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## JOBGING ASSN. ANNUAL MEETING SALINA, MARCH 9

Actual Figures Not Yet Released, but Stockholders May Expect a Most Encouraging Report of 1933 Business

### NEW LINES ADDED

Meeting Changed Last Year by Stockholders from Kansas City to Salina, in Order to Give More Opportunity to Attend

The twentieth annual stockholders' meeting of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association will be held in Salina, Kansas, on Friday, March 9, 1934. The meeting, which will be in the chamber of Commerce rooms in the City Hall, will be called to order at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

Heretofore, the annual meetings of this Farmers Union firm have been held in Kansas City, during the same week when meetings were held for the stockholders of the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Company, the Farmers Union Cooperative Creamery Association, the Farmers Union Auditing Association, and the Union Oil Company. At the annual meeting last year, however, the stockholders expressed themselves as favorable to changing the meeting place to Salina, the meeting to be a little later in the year than formerly. It was thought that Salina would be more easily accessible to many of the stockholders than is Kansas City.

At the Salina meeting, two directors will be elected because two directors expire this year. All other business matters will be taken care of which may properly come before the meeting. A proposition to amend a certain section (Section 9) of the by-laws will be considered, according to the notice sent out, signed by E. A. Crall, Erie, president, and H. E. Witham, Kansas City, secretary-manager.

Undoubtedly a good attendance will feature this first Salina annual meeting, since the Jobbing Association has been doing a very good business throughout the past year, and interest is holding at a high level. While no figures on 1933 business have as yet been released, stockholders are looking forward to a most encouraging report on the year's business. The volume of business in virtually all departments has increased, and the handsomely handled compares favorably with the previous year, and in some instances shows an increase. This, in view of the business conditions which have faced all businesses and particularly those of this nature, is felt to be a very healthy condition.

The merchandise department of the Jobbing Association has built up its business volume on quality of products handled and on dependability and promptness of service rendered. This policy has been followed so closely that cooperators throughout the state know they can depend on the goods bought at cooperative stores or firms who patronize the Jobbing Association.

The line of merchandise carried by the Jobbing Association is extensive and varied. Some of the lines now being carried are the Farmers Union Jobbing Association's own brands or trademarks, such as Union Gold, Union Pride and Union Standard flours, K. F. U. salt and K. F. U. oyster shell. The firm is featuring Nopco X cod liver oil concentrates for poultry feeding.

The Farmers Union Jobbing Association, during 1933, did a good business in twine, handling the output of the Kansas plant at Lansing. A deal has been made whereby the 1934 output will be handled in like manner. Farmers have been saved thousands of dollars by being able to buy this twine cooperatively. Coal, feed, mashes, and many other lines of merchandise are handled cooperatively, sold cooperatively to cooperators through the Jobbing Association.

The Farmers Union Jobbing Association report at the Salina meeting will show earnings in the grain handling end of the business as well as in the merchandise business. Officers in charge are anxious that as many stockholders as possible attend this meeting. It will be worth while.

The meeting at Salina falls on the last day of the annual meeting of the Kansas Live Stock Association, which is scheduled to be held in Salina on March 7, 8 and 9. Interested farmers who attend the live stock meeting will do well to plan to stay and attend the Jobbing Association meeting.

### COLLEGE CHOIR TO SING IN FARM UNION HOUR

Great Russian chorales are among the numbers to be sung by the Augsburg College choir which will be heard in the National Farmers' Union program over a coast-to-coast NBC-WJZ network Saturday, February 24, at 11:30 a. m., central standard time.

Famous particularly for its music department Augsburg College is located at Minneapolis. Each year the A Capella choir goes on an extensive tour in the Middle West.

Prof. Henry P. Opseth will direct the singers during the broadcast, which will also feature a message by John A. Simpson, president of the Farmers Union.

## Amendment to Remove Member Restrictions Is Carried in Union

Vote on National Farmers Union Constitutional Amendment Was 6,468 For and 741 Against, Says National Secretary

Because 6,468 Farmers Union members in the various states voted "yes" while only 741 voted "no," the National Farmers Union constitution has been changed to strike out the restriction against admitting colored farmers to membership. The vote was by referendum, submitted by the national secretary to the state secretaries, who, in turn, submitted the question to the membership. The Kansas vote, while not tabulated by the Kansas office as exact figures, was for the amendment by a large majority.

The following communication, dated February 15 and addressed to all state secretaries, has been received by the state secretary of the Kansas Farmers Union:

The 29th Annual Convention of the "National Union," Farmers Educational and Cooperative Union of America, held at Omaha, Nebraska, November 21st and 22nd, 1933, proposed the following Amendment to its Constitution:

"Amend Section 1 Article IV of the Constitution by striking out the words

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## AUDITING FIRM TO HOLD MEETING IN SALINA MARCH 9TH

Meeting, as Usual, to be Held in Conjunction with that of Farmers Union Jobbing Association; In Salina City Hall

### IS BALANCE-WHEEL

Auditing Association Serves Important Purpose in Entire Kansas Farmers Union Cooperative Setup; Dunn Will Report

The Farmers Union Auditing Association annual stockholders' meeting is scheduled to be held in Salina, Kansas, in the chamber of commerce rooms, city hall, on Friday forenoon, 10 o'clock, March 9. It will be noted that this is the same time and place as announced for the annual stockholders' meeting of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association. However, while the meetings are held in conjunction with each other, business matters, reports and election of directors will be handled separately.

It has been the custom for years to hold the two meetings virtually together, with the Auditing Association session immediately following that of the Jobbing Association. The times of meeting for both are fixed by the by-laws. The Auditing Association has been holding the annual stockholders' meetings in Kansas City, early in February, along with the Jobbing Association, previous to this year. A vote of the stockholders last year affected the change in date and place.

The annual report of the operations of the Association will be given by the secretary-manager, T. B. Dunn. The importance of this cooperative auditing association to the Farmers Union cannot be overestimated, but is often underestimated. It has been referred to, aptly, as the balance-wheel of the whole Farmers Union cooperative business and marketing set-up in Kansas. Like the balance-wheel in a good watch, it is not in great physical evidence or prominence, but its work is of utmost importance.

Not only do the major cooperative marketing and purchasing organizations, as well as insurance and other business setups, find the work of this Association indispensable, but every elevator, every cooperative store or cooperative association in the state, when once they employ it, find that it saves them money and gives them a most necessary picture of their own condition.

Cooperatives, as well as other sorts of business firms, are getting happily away from the idea that a good auditing firm is a kind of detective service, looking for shortages and evidences of inability. Rather, they are discovering that a good auditing firm, such as this cooperative firm known as the Farmers Union Cooperative Auditing Association, exists for helpful cooperative service. They are discovering that if it is helpful to have a good set of books showing the trend of business, costs, sales and other matters, it is equally helpful to have a friendly cooperative auditing service which serves to make these books more effective.

Figures on 1933 business are not available for release at this time, but it can be said that the firm enjoyed a good business, and that some new accounts have been added. It is hoped a large number of stockholders will be on hand to hear Mr. Dunn's report.

### FARMERS UNION WIBW PROGRAM

Radio Station WIBW, Topeka, the radio station of the Capper Publications, offers the Kansas Farmers Union the use of its facilities each Thursday evening from 7:30 until 7:45. The members of the Farmers Union are grateful to the station, and have formed a habit of tuning in for the programs. Tune in again this week.

## A SPECIAL SESSION FOR MORATORIUM CALLED BY LONDON

Legislators to be in Topeka March 1 to Consider Enactment of Law Similar to Minnesota Mortgage Moratorium Law

### PASSAGE ASSURED

Governor is Hopeful Legislators will Confine Legislation to the One Measure. Old Law Expires on March 4

As predicted in last week's issue of the Kansas Union Farmer, Governor Landon of Kansas has called the state legislature into special session, to convene at noon on March 1, to consider the enactment of a new mortgage moratorium law. The governor issued his proclamation, calling the session, Monday of this week, and the various members were receiving notices that day and the next.

The governor sees a need for this session because of the fact that the present Kansas farm mortgage moratorium law expires on March 4. It was passed in the regular session last spring, and would have expired on September 4, 1933, had not the governor extended it another six months by proclamation, as was provided for in the law itself. The new law, to be passed by the special session, will become effective in time to keep the protection so badly needed by Kansas farmers whose farms are threatened.

Governor Landon made an intensive study of the Minnesota mortgage moratorium law before deciding to call the special session. The Minnesota law has been upheld by the United States Supreme Court. It is understood the Kansas law will be fashioned after the Minnesota law.

A virtual promise has been given Governor Landon by a good majority both in the House and in the Senate, that the law will be passed. He is hopeful that no other matters will be considered by the special session. This, by the way, will be the second special session called by Governor Landon, and will be the thirteenth special session during the history of the state. The task of whipping up the shape for application to Kansas of the Minnesota mortgage law, already approved by the U. S. supreme court, is under way. The Minnesota law differs from the present Kansas statute, which expires March 4, in that it prescribes that each case must be considered on its merits, and requires mortgagors to make some effort to pay the mortgage holders a reasonable rental to be applied on taxes and interest.

It is unlikely that Governor Landon will send a special message to the legislators. His recent letter in which

## WARD ASKS FOR YOUR HELP

(Editor's Note.—President Ward's article, printed below, arrived by wire Tuesday evening of this week, just before the forms were made up. The article was, of course written in condensed form. The editor has taken the liberty to insert a few "a's" and "the's" etc., and to "dress it up" for publication.)

A meeting is scheduled for Wednesday night with a large group of congressmen, to secure support for the Frazier Bill. We have been unable to secure a hearing before the House agricultural committee. The alternative is to secure one hundred forty-five signatures of congressmen to bring the Bill out on the floor of the house for consideration.

About one hundred congressmen have signed up. In Kansas Congressman Kathryn McCarthy, W. P. Lamberton and Randolph Carpenter have signed. Harold McGugin, W. A. Ayers, U. S. Guyer and Clifford Hope have not as yet signed. Congressman Hope has expressed a willingness to support the Bill.

Ask Congressmen For Square Deal Kansas Farmers are opposed to direct marketing of live stock. We are arranging hearings before both the house and senate agricultural committees on the Hope and Capper Bills which are pending, regulating the packers and order buyers in the purchasing of live stock.

