashville, with which he was naturally closely identified through ties of sentiment and personal ones contracted during his visits here while his son was attending Vanderbilt."

"And further," stated Dr. Mims, "that Bradford Knapp has succeeded his father in his magnificent work and is so ably carrying it forward makes it more than ever appropriate and advantageous that this splendid new institution be located here, for it is in this city that his own warm personal interest centers and his support and efforts in its behalf would be naturally keener than were the institution located elsewhere."

KNAPP AGRICULTURAL DAY IS DESIGNATED

Schools of South Are Asked to
Observe November 27.

WILL BUILD MEMORIAL

When \$150,000 Is Raised by Popular Subscription, \$250,000 More Will Be Given for School and Farm Near Nashville, Tenn.

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What vast possibilities loom up, if the people of the whole South will annually contemplate agricultural matters for one hour! The state and county superintendents of education are taking the lead in this movement. It will be a worthy tribute to a worthy man. The name of each contributor will be kept as a grateful record.

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Nov. 27, or the nearest Friday to that date.

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3. What great poets have sung about the farm, selections by class of pupils.
4. How Dr. Knapp prepared himself for great service, by a boy.
5. What Dr. Knapp taught, quotations by class of pupils.
6. How the demonstration work was organized and conducted, by a leading citizen.
7. How Dr. Knapp's work helped this community, this state and the South, by three boys.
8. How I grew my crop, by a corn club boy.
9. What I did with my vegetables and fruits, by three girls.
10. The best farm crop for this community and why, by several pupils. How can these crop products be displayed today? School exhibit.
11. What can we do to express our appreciation of Dr. Knapp's great work? Collecting contributions, pledges.
12. Song, "Bringing In the Sheaves," by all.

KNAPP AGRICULTURAL DAY TO BE OBSERVED

Teachers Urged to Unite in Doing Honor to This Benefactor of the South.

OFFICIAL DESIGNATION

Suggestion for Program to Be Carried Out on November 27.

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MILITARY AVIATORS EN ROUTE TO AUGUSTA

critical until a week ago. for Terrell's condition did not become for him to retire from public life Sen- though his illness made it necessary United States Senator A. S. Clay. Al- all the unexpired term of the late parastis in February, 1911, a few an extended illness. died at his home here yesterday after twice governor of the state of Georgia, States Senator Joseph M. Terrell, Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 18.—Former United

THE KNAPP SCHOOL.

H. F. Smith, Vice President and General Traffic Manager of the N., C. & St. L., Ry., has accepted membership on the committee appointed jointly by the Board of Trade and the Industrial Bureau to aid in raising, by subscription, Nashville's part of a certain sum of money necessary to be raised to insure to George Peabody College for Teachers, already located here, the proposed gift of \$250,000 pledged by the General Education Board for endowment of Seaman A. Knapp School of Country Life.

No man in the State is better qualified than Mr. Smith to speak advisedly of the advantages sure to accrue, not alone to Middle Tennessee and the State, but to the entire Southern and southwestern section of the country, by the establishment and wise conduct of such a school in this city. He has made it, if, indeed, it was not already his business to inform himself accurately and fully as to the progress being made in this and other sections of the South, by the adoption of improved methods will turn out practical workers fully qualified to teach this lesson and also, on the very ground, personally aid farmers in the great work. "No question of a material nature more affects our minds more to secure Nashville's advance," said Mr. Smith Friday morning, in a meeting of the committee, "than to have the very rich territory surrounding it made to produce in abundance and at the lowest cost the almost innumerable and necessary things to the production of which it is known to be highly adapted, everything, in fact, which is required for comfortable living. The lesson which Dr. Knapp taught the boys of the South in the raising of more and better corn to the acre cultivated is already bearing rich fruit in Tennessee. If continuously taught by teachers graduated by a school established in his memory, the advantage to the State in this one single item alone will be great indeed; but if practical lessons by those qualified in every way to teach them are given to those engaged in producing all of the other things to the raising of which the soil of Middle Tennessee is especially suited, the good accomplished will be well-nigh incalculable."

There is truth, of course, and very much to be learned from the writer's statement. The writer says: "The first address of the programme was by Dr. Wallace Buttrick, Secretary-General Educational Board, of New York. Dr. Buttrick's address is reviewed in another column."

IN MEMORY OF
SEAMAN KNAPP

Extraordinary Occasion at Ryman Auditorium in Honor of Great Man.

DR. W. H. PAGE PRESIDES

Many Tributes of Inspiring Beauty From Fifteen Different Southern States To Agriculturist.

HIS FAVORITE MUSIC

The memorial exercises for Dr. Seaman A. Knapp at Ryman Auditorium yesterday afternoon were deeply impressive and those who failed to pay a tribute to this true friend of the South, missed an opportunity for enlightenment and inspiration that will scarcely be presented to them again. It was a leading feature of the Southern Commercial Congress.

MR. PAGE PRESIDES.

This beautiful service was presided over by Mr. Walter H. Page editor of The World's Work, New York, who was a close personal friend of Dr. Knapp, and in his introductory remarks, as well as in his informal remarks throughout the programme, Mr. Page made eloquent and tender references to the great personality of the man in whose memory the programme was designed.

Dr. Page said there were three things for which the work of Dr. Knapp was particularly notable: First, a new knowledge of how to cultivate; second, the proper extension of government activities; third, he led all whom he touched. Dr. Page added that Dr. Knapp deserves an immortality of appreciation since he inaugurated a great world movement.

APPROPRIATE MUSIC.

A musical programme containing songs best loved by Dr. Knapp was rendered, the selections including "Crossing the Bar," "Lead Kindly Light," "Jesus Lover of My Soul" and "Nearer My God to Thee." The impressive programme concluded with "America," sung by the audience.

RELATIVES PRESENT.

A very interesting feature of the exercises were the presence on the platform of five relatives of the lamented Dr. Knapp. Dr. Page asked that these gentlemen rise a moment and they were greeted with applause. They are Mr. Herman Knapp of the Agricultural College of Ames, Iowa; Mr. Bradford Knapp of Washington, La.; Mr. Arthur Knapp of Lake Charles, La.; Mr. A. M. Mayo, son-in-law of Dr. Knapp, Lake Charles, La., and Mr. Byron Knapp, grandson of Dr. Knapp, of Lake Charles, La.

DR. BUTTRICK'S ADDRESS.

The first address of the programme was by Dr. Wallace Buttrick, Secretary-General Educational Board, of New York. Dr. Buttrick's address is reviewed in another column.

The address of Mr. Clarence Poe, editor of the Progressive Farmer, Raleigh, N. C., was read by Dr. Clarence J. Owen, Secretary of the Southern Commercial Congress, as Dr. Poe was unable to be present. This address is also reviewed in another column.

TRIBUTE FROM STATES.

One of the interesting features of the meeting consisted of short tributes to Dr. Knapp by representatives of the various Southern States.

Mr. J. F. Dugger, director of the experiment station at Auburn, Ala., paid a tribute from that state, saying that the demonstration work was begun in his state and that to-day the state has a county demonstration agent in every one of the sixty-eight counties of the state.

For Arkansas Mr. J. C. Small was to speak, but was detained by the flood. For Florida, Senator Fletcher spoke briefly and eloquently of the great influence Dr. Knapp's work had and is still having in Florida. "Florida esteems it a high privilege to add her tribute to the life and services of Dr. Knapp. His unselfish devotion to the great good, his untiring labors for the weal of his fellow-man, his conscientious stand for the highest ideals, typified the best in our civilization."

FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

Mr. I. O. Schaub offered a tribute in behalf of Mr. D. H. Hill, President of the A. & M. College of West Raleigh, N. C., who emphasized the beautiful simplicity of Dr. Knapp's life.

CONGRESSMAN RANDELL.

Hon. Jas. E. Ransdell of Louisiana, having entered the hall at this time, Dr. Page called on him for a few words and his tribute was especially beautiful. Mr. Ransdell spoke of the tender love Louisiana felt for Dr. Knapp, her adopted son. Mr. Ransdell also spoke of his personal friendship.

"We loved him in Louisiana especially," said the speaker, "first, because he came to Louisiana twenty-five years ago when there were thousands of acres of land thought to be practically useless and he introduced the rice industry in the Southwest and may well be called the father of the rice industry. Then he more than any other man started a great stream of immigration to the Southwest. But perhaps his greatest work was in his organization of the Farmers' Co-operative Demonstration Work in connection with the Department of Agriculture. In conclusion let me say that Louisiana is going to do her share in raising a fund for the erection of a monument to Dr. Knapp, our great hero of agriculture and the boys are entrusted with this work."

South Carolina was spoken for by Mr. O. B. Morton, a close associate of Dr. Knapp in the department at Washington. Mr. Morton's tribute was a personal one, given with an affectionate sincerity that added to the impressiveness of his words.

Mr. Thomas A. Early, in charge of the demonstration work of the state, with headquarters at Memphis, gave Tennessee's tribute in the place of Mr. C. P. J. Mooney, who was on the programme. Mr. Early's tribute was one of the most eloquent of the day.

Texas was represented by President S. P. Brooks of the Baylor University, Waco, Texas. Dr. Brooks' tribute to Dr. Knapp was one of the most beautiful of the afternoon. He compared his work of discovery and development in the South to that of Miss Sullivan, teacher of Helen Keller. He said Dr. Knapp was a discoverer—that he knew how to transform character into conduct and brains into substance.

Virginia's tribute came through Mr. J. D. Eggleston, Jr., Superintendent of Public Instruction, Richmond, Va. "How simple it all seems," said the speaker, "since Dr. Knapp showed us how." Mr. Eggleston said the ingredients that go to make up an ideal man are poise, simplicity, directness and love, and that in the character of Dr. Knapp these qualities were perfectly balanced. "He was a man—nor was there anything that touched life that failed to interest him."

The closing remarks of the Chairman, Mr. Page, but added eloquence and beauty to the occasion.

The work of raising \$40,000 as a contribution toward the establishment of the Knapp School of Country Life in Nashville began with a rush Monday when the committees entered into their work of soliciting funds for the big institution. Headquarters have been opened in the Stahlman building, from where the activities will be directed. The canvassers are much encouraged over the prospects of securing the total amount of Nashville's part in the big school. The school fund will be \$400,000, of which Nashville will raise ten per cent.

The importance of the school to Nashville is pointed out by Dr. Little as follows:

"The Knapp Farm and School with its investment of \$400,000, will be sure to prove a great success because operated in connection with Peabody College, which will be backed by resources of over \$3,000,000. Furthermore, the one thousand farm demonstration agents would use this farm and school as a rallying place and would come to Nashville in groups or in a body every year and fully a thousand teachers will come here every summer to the great summer school, which will be inaugurated in 1914. Through the farm demonstration agents who will come to Nashville and through the teachers who will study in this school the ideas worked out here will be carried back to all the farmers of the south and to the 148,000 teachers and the 8,000,000 school children. In this way there will be immediate improvement of the farming interests and of the country schools and of the conveniences for those who live in the country, and most significant of all, there will be secured a perpetual advertisement for Nashville as an educational and industrial center such as could be secured in almost no other way. This proves in a striking manner the low cost of getting most far-reaching advantages for this city."

A committee composed of Rev. Nicholas Rightor and Rev. C. A. Hanson was appointed to interview the various newspapers of the city for the purpose of securing a special page in the Monday edition of the papers for the Sunday church reports and sermons.

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ENDORSE KNAPP SCHOOL.
New Institution Promised Support by Ministers' Alliance.
The Ministers' Alliance held a meeting at the Y. M. C. A. Monday morning at which the proposed Knapp Farm and School project was heartily endorsed and promised the support and co-operation of the organization.

KNAPP MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE ON NOV. 27

State Supt. J. W. Brister Arranges Program for all Country Schools.

PROGRAM IS SUGGESTED Different Incidents of Dr. Knapp's Life and His Accomplishments.

Superintendent M. W. Wilson is mailing out cards and information regarding the observance of Knapp memorial day, November 27.

A good program has been arranged by State Superintendent J. W. Brister, which will be followed in the various schools of the country. Superintendent Brister has requested that a collection be taken to go into the memorial fund.

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BIG SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR KNAPP SCHOOL

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Many pledges of support and co-operation have been received from farmers of Middle Tennessee who are anxious for the sake of their sons to have the modern school of farming established in Nashville. Heretofore the nearest school of this kind has been at Knoxville in connection with the University of Tennessee.

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KNAPP MEMORIAL DAY; A SUGGESTED PROGRAM

Occasion Will Probably Be Observed in Chattanooga Last Week of November.

Plans are on hand for the celebration of Knapp memorial day in Chattanooga Nov. 27, or the nearest Friday to that date. The suggested program for the day is as follows:

State Song, or "America"—By school.
"How the Bible Teaches Agriculture"—By an invited minister.

"What Great Poets Have Sung About the Farm"—Selections by class of pupils.
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"What Dr. Knapp Taught"—Quotations by class of pupils.
"How the Demonstration Work Was Organized and Conducted"—By a leading citizen.

"How Dr. Knapp's Work Helped This Community, This State, and the South"—By three boys.
"How I Grew My Crop"—By a Corn club boy.

"What I Did With My Vegetables and Fruits"—By three girls.
"The Best Farm Crops for This Community, and Why"—By several pupils.

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PRODUCTIVE DAY FOR KNAPP FUND

O. B. Martin of Washington Here to Help Solicitors.

LUMBERMEN'S COMMITTEE

Takes Up the Matter Earnestly—Martin Was Sent Here by U. S. Agricultural Department.

A busy and productive day was put in yesterday by the various committees having in charge the raising of Nashville's share of the money necessary to secure for this city the Knapp School of Country Life, the large demonstration farm and the quarter-of-a-million endowment fund offered by the General Educational Board when the necessary money shall have been guaranteed for the construction of the school building upon the Peabody Campus here. Several substantial subscriptions were recorded during the day.

A feature of the day's work was the presence here of O. B. Martin of Washington, D. C., Treasurer of the General Knapp Memorial Fund and in charge for the Agricultural Department of the work of the Boys' Corn Clubs, instituted by Dr. Knapp in the South. Mr. Martin addressed both the meeting of the various committees and the Lumbermen's Committee and to each made an eloquent appeal for the enterprise, both from the standpoint of its value to the South and Southern people and more immediately to Nashville.

In presiding over the Lumbermen's Committee at luncheon held at the Commercial Club, J. H. Baird, Chairman, also spoke most earnestly for the cause of the school, declaring the enterprise of enormous value, not only to the city and section, but of special value to the lumber interests, on account of the fact that the school would show how to utilize for modern agricultural development the great bodies of land opened for new uses as the result of being denuded of their timber. Mr. Baird declared that if Nashville failed to produce the \$40,000 required as its proportion of the amount necessary to secure the big endowment offered by the General Educational Fund, it would be the fault of the lumbermen. He gave his personal assurance that his committee would come up with every penny of its \$4,000 which it had proposed to raise.

President Bruce Payne of Peabody was, as usual, actively on the firing line yesterday lending his personal aid to various committees in the field and addressing the committees as a body along with Mr. Martin.

Mr. Martin returned to Washington last night. He was sent here by the Agricultural Department for the special purpose of taking part in the local movement and says he hopes to be returned here later on to help further in any way possible toward securing the Knapp School for Nashville. He says the possibilities of the Knapp School are little realized and declares that as a commercial, educational and advertising adjunct to the city, its location here would be of immeasurable value.

The work of the various canvassing committees will be pressed with additional energy today, and it is hoped and expected to have Nashville's financial quota ready by the anticipated time.

NASHVILLE, TENN., DEC 31, 1912 FIFTY MEMBERS ADDED TO KNAPP COMMITTEE

Fifty members were added to the Knapp Committee in charge of raising \$40,000 in Nashville for the establishment of the Knapp School of Country Life and Demonstration Farm in this city at a meeting held in the office of T. Garland Tinsley in the interest of the proposition. The enlarged committee will hold a meeting Friday morning in the rooms of the Board of Trade for the purpose of discussing plans. The committee which is pushing the movement is composed of T. Garland Tinsley, Maj. E. B. Stahlman, W. R. Cole, Joseph Thompson, Percy Warner, H. F. Smith, Bruce R. Payne and R. L. Burch.

