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ERAL RESERVE BOARD HAS DEFLATED AGRICULTURE

HARD:HIT KANSAS FARMER BRINGS **UNEXPECTED DRAMA TO RATE QUIZ**

Land Owner Has Biggest Wheat Crop and Worst Failure This Year; Testimony Scores in I. C. C. Hearing

Unexpected drama was injected into the freight rate hearing today in the Kansas City Athletic club when a discouraged Kansas farmer, once a wealthy wheat grower, told Commissioners Joseph Eastman and Claude R. Porter of the interstate commerce commission his personal story of a losing fight against overwhelming economic odds.

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Harry Hartshorn, Syracuse, Kas, owner of two sections of western Kansas wheat land, was the witness. He was placed on the stand to give the content of the stand to give the stand to give the content of the stand to give the stand to give the content of the stand to give the stand to was placed on the stand to give the out to raise.

Mr. Hartshorn and his six grown sons raised nearly 4,000 acres of wheat this season. They harvested a bountiful crop of 60,000 bushels, but, the producer testified, they did not make enough on that record crop to pay the interest on farm loans.

"In all my years of farming," Mr. Hartshorn said, "I raised my biggest crop and had my worst failure this

Commissioner Porter interrupted the farmer several times to question him fc. more details. In one question he asked Mr. Hartshorn what he thought of the proposal of reducing

ditions acreage reduction is unnecessary, for I doubt if the wheat harvest next year will average 50 per cent of

"Most of the farmers I know do not have money enough to cultivate their land for another crop. They may be able to buy just enough oil and gasoline for their tractors to plow and plant, but after that they will be unable to work their land. The crop will grow as best it can. The result nature. grow as best it can. The result naturally will be a reduced yield."

Borrows to Expand In relating the decline of his own fortune Mr. Hartshorn said he was out of debt and prosperous in 1917 and then he was pursuaded to borrow money from the federal land bank and expand and increase production. The mortgages have been on his land ever since, he said, and this year he will be unable to pay even the interest on the loan.

Answering questions of Commissioner Porter, Mr. Hartshorn said he did not believe 20 per cent of the farmers who purchased combines to har- those whose business is adversely afvest this year's wheat crop would be fected by co-operative marketing.

they purchase, the implement companies usually give them three years laws and the successful ones put in which to pay. In cases where the farmers are unable to pay for their mers. farmers are unable to pay for their machinery, he said, the companies are cooperating by leaving the equipment on the farms in the hope the producers will be able to make something next will be able to make som

"But the farmer is not the only who is hard hit by the depression."

Mr. Hartshorn said. "Farm laborers are in worse shape than the land owners. A farmer now can hire all the hands he needs for \$1 a day. Last year the usual wage for farm work was \$2.50 a day."—Journal Post.

Homer Terpening, Wakeeney, Kan., farmer testified at an interstate com-

Terpening was one of several wit-nesses on the second day of the hear-ing to testify in general that condiwhy the farmers could not stand the added burden of a 15 per cent into ing to testify in general that conditions in the grain producing states crease in freight rates requested by

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WARNS AGAINST ACT TAMPERING

Cheek Urges Congress to Consult Organized Farmers About Marketing Law.

declared today.

"Organized farmers are the only persons having had the necessary ex-

should be permitted to draw the amendments to the federal marketing act if any are considered necessary

"These amendments certainly should not be drawn by persons out of sympathy with the act, as is now seriously proposed in some quarters.

"Some of those attempting to say

how the act should be amended are absolutely opposed to the act or the theory of coopertaive marketing.

"Legislation necessary to safeguard

able to pay for the machines.

While the farmers are required to pay cash for the freight of machinery ment since 1904. In that time I have seen many states adopt cooperative

mers.
"Therefore, I think congress should

FARMERS UNION RADIO HOUR

Friday evening, September 4 is the regular time for the Farmers Union Jobbing Association to broadcast over WIBW, the Capper Publications broadcasting station at Topeka. This week President Cal. Ward will occupy the time from 8:00 until 8:30 p. m. Tune your radio to that station at that time. President Ward will speak merce commission hearing upon the that time. President Ward will proposed 15 per cent railroad freight on important issues of the day.

THE FIRST FARMER

The farmer who plowed up the turf In the earliest times that are known Was only a chattel a serf, A slave to the king on a throne.

The serf of the Caesars and czars, A butt for their joking and laughter, A lout in the lull between wars, And a victim of wars that came after.

He was sport for the ladies at court, Those concubines, pouting and sweet; Who said: "Let the peasants eat cake!" When the tax-eaters took all the wheat.

Like leaves of the grass in the sward. When winter rides down on the gale, They bend to the noble and lord. And are trampled by knights in their mail.

Earth's toilers! The growers of wheat, Scourged on in the furrow like cattle, Or flung as a quivering meat To the cannons that hunger in battle.

But here in the West, under God, The serf-driver never can be! And the slave that set foot on this sod. Ceased to be slave—and was free! -C. L. Edson in K. C. Star. THE FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD THROUGH THE AUTHORITY DELEGATED FARM SOARD MEMBER SPEAKS IN KANSAS NEW CUSTOMERS TO IT BY CONGRESS, HAS THE POWER TO CONTRACT OR EXPAND THE CURRENCY AT WILL—EXPANSION OF THE CURRENCY MEANS PROSPERITY FOR AGRICULTURE AND LABOR - CONTRAC-TION OF THE CURRENCY MEANS BANKRUPTCY

Henry Wallace, Editor of Wallace's Farmer, believes that the main cause for the present depression is a "Dishonest Dollar". In other words, he believes the deflation of agriculture, farm products, land, etc. can be traced directly to the contracting of money. He has a remedy which he proposed to the National Committee of Farm Organizations and which they adopt

ed as a resolution, as follows: 1. The passage of a joint resolution instructing the Federal Reserve Board and the Department of the Treasury to use their powers to bring the price level up to the 1926 point.

2. The appointment, at once, by President Hoover of a commission on legislation on stabilizing the price level permanently, this commission to report to the next session of congress.

3. The calling by President Hoover of an international conference of central bank heads to devise ways of stabilizing world prices at the 1926 level. 4. The recognition, by the Federal Reserve system, of real estate, particularly farm land, as approved

The remedy looks to us more like a homopathic dose of medicine than a real remedy for he would leave it up to the Federal Reserve Board and the Department of the Treasury to remedy the very thing which they brought about

in the deflation of the farmers. We remember back in 1920 or 1921 at a meeting of bankers in Washington, they decided that farm lands and farm products were too high and they should be deflated. This was done through the action of the Federal Reserve Board. It seems to us that some action is needed more drastic than the one Mr. Wallace proposes.

We believe the Government should use the power given to it by the Constitution to regulate this money question. A power that has been lately delegated to private bankers. We believe that the Government should immediately issue non-interest bearing notes in sufficient volume to take care of the unemployed, to carry on public works, and to take care of the billion dollar deficit in revenue.

In the Topeka Daily Capital of August 28, appears this headline, "NEW YORK AND PARIS TO MAKE GI-GANTIC LOAN TO ENGLAND. Private Bankers Marshall What Is Declared to Be the Largest Credit in Financial History. TO TOTAL ABOUT FIVE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS."

Through the power given to the Federal Reserve Board and the banking institutions by our government to issue Oppose Acreage Cut

"The farmers do not favor acreage reduction for fear it would endanger the nation's food supply," Mr. Hartshorn answered, "Under present constitution is some severed, "Under present constitution is a severed, "Under present constitution is unpressed to the reduction for fear it would endanger the nation's food supply," Mr. Hartshorn answered, "Under present constitution is unpressed to the rederal Reserve Board and the banking institutions by our government to issue money and to fix the value thereof, this gigantic sum to be loaned to the British Government has been stolen from the money and to fix the value thereof, this gigantic sum to be loaned to the British Government to issue money and to fix the value thereof, this gigantic sum to be loaned to the British Government has been stolen from the power given to the rederal Reserve Board and the banking institutions by our government to issue money and to fix the value thereof, this gigantic sum to be loaned to the British Government has been stolen from the power given to the rederal Reserve Board and the banking institutions by our government to issue money and to fix the value thereof, this gigantic sum to be loaned to the British Government has been stolen from the power given to the rederal Reserve Board and the banking institutions by our government to issue money and to fix the value thereof, this gigantic sum to be loaned to the British Government has been stolen from the power given to the rederal Reserve Board and the banking institutions by our government to issue the power given to the rederal Reserve Board and the banking institutions by our government to issue the power given to the rederal Reserve Board and the banking institutions and the ba

DEFLATION COST 40 BILLION

"I watched and studied the deflation that followed the inflation of 1919 and 20 which Dr. Wilford King, economist of the National Economic Bureau of Research, the recognized authority on the wealth of the nation and national income, has said amounted to a loss to the nation of not less than \$40,000,000,000 causing the failure of thousands of banks and business houses, causing labor to be without employment and a million farmers to lose their farms.

"In 1926, as a result of such experience and study, I introduced a bill in congress the purpose of which was to direct that all the powers of the Federal Reserve System should be used for promoting stability in the price level, which means of course, the stabilization of the purchasing power of our money.

CONGRESS HAS POWER

"When our national constitution was drawn up and adopted which established our government, and it should be remembered gave the government such powers as the people desired the government to have, it provided 'that congress shall have the power to coin money and regulate the value thereof'.