A meeting of the live stock interests is being held in Chicago on Wednesday, February 21, to arrange for this hearing. I urge every farmer who has not already done so to mail me a postal card conveying your ideas against direct marketing.

I have in my possession signatures of thousands of Kansas farmers for the Frazier Bill and against direct marketing, and need several thousand more. Do not fail to drop a postal card in the mails today.

My address is: Cal A. Ward, 3000 Connecticut Avenue, Washington, D. C.

—Cal A. Ward.

he discussed the Minnesota law and the present mortgage foreclosure situation at some length will suffice as a message, he said.

Twenty-nine senators and 67 representatives, replying to the governor's letter, said they would support the extension of the mortgage moratorium.

## DAIRY ADJUSTMENT PLAN MAY INCLUDE 15 PER CENT CUT

Plan Now Being Formulated by Agricultural Adjustment Administration; Must Insure Producer of Adequate Price

### LIMIT PRODUCTION

Pegging Price Alone Would So Stimulate Production that Additional Surplus would Result; Plan would Be Flexible

The dairy adjustment plan now being formulated by the Agricultural Adjustment Administration in Washington contemplates a reduction of 15 per cent in milk and butter fat production for market, according to information sent out. Information has it that cooperating producers would be compensated by adjustment payments or premiums on sales.

As Secretary of Agriculture Wallace pointed out in a recent address before Wisconsin dairymen, the milk marketing agreements put into effect this past fall were not successful and did not insure the producer an adequate price for his products. The adjustment plan, now in the making, would bring about an agreement directly between the producer and the Government with distributors being licensed to assure farmers receiving the best possible return in keeping with current consumer purchasing power.

Secretary Wallace stated that pegging prices would be of no long-time benefit unless measures were taken at the same time to regulate production. Higher prices would only stimulate greater production, thus creating additional surplus.

Since the dairy products surplus is largely a result of a decreased consumer purchasing power, the dairy plan would be flexible so that production could be increased to supply the demand when consumers' purchasing power had been restored.

Early details of the dairy adjustment plan are expected to be available within a few weeks.

Market supplies of wheat are smaller than a year ago, according to Harold Howe, department of agricultural economics, Kansas State College. He explains that the United States wheat supply on January 29 was 112 million bushels compared to 153 million on the corresponding date in 1933. Receipts of wheat at Kansas City during January, 1934, were about 60 per cent as large as during the same period last year and only 45 per cent of the 10-year average for the month of January.

## NEW 10-YEAR CORN BASE RULE TO HELP DRY-LAND PRODUCERS

New Ruling is Announced of Special Benefit to Regions Not Adapted to Heavy Corn Production; Other New Rulings

Corn producers in the less productive areas of Kansas will be benefited by a new administrative ruling which states that the average yield of contracted corn acreage will be based on 10 instead of 5 years. This new ruling was made out of consideration for producers in states where drought, floods, and insect pests have lowered corn yields during the past five years.

Another new ruling which is of especial importance to western Kansas farmers is that allowing the producer to plant abandoned winter wheat land to feed crops other than corn. This is a modification of the original ruling which prohibited the producer from increasing in 1934 above 1932 or 1933 (whichever is higher) the total acreage of feed crops other than corn or hay.

Farmers with an average of less than three liters of corn annually may receive adjustment payments by reducing their average production for market at least 25 per cent, according to a revised ruling.

Formerly, any producer with an average of less than three liters of corn, could not qualify for adjustment payments. Under the revised regulations, he may qualify for hog payments as long as he is able to reduce hogs produced for market at least 25 per cent. The regulation as to minimum corn acreage has not been changed. However, the producer must agree not to increase his corn acreage.

## WARD HEADS GROUP OF FARM LEADERS ASKING PACKER CURB

Pressure Brought to Bear by Farmers Union of Kansas and Other States Brings Important Question Out for Airing

### BIG CONFERENCE

House and Senate Committee to Hold Hearings on the Measure at Early Date, but Exact Dates Have not been Announced

The Kansas Farmers Union is taking a lead in the campaign to bring the big packers to task, and to bring about a condition which will show these packers that the United States government acting in the interests of the common people, and especially in the interests of the producers of the meat which the nation lives on, is bigger than the packers. The Farmers Union of this state is cooperating with the National Farmers Union and with the Union in other states, in an endeavor to stamp out the unfair practice on the part of the packers of purchasing their supplies direct from the producer, thus getting around the necessary rulings enforced in the public or price-fixing live stock markets.

Due to the pressure being brought to bear in congress, house and senate committees are expected to hold hearings in the near future relative to this subject of packer regulation, including curbing of direct buying.

On Friday, February 16, Cal Ward, president of the Kansas Farmers Union, headed a delegation of Farmers Union leaders from several midwest states, in a conference with Senator Capper and Representative Clifford Hope of Garden City, Kansas, on revisions of the Capper-Hope bill to place privately owned packer stock yards under regulation of the department of agriculture.

Mr. Ward carried with him on his present trip to Washington a large number of petitions from Kansas farmers, sent in by various Farmers Union Locals and county organizations, asking that the packers' practice of direct buying be curbed. These petitions contained thousands of names. They have been presented to the house and senate, and will have a direct bearing on the results of the approaching hearings, the exact dates of which have not yet been announced.

## NO DIVIDEND CHECK FOR LESS THAN \$1.00 BY LIVE STOCK FIRM

Customers with Smaller Amounts Due Them will be Given Credit; Practice will Save Much Expense for the Firm

It has always been the practice of the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Company to write and mail dividend checks amounting to forty cents or more. This practice resulted in the expenditure of considerable time and money, as a great many of our checks for smaller amounts were written to cover stock dividends only. Farmers National and loaned them money to do so, but it was the cooperatives themselves that established it and that own and control it. Farmers National is not, as you probably have heard, a government-owned cooperative. It is a cooperative owned by 25 regional cooperatives, and is the central selling agency for the 25 groups that own this stock.

Farmers have greatly strengthened their cooperative influence on the terminal grain markets since 1929. During the first year of operation of Farmers National Grain Corporation, the cooperatives handled at terminal (continued on page 2)

## UNION ASSOCIATION AT CLAY CENTER IN GOOD 1933 REPORT

Had Satisfactory Volume of Business and Profit as Shown in Recent Annual Meeting; Are Real Cooperators

### BUYING MORE LAND

Expansion Calls for Additional Lots, to Build General Service Station and Filling Station in Clay Center

Farmers Union members in the vicinity of Clay Center, Kansas, know how to cooperate, and understand the advantages to be so derived. Clay county has an active membership in the Farmers Union, numbering well up in the hundreds. A strong Farmers Union membership nearly always assures a good cooperative Farmers Union business. This is especially true in Clay county.

A report of the annual meeting of the Farmers Union Cooperative Association meeting in Clay Center on Tuesday, February 13, has been published in the Clay Center Times. In another story, we have the same activities of the Farmers Union. The first report follows:

"Two hundred twenty five stockholders, with their families, attended the annual meeting of the Farmers Union Cooperative Association at the Methodist church Tuesday noon. Under the supervision of Mrs. Everett Alquist, assisted by a large corps of women whose husbands were absent, a wonderful dinner was served at 12 o'clock, those attending being served cafeteria style. It was the largest crowd ever to attend their annual meeting, taxing the capacity of the church basement. Nevertheless, the large crowd was quickly served and long before one o'clock all had had their dinner and were ready for the business session.

"At the business session the two retiring directors were re-elected for another 3-year term, they being E. J. Mall and Ernest Small. The officers reported a very successful year just closed. Setting aside a nice sum to the surplus fund, a dividend of 8 per cent was also declared upon the capital stock of the association. As the stockholders also realize 6 1/2 per cent on both the sales and purchases they make with their company, it really means they make 13 per cent, aside from the dividend declared upon the capital stock.

"Other members of the board, aside from the 2 mentioned above as being re-elected, are: Everett Alquist, J. A. Engert and W. F. Hammel. J. A. Engert, chairman of the board, presided at the meeting. Officers for the coming year were not elected Tuesday as the board meets after the annual meeting and selects officers to serve during the coming year.

"Music for the dinner Tuesday was furnished by Prof. W. H. Steinger. Miss Katherine Snapp, Dr. Lawton Hanna, who played during the evening dinner, and Albert Shorman and Everett Boughton. It was a most successful annual meeting, bringing to an end one of the Association's most prosperous years."

The Clay Center paper also tells of a real estate deal in which the Farmers Union Cooperative Association has recently purchased more ground in Clay Center, on which they expect to build a general service station and filling station. The Association already has owned a large building, together with some lots, for a number of years. The business has been conducted in this building. With the purchase of more lots, on which a planing mill has been located, the Farmers Union organization will own a considerable holding of lots.

The building now on the lots recently purchased will be torn down, so that the Farmers Union association can start its new buildings by May 1 of this year. The Clay Center Times concludes its report of the Farmers Union expansion with: "Clay Center is pleased to see this evidence of prosperity on the part of the Farmers Union."

check, either patronage or stock, this year. Such accounts will be given credit and carried on our books until such a time as it reaches the required amount. This decision on the part of the board will save considerable time and money, all of which will work to the advantage of the stockholders.

We hope to have dividend checks ready for mailing in the early part of March. Increased office work, brought about by inquiries for records of hog shipments, has made it impossible for the force to spend the usual amount of time on dividend work. We believe this plan will meet with the approval of our stockholder customers, as we feel that they are heartily in accord with any procedure which will decrease expenses.—The Co-Operator.

The safest method of securing seed corn with a strong, vigorous germination is through the use of the germination test advised by E. H. Leiker, extension service plant disease specialist, Kansas State College. Select only the bright, medium-smooth ears of corn of the type that one desires. Test each ear for strong, vigorous germination, and one will very seldom have a poor stand of corn after planting.



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### ENCOURAGING SIGNS

One of the most encouraging signs appearing on the Kansas Farmers Union horizon in recent months is the interest being taken in Local and county Farmers Union meetings. These meetings are reflected and reported in the most interesting department of this paper, the "Neighborhood Notes."

