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Farmer Jury Will Denounce Action of Farm Bureau at Kansas City

Its Refusal To Join With The Existing Farmers Union Live Stock Omaha, Sioux City, St. Joseph and Commission Shows Its True Colors-That it is not Organized to Help the Farmer Primarily

mors have been affoat to the effect in fighting the battles of the farmer Kansas City and even ignoring the that the Farm Bureau forces of Mis- and whose deep sincereity even his fact that they were not asked to put souri and Kansas would enter the enemies do hot dare question, made up a single dollar in working capital, Kansas City Stockyards with a com- the following proposition on behalf demand "complete possession or nothpeting Livestock Commission Company against the splendid firm which souri Farmers' Ass'n.: "Now gentlethe following proposition of the Farmers Union and The Missing"—and this at the hands of two of the Farmers' Ass'n.: "Now gentlethe most powerful farmers' organization of the Missouri to fill the unexprivate States which here." in now being operated at this mar- men, let's quit beating the devil attions in the United States which beket by the Farmers Union of Kansas round the stump and get down to tween them operate and control in and the Missouri Farmers' Ass'n. As brass tacks. If you men have come Missouri and Kansas nearly 1000 soon as this report rachd h wo leta soon as this report reached the two cooperate with the rest of us farmers changes. At East St. Louis the Farmlatter organizations they immediate- and thereby save the livestock proly protested against such a needless ducers of Kansas and Missouri many which was organized by the Missouri duplication of marketing machinery thousands of dollars annually, then at the same market and suggested you can bet your life we are going that the Bureau forces agree to a to give you a chance to do it-and joint conference with the view of pro- to prove it to you, I here and now, curing complete harmony of action on behalf of the Farmers Union of back of one powerful farmers' firm, Kansas and the Farm Clubs of Mis, thus saving the livestock producers souri, offer you equal representation in the Kansas City territory the thou- on our Board of Directors. We now sands of dollars of unnecessary an- have a Board of seven men. When our nual expense incident to maintaining shareholders meet in a few days we two Commission Companies, instead will ask them to increase the Board of one. However, upon various pre- to nine, giving three to the Farmers

the sacred name of co-operation with not ask you to take a dollar's worth out first exhausting every resource of stock unless you want to, for we at their command and hence during will manage to get along with the the recent convention of the Missouri money we have at this time. In other Farm Bureau Federation at Columbia words, we will handle livestock for during "Farmers' Week," Mr. R. T. the Farm Bureau under exactly the member of both the Farm Bureau people, give you an equal voice on the and the Missouri Farmers' Ass'n. in- Board and you won't need to ask your troduced a resolution which demanded members to put up a penny unless a joint conference between the three you want to And why are we making organizations before the establish- this kind of an offer? Why, for two ment of a second commission com- reasons-first, because if another pany should finally be decided upon. Commission company is established pel its adoption—and hence on Jan of the farmers' pocket and naturally uary 26 the conference thus provided we want to prevent this if possible; in Kansas City.

Missouri Farmers', Ass'n. and the the farmers of Kansas and Missouri Farmers Union of Kansas, William to know whose fault it is, And if this Hirth of Columbia, Publisher of THE MISSOURI FARMER, said: "We are fer you an equal voice in the manage-helping to solve the real ills of Agriglad that you Farm Bureau men have ment of a company which we have come here to talk things over and if spent years in building up and when you are here to really represent the we don't ask you for a dollar's worth farmer who is fighting with his back of capital—if you gentlemen reject a desire to warn the farmers of the 1922) by twenty-eight car loads. The then we won't have any trouble to think the farmers of Kansas and Misget together—for God knows that is souri who are sick and tired of the what all sensible farmers want us to fool rivalry between the different do. They want us to spend less time farm organizations which assume to fighting each other so we ca put in represent them will know where to all of our time fighting the farmers' enemies. And now we are here to answer any questions you want to statement, the Farmers Union and ask, Mr. Woodman, our Manager, is M. F. A. delegations withdrew to present and he will be glad to tell leave the Farm Bureau forces to preyou anything you want to kn w about the financial condition of our company, our sales force, office force or having evidently been substantially anything else you may want to know agreed to in advance, Therefore when

At this juncture Mr. E. H. McReyn olds, Secretary of the Missouri City yards, unless the so-called Na-Farm Bureau Federation stated that the resolution adopted at Columbia effect that before the Bureau forces given complete control and, furtherwould agree to do "team work" at Kansas City, the Commission Company would have to be put under the control of the so-called National Livestock Producers Association, by Mr. Pence of Saline county who Fifteen and which Association is unsaid, "I am just as good a farm bureau der the complete domination of the National Farm Bureau Federation. To this Mr. :Hirth replied as follows (Well who to the complete domination of the National Farm Bureau Federation. To the Mr. :Hirth replied as follows (Well who to the complete domination of the National Farm Bureau Federation. To the Mr. :Hirth replied as follows (Well who to the complete domination of the National Farm Bureau Federation is unitarity and the second a farm bureau man as you dare be and I am also as loyal a Farm Club member as lives in Missouri. And when you say that we formers don't went to see the complete domination of the National Farm Bureau Federation. "Well, who is it that you men are trying to serve? Are you trying to act state something that isn't true. We for the best interests of the livestock producers in the Kansas City Stockproducers in the Kansas City Stockyards territory, or does this imaginary.
National Association come first? If
you want to save money for the farmer and help us to get control of the
great central livestock markets so we
can have something to say about what
we shall receive for our cattle, hogs
and sheep, then we will have little
trouble in reaching a friendly agreement. But if this National Association
comes first and if you want the Farmers Union of Kansas and The Missouri ers Union of Kansas and The Missouri reau, instead of lining up behind the Farmers Ass'n. who, long before your Committee of Fifteen was ever heard Company and thus enabling the orof, entered the Kansas City Stock- ganized farmers of the Kansas City yards to fight the farmer's battles | Stockyards territory to fight their if now when our firm has become al- common battles from behind the same most the biggest commission company at this market and when we have begun returning substantial Patronage whose maintainance will no doubt Dividends to our shippers-if now cost something like \$50,000 per year you intend to say to us that you which might as well be saved for the won't co-operate with us unless we the splendid company which we have in order that the farmers may know worked so hard to build up entirely where to place the true responsibility

was urged to inquire into the finan- teen which was going to work out a cial affairs of the Company and final- wonderful grain marketing plan and ly did so-and the statement of Man- which proceeded to collect many thouager Woodman was so clear cut and sands of dollars of the farmers sweat explicit that no criticism or sugges- earned money and which not only

eran President of the Kansas Farmers haps the reader will more readily re-

For several months persistent ru- Union whose hair has grown white equal voice in the management at texts the Bureau leaders ignored this Union, three to The Missouri Farmers' Ass'n, and three to the Farm Bu-But the Farmers Union and The reau. This will give all three organiza-Missouri Farmers' Ass'n, were not tion's an equal voice in the managewilling to permit such travesty in ment of our company. Also we will Pence of Saline county who is a same conditions as we do for our own Several of the Bureau leaders oppost at the Kansas City Stockyards, the ed this resolution but there were extra yearly expense of many thousenough dirt farmers present to com- ands of dollars will have to come out

for took place at the Hotel Baltimore recondly, because if we don't get together we of the Farmers Union and Speaking at this conference for the The Missouri Farmers' Ass'n. want proposition isn't fair—if when we of farmers who are more interested in Stock Commission total five hundred farmers who are more interested in Stock Commission total five hundred proposition as fair as this, then I place the blame."

When Mr. Tromble concluded his nare their answer, which was forthand if you have any suggestions the conference was resumed, a spokes that will enable us to better service in any way we will be glad to listen."

At this juncture Mr. E. H. McRay. commission company at the Kansas tional Ass'n., controlled by the National Farm Bureau Federation was hope to get farmers to ever line up behind one organization anyhow"-a Farmers Union Livestock Commission

completely unfrock ourselves and turn | And we are publishing these facts over to your so-called National As- for this humiliating performance. And sociation, then I deliberately charge who and what is this sacred "Nation. that you are not acting in the best in- al Ass'n." that the gentlemen of the terests of the livestock producer." Bureau prate so much about? Why, it And to his charge no direct reply was was created by the Committee of Fifteen, a full brother to the late At this juncture Mr. McReynolds and lamented Committee of Sevenon was offered. spent every penny of it but several Thereupon John Tromble, the vet-thousands of dollars besides. Per-

call it as the U.S. Grain Growers Inc. Both of these "Committees" were created by the National Farm Bureau Federation. And long before the Com mittee of Fifteen was ever dreamed f the Farmers Union was successfully operating farmers' Cooperative ivestock Commission Companies at Kansas City, having been joined by the Missouri Farmers' Ass'n, during the latter part of 1921. And now the Bureau leaders, not satisfied with an

ers Livestock Commission Company providing that it is necessary to own

A. and Farmers Union recently announced a net profit of \$86,610.17, while the Kansas City firm has already refunded 19 per cent of all commissions collected and instead of being to raise the capital stock of the firm not only enormously increase these refunds to the livestock producer during the next two or three years, but also hasten the day when the farmer manager of the Farmers Union Live also hasten the day when the farmer Packers and have something to say the Charter Board, in Topeka and about the price of cattle, hogs and was granted an amended charter for sheen, these gentlements sheep, these gentlemen, because of their frenzy to horn the real dirt farmer organizations out of the way, as well as their willingness to create. stockyards. In the meantime, nobody can successfully question the fact that the sales force of our Kansas City

company from top to bottom. And thus with the full facts before ers of Kansas and Missouri choose which side they will stand on-but naturally we hope you will demand your livestock shall be shipped to the Farmers Union Livestock Commission Company which is backed by dirt

dle. Thus, for instance, the recent firm on the Yards, making them first commended a \$10. yearly membership place in general business. fee, instead of \$5, as is now charged February 7, 1923 was the largest ditional tribute of \$7.50 per year? Farmers Union handled 421 cattle, This is what we mean by "capitaliz. 244 calves and 2,080 hogs. ing the agonies of the farmer"—the The management of the live stock more costly than the disease.

