

THE KANSAS UNION FARMER

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SALINA, KANSAS, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1940

Plan for Big Crowds at Farmers Union Meetings

Farmers Union Jobbing, Auditing and Live Stock Associations Have Stockholders' Meetings in Kansas City This Week

This is the week of the big Farmers Union meetings in Kansas City. The Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Company which has houses in Kansas City, Wichita and Parsons has its stockholders' annual meeting today, February 1. W. G. Bernhardt is general manager of this organization, with L. J. Alkire, manager of the Wichita house and W. L. Acuff, manager at Parsons. There will a lively discussion of marketing problems especially of interest to live stock feeders, and a good attendance is invited. The meeting will be held in the roof garden of the Aladdin Hotel, 1:30 p. m.

The Farmers Union Jobbing Association will have its meeting Friday, beginning at 10° a.m. After appointment of committees the meeting will recess until afternoon, giving a brief time for the meeting of the Farmers Union Auditing Association and the report of Secretary-manager T. B. Dunn.

The Free Banquet of the Jobbing Association is Friday evening. Dan O'Connor, president of the Farmers Union Grain Terminal Association, St. Paul, Minn., will be the speaker of the evening, with shorter messages by John Vesecky, president of the National Farmers Union, and Esther Ekblad, director of junior education in the Kansas Farmers Union. The program will be interesting, entertaining, informational and comparatively short, it is promised, and directors and managers of Farmers Union business associations will be given a warm welcome. H. E. Witham, general manager of the Jobbing Association, will be chairman of the meeting.

Special entertainment at the banquet will include music by the office "gang," alias the "Discorders."

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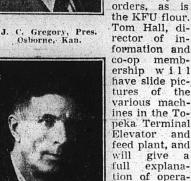
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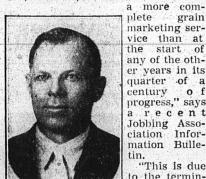


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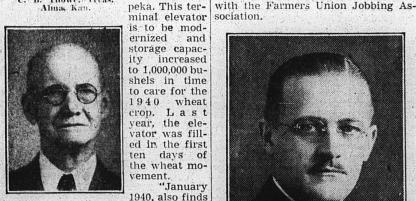


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H. E. WITHAM Mr. Witham is general manager and secretary of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association.

Cut Farm Budget to Pay Increased Military Expense

Agriculture Would Receive Big Cut By Pres. Roosevelt's **Proposed Budget**

By Farm Research

While early reports pointed out that the 'President's new budget spells a reduction of farm programs, a more complete analysis of the detailed breakdowns discloses that these reductions are much sharper than first suspected, with agriculture bearing the full cost of increased war expenditures. The budget proposes additional war outlays amounting to \$491,830,-197 but curtails farm programs to the extent of \$437,407,938 instead of the \$331,000,000 mentiened in the earlier

The total cut in all federal expen-ditures, as proposed by the President's economy budget, amounts to a net reduction of \$675,000,000. Hence the farm programs are asked to bear wo-thirds of the total national reduction. In his written message accompanying the budget, Roosevelt, describes the farm proposals as "a large reduction below the current year" and says that the relief estinates, which include the Farm Security Administration, "represents a large-perhaps too large-reduction of current expenditures.'

The surplus disposal program, covering the stamp plan as well as export subsides and other surplus food and cotton activities, is slated for a cut of \$33,000,000 in direct appropriaions below this year. The provision that 30 per cent of custom receipts also go to surplus disposal remains unchanged. The Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation had been asking that the popular stamp program be doubled.

No appropriation is provided for he rural rehabilitation work of the Farm Security Administration, which received \$143,000,000 this year in the Emergency Relief Act of 1939 and \$18,450,000 in reappropriations of unused funds.

Recommends FSA Cut Without writing in any actual fig-ure for the FSA, the President stated n his budget message, "The Farm Security Administration will operate on about 80 per cent of its 1940 level." Its 1940 total amounted to \$161, 450,000; this represented a cut of \$37. 350,250 below 1939. Considering merely new funds, the President is pro- Association. New Budget Slashes Farm Program

26TH ANNUAL MEETING PROGRAM **Aladdin Hotel** Kansas City, Mo. FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1940

MORNING SESSION

Registration on Roof Garden at 9:30 A. M.

Osborne, Kansas

INVOCATION

Greetings from the Kansas Farmers UnionJohn Fengel Lincolnville, Kansas, State Farmers Union President Appointment of Committees - Credentials - Resolutions - By-Laws

RECESS UNTIL 1:00 P. M.

11:00 A. M.—Regular Annual Meeting of The Farmers Union Auditing Report of Manager...... T. B. Dunn, Salina, Kansas ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

ADJOURNMENT

AFTERNOON SESSION

REPORT OF PRESIDENT

REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Auditor's Report for 1939......T. B. Dunn, Salina, Kansas Report of Manager of Merchandise Department. T. C. Belden

Report of New Feed Mill at Topeka......George Bicknell "FACTORS WHICH AFFECT GOOD MEMBERSHIP RELATIONS IN

A LOCAL COOPERATIVE" An informal panel discussion presented by John Schulte, Beloit; Louis Vernon, Pauline; Jim Moore, LaHarpe; George Watson, Clifton; Clarence Yocum, St. Marys; J. C. Gregory, Osborne; Merle Tribbey, Kellogg; Pat Nash, Ellsworth; Tom Hall, Mgr., Service and Information Department, FUJA, Leader

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS AND BY-LAWS COMMITTEES UNFINISHED BUSINESS NEW BUSINESS ELECTION OF TWO DIRECTORS

ADJOURNMENT **EVENING SESSION**

6:30 p. m. Free Banquet.....Address, Dan O'Connor, St. Paul, Minn. John Vesecky will bring greetings from National Farmers Union, and Esther Ekblad, State Junior Leader, will report on activities among

Saturday Morning Breakfast Conference on Educational Problems



A. T. RILEY Mr. Riley is manager of the Salina office of the Farmers Union Jobbing

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Recover Fed. Hog

M. L. Beckman, Clay Center, Calls Attention to Senate

"Resolution 66"

\$2.25 per hundred tax was in effect," writes M. L. Beckman, president of the Clay County Farmers Union.

"I think there are many readers of the Union Farmer that would be

glad to do the same. I hope you will inform the readers of the Union Far-mer that this joint resolution S66 was

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Main Items	#00x 000 000		600= 000 (
Parity Payments	\$225,000,000	#400 FC0 000	\$225,000,0
Soil Conservation	499,560,000	\$498,560,000	1,000,
Soil Conservation Service	23,720,000	20,195,128	3,525,
Surplus Commod. Disposal.	113,000,000	72,678,812	40,321,
Tenant Purchase	40,775,000	25,000,000	15,775,
Submarginal Land Rtirement	7,423,330	1,102,500	6,320,
FSA Rural Rehabilitation	161,450,000	x	x
FCA Emergency Crop Loans	15,000,000		15,000,
Federal Farm Mort. Corp	9,500,000	7,000,000	2,500,
Crop Insurance	5,923,200	5,528,928	394.
Rural Electrification Loans. Summary of All Items	42,790,000	3,200,000x	39,590,0
To. USDA Direct Appropriations	\$1,274,095,967	\$877,230,704	\$396,865,

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Total USDA Reappropriation Emerg. Appro. to USDA..... Grand Total \$1,436,643,642 posing a cut of \$29,000,000 for 1941 npared with 1940. Despite serious drouth in the winter wheat belt and the consequent need for emergency loans, the budget recommends no appropriation for crop loans to the Farm Credit Administra tion. In previous drouth years, the FCA has been given 40 to 50 millions for this purpose, and last year it got 15 millions. But this year the budget requires that it depend entirely upon collections from old loans. Though Congress appropriated \$225,000,000 for 1940 parity payments,

Jobbing Association. , the President says: "I have not, however, included estimates for new appropriations for parity payments in 1941. I am influenced by the hope that next year's crops can be sold by their producers for at least 75 per cent Good Year at St. Marys Appriximately 300 men and women Elevator attended the semi-annual meeting of opeka. the Farmers Union in St. Marys. C. January, M. Yocum, manager, reported gross 1 9 4 0, finds sales of the association during 1939 those in char-exceeding \$300,000, with a net profit ge of the various depart-

Despite the widely publicized inof three per cent, or about \$10,000.