"Congress has only in part carried out this mandate. It has directed the coinage of money and has provided that the unit of value shall be the dollar composed of 25.8 grains of gold, nine-tenths fine, but it has taken no steps to regulate the value of gold, so we have been left in the same position in regard to the regulation of the yard measure, if when declaring that 36 inches should constitute a yard we had failed to declare the length of an inch.

DOLLARS UP AND DOWN

"Professor Kemmerer, of Princeton university, has stated the gold standard is probably the best monetary standard that has yet been devised—and yet the gold standard itself is far from perfect and the world sooner or later must either learn how to stabilize the gold standard or devise some other monetary standard to take its place. In a little less than a half century here in the United States we have seen our yardstick of value, namely, the gold dollar, exhibit the following gyrations: From 1877 to 1896 it rose 25 per cent; from 1896 to 1920 it fell 70 per cent; from 1920 to September, 1927, it rose 56 per cent.

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DON'T CHANGE HORSES IN MID-STREAM NO, THANKS, THIS ONE WHY DON'T YOU SUITS ME. HE'LL GET SWAP YOUR NAG ME ACROSS THIS FER THIS'N STREAM HLYNN RODUCTS. Farmers Union

WHICH HORSE WOULD YOU RIDE?

(The Co-operator) If we listened to all the calamity howlers, we would like to think we were on the wrong horse. But, we're not. Every farmer who does his own thinking knows that through co-operative marketing he can get the most keting at cost. That's all the more reason why he should get his products marketing to cooperation among farmers were not marketing and thus get his marketing are complete—if every farmer would marketing at cost. The complete it would be ative marketing he can get the most keting at cost. Through co-operation, possible out of his products, whether grain, produce, poultry or live stock.

Right now, as every one knows the farmer is getting very little for his to say about his own market.

icy places the farmer entirely at the mercy of the buyer of his products, If the co-operation among farmers were complete—if every farmer would market co-operatively—then it would be but a short time until he could dictate the market rather than have to accept what others want to pay.

Stocks of the Grain Stabilization Corporation.

Normally Brazil imports little wheat from the United States, but the United States, but the United States imports a large part of its coffee requirements from Brazil. It is believed that the results of this transaction will be beneficial to both countries.

Duck Season

The Bureau of Biological Survey has amended the Migratory. Bird Treaty Act Regulations, prescribing the month of October only as open season on ducks, geese, brant and coot. As the Kansas laws are written to conform with the federal regulations, this makes our season from the United States, but the United States, but the United States imports a large part of its coffee requirements from Brazil. It is believed that the results of this transaction will be beneficial to both countries.

Hon. W. F. Schilling, Dairy and Produce member of the Federal Farm Board will eak at CedarVale, Kansas, Monday afternoon, September 7 at the Farmers Union Labor Day picnic. Monday evening, September 7, he will speak at Stafford, Kansas. Tuesday of the September 2, at Lynnau 1988. day afternoon, September 8 at Lyndon, Kansas and Tuesday evening, September 8 at Colony, Kansas.

These mactings are all sponsored by the Farmers Union.

Mr. Schilling was born in Minne-sota and received his education in that state. He was connected with the St. Paul Pioneer Press and Dispatch newspaper for 3 years. For several years he was editor of the Northfield Minnesota News.



HON. W. F. SCHILLING Member Federal Farm Board

11 years. In addition he was also pres-

Co-operative Creamery for 31 years.
The writer, in company with Mr.
Seamans and other representatives of
the Creamery, have held several conferences with Mr. Schilling, and we
have always found him well informed ery program. We urgently request that all Farmers Union members and their friends in the vicinities where these meetings are to be held will be these meetings are to be held will be in attendance. An opportunity will month as far as live stock receipts on be given for the discussion and and the Kansas City market were con-

-C. A. W.

FEDERAL FARM **BOARD TRADES** WHEAT FOR COFFEE

Twenty-five Million Bushels Wheat Traded for Coffee. Deal Made With Brazil, a Country Which Has Not Been Buying Wheat of Us in the Past.

The following statement was made public at the Federal Farm Board office today, August 21, 1931:

The Grain Stabilization Corporation announced today (August 21) that with the approval of the Federal Farm Board it has sold twenty-fve million bushels of wheat to the Brailian Government. The wheat is to be paid for by the delivery of 1,050,000 bags of coffee. Under the terms of the agreement the coffee is to be withheld from consumption until the fall of 1932, in accordance with requireof 1932, in accordance with require-ments of the Brazilian Government now in effect which regulate the

amount of exports from that country. Simultaneously the Brazilian Government, has signed an agreement with the Bush Terminal Company of New York, which company undertakes against 225,000 bags shipped to it by the Brazilian Government to give to The Grain Stabilization Corporation certain guarantees and to undertake all grading, handling and storage of the coffee, without any expense to the Grain Corporation, under whose control, however, the coffee will remain.

When the coffee is affected for sale trol, however, the coffee will remain.

When the coffee is offered for sale
it will be through established channels and for delivery in cumulative
monthly allotments of 62,500 bags to
avoid disturbance to the coffee trade.

The wheat will be shipped in monthly installments, beginning in September or O-tober and will be from the
stocks of the Grain Stabilization Cor-

COMING TO F. U. LIVE STOCK FIRM

Every Month Finds New Customers With Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Co.

While the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Company., through its type of service rendered, is attempting, with good success, to retain all its old customers, it also is trying to add new names to its list of customers from month to month Receive of mers from month to month. Because of mers from month to month, Because of its policy of rendering the very best of service, whether to a shipper of a string of several car loads of live stock or to a shipper of only one animal delivered by truck, the old customers are sticking with the firm. No doubt this service is responsible for the feat that many new customers. for the fact that many new customers are getting on the list and staying there.

An influence which brings new customers to this cooperative marketing firm is the loyalty of the friends and customers whom the firm has served. The cooperation of satisfied customers is a source of satisfaction to all concerned. Cooperative marketing of concerned. Cooperative marketing of live stock is growing in proportion to, and as a result of, the further enlight-enment of farmers and stockmen in matters relating to efficient mar-keting of their live stock. The Farm-ers Union Live Stock Commission Co. is growing in proportion to, and as a result of the growth of cooperative marketing in general.

In addition to a large number of customers who shipped by truck for their firm during July, and in addition to several cooperative shipping associations who became customers of the Farmer Union Live Stock firm dur Mr. Schilling is a dairy farmer and has been a producer of purebred Holstein cattle for 30 years. He has long believed in the co-coerative movement and was president of the Twin Cities Milk Products association for 11 years. In addition he was also president of the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Co. in the month of July this year. Some of these new shippers considered horse to the Farmers Union. 11 years. In addition he was also president of the Minnesota State Dairymen's association, a director in the Land o' Lakes Creameries, and a stock holder and officer in the Northfield Co-operative Creamery for 31 years. The Co-operative Creamery for 31 years. ped three loads of cattle. Most of the shipments from new customers includ-ed in the list of twenty-eight were of one or two loads. Some were mixed shipments. It is interesting to note

wering of questions. Mr. Schillings coming to Kansas should prove most beneficial, especially in as much as it is in the program of our Creamery to establish some churning plants at strategic points over the state as time goes on.

Mr. Seamans, manager of the firm than came in July but consider. mr. Seamans, manager of the firm than came in July; but consid-Creamery and the writer will escort ering the lightness of the July run Mr. Schilling to the various meetings. the addition 2 twenty-eight new customers shows a very good growth of

> The nly load of hogs to bring \$7.-55 per cwt. on Tuesday, August 4, were shipped in by Roy Shumaker, of Wetmore, Kansas, and were sold by the Farmers Union Live Stock Com-mission Co. on the Kansas City mar-ket. This load consisted of 75 head, averaging 208 pounds. Mr. Shumaker consistantly, markets and consistently markets good logs, and usually tops the markets Coopera-

MEETINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Among other official duties, President Ward will speak at Plainville on Wednesday evening, September 2. On Saturday afternoon he will address the Cowley County meeting at their annual picnic at Winfield. That evening he will attend a large community meeting in Douglas asynty Green ity meeting in Douglas county. Green-wood county is holding a big Farmers Union meeting on Thursday, Septem-ber 10 and it is Mr. Ward's intention to be present at this meeting.

HOW PRICES ARE MADE

Fred Uhlmann, prominent grain trader at Chicago, quit his position as a bear in the wheat market and be-came a bull. August 7. Wheat prices came a buil. August 7. Wheat prices immediately went up two and one-fourth to two and five-eighths cents. Speculator Uhlmann had held a bearish position on wheat for two years according to press reports. Thus did one man, a grain speculator, cause prices to change, affecting millions of wheat farmers.—Wheat Grow-

FORESTRY FISH AND GAME COMMISSION OF KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INFORMATION D. D. Leahy Jr., Director

Duck Season

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GAS LAW PENALIZES HONESTY

"This state evidently must come to a fla done in the interest of common honesty, if for no other reason. No law ever was devised better calculated to encourage dishonesty and bootlegging of gasoline than our present gasoline law. It puts a premium in fact on dishonesty and penalizes honesty. If the present law is continued for three more years, two-thirds of the gasoline used in Kansas will pay no tax at all. What should be done is to reduce the gasoline tax to 2 cents a gallon and exempt none. That would raise millions more for roads than the present 3cent tax does under the present law."