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Annual Meeting of Livestock Com. Co. Firm o Yards.

New Amendment to By-Laws Entitles Holders of Dollar Share of Stock to Cash **Patronage Dividends**

The fourth annual meeting of the stockholders of the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission was held February 1st. Two new members were elected on the Board of Directors: Senator Hugh R. Green to succeed signed. John L. Tromble was reelect-

laws committee was adopted and ordered incorporated in the new by-laws providing that it is necessary to own port, is toward shorter pools at the only one share of stock, par value present time. —The Producer. Farmers' Ass'n., recently announced net profits of \$80,479.53, while the competing Farm Bureau firm which is under this wonderful "National before they were paid a business dividence of the profit of only \$40,407. At St. Joseph the splendid dend in cash. Up until 1923 anyone firm jointly maintained by the M. F. owning less than ten shares was paid and Farmers Union recently and his business dividend in extra shares of stock until such time as he owned

At the annual stockholders meeting from ten to thirty thousand dollars No action was completed in this matstock Commission appeared before \$25,000.00 in capital stock

\$25,000.00. At the present time \$13. 000.00 in capital stock has been paid in and there remains several thousbig, net, fat payrolls, are making the and dollars of the 1922 patronage sacred name of "co-operation" a mat- dividend to be paid in capital stock ter of jibe and jest at the various when applications for same have been received from our 1922 customers.

Under the Missouri State laws it is required that 51 per cent of the capfirm isn't getting the "full market" or that it is not a splendid and efficient a charter or license will be granted. The Live Stock Exchange building is located in Missouri, also the greater them, we are willing to let the farm part of the business transacted at the Kansas City Yards is transacted on the Missouri side.

JANUARY BIGGEST MONTH Receipts of live stock received in January by the Farmers Union Live "National Associations," or in build organization of the business, exceeding up hige, new payrolls. And we ing the next largest month (October whole Country against the apparent month of January 1923 shows an desire of certain so-called farmer increase of two hundred and eleven leaders to capitalize the very agony cars over January 1922. Kansas City of the farmer-and in other words. Stock Yards Company records show to make farm organization a "good that the Farmers Union sold forty thing" for those who sit in the sad- car loads more hogs than any other Bureau convention at Columbia re- place in the Hog Yards and seventh

in many counties-and when the single day in amount of stock handled Farm Clubs of Missouri and the Farm in the history of the firm, totaling ers Union of Kansas are supplying fifty-one cars sold, three bought. Toorganizations that are "bringing home tal receipts at the Kansas City Yard the bacon" at an annual cost of only on February 7, 11,000 cattle, 1,000 \$2.50 why should farmers pay an ad-calves and 16,000 hogs, of which the

sinister tendency to make the cure commission firm desires to thank it many customers for their good-will Only recently a coalition was form and patronage in 1922 and to ask ed between the Farmers Union of each one to come back to us in 1923 Arkansas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebras- and bring your friends with you, so that at the end of this year there ry on.

THE CALIFORNIA POOLS Wheat marketing associations considering the advisability of establishing pools of shorter duration than are now in use will be interested in a recent census taken of shipping assoc fations for orange and lemon growers operating through the California Fruit

Growers' Exchange. According to the survey a complete season's pool for oranges is favored by about one-third of the associations reporting, while about as many more make from two to three pools each has ceased to function can be traced who would carry out their instructions.

three associations, while two pool is reported by three associations, while two pool the individual members interest. Of Every local farm organization must semi-monthly.

or a pool for each pick is reported. The tendency among the older Califor- impossible for them to maintain it in- while objective. This object must give nia associations, according to the re-

But Missouri Farm Bureau Insisted That It Operate Yards For Union

FOR NINE DIRECTORS

Tromble Attends Meeting But Farm Bureau Refuses Unless Boss

The Missouri Farm Bureau had an opportunity to partake of the advantages of the Kansas Farmers Union Live Stock Association in Kansas City, without investing a cent, but the Farm Bureau insisted that the bureau dictate all of the terms, John Tromble, presi-"We made the Missouri farm bu-

reau a proposition. To increase our directors from 7 to 9. To give each of the following associations three directors: Missouri Farm Association Clubs, the Missouri Farm Bureau and the Farmers The Farm Bureau insisted that

their committee of 15 run the live stock association and that the Farmers Union give up the stock yards, so far as management was concerned "I consider," Mr. Tromble said,

"that when we submitted to the farm bureau a proposition that each of the three organizations have three directors and that the Farm Bureau come into the co-operative plan without a cent of investment, that it was very fair." Mr. Tromble asserts that with the plan that the Kansas Union submitted it would have given each

association equal say. At the present time the Farmers Union has four members and the Missouri Farm Club three members on the board of directors.

The young folks in the local have a very important part to play in the cause of Co-operation. It is through them that the organization will car-

will be many converts to the co-operation as carried out by the Farmers firm on the Kansas City Stock Vital Relation of the Farmer Member to His Organization

Charles W. Pugsley, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Sets Forth The Fundamental Duties of Members and the Loyalty They Owe To Their Association and Officers

ficers of the right sort may be able For lemons, either a season's pool to maintain the influence of a farm- better die. As a matter of fact it will ers' organization for a time, but it is die unless it does have some worthdefinitely. When members are not each member some work to do. If it individually a vital part of an organ-ization the officers soon become of die. When you find a strong local no more force as officers than they organization you find some leader would be as individuals. Strong local there who either consciously or ununits are necessary to maintain mem-

I sometimes fear that we lose sight

as the vital part of a farm organization. It is the part which furnishes the human body it occupies an incomi spicuous place. Its presence is selom realized and its detailed funcions are seldom discussed. Its work is not spectacular. It is its work, however, which makes possible the functioning of the other parts of the body. If you remove or greatly injure, the heart the animal dies. Just so with the Farmer's organization. As soon as the locals cease to function the organization starts to decay. It is important for the human body to have a brain. It needs a directing power for its highly organized organization is to accomplish any of tion. It is the brain stimulated by the ife blood which comes from the paid promptly or the power of the heart that determines the direction members' organization is greatly in which the entire body is to move. It receives impressions from the varous parts of the body, catalogues and classifies them and decides which suggestions are important and what

the action shall be The action of a farm organization tinued stimulation of the locals. Neiideas continually purified and approved by the locals in almost exactly it is to be done. the same way that the blood of the human body is sent back through the

heart. It is this purification process which is so often neglected in farmers' organizations. They must, of except himself, If the association is course, depend upon the officers for final direction, but unless there is a continual operation of the principles of initiative and referendum, the officers soon grow away from the members and the supply of life blood is interrupted. If you will think back with me over the history of practically every national farmers' organ ization you will find that its principal troubles can be traced, to a tendency of the leaders to separate themselves from the members, or of the members to lose interest in the leaders. This has resulted in the downfall of a number of promising national organizations.

This separation may be caused by two things. One is the lack of the leader's appreciation of the importance of keeping in close touch with the farm members of his organizaers, railroad men, packers, commistermine the opinions and desires of ducts. those who are responsible for his selection he is certain to do himself and the organization harm.

Another thing which is responsible for the drifting apart of leaders and members is the attitude of members themselves. Sometimes I wonder if this is not a greater cause than the one which I have just mentioned. are many instances on becord where Farmers are busy. They have many the advance of the price paid for things to do. They frequently join grain, or milk and cream, has been a farm organization because they are greater than the terminal markets induced to join by a neighbor or by would justify. Some big concern such an organizer, Sometimes they know as an Old Line Elevator Company, or only in a general way what the organ- a centralized creamery company, ization proposes to do and frequently could well afford to take a loss in know very little of how it is to do it. that community for the period of a They may attend a meeting or two year or longer, if by so doing they and if they are only fairly well satis- could check the advance of the cofied or are mystified, they will per- operative idea. Taking a loss in one haps cease to interest themselves in community does not necessarily mean the organization, except to watch for a net loss to the company, because results. If results fail to come they they have been able, as statistics are disappointed. Very often they be show, to reduce their prices in other gin to lose interest in all farmers' organizations because they can point petition to more than offset their to so many instances where the organizations have failed to fulfill their promises.