It has been noticed that this interest is not confined to any one section of the state. We have heard for a long time that when Rover died, "he died all over." So it is with the Kansas Farmers Union—only this has to do with coming to life rather than with dying. When the Farmers Union came to life, it came to life all over. Reports are appearing in "Neighborhood Notes" from Locals which had not been heard from for months or years. Of course, there are those old stand-bys who remained alert and alive throughout all the years and months when some others met only intermittently or not at all. On some occasions, the "Neighborhood Notes" column looked lonesome and almost deserted, but there were always a few Locals which had news to send to their paper.

Now, happily, the situation is different. And we believe it will remain that way.

The "Neighborhood Notes" column or department is a fine place for an exchange of ideas. No one person and no one Local has ever yet thought of all the good things. And it seems that no Local is so destitute of ideas that it cannot tell the others something of value.

Every member should read these "notes" or reports, and be thinking the while how to inject some of the good ideas into his or her own Local. In this week's reports, different Local reporters tell of plans used to advantage. This is a mighty good feature, and is evidence of growing interest throughout the state. Let's have more of the same.

### What's Behind Revival

Behind this apparent and welcome revival of interest in Kansas Farmers Union affairs is something deep-rooted and significant. Undoubtedly it comes from growing interest of farmers in their own organization affairs; it comes from an awakening of the realization that in this era of organized group forces, agriculture must be organized as strongly as, or stronger than, the other groups. It is well realized that in the future, things will be accomplished by group action. Groups will be strong or weak according to their degree of organization. Therefore, there is but one thing for the farmer to do, and that is to line up with the group which exists to fight his particular battles. Perhaps we can lay the blame on conditions we faced as farmers in the past, but the ugly fact remains that heretofore farmers have not paid

enough attention to the matter of organizing into group strength. It has been pointed out that in the future, things will be done through group action. The facts are, that has been the case for some time. The farmer simply was not in on the accomplishments as a class, because he was not sufficiently organized. Now, however, the "sleeping giant" has been aroused.

### Farmers Have Known

Things which have been done, crimes against agriculture which have been perpetrated, have not been unknown to farmers themselves. The farmer has known for years that he has been made the "goat" and that he was being used to further the well being of other interests. But—probably because of conditions—he was not able to fight back effectively, because he was not represented by his own militant class organization.

That militant class organization has now come into existence, and is limited in power only as the farmers themselves limit it. Lack of membership strength and support is the thing which renders the Farmers Union unable to do all it should do for the class of people who are solely responsible for it, and to whom it is solely responsible—the farmers. Virtually every farmer in the United States has a fairly good idea of what should be done in order to "secure equity, establish justice and apply the 'Golden Rule.'" Practically every farmer in the entire country realizes the value and urgent need of the Frazier Bill, to lower his interest within reasonable bounds, to shake off the tyranny of those who control our money and interest system, and to make it possible, in short, for the farmer to retain his property and stay in business.

Nearly every farmer in America, if he reads the platform of the Farmers Union, knows its principles are right. He knows that if these principles were put into effect, that no class of people would be wronged, but that the farmers as a class would come into their rightful own.

### Where Is Weakness?

Yet, there is a weak point somewhere. The chain does not hold. All these principles are not put into effect. Only starts in the right direction have been made. What is the weakness?

The weakness is not in the organization nor its principles. The weakness is in the support given the organization by those for whom it exists.

Now that the country is avowedly, and by declaration of its President, launching into a period and program of cooperative planning, with the interests of all classes given the opportunity of safeguards, the farmers are waking up to their opportunity. They are ready now to organize.

Those who have not been ready will soon learn that they must get ready.

### Farmers Union Is Ready

There is no organization more naturally and completely fitted to accept leadership for organized agriculture than the Farmers Union. It has pioneered in the movement. It has built up a great influence. It has been developed by the same class which started it—the farmers of Kansas and other states. It has accepted no aid from any other source or class. It is distinctly the property of farmers—the result of farmers' efforts and thoughts. It is the result of thousands of meetings of farmers who have gathered at schoolhouses, in farm homes, in community halls, throughout the land, where farm problems have been discussed. It has grown up from the very grass roots of America. From that source will it continue to receive its life blood.

So, with farmers ready to accept organization as the only way out, and with this organization already working for them, it is no surprise that the membership of the Farmers Union is growing—and destined to grow to much greater proportions. It is no surprise that Kansas Farmers Union locals are taking on new life, and that more of them are reporting to their own organization paper, telling of good meetings and good times "enjoyed by all."

Let's hear from YOU and YOUR LOCAL.

Were you at the last meeting of your Farmers Union Local or county Union? Will you be at the next one? Are you getting everything possible out of the Union by putting into it all the energy and interest possible?

### SOMETHING ABOUT OUR MONEY SYSTEM

(By Frank A. Chapin, Winfield) When money is being discussed, old Money Bags turns his eyes toward his "sack of gold" and wonders if his hoard will come in for deflation. Seventy-two years ago, or about that time, President Lincoln turned on the National money press and issued several millions of fiat money, like so many promissory notes, and put his endorsement on them as president of a wealthy corporation.

This money was eagerly taken for all debts or obligations, until the money power put a veto on this ruling. Now, standing this veto in keeping with the Constitution, it wasn't good enough for money-grabbers. So, after some congressional skirmish, the national currency was laid aside and the national bank notes were substituted, backed by bonds drawing interest. Bonds and interest were payable in gold. So when we recently quit the gold standard, there wasn't gold enough to pay 10 cents on the dollar of our indebtedness.

How insincere was this "scoop" of the money power, belittling the greenback of Lincoln and the gold of the wealth of the nation back of which was the taxing power of the government. The fact is, this is all of the security behind the national bond.

Gold never has been held enough to come out of the vaults and do the business of exchange, but must hire a substitute to take its place in the marts of business. After all, there was just as much wealth behind the greenback as behind the bond; even the precious gold was subject to taxation, yet was a cowardly shirker. It reminds me of the Indian who was lost. Being asked if he was lost, he replied, "Me no lost—wigwam lost." So, since the masses have been wandering all these years supposedly lost, they have just found out they were not lost, but that they have recently found its way "out of the woods." And all this time, the people have been right and the wise financiers have been wrong. Hence all this terrible mess.

Ralph Snyder, a few years ago in correspondence with the writer, made a trite statement relative to national bonds: "I have never been able to see why Uncle Sam should pay interest on his own money." There can be no fault with this course of reasoning. This bond business is like the Illinois farmer who fed more hogs to buy more land on which to raise more corn to feed more hogs to buy more land. A profitable round of operation, like the bond holder buying more bonds to draw more interest, to escape paying taxes, to buy more bonds—the surest merry-go-round on gold wheels.

So it is no wonder the masses who toil and sweat to meet this everlasting interest have at last revolted—and like Sheridan, they are "turning and going back," to a sane policy in which they shall have something to say as to its operation. We believe now that the nation has taken a hand in catching and penning up criminals, the people are going to see that this financial octopus shall be put where he will not be permitted to intrude into other people's business. The safeguards must be ample and burglar proof.—Frank A. Chapin.

### FOR WATERWAY TREATY

John A. Simpson, president of the National Farmers Union, has written to Senator Nye of North Dakota, according to news dispatches, demanding senate ratification of the St. Lawrence waterway treaty.

"I am glad to reaffirm the long-established position of the Farmers Union in support of this project," Simpson wrote Nye. Nye said the Farmers Union endorsement had thrown the united political power of American agriculture "into the struggle against the pork barrel-power trust combine in the senate which is seeking to block ratification."

## UNCLE ANDY SAYS:



### Credit and Money

"Credit has become more important than money. If we are to have a managed currency, we must have a managed credit, and if we are to avoid chaos and destruction the management must be vested in some source of power. The control of credit is the central problem of recovery, and if it is not achieved one way it will be achieved another."—Raymond Moley in "Today" (N. Y. Weekly).

Professor Moley was one of the advisors to the President, but withdrew to become editor of "Today," a new independent weekly backed by Vincent Astor and others. It is supporting Roosevelt's policies. The above quotation is from Professor Moley's article entitled, "Must the Government take over the Banks?"

The following from speech of Congressman McFadden, Republican, Pennsylvania, long-time Chairman House Banking Committee, from Congressional Record, January 20, page 987:

Let me emphasize that all the money and credit resources come from prior earned wealth, and all the wealth of the United States belongs to the United States as a collective American. Uncle Sam should be the beneficiary of his own wealth, and credit manufactured out of it. If he made the only banker (an indication point that way) all borrowers could take their collateral to him, and when people of the United States paid interest for this money-credit, it would go into the U. S. Treasury. It would balance the budget, pay pensions and abolish all property taxes. It would break the strangle-hold, and free the God that is in us, besides leaving a cash balance in the treasury."

The above is pretty strong talk coming from leading citizens. The facts are that banks are still not functioning as far as extension of credit is concerned, although bank deposits are reported to be increasing all over the country. The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, the big government corporation, is doing about all the money lending that is being done, and to that extent is supplanting the banking function.

It is not news of course that Government has taken possession of our national total gold supply and that there will be no more gold coinage. If it is true that gold is necessary as a basis for money (a large majority seem to believe so) and that money is the business of exchange, but must hire a substitute to take its place in the marts of business. After all, there was just as much wealth behind the greenback as behind the bond; even the precious gold was subject to taxation, yet was a cowardly shirker.

Material-minded people must be somehow convinced of the thing of raising the price of gold. The four and a half billions of gold being our total supply is now increased by legal enactment and executive order to about seven billions. This increase of about two and a half billions is taken over by the Government and placed in the treasury. Two billions is placed at the disposal of the secretary of the treasury for the purpose of supporting our money standard in international exchange and also to assist in keeping at par Government securities in our home market.

In this arbitrary increase of gold by two and a half billions we at last have an object lesson that ought to convince the most obstinate believer in intrinsic value that it is the law of money. Every dollar we now have in the U. S. or ever had brought into existence by law. It is all, whether gold, silver, or paper, printing press money, or if you please fiat money. The words "fiat" and "printing press" are used by Wall Street to confuse and scare the public. Unless our money bears the impress of the Government it is not money, but merchandise.

The public mind is still divided over the two propositions, viz., whether it is the quality or quantity of money that gives it value or buying power. This object lesson with gold should help the intrinsic value believers to surmount their old-time delusions. Of course if we had no government and were back to barbarism, they are right.

