

..... STARRAK, J. A., 1889- Canada born. Farm reared, in
 ; lumbering area, Province of New Brunswick. Naturalized
 : citizen of the United States. Ia. St. Col: B.S. in Ag.Ed.,
 CUT : 1921; M.S. in Voc.Ed., 1922. Boston Univ., D.Ed., 1932.
 : Co-author: "The Nature and Purpose of Education," 1929,
 : Collegiate Press, Ia. St. Col.; "Personality," 1935,
 mimeographed by the printing dept., Ia. St. Col., and
 sold by the college bookstore. Latter persistently requested and stud-
 ied elsewhere widely in the U. S. Valued writer of magazine and news-
 paper editorial articles, including articles in mag. Agricultural Edu-
cation. Education radio broadcaster. Has appeared on prog. of Town
 Meeting of the Air. After teaching 2 yrs., he became convinced that
 the rigid academic curriculum in the schools of the Province of N.B.
 had become outmoded; and that manual arts courses, then new, were steps
 in a better direction. Took special courses in N.B. and at Teachers
 College, Columbia Univ.; and introduced manual training into the city
 schools of Chatham and Moncton, N.B. Taught such courses 5 yrs. Then
 became instructor in Ag. Engineering at McGill University, Montreal.
 After 6 yrs. of teaching there, his desire to assist farm people more
 directly led him to take special training at Iowa State College in
 1920. Since 1922, he has been engaged in the teacher education and
 and related activities above mentioned; and he has ~~become an~~
~~amazing~~ ~~figure~~ national figure in education for agricultural careers.
 -- Barton Morgan and R. W. Stimson.

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