The elevator handled 200,000 bushels of wheat during the 1939 harvest; of Agriculture states that these inmers Union Jobbing Association, as well as the directors and the general manufacture and the sales and the sales and the sales are a year earlier." Secretary and the this session, and any other information that you think might be of interest animals and eggs" and that the general manufacture are all manufacture and any other information that you think might be of interest animals and eggs" and that the general manufacture are all manufacture and any other information that you think might be of interest animals and eggs" and that the general manufacture are all manufacture and any other information that you think might be of interest animals and eggs" and that the general manufacture are all manufacture and any other information that you think might be of interest animals and eggs" and that the general manufacture are all manufacture and any other information that you think might be of interest animals and eggs" and that the general manufacture are all manufacture and any other information that you think might be of interest animals and eggs" and that the general manufacture are all manufacture and any other information that you think might be of interest animals and eggs" and that the general manufacture are all manufacture and the general manufacture are all manufacture and any other information that you think might be of interest animals and eggs. encour- last year.

be folly to regard the new war as in of the processing tax on hogs markby the Julius Immenschuh, president of any way a solution of our farm probeted for slaughter by the raisers and agricultural tariffs at parity levels aged by the Julius Immenschuh, president of loyalty of its the organization, acted as chairman, lem." producers who in fact bore
The President denies that the bud- of the burden of such tax.

The cooperators were entertained get calls for "the abandonment of

Nat'l. Officers of Farmers Union in Good Meeting

Vesecky Is Well Pleased With Outlook for Legislative Program

John Vesecky, president of the Naional Farmers Union, attended the lirectors' meeting of the national organization in Chicago, January 25, and returned to Salina well pleased with developments in various depart-Since President Roosevelt's message

to Congress recommending smaller agricultural appropriations, it is recognized more generally than ever that if the farmer is to get more tion. reasonable prices for farm products, agricultural prices must be raised by legislation such as the Farmers Union Income Certificate bill or they must be set at a cost-of production level. Leaders in the Farmers Union beieve the Income Certificate plan to e the more workable. Plan for Live Stock Interests

H. G. Keeney, president of the Nebraska Farmers Union, will head a committee to work out an Income Certificate plan for the live stock ndustry; and Roy Brazell, South Dakota, will be responsible for develop-ing one for the feed grain interests. This was decided and agreed upon at

the Chicago meeting.
Considerable study was given 'to the National Union Farmer, publica-tion of the National Union Farmer, widely circulated in so-called "unorganized" states, and with fair circulation in states with their own Farmers Union publication. President Vesecky is editor-in-chief. The National Union Farmer will

become of tabloid size with its first February issue, it was decided. The tabloid is half the size of the stand-11,542,675 ard newspaper. The number of pages will be increased to eight or The subscription price has been in-

creased this year from 25 to 30 cents. This is based closely on the cost of orinting, and the 1940 contract made ecessary the nickel increase.

Special departments have been set up, and Mr. Vesecky will be aided by L. S. Herron, editor of the Neb-Live Stock Co. raska Union Farmer, who will write especially of cooperative business Stock Commission Company reports news: A. W. Ricker, editor of the improved business in 1939 over the Farmers Union Herald, St. Paul, who previous year, and at the stockhold-will cover news of legislation; Harold ers' meeting, January 12, it was voted "I am filing a claim to recover the tax on five hundred fifty six (556) head of hogs that I sold while the full Union Farmer who will handle gen-eral and various state news; and Mrs. Gladys Talbott Edwards will continue to be in charge of the Junior page.

TO STUDY PARITY PRICE

Senate Agriculture Subcommittee Will Begin Hearings Soon
Senator Burton K. Wheeler, (D., last session of Congress by Sena-National Equity Union, Idaho Springs, tors Gillette (D., Ia.) and Burke (D., Colo.; Chris Milius of the Nebraska

The bill would provide for setting bia, Mo. producers who in fact bore all or part and removing most restrictions from domestic production. Senator Gillette "Whereas the Agricultural Adjust- said hearings probably would start

F. U. Mutual Insurance Volume of \$78,468,834

Are 24,687 Policyholders; Company Paid 1,133 Loss Claims In 1939 Amounting to \$161,757.88—Officers Are Re-elected

Eusiness in force of \$78,468,834.38 was reported by G. W. Bushby, president of the Farmers Union Mutual Insurance Company, Salina, at the annual policyholders' meeting in Salina, January 19. There are 24,687 policyholders in this Farmers Union company, the largest mutual property insurance company operating exclusively in Kansas.

Loss payments to policyholders in 1939 totaled \$161,757. 88, providing financial service to many Farmers Union people in time of need. There were 435 losses from fire, lightning or explosion, while the claims paid on windstorm, hail and tornado osses numbered 1,133.

The five directors whose terms expired were all re-elected, being G. W. Bushby, Salina; C. W. Read, Salina; Anna M. Baird, Salina; Irma Patterson, Salina; and C. J. Diedrich, Selden.

At the directors' meeting, following the annual meeting of policyholders, Mr. Bushby was re-elected president; C. W. Read, vice president; Anna M. Baird, secretary; W. O. Cole, assistant secretary; and Joe Erwin, Cic-

ero, treasurer. Directors serve a three-year term. The five directors who will be serving the last year of their term in 1940 are Grant Bliss, Woodston; E. E. Whitney, Speed; O. E. Gartrell, Logan; J. E. Erwin, Cicero; and Crissie Richardson, Lawrence. The directors elected last year include W. C. Cole, Salina; F. J. Kingston, Hoisington; Arthur Glessner, Bison; P. H. Heidecker, Paola; and D. O. Anderson,

Have Sound Securities

T. B. Dunn, secretary-manager of the Farmers Union Auditing Association read the audit report of the insurance company, and made special comment praising the high grade of securities possessed by the company. Assets admitted by the State of Kansas were reported as \$447,317, additional goard according of \$15,050 here. Mr. Neath is manager of the ware-house at Kansas City, Kan., of the tional sound securities of \$15,859 be-Farmers Union Jobbing Association. | Honar sound securities of the insur-ing disallowed by strict state insur-ance laws for filing purposes. Surolus of \$166,099 was reported, with the figure \$117,232 accepted by the state insurance department.

While the amount of insurance written by the company in 1939 showed an increase over 1938 by \$517,269, osses were heavy, and the company showed a net loss for the year of a little less than \$5,000.

Insurance agents at the annual meeting were generous in their praise of the home office, and reported policyholders were getting satisfactory settlements.

The insurance company is a mutual issociation, a corporation owned and operated by its policy holders. It is organized under and subject to the general corporation and insurance laws of the state. It assumes the insurable hazards of its member-policyholders, charging them a mium and returning to them at stated periods the savings which are effected by the careful management of the company; or holding for their benefit in the reserves and surplus of the company, the earnings or profits made.

There are no shareholders in a mutual insurance corporation—no stockholders. A board of directors is elected by vote of the policyholders. The directors elect officers to manage the affairs of the corporation.



J. O. NEWBREY

the Farmers Union Jobbing Associa-

Mr. Newbrey is a grain fieldman of

HARRY NEATH

Mr. Hall is manager and field re resentative of the Service and Information department of the Farmer Union Jobbing Association.