NASHVILLE, TENN., OCT 14 1912

NOV. 27 AS KNAPP AGRICULTURAL DAY

State Department of Instruction to Cooperate With Those of Other States' Memorial.

State Superintendent Brister, co-operating with the State Superintendents of the various Southern States, has named Wednesday, Nov. 27, 1912, to be observed as the Knapp Agricultural Day in the public schools of the State. It is hoped all people will respond to the appeal made by the State Superintendent and will make this day notable in the history of the State, as it is planned in connection with this occasion to ask the people to make contributions to the fund necessary to purchase a farm and erect a building in memory of Seaman A. Knapp.

Purpose in View.

Superintendent Brister, in speaking of the work of Seaman A. Knapp and of his ideas which, it is hoped, will be perpetuated by a large agricultural school and experiment station, said:

"The purpose of this school will not be to teach agriculture per se, but to give such an acquaintance with it, such familiarity with its processes and possibilities to those who are to direct the rural schools as will enable them to appreciate it, to rightly value it, to know its beauties, its opportunities, its needs, its importance, and to be able to convey this information, to communicate this country life spirit to others.

Too Much of City.

"Too many country teachers today are city-bred and city-taught. Too many others, even those who live in the country, have no love for it. The things of value, in their conception, are connected with the city, and they can point their pupils to no ideals that do not center in city life."

Superintendent Brister is mailing letters to the Superintendents of the county schools asking that they impress upon the minds of the pupils of each county the importance of the undertaking.

PLANS BIG WORK FOR KNAPP SCHOOL

Dr. Fletcher B. Dresslar Talks
of Prospects.

TO HELP COUNTRY LIFE

Noted School Architect and Member of
Peabody Faculty Believes Farmers
Will Be Much Benefited.

The proposed Country Life School to be erected on the Peabody Campus, this city, as a memorial to Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, will be one of the greatest institutions of learning ever established in the South, according to Dr. Fletcher B. Dresslar, who is much interested in the success of the enterprise. Dr. Dresslar stated to a Democrat reporter who called on him last night that one of the greatest needs of this section was to interest the country people in making farm life more attractive and more agreeable, and that this was the most satisfactory method of accomplishing that end.

The proposed school, said Dr. Dresslar, will be an important means of teaching the farmer to increase the productiveness of his land. Careful attention will be given this feature, he said. Dr. Dresslar declared that living in the country must be made more convenient and interesting before men and women, boys and girls, will be content to remain on the farm, and the Knapp School, by promoting health and sanitation in the country, by teaching improved methods of road-building, by promoting co-operation in providing highways and modern facilities for transportation, will contribute toward the desired end. He stated that the farm required all the learning anyone could devise, and that this institution would prove a vast benefit to the farmers of the South.

A SCHOOL ARCHITECT.

Dr. Dresslar formerly occupied the Chair of Philosophy and Education at the University of Alabama. Last August he was called by the United States Bureau of Education to assist in their educational work, and was later detailed to this city to do field work. Dr. Dresslar is what is called a School Architect, though he does not perform the duties of an architect in the strict meaning of the word. He has made a special study of schools and schoolhouses throughout the country, and knows just what is needed in a modern and up-to-date school building. Special attention is given to the hygienic and educational features of buildings.

Dr. Dresslar has been a member of the faculty of Peabody College and is giving much of his time to the construction of the new Peabody Buildings. Two of them are now under construction, and he reports that they will be about completed by next fall. It is proposed to begin the school the next term, he stated. Dr. Dresslar assists in building schoolhouses throughout the country, and has calls almost every week from various sections asking for advice on some new structure. He is now engaged in preparing a bulletin for the United States Bureau of Education, dealing with the building of rural schoolhouses. He states that the book is specifically written for the purpose of helping the County Superintendents and Boards of Trustees to construct their buildings in the most convenient and hygienic manner.

Dr. Dresslar has moved with his family into the residence at 1914 Eighteenth Avenue, South.

DR. SEAMAN A. KNAPP.

Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, whose name is to be memorialized in the School of Country Life which is to be established in connection with the George Peabody School for Teachers in this city, had a career so varied and useful that it is worthy of the study of all young men and women who wish to dedicate their lives to public service.

The greatest achievement of Dr. Knapp's career was the farmers' co-operative demonstration work, which he started under the Department of Agriculture in 1903 and continued until his death in 1911. Out of this work grew the boys' corn clubs and the girls' canning clubs, and the marvelous awakening which resulted in greater diversification of crops throughout the entire South. Dr. Knapp was seventy years old when he undertook this marvelous work, and his wife recently expressed the belief that all of her husband's seventy years of preparation had been providentially guided that he might be the best equipped man in America for the seven years he devoted to his great piece of constructive educational work.

Forrest Cressey, the well known magazine writer, spoke of Dr. Knapp as the missionary bishop of Amer-

ican agriculture, and the name was aptly chosen. It was only after threescore and ten years of earnest work along agricultural lines that Dr. Knapp was able to inspire the great movement with which his name will always be associated.

Dr. Knapp was a native of New York and passed his boyhood on a New York State farm. He was graduated from Union College at Schenectady and became a teacher. His advance was rapid, and he was made President of Ripley College in Vermont at the age of 32. He later retired to a farm at Vinton, Iowa, because of ill health, and began the careful study of agriculture which extended throughout the rest of his life. He served five years as President of the Iowa School for the Blind and edited a farm journal, which commanded much attention. In 1879 he became professor of agriculture at the Iowa State College at Ames, an institution which has been more prominent, perhaps, than any other agricultural school in the nation.

In 1884 Dr. Knapp became President of this school. A few years later he resigned the presidency and moved to Lake Charles, La., where he engaged in the development of the rice industry. He was authorized by Secretary Wilson, of the United States Department of Agriculture, to visit China, Japan and the Philippine Islands in 1898 for the purpose of making a rice investigation. Three years later he made a trip to the Orient and to Europe for the Department. Later he went to Porto Rico to make a study of its agricultural possibilities.

In 1903 Dr. Knapp inaugurated demonstration work in the fight against the Mexican boll weevil. This work extended through the entire South, and was the beginning of the marvelous general demonstration work directed by Dr. Knapp. The fight against the boll weevil made it necessary that farming be diversified, consequently the pest which threatened to ruin the cotton-growing sections proved a blessing in disguise. It emancipated many growers from the tyranny of a single crop, and gave Dr. Knapp the greatest opportunity of his life.

Russia, Brazil, England, South Africa and Argentine all sent representatives to this country in the last year of Dr. Knapp's life to study the demonstration work which he inaugurated. Sir Horace Plunkett, the great Irish reformer, came to the United States for the same purpose, and the King of Siam sent to Dr. Knapp for an agent who would take charge of the agricultural development of that country.

Dr. Knapp's work was world-wide in its effect, and Nashville is fortunate in being a city in which a memorial is to be erected to his memory. The General Education Board of New York gave \$250,000 for the endowment of the Knapp School of Country Life, and the Memorial Committee, headed by Chancellor David C. Barrow, of the University of Georgia, has undertaken to raise \$150,000 more for this school, which is to be a combination demonstration farm and demonstration school. It will be unlike any other institution in the world, and will doubtless attract students from every corner of the globe. This is an age of agricultural awakening, and the Knapp School of Country Life will forward the movement so successfully inaugurated by the man whose name it bears.

Knapp School of Country Life Indorsed

Nashville, Tenn., May 24, 1913.—Editor Arkansas Farmer and Homestead: I am enclosing a letter from the secretary of agriculture endorsing the Seaman A. Knapp school of country life. You will also find herein some statements of the aims and purposes of this institution.

I am sure you and the readers of your valuable paper are interested in an enterprise so important for Southern agriculture and the improvement of country life.

I trust you will find space to publish Secretary Houston's letter and a part of the statements about the Knapp school.

We are co-operating with the Knapp Memorial Committee in asking contributions from all the friends of Dr. Knapp and of this school of country life. The co-operation of the press will be of very great assistance in what we know will prove of untold benefit to all our people throughout the South, not only our adult population through farm demonstration work, but the eight million school children as well.—Sincerely, Bruce R. Payne, president.

Washington, D. C., May 12, 1913.—My dear Dr. Payne: I am delighted to know that you are making progress in your plans for the Seaman A. Knapp school of country life at the teachers' college. I am convinced that the biggest problem confronting us is the rural life problem, and yet it is one which in its larger aspects has been ignored. Recently the attention of the country has been directed to this problem in very emphatic ways. State and federal agencies are more fully alive to the importance of it than ever before. The establishment of a school directing its attention specifically to country life seems very opportune. We need leaders in every community and need them badly. This department is finding difficulty in discovering men to undertake the new enterprises that are developing here.

It seems to me singularly appropriate that the school should bear the name of Seaman A. Knapp. He was a pioneer in country life work in no small sense. The last years of his life he devoted with great zeal to the upbuilding of the Southern states. The school will be a most fitting monument to him, and I sincerely hope it will be generously provided for.—Faithfully yours, D. F. Houston, secretary.

What the School Will Strive to Do.
The Seaman A. Knapp school of

country life, in connection with George Peabody College for Teachers, will represent the first attempt in America to build an institution devoted exclusively to the study of the problems of rural life.

The school will teach thousands of farmers and their sons the principles

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Will Be of Inestimable Value
to Every Live Farmer
In Davidson
County.

SUBSCRIPTIONS REPORTED

A large number of substantial sub-
scriptions to the Knapp School of
Country Life and Demonstration Farm
were reported Thursday afternoon and
this morning by committees at work
raising Nashville's \$40,000 necessary
to secure this splendid enterprise and
sustaining fund of a quarter of a mil-
lion dollars from the General Educa-
tional Board.
Considerably more than half the sum
needed to secure this great addition to
Nashville's educational and commercial
interests is said to be already assured,
but some committees in the field are
holding back reports until more com-
plete returns are in. The general com-
mittee in charge, however, hopes and
urges that all chairmen will report as
soon as possible to headquarters on
the second floor of the Stahlman build-
ing.

BENEFIT TO FARMERS.

One of the most active and interest-
ing figures in the movement from this
county is J. Mc. Wilson, well known
farmer, who brought in this morning a
number of substantial subscriptions.
Mr. Wilson says the location of the
Knapp School and Farm here will
prove of inestimable value to every
live farmer in Davidson County, for it
will supply immediately at hand not
only a consulting authority in agricul-
tural matters, but an actual demonstra-
tion of what can be best done on local
soil and show how to do it. He says
the school is bound to be the most
practical and helpful of its kind ever
established and that the section in and
immediately around Nashville will reap
the chief immediate benefits from it.

The following are additional sub-
scriptions reported Thursday afternoon
and this morning:
J. L. McWhorter, \$100; Maj. E. C.
Lewis, \$200; Lee Loventhal, \$50; W. D.
Gale, \$50; Buell & Crockett, \$50; Miss
Julia Hindman, \$50; W. R. Wills, \$50;
Paul Roberts, \$50; O'Bryan Bros., \$50;
Nashville Woodenware Company, \$50;
J. H. Orr Co., \$50; Frank D. Fuller,
\$50; Kornman, Sawyer & Co., \$50; Mc-
Ewen Steam Laundry, \$50; Frank &
Co., \$50; Campbell-Beesley Co., \$50;
Early-Cain Co., \$50; Bergeda Bros., \$50;
Joe Morse & Co., \$50; Jos. Frank &
Son, \$50; Cooper & Co., \$50; Jordan
Stokes, \$25; Fred B. Frazier, \$25; J. H.
Turner, \$25; Paul Davis, \$25; Davis
Bradford & Hunter, \$25; J. O. Treanor,
\$25; J. B. McKee, \$25; Witherspoon &
Co., \$25; Shelton, Kirkland & Co., \$25;
W. P. Rutland & Co., \$25; D. B. Blake
more, \$25; R. G. Connell, \$25; W. W.
Core, \$25; M. E. Link, \$25; Dr. B. G.
Tucker, \$25; R. Z. Cartwright, \$25.

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KNAPP FUND CONTRIBUTIONS

Every Indication Points to the
Success of the Great
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SUPPORT ON ALL SIDES

Many Firms and Individuals
Enlist in the Cause and
Committees Are Work-
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THE LARGEST GIVERS

The movement to raise Nashville's
quota of the amount necessary to se-
cure the location here of the Knapp
School of Country Life and Demon-
stration Farm, and the conditional en-
dowment fund of a quarter of a mil-
lion dollars from the General Educa-
tional Board, is now in full swing,
with every prospect of ultimate suc-
cess.

The various committees report sup-
port on every hand, and both large
and more moderate contributors have
responded in a way that makes it ap-
pear certain that local pride in the
city as an educational center and a
realization of the great importance of
the institution will assert itself and
will secure for Nashville a great ad-
ditional institution of learning, along
with a fine demonstration farm, a
splendid sum of money from the Gen-
eral Educational Board, a notable
commercial addition and a general ad-
vertising publicity attraction.

MANY CONTRIBUTIONS.

Committees are so busily at work
that reports are not complete as yet,
but partial reports received this morn-
ing show many who have contributed
as much as \$100 or more each. A large
number of smaller contributors, which
the general committee wishes to thank
as much as those who were able to
give in large measure, are reported,
running the total amount subscribed
so far considerably in excess of that
herewith given. Other contributions
will be reported by the various com-
mittees as the campaign progresses.
Those who have contributed as much
as \$100 each are:

James F. Caldwell & Sons, \$1,000;
T. Garland Tinsley, \$1,000; Whiteford
R. Cole, \$500; Judge James C. Brad-
ford, \$500; Judge J. M. Dickinson,
\$500; D. Shelby Williams, \$500; A. H.
Robinson, \$500; Phillips & Butterff
Manufacturing Company, \$400; Gray &
Dudley Hardware Company, \$200; John
B. Ransom & Co., \$200; Southern Lum-
berman, \$200; Marshall & Bruce Com-
pany, \$150; D. Loveman & Co., \$100;
Thompson & Co., \$100; Ambrose Print-
ing Company, \$100; McKay, Reece &
Co., \$100; Deeds & Hirsig, \$100; Orr,
Mizell & Co., \$100; E. E. Barthell,
\$100; Brandon Printing Company,
\$100; J. S. Reeves & Co., \$100; Har-
man Bros., Lindauer & Co., \$100;
Weatherly, Armistead, McKennie &
Co., \$100; Spurlock, Neal & Co., \$100;
Althaus-Webster-Weaver Lumber Co.,
\$100; Hunt, Washington & Smith, \$100;
Johnson Bransford, \$100; Oliver J. Tim-
othy, \$100; Lebeck Bros., \$100; E. H.
Stief Jewelry Company, \$100; George
R. Gillespie, \$100; Alfred G. Merritt
Company, \$100; I. T. Rhea, \$100; B. L.
Howe, \$100; Williams Printing Com-
pany, \$100.

TENNESSEE FARMERS FACE NEW EPOCH

Institute at Jackson Closes.
Attendance Record Broken.

WIVES MADE MEMBERS

Presence and Counsel of Women
Adds Largely Both to Attendance
and Interest at Jackson Conven-
tion Just Closed.

Special to The Commercial Appeal.
JACKSON, Tenn., Oct. 3.—The thir-
teenth annual session of the West Ten-
nessee Farmers' Institute, regarded by
prominent leaders in the organization as
epochal in its relation to the future of
the organization, came to a close today.
The absence of several speakers resulted
in an abbreviation of the last day's pro-
gramme and adjournment was taken at
noon. Outgoing trains from early this
morning bore hundreds of delegates home-
ward. They departed well pleased with
the work of the institute and with their
minds full of plans for the meeting next
year. Before leaving the delegates ad-
vised Jackson to prepare for an attend-
ance of from 2,500 to 3,000 at the next an-
nual meeting.