If every individual member of an products at the highest price is often organization would give a few minutes so great that the loyalty and good serious consideration to the organiza- intentions of the member break. I am tion's problems each day that organ not sure that we should expect the ization would grow and increase in members to refuse to accept the high power and could not fall to accom- prices unjustly offered by concerns plish the purposes for which it was in their efforts to break up a cooperaestablished. Leaders could not grow tive organization. It seems to me that apart from the organization then be- the better plan is to recognize that

The most important factor in the the members. If they failed in their success of any farmers' organization duty these thinking members would is the active interest of individual take sufficient interest to change ofmembers. The cause of the death of ficers and put in somebody who practically every organization that would properly represent them and

have some real object in life or it consciously recognizes this important bers interest in any large organiza- point. He may not know that he is keeping his organization alive by giving every member something to do, of the importance of the local unit but that it nearly always the fact. There is some committee work, there is some errand to perform, there is the very life blood. Like the heart of some point in the management which needs the member's consideration, there is some decision to be made a bout contracting or expanding the business, in fact, anything of import-

ance. A farmers' organization can not expect to be a power unless it has money with which to work. If it is a business organization, it can secure its money from a proper conduct of its business enterprises. If it is an organization which must depend upon membership fees, then the individual member must pay these fees if the its purposed. These fees must be weakened. No officers can make plans unless they know with some degree of certainty how much money is available to bring about the accomplishment of those plans.

I see a danger in any fee, large or small, if the members' interest and activity ceases, except in a perfuncests in the governing machinery tory manner upon the payment of the which is established. Whether we are fee. This danger under such circum hinking of local organizations, State stances is probably greater when a organizations, or national organiza. large fee is paid. The reason for this ions, the directing power is usually is that the member will have a feellodged in elected officers and boards ing that he has done his part when of directors. This power, however, can he has paid the fee and that it's up to something for him in return. He forther can it function unless it gets its gets that he is the man who must determine what is to be done and how

> If a farmer joins a cooperative business association he must remember that he must support this association or it is likely to fail. He owes it an obligation which no one can fulfill organized to sell his products he must sell his products through the association or it is certain to fail in its object. There is only one method that I know of by which he can be relieved of his responsibility i nthis direction. That is by the establishment of some sort of a rule which will require him to pay into the treasury of his association a certain amount for all grain or other products marketed in some other way.

In many places this sort of a provision has been very helpful in maintaining the existence of the cooperative association which has been responsible for establishing those fair

Up to the present time the most of our cooperative commodity organizations are rural and local in character. They do not have a big strong tion. He comes in contact with bank- central organization with sufficient funds to fight their battles at terminsion men and national and State of al markets or before the courts. If ficers and politicians much more fre- they are to succeed locally they must quently than he comes in personal therefore provide for their own existcontact with the members on the ence and at the same time permit farms. Unless he establishes some their members to take advantage of system by which he can closely ae- the best prices offered for their pro-

It frequently happens that the establishment of a cooperative buying or selling agency in a community immediately brings about a readjustment of prices on the part of those concerns doing business in the community, greatly to the advantage of members and non-members. There communities where there is no com small losses. The temptation placed at the door

of the individual member to sell his cause they would be held to a proper the important thing is to keep the co-course by the average opinion of all (Continued on Page 2)

Final Income Tax Ruling on Patronage Dividends

"Income to Co-operative associations derived on the patronage to or from stockholders is exempt Income Tax." This is acknowledged by the Revenue Department in recent conferences held with the Commissioner at Washington, D. C. as well as through communications recently received from the commissioner himself.

We quote a portion of a wire received by President Tromble signed by Commissioner Blair, January 30th, 1923 as follows; "Ruled that Co-operative associations in Kansas are not generally exempt But PATRONAGE DIVIDENDS are deductable in arriving at net income of associations subject to tax. Understood when you were here that Ruling was satisfactory. Kindly advise if you do not agree with the Ruling or whether Collector and Revenue Agents (at Wichita) refuse to follow it. Have not ruled and cannot rule that patronage rebates are not Income to person receiving them. Signed, Blair, Commissioner.

We have worked with John Tromble and other state officers of the Farmers Union and have been successful in getting the Revenue Department to acknowledge that these STOCKHOLDERS PROFITS are deductable in making out the Income Tax returns, also that each tax payer who has been or may be assessed additional tax on stockholders Refundable amounts can now claim exemption for the entire Refundable amount and in case where tax was paid on entire income Refunds can be secured for the stockholder's percentage portion.

IMPORTANT All those associations who have been examined especially for the CALENDAR YEAR 1917 MUST file appeal direct with the Commissioner of Internal Revenue at Washington and claim refund (if paid) or abatement if already assessed.

This appeal and claim should be made out in affidavit form, sworn to before a Notary and filed with the Commissioner at Washington before March 1, 1923 which is the expiration date of the "Statute of Limitations," a law which gives the Government the right to assess and Collect Ta xafter the five year period vithout further investigations.

REMEMBER, this ruling is for every co-operative association in the State of Kansas or elsewhere and is of no value unless you associations take advantage of it's meaning which is NOT that you can now sit back and forget that you were examined and assessed additional tax BUT THAT if you set forth before the Department in affidavit form the total purchases from sales to the stockholders showing what percenage that is to the total business or the year, the department will allow as a deduction the same percentage amount from Gross Income, in arriving at Net Income, for the tax return,

Any further information will be gladly furnished you upon request if you write the Kansas Farmers Union Auditing Association, Salina, Kansas, your own auditing department.

Again, DO NOT FORGET to look after this at once if assessment has been made on the 1917 year. Respectfully Submitted,

Kansas Farmers Union Co-Operative Auditing Association.

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NEWS WHEN NEWS

We are more than glad to print articles from the different locals because we believe that is one of the interesting features of the peper. We know that we enjoy reading of the work of the locals in different parts of the state and feel that our readers are likewise benefitted.

However we like to print thee articles when They really are news. We do not like to have to run a story of a meeting of a local that happened two months ago and the only way we can get this story in while it is fresh is for the local correspondent to send it in immediately after the

We wish that every correspondent would make it a point to get their stuff to us just as quickly as they can after it has happened and then it will be up to us to see that it gets into the paper while "news is news."

MILITARISTIC AMERICA

It takes a long time to get the fighting fever out of the blood. It is now more than four years since the war ended. Every one hoped that the ace would be followed by general disarmament. Nothing of the sort has happened. There are more men under arms, more warships in commission, and more devilish engines and appliance for wholesale murder in existence now than ever before in time of peace in the whole history of the world.

France has an army of a million men all perfeatly trained and equipped with every modern invention for the destruction of human life. With that great army, the most perfect and most powerful that any nation ever kept except in a time of national peril, an attempt is being made to force Germany to make reparation payments that are impossible. A whole nation is to be enslaved by armed force. Nothing will be accomplished except that the seeds of hate will be sown in soil in which they will grow for generations to come.

The United States pays more than 300 million dollars a year for a navy. The standing army is 25 per cent greater in numbers and more than a hundred per cent effective than it was seven years ago. The national guards strength is more than 100 per cent greater. There is twice the number of trained officers in commission. There are 69,000 reserve officers. More than 100,000 boys are being trained in student officers departments of our high schools and colleges. Every year more than 20,000 civilians are drilled in the summer

More than 90 cents of every dollar paid into the treasury of our country is used for military purposes to prepare for wars in the future or pay the expenses of wars that are past. If all armies could be disbanded and all war ships dismantled peace, order, and prosperity woul soon be restored the world over. Unless Europe is soon relieved from the crushing burden of militarism the darkness and barbarism of the Middle Ages will soon settle like a pall over all the nations and the divilization that blossomed as the slow development of ten centuries will be blotted out in a single generation.

THE PROPOSED SCHOOL CODE

The School Code Commission has done a lot of hard work. The bill introduced into the legislature to carry the commissions recommendations into effect is in many ways a fine and constructive measure, it is the result of two years of unselfish and intelligent labor by Senator J. M. Johnson, Mrs. Ida M. Walker and their colleagues. It is almost certain that the legislature will refuse to follow the Commission and that adjourn-

ment will find nothing done in the way of clearing up the confusion that is now the most marked characteristic of our Kansas school laws. If the Code fails it will because it contains only two or three objectionable features.

There is no excuse for creating a county board of education. It is the sort of a proposition that the patrons of the rural schools will never accept willingly. The proposed county board has no functions assigned to it that could not as well be given to the county commissioners. Had that been done one half the objection to the commissions report would have been a bided.

The consolidation of all district schools within a rural high school district and their administra-

tion by a single board as also objectionable from the farmers point of view. If the commission had made four classes of districts-city, community, rural high, and elementary rural with provisions for converting the rural high territories into community districts by the voluntary action of the tax payers another big group of objectors would have been silenced.