DIVIDENDS AT ST. JOE

The St. Joe Farmers Union Live

Knight, editor of the North Dakota to declare a 16 per cent patronage George Larsen, Superior, Nebr., was

elected president; Charles H. McEhliney, Ridgeway, Mo., vice president; and J. R. Evans, Nelson, Mo., secre-tary. Paul Steele, St. Joseph, was reemployed as manager.

Directors of the organization are J. P. Fengel, president of the Kansas Farmers Union, Lincolnville, Kan.; Mont.) has been appointed chairman of the Senate Agriculture sub-committee to hold hearings on the farm parity price bill introduuced at the parity price bill introduuced at the Sheridan, Mo.: E. F. Overturf of the Sheridan, Mo.; E. F. Overturf of the Neb.) Other members are Senators Colo.; Chris Milius of the Nebraska Capper, 'R., Kan.) Gillette, Lucas (D., Ill.) and Shipstead (F. L., Minn.) William Hirth, president of the Missouri Farmers Association. Column

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M. M. (PAT) GARDNER Mr. Gardner is manager of the varehouse at Wakeeney of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association



DON McMANIGAL Mr. McManigal is a merchandise Jobbing Association.

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KANSAS FARMERS UNION—Salina, Kansas, Room 311, Farmers Union Insurance Co. Building

Insurance Co. Building. FARMERS UNION AUDITING ASSOCIATION-Room 308, Farmers Union Ins. Co. Bldg., Thomas B. Dunn, Secretary-Manager, Salina, Kansas.

FARMERS UNION LIFE INSURANCE CO.—Room 300, Farmers Union Insurance Co. Bldg., Rex Lear, State Manager, Salina, Kansas.

THE KANSAS FARMERS UNION ROYALTY CO.—Room 219 Farmers Union Insurance Co. Building, Salina, Kansas, G. E. Creitz, State Manager.

FARMERS UNION MANAGERIAL ASSOCIATION Dave Train, Lindsborg..... Secretary



SALINA, KANSAS, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1940

Nothing riles us quite so much as

to have a promoter of some wild

scheme try to tell how much better

-any European Country-are than

of living, is the fair barometer by

which to judge. One outstanding ex-

ample is the fact that whereas one

out of every four people in the Unit-

er States enjoy the convenience of an

automobile, the next nearest country

can boast of only one to every fifteen

people. Radios and other luxuries as

well as necessities enjoyed in this

country show in like proportion. The

average person in this country ac-

tually has the money to buy more of

these things than anywhere else; and

the long waiting of foreigners seek-

ing entrance to this country should be much better evidence of that fact

than the opposing words of some for-

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THE CLOAK ROOM

January 20, 1940

W. P. L.

A year from now is Inaugural-

The opposition of John Lewis to

the third term almost makes me love

The great struggle in 1940, with

Franklin running, will be between the payers and the paid.

If the study by the Senate of the budget keeps them within it, it's

Washington Sunday papers go from 5 to 10 cents, while hogs have gone from 10 to 5. That makes it 50-50 or

Wm. E. Borah stands as one of the

great sons of K. U. His rank is the Elihu Root and Tom Walsh—"he

leaves a lonesome place against the

Nannie Bingham and Frances Ry

an, heading the two great Kansas Day women's clubs and welcoming

the bachelor, Joe Martin, add proof

against the ultra rich Senator Bar-

bour in New Jersey, a lot of girls up there will be wearing new fur coats

Secretary Chas. Edison is expected

to ditch the Navy for the New Jer-

buildups now, not promotion plateaus

Mr. Murphy, the fifth new member of the Court, took his oath in the

White House. It was the birthday of

How to help the Finns most directly is our hottest neutrality adventure. It will take two billion dollars this

and Stark, are the Lieutenants this

Should Jimmie Cromwell

will it be a coronation?

worth at least a billion.

that singleness is bliss.

Credit and FCA Centrol redit and FCA Control
Victor Hawkinson, president of the France have curtailed drastically Riley Co. Farmers Union, believes the government credit agencies are an evil in themselves, are fundamentally "hypodermic," and temporary, and urges that the Farm Credit Administration, the PCA and the FSA be dissolved. He sees little importance in the recent shift of the FCA from practical independence to agricultural appropriations \$437.407. FCA from practical independence to agricultural appropriations \$437,407, responsibility to the Department of Agriculture.

The obvious importance of the budget were 675 million dollars, including the farm cut of \$437,407,438.

change is that farmers may generally find it easier to get government loans and the control of the Revenue Act of 1936, insofar loans back. Officials of the Department of Agriculture have never made a secret of their feelings that FCA has been too "hard boiled." Henceoff folks in some European Country forth credit will be tied in with all other parts of the government farm we are here in the old U.S. A. The program and the responsibility for the program will be clearly under total figures on the actual standard

the Secretary of Agriculture. It is said money is the root of all evil, and perhaps it may seem that credit is the black sheep in the family of money evils. Surely it is true that in the Farmers Union Preamble is written, "to discourage the credit and mortgage system." It is doubtful, however, if tightening of farm credit will aid the farmer to keep his farm. A doctor may suggest that a fat man go on a diet, but he would not ask him to go without food entirely. And many farmers would have been without credit if it had not

been for the government.

It is said in criticizing the FCA move, that easier government credit for farmers tends to subsidize inefficient farmers at the expense of efficient farmers. Also it is said that easy credit encourages borrowing and discourages thrift and the sound farming practices which go along with thrift. If implement dealers had not given such liberal terms on tractors, combines and other farm equipment, the argument is supported, there would not be so much debt today.

The use of this argument to tighten credit for all farmers, efficient as well as inefficient, does not seem to be in the best interests of Agriculture, however. Perhaps the Kansas farmer is a wiser man than he was a quarter of a century ago, and can make better use of his credit opportunities. Perhaps the Department of Agriculture will turn out to be a pretty wise banker as well as a friendly

Keep Fighting Spirit

Genuine self-help cooperatives need not expect any encouragement or help from sources that are controlled by those who are competing with the coop movement. On the other hand, the competitors are out to discredit the cooperative movement and destroy it before it destroys them.

Therefore, the co-op movement must be prepared to meet every onslaught of the enemy. This may come in the Secretary form of propaganda or a whispering sey governorship. According to the Great Designer, high places are only campaign carried on by those who would ruin the co-op movement. It may be a price war which may be effective among co-ops where the proper educational foundation has not been laid. Sometimes these outsiders encourage fights between the the old gray mare of the three-horsedirectors and the manager—anything team. Things ain't what they used to be, Mr. Hughes.

The most effective exercise for re-

part of our enemies very often re-bound. They generally drive the faith-ful together, and when the properties. ful together, and when the proper cooperative spirit is present the effort to ruin the organization does not year to back up our trade treaties for get very far. One wise cooperative leader once said, "When a cooperative has no enemies to fight, it had better begin to look out. It has probably settled down into an old-line organization itself and is on its way

out as a cooperative."

This means that the active, miliyear to our Captain; however the first is not John nor is the second Mollie. tant, fighting cooperative organization will continue to function suctoballed to build high our national defense in

tion will continue to function successfully as long as it is operated along recognized business lines.—
Equity Union Exchange.

Not So Good
American agriculture is being punished at home and abroad. Since the substitution of the cash and carry dies were pictured. Thursday as "laydies were pictured Thursday as "laysubstitution of the cash and carry

ng aside" to attend our annual White House reception—we are going to one someday just to see folks as they are.

Neighborhood Notes

NO 8 IS ACTIVE LOCAL

Marquette Farmers Union Makes Listing of '39 Accomplishments In a local meeting discussion the No. 8 Local, McPherson county, list-ed some of their 1939 Achievements and also jotted down a few of the things they shall work toward in 1940. In 1939 the local—

 Conducted a membership drive.
 Organized a Junior class.
 Installed electricity in the schoolhouse used as a meeting hall.
4. Held meetings once a week.