A great many have written me about where to get books on the money question. I cannot possibly reply to all. I take this opportunity so that readers of these notes may help themselves. Prof. Irving Fisher of Yale University is the only one I know of who can be relied on who has written extensively on the subject of Money, Credit, Inflation, Deflation, and how business and prices are affected thereby. I have his latest circular or book just out on "Inflation." Does it cheat the creditor? Does it cheat the debtor? What is its relation to the farm revolt? Who will profit by inflation? Who will lose? What has gold got to do with it? On which side is your bread buttered? How will it affect you? etc. are some of the subjects handled in this book. Price \$1.50. For complete list address Prof. Irving Fisher, 480

### WASHINGTON SIDELIGHTS

W. P. Lambertson  
Feb. 17, 1934

Sen. Geo. McGuffin has more postoffice patronage than any other senator between the states of Ohio and California with the exception of Sen. Duffy of Wisconsin.

There was an anniversary on Thursday around the mast and anchor of the Maine in Arlington. One hundred and sixteen of the victims of that catastrophe are buried there in a circular plot.

On the same day a group gathered about the statue of the suffrage leaders in the crypt of the Capitol commemorating the birthday of Susan B. Anthony. Women's suffrage has been a success but the 19th Amendment did not save the 18th as many predicted.

Col. Gibson, long time National leader in Vermont, formerly our colleague but recently appointed to the Senate, was the only Republican in the Northeast who voted to convict MacCracken.

The two congressional districts of Nebraska bordering on Kansas are represented by two ex-Governors, Shallenberger of Alma and Morehead of Falls City.

Carpenter, who represents half of the State of Nebraska in square miles, the big northwest district, is a fighting representative and he comes by it naturally for his given names are Terry McGovern. That fighter was the feather-weight champion in 1900 when the Congressman was born.

We do hope, with all good Americans, that when we have finished priming the pump that the well will soon go dry. Anyway, we are grateful that we do not live in France or Austria.

The Union Pacific's new streamlined train drew crowds at the Union Station. Mrs. Dal remarked to her tall father as they went through that he couldn't wear a stovepipe hat there. His reply was, "These are not times for high hats, anyway."

James Simpson, Jr., 29, Republican just now in Chicago, is the second youngest man in the House. He is the son of the president of Marshall Field.

### THE FARMER HIRES SALESMAN

(continued from page 1) markets about 196 million bushels of grain, as compared with 87 million bushels the year before Farmers National was organized. The National established branch or district offices at every principal grain market in the United States and built a contracts with all classes of buyers abroad.

It has included in its membership, practically all the cooperative terminal sales agencies which were operating prior to the formation of the National. In addition to these organizations, which already were in existence, large-scale grain cooperatives have been organized in regions where none existed previously. In Missouri, for example, Missouri Grain Growers, Inc., was created June 6, 1931, as a stockholder of Farmers National Grain Corporation by country cooperative elevator associations.

### The Cooperative Picture Complete

The member cooperatives of Farmers National are owned by some quarter of a million grain growers, it is estimated. By organizing the National they have removed the limitations that had surrounded purely local co-operations. It has opened the way for the concentration of all cooperative activities in marketing grain and has given the affiliated co-ops a much broader and a more substantial influence on terminal markets than ever before.

The cooperative grain-marketing picture is complete now. The farmer owns stock in the elevator at his delivery point; the elevator association owns stocks in Missouri Grain Growers, Inc., a regional cooperative; and the regional cooperative owns stock in Farmers National Grain Corporation. In Ray and St. Charles counties, however, will be found county-wide associations in which the individual growers have an interest, and these county units, in turn, own stock in Missouri Grain Growers, Inc.

### Now what about Hall-Baker Grain Company? How does it come into the picture?

In the spring of 1930, Farmers National Grain Corporation began looking over the Kansas City market for a going grain company that had a good outlet to foreign countries. It found such a concern in Hall-Baker Grain Company. It had been in business on the Kansas City market more than a quarter of a century; it was supplying choice milling wheat to about 250 leading mills in its trade territory; it had excellent export connections; it had outstanding credit ratings at the banks, and it was named by some of the ablest men in the grain trade. So, in May, 1930, Farmers National purchased Hall-Baker Grain Company, lock, stock and barrel, as its Kansas City branch. The name "Hall Baker" was retained for the same reason one would keep the name "Ford" if he bought the Ford Motor Company—for its trade value.

Although Hall-Baker Grain Company used to be an old line concern, it is being operated today as a cooperative by Farmers National Grain Corporation, which was organized by cooperatives. So far as the farmer is concerned, Hall-Baker and Farmers National are one and the same thing. However, in dealing with mills that have been customers since it was founded more than 25 years ago, the name Hall-Baker is of great value.

While this is but a brief glance at what farmers have built by efforts of the past 50 years, it will clarify the picture in the minds of grain growers in this territory. In another issue will be told some of the accomplishments of this gigantic concern that offers every marketing facility under the sun to every grain producer who will affiliate with it—a service that extends from his farm all the way to the mill buyer in this country and to the exporter.

Prospect St., New Haven, Connecticut, or Yale University. Professor Fisher is sympathetic with us, our struggle for better living conditions.

### NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES

#### THIS PLAN SOUNDS GOOD

Local Near Maplehill Tells of Entertainment Contests between Men and Women, with Feeds if Satisfied

The women members of our Local, Spring Glen No. 1976, near Maplehill, challenged the men members to put on an entertainment. If satisfied with the entertainment, the women were to feed us. The men accepted the challenge with the condition that the women would have to furnish the entertainment a month later, and that if we (the men) were satisfied with the entertainment, we would feed the women.

This challenge came on January 16, and the men got busy and two weeks later we put on a good forty minutes of fun. The women were well satisfied; so they put on the kettle and we had hot chili and coffee.

The women are to furnish their entertainment on March 6. Then we will see who are the best fun makers.

We suggest that other Locals try to come to instill some interest for new members. Say! We have really got the neighborhood talking, and I feel sure we will increase our rank and file by this method.

We alternate with a business meeting and an entertainment every other meeting night. We meet the first and third Tuesday of each month. Each member invites a prospective member.

Try it.

Fraternally,  
Walter Brennan, Sec.-Treas.

### LINN COUNTY CONVENTION

The Linn County Farmers Union held their quarterly meeting at the Pleasant Home school house, Saturday, February 17.

A large and enthusiastic crowd was in attendance although some could not be present on account of sickness.

This meeting was not closed till after dinner on account of room so the first event of the day was one of those famous "farm" prepared dinners.

County president, F. C. Gerstenberger called the house to order and the business was taken up and disposed of in the regular manner.

A very pleasing and entertaining program was presented by the young people as follows: Reading, Mildred Johnson; reading, Eula Beary; one act play; report from Farmers Union Gossip, by Velma Alexander; reading, Pearl Gerstenberger; three numbers by the Parker Harmony Boys' quartette.

Mr. E. C. Collins made a talk in regard to road improvement and graveling mail routes. This is something very important to every farmer and should receive further consideration.

We urge every Local to take this up at their next local meeting, as it will take some work in all parts of the county to see it successfully through.

The Legislative committee presented two resolutions which were endorsed by the County Farmers Union as follows:

No. 1. Whereas the Frazier Bill is designated to relieve distressed agriculture, said bill has the support of the Farmers Union. Be it therefore resolved that the following supporters of the Frazier Bill in congress be commended for their vote in favor of said bill: Mrs. McCarthy, Mr. Lambertson and Mr. Carpenter.

No. 2. "Be it resolved that if a special session of the Legislature of Kansas is called, we, The Linn County Farmers Union, urge Governor Lamberson to use his influence to have mail necessary laws passed to make mail routes secondary roads and expend twenty-two million dollars improving them so that a much larger per cent of the people may get the benefit of their gasoline tax."

The next regular county convention will be held at the New Home school house the third Saturday in April.

Each local please be represented and have a number for the program.

### HOPEWELL NOTES

"I am enclosing some resolutions and a report of our last meeting. Everything is going good up here and a few more are paying up their dues and looks as if many of our farmers are still for the Farmers Union and are still in making farming worthwhile," writes Glen Leupold of Frankfort. His report follows:

The Hopewell Local No. 809 had another good meeting Friday evening, February 16, with a large number present. The resolution committee were adopted. Mrs. Lindsey and Mrs. Edmington gave fine talks on "The Good of the Order." The secretary read a few articles from President Simpson's radio address. The weekly paper was read by Lois Lindsey. The program consisted of songs and readings and an address from the Hopewell president to the members. Rev. Werner gave a fine talk that was appreciated by all present. A good lunch and a social time followed the meeting.

### Resolutions Offered by Hopewell Local 809

For, in as much as it has pleased the most high and almighty God to remove from our midst our friend, Mr. Ramsey Curtis, brother of Mrs. A. D. Fitch, Therefore be it resolved by the members of the Hopewell Local No. 809, being duly assembled, that we extend to Mr. and Mrs. Fitch and family and relatives our sincere and heartfelt sympathy in their time of sorrow.

Be it resolved that we appeal to the farmers of Kansas to make note of the congressmen who have not signed up to reintroduce the Frazier bill.

### NOTICE OF QUARTERLY WASHINGTON CO MEETING

The Washington County Farmers Union quarterly meeting will be held at Brantford on Saturday, March 3, and will be called at one o'clock, sharp. Please be present.—Dan Combrow, county secretary.

### TEMPLIN LOCAL

Templin Local No. 1891, Wabaunsee county, held the regular meeting for the month on February 2, with a good business meeting and entertainment. Erma Kietzman gave a reading, "In Kansas where the Sunflowers Bloom." Doyle Gass and George Thoes entertained with several songs. Mrs. Will Heiderman kept every one guessing on a number of riddles, with answers pertaining to paper.

Mr. Bevans, our new elevator manager at A. L. Vista, was present and all ready for a prosperous year. Our paid up membership ranks higher than at this month in '33. Of course our meetings always end up with a little lunch. Sandwiches, gingerbread topped with whipped cream and coffee were served.

Several of the local members, relatives and friends, gathered at the Frank Thoes home Wednesday evening, February 14, to remind Mrs. Thoes that she was another year older. A social time was enjoyed and cake and coffee was served.