. The extraordinary requirements of eligibility for the office of state superintendent of public instruction also provokes much opposition. The most successful school men in Kansas, the most highly paid and highly prized city superintendents are made ineligible for the state superintendency. Probably not a single county superintendent now in service in the state could qualify for the office. In fact it is doubtful if there are a dozen men in Kansas who would be eligible under the provisions of the Johnson bill. It would make the present state superintendent ineligible for re-election and would bar practically every man and woman in the state who could afford to take the place

for the salary offered. None of the objectionable features of the code bill are vital. They can all be eliminated without any impairment of the value of the proposed legislation. Will the friends of the bill listen to reason and cut out the weak features or will they insist on all or nothing and get nothing?

Dr. George E. Vincent, Chairman of the Rockefeller Foundation; Mr. Julius Barnes, president of the United States Chamber of Commerce and President Storey of the Santa Fe Railroad all agree that the railroads are in the middle of a mighty bad fix and that they can neither earn nor borrow money to maintain the efficiency of their power and the condition of their tracks. It is rash to disagree with such an aggregation of brains and gall but as the reports show that more loaded freight cars were moved last year than in any other twelve months in history and that higher average rates were charged for that service the farmers would like to know what the roads do with the money.

DR. COUE AND THE FARMERS For something more than year there has been a great nation wide experiment in Christian science or auto suggestion going on in the country. It has taken the form of a universal effort to convince farmers that they are prosperous. A few days ago the Topeka Capital carried an editorial in which it cheerfully called attention to the fact that the farmers have again begun to buy.

There may be some truth in that statement. The average family has been doing without things so long that some purchasing is necessary in the interest of decency and comfort. The old clothes are just about worn out. The old machinery has been repaired so often that it must be replaced before it can be used in making another crop. The old carpets and furniture are threadbare and shabby. The farmers are doing some buying of crops not yet planted. For three years all have been impairing and decreasing their capital in order to keep going. The only truth in relation to the farmers actual condition that stands boldly out in the news that he is buying more is that for some reason his credit has improved and he is now able to make new debts.

AMERICAN AGRICULTURAL WEALTH

The Fourteenth census taken as of January first, 1920, gives the total agricultural wealth of America \$77,000,000,000. That is a lot of property and if it all belongs to the Farmers and is all actual and unincumbered it means much. A little analysis may disclose some interesting new truth in this connection.

It must not be overlooked that in this figure is included all the wealth of the republic that is used in agriculture. It is agricultural wealth not farmers wealth or property that is meant. Forty per cent of the farm lands of the United States are operated by tenant farmers and share croppers. Those lands are worth a good many billions of dollars and while they may be included in the inventory of agricultural wealth they do not belong to the farmers or bear witness to the success of farming. Rented lands are incontrovertible evidence of the failure rather than of the success of agriculture: their value must be deducted from the total if we are to get at the truth of the

farmers condition. Sixty per cent of the agricultural lands of the republic are operated by owners who now owe about \$5,000,000,000 on mortgages—it was over four billions two years ago and has since increased very considerably. The floating, current, unfunded debt of the farmers is about seven billions more. This makes a total of TWELVE BILLONS of debts that must be subtracted from that hand some total of \$77,000,000,000. It is generally conceded that there has been a shrinkage of about \$15,000,000,000 of agricultural wealth and it will be found that the farmers themselves are in the enjoyment of less than THIRY BILLIONS of Dollars worth of unincumbered property There are hundreds of thousands of fine hard working farm folks whose property sold by the sheriff, at auction, or in any forced manner would not realize enough to pay the debts against it.

Agricultural conditions are not improving and cannot improve until the farmer has broader markets, higher prices, and lower costs of operation.

THE CO-OPERATIVE BANKING BILL

The Farmers Union Cooperative banking bill passed the Kansas House of Representatives last Friday. It received exactly sixty three votes or the smallest possible number that it had to have to get through. With almost no exceptions the bankers and the lawyers in the house voted against the bill. The strangest part of the whole performance, however, was that at least twenty members classified as farmers voted with the bankers and lawyers.

A number of opponents explained their votes. Some were afraid that the proposed banking system would be unsafe. Some were afraid of experiments. Some were afraid of the whole system or

project of cooperation. Not one of the explanations that went into the record contained any real criicism of the measure on its merits.

Not less striking than the explanations of opponents was the absence from roll call of about a dozen farmers and others who had promised to vote for the measure. Those men had been told by their own bankers that it would not be wise for them to vote for the bill. They were silent or absent not from choice but under compulsion and duress. Their situation is itself an eloquent and convincing argument in favor of the measure.

DANGERS OF THE COOPERATIVE SYSTEM One of the ablest and most honest of the young lawyers who voted against the enactment of he Farmers Union Cooperaive Banking law explained his position by stating that he is afraid of cooperation because there have been so many failures of that sort of enterprise in his county.

There have been three cooperative failures in that county. The first was a big department store in which a group of trades unionists undertook to carry on a hundred thousand dollar business with less than ten thousand dollars of paid up capital. It was almost a hopeless undertaking from the first but would have succeeded except for the dishonesty of men in whom the cooperators reposed too much confidence. A second was a cooperative store conducted for some time by a group of farmers most of whom belonged to the Grange.A third was a cooperative store conducted by members of the Farmers Union. There was no good reason for the failure of either of those stores. They were destroyed not by the defects of the system but by dissentions within the membership and by lack of support by the men who had established them as service institutions for their own use and benefit,

If that young lawyer is consistent in his thinking he must also have serious doubts as to the safety of either state or national banks, A state bank in his own home town was once wrecked by the dishonesty of its manager who owned a large proportion of the stock. Every shareholder lost every dollar that he had invested in that institution and the depositors were not paid anything like in full. The disaster was complete and irretrievable but other state banks have since been established there and are highly successful,

In 1907 The First National Bank of the same city closed its doors and the depositors and shareholders lost about \$400,000. The managing officer of that bank may not have been dishonest but he financed so many rotten enterprises of one sort or another that he ruined the institution and dealt the business prosperity of that town a blow from which it has even yet not fully recovered. Yet our young friend could not oppose the establishment of more national banks because the First National of his city failed with such terri-

ble results to all concerned. In the same city during the past twenty five years there have been several big business failures. A dry goods company was forced to liquidthis winter but they are spending the proceeds ate, an old and well established hardware firm was saved from wreck only by the unselfish sac rifice of many thousands of dollars by a personal friend of one of the managing partners, and there have been several quite complete failures of grocers and others.

The failure of that First National Bank cost the community in which our young friend resides more than four times as much money as was lost in all three of the cooperative disasters that were such a warning to him. The failure of the state bank a little earlier lost more for depositors and shareholders than the total unliquidated losses of the three cooperative bankruptcies. The mercantile failures in that town during the past twenty years involved easily twice as much total loss as was suffered from the cooperative disas-

If that young legislator was justified in voting against the cooperative banking bill for the reasons that he stated he would also be justified in advising his friends and associates from investing their money in any sort of commercial banking enterprise. The truth is that every cooperative failure in this country can be matched with a dozen individual, copartnership, or corporation failures. For every dollar lost in cooperative enterprise a thousand has been lost through the incompetency and dishonesty of the managers of similar institutions conducted for profit,

BUILD UP A BUSINESS RESERVE Farmers Union Cooperatives that were honestly and competently managed during the past year and that had the support of anything like a hundre per cent of their own members made money. Will the shareholders and directors distribute those profits and begin the new year in debt or will they hold their gains in the business and go forward with increased financial strength and with new confidence in themselves?

Nearly all our cooperatives need more capital. All that are successful can get it for they now have that capital if they will keep it in the business. Next year may not be so good. Better build a cyclone cellar as refuge for future storms while the money for such an investment in security and stability is at hand.

QUESTION FOR A LOCAL DEBATE It is a good thing to argue matters over with your neighbors and friends. No matter how much you may know about a thing there is always some man or woman that either knows more about it

or knows something that you have not learned. How would this do for a debating question? Resolved, That farming with tractors is impracticable and unprofitable. Or if you are not interested in power farming,

try a whirl at this: Resolved , That the dairy cow is the farmers best provision for paying interest on his debts. Or if neither dairy farming nor tractors are interesting, try to get up a little excitement over

Resolved, That no lawyer should ever be elected to the legislature or to the congress of the

COMMENT ON WORLD'S NEWS FOR WEEK

Debts

Due the United States On account of loans made to our allies during the war received a good | Berryman of Clark, Ericson of Lydeal of attention during the past on, Shaffer of Russell, Short of Raw. week. There appears to be very lit- lins, all the bankers in the house extle opposition to the English settle-ment which provides that the bonds the bill. shall run for sixty years and shall Eurer of Sherman, Geddes of Butler, bear a rate of three and in certain Hasty of Sedgwick, Hope of Finney, contingencies three and one half per Hudson of Bourbon, Jeffery of Sedg-

wick, Knapp of Montgomery, Snyder (The federal house of representatives of Morris, and Wilson of Greely are approved the English settlement by lawyers. They all voted against the metals to supply the factories fabrian overwhelming vote and there is bill because they are not in favor cating modern machinery. little doubt that the senate will agree, of cooperation in any form since it It is also likely that the arrangement with Great Britain will, as far as possible, be offered the ohter European countries. England will meet her obligations in this matter as rapidly as they mature but France cannot do so as long as she insists on maintain. ing the greatest and the most expensive standing army in the world.