The above comes from the pen of Tom McNeal in the Kansas Farmer. We are certainly surprised that Mr. McNeal would take this stand on the refund provision of the Gasoline Tax Law.

The plain intention of this Law is that the people who use the roads should pay for them. There is not a shred of honesty in the demand that the good witness and painted a gloomy picture of agriculture's distress. He told farmers pay the tax on gasoline which they use for agricultural purposes. of agriculture's tragic condition in his plea against the proposed freight They are taxed on their property at the present time for county and township roads, an amount almost equal to the total amount collected from gasoline tax and automobile tax. Then, to ask them to pay an addition tax on railroad's condition and the competition which they have to meet, especially gasoline which they use in their tractors is certainly very unfair.

alizes honesty. That argument would hold just as good against the Prohibi- might be still less earnings for the ra ilroads. tion Law as it would against the refund provision of the Gasoline Tax Law. Mr. McNeal does not go on record in favor of doing away with the prohibition law.

would hold good on every law on our Statute books. The fact is that the mission tremendously as they bring a decision in the case. road contractors, cement trusts, and others who receive money for building roads in Kansas are very much interested in seeing that this Two Million dollars which has been saved to the farmers of Kansas should be thrown into the jack pot and spent on roads.

NOT FAR APART

Dear Mr. Kinney:

In the issue of our paper of July 30 page 2 in article "The Government should control the issue of Money," you say the old greenback theory was that the Government should issue an unlimited amount of paper money and by printing the statement on these notes that "this note is legal tender for all debts public and private" would be able to keep this money on a parity with other money. I am sorry to see you quote the bankers' propaganda put out to keep our Government from issuing money (as allowed by the constitution) and used only by dishonest, or very ignorant politicians.

Thomas Meridth, father of our late secretary of agriculture. James Weaver, nor any greenback Congressman ever did advocate the idea of the Government issuing unlimited amounts of Government money. Some said \$40.00 and some said \$50.00 per capita was needed. The article on the first page of the same paper tells why there was a greenback political party organized and it was defeated and finally killed by dishonest propaganda put out by the bankers and money loaning sharks and repeated by dishonest politicians who were the tools of wealth.

SCHUYLER C. COWLES. Route 2, Gridley, Kansas.

My dear Mr. Cowles:

Your letter of recent date in regard to the money issue is received. I believe you have taken rather the wrong meaning to my editorial of July

member it is that the Government could issue credit money, and by stating that it would be legal tender for all debts, public and private, would pass on a parity with other money. In the Free Silver campaign, which I remember very distinctly, Mr. Bryan's theory was that the Government could take silver on a basis of 50 cents worth of silver at that time and coin it into dollars, making it legal tender and it would be equal to gold or any other form of currency.

I believe, as I said in my editorial, that this is true to a limited extent. Mr. Bryan's theory that expansion of the currency would bring about better times, was proven also to be true. About the time the gold standard

was adopted, new gold mines were discovered all over the world and there was a very large increase in the production and coinage of gold.

I do not believe we disagree very much on these questions. I believe the deflation of the farmers and farm products can be traced almost directly to the contraction of the currency through the action of the Federal Reserve Board.

Very Truly Yours, A. M. KINNEY, Editor

The President's Column

By CAL. A. WARD

RATE HEARING REVEALS MANY ASTOUNDING FACTS

I was in Kansas City four days last week attending the freight rate hearing. It is common knowledge to all that the railroads are asking for an additional 15 per cent freight rate. This, to apply on all commodities and in all 400 millions a year and the armament budgets to more than ten times that sections of the country.

If one should make comparisons in earnings we would find that the railcoads were justified in asking for these increased charges in as much as recent earnings are materially lower than their revenue of former years. As a basis for the railroads application they refer to Section 15a of the Esch-Cummins Transportation Act, provisions of which most are familiar with.

The Farmers Union of Kansas, along with other farm organizations, when this proposal first became public decided to enter vigorously into the fight. than they have been thus far in the maneuvering for position.—Editorial in furnish shade, under which everybody As a result we soon found that the public service Commissions of some of the states, including Kansas, would work with us. About twenty of the farm organizations including some of the co-operative groups of this section of the country employed the services of former Governor Clyde M. Reed to represent us. Mr. Reed was employed less than three weeks before the Kansas City hearing, which began August 26. During that time in co-operation with the leaders of these farm groups and representatives of the Public Service Commissions, especially of Kansas, a mass of information was assembled.

The reason the Farmers Union of Kansas entered so vigorously into this fight was because we thought it most preposterous for the railroads to ask this additional charge in face of an almost bankrupt agriculture.

Might I say that the farm organizations played a leading part at this Kansas City hearing. Our witnesses occupied about three-fourths of the time. And, if the proof of agriculture's tragic condition carries its proper weight we should win the case. The winning of the case will save the Kansas farmers millions of dollars, even in one year.

Among others Ex-Governor Reed placed on the stand two bankers of Kansas who are tremendously interested in agriculture, namely: George W. Lemon of Pratt, Kansas, and L. A. Limbocker of Emporia, Kansas. Mr. Lemon owns some twenty-five or twenty-six thousand acres of land and has heavy interests in five or six banks. He threshed around 60,000 bushels of wheat this year. His testimony was very colorful and told the story of farmers going broke and as a result, lasting depression in all lines of business until a degree of prosperity has returned to agriculture. Mr. Lemor testified that the deposits in his Pratt, Kansas bank had fallen from more than two million dollars to one million two hundred thousand in the last three years. The difference measured the loss of working capital of farmers, he said.

Mr. Limbocker testified that the trouble as he saw it, too little incom and too much expense. The present conditions are the worst he has ever seen, and all business must finally collapse if agriculture remains in its present

The Farmers Union of Kansas had two outstanding witnesses. Mr. Homer Terpening of Wakeeney, Kansas, who is Vice-President of our Jobbing Association. His testimony was very colorful. He stated he had this year raised 28,000 bushels of wheat which had cost him approximately \$11,-000.00 and at the present market values, he had a loss of some \$4,000.00. He emphasized the fact that only a few more years of present prices for farm commodities and even farmers like himself who owned their land and had it paid for would be broke. He also stated the present low prices had their bearing on our educational program and that not a student who graduated from the WaKeeney High School in the class of 1931 would continue on in college or university with their education this year.

John Frost, one of our good Farmers Union men of Blue Rapids, also testified and stated the depression was re-acting even against the religious program of the country in as much as churches in different localities were compelled to exist without resident pastors, because of inability to pay them.

Wm. Hirth, President of the Missouri Farmers Association, made rate hike. He said agriculture is facing complete collapse and ruination of rural life, the backbone of our nation's strength. He seemed aware of the the bus and truck companies. He argued that the granting of this increase Mr. McNeal says it places a premium, in fact, on dishonesty and pen- in rates would, in all probability, incur more competition and the result

Mr. C. H. Hyde, Vice-President of the Oklahoma Farmers Union, at tended this hearing representing, among other groups, the National Farmers Union. He presented several exhibits which showed in a convincing way The argument that this law should be repealed because it is abused present conditions of farmers and of agriculture and should impress the Com-

One witness testified that 80 per cent of the farmers of Kansas were in solvent. The testimony given by the many witnesses all seemed to bear evidence along the same line that agriculture was in no position at the present time to carry additional freight rate charges. It was quite noticeable throughout the hearing that the railroad attorneys were very considerate and diplomatic in their cross-questioning.

Clyde Reed is perhaps as well qualified for handling cases of this nature as any man in the country. He is well informed in as much as he has had a lot of experience and his vigorous manner of approach is always quite noticeable. He goes to Chicago to be present at the beginning of a hearing today, August 31, and after this hearing he will brief the entire case and be ready for the presentation before the Commission which is to be heard in Washington along about the last of September. At the Chicago hearing many others of our Farmers Union members including some of the group from Minnesota and Wisconsin will appear as witnesses.

The Kansas City hearing was conducted before Jos. B. Eastman and Claude R. Porter, members of the Commission. These two gentlemen were quite fair and courteous throughout the hearing. The present rate hearing now being conducted demonstrates what can be done through organization. If we win this case I shall always feel that it is the result of organized groups of farmers working together.

The Insurance Corner

By W. J. Spencer, President-Mana

As usual the Insurance Company expects to be represented at the State Fairs at Topeka, and Hutchinson this year, and our representative will be in 30. I certainly was not holding up any brief for the bankers and politicians. the Farmers Union booth at both fairs. Also, at eight o'clock Friday evening. I may have the wrong idea of the green back theory but the way I re- September 11th, 1931, the Insurance Company will broadcast over WIBW Capper Publications Station at Topeka.

We are inspecting some of the property that we have insured, and course of time, expect to inspect all of the risks that we are carrying. By doing this, we expect to reduce the loss ratio and in some cases our inspectors may be able to make suggestions that will save lives and property.

This last week, our agent at Meriden, Mr. Frank Mangold, wrote a large amount on school buildings at that place.

Mr. W. E. Adams of Mound Valley is going on as a full-time agent, beginning September 1st.

HAS UNCLE SAM DOWN?