It is believed that the admission of the
farmers' wives to membership in the in-
stitute will bring about this large increase
in the attendance. Expressions from
many of the farmers indicated that they
regarded the meeting just closed as the
most important of recent years. For this
they gave three reasons. First, the ad-
mission of women into the membership
of the institute and the organization of
women and boys' departments; second,
the adoption of a constitution and by-
laws for the institute; third, the inaugu-
ration of a movement to erect an audi-
torium at the West Tennessee experiment
station here for the holding of the meet-
ings of the institute.

Aid Knapp Memorial.

While the attendance at the institute
this year broke all past records, the
departing delegates were confident that
large increases would be made next year
owing to the admission of the farmers'
wives and to the formation of the boys'
department. The railroads will issue free
transportation to the women and boys,
as well as the men, in the future. The
campaign for funds for the proposed
building at the West Tennessee experi-
ment station will be prosecuted vigorously
throughout all West Tennessee. R. T.
Debrey, the new president of the in-
stitute, will take up the matter of a can-
vass for funds with the presidents of
each of the county institutes. It is be-
lieved that at least \$1,000 can be raised
yearly until an amount of sufficient pro-
portions to finance the proposed building
has been subscribed.

S. A. Robert, superintendent of the
West Tennessee experiment station in
this city, has been selected as treasurer

SEAMAN KNAPP AGRICULTURAL DAY NOV. 27TH

Schools of South Asked to Ob-
serve November 27—Will
Build Memorial.

The 148,000 teachers and the 7,
000,000 pupils of the South are being
urged by their educational and agri-
cultural leaders to assemble 3,000,000
farmers, their families and friends in
the 89,000 schoolhouses on Nov. 27
for an hour, in order to survey and
review their agricultural resources
and achievements, and to express
their appreciation of the services of
one of their great benefactors. Agri-
culture is worthy of this consideration
for the farmers of the nation have
this year produced ten billion dollars
worth of crops to feed and clothe
nearly 100,000,000 people here with a
surplus for other nations.

Knapp Agricultural Day is the of-
ficial designation. The South wishes
to honor the memory of Dr. S. A.
Knapp as the founder of the dem-
onstration work and the boys' and
girls' clubs. This is fitting, because
100,000 demonstrators are making
larger crops on their farms and corn
club boys are attracting worldwide at-
tention by growing more than 225
bushels on one acre at low cost. The
indications are that several of the
75,000 boys will this year break all
records. It is fitting, because 25,000
girls, in the harvest season, are filling
pantries with wholesome food and
selling the surplus. It is a duty, be-
cause Dr. Knapp taught a new method
in agriculture and the lessons must be
more widely impressed and unfailling-
ly transmitted. Representatives of
England, Russia, Brazil, South Africa,
Siam and Argentina have come to
learn them. It is high time for
American schools to take the lead in
these ideas.

Will Build School.

There is to be a Knapp school and
a Knapp farm near Nashville, and in
connection with Peabody College.
When \$150,000 is collected for the
farm and school building, \$250,000
will be added for the endowment of
the school of country life by the gen-
eral education board. No other such
institution exists. It will start out
with the purpose of reaching and
helping every school and farm in the
South. This institution will be a
laboratory, a clearing house and an
assembling place for agricultural and
educational workers. Eventually it
will have demonstration schools in
each state and county teaching its les-
sons. It will be a working, living
memorial, but in a conspicuous place
will also appear a life-sized statue of
Dr. Knapp.

What vast possibilities loom up, if
the people of the whole South will an-
nually contemplate agricultural mat-
ters for one hour. The state and
county superintendents of education
are taking the lead in this movement.
It will be a worthy tribute to a worthy
man. The name of each contributor
will be kept as a grateful record.

Suggested Program.

Nov. 27 or the nearest Friday to
that date.

1. State song or "America," by
school.
2. How the Bible teaches agricul-
ture, by an invited minister.
3. What great poets have sung
about the farm, selections
by class of pupils.
4. How Dr. Knapp prepared him-
self for great service, by a
boy.
5. What Dr. Knapp taught, quota-
tions by class of pupils.
6. How the demonstration work
was organized and conduct-
ed, by a leading citizen.
7. How Dr. Knapp's work helped
this community, this state
and the South, by three
boys.
8. How I grew my crop, by a
corn club boy.
9. What I did with my vegetables
and fruits, by three girls.
10. The best farm crop for this
community and why, by
several pupils. How can
these crop products be dis-
played today? School ex-
hibit.
11. What can we do to express our
appreciation of Dr. Knapp's
great work. Collecting con-
tributions, pledges.
12. Song, "Bringing in the Sheaves"
by all.

WILL ERECT MEMORIAL TO DR. S. A. KNAPP

Dr. Knapp Was the Founder of
the Farm Demonstration Work
of the Agricultural Department
and a Southern Product.

A living, useful memorial will be erected in honor of the late Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, of the United States department of agriculture founder of the farm demonstration work. The Knapp memorial committee has decided to raise \$150,000 with which to purchase and equip a farm and erect a building in connection with the Greater Peabody College for Teachers, in Nashville, Tenn. The general education board of New York has recently appropriated \$250,000 to endow the Seaman A. Knapp School of Country Life. The memorial building for the purposes of this school will be located on the campus of the Peabody college, and will contain a life-sized statue of the South's greatest benefactor and friend. The farm will be located within ten or twelve miles of Nashville, and will be conducted in accordance with the demonstration methods. Pure-bred seed and animals will be developed. The best devices and implements will be used. Crop rotations will be worked out for different Southern conditions. Demonstration agents, county superintendents of education and other workers will make this farm a rallying point, in order to carry back to their states the benefits of the work done.

The Knapp memorial committee of Shelby county and Western Tennessee is Mr. Lem Banks of Memphis.

KNAPP AGRICULTURAL DAY IN KNOX COUNTY SCHOOLS

The 148,000 teachers and the 7,000,000 pupils of the south are being urged by their educational and agricultural leaders to assemble 3,000,000 farmers, their families and friends, in the 89,000 school houses on November 27, for an hour, in order to survey and review their agricultural resources and achievements, and to express their appreciation of the services of one of their great benefactors. The farmers of the nation have this year produced \$10,000,000,000 worth of crops to feed and clothe nearly 100,000,000 people here, with a surplus for other nations.

Knapp agricultural day is the official designation. It will be observed by the schools of Knox county. The program for that day is now being arranged by Superintendent M. W. Wilson. The south wishes to honor the memory of Dr. S. A. Knapp as the founder of the demonstration work and the boys' and girls' clubs. This is fitting, because 100,000 demonstrators are making larger crops on their farms and corn club boys are attracting world-wide attention by growing more than 225 bushels on one acre at low cost. The indications are that several of the 75,000 boys will this year break all records. It is fitting also because 25,000 girls, in the harvest season, are filling pantries with wholesome food and selling the surplus.

There is to be a Knapp school and a Knapp farm near Nashville and in connection with Peabody college. When \$150,000 is collected for the farm and school building, \$250,000 will be added for endowment of the school of country life by the general education board. No other such institution exists. It will start out with the purpose of reaching and helping every school and farm in the south. This institution will be a laboratory, a clearing house, and an assembling place for agricultural and educational workers. Eventually it will have demonstration schools in each state and county teaching its lessons. It will be a working, living memorial, but in a conspicuous place will also appear a life-sized statue of Dr. Knapp.

TO HONOR DR. KNAPP THROUGHOUT THE SOUTH

Knapp Agricultural day will be observed throughout the South Nov. 27. For one hour on that day the memory of Dr. S. A. Knapp, founder of agricultural demonstration work, will be honored by 7,000,000 school children in 89,000 school houses.

Dr. Knapp taught a new method in agriculture. Representatives of almost every nation have come to learn them. There is to be a Knapp school and a Knapp farm near Nashville, in connection with Peabody college. No other such an institution exists.

THE KNAPP SCHOOL FUND.

The enthusiastic joint meeting of the Board of Trade and the Industrial Bureau, held Friday in the interest of the Knapp School of Country Life, evinced a keen appreciation of the advantage such a school will be to Nashville. The general sentiment expressed was that aid extended to the establishment of the school will not be in the nature of a donation, but rather of a wise investment which is sure to yield an abundant profit. Besides the advantage that would accrue from drawing students from all parts of the South to study the science of agriculture, and the additional prestige the institution would give to Nashville as an educational center, the facilities the school would make so easily accessible to agricultural students in the splendid farming country directly tributary to this city would in the material results obtained prove of immense commercial value.

The rapid advance of Nashville as a leading business center depends largely upon manufactures and agriculture, and the greater the development of the farming interests in the wide range of which Nashville is the natural mart, will promote the multiplication of industrial plants of various kinds and the greater success of those already established.

At the meeting Friday the general traffic manager of one of our railroads spoke earnestly of the benefits that would come of the establishment of the Knapp School at Nashville to the State of Tennessee and to all the Southern States, and at his suggestion an additional committee, to be called the Carriers' Committee, was appointed to aid in securing the needed supplemental fund to be raised to insure the full endowment of the institution from the

General Board of Education. The zest with which the local organizations have taken hold of the matter should inspire a general interest on the part of our citizens and make the movement to raise the sum called for an early and gratifying success.

APRIL 10, 1912.

GREAT WORK OF DR. KNAPP

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It has been estimated that the peanut industry in the United States, for the year 1910, amounted to \$15,000,000 and that about 20 per cent of the peanut

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All This Will Be Changed and Existence in Rural Communities Be Made Envia-ble.

The gift of \$250,000 made by the General Education Board to the Peabody Teachers' College at Nashville, Tenn., is the greatest educational gift made during the past quarter of a century, according to President Bruce R. Payne, a native of North Carolina, who has been selected to be the head of the largest teachers' college in the United States.

"The significance of the gift," said Dr. Payne, "lies in the fact that it brings together the two great movements which will ultimately regenerate the whole South. The first was that started by George Peabody forty-five years ago, when, in 1867, he set aside \$3,000,000 for the establishment of public and training schools, by means of which the Peabody Normal School at Nashville was founded. The other movement was that of the late Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, who originated the system of teaching farmers how to get the most from their land, and which has more than doubled the productivity of the portions of the South where it is in use. He was also the father of the boys' corn clubs and the girls' canning clubs."

New Teachers' College.

"You will better understand just what the new teachers' college will be able to accomplish if I give an outline of the work of these two remarkable men," continued Dr. Payne. "George Peabody was the financial partner of Pierpont Morgan's father and one of the cleanest and most acute financiers of his time. When the Peabody Normal School was established in 1876 its definite purpose was to train teachers to educate the young people of the South. It cannot even be said that the school supplied a want, because so few were conscious of the want's existence. The gift came at a time when the whole South was 'on its uppers,' so to speak, and was as yet incapable, because of the ravages of war, of rehabilitating itself."

"During the first six years of the school's existence \$600,000 was spent in scholarships. Mr. Peabody almost had to pay the students to attend. As its usefulness became apparent small editions of it were established in thirty-seven different districts in a comparatively short time. These were supported by public taxation."

"When Mr. Peabody died he left the trust in the hands of a Board of Trustees elected for life. The present board comprises Samuel A. Green, James D. Porter, J. Pierpont Morgan, Henderson M. Somerville, Joseph H. Choate, Richard Olney, Theodore Roosevelt, Hoke Smith, the Rt. Rev. William C. Doane, the Rt. Rev. William Lawrence, Greenville J. Winthrop and Martin F. Ansel.

The Trust Closed.

"Mr. Peabody, in a letter to the trustees in February, 1887, gave them the power, at any time after the lapse of thirty years, to close the trust. When the trust was closed there was a big surplus on hand and, in the succeeding years plans were made which culminated in the establishment of the George Peabody College for Teachers at Nashville, by the appropriation of \$1,000,000. At the meeting held in November, 1911, it was voted that the sum of \$500,000 more be contributed to the new college on condition that \$1,000,000 be raised from other sources within two years and that, of the total sum of \$1,500,000, \$1,000,000 be used for permanent endowment."

"Two years is a short space of time in which to perfect an organization of such size and raise that enormous sum of money by popular subscription, but we'll do it. Here is what has already been done. Fifty acres of land opposite Vanderbilt University have been bought. The two institutions were so juxtaposed that they may be able to co-operate with one another, and thus double the usefulness and resources of both. We then sold, or rather traded, to Vanderbilt the old Peabody Normal School four miles away, where they will establish a medical school. From the sale of this and other property we realized \$150,000 in land and money."

"The alumni of the old Peabody Normal, number 7,000, all of them school-teachers with salaries that average \$400 a year, have, unasked, pledged themselves to raise \$200,000 among themselves to help make up the million. It is one of the finest things I have ever heard of a body of alumni doing, and they did it, not out of mere loyalty to their old school which was sold, but because of their patriotism and loyalty to the whole

South, whose needs they have learned in their years of teaching. In April J. Pierpont Morgan sent us a check from Egypt for \$100,000, and now comes this splendid gift from the General Education Board."

Revere Dr. Knapp.

"Now, let me outline the second movement. Needless to say, the names of George Peabody and Dr. Seaman A. Knapp are revered in the South."

"Dr. Knapp was the man who carried on a crusade against the boll weevil that has almost exterminated this destructive insect. It set the South upon its feet again. The General Education Board became interested in Dr. Knapp's work and asked the Department of Agriculture if they could have him and put him in charge of agricultural education in the South. Assent was given and Dr. Knapp immediately took up the work. He mixed with the people, visited their farms, watched them work, then gave them his way of doing it and suggested changes. The elders were old-fashioned and not very responsive, so the doctor worked with the sons and daughters. With a small army of experts in agriculture, he went through the country teaching the boys how to grow corn and cotton and all the other crops which that fertile land can produce. Soon the boys began to beat out their fathers, and the men sat up and took notice. Dr. Knapp organized competitions between boys' corn clubs which stimulated interest and improved the product."

"Then he started in with the girls. He taught them how to can their farm produce so it would taste as fresh six months after it had been put up as it did when taken out of the preserving pots."

"About \$132,000 a year was appropriated by the General Education Board for this work and placed at Dr. Knapp's disposal. Soon the effects of his campaign began to be felt on all sides. Statistics came in showing crops doubled the first year on farms where his methods had been used. Letters from his agents told of poverty-stricken farmers who had paid all their debts the first year and raised enough seed to plant the second year's crops. In his report for 1910 Dr. Knapp published a number of these letters. One man in Lincoln County, Miss., averaged 1,200 pounds of cotton per acre against his neighbors' average of from 300 to 400 pounds."

"The General Education Board's gift of \$250,000 is to be used to endow the Seaman A. Knapp School of Country Life, which will be a part of the Peabody College for Teachers."

Useful Only in Cities.

What will ultimately result from the establishment of this school is this: Eighty-five per cent. of the people of the South live in the country and make their living from the ground. There has never been a teachers' college with rural life as its aim. The elementary and high schools of the South are inadequate and thinly attended. They are copies of the schools in other parts of the country which serve people in a wholly different condition of life, and what education they afford is the kind that is of use only in the cities."

"For each one thousand of population in the Southern States there are only six youths in secondary schools of any description, and when they graduate they go to the cities instead of staying on the farm. They go where their knowledge of Latin, English literature and higher mathematics can be of business use to them. The mistaken idea behind this kind of a curriculum is what the Peabody Teachers' College is going to try to correct."

"We shall take up the whole rural school problem and by surveys and studies try to find out just what kind of a school the country needs to make it more economically profitable and more humanly interesting. And the second of these needs is even more important than the first, because when the country becomes a better and more interesting place in which to live people will make it economically profitable."

"We are going to make country life more healthful by teaching sanitation,

hygiene, gymnastics, manual training and cooking. You will be surprised at the latter. The South has a reputation for cooking that no other section of the United States ever had, with the possible exception of New England. But its cooking is not scientific and much of it is unhealthful."

What It Will Accomplish.

"Gymnastics will attract the youth in a social way. Sewing and interior decorating will also form a part of our curriculum. We want the houses of the South to be not only comfortable and clean but beautiful. In short, we want to make real homes for the farmers of the South who have never had the chance to know what a real modern home is, because they have never been away from the vicinity of their own farms."

