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To many, the word "agrarian" conjures up a vision of nostalgic Southern poets lamenting the good old days down on the old plantation. In fact, the agrarian tradition has little to do with nostalgia and much to do with the cold hard facts of political and economic life. At the very heart of every republic stands the farmer who owns his land and defends his liberty in time of war. John Adams and Thomas Jefferson were both agrarians in the true sense, and so were such ancient writers as Hesiod, Cato, and Vergil.

Readings

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