Mrs. Otto Fink, Sec.-Treas.

### LOCAL GIVES PLAYS

The Minneola Local No. 1228 is still on the map, if our membership isn't as large as "in the good old days." The old stand-bys are still here and we feel it is "hard times" instead of lack of faith in the union that causes members to drop out, but we are looking forward to a better year for 1934.

Our local prepares a play each winter. This is given at other locals who furnish the eats. We, then, invite them to our local to put on the program. Of course we always have some good peppy Union talker. We recommend these social times or creating an interest in the Union. What we need is some regular Farmers Union plays and readings. Also ideas on how to keep the Union meetings full of pep.

Mrs. George Shuler, Sec.-Treas.

Baldwin, Kans., R. 1.

### GOOD TIMES AT MEETINGS

Farmers Union Local No. 656, known as "Pioneer Local," near Marquette, has recently reorganized, and is making good progress. The secretary-treasurer, Richard Burnison, reports twenty-nine members already signed up. The officers for 1934 are: Richard Peterson, president; Albin Gustafson, vice president; and Richard Burnison, secretary-treasurer. "This Local meeting on Monday night," says Mr. Burnison, "and we have our smoker one Monday each month. We are having wonderfully good times at our meetings. We are having our first social, since reorganizing, on Friday evening, February 23."

### RESOLUTION OF SYMPATHY

Whereas, it has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom and goodness to call from this life of trial and labor the soul of Barbara Berzer, dearly beloved wife of Alois Berzer, secretary of our Local No. 233; and, whereas, her death has caused great sorrow to the members of her family; therefore be it

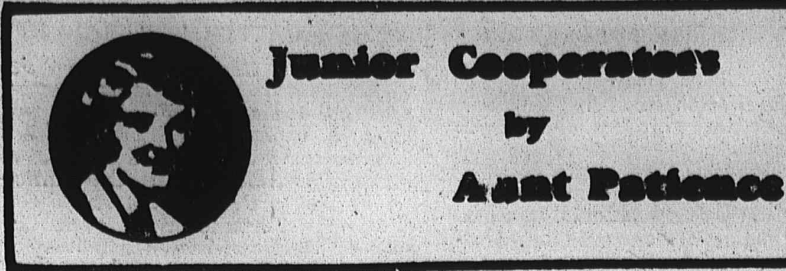
Resolved, That we, the members of the Odin Local No. 233, Odin, Iowa, extend to the members of her family our deepest and sincerest sympathy in this their hour of sorrow, and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, a copy to be placed on our Local record and one to be sent to the Kansas Union Farmer for publication.

William Zecha  
Anthony Beran  
Fred Jawks  
Resolution Committee.

### STONE LOCAL 792 MEETS





## Junior Cooperators by Aunt Patience

**HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THIS DEPARTMENT**  
Any boy or girl between the ages of six and sixteen, whose father is a member in good standing of the Farmers' Union, who writes a letter for publication, can be a member of this department, and is entitled to a pin. The address to which all Juniors should send their letters is: Aunt Patience, in care of the KANSAS UNION FARMER, Salina, Kansas.

### Dear Junior Cooperators:

Since this week contains the birthday of George Washington, I want to give you a few facts about the "Father of Our Country," which may enable you to visualize him more clearly. I read these points in a magazine called "Hygeia," in an article by Professor Walter Wells of Washington, D. C., who very cleverly worked up what he called a "Case History" of our first president.

George Washington always arose early (4:30 or 5:00 a. m.) and retired was not over-particular about his early (9 p. m.) He ate heartily and food. He was fond of tea but never used tobacco in any form. All his life he suffered from frequent head colds, sore throat, and headaches. He attended the Constitutional Convention at Philadelphia in spite of a severe attack of rheumatism from which he was suffering at the time.

He was 6 feet, 3 inches in height, and his weight was about 200 pounds. He carried himself in a very erect manner and he had unusually long limbs, with big hands, feet and joints. His head was very large, about 26-28 inches around.

His teeth had been extracted, and along with this fact, I saw a most interesting exhibit in the dental exposition at the Century of Progress, in Chicago. It was the "false teeth," or "denture," as dentists call them, more kindly, which George Washington used in the later years of his life. They were very clumsy in appearance and were controlled with heavy springs.

On Thursday, December 12, 1799, the weather being very bad, Washington rode out to his farm as usual and returned with coat and hair wet with snow. He sat down to dinner without changing his clothes. Next day he had symptoms of a cold. His throat was hoarse and, answering remonstrances, he said, "I never take anything for a cold. Let it go as it came."

The disease progressed relentlessly and ended in the death of the man to whom more than any other, we owe our own thanks for the united and freed country in which we live today.—Aunt Patience.

Concordia, Kans., Jan. 11, 1934  
Dear Aunt Patience:

I am 11 years old. I am in the sixth grade, and I go to the school District No. 11.  
My birthday is September 4. Can you find my twin. My mother was secretary for four years, and my father is door-keeper. We belong to the Local No. 507 of Cloud county.  
My teacher's name is Miss Myrtle Johnson. I used to go to District No. 19, but we moved here this year. My teacher up at 19 was Miss Palmquist. I want the Kansas sunflower for the club flower.

Yours truly,  
Carl Rogers Trude.

### Dear Carl:

I was very glad to get your letter, even though I have been so late in answering it. Your pin will be sent this week and while I don't have a twin for you right now, I'm sure we will find one soon. The "forget-me-not" still has most votes, but I've placed yours with those for the "sunflower."—Aunt Patience.

### MOTHER'S HERE



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word in spelling. My little brother is not quite old enough yet to join the club yet is he? He is only two years old. His birthday is May 25. His name is Merle. I cannot vote for the club flower can I?

If I could I want the sunflower. I want to see my letter in the paper.  
Well, I guess I had better close. I will try and write often.—Goodbye  
Your friend,  
Pat Shoemaker.

P.S.—I like all of my studies in our school. Write soon.

### Dear Pat:

I hope that you have studied the January lesson for I think you will find it interesting. I think you write very well and I'm glad to know that you read all of the letters every week. Your record in spelling is fine—and I hope you'll be able to continue it. No, but I've added Merle's name to our Cradle Roll and when he is six years old, he can become a full-fledged Junior. I'm still counting votes for the club flower as so many didn't get theirs in, so I've put yours with those for the sunflower. And I do hope you will be able to write more often. I'm always glad to hear from you.—Aunt Patience.

### Greenleaf, Kans., Jan. 2, 1934

Dear Aunt Patience:  
I'd like to become a member of the Junior cooperators. I would like to know if I have a twin in the club. I was born September 4, 1922. I am in the seventh grade, and go to Greenleaf school. Mr. Scholunburg is my teacher. I am enjoying my Christmas vacation. I have a very dear friend about a quarter of a mile across the creek, and through the timber. She is a member of the Farmers Union Dane Local.  
Anton Peterson is my grandfather. Will you please send me my pin.  
Yours very sincerely,  
Charlotte Combaw.

### Greenleaf, Kans., Jan. 2, 1934

Dear Aunt Patience:  
I'm so glad that you liked your prize. You certainly do have an unusual pet—I had never even heard of a white poodle. He must be pretty young. I'd like to see him. Yes, I'll find a copy of your essay and send it to you. I'll be sure to be very careful of it. I will be working in manual training classes is wonderful training for anyone—I believe that girls would find it of benefit, too. I often wish that I knew how to handle a hammer and nails expertly! And I do hope you won't wait so long between letters next time.—Aunt Patience.

### Conway Springs, Kans., Jan. 12

Dear Aunt Patience:  
I would like to be a member of your club. My dad is a member of the Farmers Union.  
I am 9 years old and in the fifth grade. My birthday is the 23rd of January. I have two sisters, Norma J. Jeanine, 3. We go one and one-half miles to Spencer High School. My teacher's name is Mary Coyne. I think the forget-me-not would be a good club flower.  
With love,  
—Lois Albers.

### Greenleaf, Kans., Dec. 29, 1933.

I would like to join your club. I am twelve years of age, my birthday is on February 6. I am in the seventh grade. I have one noted pet and that is a pet sheep.  
I call him "Niggie". When I want him to fight I just tickle his tail and he will side-swipe you, that is he swings his head around and hits you. When I come into the sheep yard where he is he will come to me. He will eat any candy you give him, and he even chews tobacco for daddy.  
Please tell me about the lessons, and what I am to gain from them. I wish to get a pin. I would like to know who my twin belongs to the Dane Local.  
Yours for cooperation,  
Lee A. Combaw.

### Dear Lee:

We are very happy that you wish to become a member of our Club and I've added Jeanine's name to our Cradle Roll list. You know that I've noticed that more of the boys in the Club prefer the sunflower for club flower, while the girls seem to want the forget-me-not. So far, the girls' choice has the most votes. I'll send your pin and be sure to let us hear from you again soon.—Aunt Patience.

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### Kanopolis, Kan., Jan. 12, 1934

Dear Aunt Patience:  
How are you? I am fine, and hope you are the same. I am nine years old. My birthday is September 25. I never have sent in my lessons, for I never did see them in the paper. I will watch for this month.  
I go to Nebraska school. I can not write very good because we have not enough ink to do any good. My teacher's name is Miss Emma Beatty. I am in the fourth grade. There are 6 with me in my grade, two boys and three girls.  
I read the letters in the paper every week. I surely thought the song in yesterday's paper was pretty. I never did find my twin. I thought my pin was nice. I never have missed a

### Dear Charlotte:

I'm glad that you are to be one of our Juniors and it just happens that I have a twin for you, who is also another of this week's new members. His name is Carl Freed and he lives in Concordia. His birthday is also on September 4th and he is just one year older than you. Yes, I've met your grandfather several times at our State Farmers Union meetings—where he is, of course, very well known. I know that his granddaughter will make one of our most faithful and useful Juniors and I'll send your pin this week.—Aunt Patience.