"We want to teach our teachers how to make their schools more useful to the community in which they are located and to make them real social centres. Through the schools we shall try to preserve the best manners, traditions and the morals of the Southern people, and we hope to increase the religious and moral environment."

"The State school systems are failing in the mountains more than anywhere else. These people—and there is some of the best blood in their veins that flows in America—have been placed in a disadvantageous position during the whole of their history because of their peculiar geographical isolation. The families living in one valley never know those living in the next because they never climb the mountain in between. They know practically nothing of what is going on in the rest of the world. Their churches are the most violently denominational and narrow in the world. In most instances their preachers are inferior and have little influence. That the 'mountain whites' are wonderfully intelligent and quickly learn has been proved by the missionary schools established by private subscriptions, but these schools do not co-operate and there are not nearly enough of them."

"The failure of the public schools in these sections is due to the single fact that they teach things that are useful only in the cities and foreign to the country. And here is where we come in. Our students go into the mountains and find out what is needed. They come back to the college and teach the prospective county superintendents. In this way we shall reach the people directly."

Knapp School of Country Life at Peabody Teachers' College

The following letter has been sent from the United States department of agriculture to the Peabody School for Teachers at Nashville:

Department of Agriculture, Office of the Secretary, Washington, D. C., May 12.—Dr. Bruce Payne, George Peabody College for Teachers, Nashville, Tenn.: My dear Dr. Payne: I am delighted to know that you are making progress in your plans for the Seaman A. Knapp School of Country life at the Teachers College. I am convinced that the biggest problem confronting us is the rural life problem, and yet it is one which in its larger aspects has been ignored. Recently the attention of the country has been directed to this problem in very emphatic ways. State and Federal agencies are more fully alive to

the importance of it than ever before. The establishment of a school directing its attention specifically to country life seems very opportune. We need leaders in every community and need them badly. This department is finding difficulty in discovering men to undertake the new enterprises that are developing here.

It seems to me singularly appropriate that the school should bear the name of Seaman A. Knapp. He was a pioneer in country life work in a small sense. The last years of his life he devoted with great zeal to the upbuilding of the Southern States. The School will be a most fitting monument to him, and I sincerely hope it will be generously provided for. Faithfully yours, D. F. Houston, Secretary.

The greatest practical benefactor the South has had during the present generation was none other than the late Seaman A. Knapp, founder of the farm demonstration work.

Mr. Knapp was a Northern man. He came South a number of years ago and he saw the waste on the farms and he came to the knowledge that no real prosperity could exist anywhere under such conditions.

He was a close student of everything. This old man saw that the Southern soil is the most fertile in the country, but he also appreciated the fact that fine soil like a fine horse or a fine boned man, can be quickly wrecked by abuse.

Mr. Knapp saw that education in the South was for the lawyer, the doctor, the physician, and for the civil engineer, and not for the farmer. Mr. Knapp further knew that about sixty per cent. of the real wealth of this country comes from the farm and that less than five per cent. of the money used for education was devoted to the business of imparting knowledge in things agricultural.

Mr. Knapp saw that there were millions for the boy wanting to learn law, medicine, mechanical engineering, or civil engineering, but there was precious little for the boy or girl born on the farm, who intended to remain on the farm and make it profitable.

Mr. Knapp determined to take the school to the farm, and he determined to make farms schools. He resolved to teach agriculture by demonstration. Mr. Knapp showed the people what could be done. He proved theories by actual experiment. He began a revolution throughout the South.

He interested the department of agriculture before he secured the attention of the Southern people and then Mr. Knapp was helped by John D. Rockefeller. Mr. Rockefeller grasped Mr. Knapp's idea of making it so that the land would attract the children of men away from the cities.

Mr. Knapp's work quickly grew beyond his power of personal attention. The department of agriculture put a corps of men in behind him. The Corn Club work itself became a large separate department under Mr. Knapp's direction.

If Mr. Knapp had lived ten years longer he would have had demonstration work in every form of agriculture and then he would have gone from agriculture strictly into stock raising and dairying.

What was the mainspring of this old man's effort? He did not have to work. He was not eager for money. He spent more money on his work than his salary amounted to.

He was just one of those rare men who are worth more to the world than millions and millions of money. He is the sort of a man that Christ would have loved and would have made a comrade of, because Knapp himself loved his kind. He loved to do good, not for the sake of good itself, but in order that someone else might be happy. He loved the light, the flowers, and other things that make life beautiful.

He was a lover of men and he was not a dreamer. He was as practical as an unimaginative Vermont Yankee. He never did a selfish thing in his life. He looked upon every Southern man as his neighbor and as his friend.

They intend to build a memorial to Knapp. Southern men are on the committee.

The memorial will be what he would have liked. There is to be a building on the campus of the Peabody College, and there is to be a farm a few miles from Nashville; and that farm will be conducted

ed according to Knapp's demonstration methods. Pure bred seed and pure bred animals will be developed. The best implements will be used. Every sort of instrumentality will be there that may be of use as a means of education. This farm will be a school indeed. And on this farm there may be a model village.

The general education board of New York appropriated \$250,000 to endow the Seaman A. Knapp school of country life. This appropriation is given on the condition that \$150,000 be raised in the South.

Thomas Early has been appointed financial agent and the work of securing funds is under way. Surely Mr. Knapp should be remembered gratefully by the people whom he served so well when living.

BOYS' CORN CLUB PRIZES. AWARDS MADE.

Editor Tennessean and American:

Dear Sir—In estimating the good which is to redound to any given locality in the south from the founding of boys' corn clubs, and the work done by members, the enthusiasm, the ambition to advance and succeed, which nerve boys to faithful efforts to get the best results possible from land, count for a good deal, for without this feeling everything is hopeless, but the real value to themselves and others in what they do consists, first, in their convincing themselves of the possibilities, and secondly, in clearly demonstrating to others what land in the south under intelligent cultivation, can be made to yield.

When one of these boys, at the close of the harvest season, selects and brings in for exhibition, ten fine ears of corn as a selected sample of the quality of the crop, accompanied by a statement of the quantity made on one acre, he does not fully entitle himself to receive any prize that may have been offered. And why? Because there should have been also a statement, made out in writing by himself, showing that he, himself, fully understood how he had achieved such good results, which written statement could be seen and easily understood by others, who might have the ambition and energy to attempt to follow his example.

It was for these reasons that the national bureau of plant industry at Washington (presided over by Mr. Bradford Knapp, who, in a national way, is carrying on the great work begun by his father, Dr. Seaman A. Knapp), formulated and had the government agents send to all members of boys' corn clubs who intended to compete for prizes, printed forms, embodying certain plain questions, which were intended to bring out fully all needed information, and which contained certain instructions as to how to arrive correctly at results. The philosophy and necessity of adopting this course can be easily understood, when it is remembered what purpose Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, the friend of the south, had in view in originally

forming these clubs in the south. Briefly stated, he wished:

"First, to have the land so intelligently cultivated, that the best results might be obtained in the most economical way.

"Second, to convince the people of the south that with reasonable effort, this could be done; that if corn was cultivated in the way it should be, it would pay the people of the south, this far at least, to diversify their crops, because corn constitutes one of the main articles of food for man, and meat-producing animals for his use, and that if sufficient bread and meat could be produced at home to sustain those who labored in the fields the money derived from cotton raised, would not have to be sent away in purchase of these necessities.

"Third, He chose boys of the south to accomplish this purpose, because he wanted the energy and ambition of youth coupled with freedom from prejudice in favor of past practices, of a different kind."

It would, of course, be perfectly possible to so fertilize and so cultivate one acre as to attain amazing results, but this might prove of very little value as an example to a community, because of the cost incurred and lack of means. In fact, the practical impossibility of following that method in the cultivation of large areas. The thing sought is the aggregate increase in general yield to be attained by the sensible, economical utilization of obtainable fertilizers, but more especially by intelligent and faithful cultivation. Profit is the thing desired. The cost of production, including rental value of land cultivated, must not therefore be allowed to equal the market value of the corn produced. If it does, success has not been obtained. And so, the boy whose statement shows that he availed himself of the decaying vegetation on the land, for fertilizing, and that he first plowed deep to conserve the moisture, and afterwards lightly to aid growth, may be more justly entitled to a prize for good results obtained, for the simple reason that he pursued a plan within the power of all to follow. We do not mean by this to discourage the use of all kinds of suitable fertilizers. Far, indeed, from it. But when these cannot be conveniently obtained, then the utilization of such as are at hand and particularly, proper cultivation, and herein such a rotation and handling of crops, as to make the land feed itself, as far as possible. "The tree sucks kindlier nourishment from a soil enriched by its own fallen leaves."

The exhibits of corn made by the members of Tennessee boys' corn clubs at the last farmers' institute, held last month in the agricultural building, on the state fair grounds, were indeed remarkable, far better than any previous exhibits, exciting the intense interest and admiration of all visitors. The judges, however, found that so many of the exhibitors had failed to accompany their exhibits with the statements required, that just awards could not be made at that time. This fact was explained to all of the boys exhibiting. By their unanimous vote the award of prizes was postponed until the 22nd day of November to give every competitor the fair opportunity of complying with this condition. Printed blanks were furnished to each. Saturday afternoon, after a full and fair comparison of exhibits, and careful calculations, based on these statements, and results shown, the prizes were awarded on the 24th, and mailed to the successful contestants. A full list, embodying all essentials, will be tendered to the papers for publication, that all who took part may fully understand how the awards were made. The government agents did the work. They have an office on the ninth floor of the Stahlman building, and will give any desired information.

To those citizens who generously contributed these prizes grateful thanks are due and are here tendered. It is hoped that they will feel compensated in having thus encouraged and rewarded the boys of their state for good work, which, if hereafter vigorously and intelligently prosecuted, cannot fail to be of the greatest possible service to the state. Respectfully,

NASHVILLE BOARD OF TRADE,
By Agricultural Committee,
Robert Ewing, Chairman.

MANY CONTRIBUTIONS
TO KNAPP MEMORIAL

TEXAS PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO
OBSERVE AGRICULTURE DAY

Effort Being Made to Raise \$150,000 to
Purchase Farm to Be Used by
Teachers.

Austin, Tex., Nov. 8.—The following is a proclamation by the state superintendent of public instruction, setting apart Wednesday, Sept. 27, as agricultural day in Texas public schools:

The development of social and industrial life in America has within the past few years given genuine recognition to the importance and dignity of labor. Especially has there been an increased interest manifested in all forms of rural activity, the most important phase of which is agriculture and its attendant occupations.

In order that the children of Texas, whether living in the country, in the village or in the city, may become more appreciative of the vast opportunities that will inevitably accompany rural development, and that country life may be idealized in the minds and hearts of all the people, I am, in common with most Southern state superintendents, making that Wednesday, Nov. 27, 1912, be set apart to be observed as agricultural day in the public schools. In some states the day is known as Knapp agricultural day, in commemoration of the distinguished service rendered the cause of education and of agriculture by Dr. S. A. Knapp.

Effort to Raise \$150,000 for Farm.

The Knapp memorial committee is endeavoring to raise \$150,000 with which to purchase and equip a farm to be used by the Peabody College for Teachers, Nashville, Tenn. Wherever practicable, it is suggested that each school or county observing the day contribute to this useful memorial, thereby assisting in an enterprise whose chief object is to bring the school and the farm into closer cooperation.

Dr. Knapp was the founder of the farm demonstration work which is now an important part of the United States department of agriculture. Under the able direction of J. L. Quicksall and W. F. Proctor, state agents of agriculture for Texas, the county demonstrators are rendering invaluable assistance to the farmers of the state, giving to them much valuable information which could not be conveyed except by personal contact. It is my opinion that the county superintendent and the county demonstrator should by co-operation simplify and strengthen the work and usefulness of their respective offices. I am therefore asking that the county superintendent and the county demonstrator act together in preparing and distributing or publishing a suitable program. Appropriate suggestions with respect to the program may be obtained from Dr. P. P. Claxton, United States Commissioner of Education, Washington, D. C.

Dignify High Calling of Agriculture.

It is peculiarly appropriate that one day of the year be dedicated to honor and dignify the high calling of agriculture by the public schools of Texas, and it is hoped that the observance of such a day will become a permanent annual custom in connection with public education in our state. Further, it is peculiarly fitting that the day also commemorate the life work of Dr. Knapp, whose contributions were especially valuable in the solution of the labor problem and in the improvement of the financial and agricultural conditions in the South—a section of the country for which he had an unbounded admiration and to which he rendered an inestimable service. Let every county and city superintendent, every county demonstrator and every friend of agriculture and education unite in their efforts to make agricultural day worthy of the genuine support of all good citizens.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Austin, Tex., this the 8th day of November, A. D. 1912.

F. M. BRALLEY,
State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

**Members of Committee Expect
to Raise \$150,000 for
This Purpose.**

A living, useful memorial will be erected in honor of the late Dr. Seaman A. Knapp of the United States Department of Agriculture, founder of the farm demonstration work. The Knapp memorial committee has decided to raise \$150,000 with which to purchase and equip a farm and erect a building in connection with the Greater Peabody College for Teachers in Nashville, Tenn. The general education board of New York has recently appropriated \$250,000 to endow the Seaman A. Knapp School of Country Life. The memorial building for the purposes of this school will be located on the campus of the Peabody College, and will contain a life-sized statue of the South's great benefactor and friend. The farm will be located within ten or twelve miles of Nashville, and will be conducted in accordance with the demonstration methods. Pure-bred seed and animals will be developed. The best devices and implements will be used. Crop rotations will be worked out for different Southern conditions. Demonstration agents, county superintendents of education and other workers will make this farm a rallying

With the special object of honoring Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, the founder of demonstration work and of the Boys' Corn Clubs, Knapp Agricultural day will be observed by the Southern states on Friday, November 22. Exercises are to be held in different schools of the South and a contribution toward the \$150,000 fund for the establishment of the Knapp school will be made. This school will be located at Peabody College and will be known as the Knapp Farm and School of Country Life.

The program for the day has been announced. The exercises at the schools will be under the direction of the principals.

point, in order to carry back to their states the benefits of the work done there. Corn club boys and Canning club girls will also make occasional trips to this agricultural Mecca for inspiration and instruction. The pure-bred products of the Knapp farm will be offered as prizes to the boys and girls who do the best work.

The Knapp memorial committee consists of the following members: Chancellor David C. Barrow, Athens, Ga.; Dr. S. P. Brooks, Waco, Tex.; Gov. G. W. Donaghey, Little Rock, Ark.; Hon. J. E. Ransdell, Lake Providence, La.; Hon John Fields, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Prof. W. H. Smith, Jackson, Miss.; Prof. J. F. Duggar, Auburn, Ala.; Mrs. Lem Banks, Memphis, Tenn.; Supt. W. M. Holloway, Tallahassee, Fla.; Hon. C. S. Barrett, Union City, Ga.; Hon. A. F. Lever, Lexington, S. C.; Mr. Clarence Poe, Raleigh, N. C.; Gov. Wm. H. Mann, Richmond, Vir.; Mr. O. B. Martin, Washington, D. C.

Dr. Barrow of Georgia is Chairman, Mr. Poe of North Carolina, secretary, and Mr. Martin, treasurer.

The committee has employed a financial agent, who has opened headquarters in the Southern building in Washington, and has already begun to raise the \$150,000. This agent is Mr. Thomas A. Early, who has been director of the Corn club work in Tennessee. The plan of the committee was presented last week to the Teachers' Summer School at the University of Virginia. At the first presentation more than \$1,000 was subscribed, and hundreds of teachers volunteered to aid the committee in their schools and communities. State committees have been organized in all the Southern states, and the work of raising the memorial funds will be pushed with all possible speed.

Returns from the collections taken and the pledges made in the other states have not yet been received. Everything points to success in raising the sums fixed by the committees in the several states.

Starting with definite amounts agreed upon in certain states, the general committee and the local friends feel sure that Florida will raise \$5,000 as her share of this living, working memorial to Dr. Seaman A. Knapp. In the same way Virginia will be sure to reach her mark of \$15,000, Mississippi hers of \$15,000, and North Carolina hers of \$10,000.