The Topeka Capital, commenting on a Journal editorial advising that in present negotiations the American people will have to be alert if they are not to wake up and find themselves paying the European war debt without even so much as disarrmament for their pains, contends that Europe is already outmaneuvering Uncle Sam, Says the Capital:

The people will have to continue on the alert. If they don't want to contain the alert of the contained the contained that the contained the contained that the contained that the contained the contained that the contained

The people will have to continue on the alert. If they don't want to pay the debt themselves, or if they want drastic reduction in armaments -it is said the armament cost is greater than the war debt cost and reparations—they will have to keep this matter before them, and let their

congressmen know they are keeping it there. There is a good deal of elation in Europe, and not so much in the United States, over the Wiggin outgiving, which is taken to be an entirely logical Kans. corollary of President Hoover's generous moratorium proposal. The president's positive dismissal did not deter Europe and international bankers from taking prompt opportunity to inject it.

How about the Hoover stipulation that debt revision must not come until after disarmament? The Journal puts it mildly indeed in estimating armament costs as "greater than the war debt costs." The latter amount to about

If disarmament is to come first the people, as the Journal advises, will have to continue on the alert, and considerably more. Events are plainly pointing the other way-debt revision soon, and arms reduction whenever the interested governments, which are armed, get to it, if ever.

At present there is every indication that Europe, with the aid and support of international banking, has Uncle Sam down. The American people are to be let in for paying the war debts of Europe, unless they are far more alert Salina Journal.

THE FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD

(continued from page 1) "Dr. Castle, the great Swedish economist and the world's authority on gold, has stated, 'that any nation setting up a monetary standard should provide for the stabilization of its monetary unit.' This our government has not done. Its opportunity to do so came with the creation of the Federal Reserve System and finding that the efforts to make possible the stabilization of our price level, or the stabilization of the value of our dollar, which is the same thing, had been eliminated by conference committee of the two houses, decided me to introduce the bill I have refer-

BANKERS VS. ECONOMISTS

"As I studied and cross-examined the witnesses that came before the committee it became evident that the economists and financiers who were connected with great financial institutions opposed the plan to use the federal reserve system for stabilizing the purchasing power of our dollar, while the great economists not so connected favored the proposition.

"In the preparation of this bill I had the co-operation of the late Governor Strong of the Federal Reserve bank of New York, the greatest mind on finance and the federal reserve system this nation has ever produced, but the jealousies that existed within the federal reserve system would not permit his open endorsement of the legislation.

"Congress has given to the federal reserve system the right to regulate the volume of money of the nation through authority to buy and sell government securities. If they buy government securities they add to the member banks reserves that much money, on which the banks may increase the circulating medium ten times, and if they sell the same they decrease the circulating medium by ten times the reduced amount of the member banks reserves. This is called the "open market" operations for purchasing government securities.

"They have the power to regulate the rate of discount that shall be charged by the federal reserve banks to member banks for money so advanced or loaned, which regulates largely the cost of money.

"They have the greater power through the influence exerted upon the policies and affairs of the member banks and of their customers, by means of direct representations, publicity or otherwise, to control to a greater extent the expansion or contraction of credits.

POWER WITHOUT DIRECTION

"Thus, they have the power to regulate the volume of money in circirculation, the cost of money, and the contraction and expension of credits. I maintain that no greater powers were ever given by any government, save perhaps the power of life and death and of personal liberty. These great powers were in the original act given without direction as to the purpose for which they should be used except that it was provided that rates of discount 'shall be fixed with a view to accommodating business and commerce, which if interpreted literally might mean that as long as eligible paper should be offered for rediscount, that unlimited funds might be advanced thereon, which would mean continued inflation and finally deflation and chaos. I believe that such great powers should be used for the stabilization of the purchasing power of our money.

"People generally think that money is stable and that only that which money will buy changes in value. They do not realize that the value of money changes as measured by what it will buy. You pass an apple cart and ask to buy a quarter's worth of apples. You receive five apples. A week later you again offer a like quarter and receive six apples. You say apples are chapear, but the owner of the apple cart says 'quarters are higher, I had to give six apples for a quarter which a week ago I had to give only five apples for.'

"The federal reserve system has the power to regulate the supply of money and I insist that they should do so. If what a dollar will buy of commodities in general is declining they should increase the volume of money and make money cheap, or if what the dollar will buy of commodities in general is unduly increasing they should decrease the volume of money and make money dearer. Thus, they would regulate the volume or supply and demand of money to bring about stabilization.

"There is no reason why the purchasing power of our dollar should be 100 cents in one decade, 50 cents in another, and 75 cents-in another.

"Our financial system should not be controlled by the great banks of our nation. England does not permit a banker to serve upon the board of directors of the Bank of England; France does not permit a banker to serve upon the board of directors of the Bank of France for the very good reason that the experience of hundreds of years has convinced them of the injustice in permitting money, which is the life blood of a nation, to be dominated and controlled by those who are engaged in the business of dealing in money.

"I sincerely believe that if our federal reserve system were divorced from the influence of great banking institutions and congress would direct that the powers it has given it would be used towards stabilization of the purchasing power of money that most of the disastrous ills of deflation, which must follow inflation, would be overcome and financial and economic disasters in time of peace avoided."

This indictment of the Federal Reserve Board, coming from the ranking republican member of the House Committee on Banking and Currency, should convince anyone that there is something wrong with our money system. A. M. KINNEY.

-- NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES --

LABOR DAY WILL BE CEDAR

VALE'S BIG DAY OF THE YEAR

Band concert, contests, picnic dinner, address by W. F. Schilling, Dairy Member of the Federal Farm Board, will spend about three days addressing the farmers in Kansas, first of which will be at Cedar Vale Labor Day. This is a meeting that every farmer should make an effort to attend as he will hear the policy of the Federal Farm Board as the graham flour is out of sight. What is the trouble? We had to pay for our still by this good meeting and let's gro.

W. J. PRESCOTT, Sec'y.

Geneseo, Kans., Aug 19, 1981

Dear readers:

The flour is still a high price and the graham flour is out of sight. What is the trouble? We had to pay for our still by the second meeting and let's profit by this good meeting and let's gro.

W. J. PRESCOTT, Sec'y.

Kansas at Cedar Vale on Labor Day,
September 7th. This year it will not only be a meeting of the farmers of Chautauqua and Eastern Cowley counties but it will be a Southeastern Kan
In the morning there will be a band on the wheat price to sell it at the price the Government made for us. Now they charge us what they please when we buy flour and we don't get a matches and pie eating contest.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

FOR SALE

WINTER BARLEY for sale. Makes better crops than Oats. Makes Best Winer pasture and good hog feed. 50c a bushel. Sample 10c.-W. J. Havlik, Tampa

FOR SALE—O. I. C. Pigs, Peterson and Sons.—Osage City, Kansas.

WE PAY \$3.00 PER DAY TO RE-LIABLE FARMERS demonstrating our Cream Separators and explaining our farm relief sales plan which lets separator pay for itself.
Write for details.—SHARPLES SEPARATOR CO. WEST CHES-TER, PA.

At noon everyone will go to Hewina Park for their picnic dinner. Hewina Park is undoubtedly the most ideal place for such a large meeting. It has many acres of large cedar trees to

SERVE BOARD

HAS DEFLATED AGRICULTURE

with a loud speaker on that day, everyone can hear the programs with comfort.

After dinner the Cedar Vale band will again play at the auditorium, which will be followed by Mr. Schiller, which will be follow ling's address. Following the program there will be a free ball game between Cedar Vale and several army ball con-

The evening band concert will start at 7:30 p. m. which will be followed by an address by Mr. Cal A. Ward, resident of Kansas Farmers Union. Mr. Ward has been a live wire in Kansas. Only recently he called the attention of Senator Allen to the short selling of futures of wheat by members of the grain exchanges, a method usd to run down the price of wheat. This action was called to President Hoover's attention which brought the criticism of the President against the nembers of the grain exchanges for

such practice. Following Mr. Ward's address, Selan will put on a short program. After the free program the auditorium will be turned over to boxing contest with

Max Grant in charge. MIAMA COUNTY MEETING August 20 was a red letter day with he farmers of Miami Co. Our business meeting was fairly well represented and considerable business was transacted and a lot of discussion was indulged in. A new set of bylaws and constitution pertaining to our county organization was adopted to comply with the new state law, Senate Bill No. 214. At noon all present enjoyed the good eats and a general good time with free ice cream took the time between 12 and 1 p. m.. Our State Presilent Ward arrived a little late but there was plenty left for him and he seemed to enjoy the eats. At 1:30 County President Lohr called the large assembly to order and Mr. B. J. Sheridan, one of the oldest members of our organization, gave a welcom iddress on behalf of the citizens of Paola and continued his remarks urging all farmers to join some organization and get together. He recalled times of the past when times were lose and money scarce and he told his nearers that if the farmers and business men would pull together and work together this depression could be controlled. Mr. Sheridan's remarks were well received by all. President Lohr with a few well chosen remarks answered the address of welcome, thanking the people of Paola and its Chamber of Commerce for their hospitality, entertainment, music and free ice cream for both old and young. We feel, said Mr. Lohr, that Paola and her citizens did themselves proud at this time. Mr. Lohr then called on Wheaton Slyter, who recently returned from Montana where he has been regaining his health. From the demontration given him it is sure that the Union members all welcome him home. Mr. Slyter was for a number of years County President and has been close-ly associated with the Union work since its start. Mr. Slyter gave an outline of the conditions in the northwest especially of Montana whose crop failure we have all heard so much of. We are all glad to have Mr. Slyter back again and know he will be a big help in building up our local organization. President Next followed our State Ward and I wish to say that he made the best address I ever heard him make and made a favorable impression on all his hearers and there were a good many business men present and in fact all who were there went home with a better feeling and understanding of our organization than ever before, especially those who were not members. President Ward's talk caused more favorable remarks on President as well as our organization than any other speaker or meeting we have ever had. He cleared up lots of points

let's profit by this good meeting and all get back in line, pay up your dues

When editors of city

as to our attitude on the issues of the

day and it was all very favorably re-

ceived. We feel sure that it was a big

help to our organization and will help us rebuild our Locals. One of Presi-

dent's Ward's ideas was a closer asso-ciation or cooperation of the farmer and the small business man to vote

to send only those men who would

continually work for the good of those who need the help. This sure was a

good meeting enjoyed by all, with the remark often heard, that we need more

men, real men like Ward and "Bill' Murray to carry on for us in these de-

pressing times. When editors of city dailies advocate the assassination of

prominent leaders, it is high time we did something to help ourselves. Now

fort to attend as he will hear the policy of the Federal Farm Board as told by one of its members. The flour is still a high price and