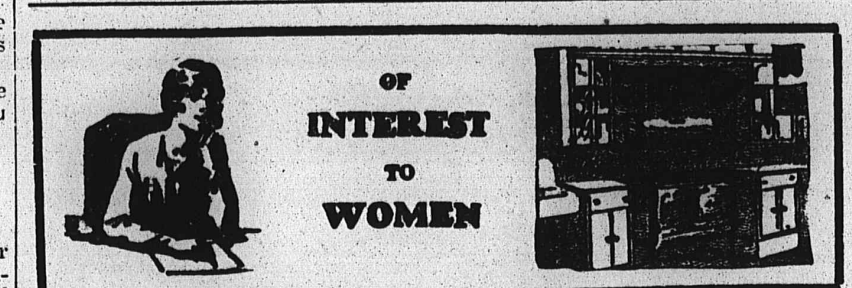
### McClure, Kans., Jan. 25, 1934

Dear Aunt Patience:  
I am sending in my January lesson so I thought I would send you a letter. I have never been able to find my twin yet. I found one whose birthday is the day before mine. Mine is February 1.  
I would like very much to be the winner, but I don't think I have a chance with so many other boys and girls.  
We are going to start a ribbon band together in our school.  
I would like very much for someone to write to me. I will try to answer all letters I get.  
Your friend,  
Lucille Buzard.

### P. S. This is the first time I ever wrote a lesson.

### Dear Lucille:

I was glad to receive your January lesson, with your letter. I think until you find your "exact" twin, you could write someone whose birthday is about the same as yours, or someone whose letter you find particularly interesting. What is a ribbon band? I don't think I ever heard of one before. And be sure to let me know to whom you write.—Aunt Patience.



## OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

### APPLE PUDDING PIE

(a delicious juicy pie in a pudding dish)  
4 cups chopped tart apples  
1-2 cup seedless raisins  
1-2 teaspoon grated lemon rind  
2 tablespoons Crisco  
1-2 teaspoon cinnamon  
1-2 cup brown sugar  
1 tablespoon flour  
2 tablespoons lemon juice  
2 tablespoons cold water  
Completely line bottom and sides of a deep Criscoed pudding dish with pastry. Brush bottom with melted Crisco to prevent juice from soaking in.  
Then prepare the filling: Mix apples, raisins, sugar, cinnamon and lemon rind; put into pastry-lined pudding dish. Dot with sweet, digestible Crisco. Pour in the lemon juice mixed with water. Cover with Crisco pastry. Join edges by moistening with water. Prick top with fork. Cook 10 minutes in hot oven (450 degrees F.) Bake 35 minutes. Delicious hot or cold. Reduce to moderate (350 degrees F.) with lemon sauce or cream.

### POT ROAST OF BEEF WITH SPAGHETTI

4 to 5-pound round or beef,  
1 pound spaghetti  
2 cups beef tomatoes,  
1-4 pound beef steak,  
1 large onion,  
1 large green pepper,  
2 slices of bacon,  
3 bay leaves,  
6 cloves,  
1 clove of garlic,  
1 cup hot water,  
Grated cheese,  
Salt and pepper.  
Chop suet and bacon and fry. Add onion, garlic and green pepper finely chopped and when they begin to brown, add the meat. Brown it on both sides and then add water, tomatoes and seasoning. Simmer gently three hours, add 2 tablespoons salt and 1-4 teaspoon pepper. Cook the spaghetti, drain and add to the meat mixture. Let cook for ten minutes. Serve the meat on a platter with the sauce either in a separate dish or around the meat. Sprinkle the cheese over the sauce.

### SALAD DRESSING

Three egg yolks,  
One-half teaspoon salt,  
Four tablespoons sugar,  
Four tablespoons flour,  
One-quarter teaspoon mustard,  
One-quarter teaspoon pepper,  
One-half cup water,  
One-half cup vinegar,  
One tablespoon butter.  
Beat yolks and add dry ingredients. Add remaining ingredients and cook slowly and stir constantly until dressing thickens. Chill.

### HOT WATER GINGERBREAD

3-4 cup molasses,  
1-1/2 cups sifted family flour,

### 3-4 teaspoon soda,

1-2 teaspoon cinnamon,  
6 tablespoons of 3-8 cup boiling water.

### 1-2 teaspoon salt,

1 teaspoon ginger,  
3 tablespoons melted fat.

### Add water and fat to molasses. Mix

and sift the dry ingredients. Pour, at one time, all the liquid ingredients into the dry ingredients and beat vigorously for about twenty seconds.

Pour into a greased shallow pan, making the batter about one inch thick. Bake twenty-five minutes in a moderate oven.

### WHOLE WHEAT COOKIES

3-4 cup sifted flour,  
1-2 teaspoon salt,  
1 teaspoon cinnamon,  
1-2 teaspoon soda,  
2 tablespoons fat,  
1-2 cup sugar,  
1 egg,  
1 cup cracked cracked wheat,  
1 cup seedless raisins.

Sift the dry ingredients together. except the sugar; add the fat, sugar, beaten eggs, wheat, and raisins. Stir until well mixed. Drop by teaspoonfuls on a greased pan about two inches apart. Bake in moderate oven until lightly browned.

### FILLING FOR ANGEL FOOD CAKE

Four egg yolks,  
One cup sweet butter,  
Three-fourths cup powdered sugar,  
Three-fourths cup milk,  
One teaspoon vanilla.

Beat egg yolks until thick and add sugar. Beat, then add the butter and cream until smooth. Cut Angel Food cake in two or three layers and spread with filling. This may be used for outside or sugar icing or whipped cream may be used for outside. Decorate with sliced pineapple bits, almonds and cherries (candied).

### FILLED ANGEL FOOD CAKE

One and one-fourth cups flour,  
One and two-thirds cups egg whites,  
One-half teaspoon salt,  
Three tablespoons water,  
One teaspoon cream of tartar,  
One and three-fourths cups sugar,  
Three-fourths teaspoon vanilla.

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### One-fourth teaspoon almond extract.

Sift flour. Place the egg whites in large mixing bowl. Add salt and water. Whip until foamy. Add cream of tartar and whip until egg whites stand up in points, not dry. Add sugar slowly. Then add sifted flour and flavoring. Place in cold oven and bake at 350 degrees for one hour.

### BANANAS BROILED WITH BACON

Cut each banana in two pieces. Roll a strip of bacon around each piece and skewer with toothpick. Place on broiler in hot oven. When bacon is crisp and brown on one side, turn over and brown the other side. This dish is easily prepared and wonderfully delicious.

### BAKING POWDER

### CINNAMON ROLLS

Two cups flour (sifted)  
One-half teaspoon salt.  
Three teaspoons baking powder.  
Four tablespoons shortening.  
Three-fourths cup milk.  
One-half cup butter (melted).  
One-fourth cup sugar.  
Cinnamon.

Sift the flour, salt and baking powder together. Cut in shortening. Add the milk to make a soft dough. Roll out to 1-4 inch thickness, spread part of the melted butter, sugar and cinnamon on the dough. Roll up, cut every 1/4-inch and place cut edge up on a floured pan. Spread the remaining butter, sugar and cinnamon on the top of the rolls. Bake in a moderate oven about twenty minutes. This makes about twenty-four rolls.

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### TAMALE PIE

Cook one cup corn meal in four cups boiling water with one teaspoon salt until it is a thick mush. Cool. Heat two tablespoons fat and fry one tablespoon minced onion until delicately browned. Add two cups chopped beef and cook until slightly browned. Add two cups canned tomatoes, drained, one teaspoon salt, two pimientos chopped and two teaspoons Chili powder. Heat thoroughly, stirring constantly. Line greased casserole with mush, fill center with meat mixture. Cover with mush and bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees F.) about forty-five minutes.

### SOUR MILK CHOCOLATE CAKE

One-half cup fat.  
One cup sugar.  
One egg.  
One teaspoon vanilla.  
One-fourth teaspoon salt.  
Two squares chocolate, melted.  
One cup sour milk.  
Two cups flour.

Cream the fat and sugar. Add rest of ingredients and heat two minutes. Pour into shallow pan fitted with waxed paper. Bake thirty minutes in moderately slow oven. Cool and frost.

### Bluestem pastures should not be burned unless there is enough dead grass on the places that are lightly grazed to cause patchy grazing, advises A. E. Aldous of the department of agronomy, Kansas State College. Burning will cause a slight decrease in the yield of prairie grasses, but the soil will not be injured if the burning is done just before the grass plants start growing and at a time when the ground is moist.

### Crop rotation is a necessity along with a terracing program. Newly terraced land should not be planted with row crops, according to H. F. Eier, agricultural engineer of the Kansas State extension service. He adds, "Doesn't this suggest that this is the time to terrace rolling lands that are now out of production?"

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## Farmers Union Live Stock Sales