Sent six Juniors to the Farmers Union Camp.
6. Sent a Junior to the State Convention (besides the usual delegate.) 7. One of the Juniors of the Local represented the Juniors of the state as Torchbearer at the National Convention, Omaha.

8. Took part in the county Junior Picnic and the County Junior Ban-9. Was active in the county Farmers Union school held in November. tional Union 10. Installed a cooperative oil sta- nior Section.

ion at Marquette. Aims for 1940 For a good start in 1940 the mem-bers of the local listed the following aims for the year:

1. To conduct a membership drive. 2. To install a feed mixing plant at the Farmers Union Elevator, Mar-3. To work for one of the local mem-

bers as a candidate for State Representative. 4. Continue the promotion of group discussion among the local mem-

5. To plan discussion of seeds and seed treatment.

6. To continue Junior and adult educational activities. 7. To sponsor Junior attendance at

the summer camp. 8. For the Juniors to present a 3-Ida Mae Carlson, Junior Leader.

No. 8 McPherson Co. What's the Difference How can the farmer continue? You

That the rural standard of living of the

midwest will ever fall to the slum levels that

prevail in some communities of the Cotton

Belt is doubtful, for the middle-western ten-

ant operates larger acreages, uses machines

rather than women and child labor, and us-

ually lives in a house that was originally built

by and for an owner-operator. He is more

often the relative of his landlord and in every

way is economically more in control of his

own destiny than is the southern sharecrop-

Tenancy Trend Is Clear

tutions have retarded the segregation of labor

from capital in agriculture, as contrasted with

industry; but the trend toward such segrega-

tion is clear. Increasing proportions of farm-

ers are becoming tenants in the regions where

commercial agriculture is dominant, and in-

creasing proportions of tenants are becoming

veloped in comparatively recent years, and be-

cause tenants as well as owners are responsible

for the control and management of the farms

they operate, as yet no tenant caste status

has developed. The tenant families partici-

pate practically equally with owners in all

forms of institutional and community life,

and most tenants still hope to become own-

ers. But there is little doubt that this hope-

decade by decade, has less possibility of ma-

terializing; otherwise, the tenancy rate would

not be increasing nor the tenant belt of the

many and diverse in the different regions of

the United States. Tenancy affects such prob-

lems as those of balancing the production

with the consumption of farm products, soil

conservation, educational standards, migra-

tion from farms to cities and the ability of

the migrants to find employment, and the

accumulation or dissipation of rural wealth

-in brief, most rural economic and social con-

ditions and institutions. The trend of increas-

ing tenancy is profoundly affecting both the

present and future welfare of the rural peo-

classified as economic and social. On the eco-

nomic side there are several evil results, and

no good one to offset them unless land own-

Most common effects of tenancy can be

The implications of farm tenancy are

area expanding

ership follows.

Because the high rate of tenancy has de-

croppers or wage hands in the South.

Free land and the democratic rural insti-

lend \$4,000 on it. Just do a little fig- several hundred dollars, improving uring and see how the mortgage companies thrive.

our Union set-up.

It is to buy an

new business was disposed of. Guests of the evening were Esther Ekblad, state Junior Leader and Rex Troutman, state Secretary. Miss Ek-blad led in the study of Farmers Un-ion history lesson found in the National Union Farmer under the Ju-

Kenneth Frantz

In Osborne County
The Portis Local meeting for January was postponed until the Febu-

ary meeting, on account of sickness and cold weather. Everyone should try to attend the next meeting as our head chariman of the program committee, Mr. Russell Wolters, will have a very fine program arranged for that night.—F. U. bulletin.

Newly elected officers of the Elevator Local No. 1916 are H. R. Hoffmeister, president; Otto Hoffmeister, the form of an R. F. C. loan. vice president; George Ehrman, sec-retary-treasurer; and Mrs. Charles

Wilson, conductor.
"We have not installed new officers yet," writes Mr. Ehrman, "as we have been snowbound." Dear Union Cooperative Friends: January 15 is my birthday. That is why I take time to write a few lines,

How can the farmer continue? You shout about how interest rates. What's the difference if I borrow \$2,000 at 2 per cent, or \$1,000 at 4 per cent, when in either case I cannot raise enough to pay the tax?

A mortgage company forclosed a farm that they had a loan on for \$2,000, then turned around and sold the farm for \$6,200 and offered to the farm for \$6,200 and offered to the farm for \$6,200 and offered to the consumers of the previous meeting a problem that involves the farm for \$6,200 and offered to the consumers of the previous meeting a problem that involves the farm for \$6,200 and offered to the previous meeting and producers; and the farm for \$6,200 and offered to the previous meeting and producers; and the farm for \$6,200 and offered to the previous meeting a problem that involves the farm for \$6,200 and offered to the previous meeting and producers; and the farm for \$6,200 and offered to the previous meeting and producers; and the farm for \$6,200 and offered to the previous meeting and producers; and thouse of Representatives of the United States under title VII of the Revenue Act of 1936 for the refund to the processors of such part of the tax only, which they in fact bore and did not shift to the consumers or the raisers and decided to bring up before our regular to the previous meeting and producers; and the provisions were made under title VII of the Revenue Act of 1936 for the refund to the processors of such part of the tax only, which they in fact bore and did not shift to the consumers or the raisers and decided to bring up before our regular to the provisions were made under title VII of the Revenue Act of 1936 for the refund to the processors of the United States of America in Congress assembled. That any person who raised or producers; and the provisions were made under title VII of the Revenue Act of 1936 for the refund to the provisions of the United States of America in Congress assembled. The provisions were made under title VII of the Revenue Act of 1936 for the refund to the provisions

Discussion Outline No. 2

Effects of Tenancy

ship to Farm Community Life

The following taxes are incurred in raising an acre of wheat. Average yield, 10 bushels, less one bushel for seed and less 1,20 bushels for insurance. This leaves 7.40 bushels to be sold at .61, totaling \$4.57.

Tax expense per acre:

It is to buy another bulk oil (upright) tank. So it was discussed again and finally passed 100 per cent to get prices and to purchase another large tank, not less than 15,000 gallons. This will be our 4th large tank. We will then have a storage capacity of 60,000 gallons or more What do you 60,000 gallons or more. What do you think of that for a Farmers Union set-up for Southern Illinois?

Besides, we have our own lot in town, a warehouse, a shop, a larger scale, and a storage room for all our motor oil greases, etc.

Now some more about our meet-

ing, for we had to elect officers for We even raised our secretary's sal-

In McPherson County

The monthly meeting of Juniors of the Northside Local No. 1061 was held January 22. The meeting was called to order by President Gilbert Bengtson, after which all old and of the order it being duly meeting to \$25 a year. The janitor is getting \$8 a year, and the directors are getting \$1.50 per meeting. We have a board of seven directors and five serve as the Executive board.

A few more remarks for the good of the order it being duly meeting of the order it being duly meeting to \$1.50 per meeting. of the order, it being duly moved and

or the order, it being duly moved and seconded, to adjourn.

It was a nasty, disagreeable day, but we had a fairly good attendance. Misting, raining and still snow on the ground. The REA high line is building the line now, so we already have our warehouse wired, and the have our warehouse wired and the storage room and the Hall, our meeting place, is done, but not our shop.

So we always try to improve somewhat. Wish I could hear or read from some other Farmers Union Lo-

Jacob, Ill.

