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Dear Mr. Robertson Scott

Dear Mr. Robertson Scott:

I enclose *Return* cheque for 30/, being my subscription to the Countryman for 1935 for myself, Mrs. Charlotte Ware, Boston, and Miss Waddell, Sycamore Cottage, Sandgate.

The Review is always more interesting, and I know of no better, or indeed of no comparable publication for instructing, entertaining, and what is more, making one think ^{ahead} constructively.

Agriculture, and the economics of agriculture loom more important than ever on the national and international horizon, and I sometimes think that the agricultural revival or revolution now taking place in England is probably much the most important development of the century as far as England is concerned, and has of course wide repercussions on other countries. It looks as if we may, in all countries, be returning to a simpler, saner form of life; returning to basic facts and emerging from the whirling maze of what I always think of as the "metaphysics" of international finance, international money mark-

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ets, stock-jobbing, futures, and all the rest of it, which are quite beyond the plain man's power of comprehension, and place him in the power of the small minority who can pull the wires. If we could only get to a state of affairs when every human being born into this world could, with the help of the marvels of science, be sure of having work of one kind or another which would afford him a livelihood (and surely this is no very exaggerated demand to make on life) then I believe wars, and danger of wars, would be soon removed, for it ^{is} this underlying uncertainty which leads to ~~the~~ the universal neuroaesthesia leading ~~to~~ ^{which manifests itself in the insanity of} war.

Our Italian land reclamation work is going ahead, magnificently, giving immediate and tangible results. It is the only encouraging thing I have seen for a long time.

My affectionate regards to Mrs. Scott and your good self, and I live in hopes that something may bring me to England before very long, when I shall take care not to miss the pleasure of a day with you both at Idbury.

Very sincerely yours,

Olivia Rossetti Agresti

We have an excellent U.S. Delegate at the Institute of Agriculture now, Dr. Henry Taylor, who used to be the Director of the bureau of Agricultural Economics at Washington. He has great and wise plans for making the Institute a really valuable instrument to admit of national planning being based on international agreements and coordination. Why not ask him for a brief statement for the Countryman?

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