Is Working Day and Night To pass all necessary legislation before the fourth of March. The president does not want an extra session. Neither do very many other folks unless it is absolutely necessary. If the big appropriation bills get through it is safe to predict that there will be | Legislators no more federal law making until next

If the Ship Subsidy bill is not pass ed and if the farmer relief measures, urday of last week 731 bills had such as they are, fail in the senate it is almost certain that the president will call an extra session. That will give the new members a chance to show what they expect to do and existing laws or routine acts required that is a plenty if the speeches and for the state business. letters of the radical wing who are going in are any indication of their real program.

For Kansas Folks

Are matters of the highest importance. There is no indication that the legislature will be able to change the existing laws but there should be lively work to clean up within the conamendments restoring to the county stitutional period of fifty days as it is commissioners the authority of which certain that at least 200 additional they have been deprived. The law of two years ago does not work. Enor. mous sums taken from automobile owners are tied up and will continue Schools to be unavailable until the existing Are the First Concern laws are changed. The legislature should release that money.

There are signs that people all ovexcept in certain sections, are neither several nonessential innovations is to appoint Howat and a couple of except in certain sections, are helitided have created so much opposition that other labor leaders as judges of the he tax payers. It is generally conceded through. that the best roads for any community are the best roads that the people can afford.

Cooperative

Banking is the Bugabco Of a good many bankers and busi- unnecessary county boards of educaness men, not because there are any tion that is proposed. real dangers in the proposed system but because those who are now in The Turks the banking business are afraid that Continue to Trouble

the new plan would thart them perbill persisted to the last in declaring spect or fear the world to whip the cooperative banking is experi- western countries. in several of our states there are together and all seem determined to great numbers of such institutions stop Turkish aggressions.

that are successful and there are mighty few instances of failure. Here is a list of the members of the house of representatives of the Kansas legislature who voted against the co-

Fenton, Geddes, Harper, Hasty, Hele-Johnson, Knapp, Millar of Kiowa, used the liquor trade as an agency industriously. Still there are other fis-Moore, Nork, Perry Schmidt, Schneider, Schuessler, Shaffer, Shideler, Shier, Short, Snyder of Morris, Stans. field, Tuttle, Wilson and Woodland. Saline, Woodland of Johnson and border cities drink is mighty scarce Brown of Ottawa are listed as farm and hard to get and that the great when human wisdom solves all the when human wisdom solves all the people are glad of problems for which greed and ignorfour negative votes were cast by it and are determined that booze ance have failed to find answers.

opposed to the organization of agriculture and to cooperative business.

is a type of business organization that of the latest and in some respects the results in few law suits and that they worst tragedy of recent times. More have had no part in building up. Tuttle of Wilson who is listed as a mechanic explained that he is not in favor of any experiments in banking. Moore of Greenwood is an abstractor, Nork of Marshall runs a paint and wall paper store, Perry of Wichita

Crawford is an editor, Stansfield of Crawford s an editor, Stansfield of Topeka is a druggist. Union men interested in this proposition and believers in organization education and cooperation are advised to preserve this paper for future reference.

Now Working In Topeka Are not getting through with very many of their tasks. At noon on Satbeen passed. Most of the measures come derived from the sale of eggs enacted so far are of small import, and cream, ance. They are slight amendments to

The committees have done a good deal of killing, a total score of 162 in all. There had been thirteen measures killed on the floors of the two houses or a total mortality of 175 bills. There remained on the calendars or in the committees that day 454 bills or considerably more than half the total number proposed. It will take some greatly restricted and the farms of measures will be introduced before the Howat barrier falls.

put in two years studying our Kansas will be right dull for Alec unless he There are signs that people all ov-er the country are getting down to system or lack of system of school is ordering a strike or looking at sensible basis in the settlement of laws and have introduced a big bill the cruel world through barred winroad problems. It is now evident to cure defects. There are many fine dows. that concrete and other paved roads. provisions in the proposed law but

> so important that it might be wise folks that the Industrial Court law to overlook minor objections and put should be repealed. the thing through just about as stands after cutting out the wholly

The European situation but there sonally. The opponents of our Union are some indications that they re-

The allies have assembled one of They are mistaken. In Europe and the most powerful fleets ever hrot

Prohibition

Makes Many New Frends dirty and disreputable elements that ly to result in ruin if practiced too

for the control of government. firm advocate of "personal liberty" by government agencies or through has just made a tour of the most of control of money supply by private Crawford of Stevens, Farrel of Clay, the states hoping that he would find interests is almost as dangerous but Fenton of Doniphan, Harper of Cloud, that drink is easy to get and that the does not hurt the same sort of peo-Heleker of Marshall, Herren of Lin- people are fed up on the prohibitory ple. Inflation makes hard times for coln, Johnson of Riley, Milar of Kio- amendment. He tells in the last is the rich and contraction is a calamity wa, Schmidt, of Geary, Schneider of sue of Colliers that he found that ex- for those who are in debt or who must Rooks, Schuessler of Logan, Shier of cept in Detroit and one or two other work for wages.

farmers who thus went on record as | shall never be restored in this coun-

Mining. Is The Most Hazardous.

Of all human occupations. In spite out some dreadful catastrophe deep in the bowels of the earth where workingmen toil for fuel to keep the fires of civilization burning and for

Dawson, New Mexico is the scene than 120 miners were killed in an explosion more than a mile from daylight. Saved by a modern miracle the men that escaped announce that they will return to work as soon as the mines are reopened. Are miners wages ever too high?

Fell Over Many Wheat

Fields during the latter part of last week. It was too late to help the crop prospects any in western Kansas. There will be less wheat harvested west of Ellsworth this summer than in any year for a generation. Such a misfortune falls with crushing weight on the farmers of that part of Kansas. For the most part they have all their eggs in one basket. When they make no wheat they make been introduced and only 115 had nothing else except the small in-

The man who wants to earn immortal fame need only develop a system of diversified agriculture that can be practiced in the wheat belt. It is not impossible. There are many feed and forage crops that can be raised out there. Every farmer can make enough barley, kafir and hay to feed a fair herd of milk cows and mature a few dozen fat hogs for market. The wheat gamble must be abandoned or western Kansas must have more

sources of income.

Is Out of Jail Again And will doubtless endeavor to reinstate himself with the miners and get into position to call another strike Of most of the good people of Kan- or two. That is the only way he can sas. The School Code Commission get back behind the prison doors, Life

How would it do for Governor Davnecessary nor possible without in the measure is not very likely to get Court of Industrial Relations? That The sectons that provide more adequate funds for country schools are so important that it might be wise

Austria Is Borrowing Some Money In Wall Street, a matter of a hundred millions or so. This step became necessary when the Austrian paper currency depreciated to a level where it required a wagon load kronen bills to buy a loaf of bread or a bale of hay. Those good folks who believe that necessity and government fiat are all that are necessary to justify the issue of paper money might learn something from the

plight of Austria, Germany, and Italy if they had anything to learn with. Government paper money can be justified in theory but in practice Every day which seems to be proof it nearly always results in general that the world is getting better in at bankruptev and eventually in repud-Berryman, Bottorff, of Ottawa, Crawford, Ericson, Euwer, Farrell, ited States are through with the saloon presses is an industry that should be with booze in all its forms, and with very carefully regulated and is like-

A believer in the sale of liquor, a ful. The contraction of the currency

This will be a real fine old world

Farmer Jury Will ing the first year and therefore why Denounce Action not consign your livestock to a Company that is already established and Of Farm Bureau pany that is alleady you a substantial Patronage Dividend during 1923? And finally, more important than anything else, here is a chance for

(Continued from page 1) South Dakota, Iowa and Illinois, the Equity Exchange in the Northwest -and henceforth these great dirt farmer organizations will fight their battles together and we welcome the farmers of the great Corn Belt states to join hands with us. In Missouri the Farm Clubs are ready to extend the glad hand and to save you a lot of money in the buying of flour, feed, tankage, salt, coal, fertilizesr binder twine, oils, woven wire, automobile tires, etc., while in Kansas the Farmers Union is ready to do the same thing and in any community in either Kansas or Missouri where our organizations have no local working units, an association does not exist at this we will be glad to send literature and complete instructions. In short, not your livestock at the Kansas City Kansas. Stockyards and get you the "last penny" for it, but we are also ready to save you a lot of money in the souri. purchase of the above commoditiesa service which the Bureau is not in

Association at any point which such time. Respectfully submitted, John Tromonly do we want a chance to market ble, President Farmers Union, Salina Claude L. Moody, President Missouri Farmers' Ass'n. Macon, Mis-

we will be glad to send a field man

to help organize a Livestock Shipping

a position to offer. And we are ready if you have any eggs for hatching, to do this not in the dim and distant or young cockerels for sale place an future, but now! Also if the Bureau ad in your paper and see how quickly ablished a new Livestock Commis- you will dispose of them,

sion company against us, it will do Vital Relation Of The well to pay its running expenses dur. Farmer Member To His Organization

(Continued from page 1) the farmers of Kansas an Missouri operative organization alive and ready to severely rebuke selfish leaders who for business, but not necessarily keep the Missouri Farmers Association and by their remarkable action are pre- it doing business unless it can do busventing co-operation between the dif- iness at a profit. It must, however, ferent farm organizations at a time always be ready to function at a mowhen it is more sorely needed than ments notice. The only way it can do ever before. We do not believe that this is to maintain an efficient manathese gentlemen can lead the farmers ger and proper equipment. If the who ship to the Kansas City Stock. members are required to pay into the yards around by the nose and we will treasury of their cooperative associatherefore await the verdict of you men out at the "crossroads" with the which has been brought about by the deepest interest. In conclusion, resestablishment of the association that member that our buying facilities are will very often solve the problem and at your immediate command and also will permit the members to do business elsewhere.