FILES CLAIM TO RECOVER FED. HOG PROCESSING TAX

(Continued from Page One) message suggests that the 40 million authorized in the Act be secured in

CUT FARM BUDGET TO PAY INCREASED MILITARY EXPENSE

(Continued from Page One) ter was in fact charged to the raisers and producers; and
"Whereas provisions were made

Loss of Ownership Pride

amount of security, either as owner or oper-

ator under satisfactory lease conditions, will

care for the farm's fertility, will take pride

in it as a farm home as well as an agricultural

factory for making a living. It has been said

that if a man securely possesses a bleak rock,

he will turn it into a garden but if he leases a

mining, tenant general farming practices are

often based on faulty methods of production,

giving poor returns. In addition to ordinary

poor farming, the wheat territory has known

of the "suit-case" farmer, who came to live in

the community only to plow, drill and harvest,

during the respective seasons of the year, leav-

living. This condition is more acute in the

South than in this territory; still, tenant in-

come is often low because of inadequate land

income, and relatively high land values on ac-

count of speculation have tended to develop

a permanent land owning class and a perma-

are even more significant. Some of these are:

no permanency of institutions if the people

are only transient. Schools, church and com-

munity organizations have suffered wherever

ing and neglect of educational opportunity for

their children is common among tenants. There

is like neglect of church and moral standards.

Lack of permanent stake in the land or in the

institutions of the community is responsible

consciousness is especially marked in the south between owners and tenants; but in the North

4. Social stratification. The rise of class

5. Community decay. The existence of

community activities requires a relatively sta-

3. Cultural decline. Indifference to school-

nent tenant class in many communities.

mean an unsettled, discontented people.

tenancy has been extensive.

is not entirely absent.

for this.

3. Low Labor income and low standards of

4. Increasing land monopoly. The low farm

On the social side, the effects of tenancy

1. Population instability. Transient tenants

2. Institutional instability. There can be

2. Unscientific farming. Similar to soil

garden he will convert it into a desert.

ing his family "at home" even then.

capital and credit.

1. Soil mining. A farmer with a fair

Act made provision for a refund of such processing tax to the raisers and producers of hogs, who in fact bore the burden of such tax on hogs marked for slaughter: Therefore be it "Resolved by the Senate and House

tional, or his legal representatives, may have such tax, or part thereif, refunded to him, if it is shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioner, in accordance with regulations to be prescribed by the Commissioner with the approval of the Secretary, or to the satisfaction of the Board of Review, or the trial court, as the case all or part of the burden of such processing tax was in fact charged to and borne by such person and was in fact deducted from the market

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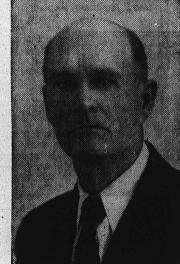
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year around.

price of such hogs. "The amount of refund of such rocessing tax to which any claimant hall be entitled with respect to any particular quantity of hogs marketed shall be an amount equal to the proamount by which the spread between the company. by the vendor, or by the vendee, or tal \$1,699,866.17. by an agent of either shall be accept. Tom White, I ed as proof when properly identified. elected president, and E. E. Kinsing-Any claimant may prove his claim er, Des Moines, secretary-treasurer. Revenue Act of 1936, insofar as such title may be applicable, and shall be entitled to all the rights and beneappeal, provided for by title VII of the Revenue Act of 1936 insofar as such title may be applicable: Provided, ger of the Osborne Farmers Union bowever. That such claim if not prehowever, That such claim, if not previously filed, must be filed with the Commissioner at Washington, District of Columbia, within one year from the date of enactment of this Act, and proof must be submitted on any and all claims within eighteen months from such date in accordance months from such date in accordance with regulations to be prescribed by and have shown more interest in evthe Commissioner. No fees shall be charged for filing any such claim. It shall not be necessary that claimant be represented by an attorney. Passed the Senate August 1, 1939.

Secretary. REELECT JOY HAMMETT

Edwin A. Halsey,



JOHN FENGEL President of the Kansas Farmers Union

HONOR TO REX LEAR

Becomes Vice President of Farmers Union Insurance Company

Rex Lear, Kansas manager of the Farmers Union Life Insurance Comcessing tax payable upon the pro-cessing of an equal quantity of hogs of the company in Des Moines, Ia. at the time such particular quantity January 25, was elected to the board of hogs was marketed minus any of directors, and vice president of

the average hog product value at Good progress by the Life Insur-Chicago of such particular quantity of hogs during the month in which they were marketed and the average hog assets of the company, reserves, busorice at Chicago of such particular iness in force, and surplus all showquantity of hogs during the month ing improvement. The company has n which they were marketed was less over nine million dollars of insurhan the amount such processing tax ance in force. Assets admitted by the plus 65 cents. The account sales kept Iowa state insurance department to-

Tom White, Des Moines, was re-

IN PRAISE OF COOPERATION "At a time when the whole world is in a turmoil and war of every fits including the right of review and hand in almost every nation on earth, business association in a mimeograph publication.

ery way than any year on record. It is very pleasing to note their interests in our local community gather-ings. They have really cultivated a friendly and social atmosphere in all our communities.

"In other words, these are seeds of democracy that are being sown; and if properly sown and properly culti-Joy Hammett, Manhattan, was re-elected a director of the Manhattan Production Credit Association at the this the greatest nation on earth. If annual meeting January 25. Business of \$431,000 was reported by the association manager. Mr. Hammett is time we can be united—a band of farsecretary of Farmers Union Elbow mers marching hand in hand encir-cling the earth." cling the earth."

ble population, culture, and institutions. Discussion Question How Does Tenancy Conditions Influence Community

- a. Does the appearance of the farm operated by the tenant differ from that operated by the farm owner in your community?
- b. Is the Kansas farm tenant interested in Soil Conservation?
- c. What effects do tenancy have on the development of the Farmers Union? Of Co-

Reference Material: Public Affairs Pamphelts, "Farmers Without Land" 10c and "Saving Our Soil" 10c; Social Action, "Changing Rural America" by Ferry L. Platt, 10c; "Door of Opportunity," by Sherwood Eddy, 25c, telling of the cooperative farm in Mississippi, may be ordered from the Kansas Farmers Union. Other sources: U. S. Census Reports, Department of Agriculture Bulletins, Farmers Bulletin 1164, U. S. Dept. of Agri. "The Farm Lease Contract"; statistics available at the county Farm Security Administration office, and various school textbooks on economics and political and social economy.



Kansas Farmers Union



President of the National Farmers Union

Junior and Juvenile Department

Juniors from 16 to 21

Juveniles from 6 to 16

Junior Motto: "He Loves His Country Best Who Strives to Make It Best"

> HARVEST REMORSE The golden bounty of the garnered grain Is gleaming in a million bins today; While fruity purple, yellow, orange, bronze
> And luscious ruby glow in bright array.

Our gratitude is tempered by remorse, As survey kind earth's abundant yield, Recalling cursed carnage and the blight Of blackened ruins on the battlefield.

Earth's lavish goodness holds a poignant sting When war's unholy scythe is harvesting. -Gail Brook Burket.

YOUR LEADER'S MESSAGE Esther Ekblad

What Is Democracy News of recent importance is the "White House Conference on Children in a Democracy," which was held in Washington D. C., January 18 to 20. Mrs. Gladys T. Edwards, National Junior Leader, who has been for the past six months closely associated with the development of the Conference as a member of the Planning Committee, was in Washington for it. The first 'White House Conference on Children in a Democracy" was held in 1909 and a similar conference has been held every ten years since that time. It has given us much pride that Mrs. Edwards was one of the two agricultural representatives on the Planning Committee for this White House Conference. We shall anxiously await the reports, as the Conference surely touched upon many vital problems of children and youth, both rural and urban. Health, education, child labor and youth employment, recreation, and racial problems

were included among those discussed. Are these problems of any real seriousness today? Turning to health a moment, let us quote the National Health Survey: "In the case of disabling illness lasting a week or more, one out of four receive no medical care whatever among 20 million people in the relief groups, or among the 20 million people above that level who can purchase it only at risk of curtailing food, clothing, shelter or other essentials of health and decency.