Junior Cooperators Aunt Patience

Any boy or girl between the ages of six and sixteen, whose father is a member in good standing of the Farmers' Union, who writes a letter for publication, can be a member of this department, and is entitled to a pin. In order to receive a book, he must signify his intentions to study the lessons in order to receive a book, he must signify his intentions to study the lessons and send them in. We cannot send out books to those who do not intend to send their lessons. The address to which all Juniors should send their letters is a big town. But I didn't belong to the Junior Send their lessons. The address to which all Juniors should send their letters is a big town. But I didn't belong to the Junior Cooperators yet. I got an uncle down there. We started harvesting our wheat with the combine. We got 700 HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THIS DEPARTMENT

weather? I wish it was a little bit Scott City, Kans., June 31, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: How are you?

I am just fine. My father belongs to
the Farmers Union. I am 6 years old lesson? I'm sure anxious for one.
I got a letter from Isabella Herman and in the first grade. I am asking my sister to join too. Her name is Pauline Logan. Please send me a book and a pin. Will I get a star? and mine is August 11.

Well I must close, Your friend,

Margaret Westhoff.

Care Leo Westhoff. Yours truly, Pauline Logan.

Scott City, Kans., June 31, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: How are you?

I am just fine. My father belongs to
the Farmers Union. I am 9 years old. I am in the fourth grade. Have I a twin? Please send me a book and a pin. My birthday is January 4. I will send the lessons. Yours truly, Dorothy Logan.

Scott City, Kans., July 31, 1981.

Dear Patience: How are you? I am just fine. My father belongs to the Kansas Union Farmer. Has it rained there yet? Please send me a book and pin. My birthday is February 10.

Have I a twin? I am 13 years old, I am asking my sister to join too. am asking my sister to join too. Please put your picture in the paper.

Conway, Kans., July 31, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: As this is the first letter I am writing I will describe myself. I have light brown hair and brown eyes. I would like to join your club. My father is a member of it in the paper yet. Your nice Junior, the Farmers Union. I have one sister. I am 10 years old. My birthday is brown Power Sth. Please help me find my twin. I will be in the sixth grade next year. I like the children's page very much. Please send me a book and pin. I will try to get my lessons in every time. When I have my picture taken I will send you one. My letter is getting long so I will close.

P. S.: I live only forty miles from you. Write soon.

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LaCrosse, Kans., July 29, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: I would like to live would like to live wound like to love and the wound like wound like wound like wound like wound like years old and in the eighth and blue eyes and dark complexion. I am twelve years old and in the eighth law live we would and in the eighth law twin? I will be very and I sure think they are live live years old and in the eighth law twin? We be twins, in the twin? I have lessons live twins, it? We could almost to wound say live to wound and ways enjoyed it. I sure thought Rosalia Heler's letter was in the live we would law a laways enjoyed it. I

LaCrosse, Kans., July 29, 1931. Dear Aunt Patience: I would like to join your club. Please send me my book and pin. I will try to learn my

book and pin. I will try to learn my lessons. I sure like to read letters in the Kansas Farmers Union.

My papa is a member of the Farmers Union. So I want to be a member of the club. I will try to find my twin. My birthday will be March 8, 1932.

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So I will be 12 years old and I am 12 like and bester both. We had over the lease of the com-My birthday will be March 8, 1932. harvest time. We cut with the compared to the standard of t ears old now.

I think I have to close for Your friend,

Regina Kreutzer. Care J. H. Kreutzer.
P. S.: Please send my book and pin
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Dear Aunt Patience: How are you?

I am fine. My father is a member of the Farmers Union. I am going to join your club. I am 10 years old. I have four sisters and three brothers. My oldest brother has joined the club. Please send me a book and pin. I will send in my lessons. My birthday is May 15. Have I a twin? I will close. Yours truly,

Bernice Brueggemann.

Grainfield, Kans., July 1, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: I am writing my first letter and hope to please you because I want to join your club. My birthday is Jan. 5, 1931. I am 14 now. I will try to get my lesson in. I ask my brother to join the club. He said is my brother to join the club. He said is he would. Please send me a pin.

Yours truly,

Bernice Brueggemann.

Victoria, Kans., July 26, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: I have decided to become a member of your club. Please send me the pin and book. I will be 12 October 23 and will go in the eighth grade in September. Last year I took the sixth and seventh grades very easy by the average of 91. My father is a good Farmers Union man of Victoria.

Elmer Vanfeldt.

Please answer soon.

Fontana, Kans., July 30, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: I did not find my twin will a go in the eighth grade in September. Last year I took the sixth and seventhing lesson. We are having fine weather, so I will have to go and work, so I will have to go and work work are a wing fine weather.

Some color combinations and advantage, says Vida Harris, of the gount for thought I would join your club because my sister asked me to. My birthd

Fontana, Kans., July 30, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: I would like to join your club. I will study by lessons. I went to the Fontana school district 29. I was in the 4th grade. My teacher's name was Miss Bair last year. I would like to find a twin. I was 10 the 23rd of June. I have one pet. It is a cat. I have no dogs or any other animals. I live in town. My father is a member of the Farmers Union. I have one brother and his name is Russell. I have no sisters. My father is secretary and treasurer of the Farmers Union in Fontana. I wish you would send my pin and book very soon. For Lympt it So please send me my book omon in Fontana. I wish you would send my pin and book very soon. For I want it. So please send me my book and pin. I read this paper every week. I think it is a good paper and good letters in it. My address is

Nadine Keitel,

Fontana, Kans.

I had better close my letter for I
Yours truly,
Maxine Keitel.

Scott City, Kans., July 29, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: Received my book and pin June 4. I think they are pretty. We just got done harvesting Friday. That is all. Your friend, Russell E. Brueggeman.

Healy, Kans., July 27, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: I have been reading the juniors letters and would like to join your club. I am 10 years old and I am in the fifth grade. My birthday is March 5. Have I a twin? I would like to get a book and pin. I would like to get a book and pin. My brother, Dean, wanted me to join My brother, Dean, wanted me to join so he could get another star. I will son of Park. She sure can write nice. My birthday is March 17th. She is 12 and so am I, so I guess we can call ourselves twins. I will answer her letter this week.

Warren Settles.

dition. I had my girl friend, Irene Engel, over with me for dinner and supper Sunday. Oh, we sure had a good time. Irene and I will have our picture taken together sometime. Then we will send you one.

I got a letter from Beulah Anderson of Park. She sure can write nice. My birthday is March 17th. She is 12 and so am I, so I guess we can call ourselves twins. I will answer her letter this week.

I have four brothers and three sisters. One of my sisters is in Concor-

Warren Settles.

Walnut, Kans., July 29, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: How are you?

Tam fine. How do you like this

I have four brothers and three sisters. One of my sisters is in Concordia. Her name is Olivia.

Well, we will start to harvest our wheat next week with the combine.

Send 12c in silver or stamps for our UP-TO-DATE BOOK ON FASHIONS wheat next week with the combine.

Rt. 2, Care John C. Dreher.

P. S.: I took my picture Sunday aft-

Grainfield, Kans., July 1, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: How are you?
I am just fine. It has been a long time since I wrote to you. I am sorry that I waited so long before I wrote to you. I do believe you thought I have long forgotten you. How is the weather in Salina? It is hot out here. I was in Salina a year ago. My sister, Olevia wheat with the combine. We got 700 acres of wheat to cut. I found my twin. Her name is Fern Wood. She is from Penokee, Kansas. Her birthday is January 10 and mine is too. I wrote to her for the first-time. I hope she'll When are we going to have another yesterday. Her birthday is August 30 Ogallah, Kans., July 25, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: I would like to be a member of your club. My birthday is October 20. I will be 13.

is January 10 and mine is too. I wrote to her for the first time. I hope she'll answer soon. I got three sisters and four brothers. When are you going to put your picture in the paper? I am going to send you one of mine as soon as I get one. I got some but they were taken when I was eight years old. I got one from my friend, Seraphine Engle. I am trying to have some of my friends to join. I guess I would like to have a star. Well when are we going to try to get this next one in. For pets I have one kitten, her name is Bobby. There are 15 from Grainfield that joined. My sister, Irene, was the first one that joined from Grainfield. She asked all her girl friends to join and they did. We have 17 little ducks. Pretty soon we can have roast ducks for dinner. I wish you could have a dinner with us some day. I would like to meet you going to have a dinner with us some day. I would like to meet you some day and save a dinner with us some day. I would like to meet you going to getting along? I am getting along in getting along? I am getting along fine. School will start September the jirst. My teacher's name is Weltha Highley. How is the weather at Salina? It is awful dry out here. We need some rain. Please send me a pin.