> Saline county is to have a trial stretch of gravel roads. If this work is done right it will prove a hard blow to the hard surfaced road booster and will be been to the farmer b will not have to mortgage his future to kee, a up and pay the ini-

An interesting story in the current issue of the Kansas Farmer tells of one man whose flock of 177 hens paid him an income of \$1.25 an hour. Are your hens doing that well?

KANSAS CITY HAY MARKET

cars less than last week, the alfalfa

market is fifty cents to a dollar high-er; straw \$1 higher; all other kinds

of hay unchanged. All grades and

kinds are steady to strong except upper grades of Prairie easy.

Receipts of wheat this week were 134 cars of Prairie; 182 of Alfalfa; 21

of Timothy; 7 of Clover Mixed; 4 of Clover; 8 of Straw; a total of 356 cars this week as compared with 582 cars a week ago and 594 cars a year ago.

Nominal Quotations Feb. 10, 1923

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Boys' and Girls' Club News

When girls' clubs were first introduced in South Dakota, many people thought the organizations merely a fad, but they have had to change their opinions, after watching 2,227 enrolled girls and young women work in clubs last year. Organizations have grown and developed rapidly since 1918, and now every part of the state has its girls' clubs. To illustrate what this one phase of extension service accomplishes, the story of the Hub club at Aberdeen may be told to show what these groups over all of South Dakota accomplish.

In the Pig Feeding contest in Madeon township, Jay county, twelve finished and all had secured rapid economical gains. Wm. H. Wherly made an average daily gain of two pounds for the 100-day feeding period. His cost of gain was \$3.75 per hundred pounds. Nellie Pearson's pig weighed 65 pounds at the beginning on the club at Aberdeen may be told to show what these groups over all of South Dakota accomplish. By MILDRED E. YULE

teams into real factors in community meal. This was the first club in the life, so that at present they train township and created a great amount younger girls and lead in club work of interest. themselves. Among the girls who were members of the first organization, one attends normal school now

through May Kiethline, assistant club where they represented the State of er. Then they studied clothing; last penses of he State Fair trip and St.

In the sewing club the girls were able to turn out party, sport and tailored dresses which would easily pass for clothes made by professional dressmakers. White organdy dresses with hats to match, fluffy graduation frocks made with little expense, heavy rate of more than 11/2 pounds a day silk dresses for spring, and sport apiece, and at the same time raising

The effect of the "own your own room" project has been seen at State has won several prizes in past years college, where two former club girls A year ago through the use of a selfhave the most attractive of all dorm- feeder he brought two pigs up to a have the most attractive of all dormal feeder ne brought two pigs up to a total weight of 520 pounds; but this how to decorate curtains and waste baskets, enamel their own toilet articles and arrange room furnishings cles and arrange room furnishings artistically.

Brown county not only instilled in in his six years of club work, he re-Brown county not only instilled in his six years of club work, he retained them a desire for high education, and plied: "It was the disappointments and failures, for when a crop failed and failures, for when a crop failed made them accommission that and railures, for which me, it made me dressmakers, but it fitted them for or a pig disappointed me, it made me leadership. During a Brown county want to fight harder the next time milk campaign all the club girls took I had a chance." an active part and many of them are now teaching younger girls club projects. The same is true over the state becoming real club girls are becoming real Stillwater, Okla.,—Up to the time

community leaders. Brown county clubs have been asstration leader, Edith A. Sloan, who stration leader, Edith A. Sloan, who has worked untiringly to make the tures, according to a report which girls important factors in community

office recently in that county and had secured for his club members.

heartily endorsed girls' club work for But "Frankie" turned out to be Grundy county. Girls, therefore, will not only the best gilt of the five but be represented at the several shows the best Duroc exhibited at the county. next year from this county.

Sarah Baskins, Bishopville, S. C.

ferent from all other club members of hogs within the last twelve around me. In the "Progressive Farm- months. er" I saw White Wyandottes advertised at "Hollow Oak Farm." I or dered one cockerel at \$3.00 and five farm," Carl's report says, "but I also

life I have kept a savings account in money to pay my way through colthe bank. So I gave my own check lege." for \$18.90. From Miss Ketchin, our county

agent, I got government plans for a fowl house. It was built of rough lumber and most about \$20.00: my of the New Jersey State College dairy food cost about \$3.50. I fed the chick extension specialist. ens on table scraps and clabber as well as the grains.

Cock-first prize Hen-second prize Pullet-First- Prize ... Hen-Third prize Pullet-Second prize Cockerel-Fourth prize

Carolina would join a club. INDIANA BOYS' AND GIRLS'

A Junior Corn Club was formed last fall by the boys taking Agricul-ture of the 7th and 8th grades in the schools of Pipton county, Indiana. There are 139 of them, and they were required to select 100 ears of corn from the stalk. From this corn the boys selected the fifty best ears for showing at the County Corn Show, for which the bankers of the county offer prizes. This work is required as part of their class work, when it for which the boys are allowed 20 breeds." per cent credit on their grade in Ag-

In the Pig Club work in Crawford county, 11 of the boys completed the feeding project and the two breeding gilt projects. One boy in the feeding project fed his pig skim milk three parts and corn one part by weight, during the year 1922, according to and allowed the pig to run on pasture. His pig gained 265 lbs in 145 club agent, just filed with the directive. days, making an average of 1.88 lbs. or of the Extension Division of A. and and a feed cost of nine cents per M. College.

pound gain. His pig was finished That is 8,949 more than the number ready for the market. Another boy enrolled in 1921 and sets a new refed his pig all the skim milk the pig cord for the state. It is more than wanted with a small amount of mill three times as many club members feed in the milk at each feed. This as we pig had a small lot to run in. The pig made 235 lbs. gain in 145 days with The and a feed cost per pound of 9.8c. Pratt's report shows—a gain of 12,—This pig had a larger frame than the pig mentioned above, but on account organized clubs jumped from 634 in

CLUB GIRLS BECOME REAL LEA- of the restricted grain ration, it did not have the finish that a market milk and pasture for growth, and the

what these groups over all of South gain. The pig was six months and gain. The pig was six months and have in the last four years developed from amateur canning demonstration from amateur canning demonstration gain. The pig was six months and eight days old. Her cost of gain was \$4.29 per cwt. She used a ration of corn and milk, a little bran and oil

The Boy's Demonstration Team of Lake county composed of three members of the Calf Club gave their demand leads a local organization, while two others attend State college. In 1918, girls of Brown county Sept. 7, at the Lake county Fair on were first interested in this work Sept. 21-22, and at St. Paul Oct. 7, leader in the state. They organized, Indiana, Lake county and their club using the canning project as a start- at the Naional Dairy Show. All exyear they worked out "the own your Paul show are borne by the Indiana own room" plan.

dresses for spring, and sport apiece, and at the same time raising dresses of plaids and contrasting colors with fine tucked vests and collars were the result of this work in the Hub club.

Hub club. club member for six years. Stanley of 592 pounds. When asked what was Club work with these girls in the most helpful thing he experienced

Carl Clark, an Ellis county farm boy, joined the Tom Marks' pig club three "Frankie", the Duroc-Jersey gilt the boy bought on the endless chain plan, was considered the poorest of county, Iowa, met at the farm bureau a lot of five which the county agent

was the boy's livestock venture that, MY FIRST VEAR IN THE POUL- in the three years intervening, nearly TRY CLUB! on the Clark farm. Carl himself has fattened and marketed \$1,000 worth

"I joined the pig club because I wanted to learn the scientific business Some one asked me where I got of raising, fattening and marketing the money to pay for them. All my hogs. Besides I wanted to make some

> WHY IS A CALF CLUB? What is all this noise I hear about calf clubs mean?" asked a farmer

"It is true that the calf clubs in New Jersey have made a lot of noise. My chickens won the following People are hearing about them and quite naturally asking questions," M.
H. Keeney, the specialist, replied. 2.00 "This is as it should be, for the calf 3.50 club movement is destined to bring 1.00 a new and brighter day for the young .8.00 dairymen of New Jersey. Through the ...1.00 calf clubs they are learning a great Poultry club work is fine and I many things that will put dollars in wish every boy and girl in South their pockets when a few years from now these young men and women are

farming for themselves. "You ask, 'What does it all mean?" t means we are Building for the Future' on the foundation of Better Livestock and Improved Dairy Prac-

"The boy or girl joins the club and buys a pure-bred tuberculin-tested calf, which is the foundation for a pure-bred herd which that boy or girl hopes to own some day. The boy or girl feeds and cares for the calf and comes to love this calf with an affection that develops a great liking and enthusiasm for the dairy business when it is associated with good pure-

33,945 BOYS AND GIRLS IN JUNI-OR FARM CLUBS Stillwater, Okla.,- Thirty- three thousand nine hundred and forty-five Oklahoma boys and girls were enrolled in junior agricultural club work

as were enrolled in Kansas during the The number of projects carried by an average gain of 1.62 lbs. daily, individual club members was 49,546,

1921 to 837 in 1922, a gain of 36.7 per cent. But greatest improvement o all was shown in the number of individual reports on projects, in that department club members showing a

gain of 202.2 per cent.