"One-third of the 35 million children under fifteen years of age in the United States belong in families able to pay but little for medical care." Shifting our thoughts to employment we find the National Industrial Conference Board reporting America as having 20,000,000 youths between the ages of 16 and 24-several million of them marking time, unable to find jobs for which they are fitted; wanting to get married and have homes of their own but unable to do so." The Kansas NYA reports that in Kansas alone there are 42,500 unemployed young emn and women of youth age.

In the field of education there is concern in regards to public schools. Do our schools always give us the kind of education that we need? Do our schools teach us how to grapple with the problems of living? A report on "Education Through the School" brought before the White House Conference makes this comment:

"Schools must recognize that human relationships comprise an area that requires increased emphasis in the educational program. A first step is to replace the competitive spirit that characterizes the traditional schoolroom with an atmosphere of cooperation in which each child gives something of his own personality and experience . . . The school should encourage observation and frank discussion, in suitable groups of problems and conflicts that arise in the student's experience."

For a moment we pause here, but though our pen stops, our thinking must not. It must not because the very essence of our democracy is determined by health, food, clothing—can we say, by all the essentials and pleasantries of life? Just what is democracy and what is its meaning to youth.

To Market—Cooperatively

This week marks the Annual Stockholder's Meetings of three outstanding Kansas cooperatives—the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Company the Farmers Union Auditing Association, and the Farmers Union Jobpany the Farmers Union Auditing Association, and the Farmers Union. pany the Farmers Union Additing who are younger in the Farmers Union, bing Association. To many of us who are younger in the Farmers Union, are these just names that we often hear, or does mention of these immediately remind us of the farmer's cooperative ownership reaching its fingers into the market places to secure quality, fair price and service?

There will be Juniors and Leaders attending the meetings in Kansas City; watch for their stories.

With Your State Leader

Travels during the last two weeks have been mostly in the form of letters. I'm sure that every one of you has traveled via letters and knows just how much fun it is. I wonder if can share just a little of those

journeys with you. Elsie Clausen, Junior Leader at Girard, writes: "The Juveniles meet the third Saturday afternoon of the month and are studying the Juvenile Study Unit. "Banded with My Brother:" We read over a chapter at each meeting and talk about it. I asked them to make a smrapbook, and first put in it the home of Martha and Bob and one of them going to the Farmer's Union meeting . . . We had nine Juveniles at our last meeting; we meet from 2:00 to 4:00 p. m. We always close with two or three games and songs.

takes us on an interesting journey "We are having a party every month. I thought maybe they would rather cut it down to every other but nothing doing. ery month and refreshments they haven't anything special for January to your groups, for its own intrinsic

"Oh, yes; at our January party we fill the parts? Is it worthwhile preare choosing up sides and running a senting—that i is has it cultural value contest to see which side can get the most dues-paying members and Junior members by the first of March. out for members by the first of March. out for dialect parts unless you have of Education. Mrs. Edwards writes, vious that when there is no rain to The losing side will entertain the winning side. And then following that I am planning to run a contest for part can spoil an entire production. Republican and two Democratic Pressure as a valiable in achievement points.

tional Union Farmer in order to study the 'Farmers Union History' Unit. We are planning on making scrapbooks, maps and two outstanding to the actors. Many fine directors tothings, that of making a year book day advocate casting "against type" of our Juniors and making a 'History of the Local.' Also if some of They advocate casting shy individuthem want to we will make a 'History parts where they

the Local book." Walnut Grove Local, Ellsworth, we hear: "I had a Junior class meeting at my home, Monday, the 15th. Sixteen members were present. I have about thirty-two members altogether." I have about thirty-two members altogether." the letter writers don't mind too much outs are sometimes advisable, some-

this sharing with others.

On one cold night we did have opportunity to visit the No. 8 Local at Marquette. That was January 16. The specialty of the evening was the processor of the evening was the processor of the evening was the processor. specialty of the evening was the pre-sentation of the Service Awards to three Juniors and three Junior Re-"power behind the scenes" should serves. The Juniors received the Ju-consist of:

On the evening of January 22 Mr. Troutman and I visited the Junior

followed at each meeting. We'll be looking for reports from this Junior class, now that they are all set to

march through 1940. Annual Meetings in Kansas City.

THE PLAY'S THE THING

(Note: With several Junior classes planning to give plays this winter we are sharing with you "The Play's the Thing!" written by Frances W. Butts in the North Dakota Service, the February '39 issue. EME.)

Now's the time to begin thinking idea of several locals bringing in the plays they have presented in their own locals and having a sort of States did not have, in 1935-36, in
States did not have, in 1935-36, in
States did not have, in 1935-36, in-County Play Night. Three or more comes which would have purchased one-act plays, arranged with novelty an emergency-level diet, and over cause rainfall is less, but because Mrs. Merle Tribbey, Junior Leader of the Kellogg Local, Winfield, also stage for the next play, will give an level in food on the family table. It evening of fine entertainment, and is estimated that half to two-thirds an annual event to be looked for- of the city children in America are ward to with great anticipation.

Select Play Carefully behind producing a home-talent play. said. They said it was cheaper and more fun than any picture show. For our December party, besides having a hard time pulling taffy, we had a lovely Christmas tree and drew names and every one got a present. We and every one got a present. We for human interest, for adaptability farm."

benind producing a home-talent play. Do take some thought in choosing dress and the large number of children in farm families indicate a low have been weathered. In the western food level in rural districts, even though it is easier to provide a ball-tong the been deposited or from which they have been weathered. In the western part of the state where ground water statements and the large number of children in farm families indicate a low have been weathered. In the western part of the state where ground water statements and the large number of children in farm families indicate a low have been weathered. In the western and every one got a present. We for human interest, for adaptability farm."

sides to see which can get the most Watch for royalty costs. It is better hievement points.

"We have subscribed for the Na- to pay royalty on a good play, than to present a mediocre play without

Look About for Talent Having chosen the play, let's look tory of the Elevator' to go along with must strut with braggadocio and like he Local book."

Wise casting arrogant persons in quiet, timid roles. I feel sure this is a well Isn't it fun to travel about? I hope of the parts as they were read. Try times not. Remember your characters in relation to each other as to age,

Organization Behind Scenes

(6) Publicity Committee—all advertising in their charge.
(7) Prompters—these should be present from the first rehearsal right to the final presentation so that they become familiar both with the script and with the actors' manner of pre-

Then the Casting
So much for the start. Read the play through twice at the first rehearsal. Then assign a designated part to be memorized by the next rehearsal. At the second rehearsal, insist on getting along without the books as far as assigned, and then read the rest of the play. Two rehearsals in one evening seems to be the most satisfactory. Impress on the cast that they are not doing their best if they are interpreting the characters—they must become the characters themselves.

Notes on Direction

Modern directors let the characters work out their own stage action, suggesting changes only when the pic-ture shown from the front is un-

Frances W. Butts, In "Recreational Ser."

TO WHITE HOUSE MEET

Edwards Attends Washington Conference On Children In a Democracy Economic security for the normal

family is the Nation's deepest concern; so reports the White House Conference on Children in a Democracy which met in Washington, D. C., January 18 to 20.

report, "The Economic Resources of Families and Communities." The first avenue is "through measures design- ground reservoir. ed to raise the income of wage-earner and farm families which constitute nearly 63 per cent of all fami-

The report noted a variety of efforts which have been used to raise family income in America, such as trade unions, wage and hour legislation, unemployment insurance, regulation of industrial home work, and soil conservation and farm credit measures of the agricultural pro-

gram. equalize opportunities for children have become increasingly important, the report says, enumerating material and child-health provisions of the Social Security Act, hot school lunches, surplus commodity distribution, better housing projects, and increased school, health, and recreation agencies "A conference interested in the welfare of children must take cognizance of all these trends," the report states. "They may foreshadow important changes in the national economy—changes growing out of significant shifts of opinion regarding relative social values. Before the streamflow. In the west part of the citizen of any American community state, with an average of 21 inches can judge the desirability of such of rainfall, surface water runoff changes, it is important to look at a amounts to an average of about one-America's and Junior Reserve class meeting at children, at the extent of poverty in from ground water one-eighth inch. the Falquist schoolhouse, Lindsborg, their families, and at the question The evening was spent in discussing which this raises of what minimum the first lesson on "Farmers Union standard it is essential and possible lost by evaporation.

families of 2 or more persons had western part. That is not because the incomes of \$1,160 or less," the rehumidity is less or evaporation from Next time we'll have stories of the in this country had a yearly income ern part; but because the opportunity below \$250. More than a quarter of for evaporation losses is greater due a million families in this country had a yearly income below \$250. More than ly the capacity of the atmosphere to under \$1,500.