Marysville, Kans., July 31, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: How are you getting along? I am getting along in the glong line. School will start September the jirst. My teacher's name is Weltha Highley. How is the weather at Salina? It is awful dry out here. We need some rain. Please send me a pin.

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Marysville, Kans., July 31, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: How are you fine. We have in the paper? I am going to try to get this next one in. I have not found my twin yet. My birthday is the 27th of February. I am 13 years old. When are you going to put here. We have a deal me a pin My father is a member of the Farmers Union. I will try to study my lessons good.

Your friends, Alberta Towney.
P. S.: Please send my book and pin Hays, Kans., July 26, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: I had just a few minutes to spend so I thought you would be glad if I would write and thank you for the prize you sent me for winning the essay. I read the Coperators' page every week and en-

Opal Towney

Grainfield, Kans., July 27, 1931. Dear Aunt Patience: I thought I'd

they are very nice. I have been reading the column for a long time and I think it is very nice. Please send my book and pin as soon as possible. I

very nice.

Your nephew, Harold Runft.

operators' page every week and en-Yours truly,
Irene Logan.

P. S.: Will I get a star? I also want to join the club. I will send in the lessons.

Operators' page every week and enjoyed it very much.

I have five brothers and four sisters. Say Aunt Patience, did you get my May lesson yet? I sent it in a couple of weeks ago and I did not see it in the paper yet.

Seward, Kans., July 31, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: I want to join the Junior Cooperators, so please send me a book and pin. I will promise to send in my lessons, but I don't understand it about the lessons what you stand it about the lessons what you

are to do. Will you please explain it Marcus Pfeifer.
P. S.: I am 13 years old. My birth-As it is the first time I have written maybe it would be best for me to describe myself. I have brown hair

Your niece, Leonanie May DeBusk.

Grainfield, Kans., July 30, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: I am in the sixth grade. We are going to have and a cat. The dog's name is Misse and the cat's name is Blacky. We are and the cars name is Blacky. We are going to have a picnic August 15.
Well I guess I have to ring off, my letter is getting long.

Start August 24. This is my three lessons I have sent in. It is long since I have written last so I thought that I would write. I must close now.

Here of the you live on a farm?

I will close. As ever I would write. I must close now. Yours truly, John Schmidt.

will try to study my lessons and send them in. My father is president of our local and has been for several years. Why don't you print your picture at the head of the column. It would be work nice. Grainfield, Kans., July 1, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: Will write to you again and tell you that I am o. k. and hope you are in the same condition. I had my girl friend, Irene Engel, over with me for dinner and support Sunday Oh we sawe had a

7186. Girls' Dress.
Designed in Sizes: 2, 4, and 6 years. A 4 year size requires 1% yard of 32 inch material. To trim as illustrated requires 3½ yards of lace and 1½ yard of incertion. Price 15c. of insertion. Price 15c.

7267. Misses' Dress.
Designed in Sizes: 14, 16, 18
and 20 years. A 16 year size
requires 3½ yards of 35 inch
material if made without
sleeves, and with cape collar or
without cape collar and with
sleeves. The cape collar alone
requires ¾ yard. Price 15c.

I have to ring off with my best for a book and pin. I will try to get Your niece, Edward Kaiser.

Gorham, Kans., July 29, 1931. Dear Aunt Patience: My, what a long name for such a little piece of paper as I have.

P. S.: Send my book and pin soon.

Rydal, Kans., July 30, 1931.

Dear Aunt Patience: I received my book and pin Monday. I appreciated book and pin very much. I think the pin is very pretty. The note book is very nice also. My birthday is September 14. I will soon be 11. I will be in the sixth grade this term. Earl, my brother, will start to school this year. He is very anxious too.

He is very anxious too. We have four little kittens, they were born June 18 on my sister's I am keeping a close watch for

birthday friend. Your niece, Grace Eldred Lash.

I go to Lee school. I will be in the P. S.; Do you just want us to use one side of the paper and with pen and My teacher's name is Mrs. Orpha Stewart. For pets I have three white kittens. Their names are Snowie, Mickey and Tobby. I have a big tan dog, his name is Rex.

I live on a farm a mile and a half two teachers. Our school is going to start August 24. This is my three les-

I will close. As ever, your friend, Hazel Springer. Answer my letter soon.

WAYSIDE SIGNS AND MARKETING

A mere sign may tell the traveler something besides "apples are to sell." It may show if the orchardist thinks his product good enough to be worth a neat, legible sign, well spaced and placed where it will show to the best

A wide mat, that is, plenty of space around the lettering, also makes a sign more easy to read at a distance. Besides that, the wide, plain space gives a note of quality to the sign—like advertisements of the best jew-

The most advantageous placing of a sign is 300 feet from the market stall or entrance. In that distance, the reader has time to comprehend what he has read. In that distance, too, the average driver has time to use his brakes—and stop.

Needless to say, the more orderly and attractive the produce, the more tempting it is to the purchaser. Neat, colorful rows of fruits harmoniously grouped sell themselves in a shop window, why not on a highway?

The old lady was very ill. She sent for her niece and said, "Sarah, I am going to die and I don't want anyone going to die and I don't want anyone to be fooling about me. When you come to lay me out, I want to be laid out in my black silk dress; but take out the back panel and make yourself a dress from it," Sarah said, "Oh, Aunt Mary. I don't want people to see you without any back in your dress when you and Uncle John walk up the golden stairs." "They won't look at me," said the old lady. "I buried your Uncle John without his pants."—Smith County Pioneer.

WHAT A MAN!

"Before we were married you used to call me your angel."

"Yes, I remember."

"Now you call me nothing."

"That shows my self control."—
Va nHem, Stockholm.

By F. D. Farrell III—Choosing a College Course
There was a time when all the students attending college took exactly time, only a few people went to col-lege and most of those who did had the same objective. That was to in-crease their ability to live elegantly,

and often idly; to acquire what was regarded as the "education of a gen-

this intensely scientific age, a college graduate who knows nothing of chemistry, biology, physics and geology is something of an ignoramus, no matter how many degrees he has.
3. Choose a curriculum that provides some training in the use of the English language and in history, eco-

nomics and literature.

4. Choose a curriculum that combines training for economic proficiency with training for efficient use of leisure time; one that will help you to earn a livelihood and also help you to live an interesting, satisfying

5. If you wish to prepare for some profession—engineering, agriculture

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I will be in the sixth grade this year.

Gloria Thomas and I saw a mother bird one day drop a worm in a little bird's mouth.

Well, as my letter is getting long, I will close.

Lovingly,

Katherine Truan.

P. S.: Send my book and pin soon.

I will be in the sixth grade this greated as the "education of a gentleman," a man of leisure. At that time Greek, Latin, mathematics, history and theology were the principal subjects of study. In America, the old fashioned colleges that offered this highly restricted educational menu have either changed their offerings or gone out of existence.

The modern American college offers a wide variety of subjects and of college.

Ratherine Truan.
P. S.: Send my book and pin soon.

Grainfield, Kans., July 31, 1931.
Dear Aunt Patience: How are you getting along? I am getting along fine. School will start September the first. My teacher's name is Weltha Highley. How is the weather at Salina? It is awful dry out here. We need some rain. Please send me a pin.

Yours truly,

Rosalia Heier.

The modern American college offers a wide variety of subjects and of four-year curricula. It now is quite common for a college to offer ten or twenty four-year curricula and as many as 500 to 1,000 subjects. These generous offerings are a response to the American public's demand for variety and for specialization in education. They impose on the college student the necessity for making a definite choice.

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2. Choose a curriculum that contains a good deal of basic science. In done sometime before the meal, ex-

home economics, medicine, etc.—
choose a curriculum that provides at least basic training for the profession of your choice.

The most important of these suggestions is to choose a curriculum that will require you to work hard. One of the most stupid errors that college students sometimes commit is to look for snap courses. It is as stupid as for a seventh grade pupil to wish to spend his time saying nursery rhymes.

WHAT SHALL WE EAT?
Asparagus Served in Various Ways If the family has tired of both creamed and buttered asparagus, it may be that "Never-fail Hollandaise"

To safely preserve some of the tender lengths up into even pieces. These should be covered with boiling water and boiled in an uncovered kettle for two minutes. "Pack boiling hot into containters, cover with the water in which boiled, and add 1 t salt to each quart. Process immediately at 10 pounds pressure or 240 degrees F., quart glass jars, for 40 minutes, pint glass jars for 35 minutes, and No. 2 and No. 3 tin cans for 30 minutes." These directions and others for canning are found in Farmers' Bulletin No. 1471—Canning Fruits and Vegetables at

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HARD-HIT KANSAS FARMER BRINGS UNEXPECTED DRAMA TO THE RATE QUIZ

(continued from page 1)

W. I. Cowden, Springfield, Mo., banker, testified that farmers need money but lack even the means to increase the mortgages on their land.