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Jan. 2, 1913.

THE KNAPP MEMORIAL.

Throughout the cotton growing states a movement is on foot, having for its object the building of a suitable monument to the memory of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, a distinguished member of the Agricultural Department of the United States, whose untimely death is now a matter of history. Dr. Knapp, more than any other person, suggested and put into working shape the various agricultural experiment stations in every state in the United States, and to his untiring energies, more than anything else, is due the fact that they have been highly satisfactory to the head of the department Secretary Wilson. The writer knew Dr. Knapp well, and had the pleasure of interviewing him a number of times when his headquarters were in Houston a few years ago. It is hoped that the movement on foot will be successful and that a monument of the proper kind will be built in honor of this great and good man.

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URGES FUNDS FOR MEMORIAL

Dr. Brooks of Baylor Writes of Importance of Aid in Agricultural Movement.

Waco, Tex.—Dr. S. P. Brooks, president of Baylor University and chairman for Texas of the Knapp memorial fund, has issued the following statement relative to the establishment of a model demonstration farm near Nashville, Tenn.:

Discriminating readers will remember the gift of \$250,000 by the general education board of New York to Peabody College, the interest of which is to be used in support of the Seaman A. Knapp School of Country Life in connection with that institution. It has now been decided to raise \$150,000 to equip a farm near Nashville to illustrate the noble lessons so brilliantly taught the farmers of the South by this statesman in agriculture.

Quoting from an ardent friend of the movement we find: This school is needed to aid the 1,000 farm demonstration agents now working in the South, as well as to supply the demand for an increase of such workers who are expected to carry on services already begun. It is needed to assist the rural school and the rural teacher. It is to be a rallying point for demonstration agents, county superintendents of education and other workers. It is to be a clearing house for rural school ideas and plans. It is to furnish a model country school, home, farm, model barns, fences, gates, implements and general equipment at reasonable cost.

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I express the hope that every friend of agriculture and the uplift of the boys and girls of the farms in Texas will kindly receive and help Mr. Early when he comes.

Let friends of this movement make a roster of possible contributors and send to Nashville as per above address.

Let normal schools and colleges, high schools, public and private—all alike show their comradeship with things that grow by aiding this cause.

Practically everything depends on the newspapers. In this they can help keep all close to Mother Earth.

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Chairman Knapp Memorial Committee
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Baylor University, Waco, Tex.

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GALVESTON, TEX., Tribune

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PLAN MEMORIAL IN MEMORY OF DR. SEAMAN KNAPP

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West Texas demonstration agents will aid in raising a fund of \$150,000 for the purpose of erecting a memorial to Dr. Seaman Knapp, the first man to successfully combat the boll weevil in Texas.

This was decided yesterday morning at the final session of the four days' meeting of the demonstration agents. The memorial is to be the Knapp School of Country Life, which will be erected in connection with the Peabody college at Nashville.

Bradford Knapp, special agent of the department of agriculture, who has been attending the meeting of the agents here for the past four days, is the son of the conqueror of the boll weevil. Dr. Knapp died in April of last year.

Resolutions thanking the Chamber of Commerce, Frank Clarke, the local demonstration agent, and the state papers were passed just before the meeting adjourned.

The agents were the guests of Armour & Co., in a tour of the packing houses yesterday afternoon. Special escorts were furnished.

The agents witnessed a hog-killing demonstration at Armour & Co.'s plant and listened to an instructive address on hog raising and its returns by Dr. R. F. Eagle, who is at the head of the bureau of animal industry here.

Galveston Texas Tribune
Aug 16, 1912.

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CONTINUE CORN CLUBS.

State Agents in the Work Offer Bust of Knapp.

(Associated Press Report)

WASHINGTON, July 8.—Plans for continuing the corn club work in the South have been completed by the State agents in the work. A bronze bust of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, founder of the corn club work, was offered by the agent for South Carolina to be presented to the Southern State making the best showing each year through its boys and girls corn clubs.

The first award of the bust will be made at the National exhibition for boys at Columbia, S. C., June 18, 1913. Two boys will be sent to the school from each county in the South.

FARMERS' CO-OPERATIVE WORK.

Session at Tyler Drew Large Crowds. Many Prominent Speakers Present.

Local agents for Farmers' Co-Operative Work held annual session in Tyler October 2 to 4. Bradford Knapp, of the Department of Agriculture, Washington, told of the scope and purpose of their work, educationally and materially. Congressman James Young, of the Tyler District, spoke approvingly. Reports showed that farmers doing the demonstration work as outlined made larger yields than similar lands adjacent. The cost of production was materially reduced. More attention to winter clover and forage crops has been stirred, improving the soils.

Resolutions were adopted thanking the Tyler citizens for entertainment and The Dallas News, Tyler Courier and the press of the State for reports.

Among the speakers were I. W. Hill, Washington; C. M. Evans and J. O. Allen, College Station; H. H. Williamson and J. O. Morgan, A. and M. College; Prof. White, of State Department of Agriculture; D. M. Barrow, Fort Worth; B. Gentry, Washington; W. F. Proctor, Tyler; George Ormes, Mineola, and T. O. Walton, Livingston.

AGRICULTURAL DAY PROCLAIMED

State Educational Department Urges
Texas Children to Commemorate
Knapp Day, November 27.

Austin, Tex., Nov. 8.—The following is a proclamation by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, setting apart Wednesday, Nov. 27, 1912, as Agricultural Day in Texas public schools:

The development of social and industrial life in America has within the past few years given genuine recognition to the importance and dignity of labor. Especially has there been an increased interest manifested in all forms of rural activity, the most important phase of which is agriculture and its attendant occupations.

In order that the children of Texas, whether living in the country, in the village or in the city, may become more appreciative of the vast opportunities that will inevitably accompany rural development, and that country life may be idealized in the minds and hearts of all the people, I am, in common with most Southern State superintendents, asking that Wednesday, Nov. 27, 1912, be set apart to be observed as Agricultural Day in the public schools. In some States the day is known as Knapp Agricultural Day, in commemoration of the distinguished service rendered the cause of education and agriculture by Dr. S. A. Knapp.

The Knapp memorial committee is endeavoring to raise \$150,000 with which to purchase and equip a farm to be used by the Peabody College for Teachers, Nashville, Tenn. Wherever practicable, it is suggested that each school or county observing the day contribute to this useful memorial, thereby assisting in an enterprise whose chief object is to bring the school and the farm into closer cooperation.

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It is peculiarly appropriate that one day of the year be dedicated to honor and dignify the high calling of agriculture by the public schools of Texas, and it is hoped that the observance of such a day will become a permanent annual custom in connection with public education in our State. Further, it is peculiarly fitting that the day also commemorate the life work of Dr. Knapp, whose contributions were especially valuable in the solution of the labor problem and in the improvement of the financial and agricultural conditions in the South—a section of the country for which he had an unbounded admiration and to which he rendered an inestimable service. Let every county and city superintendent, every county demonstrator and every friend of agriculture and of education unite in their efforts to make Agricultural Day worthy of the genuine support of all good citizens.

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Dr. Barrow of Georgia is chairman, Mr. Poe of North Carolina, secretary, and Mr. Martin, treasurer.

This committee has employed a financial agent, who has opened headquarters in the Southern building in Washington, and has already begun to raise the \$150,000. This agent is Mr. Thomas A. Early, who has been director of the Corn club work in Tennessee. The plan of the committee was presented last week to the Teachers' Summer school of the University of Virginia. At the

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Event Is Observed at Austin—Numerous
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by Commissioner Kone.

Austin, Tex., Nov. 27.—Knapp agricultural day was observed in Austin today. Addresses were made at the University of Texas by Dr. Robert J. Potts of the agricultural and mechanical college and Professor S. P. Brooks of Baylor University. The speakers were introduced by Commissioner of Agriculture Ed I. Kone, who made some remarks regarding the agricultural system in Texas. The speeches were on lines of governmental aid in improving the general physical conditions of the country, with special reference to agriculture, engineering and other industrial matters. Knapp agricultural day is set aside to commemorate the work of Professor Seaman A. Knapp, who died several years ago.

HONORING DR. KNAPP.

It is eminently fitting that the people of the South should build a monument to do honor to the memory of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, founder of the greatest movement for the upbuilding of their section, and their appreciation could in no way be so appropriately expressed as by maintaining an institution of learning such as is contemplated in the Seaman A. Knapp Country Life School established in Nashville, Tenn., in connection with the Peabody College—itself a splendid factor in intellectual development.

In instituting the great army of young workers for better agricultural methods in the South, Dr. Knapp set on foot a movement for increased production in agriculture which already has resulted in much good and which is destined to make the Southern people more prosperous than they have ever been. In Texas this good work has been extremely valuable under the direction of the Texas Industrial Congress, 4,000 young farmers having been encouraged during the past year to raise better crops of corn and cotton, and a spirit of enthusiasm for more progressive agricultural methods has been aroused in the State which will continue to benefit the people and to add to their prosperity during all the coming years.

But a college in which will be taught the methods which Dr. Knapp taught and which will fit others to go through the South teaching these valuable lessons to its young men, will accomplish a work which could not be so successfully done in any other way. Discussing the establishment of this school, the Nashville Banner says:

Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, it is now well known, founded the Boys' Corn Clubs and the Girls' Canning Clubs, and through that means gave an impetus to improved farming methods that has had a noticeable effect in the South, and has been especially valuable in the educational effect on the rising generation of Southern agriculturists. The work has grown until there are now, it is said, in the South one thousand agents "demonstrating better methods of farming and home-making to fully a hundred thousand farmers, seventy-five thousand boys and twenty-five thousand girls."

Dr. Knapp was a quiet, very unassuming old gentleman, but it was a great work he did—one of far-reaching, permanent value. It began at the root of things and will work upward in the benefits it bestows. The result of Dr. Knapp's work was to make many ears of corn grow where but one grew before, and nothing could be done of greater benefit to mankind.

The Knapp Country Life School will be a fitting monument to the man who did this good work; more than that, it will perpetuate the work and extend its scope. The General Education Board of New York has offered to give \$250,000, the interest from which shall go to the running expenses of the Country Life School. The Knapp memorial committee has undertaken to raise \$150,000 to erect the necessary building and to purchase a farm. The building will be on the Peabody College grounds and the farm will be in the immediate vicinity of Nashville. The \$150,000 is being raised by contributions all over the South, and Nashville should be a liberal subscriber.

It is hoped that this movement will result in the establishment of similar schools throughout the South until each State will have one, so that the young men and young women may be trained in the work which is of so great importance to the country, the teaching being adapted to the peculiar features of the farming industry in the various localities. The State agricultural schools are doing a splendid work along this line, but there is need for other schools, and particularly for normal schools, to send out teachers able and willing to instruct intelligently the boys and girls how to do scientific work on the farm, carrying out the idea which resulted in the crowning act in the life of Dr. Knapp.

KNAPP MEMORIAL DAY.

The South has been so greatly benefited by the work of the late Dr. S. A. Knapp, founder of the demonstration farms and of the boys' and girls' clubs for the South, that it owes to his memory the greatest respect that can be shown, wherefore the movement inaugurated to permanently maintain a Knapp memorial day deserves the hearty co-operation of the people throughout the Southern States.

In his work in connection with the Agricultural Department of the Federal Government, Dr. Knapp was led to realize the necessity for greater attention to the subject of scientific farming in the South, and it was through his efforts that the splendid system of demonstration work which has so greatly improved agricultural conditions in the Southern States was begun. In recognition of his splendid services, Knapp Memorial Day has been designated and Southern farmers, especially, are urged to assemble in their respective schoolhouses November 27 and devote the time to a review of their farm work and the importance of applying modern methods to farm operations, not forgetting, in the meantime, to remember the services of the man to whom, more than to all others, the benefits derived from the improved system of farming are due.

The movement is being pushed through the public schools, and the desire by those who are promoting the movement is that on the day selected, the 148,000 teachers and the 7,000,000 pupils of the South will assemble in the 89,000 schoolhouses, together with the farmers and their families, and observe the occasion in a fitting manner. "This is fitting," says the Shreveport Times, "because 100,000 demonstrators are making large crops on their farms and corn club boys are attracting world-wide attention by growing more than 225 bushels on one acre at low cost. The indications are that several of the 75,000 boys will this year break all records. It is fitting, because 25,000 girls, in the harvest season, are filling pantries with wholesome food and are selling the surplus. It is a duty, because Dr. Knapp taught a new method in agriculture and the lessons must be more widely impressed and unfailingly transmitted. Representatives of England, Russia, Brazil, South Africa, Siam and Argentina have come to learn them. It is high time for American schools to take the lead in these ideas."

Dr. Knapp has gone to his eternal home, but he has left to the people a legacy which has already awakened them to higher conceptions and higher ambitions, and through which it may be expected the South will be revolutionized in its agricultural work and given a higher rank in the production of profitable field crops other than cotton. An appropriate tribute to his memory should not be neglected while once each year the people meet to discuss the blessings and the future possibilities due to his work.

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PLANS FOR KNAPP
AGRICULTURAL DAY

SPECIAL TO THE NEWS.

Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 28.—The 148,000 teachers and the 7,000,000 pupils of the South are being urged by their educational leaders to assemble 3,000,000 farmers, their families and friends, in the 89,000 schoolhouses on Nov. 27 for an hour, in order to survey and review their agricultural resources and achievements, and to express their appreciation of the services of one of their great benefactors. Agriculture is worthy of this consideration, for the farmers of the Nation have this year produced \$10,000,000,000 worth of crops to feed and clothe nearly 100,000,000 people here, with a surplus for other Nations.

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There is to be a Knapp school and a Knapp farm near Nashville and, in connection with Peabody College. When \$150,000 is collected for the farm and school building, \$250,000 will be added for endowment of the school of country life by the General Education Board. No other such institution exists. It will start out with the purpose of reaching and helping every school and farm in the South. This institution will be a laboratory, a clearing house and an assembling place for agricultural and educational workers. Eventually it will have demonstration schools in each State and county teaching its lessons. It will be a working, living memorial, but in a conspicuous place will also appear a life-sized statue of Dr. Knapp.

What vast possibilities loom up, if the people of the whole South will annually contemplate agricultural matters for one hour! The State and County Superintendents of Education are taking the lead in this movement. It will be a worthy tribute to a worthy man. The name of each contributor will be kept as a grateful record.

Suggestion for Program.

Nov. 27, or the nearest Friday to that date.

1. State song, or "America," by school.
2. "How the Bible Teaches Agriculture," by an invited minister.
3. What great poets have sung about the farm, selections by class of pupils.
4. How Dr. Knapp prepared himself for great service, by a boy.
5. What Dr. Knapp taught, quotations by class of pupils.
6. How the demonstration work was organized and conducted, by a leading citizen.
7. How Dr. Knapp's work helped this community, this State and the South, by three boys.
8. How I grew my crop, by a corn club boy.
9. What I did with my vegetables and fruits, by three girls.
10. The best farm crops for this community and why, by several pupils. How can these crop products be displayed today, school exhibit.
11. What can we do to express our appreciation of Dr. Knapp's great work? Collecting contributions, pledges.
12. Song, "Bringing in the Sheaves," by all.

LIVING MEMORIAL IS TO BE IN MEMORY OF DR. KNAPP

GREAT AGRICULTURIST TO BE HON-
ORED BY FOUNDING OF SCHOOL.

Institution Such as Has Never Been
Planned Before—Various Ways of
Taking Up Work.

There is a movement on foot to build a living memorial in honor of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, as founder of farm demonstration work and boys' and girls' clubs. It is proposed to establish a demonstration farm and demonstration school in connection with the Peabody College at Nashville. No such institution has ever been planned before in the history of the world. A committee was organized with representatives from every Southern State to raise a fund of \$150,000 for the farm and buildings, and after this amount has been raised the general education board of New York will add \$250,000 as an endowment for the Knapp School of Country Life.