Among the eighteen divisions of club work in the state, poultry club led with an enrollment of 10,558: pig clubs came second with an enrollment of 6,838, and canning clubs followed

closely with 5,839.
Oklahoma county, with a total of 1,321, led all counties in the state in the number of projects carried by members, while Muskogee county, with 974, led in club membership. Individual members may enroll in as many as three projects. Okfuskee county leads the state in percentage of project reports filed, a complete report having been written on each of sorrow. 1,321, led all counties in the state in

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Indiana, Lake county and their club at the Naional Dairy Show. All expenses of he State Fair trip and St. Paul show are borne by the Indiana State Fair Board and the National Holstein Association.

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BESOLUTION OF SYMPATHY

WHEREAs it has pleased God in his infinite wisdom to call from our midst Our Sister and Wife of our beloved Brother, Mr. Fred Masenthin, Jr.

THEREFORE, be it resolved that we the members of Vassar Local 1779, exend our heart felt sympathy to the bereaved ones on the hour of sorrow.

BE it further resolved that a copy of these Resolution be sent to the bereaved family, a copy to the State Union paper for publication and a copy be recorded on the minutes of this local.

Secy, Herman A. Wigger.

RESOLUTION OF SYMPATHY

report having been written on each of the 16014 projects carried by its S23 club members.

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Secy. Herman A. Wigger, Wm. & Hanflu, Pres.

Farmers National Magazine as their state paper and in the future a section of that vausable publication will be devoted to Union interests in the Hoosier state.

WHEREAS, Brother Floyd Roberts has been by death removed from our midst.

BE IT RESOLVED, that in the loss of this brother, this union loses a true and loyal member and secretary who has been more than willing to do his duty as a member and also as a neighbor and related.

friend.
THEREFORE, be it further resolved, that Owsley Local No. 2004 extend to his beloved family, our most sincere sympathy and that the president be instructed to transmit a copy of these resolutions to his family and a copy be spread upon the minutes of this local and a copy be sent to the Union Farmer for publication.

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To Local Secretaries And The Membership in General We have the State Constitutions 1922, "containing the Amend C. E. Brasted, Secretary.

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CRAWFORD COUNTY MEETINGS AT GIRARD KANSAS Girard Local No. 494 of the Farmers Union meets in Union Hall the second I was not in attendance. and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 7:30 p. m.

UNION LOCAL NO. 2019 Regular meetings on the first and

Blaine O'Connor, Sec.

DANE LOCAL NO. 546 Dane Local No. 546 was supposed years, but recently it has been show-

ing some signs of life. On the night of January 24, meeting was held at Dane school house, which is our regular meeting place, for the purpose of hearing the report of our delegate L. A. Peterson state meeting. He gave us a very in-

pep in the members. suing year as follows: L. A. Peterson, remark that the little knot God set president; Ray Wheeler, vice-president; Ray Wheeler, vice-president; Ray Wheeler, vice-president; Tay W

minister the proper remedy to the old rest in the shape of rain and very local so that it can be up and doing of fresh oysters, the proper amount of and have two Co-operative Business milk and butter, with some celery, dill Associations in the process of making, pickles and crackers on the side. If nearly completed. it survives this course of treatment two good meetings a month and you by my Aunt and I think very appro-House on the first and third Wednesdays of each month the coming year. Anton Peterson.

COLLINS OBSERVES Editor Kansas Union Farmer;

I received the papers yesterday. I

lished I will be at home. I have very ness. After the business was taken were times as is the case in the growth lished I will be at nome. I have very mess. After the business was taken were times as is the case in the glown spite of the shift of t members we have done the union mission of the Kansas City yards, adand with the help of some good loyal the rarmers and with the help of some good loyal the rarmers and with the help of some good loyal the rarmers and be on the verge of giving the rarmers and be on the verge of giving the rarmers and be on the verge of giving the rarmers and be on the verge of giving the rarmers and be on the verge of giving the rarmers and per was served consisting of hot went were times when reverses came and were times when reverses came and were times when reverses came and the businesses needed great financial and all kinds of good things to eat. son counties are now forming a dis- Co-operative Business for and BY trict organization, uniting all three for the farmer. buying and selling under one agency, and for further pushing the organiza- unhappily but necessarily prevented

that fifty seven per cent of farms in Indiana are mortgaged and that fifty per cent of the farmers borrow money to pay taxes, and I see a rather healthy list of farms advertised in the Union in every way. delinquent tax lists.

Let us add further that the total fifty billion and the total indebtedness in U. S.-National, state, county, Co-operative Business Association township, school district, road district, city and private—is one hundred branch at Northcott. The women and thirty billions. Now let us add members too are not backward about further that the farm is the econom'c base of he government and that
there is sixty-five per cent (65 per
cent) spent between the farmer and

After considering the above calamwith about one hundred stockholders

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cising a little faith.

held on the last Tuesday of each many other parts of the country be- lieves that the women should work month throughout the year except cause they can truck their live stock when this date falls on a Legal Holi- to Cincinnati—some sixty miles away. in the local—not as a separate body; They also have their county or "the women to furnish the dynamite township insurance associations the men the ballast." We're with you and we're for you, Mt. Zion! Step out

sears at a nominal cost. Also the annual convention is past and for the first-time in 12 or 14 years

The convention did not miss much because of my absence but I did. I missed meeting with friends whom Sow your seeds for future reaping, Roy W. Holland, See. I long since learned to respect and Ever on the furrow keeping, I feel that the association with them has been of much benefit to me.

Everywhere I go in Indiana people Stand as one and in that hour sk me if I ever met their friends in third Thursdays of each month, at Hansas. It seems that Kansas has a Watch bim rise and see him stand hig per cent of Hoosiers within her The horn of plenty in his hand, borders-and, by the way, I think Fansas ma be proud of her ex-hoosier population.

Many of the good loyal union memto be dead for the last couple of ers in the state are formerly from Indiana.-H. D. Collins in Indiana.

> ANDERSON COUNTY NEWS (By Josephine Henderson)

Editor Kansas Union Farmer: I have been receiving the paper and am proud that I am, and hope that eresting report and instilled a lot of its columns will really and truly be A preacher I once heard, made the

with Saturday night the 21st until the last of the month we held a like to mention many of his deeds but last night of the month we held a like to mention many of his deeds but last night of the month we held a On February 21st we are going to have a real meeting. At this time we are going to see if we cannot are going to see if we can pleted one local, organized another

Hope that you will find the enclosed acceptable. The poem is written may rest assured that there will be priate at this time. I want to tell something doing at the Dane School you that I've just received the ap a member of our local. We will be hundred stockholders, spring up in proud to claim one of the head men this county whose heart and soul was local. Brother this part of the program was introduced. Brother this county whose heart and soul was local to claim one of the head men this county whose heart and soul was local to the waste here.

rought, frozen roads the morning of Mr. Cox has been a potent figure. am especially thankful for them as I February 3rd, the spirit "I Will" was nave had but lew papers from Ransas predominant with the Anderson count-since leaving the state four months ty Farmers' Union folk and a goodly build up such an organization that operation to them. He made one of ago. Some of the people here take number hied themselves forth to the exists in Phillips County, requires an explanation of Capper's Weekly and the weekly Kanlittle burg of Northcott, six miles untold amount of real manhood and the Farmers Union Pooling Plan that sas City Journal both of which I west of Colony and prepared and enioyed a fine dinner. After which the regular monthly session of the Coun-

In spite of the fact that many were from attending, it was an interest Now the soil is not so productive stay all day and remember, you and high priced fertilizers must be joined the UNION because you need-I am advised by reliable sources alty to it is what is going to bring

Modify the Coue thought to "Every day and every day I'll work for

Better than 75 per cent of the comwealth in U. S. is two hundred and bined membership of the locals surrounding Colony have organized a

cent) spent between the farmer and county, about a month ago began the consumer of his products.

speakers will be present and least—refreshing facts to read fol-among the leaders and are charter to live up to this ideal. The coopera-

Homer Bennett, C. E. Henderson, have in Kansas established various THE UNION IS THE FARMER'S foredlosures are vastly fewer than Earl Starit, Mr. Baber and others, organizations founded upon this printhey have been at other periods in our with the assistance of O. M. Lippert ciple—Cooperation. The success of Editor Kansas Union Farmer: of the State Lecture Bureau have this great movement will depend on M. O. GLESSNER

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> and introduce yourself! Josephine Henderson. Bellview Local No. 2042

where influential men have condemn-

These are serious thoughts and all

nen who have joined this organiza-

who has joined the Cooperative move-

vexing problems confronting the peo-

President Harding and other not-

ables have urged the Farmers to co-

operate among themselves. It is his

Therefore in conclusion, let us consider the basic principle of Coopera-

AT BAYARD LOCAL FEB. 22.