"Even unincumbered land is mortgaged with difficulty because the large lending companies are out of the large lending companies are out of the farm mortgage field," he said.

Your State President, Mr. C. A Ward, is beyond all doubt a real leader. He is the most sincere and aggressive the most sincere and aggress

six years ago. Smith testified a truck will haul his hogs, at his convenience to St. Louis

Because our system is failing and onfor 25 cents a hundred pounds and
ly because those to whom we had

Topeka Capital.

Even religion is suffering because of depressed farm conditions, John Frost, farmer of Blue Rapids, Kan., told the commissioners. Mr. Frost said one church in his communit, had been

NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES (continued from page 2)

price for our wheat comparatively. The Government can set the price for the goods we buy as well as they could set the price on our wheat during war times. A bushel of wheat makes 40 pounds of good flour with-out the bran and shorts. 60 pounds of wheat costs 25c to 30c, The bran and shorts are a big profit as they sell higher than is paid for the wheat. We per cent mortgage. How is he going to

We can have today 3 per cent mortgages on our farms and not hurt anybody except the rich man who piles the money up and deprives the poor man from using it. It is public property and it is a big crime not just a lit-tle crime. Read James 5:1-6. You all have Bibles. Just turn and read this passage. Learn it by heart and you that are rich can guide your pocket and your change. Perhaps it may do you some good. It will do the one that is guided by it some good if he takes it to heart. A reader K. N. FRIESEN.

CRAWFORD COUNTY MEETING

U. of A. will hold its quarterly meeting on Tuesday, September 8th. This is 2 weeks late, but President Hamm thought best on account of the stockholders meeting, Remember the date, Sept. 8, at 1:30 p. m. at Strickley hall. Come and bring some one. President Hamm has a proposition for you and it is time to decide on delegate to State meeting. G. H. Hamm President

G. W. Thompson, Secretary

Belleville, Kans., Aug. 21, 1931.

Dear Cooperators:
As to good football players I would say "Hold that line!" After all the farmers job is but little different, except the farmer seems to be the ball, instead of the team. Plenty kicks, plenty goals, for the other fellow. When we trot out an all star outfit, of farmer sowned and controlled institutions. owned and controlled institutions, especially marketing institutions and everybody rooting for them, they will be off to a winning streak. However, State Union. Mr. Ward outlined genareas outside the Blue Stem councas long as we feed the other fellow our products, he will wax flat and all the efforts of different farm pected to further reduce fall shipwhen too late we will realize we are so lean, we will need leaning posts about the farm for support while producing the farm for support while producing below cost. Won't it be a grand and glorious feeling when Mr. Farmer on every Kansas farm can point to his own elevator, his own Shipping Association, his creamery, his insurance companies, last but not least his Oil Co. knowing full well every unneeded dollar will flow back into his pockets according to his patronage to all these.

Minneapolis, Kans., Aug. 22, 1931. FARMERS UNION A. M. Kinney, Salina, Kansas;

Union annual meeting will be held in Beloit this year.

C. L. HENDRICKS, Sec'y.

in our community two years ago. Only one of them remains in the field today."

R. L. Smith, Fulton, Mo., told the commissioners Callaway county has only five banks as a result of depressed conditions where as there were 14 six years ago.

What his is the most sincere and aggressive man I know.

What we need more than anything now is leadership who can establish confidence in our plan and in our leadership. We are living in an age of distributions of our whole social order is trembling and justly so. Yet we have the courage to live on to possibly destroy one another and why? possibly destroy one another and why? Then we must replace these men in office with men whom we know will knam, master of the Kansas State Grange, testified his opinion that higher rates would prompt many farmers to resort to truck shipments.—

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one church in his communit, had been closed entirely because of lack of funds to maintain it. Another church that had maintained a regular pastor, has been getting along the last year with occasional services whenever the funds for a meeting could be raised among the congregation, Mr. Frost among the congregation, Mr. Frost testified.

differint papers that have been getting serially for a just of the weather is too cold. If the building to be fumigated is reasonably tight and the temperature is around 70 degrees Fahrenheit, one pound of carbon bisulphide is enough for every 25 bushels of grain. In case the building or bins are not sufficiently tight to allow thorough fumigation, the amount of liquid should be doubted or even tripled. The building and I have been much impressed with your led or even tripled. The building and ptrsonality and ability to help the cause and I want to congratulate the sible. Cracks and doors must be Kansas Farmers Union in being able closed. to secure your services. I only wish we had more such outstanding men.
Now that sounds like I was talking to
Since the vapor is heavier than air someone else; and I am only I would not say a thing to someone else that I would not say to him, either good or shallow pans at the top. It should be bad, we have too much of that now.

Well, there is a lot to be said and than two pounds in one place done before we see better times and

Hoping you may be spared to keep up the good fight you have begun, I

am with esteem and regard;

Yours truly, P. B. SMITH, Member State Board Missouri Farmers Union, Rt. 3, Lexington, Mo.

linners were served to everybody and any kind in the building. the Chamber of Commerce furnished a The Crawford County F. E. and C. great plenty of ice cream, gratis. The KANSAS CATTLE MARKETforenoon meeting was lightly attended, but the session after dinner was all that could have been expeted. Ted

velcomed the visitors in a short ad-

dress. Wheaton Slyter, of Osage, gave a short talk and W. J. Prescott, secretary of the organization, made offi-

engaged, for a number of years, in farming in Douglas county. He succeeded C. E. Huff as president of the groups to bring about better prices for ments. bread, meat, fruit and cotton. He is a fluent speaker, who is in the prime of life, and his delivery is very rapid. He area of central Kansas where

A. M. Kinney,
Salina, Kansas;
Dear Sir:
The Spring Hill Local No. 1570,
Minneapolis, Kans., held its regular meeting August 14, with a large crowd persent.
Mr. and Mrs. Roy White joined our lact this meeting. A committee of ladies served sandwiches and cake and peaches and cream for refreshments.
Plans were made and the president appointed committets to look after the details of our annual picnic which was held August 16 at the Markley Grove at Minneapolis. There was a good attendance and every one enjoy-good attendance and committee to look after the direction of Coach Bob Namber of Commerce. The response of the Namber of Commerce of the Paola Coach Bob Namber of Commerce. The response of the Namber of Commerce of the Paola Coach Bob Namber of Commerce. The response of the Namber of Commerce of the Paola Coach Bob Namber of Commerce. The response of the Namber of Commerce of the Paola Coach Bob Namber of Commerce. The response of the Namber of Commerce of the Paola Coach Bob Namber of Commerce. The response of the Namber of Coach Bob Namber of Commerce of the Paola Coach Bob Namber of Commerce. The response of the Namber of Coach Bob Namber of Commerce of the Paola Namber of Commerce of the Namber of Commerce of ing it has done good work and is worth la further trial. Mr. Ward also told of la further trial. Mr. Ward also told of Belt states with grain prices at low MITCHELL COUNTY

Glen Elder, Kans., Aug. 24, 1931.

The regular meeting of the Mitchell County Farmers Union will be held in Beloit at Chautauqua park on Tuesday, September 15th.

This will be an all-day session with This will be an all-day session with a potluck dinner at noon served out under big shade trees in the park.

President Cal Ward will be present to make the principal address of the day. The program committee will have some special music. Better take a day off and attend this meeting.

Don't forget that the State Farmers

The reight rate case, in which the farmers of kansas are fighting proposed increases of freight rates. He touched on econoomic conditions and urged that the farmers organize more combinately and the farmers organize more combinately at the farmers organize more combinately and the farmers organize more combinately and the farmers organize more combinately as the interests are identical. His plea was for a better understanding and united effort for the benefit of agriculture, an endeavor which means so much to every individual in Kansas. Cal Ward knows the farm problem. He is full of vigor and is constantly working for the farmers. A sincere position or such that the farmers organize more combinately as the interests are identical. His plea was for a better understanding and united effort for the benefit of agriculture, an endeavor which means so much to every individual in Kansas. Cal Ward knows the farm problem. He is full of vigor and is constantly working for the farmers. A sincere proposed increases of freight rates. He touched on econoomic conditions and urged that the farmers organize more combinately as the interests are identical. His plea was for a better understanding and united effort for the benefit of agriculture, an endeavor which means so much to every individual in Kansas.

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man, one with much ability he is doing a work that is helping every farmer in the state. The picnic was in every way a success. Wallace park is an ideal place for such an event and Paola is proud that the farmers of the county held their picnic here.—Republican

WHEAT STORED ON GROUND NEEDS "WEEVIL PROTECTION"

Fumigation With Carbon Bisulphide Is Safe Way of Controlling Damaging Weevils ;

Wheat piled on the ground makes an ideal apartment house for snout beetles and the angumois grain moth. Where the grain becomes damp, it is all the more inviting as a home for the weevils. Once the wheat has become infested with the insect, it will 000,000. be necessary to move the grain to tight bins and fumigate it.

"Fumigation by carbon bisulphide tension insect control specialist, Kansas State College, in offering suggestions for the wheat grower who has weevils to fight. 'But one the state of the specialist, have been be result had such a flation taken place in the asset any other great industries of the state of the specialist, have been be result had such a flation taken place in the asset any other great industries of the specialist, have been be result had such a flation taken place in the asset any other great industries of the specialist, have been be result had such a flation taken place in the asset any other great industries of the specialist, have been be result had such a flation taken place in the asset any other great industries of the specialist, have been be result had such a flation taken place in the asset any other great industries of the specialist.

