FOREWORD

The author has written this cooperative digest for the purpose of making it comparatively easy for those interested in the Cooperative Movement to become more familiar with cooperative enterprises as they exist today throughout the world. The aims and purposes of cooperative activity have been stressed, as well as the constant need for cooperative education.

To facilitate systematic instruction, guide questions have been added to each chapter. Cooperative study clubs are constantly increasing in America, and it would seem that this arrangement would especially lend itself to such groups for organized study. High school classes in both farm economics and social problems will find this book very helpful as a source of information on cooperative methods.

There are many producer and consumer cooperative associations in America which are interested in furthering the cooperative viewpoint of their members by the establishment of cooperative study clubs. Doubtless such groups will find this little book very interesting as a source of further study.

If these pages serve to stimulate the interest of the reader in the vast possibilities of cooperative activity in America, then the author's purpose will have been accomplished.

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