E. C. TRULL

ROBERT ELLEY

ole will have been solved.

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The best proof that Brother Gless

heavens fall.

movement.

THE FARMER (Adelia B. Hester, Deer Creek Local) Keen and watchful eyes-

Sow for wisdom-sow for power, See the farmer rise.

Abundance rife for all. See him guide the distribution To this safe and sane solution-Grafters take a fall. See him curb the profiteers

Who for lo, these many years Have held "right of way" complete See Big Business humbly bowing, See the Railroad Kings kotowing Power and power meet. He stands for Agriculture, freed From systems born of selfish greed United, firm and sound. The hope of years that are to be The promise of futurity-

The princedom of the ground. PHILLIPS COUNTY LOSES A Kirwin community and the whole All members are requested to attend

was held and at this meeting we been "going to it" with more vim has been one of the very early settlers of Sective We Anderson County folks have been "going to it" with more vim has been one of the real upbuilders has been one of the real upbuilders has been one of the real upbuilders. he is so well known in Phillips Coun- Editor of Kansas Union Farmer:

PERATOR. business embracing a dozen elevators audience was entertained by some fine best to bring about these things. and nearly as many stores. He has selections by the limken orchestra, seen a few co-operative members and by readings and recitations by fighting our co-operative bank bill grow to over a thousand. He has the little Union folks. seen three banks embracing over three After this part of the program was ers wake up and quit sending profes-

Although the weatherman dealt out and establishments are today in a very time, but even we did not know that a sunshing, crisp, cold day and very healthy condition and in all of them "that boy had et in im', to make such Anyone who has worked in the co and a half he held the crowd while he operative movement knows that to expounded the principles of true co-

ner was interesting the members was There were times when things seem-I nave now been away from Ransas regular monthly session of the four months but before this is public ty Farmers' Union opened for busined to be as black as the night. There that they wanted him to go on in the growth of the g be on the verge of giving up. There backing. In all of these crises Mr. Cox was an outstanding figure. Nothing was so black but what he could see the silver lining and he would not ed support. very favorable for our work. We have been able to hold meetings most every night and to canvass in days—I hear very much the same complaints here about high taxes and hard times. The economic conditions here now are very different from fifty years ago. Then the soil is not so productive without tertilizers and a large majority of farms had a supply of timber that soil to meet expenses were not so much is fully and the soil is not so productive. Now the soil is not so productive without so productive stay all day and remember, you stay and the weathed tell/the boys to stay to the wheel and tell/the boys to stay to the weather acquainted with each string better acquainted with each stream of the wheel and tell/the boys to stay to the wheel and tell/the boys The weather he generally been ing and very profitable meeting.

Very favorable for our work. We have here able to held meeting at taste of the hour work. We have Time and time again he has put his financial credit back of the Farmers' would not be so much friction and misunderstanding between us farmers tively by the United States Depart-

ing a success. The orcnestra for their mal disease, farm managemen music, the Timken school under the music, the Timken school under the leadership of Miss Elsa Romeiser, for writer to eulogize Mr. Cox. His work their song. And also the Timken

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FRIEND

I have read with great interest and

when as a matter of fact the principle While in our own constitution it and spirit of Co-operation still restates that no one could vote unless a member in good standing, the quesheritage is to turn a deaf ear to all toots her horn so much in the State mained as clean and untarmised to member in good standing, the question man and believe prosperity is member in good standing, the question was raised that we could not bar a man from protecting his properhere." the self. WE, and everybody else in the fact that a community of farmers lose ty rights whether a member or not. money in a business venture does not But Iwant to say that from the decitarnish the principle of the movesion made at the state meeting, there ment, it is just a case of an unsucwill be no one allowed to vote that cessful business venture. Should a does not think well enough of the orminister fail as a preacher does not ganization to keep in good standing imply that christianity is a failure.

The writer knows of cases where in this county. There is no excuse for anyone getting in arrears for the small sum of \$2.75. I think one of an elevator has lost some money and every Farmers Union member have the obstacles in the way of organizarefused to have anything to do with tion work is the small amount the their organization. The fate of a state organization gets from the year business venture is but an incident, ly dues and the initiation fee. The state organization gets from the yearhe principle of cooperation can never dues should be at least \$5.00 per year. No other class or secret organiza The writer has known of cases tion and labor unions have as low

rate as the Farmers Union. These

ed the Farmers Union and similar or- other organizations collect from two

ranizations, and I think from utter to seven times what the members of

ignorance, because who is divine the Farmers Union pay and they do enough to judge the merits of the not start to give in return for the basic principles of the Cooperative dues collected what the Farmers Union does. I have it from reliable sources that we have members who refused to pay ion might well ponder as to what it more than \$2.000. Shame or the man really means to stand for such prin- that is so tight with his own business and with the only movement that is If every man and woman in Kansas, his salvaion, for he can bet his last measly dollar that if anything is done

ment was half way loyal some of the for the farmer, the farmer will have I feel it is about time that we should wake up and quit trying to pauperize own own business; Stop and think a minute. There are very few men that really cares that much for a dollar. In this county there are very few stockholders that have not got their money back, and some many tion and be true to it even though the times over. Still they refuse to pay their accounts because they have failed to receive their interest because of crop failures, when we should all Bayard Local will hold a special see rejoice that we are able to pull thru

sion on the evening of February 22nd, these hard times. These same fellows don't seem to Lesine Nelson, secretary-treasurer; a very eloquent nor convincing way of Phillips county we grieved last not not to forget the policy of the realize what they are gaining and the policy of the realize what they are gaining and the policy of the realize what they are gaining and the policy of the realize what they are gaining and the policy of the realize what they are gaining and the policy of the realize what they are gaining and the policy of the realize what they are gaining and the policy of the realize what they are gaining and the policy of the realize what they are gaining and the policy of the realize what they are gaining and the policy of the realize what they are gaining and the policy of the realize what they are gaining and the policy of the policy Hans Jorgenson, conductor; Louis L. Goodman, doorkeeper; Anton Peter-other fellow to use the little best to use the little best of the little best other fellow to use the little knot on as Cox had passed away. Mr. Cox 'ership. Be sure to bring any proswas one of the very early settlers of nective members in your neighbor that it has been proven beyond a wheat there was a difference between for some reason and dropped out of the enjoyed at Topeka. Beginning County Treasurer. The writer would union work. A patronage dividend of with Saturday pight the 21st until the like to reason and dropped out of the enjoyed at Topeka. Beginning County Treasurer. The writer would be union work. A patronage dividend of with Saturday pight the 21st until the like to reason and dropped out of the enjoyed at Topeka. Beginning County Treasurer. The writer would be union work. A patronage dividend of with Saturday pight the 21st until the the Eastern and Central part of the

> particular line that of A GREAT-CO- well filled in spite of so much sick I wan to say right here that The The meeting was called to order per that comes to my house and it one of the main bulwarks of the co- by the Co. Sec'y, as our president, Mr. is not the only one that comes. It operative movement in Phillips Coun- Fr. Pivonka was busy with the musi- stands for the things that the farmty. He has lived to see this class of cal end of the program. Then the ers are fighing for and is doing its and nearly as many stores. He has selections by the Timken orchestra, I see the powers that be are still

> for the cooperative movement. All Glessner is a Rush County boy and is too long throw it in the waste basof the above mentioned movements most of us have known him for a long kte, but I will be a Union man still.

ATTENTION LYON COUNTY UNION That long talked of all day county meeting will be held in Allen, Wed., Feb. 21, beginning at 10:30 o'clock. Program

10.30 to 12-Movies and talks by Basket dinner at noon. 1:15 to 2:30-Movies and sion of Union problems. 2:30-Speech by State Lecturer

4:00-General business and discus-

And we certainly owe our sisters a all their members and delinquent vote of thanks for their whole heart-members to attend this Allen meeting and bring their families. Allen and While we were eating we were also adjoining locals will furnish the eats.

signed notes to obtain money to help and the town people.

In conclusion we wish to thank the agricultural experiment stations. tie over a nepression. He field the first and to make the meet. These studies deal with soil, crop, anito take twice his share of stock that ladies for their and to make the meet. These studies deal with soil, crop, and the was necessary to increase the work- ing a success. The orchestra for their mal disease, farm management, pests E

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