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The insect control specialist warns against the vapor from the carbon bisulphide liquid as being highly inflammable and explosive. No fire or light of any kind should be allowed about the building while the fuming the country were operated by tenants; in 1920, 37.1 per cent, and in 1930 about the building while the fuming the country while tenancy increased but 1.1 per cent in the decade from the carbon against the vaporation of the tenancy increased but 1.2 per cent in the decade from the carbon against the vaporation of the tenancy increased but 1.2 per cent of all farms in the country were operated by tenants; in 1920, 37.1 per cent of all farms in the country were operated by tenants; in 1920, 37.1 per cent of all farms in the country were operated by tenants; in 1920, 37.1 per cent, and in 1930 about the building while the fuming the carbon bisulphide liquid as being highly in-the country were operated by tenants; in 1920, 37.1 per cent, and in 1930 about the building while the fuming the country were operated by tenants; in 1920, 37.1 per cent, and in 1930 about the building while the fuming the country were operated by tenants; in 1920, 37.1 per cent, and in 1930 about the building while the fuming the country were operated by tenants; in 1920, 37.1 per cent, and in 1930 about the building while the fuming the country were operated by tenants; in 1920, 37.1 per cent, and in 1930 about the building while the fuming the country were operated by tenants; in 1920, 37.1 per cent, and in 1930 about the building while the fuming the country were operated by tenants; in 1920, 37.1 per cent, and in 1930 about the building while the fuming the country were operated by tenants; in 1920, 37.1 per cent, and in 1930 about the building while the fuming the country were operated by tenants; in 1920, 37.1 per cent, and in 1930 about the building the country were operated by tenants; in 1920, 37.1 per cent, and in 1930 about the building the country were operated by tenants. FARMERS UNION IN SESSION

The yearly meeting of the Miami County Farmers Union was held in Paola yesterday, the 20th, in Wallace park, attended by 2500 people. Free dinners were served to everybody and dinners were served to everybod

INGS, FALL OF 1931

head smaller this spring than last. Marketings of wintered cattle and cattle held over in this area during

Fewer cattle were shipped into

Feed supplies are adequate in most dollar will flow back into his pockets according to his patronage to all these. What a whale of a field, and what a wonderful opportunity, lies ahead for agriculture. If the greater percentage but looked at it in this manner. Don't I beg of you, don't say, I can't, say I will. And friends, I'll be right there at the fightin' till H— freezes over. Cooperatively, J. E. SHIPPS.

And lamented the fact that President disappointed them. He added that, while he had been a Republican, generally speaking, in 1930 he switched from that party to the party which was successful in electing the governor. All in all, President Ward's address was straightforward and easily understood.—Western Spirtit.

Cooperatively, J. E. SHIPPS.

HAD THEIR PICNIC Adequate feed supplies and low feed prices will no doubt cause many

erican farmer has decreased greatly in ten years due to high tariff and 147,135 farms have been a anioned in that period. Representative Clarence Can- n, Democrat of Missouri, declared recently in a statement issued through the Democratic National Committee.

The census of agriculture, he said showed that from 1920 to 1930 the value of all farm lands and buildings dropped from \$66,000,000,000 to \$47,000,000,000, the value of farm equipment decreased \$293,000,000, and annual farm income decreased \$2,534,

"These declines are the more impressive," Mr. Cannon asserted, "be cause during the same decade industrial assets steadily increased. It is interesting to surmise what would have been "e result had such a deany other great indust --- of the na-

"The inability of the farmer to buy new order of things and it will have to be done quick.

Mr. Seldom's article is quite an exposure of the money trust but it was no news to me as I have two or three differnt papers that have been publishing the whole thing serially for a year or more. I am surely glad you in the done quick.

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reported for 1930. "How can the farmer patronize the equipment which amounts to confisca-

by owners decreased by 356,696, while through an upper window that can 135 farms on which cultivation has be closed from the outside.

"In 1910, according to the federal

Hutchinson, Kans.—The Kansas The time came when the farmer State Fair, which is held annually at wanted a suit of clothes and the tailthat could have been expected. Ted Bailey's orchestra, composed of six players, furnished the music, and it was excellent.

S. J. Lohr, president of the Miami County Farmers Union, which, by the way, is the superior organization of all the Locals in the county, called the meeting to order at 1:40 p. m. B. J. Sheridan, in behalf of President Neil C. Rice, of the Chamber of Commerce, welcomed the visitors in a short ad-The spring movement of cattle in-to the Blue Stem area was 51,000 to the Blue Stem area was 51,000 ment is. Farmers and stockmen come breed they are interested in and de- clothes for your two pigs. sire to make a purchase. It is therefore one of the principal reasons why wanted pigs and said, 'Pigs are up the State Fair is being advertised as today and clothes are down, but I'll the meeting place of the breeder and give you a pig for your two suits of

THE FAT CATTLE SITUATION

(By Art Little)

Due largely to the fact that there were very few replacements made in the feed lots in the past six months, and due to the assured corn crop, the cattle market has advanced rapidly in the last two weeks.

The visible supply of long fed cattle for this season of the year is un-usually small, and for the past ten days there has been hardly enough choice long fed kinds of any weight to

While the long fed yearlings are bringing the top prices, a new top was put on the market today (Wednesday) of \$10.35 by the Farmers

The advance on long fed weighty cattle has been more rapid, and a strictly choice drove of cattle weighing from 1,200 to 1,400 pounds would have brought \$10 on today's market, showing an advance of \$2 per cwt. in the last two weeks.

Our opinion is that the strictly long fed cattle have a good chance to advance some more, and we expect to see a high level of prices for some time to come on the long fed kinds. The market on the grass cattle is a what he needs because of the curtail- little more uncertain, although the

Hutchinson, Kans.—The Kansas State Fair which will be held at Hutchinson, September 19-25, is the State Institution of Practical Educabe as low as 30 cents, and with cotton entertainment, so combined with dozwhich means 6 cents or 7 cents on the features this years State Fair will offarm, the agricultural income this fer visitors from all parts of Kanyar will be immeasurably below that sas, a grand and varied program of entertainment which is far too large to be presented in any building or un-American markets and support Amer- der a tent. The entertainment featuican industry in the face of losses of res include, automobile and horse this character and with a depreciation on his firm lands and stock and Santa Fe Railway Band, the complete performances of 'The Follies Bergore,' one before we see better times and one ou are one whom we look to with oride.

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THE MIDDLEMAN

This is the parable of the middleman. It was told some time ago by a representative in congress Visconsin before a committee of the

Hans Andersen never told a bet

"In a certain country," he said, "lived a tailor who made clothes. A little way off lived a farmer who raised pigs. Between them was a river. Across the river a bridge was STATE FAIR IS MARKET PLACE stationed himself to see that no one passed over.

"The man on the bridge said, 'Well, clothes are up teday and pigs to the State Fair, look over some are down, but I'll give you a suit of "And he went to the tailor who

COOPERATION AT SEA

Once upon a time, says the Western Producer, there was a nation of men living at the seaside and deriving their living from the sea. They carried on a considerable commerce in innumerable small craft. The seas were stormy; pirates swooped down upon them from time to time; disaster took toll of their men and their ships. Then, one day, an idea came to them, and some of their leading men preached the thought that if they could combine together and build a great ship which would do the work of the smaller vessels and which would accommodate all who wished to go on errands on the sea, it would be more profitable and wiser than the old method.

"If we co-operate," they said, "and build a great ship, we can withstand the storms; stand together in face of piratical attack; otherwise we may not survive."

The people gave heed to these pleas and, in the course of time, the great vessel was launched and put to sea, making profitable voyages; riding safely through the storm, aweing the pirates, making them fretful and bitter, but forcing them to retain the shelter of their nests. All went well; better than the designer of the great ship had hoped for; better than the sailors and the merchants had dreamed for; better than the pirates liked. The enterprise was a success; a great achievement. The name of the ship was "Cooperation"; no craft ever sailed the sea more proudly.

Then came the great storm. No one had ever seen such a storm before. The wind blew with mounting fury for days and weeks and months. The great ship was buffeted about by mountainous seas. It sprung a leak here and there and at times did not respond to the rudder. The encouraging voices of the captain and the other officers were drowned in the fury of the gale, and sometimes, when some sudden gust would take the vessel close to the rocky shore, the triumphant yells of the pirates could be heard; they looked greedily for loot that had long been denied them. Some of the sailors and passengers grew desperate with the constant strain. They would gather in little knots on the heaving decks and one would cry:

"Oh, if we only had our own little boats again, how safe we would

Some of them, in their frenzy, would call to the pirates on shore, asking them for help, saying: "The wind never blew like this when piracy was rife." And the pir-

ates on short would yell back: "You're right, brothers; you can trust yourselves in our hands," and they would draw their ragged garments around their starving frames, and clutch their cutlasses with eager fingers.

But the great majority of the sailors and passengers kept up a stout courage. They knew that if the great ship "Cooperation" could not save them, the tricky little craft they had once used would have been smashed and sunk long before. They are keeping the ship afloat and with its nose to the storm.—Wheat Growers Journal.

"And the trades were made. The farmer went home with a suit of clothes but nothing to eat, while the tailor went home with a pig but

"And the man on the bridge had pig to eat and a suit of clothes."-Harlowton (Mont.) Times.

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