Mrs. Edwards Attends

"Statements of income for families money will buy," continued the reabout putting on a play. I like the port. A cost of living survey furnishnumbers or music in between while half the families had incomes which in homes where income is too low

to purchase for the whole family Let's get down to the mechanics the items on a maintenance budget. The low average income of farm-

Representing the Farmers Union since the original one in 1909." Other Farmers Union leaders invited to par-Mildred K. Stoltz, director of educa-

ARMY MUST HAVE MULES

Not Sentiment, Chief of Staff, Explains To House Committee The army cannot get along without mules, even in this modern age. It's not sentiment, explains Gen. George Marshall, chief of staff, since there are regions where it would be necessary to employ animals to a very degree." Marshall's testimony was included in a report to congress Jan. 10 by a house committee designated to pass on supplemental appropriations for the army and na-

LOTHT OR THOLEN—Lath night thome darned rascal broke into the print thop and thole all of the let-Miss Ida Mae Carlson, Junior Leader of the Local says they will study
"Cooperative Grain Marketing" this year. In *39 they studied the basic Junior Study text. "The Cooperative Movement—Yours and Mine."

On the evening of January 22 Mr.

as to renearsal, stage directions, etc.

(2) Assistant Director—helps the director in every way possible, having full charge in director's absence, and those all of the letter between "r" and "t". It maketh uth tho those to think that thome jackath would treat uth that way, howing full charge in director's absence, and downward the event of the cooperative Grain Marketing" this year. In *39 they studied the basic settings, etc.

(3) Stage Manager—sees to stage in letter eth. If we are without the evaporation such reservoirs whether the can be but temporary. Permanent tere eth, you know, the letter between "r" and "t". It maketh uth tho those to think that thome jackath would treat uth that way, howing full charge in director's absence, and would treat uth that way, howing full charge in director's absence, and would treat uth that way, howing full charge in director in every way possible, having full charge in director in every way possible, having full charge in director in every way possible, having full charge in director is absence, and would treat uth that way, howing full charge in director is absence, and would treat uth the way howing full charge in director is absence, and would treat uth the thome jackath would treat uth that way, howing full charge in director is absence, and would treat uth the way howing full charge in director is absence, and would treat uth the way howing full charge in director is absence, and would treat uth the way howing full charge in director is absence, and would treat uth the way howing full charge in director is absence, and would treat uth the way howing full charge in director is absence, and would treat uth the way howing full charge in director is absence, and would treat uth the way howing f stage properties.

(5) Costume Committee—arrange kicked.—Isabel County Liner,

Water Problems Are Urgent

ing, State Board of Agricul-

single problem—that caused by lack of rain and by temperatures far above normal. For nine years, since 1930, the state has been subjected to an unprecedented period of drouth miles of land.

To water have been approved by the Division of Water Resources. These storage in draws and ravines will in general be located below such ground water supplies as are found in the upland, and hence, will not contribute to such supplies. Ravines an unprecedented period of drouth and abnormal heat. During this nineand abnormal heat. During this ninedams has been reported complete.

Contribute to such supplies. Revined and small creeks are usually filled with detritus washed down from preciably destructive floods. Reserving the supplies of land.

The construction of 1,538 of these with detritus washed down from preciably destructive floods. Reserving the supplies of land. year period rainfall has been below normal each year except two, and the accumulated deficiency is now 32.7 inches as compared to the 1887-1930 mean. If the seven "below normal" years are cinsidered together, the accumulated deficiency for those the accumulated deficiency of the receiver unoff from more than 2,100 square miles.

The construction of 1,538 of these dams small creeks are usually filled with detritus washed down from above. These contain groundwater during normal conditions of rainfall, but it drains out almost completely during protracted drouths.

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The average storage capacity of the receiver unoff from the accumulated deficiency for those than 2,100 square miles. mal" years are cinsidered together, the accumulated deficiency for those years totals 34.7 inches. During the same nine years mean annual temperatures have been above the previous normal each year. The accumulated excess now amounts to 20 degrees or any average of more than accordance with the approved in degrees or any average of more than accordance with the approved in these ravines and they, of course, fail in the average and they, of course, fail in the average of the accordance with the average capacity of two conditions of topography. In Kansas, the capacity of topography. In Kansas, the capacity of topography. In the average of the accordance with the average of the accordance with the approved in these ravines and they, of course, fail in the average of the accordance with the accordance with the accordance with the accordance with the degrees or an average of more than accordance with the approved plan. plies. In the construction of small

which constitutes the state's sole source of water supply. Water which flows in our streams reaches them that no surface runoff takes place. in two ways. First, following rains

The primary purpose of value of of sufficient intensity or duration or the melting of snow and ice, a portion of the water flows along the surface of the earth and collects in watercourses in which it is conveyed to the various streams. This surflow which occurs at all stages above dry weather flow. Second, a part of the moisture which falls on the surface of the earth percolates down-Two approaches to this problem were brought to the Conference in a zone from which it can be recaptured by the atmosphere or by plant roots, into what is in effect an under-

The water stored in the underground reservoir moves toward the stream which serves as an outlet through which it escapes. This water constitutes the dry weather for children community services for children community services for children framily community services for children framily community services for children framily communi ing crops and other vegetation or as evaporation from land and water

surfaces. Study Stream Flow Studies of stream flow, water requirements of plants, crop yields and evaporation show that for the east part of the state, with an average of inches per year and streamflow from amounts to about one-half inch per year. Growing vegetation draws upthe soil and releases it into the air by transpiration in the process of plant growth. This accounts for ap proximately 5 inches of the rainfall in an average year. The balance, or approximately 241/2 inches in the eastern part of the state is recap-tured by evaporation and returned

Vegetation requires about 5 inches and the balance, of 151/2 inches, is the first lesson on Farmer with the first lesson on Farmer wit port stated. Over a million families a water surface greater in the east-

quarter of the Nation's families had evaporate water is greater in westyearly incomes under \$750; nearly 42 ern Kansas, as is evidenced by the per cent under \$1,000; 64.6 per cent fact that evaporation from a water surface amounts to an average of about 70 inches per year at Garden City. In eastern Kansas it amounts mean little unless we know what to approximately 50 inches per year. The evaporation loss is fixed by the available rainfall and not by the caevaporation losses are greater. Ground water reservoirs consist of the spaces or voids which exist between the particles of sand, gravel,

silt and other material beneath the surface of the earth. The bottom of these reservoirs are in impervious materials, such as clay, shale or rock on which the pervious materials have been deposited or from which they The many problems of children in rivers is relatively steady. In the haven't anything special for January proonly to practice for our January program, but we'll play games, sing, and
have a good time. We are serving
cookies, sandwiches and cocoa.

Plan Junior Contest

"Oh ves: at our January party we

to your groups, for its own many streams, as democracy were given consideration by the conference through distion idents have called these Conferences greater quantities than the amount escaping into the streams, it goes into storage and the water table risticipate in the Conference were Mrs. es. Our water supplies are governed by these relatively simple general tion, Montana, and James A. Patton, principles and in the final analysis president of the Colorado Farmers depend entirely on the occurrence of rain. The problems which arise are then due to a lack of rain or to an over abundance of it. There, of course, is nothing that man can do to change the climate or control rainfall. Thus while this is the cause of our problems, it is possible to deal only with the effect which is produced.