Various methods will be followed in raising this fund of \$150,000. Many persons will make contributions of such amounts as they feel able to afford. It is proposed that towns and country schools will raise money in different ways, and communities will contribute toward the establishment of this institution. Argument is made that it is a project worthy the consideration of every one, whether he be directly interested in farm work or not, for the influence of such an institution will be felt in all lines of endeavor.

The Knapp memorial committee is composed of one member from each of the following states: Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Mississippi, Alabama, Florida, Kentucky, Tennessee, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia and the District of Columbia. David C. Barrow, Athens, Ga., is president; Clarence Poe, Raleigh, N. C., secretary; O. B. Martin, Washington, D. C., treasurer, and Thomas A. Early, 729 Southern building, Washington, D. C., financial agent. Dr. S. F. Brooks of Waco is the Texas member of the committee.

O. B. Martin, acting for the committee, sends out the following brief sketch of the life and work of Dr. Knapp:

Dr. Seaman A. Knapp was born Dec. 16, 1833, in Essex County, N. Y., and died in Washington, D. C., April 1, 1911. Spent his boyhood on his father's farm. Entered Troy Conference Seminary as a youth. Graduated from Union College, Schenectady, N. Y., with distinguished honors, at the age of twenty-three. Married Maria E. Hotchkiss in August of the same year. Soon became professor and associate president of Troy Conference Seminary and later president of Ripley College in Vermont. Moved to Vinton, Iowa, at thirty-two and settled on a farm. Served five years as president of Iowa School for Blind. Organized and edited the "Western Stock Journal and Farmer." In 1879 elected professor of agriculture at the Iowa State College. Became president of this college in 1884. At the age of fifty-three Dr. Knapp resigned the presidency of the college and moved to Lake Charles, La. Developed rice industry in Louisiana and Texas. Conducted demonstrations in rice growing and diversified farming for benefit of native farmers and immigrants. In 1898 was authorized by Secretary Wilson of the United States department of agriculture to visit China, Japan, and the Philippines to make rice investigations. Made second trip to the Orient and to Europe in 1901. Sent next to Porto Rico to report on agricultural resources and possibilities. In 1903 inaugurated demonstration work to fight the Mexican cotton boll weevil. From 1903 to 1911 extended demonstration work throughout the whole South.

Boyhood and Youth.

In the first part of the nineteenth century small boys in the country dis-

tricts of New York State did not have many opportunities for recreation in the way of games and sports. Little Seaman Knapp got most of his recreation by change of work. He was fond of cattle, horses and other animals on the farm. It was great sport for him to go on his favorite horse to the country store, for the purpose of securing some needed articles for his mother and for the home. There was not much money in circulation in that country, either, so it was a matter of barter. Doubtless, he drove many a good bargain and had impressed upon his youthful mind the importance of thrift and economy.

A high school boy and a high school girl made the acquaintance of each other at the Troy Conference Seminary in 1852. They became sweethearts. They were married four years later just after both had graduated, and they continued as sweethearts and boon companions for fifty-four years. Mrs. Knapp took a personal interest and aided greatly in all of the work which Dr. Knapp did.

As a young man he had an ambition to found a great college. He was having much success as a teacher and school administrator, with Mrs. Knapp as his best assistant. A wrenched knee and failing health caused him to give up school work and take the advice of Horace Greeley, namely, "Go West, young man, and grow up with the country."

Farming in Iowa.

On the farm in Iowa he bred Short-corn cattle and Berkshire hogs. He brought heavy draft horses to his community and helped organize the first live stock association in that state. Improved implements and labor saving devices were used on that farm and he developed the best seed and used improved methods of cultivation. With it all he regained his health and vigor. At the time he met a leading farmer of Iowa named James Wilson, and together they worked for agricultural reform in their adopted state. This co-worker succeeded Dr. Knapp later as professor in the Iowa State College and when Farmer Wilson became secretary of agriculture of the United States, Dr. Knapp became one of his most trusted and valued assistants. During the sojourn in Iowa Dr. Knapp was called to manage several lines of work, all of which were good training for the greater work yet to be done. For five years he had charge of the State School for the Blind. When his church at Vernon had no pastor he preached and taught the gospel for two years. He established a farm paper. There were few such papers in the country at that time. He, with others, con-

ducted an agricultural campaign. The first course in agriculture in the Iowa College was organized and the graduation of the first class took place during his incumbency as professor and president.

Commences Work in South.

Another crisis in Dr. Knapp's life came about this time. His health gave way under a severe attack of rheumatism. A board of physicians said he must give up college work and that he had only a few months to live. His reply was that he would accept their advice in regard to giving up the college work, but not in the matter of giving up his life. Turning his face to the sunny South, he organized a great development company, bought a million acres of land in Southwest Louisiana and sent invitations all over the Northwest, "Come South, young man, and grow up with the country." Several thousand came. For many years he had believed that the South was destined for a wonderful future. In conversation with Chancellor Barrow of the University of Georgia, once, these points were being stressed. Chancellor Barrow was impressed with the earnestness and optimism of the speaker, but remembering the difficulties and struggles of the Southern people he could not quite see how the South was to become the garden spot of the world, so he asked Dr. Knapp for a reason for the faith that was in him. Dr. Knapp's reply was, "Because the germinating power of the South is five times as great as that of any other part of the country." Chancellor Barrow says that he has thought about this reply a hundred times over, and that it is one of the most complete and satisfying answers he ever heard. He said that Dr. Knapp had absolutely gone to the bottom of the question.

Demonstration Work Started.

The farmers' co-operative demonstration work was started in a small way in 1903. Dr. Knapp visited one small farm near Terrell, Tex., about twice a month and directed the operations there. Neighboring farmers met him in field meetings. At the close of the year he had proved that cotton could be grown in the face of the boll weevil, and was urged to extend his teachings and his methods throughout the whole country devastated by the pest. The next year, with funds furnished by congress and by local business men, he appointed a few agents and began to organize different counties in Texas. The work soon attracted the attention of the country. Congress enlarged its appropriation,

local aid was increased and the work was extended to Louisiana and Mississippi. About this time the general education board of New York asked to be allowed to appropriate money for similar work in other cotton states. In a few short years this great work had covered the entire South, had a force of a hundred agents, an enrollment of one hundred thousand farmers, seventy-five thousand boys in the corn clubs, and twenty-five thousand girls in the canning clubs. Every state in the South began to show an increase in the average corn production per acre, as well as other crops, and Southern Corn Club boys attracted the attention of the world by producing more than two hundred bushels of corn to the acre at low cost. Girls, too, demonstrated practical scientific work in garden and home. During the year of his death, Russia, Brazil, England, South Africa and Argentina sent representatives to this country to study the demonstration work. Sir Horace Plunkett, the great Irish reformer, came for the same purpose, and at the request of the king of Siam, Dr. Knapp sent one of his agents to take charge of agricultural matters in that country.

Memorial Should Be Unique.

It is fitting that this memorial shall be unique. The service was distinctive. Such a service merits, and will receive, the appreciation of a grateful and generous people. It brought the resources of the South to the attention of the world in a new light; but better still, it brought comfort and joy to thousands where poverty and gloom had prevailed. It made the education of children possible where ignorance must, perhaps, have held sway. It brought better instruction and renewed hope to men and women whose training had been neglected. A leading thinker has said that his plan constitutes one of the greatest systems of adult training ever devised. Dr. Knapp loved the South and was a citizen thereof for a quarter of a century. It was his chosen home in his mature years. He had admired its people for his chivalry, courtesy, and high sense of honor prevailing among them. He had sympathized with them during their hardships and struggles. Dr. Knapp was a benefactor to mankind and his works follow him. The sentiment which actuated him and those who worked with him and for him is best expressed in his own words:

"The power which transformed the humble fishermen of Galilee into mighty apostles of truth is ever present and can be used as effectively today in any good cause as when the Son of God turned his footsteps from Judea's capital and spoke to the wayside children of poverty."

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AID KNAPP MEMORIAL.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Oct. 3.—Gov. Donaghey, who is the Arkansas member of the S. A. Knapp memorial committee, at the suggestion of the promoters of the monument fund, appointed the following committee to aid in the movement: George W. Donaghey, chairman; George B. Cook, Little Rock, secretary; C. Small, Little Rock, treasurer; George Williams, Hot Springs; H. S. Moore, Fayetteville, president Farmers' Union; C. W. Watson, Little Rock, state agent United States demonstration; C. C. Kirkpatrick, Little Rock, secretary Chamber of Commerce; L. A. Markham, commissioner of agriculture; Missouri Pacific Mountain railway; V. C. Kays, George Cole, H. K. Sanders and J. L. Spencer, principals of the agricultural colleges.

Port Smith Ark American,
Oct 10th, 1912.

Arkansas to Help
Knapp Memorial

LITTLE ROCK, Oct. 4.—The Seaman A. Knapp Memorial Committee has decided to raise \$150,000 for the purchase of a farm and the erection and equipment of a building in connection with the Greater Peabody College for Teachers at Nashville, Tenn. The general education board has appropriated \$250,000 to endow the Seaman A. Knapp School of Country Life. The memorial building will be located on the Peabody campus. The farm will contain about 2020 acres, where crop and stock demonstrations will be worked out in their ultimate detail.

Gov. George W. Donaghey is the Arkansas member of the Knapp Memorial Committee. The financial agent, Thomas A. Early, of Washington, D. C., is in the field raising the \$150,000, and in a conference in Little Rock the following committee was named for Arkansas: Gov. G. W. Donaghey, chairman; George B. Cook, Little Rock, secretary; John C. Small, Little Rock, treasurer; George Williams, Hot Springs; H. S. Moore, Fayetteville, president Farmers' Union; C. W. Watson, Little Rock, state agent United States demonstration; C. C. Kirkpatrick, Little Rock, secretary chamber of Commerce; L. A. Markham, commissioner of agriculture; Missouri Pacific-Iron Mountain Railway; V. C. Kays, George A. Cole, H. K. Sanders and J. L. Spencer, principals of the agricultural colleges.

State Supt. George B. Cook will act as secretary and will bring the services of Dr. Knapp to the attention of the teachers and school boys and girls of the state. Prof. Cook has always been a friend of agricultural education and considers Dr. Knapp the greatest benefactor the South has ever had in scientific agriculture. He thinks it but fitting that the people of the state give their aid toward accomplishing the object of the Knapp Memorial School of Country Life.

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Will Put Aside November 27th on
Which to Review All Agricultural Work—Knapp Day.
Nov 11, 1912.

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ARKANSAS WILL AID IN
KNAPP MEMORIAL FUND

Governor Donaghey and
Others in Conference
With J. A. Farly.

J. A. Farly of Washington, D. C., arrived in this city Sunday night and immediately called a conference of the local officers of the Knapp Memorial Fund Association for a short session, for the discussion of the ways and means of strengthening the present financial basis of that organization in this State, and formulating plans for a financial campaign in the interest of the sum they desire to raise.

The meeting was attended by many prominent men, among whom were Gov. Geo. W. Donaghey, president of the association; Hon. Geo. B. Cook, superintendent of public instruction, secretary. There were also a number of others, including the officers of the United States Agricultural Bureau, with which organization the present movement is affiliated. Owing to the absence of several members and the lack of advance work preparatory to the campaign, active measures were not taken for the future procedure of the association, although it is thought that another meeting will be held in the near future for the laying of the final plans. The present condition of the movement in this State was discussed at length.

The amount which the Arkansas Division of this association is endeavoring to raise, is a part of the great fund of \$150,000 which Mr. Farly and his associates desire to raise in the Southern States, to be placed beside the gift of \$250,000 from the Peabody Memorial Fund, which will be available, upon the realization of the amount apportioned to the Southern States for the erection of the monument to Mr. Knapp, one of the founders of the great industrial movement which has been of so much importance to the farmer.

1000 PAY HONOR TO MEMORY
OF DR. KNAPP AT CONVENTION
OF FARM EXTENSION SERVICE

Life and Work of Pioneer Leader Is Eulogized on Sec-
Day of Celebration of Birth of Demonstration
Plans in A

TRIBUTE PAID
FARM LEADER

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eral education board of Richmond, Va.
"The sober judgment of those who
have followed the development of
American country life through all its
phases," said Mr. Davis, "is that Dr.
Knapp was our greatest agricultural
statesman. Seventy years preparation
for seven years of work—that's his
record.

Asks Self Help.

"Dr. Knapp preached the doctrine
of self help. The farmer must solve
his problem on his own farm and with
his own hands. Any scheme of relief
that is not based on self help is like
sending a man to hold up a sick calf—
after a while, they both get tired and
fall down together."

Mr. Evans has been engaged in ex-
tension work for many years. He was
first appointed by Dr. Knapp. Mr.
mal. At the request of Mr. Martin,
presiding officer, a whole section of
negro extension workers, numbering
more than 300, sang "The Old Time
Religion—It's Good Enough for Me."

The negro educator, of portly bear-
ing, smiling countenance and shining
black face—which he referred to as
being a "magnificent mahogany blond
color"—won his audience with his
first words:

"We negroes," he said with perfect
enunciation, "can't beat you white peo-
ple doing many things, but we can
beat you getting sick, dying, spending
money and singing negro songs."

The ice of reserve was broken. The
audience roared with laughter. The
negro bobbed his head, matted with
salt and pepper gray hair, in appre-
ciation. Dr. Morton was the only
negro on the platform.

His remarks were punctuated with
humor, but a vein of serious thinking
and a philosophy of life ran through
the address.

Startling statements the follower of
Booker T. Washington made were:

"Negroes would be better off if they
would make their homes south of the
Mason-Dixon line.

Race Is Loyal.

"A world solution to the race prob-
lem will be reached in the South.

"The negro race is as bitterly prej-
udiced against intermarriage as the
white race.

"No program of advancement in any
field can be completed successfully if
the negro is ignored entirely.

"The negro in the South is better
off than negroes in any other part of
the world.

"The measure of prosperity of a
nation can not be measured in terms
of money, battleships, cities—but in
simple everyday life of service where
the haughtiest person reaches down
and helps the humblest man—where
every person, of whatever race or
color, strives to be of assistance to the
other.

"Where you find a negro owning his
home, his farm and cultivating his
own land, you'll find a negro who re-
spects family ties, property lines;
you'll find a good citizen.

"The white and black race can serve
together and prosper together.

"Social equality is rot.

"The day is coming when negroes
will have a race pride.

"The negro race is loyal in nine
cases out of ten."

Respect to the memory of Dr. Sea-
man A. Knapp, pioneer in the farm
education movement and generally ac-
credited with being the father of home
demonstration and extension work,
was paid by 1000 men and women, as-
sembled Wednesday at City Audi-
torium from all sections of Texas and
from 22 states of the Union.

Wednesday was the second day of
the three-day session in celebration of
the silver anniversary of co-operative
demonstration work. The meeting is
sponsored by the extension service of
agricultural colleges, United States de-
partment of agriculture, and the Asso-
ciation of Southern Agricultural work-
ers in thirtieth annual convention.

The life, work and deeds of the
pioneer farm leader was the theme of
the general session Wednesday morn-
ing. Each speaker in turn lauded the
vision of Dr. Knapp in devising meth-
ods of aiding farmers through assist-
ance of federal and state agencies.

Experts Give Views.

Appearing on the platform were
Mrs. A. M. Mayo of Lake Charles,
La., oldest daughter of the venerable
agricultural leader; Jackson Davis,
representative of the general educa-
tional board of Richmond, Va.; J. A.
Evans of the United States depart-
ment of agriculture, one of the first
agents appointed by Dr. Knapp, and
R. R. Moton, president of Tuskegee
Normal and Industrial institute of
Tuskegee, Ala.

Following the morning session, the
delegates swung into sectional meet-
ings at the Rice hotel Wednesday
afternoon. Farm experts gave out
views on agronomy, agricultural eco-
nomics, animal husbandry, dairy, ento-
mology, horticulture and home eco-
nomics.

Entertainments Wednesday night
included a pioneer's banquet at the
Rice hotel, followed by a play by the
dramatic club of the Texas Agricul-
tural and Mechanical college, and a
pageant by Texas negro extension
workers.