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N. F. Thome—Douglas Co Ks—20 steers 1099	6.75
N. F. Thome—Douglas Co Ks—12 steers 976	6.75
F. C. Scherdy—Clay Co Ks—11 str, hfs 783	6.50
Pete Bocquin—Lyon Co Ks—49 steers 1026	6.35
Horace Thompson Est Wabunsee Co K—29 s 925	6.25
W. K. Carlgen—Cloud Co Ks—6 st, hfs 825	6.25
Emil Samuelson—Riley Co Ks—14 steers 942	6.25
John Schrader—Osgood Co Ks—3 heifers 610	6.00
W. A. Fishburn—Osgood Co Ks—5 steers 1020	6.00
Guy Vanstenberg—Marshall Co Ks—5 steers 918	6.00
Fred Smerech—Marshall Co Ks—5 steers 918	6.00
D. Scholbom—Lyon Co Ks—15 heifers 752	5.85
H. R. Falk—Wabunsee Co Ks—26 steers 1025	5.85
Pogue Bros—Ottawa Co Ks—5 heifers 752	5.75
Emil Samuelson—Riley Co Ks—10 steers 956	5.75
Henry Eichen—Riley Co Ks—5 str, hfs 675	5.50
John B. Nann—Osgood Co Ks—8 heifers 775	5.50
Taber Edmonds—Jefferson Co Ks—11 str 1011	5.50
A. G. Schneider—Rooks Co Ks—20 steers 1002	5.50
Frank Klenda—Marion Co Ks—17 steers 810	5.50
Harry Doverspike—Chase Co Ks—41 steers 960	5.50
Eben Olson—McPherson Co Ks—10 steers 1071	5.50
Chas. R. Vanstenberg—Furnas Co Ks—25 steers 1004	5.50
Guy Vanstenberg—Furnas Co Ks—25 steers 1004	5.50
T. R. Evans and Son—Coffey Co Ks—32 heifers 776	5.40
R. W. Hodge—Wabunsee Co Ks—25 steers 891	5.35
J. S. Hays—Riley Co Ks—12 steers 892	5.35
Schmidt Bros—Dickinson Co Ks—44 steers 1115	5.25
Lawrence Peterson—Saline Co Ks—18 str, hfs 619	5.25
H. P. Ritz—Mitchell Co Ks—5 steers 948	5.25
Willard Martin—Bates Co Ks—37 steers 987	5.25
Peter Thowe—Wabunsee Co Ks—5 heifers 824	5.25
Thurman Sempe—Jewell Co Ks—7 str, hfs 895	5.25
Craven Grain Co—Marshall Co Ks—6 steers 1038	5.25
Henry Johnson—Pottawatomie Co Ks—9 heifers 881	5.25
Henry Eichen—Morris Co Ks—48 steers 972	5.00
E. V. Nelson—Osgood Co Ks—5 heifers 976	5.00
John Schrader—Osgood Co Ks—4 heifers—707	5.00
F. E. Pierce—Ottawa Co Ks—19 steers 925	5.00
F. E. Pierce—Ottawa Co Ks—15 steers 1320	5.00
Chas. Wickstrom—Riley Co Ks—8 steers 925	5.00
A. W. Clawley—Riley Co Ks—24 steers 670	5.00
S. C. Beck—Granada, Colo—25 steers 687	5.00
Fred A. Bangs—Greenwood Co Ks—23 steers 1056	5.00
Luther M. Larson—McPherson Co Ks—22 steers 1068	4.90
J. P. DeMoss—Lafayette Co Mo—24 steers 1362	4.75
J. S. Hays—Riley Co Ks—9 str, hfs 721	4.75
Frank Klenda—McPherson Co Ks—12 steers 1428	4.75
C. A. Peterson—Saline Co Ks—19 steers 1195	4.65
A. G. Schneider—Rooks Co Ks—24 steers 1187	4.65
James G. Pogue—Ottawa Co Ks—25 steers 978	4.65
Edgar Cedarholm—McPherson Co Ks—32 heifers 725	4.50
W. S. Sanford—Morris Co Ks—32 heifers 725	4.50
O. M. Gunnerson—Saline Co Ks—8 steers 1186	4.50
Roy Currie—Riley Co Ks—11 steers 1008	4.35
E. A. Mernance—Cedar Co Mo—9 yearlings 610	4.25
Luther Harmon—Lafayette Co Mo—8 yearlings 815	4.25
H. C. Turner—Johnson Co Neb—46 steers 737	4.15
J. J. Klenda—Marion Co Ks—15 steers 1176	4.15
Leonard Finch—Linn Co Ks—3 cows 1520	4.00
H. C. Strain—Osgood Co Ks—3 cows 1416	4.00
W. B. Thomas—Clay Co Ks—3 cows 1370	3.75
Ralph Poland—Dickinson Co Ks—2 cows 1240	3.75
Eben Olson—McPherson Co Ks—4 cows 1267	3.25
Frank H. Gripp—Graham Co Ks—7 steers 710	3.00
Amos Dahlstein—McPherson Co Ks—3 cows 1146	3.00
T. J. Plinn—Wyandotte Co Ks—17 cows 983	2.90
F. H. Dannberg—Jackson Co Mo—14 cows 983	2.75
O. M. Gunnerson—Saline Co Ks—5 cows 980	2.50
L. C. Cleveland—St. Clair Co Mo—5 cows 840	2.50
Henry Peterson—McPherson Co Ks—5 cows 880	2.50

A. J. Hildebrand—Douglas Co Ks—23 310	4.50
W. W. Thompson—Phillips Co Ks—38 260	4.50
Marion Syster—Miami Co Ks—5 232	4.50
J. A. Murphy—Clay Co Ks—31 222	4.50
Fritz Nissen—Nemaha Co Ks—27 223	4.50
J. H. Downing—Mg—Henry Co Mo—13 169	4.50
Roy Breithaupt—Douglas Co Ks—34 195	4.50
Frank McVeigh—Anderson Co Ks—34 222	4.50
Henry Block—Miami Co Ks—8 225	4.50

## BUTTER AND EGG MARKET LETTER

By P. L. Betts  
Dairy & Poultry Cooperatives Inc.

## Butter

There has been relatively very little change in the butter market during the current week. In fact Extras are 25¢ at the close as well as at the opening, after having been down to 24¢ on three days during the period. Standards have remained unchanged at 24¢ throughout the time week with 89 score cars 23½¢ and 88 score cars 23¢.

The recent improvement in the wholesale price of butter has been due entirely to two factors, first the buying of a large part of the surplus by the Government and passing it into relief channels, and secondly one of the factors that is of the greatest importance to producers has been due to the continued reduction in production amounting to from 12 per cent to 15 per cent for the country as a whole, and in some sections as much as 40 per cent. This has been brought about primarily because of the low prices to which butterfat dropped after the Government stepped out of the picture in December. Feeding of grains simply became unprofitable and the change in production has been, so far as the best advice we are able to obtain, due almost entirely to the feeding situation.

We have, however, a large number of cows and heifers back in the country that have been creating our surplus for some time. The question that should be causing dairy farmers concern is what will happen when these cows and heifers are turned out to grass next spring when the cheap feed pasture season again comes on. From the information obtainable, not many of these cows and heifers have been turned dry entirely. The shortage in production, as above stated, has been almost entirely due to the feeding situation. Therefore, full when these cows will receive full grass feed we will again have a heavy flow of milk, for no doubt they will be milked if they remain on the farms and no program is put into effect to control production in which case there will again have a repetition of what occurred during the heavy producing season of 1933 and will likely come up to the fall and winter months of 1934 with as heavy a load of surplus on our hands as was the case last year.

We have heard very little lately about any progress being made in the part of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration in the development of their program for production control. They are very likely waiting for Congress to pass the legislation asked

for by the Secretary of Agriculture to enable them to go ahead with the program they have in mind. We hope the program will be put into effect, and that farmers will give it the support it deserves for surely our producers are finding it is better to produce 85 pounds of fat and get a little something for it rather than insist on producing 100 pounds and taking a loss on the entire production.

**Eggs**  
The egg market has eased only slightly during the current week. Extra Firsts are quoted at 17¢ instead of 17 1/4¢ as they were at the opening. The other grades show about the same variation. Fresh Firsts being 16½¢ against 17¢, and Current Receipts 15½¢ against 16½¢.

The decline in the egg market is entirely seasonal. Production of eggs, like butter, has not been as heavy as it was this time a year ago, otherwise we would probably see prices of eggs just as low as they were then. Plenty of eggs are now arriving on the market to take care of all consumptive demands and even a slight further increase in the supply will probably result in lower prices being quoted.

P. L. BETTS.

## NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES

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ter Local No. 366. They are:  
President, M. A. Arnold; vice president, Henry Fueser; conductor, J. H. Hake; secretary-treasurer, Philip Arnold; doorkeeper, Frank Streit; lecturer, Joe Hackenberg; executive committee, J. H. Houghton, Joe Hackenberg, and A. J. Hobbie.

## SHIPP'S LETTER

Since my last report to you T. E. Howard, representing the AAA, spent a week in north central Kansas, appearing in Republic, Cloud, Ottawa, and Jewell counties. He was received enthusiastically everywhere he appeared. His mission was to acquaint people with the AAA and the New Deal; and to urge farmers to take hold of the opportunities afforded in the New Deal by organizing for future protection in their own class organization. To those who failed to hear him, I will say they missed a real treat. He is fully versed on farm problems, close to the workings in Washington D. C., and an able speaker.

I gained much through the contact at all places where he and I appeared and have reason to believe this time was not spent in vain.

The good Farmers Union Cooperative Creamery of Superior, Nebraska, Jas. Norwood, manager, sponsored me on this program, and I know Kansas cooperators are thankful.

On Friday night, February 9th, Republic county Farmers Union held a

meeting in Kalivoda Hall, in Cuba, Kansas. We had our State Secretary Floyd Lynn, with us, who gave us very instructive and encouraging talk on cooperation. A representative group of both Island Local and Wayne were present. Your humble servant presented a few ideas for adoption in the way of resolutions, as follows:

1. We resolve that the practice of direct buying of live stock depresses our markets, we implore Secretary of Agriculture Wallace to use every effort to end this unfair practice of packers purchasing direct; and further urge that the processing tax be passed on to the consumer, thereby increasing the purchasing power of the farmer, to the end that he may purchase his needs at par, which, in turn will return him back to the factories, railroads, and other vocations; which will relieve the situation of the unemployed.

2. We further resolve, that we set up livestock shipping associations, to combat direct buying, wherein the maximum is returned to the producer, representing profits heretofore enjoyed by packers or private interests.

3. Be it further resolved, we favor the Frasier Bill for the refinancing of farm mortgages, which means a 1-2 per cent annually for interest and 1-2 per cent on principal, until paid.

4. We further resolve that we are heartily in accord with our Kansas Farmers Union program, and commend it for its courageous efforts in our behalf. We especially praise him for his cooperating with the AAA, wherein we feel much benefited. We resolve further to favor the lowering of taxes to our ability to pay, as long as it is consistent with good government.

5. We further resolve, that we are opposed to any favoritism in farm organizations, believing all have a duty to perform; and since the Farmers Union is a class organization, militantly battling for equal rights for all mankind, we urge our membership to assist in bringing more good farmers into our fold.

6. We further resolve, that since legislation to tax oleomargarine and other butter substitutes out of existence have failed, and believing the sale of butter substitutes depresses our markets, we accept the plan presented by J. E. Shipp, to be known as the Republic County Kansas Farmers Union plan, as follows: We the undersigned farmers of Republic Co. hereby agree that we will not purchase groceries or other merchandise from any corporation, store, person or persons who sell or offer for sale, oleomargarine or other butter substitutes; and further agree to circulate petitions in our various townships, thereby engaging the cooperation of brother farmers to this program.

