

..... CROSBY, Dick J., 1866-1926. Michigan born. Farm reared.
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 : Taught rural schools. Mich. State Col., B.S. Ag., 1893;
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 : M.S., 1901. English Instr. and Col. Editor, 1893-1899.
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 U. S. D. A. Office of Exp. Stations: Asst., 1901-1908;
 Head Ag. Ed. Service, 1908-1913. Cornell Univ., Prof. Ag. Ext. Teach-
 ing, a notable "first," and part-time farmer, 1913-1915. With his U.S.
 D.A. Chief, Dr. A. C. True, rendered unique service in research, writ-
 ing, and speech, to and through Com. on Instr. in Ag. of Am. Assoc.
 Ag. Colleges and Exp. Stations. Approved ag. schools, separate or
 at ag. colleges, as in Ala., Cal., Minn., or Wis.; and helped set up
 ag. curriculum for Ga. Congressional District Schools. But, in 1902,
 helped lead Com. to declare: ".....the teaching of ag. should be in-
 troduced into the public high schools in or near rural communities."
 Soon, 1907-, he held public school ag. should not be "narrowly voca-
 tional," but should "fit for life.....as citizens.....as well as far-
 mers and horticulturists." Finally, at 1910 Convention, and thereafter
 in print and person, he advocated supervised home projects during va-
 cations; and argued that opportunity should be opened for capable ag.
 course graduates to enter regular ag. col. courses. One of the first
 and ablest proponents, nationwide, 1901-1913, of agricultural education
 in the public schools. -- C. H. Lane and R. W. Stimson.

Crosby, D. J.