Three speeches are slated for the
Thursday morning session. The con-
clave of farming groups will close with
sectional meetings at Rice hotel in the
afternoon.

O. B. Martin, director, Texas exten-
sion service, College Station, presided
at the general session Wednesday
morning and hailed Dr. Knapp as "the
missionary bishop to the American
farmer."

Tells Life Story.

Mrs. Mayo related the life story of
her father. She told how he was born
in the northern part of New York
state, "in the shadows of the Adiron-
dack mountains," on December 16,
1833, how he went to school under the
"old village schoolmaster," and later
graduated with honors from college.

Credit was given by Mrs. Mayo to
her mother for her father's successful
career. She related how Dr. Knapp
held the chair of agriculture at Iowa
State college in 1883, and how, two
years later, the first experimental bill

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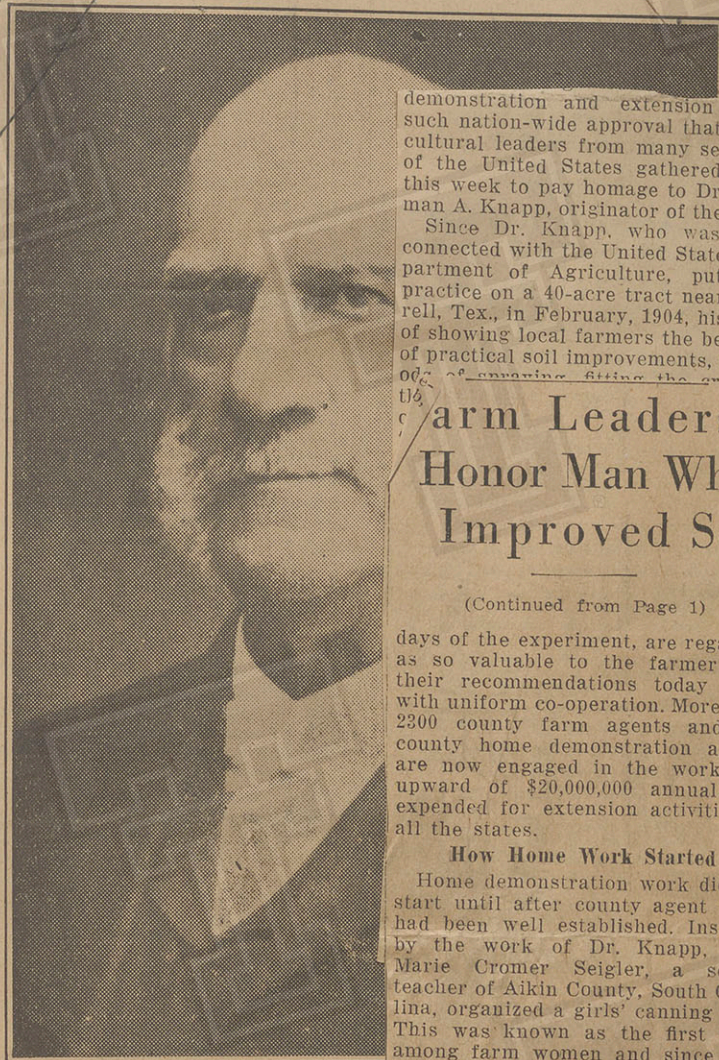
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Originator of Federal Dem-
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by Texas Gathering

SPECIAL TO THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR
HOUSTON, Tex. — Twenty-five
years of bringing to the farmer's
doorstep a wageless hired-man with
an agricultural college training, as
well as providing model farms where
the farmer may see for himself how
modern methods make rural ac-
pay better, has gained for the fed-

demonstration and extension work
such nation-wide approval that agri-
cultural leaders from many sections
of the United States gathered here
this week to pay homage to Dr. Sea-
man A. Knapp, originator of the plan.
Since Dr. Knapp, who was then
connected with the United States De-
partment of Agriculture, put into
practice on a 40-acre tract near Ter-
rell, Tex., in February, 1904, his plan
of showing local farmers the benefits
of practical soil improvements, meth-

Farm Leaders Honor Man Who Improved Soil

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days of the experiment, are regarded
as so valuable to the farmer that
their recommendations today meet
with uniform co-operation. More than
2300 county farm agents and 900
county home demonstration agents
are now engaged in the work and
upward of \$20,000,000 annually is
expended for extension activities in
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How Home Work Started

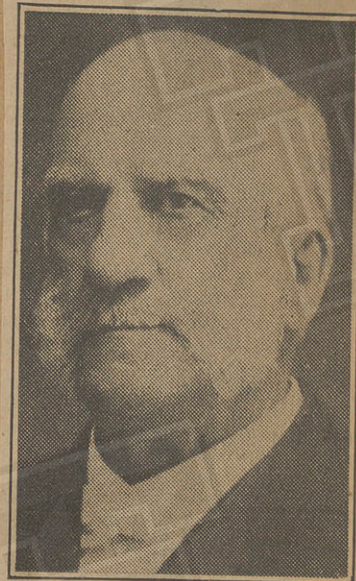
Home demonstration work did not
start until after county agent work
had been well established. Inspired
by the work of Dr. Knapp, Miss
Marie Cromer Seigler, a school
teacher of Aikin County, South Caro-
lina, organized a girls' canning club.
This was known as the first work
among farm women and since then
the work with women and girls has
spread to every state.

Houston was the early headquar-
ters and from this city the first
"special agents" fared forth. The
first four agents were J. A. Evans,
now assistant chief, Office of Co-
operative Extension Work, Washing-
ton, D. C.; W. D. Bentley, for 20
years associated with the extension
work at the Oklahoma A. and M.
College; J. L. Quicksall, once state
agent for West Texas and now a
farmer near Waco, Tex.; and the
late W. F. Proctor, who was state
agent in the Texas extension serv-
ice.

While no accurate measurement of
the benefits of this educational work
is available, federal authorities have
pointed to greater use of horse
power on the farms and increased
use of power machinery, with rapid
growth of farm production notwith-
standing an actual decrease in the
number of persons employed in agri-
culture.

Though many factors have been
involved, officials believe the exten-
sion work is entitled to a share of the
credit. It is declared that manufac-
turing, mining and transportation,
with all their new inventions and de-
velopments, have no greater efficiency
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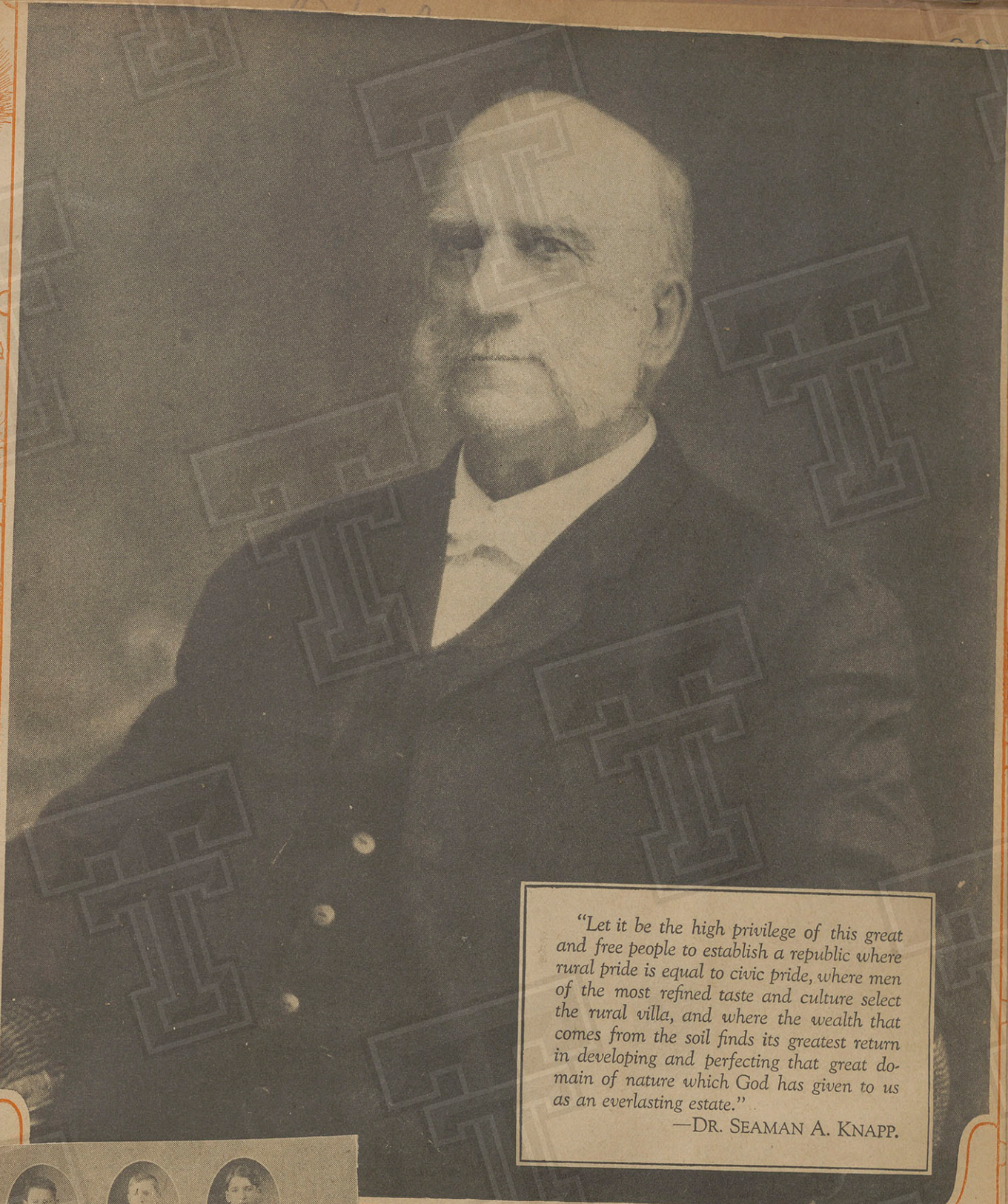
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NEW YORK—The twin North Ger-
man Lloyd vessels, Bremen and
Europa, what are expected to be the
world's fastest passenger steamships
and among the largest, are to enter
service in midsummer with the Eu-
ropa steaming from Bremen on July
16 and the Bremen following on Aug.
21. The vessels will ply between
New York, Plymouth, Cherbourg and
Bremen with a scheduled stopover at
London.

division of economics and history of
the Carnegie Endowment for Inter-
national Peace, asserted at a lunch-
eon just held to celebrate ratification
of the Pact of Paris by the United
States Senate.
The luncheon was under the aus-
pices of the great New York branch
of the League of Nations Association.
Dr. Shotwell characterized the pact
as one of the "well-considered de-
vices" to avoid the catastrophe of
international war and asserted that
it would work the "greatest single
change in all secular history if it is
definitely carried out."
To achieve its greatest effective-
ness, he declared, the pact must be
backed by public opinion throughout
the world.



"Let it be the high privilege of this great and free people to establish a republic where rural pride is equal to civic pride, where men of the most refined taste and culture select the rural villa, and where the wealth that comes from the soil finds its greatest return in developing and perfecting that great domain of nature which God has given to us as an everlasting estate."

—DR. SEAMAN A. KNAPP.

s which serve farmers, none has ever approached in effectiveness cultural colleges. Its story is told in this issue of Farm and Ranch in the historical development of the work. Tribute is paid to the pioneers who helped lay its foundations in sound practices and of service won it its place close to the hearts of the people; from day to day.



U. S. Department of Agriculture
STATE PRIZE WINNERS
1910



Corn clubbers nineteen years ago

THE BIRTH OF THE COUNTY AGENT

By ROBERT V. PETERSON

INSPIRED by the leadership and vision of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp and W. D. Bentley, the extension division of Oklahoma A. and M. college, which includes county and home demonstration agents, has grown until it reaches every corner of the state.

Only a scattering few counties do not have an agricultural agent and there is not a community in the state that has not felt the influence of a county or home demonstration agent or a subject matter specialist from the college.

Starting with 38 special agents appointed by Doctor Knapp, who received \$60 a month for the 60 days of work they were promised, extension work has spread into every state in the union and practically every agricultural county in the United States has an agent.

Within the brief space of 25 years, extension work has developed so that now there are more than 2,300 county agents, 900 home demonstration agents and hundreds of subject matter specialists and supervisors.

County agent work in Oklahoma is less than 22 years old. The work has been so popular and has filled such a great need that today there are 172 workers connected with the extension division of the college, exclusive of clerical and stenographic help. There are 71 county agents in the state, seven assistant county agents, nine negro agents, four district agents, a director, two assistants, nine subject matter specialists, an office manager and 65 women agents and specialists.

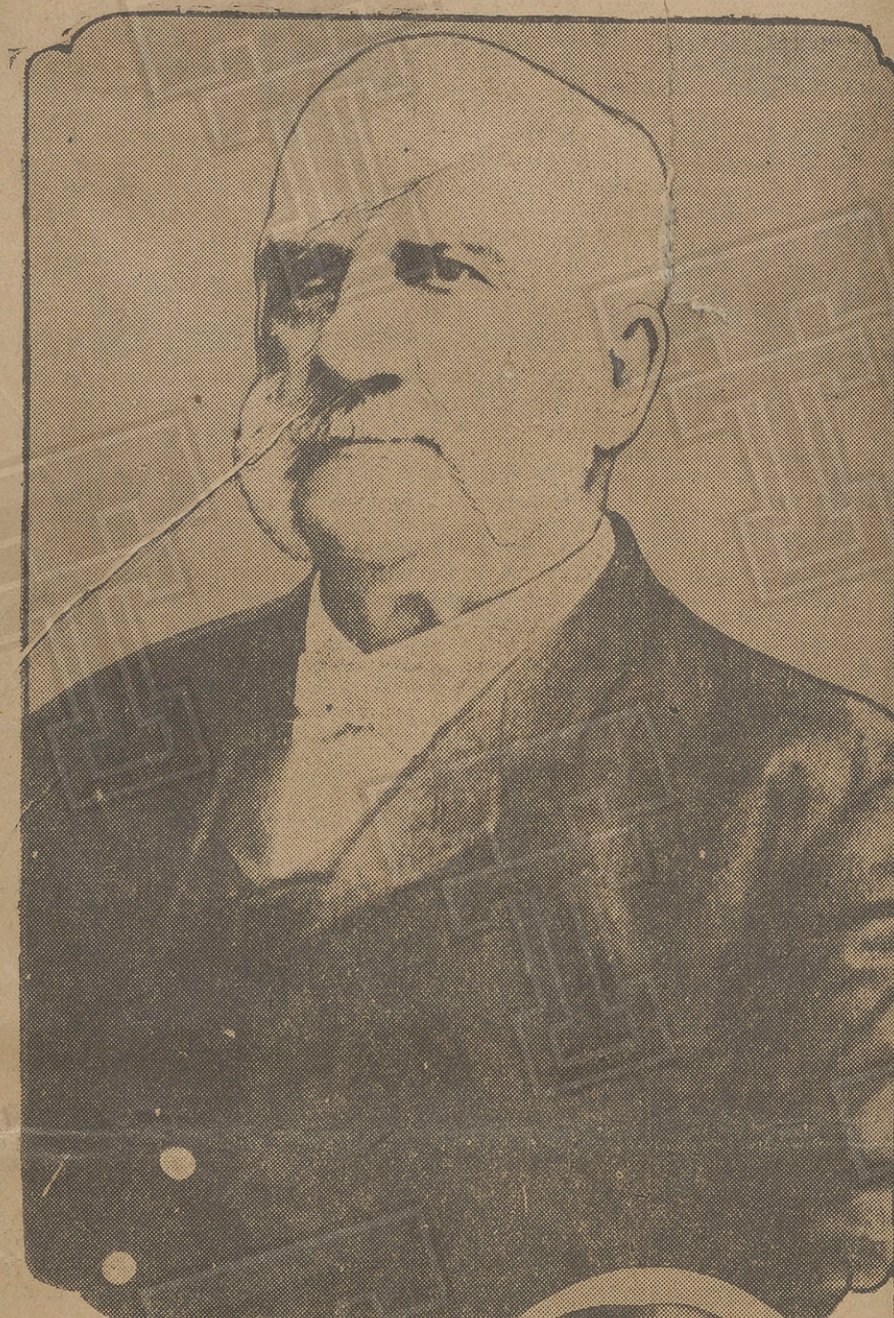
These 172 extension workers put on co-operative demonstrations in 2,365 communities during 1928, worked with more than 40,000 4-H club boys and girls, visited more than 18,000 different farms during the year and influenced about 50,000 different farmers and their wives to adopt an improved agricultural or home making practice.

To Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, father of Dr. Bradford Knapp, who for almost five years was president of the Oklahoma A. and M. college at Stillwater, is given credit for being the founder of extension work. His memory was honored at the twenty-fifth birthday anniversary of the founding of extension work at Houston, Texas, recently.

FOR 70 years Doctor Knapp prepared himself for his biggest job; during the last seven years of his life he was engrossed in getting extension work started.

Born in New York state, educated in New England and having taught in Eastern schools for more than ten years, Doctor Knapp was forced to move west following a serious accident to his knee sustained when he slipped and fell while teaching at a school in New York.

While at Ames he wrote the Hatch act, which provides funds for



Above—Dr. Seaman A. Knapp.

Right—D. P. Trent, director of the extension division of the Oklahoma A. and M. college.

Below—Early office of the extension division at Yukon.

Below, Center—Walter C. Porter of Terrell, Texas, first farm demonstrator in the United States.

Lower Right—Elston Coleman, Newkirk, one of the first corn club champions.



the state agricultural experiment stations and organized co-operating livestock and grain associations.

After spending 20 years in Iowa, Doctor Knapp and several others heard the call of the southwest. He and others purchased about 1,000,000 acres of land in southwestern Louisiana, getting much of it at \$1 an acre. While in Louisiana, Doctor Knapp founded a bank and established himself as the leading rice authority in the country. His work in traveling through the orient, bringing back new seed and new ideas on culture and harvesting, brought him the title of

"father of the American rice industry."

It was the spread of the boll weevil from Mexico into Texas in 1901 and 1902 which gave Doctor Knapp his opportunity to establish the first co-operative demonstration, the work which has proved so successful in this and other states.

Citizens of Terrell, Texas, heard of Doctor Knapp's theory of adult education and invited him to make a talk to them during the year 1903. He explained his idea which was that if an influential farmer can be induced to adopt improved agricultural practices



County agents, members of the state board of agriculture and representatives of the United States department of agriculture, photographed April 10, 1909.



Dr. Bradford Knapp, son of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, for almost five years president of the Oklahoma A. and M. College.

Left—Big four among the early special agents. Left to right they are, J. A. Evans, U. S. department of agriculture; J. L. Quicksall, W. D. Bentley and W. F. Proctor.

the railroad lines, instructing them to line up influential farmers who would be interested in acting as demonstrators.

Four of these special agents were known as the "Big Four" because of the unusual influence which they have exerted. The four are Bentley, who now holds the title of assistant director of the extension division at the A. and M. college; J. A. Evans, now with the United States department of agriculture at Washington; J. L. Quicksall, now farming near Waco, Texas; and

and who died in the service



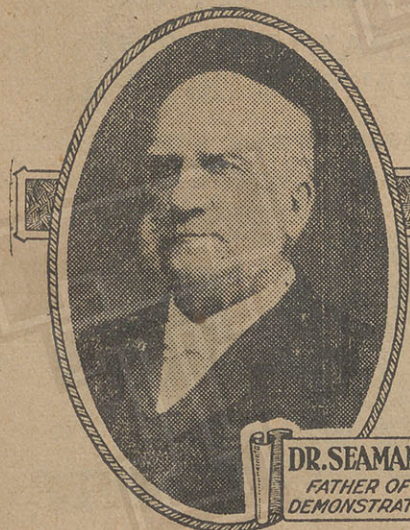
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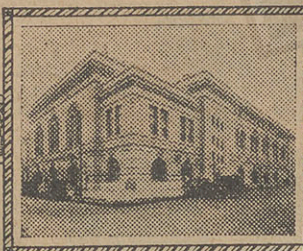


Farm Extension Workers To Celebrate Silver Anniversary In Houston, Texas



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Leaders Will Gather Feb. 5 To Discuss Progress Of Movement Launched By Father Of Dr. Brad- ford Knapp Fifty Years Ago

By P. O. DAVIS

AUBURN, ALA., Jan. 12—(Special)—

The Silver Anniversary of cooperative extension work in agriculture and home economics in the United States is to be observed in Houston, Tex., Feb. 5, 6, 7 and 8. The celebration will be of peculiar interest to Alabamians for the work was started by Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, father of Dr. Bradford Knapp, president of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute located here.

Leaders in extension work throughout the nation will go to Houston for the celebration. In doing so they are going back to the first headquarters of the work. Since it was started it has become an important part of the United States Department of Agriculture as well as the Land-Grant College of each state.

Dr. Bradford Knapp joined his distinguished father in the work and succeeded him as head of it after his father's death.

President Knapp will go to Houston and take part in the celebration. Others going from Auburn are Prof. L. N. Duncan, Miss Helen Johnston, Miss Elizabeth Forney, Miss May I. Cureton, Miss Bertha Lee Ferguson, Miss Bess Fleming, J. T. High, R. G. Arnold, J. P. Wilson and T. A. Sims. Several of the county workers expect to make the trip.

History of Work Reviewed

Farm demonstration work—the forerunner of the present comprehensive county and home demonstration work—began with a lone demonstration supervised in 1903 by Dr. Seaman A. Knapp in boll weevil infested Texas. It was organized and expanded by the United States Department of Agriculture in 1904; spread throughout the South in the next decade; and by the passage of the Smith-Lever Act of Congress in 1914 became a unique national rural educational system administered through the state agricultural colleges and known as the Extension Service.

It is responsible for more than a million farm families in America each year carrying out demonstrations which are object lessons in better ways of farming and home making. This relief, which is a sound self-help kind of adminis-

tration, is concerned, than the almost right-about face country people have executed toward science as applied to farm and home problems. The former contempt in which agricultural colleges and "book" farmers were held has given way to friendly cooperation. Several important factors have contributed to this, but it is worthy of note that the change coincides with the development of agricultural and home-making extension.

Leaders to Observe Anniversary

That is why the Silver Anniversary of the beginning of cooperative farm demonstration work is to be observed by Southern agricultural leaders in Houston, February 5th to 7th. The celebration has as its theme a review of the past of Southern agriculture, an evaluation of the present and an estimate of the future. Not only will hundreds of active agricultural workers and friends of agriculture in the South attend the sessions, but many Northern and Western leaders will be on hand to honor the memory of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp and the early workers.

It is particularly fitting that this marking of a milestone in the agricultural progress of the nation should be made in Houston, for it was here that Dr. Seaman A. Knapp made his first headquarters in January 1904, when he began to put into practice the philosophy of a lifetime.

The story of how it all began dates back nearly 100 years to a little village on the Hudson River in New York, where was born Seaman A. Knapp. Classically educated at Union College, this young man entered upon a school teaching career at Poultney, Vermont. He married and seemed about to settle down when an accident threatened his health and even his life. His indomitable will took him to Iowa in search of health but his activity seems never to have waned. The Civil War had just ended. This great developing agricultural region was a rich field for the exercise of his natural talents. He taught school, preached, edited an agricultural paper, and became one of the trinity of agricultural leaders of the Middle West—Wallace, Wilson and Knapp. Made

a professor in the agricultural college at Ames, Iowa, he became, after and in 1890, its

Louisiana, starting these demonstrations. Among these were J. A. Evans, now assistant chief, Office of Cooperative Extension Work, U. S. D. A., and W. D. Bentley, assistant director of Oklahoma A. and M. College Extension Service. By 1906, so great was the success, that the county was adopted as the unit and W. C. Stallings was made county farm demonstration agent in Smith County, Texas—the first county agent in the United States. The General Education Board of New York City became interested and from 1906 to 1914 spent large sums of money in cooperation with the United States Department of Agriculture to extend such work throughout the entire South.

Expansion, not only in numbers of demonstrations and workers but of the scope of the work, ruled the day for ten or more years. Development was extremely rapid. In 1908, boys' corn club work, already operative in Mississippi, and some other states under other auspices, was given a new direction and impetus by Tom M. Marks, farm demonstration agent in Jack County, Texas. The idea of making boys demonstrators of better farming captivated the whole country. Cotton clubs came in 1909 and pig clubs in 1911. Today boys and girls demonstrate almost as many practices as their elders.

Miss Marie Cromer Pioneer

To an Aiken County, South Carolina, school teacher, Miss Marie Cromer, goes the honor of pioneering home demonstration work, but she got her idea from Dr. Knapp. She organized the first "tomato club" for girls in 1910. The accomplishments of these girls led to the appointment of several state home demonstration agents the next year and in 1912 practically all Southern states had county home demonstration agents. For ten years they worked principally on productive projects such as poultry, dairying, gardening and canning. It was not until after the war that they became identified in the popular mind as something more than canning agents. Today they work with women and girls in beautifying homes and farmsteads, in making kitchens, efficient workshops, in improving the family diet, and in the manufacture and sale of home products, as well as keeping up the old productive projects.

A decade after Dr. Knapp began the popularization of the farm demonstration, the work became so widely recog-

Additional members of the executive committee include Dr. H. W. Barre, Clemson College, S. C.; Dr. J. N. Harper, Atlanta, Ga.; and J. R. Hicks, Mississippi A. & M. College, Dalton, Texas. Jan. 35

October, 1912.

THE ARKANSAS HOMESTEAD

Knapp Memorial Fund Open for Subscriptions.

Arkansas should be getting together its subscription to the Dr. Knapp Memorial Fund. One hundred and fifty thousand dollars is needed with which to purchase and equip a farm and erect a building in connection with the greater Peabody College for Teachers in Nashville, Tenn. The general education board of New York recently appropriated \$250,000 to endow the Seaman A. Knapp School of Country Life. Nothing like this school has ever been worked out anywhere. It is a great opportunity for a distinctive work and a great service. The memorial building for the purpose of this school will be located on the campus of the Peabody College and will contain a life-sized statue of the South's great benefactor and friend, so that his great masterful, benevolent personality will always be an inspiration to the thousands who may come and go.

The farm will be located within ten or twelve miles of Nashville, and will be conducted in accordance with the demonstration methods. It will contain about 200 acres. Pure-bred seed and

animals will be developed. The best devices and implements will be used. Crop rotations will be worked out for different Southern conditions. Demonstration agents, rural school supervisors, state and county superintendents of education and other workers will make this farm a rallying point, in order to carry back to their states the benefits of the work done there. Corn Club boys and Canning Club girls will also make occasional trips to this agricultural mecca for inspiration and instruction. The pure-bred products of the Knapp farm will be offered as prizes to the boys and girls who do the best work.

Governor George W. Donaghey is the Arkansas member of the Knapp memorial committee and he has appointed a committee to look after the raising of funds in this State.

Arkansas THE ARKANSAS HOMESTEAD August, 1912.

Model Farm at Nashville is Planned as Knapp Memorial

Committee is Named to Raise \$150,000

The Seaman A. Knapp Memorial Committee has decided by a unanimous vote to raise \$150,000 for a properly equipped farm and a memorial building to be associated with the Seaman A. Knapp School of Country Life, connected with Peabody College. The General Education Board recently gave the Seaman A. Knapp School of Country Life \$250,000, the interest on which is to be used for running expenses. The committee is attempting to provide a building in which the instruction may be given and a farm upon which it may be made more practical.

The great task of improving conditions of living on the farm, of making



The Late Dr. S. A. Knapp.

life in the country more productive and more humanly interesting, which Dr. Knapp inaugurated, and which his representatives are carrying forward today, presents one of the most vital and pressing problems in Southern life and citizenship. This school is needed to aid the one thousand farm demonstration agents now working in the South, as well as to supply the demand for an increase of such workers who are expected to carry on services already begun. It is needed to assist the rural school and the rural teacher. It is to be a rallying point for demonstration agents, county superintendents of education and other workers. It is to be a clearing house for rural school ideas and plans. It is to furnish a model country school, home farm, model barns, fences, gates, implements and general equipment at reasonable cost. The farm will be located several miles from Nashville.

There has not been a name to which the farmers, their sons and their daughters in the South are so much indebted as that of Dr. Knapp. His practical wisdom, his sane counsel and his untiring energy have reached hundreds of thousands of families. He has made agricultural pursuits more worth while, and he has inaugurated a work which must not be allowed to decline. Every family in the South has profited by his advice; every teacher and every school child have been benefited by his teachings; every commercial establishment and every industrial institution have increased their earnings because of the increased productivity and efficiency which the great movement which he introduced brought about.

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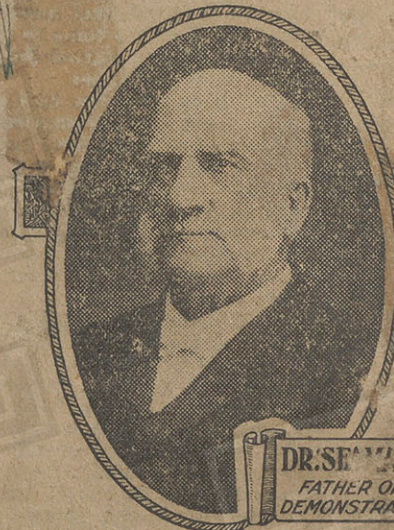
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My family fine - Every body having flu - Lot of flu here

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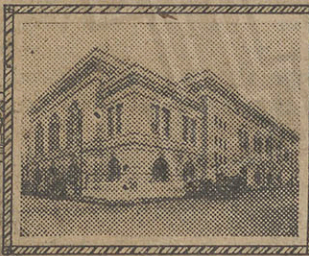
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SOUTH TO CELEBRATE SILVER ANNIVERSARY OF EXTENSION WORK



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College Station, Tex., Jan. 12.—The 25th birthday of one of the most extraordinary educational systems in the world will be observed in Houston February 5 to 7, when agricultural leaders from the whole south will gather to honor the memory of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, who fathered in Texas the farm demonstration work which has developed into modern agricultural and home-making extension. Doctor Knapp died in 1911. He was the father of Dr. Bradford Knapp.

In bringing the silver anniversary celebration to Houston, the south turns again to the first headquarters selected by Doctor Knapp for the new "cooperative farm demonstration work." It was from there that the first special agents fared forth in 1904 to establish those early demonstrations whose success led to a phenomenal growth. Two of these first agents are still in active extension work. They are J. A. Evans, assistant chief

of the office of cooperative extension work in Washington, and W. D. Bentley, assistant director of the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical college extension service.

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The coming celebration in Houston is sponsored by the extension services of southern agricultural colleges, the United States department of agriculture and the Association of Southern Agricultural Workers. This latter organization, headed by Dr. H. A. Morgan, President of the University of Tennessee, is meeting west of the Mississippi river for the first time. Representatives of the north and west are also expected to be on hand for discussions of the past, present and future of agriculture.

College Well Represented At Celebration



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Here is a group of pictures explaining the twenty fifth anniversary meeting of the founding of agricultural work by Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, father of Bradford Knapp, former president of Oklahoma A. and M. college. The anniversary will honor the memory of the senior Knapp.

Younger Knapp and Bentley Represent College at Meeting

Two men who have been closely identified with Oklahoma A. and M. college will have an unusual interest in the celebration of the twenty-fifth birthday anniversary of the founding of the agricultural extension work which will be celebrated at Houston, Texas, February 5 to 7.

The celebration will honor the memory of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, who 25 years ago founded the first demonstration work, sending out four special agents to carry out the gospel of better agriculture.

The two men are Dr. Bradford Knapp, for five years president of A. and M. college and a son of Dr. Seaman Knapp; and W. D. Bentley, now assistant director of the extension division here, who was one of the first four special agents sent out into the field.

Boll Weevil Demonstration

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