7. Be it further resolved: We mail Secretary of Agriculture Wallace sec-

tion 1 of the set of resolutions and a our Kansas Union Farmer and that these resolutions be spread on the minutes.

Moved by Campbell, seconded by Volek that the above resolutions be adopted as a whole. Carried. Moved by Campbell, seconded by Karl we held another meeting in the same place on Friday, February 16. Carried.

Last week was spent in Jewell county with Bert Winchester, member of State Board of Directors. We met many fine cooperators and laid plans for further organization work. Will report next week on happenings. In the meantime, Cloud and Ottawa counties prepare to join us on an extensive membership drive. Mr. Winchester and I will soon be at your service. We will be in Jewell county this coming week. Let's go and grow.

Yours cooperatively,  
J. E. Shipp.

## RILEY CO. MEETING NOTICE

The first quarterly meeting of Riley County Farmers Union No. 45 will be held at Walsburg schoolhouse Saturday, March 3, at 11 a. m. Everybody invited, dinner will be served at noon.

J. W. Graham, Pres.  
Gust Larson, Secretary.

## AMENDMENT TO REMOVE

## MEMBER RESTRICTIONS

## IS CARRIED IN UNION

(continued from page 1)  
"WHITE" and "OR INDIAN" in the first sentence and, "Amend Section 3 of Article IV of the Constitution by striking out the entire section and renumbering the Sections following."

I have canvassed the Ballots on the amendment, returned to me within the period given in the By-Laws, and I find that a total of 7217 ballots were cast as follows:

YES	6468
NO	741
Not voting	3
Total	7217

Therefore, in accordance with the referendum on the above Constitutional amendment cast, the same is adopted.

You are hereby notified, therefore, that the same shall be in full force and effect from and after this date.

The Constitution and By-Laws, amended, are on the Press. A copy will be mailed to you as soon as available for distribution.

EDW. E. KENNEDY,  
National Secretary.

## MANAGERS' MEETINGS

## WERE WELL ATTENDED.

The manager's meetings which were held throughout the state of Kansas during the latter part of January and the early part of February were very well attended. These meetings were held under the auspices of the Farmers Union Managerial Association, and were authorized at the last annual meeting of that organization, which was held in Salina, last spring. The registration shows that many of the managers brought members of their board of directors when attending these meetings.

The Managerial Association is an organization which gives the managers of Farmers Union stores and elevators an opportunity to meet with fellows from other parts of the state who have the same ups and downs in business, and the same problems to solve as well as a chance to renew old friendships, and to iron out the difficulties with which they are all confronted.

Quoting from Mr. Bolden's recent letter to members of the Managerial Association, he states that anything worth while requires money to exist, and that in order to carry on this good work it is essential that those engaged in this association be prompt in paying their dues. The dues in the association are \$5.00 per year, and through the expenditure of this amount you will receive many times its worth in local meetings and the annual spring meeting. The officers of the managerial association are desirous of knowing how you liked the district meetings which were referred to above, and would be pleased to receive correspondence expressing opinion of such meetings, together with your ideas as to what topics should be discussed at them.

In connection with the membership in this organization, you are extended a cordial welcome to join, whether you are a Farmers Union manager or not. The annual spring meeting of the organization will be held either the last week of May or the first week of June this year, and the officers would appreciate receiving suggestions as to what kind of a program is desired, together with your ideas as to what subjects should be discussed at the meeting. They would also like to know if you are planning to be present, and if so whether you will bring your association.

Very often an orphan lamb can be adopted by another ewe lambing about the same time that the orphan is born. If this is not possible, the orphan can be raised on a bottle. Lambs will very soon begin eating ground grain, advises R. W. Bell, of the department of animal husbandry, Kansas State College.

The planting of trees should be regarded as an investment in beauty, protection, and in cash value. For money spent on trees, one receives more value in return than for any other type of ornamental plant, according to L. R. Quinlan, specialist in the department of horticulture, Kansas State College.

Frozen combs are likely to affect female fowls more seriously than males. The freezing of the comb, if at all severe, will throw females out of egg production for periods of varying lengths, according to D. Warren, poultry specialist, Kansas State College. Males with frozen combs will probably give no fertility of eggs for a short period, but this ordinarily will last only a few days.

## LIVE STOCK FIRM TAKES WALL AT DIRECT PURCHASING

Farmers Union Firm Operating on Kansas City and Wichita Yards Has Taken Lead in Fight against Ruminous Practice

The Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Company doing business on the Kansas City and Wichita yards, has been taking a leading part in the fight against direct marketing of hogs during the past few years. This matter was discussed fully at the stockholders' annual meeting held in Kansas City early in the month.

One of the resolutions offered and adopted at the annual meeting takes a direct wall at the packers and their practice of beating down the market prices through the practice of direct purchasing. Readers of the Kansas Union Farmer will be interested in reading this resolution, as well as others which were passed at the same time. They follow:

Resolutions Adopted By the Stockholders at the Annual Meeting of the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Company, February 1, 1934

1. The practice of packers in buying their supply of hogs in the country threatens to destroy the open competitive markets for livestock. In 1933, 70.6 per cent of all the hogs slaughtered in Kansas City under Federal inspection were shipped direct to packers; the 22.4 per cent which they purchased on the open market fixed the price on every hog sold in the Kansas City territory. By this practice of direct buying in the country they are able to manipulate the price of hogs in the open market, and charge back to the farmer the processors' tax of the Corn-Hog program, and nullify its benefits.

Therefore, we urge Secretary of Agriculture, Henry A. Wallace, to use all of the authority which he has to put an end to this vicious practice. We also urge the Senators and Congressmen from Kansas to use every effort in their power to have the Pack-Stock Yard Act amended in such a manner as to give the Secretary of Agriculture any needed authority, in compelling the packers to purchase their supply of hogs in the open markets.

We urge the next Legislatures of Kansas and Missouri to pass a law giving the State Boards of Agriculture power to license and control every buyer of livestock for slaughter in Kansas and Missouri, with supervision over weighing and grading.

2. We urge the Congressmen and Senators from Missouri and Kansas to use all of their influence in support of the "Mr. Bell" bill.

3. We wish to commend the Manager and Directors for the splendid showing they have made in conducting the business of this Association the past year. We hereby pledge to them our fullest support for the coming year. We urge every farmer in the Kansas City territory to take advantage of the services offered by this splendid cooperative organization.

4. We thank the management of the Baltimore Hotel for their courtesy in furnishing us the room for our annual meeting.

Signed,  
O. A. Grim, Chairman,  
Albert G. Hoefler,  
Stanton Browning,  
R. C. Donald,  
A. M. Kinney

## SHEEP LEAD THE WAY

## IN UPWARD PRICE TREND

During the past month choice lambs have sold around the \$10.00 mark on the Kansas City market. The prices on this species of live stock have advanced way ahead of hogs and cattle, and have shown no tendency to weaken. The answer to this is, of course, found in the report of the Department of Agriculture on the number of head in the country, and perhaps the fact that it is the popular meat for those desiring to lose weight has something to do with it. Regardless of the reason for the price advance, we know that lambs have been money makers, and this is saying something at this time.

Cattle and hog prices have shown some strength during the past month. The presence of the Government in the hog market, coupled with light receipts and good shipping orders, has put many dollars in hog producers' pockets. The packers have been forced to follow the market, and the daily tops reveals the fact that they are reluctant to advance prices very rapidly. We hope that Uncle Sam will stay in the market long enough to get the packers in the habit of putting on a little. Packing interests bought a lot of hogs, through direct channels, prior to the last 50¢ processing tax levy. It is too bad this practice cannot be eliminated. Looks like the Department of Agriculture is passing up an opportunity to become a national hero.

A Government order for cows still exists, and canners and low cutters have been moving along at good prices as compared with other classes of cows. There has been an additional order for cows on the Kansas City market. We refer to that order for the States of Kansas and Missouri. A few better class cows are being purchased daily for the account of these two states, and this order has tended to strengthen prices on this grade of live stock. There is no assurance as to how long any of these orders will exist, but we will say that they have been instrumental in establishing better prices on the classes of live stock desired.—TheCo-Operator.

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## THE HORSE POPULATION

"I have been reliably informed," says W. F. Jensen of the American Assn. Creamery Butter Manufacturers, "that in recent years the horse population has decreased about 10 million head, their places having been taken by automobiles and tractors."

"To maintain a horse it is generally thought that four acres of land are required. Thus you will note 40 million acres of farm land no longer needed to maintain horses. It happens that those 40 million acres are exactly one-tenth of the total cultivated acreage in the United States and, it is conceded, is our present surplus acreage."

"In a country where such a revolutionary change can come about in comparatively few years, it seems good sense that national planning be done, and that is exactly what is being done by our government and by the people. They are planning ahead to overcome such a situation as the one described, which is merely one of many. That is what the A. A., and the N. R. A., are doing—a little slowly perhaps, but that may be a better way than to make too many mistakes."

"You can always afford butter, especially now," is the slogan being used in the campaign to increase butter consumption. Wm. H. Martin, of the department of dairy husbandry, Kansas State College, advises that "With low butter prices, now is a good time to start using butter again, or to increase the amount which you have been using."

## ANGUS CATTLE TOP MARKET

During the month of January, the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Company represented three Angus breeders from the state of Kansas in the sale of some of their fed offerings. These sales included 14 head of steers and heifers belonging to E. A. Latzke & Son, Junction City, at \$6.50 per cwt., a truck consignment of yearling belonging to J. D. Martin & Sons, Lawrence, Kansas, at \$6.75 per cwt., a bunch of steers belonging to Mr. C. O. Munson of Junction City at \$6.75, also a bunch of straight heifers from the same herd at \$6.25. All of these cattle topped the market in their classes on the date they were sold. In the December issue of The Co-Operator, an article appeared which was written by John Hannon, butcher salesman, with reference to this particular breed of cattle. In this article Mr. Hannon mentioned the fact that the Farmers Union topped the market consistently with fed offerings from its customers handling Angus cattle, and we offer the above sales as proof of the statement.—The Co-Operator.

Don't fail to attend your next Local or county Farmers Union meeting. There's more interest being taken this year in regular Farmers Union meetings than for several years. Important things are happening. The Farmers Union is going forward. The way to keep up with it is to attend your meetings—and take part.



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