Look to 50,00 Ponds At the present time, one of the most argent problems is the extreme water hortage in the eastern and north central parts of the state. As long as there is not sufficient rain to produce surface runoff the situation can be relieved only by the possible finding of untapped ground water supplies in localities where previous supplies are exhausted. The possibility of finding material quantities of

thabel County Liner without the evaporation such reservoirs, whether (4) Property Man—in charge of all tage properties.

(5) Costume Committee—grange kicked.—Isabel County Liner, will thur get the theat of hith panth kicked.—Isabel County Liner,

Up to January 1, 1940, plans for 2,ture, January 12, 1940
In reality the urgent water problems of the state constitute but a of water have been approved by the

area of the state, except for that portion of the tertiary high plains in the western part which is so level

The primary purpose of value of these ponds is to provide water sup-plies in the localities in which they are built. Throughout the state natural water storage, except in the ground, is nonexistent. In extensive areas there is no permanent grounddistant sources. The storage of water

Increase Surface Storage

In other parts of the state there is

intermittent flow.

It does not seem probable that such face runoff is extremely variable and constitutes that portion of streamperiods. In prolonged or severe periods fail and it becomes necessary to dispose of ially increase the proportion of the destructive floods. In the first place detention reservoirs as well as small livestock because farmers are with- rainfall returned to the air as transout water for them. Municipal wells piration from vegetation or evapor-fail and water must be hauled from ation from land and water surfaces. That will be apparent if we consider in numerous ponds and reservoirs such a typical western area as the various needs of the state, Kansas is will keep water where it is needed. Kansas River basin above Topeka. making provision for numerous farm onstrated its worth, and the completion of the storage program planned in this state will remove all question of water supply during perned in this state will remove all question of water supply during periods of drouth.

the southern part of Nebraska and a portion of eastern Colorado. It receives an average annual rainfall locations to control destructive floods. of 24 inches. The runoff from this Surface storage will also increase area amounts to an annual average absurface storage. In that portion of a little less than 1 inch. Evaporaof the state covered by deposits of tion and the use of water by growing tertiary age, the surface storage is above the water table. Percolation per cent of the rainfall. Obviously, if from reservoirs will, therefore, continuously, if the entire runoff could be stored and above the water table. Percolation above the water table. Percolation above the water table. Percolation from reservoirs will, therefore, contribute to the groundwater supply found at the base of the tertiary defound at the base of the tertiary d measures of the agricultural pro-gram.

Description of the state, with an average of about 33 inches of rainfall, average of about 34 inches of rainfall, average of about 34 inches of rainfall, average of about 34 inches of rainfall, average of of the flatness of the surface. Further practical standpoint it should not

THE MASSES' CONVOCATION

by Mrs. Nancy E. L. Miller, Quinter, Kansas Come gather round people and lend me your ear I'll relate your own story while you're sitting here.

Your story, my story, the same as of old When bold robber barons went scouting for gold.

We still have these with us, but called by another Name somewhat more fancy, but under the skin

And they make jovial jest of the fix we are in.

They're alike as two peas, as full fledged twin brothers,

Though truly we have worked till we almost dropped dead

To pay off the mortgage we've kept coat-tails aflopping,

You've heard on the streets, "There's nothing we can do

When, like Old Mother Hubbard, their cupboards are bare.

We've waited ten years, and we're still waiting yet.

But we've got it coming for being caught napping,

But never once thought to make use of our heads.

For never has fortune smiled long on a brother

But just stick around till a chance comes again:

Say fellows, do you think the battle of Waterloo Would have been lost and won if such logic was then?

Why listen to some who say, "Oh, What's the use?"

They reason no deeper than "Old Mother Goose."

Or reading of that sort, and seem not to care

We're going around with long, sour faces

Which speak of despondency, worry and debt

Because we no longer have money to jingle,

For Miss Prosperity in all of her glammour

Land Sakes! She sure is a long time afixing,

Not a mug on relief, nor a heaver of brick.

All that we need is the spot cash to buy

The abundant supplies of food, labor and coal,

A stabilized dollar, sound medium of exchange

The power to maintain this is found in the book

On the same solid basis as our ship of state. A Congress to concur in wise commendation

Constitutional powers, if we only will look,

Unless we go forth with a firm manly stride,

Like a cur, kicked and beaten, no more to rise

Dragging down with us the glorious pride, Record of foregathers, wise men of yore.

To help bring about the change we desire

As upright human beings, but go on "all fours"

There are forces at work in this country of ours

They are working overtime, long tedious hours,

Into which we have slipped, by closing the book And laying aside, as if its being there,

Would insure our freedom without ever a look

To refresh in our memories those liberties rare

If all of us truly desire to return to

With scant help from us to get free from this mire.

For we were forewarned by the founders long gone,

That eternal vigilance, alone would insure
The power to retain what they fought for and won;
If this a free country was long to endure.

Ourselves and posterity our heritage dear, Let us join with these forces so nobly endeavoring

Forces, composed of great fearless defenders Of human rights, gladly their time do they give, To lead in the battle against money-lenders

Is it too much to hope that our legions will join them

It's our fight, you see more than anyone else's, Why tolerate justice to be crushed by greed's might?

The path of Truth, Honesty, Compassion and Love; Sharing with all the mountiful goodness

The joys of the earth, and the bright skies above.

-Nancy Ellen Leighton Miller.

That men, created equal, may equally live.

In this great decisive battle for right?

Straight as an arrow their path lies before u

To guide faltering footsteps in the way they have cleared;

Turned over long since to men who abide

By no law of justice, we ever shall cower.

I'm ready to bet my last bottom dollar

To come 'round the corner and make us a bow,

Just whom do you think she is primping for now?

She'll never show up for a seedy old hick. No, the lucky one here will wear a white collar,

We have want amidst plenty, the sore lack of funds

We used to have once, but now "gone by the board;"

There's nothing in sight but the money-power's hoard.

So when our Constitution says, "Congress has power"

To provide what we lack, for what reason the dole?

Of our rights, must we have, if we weather these straits.

Our forefathers brought forth to safeguard our rights;

And repeat o'er the precepts which measure our might.

And demand Congress resume these most vital powers

We've contrived many schemes, but when all's said and done

To dwell here as men free from duress and shame.

Now this we must do if we expect ever

Who acted a serf, a man only in name.

it might be added, water supply in be done, because of the needs of the the tertiary deposits has always been adequate for such use as has been made of it, that is, for domestic use discussion to add that the problem by George S. Knapp, Chief Engineer,
Division of Water Resources.—Address, Sixth-Ninth Annual Meet
depth as a minimum, in order to assure a water supply in time of
drouth.

made of it, that is, for domestic use
and stock watering, for municipal
use and, to some extent, for irrigais more largely one of getting a greattion. er percentage of the rainfall, now evaporated, into the soil beyond the reach of evaporation before it can be recaptured, rather than one of

materially reducing the percentage of

rainfall that now runs off. Flood Detention Reservoirs Again, the storage considered here voirs such as these will be filled from normal runoff-that is, from small freshets. The capacily of small reservoirs on headwater ravines is governed largely by local conditions western part, with an average of about 11. Studies made by the Divis-And there's your play—ready after a few rehearsals to be presented for your local and then at your county play Night as a very worthwhile repeated to the state as rain or snow, and shall project to the state as rain or snow, and shall project to the state as rain or snow, and shall part to the state as rain or snow the shall part to the state as rain or snow the shall part to the state as rain or snow the shall part to the state as rain or snow the shall part to the state as rain or snow the shall produce that the state is not the pure that the state is not the state, it is not the pure that the state, it is not the pure that the state is not the state as rain or snow that the shall prod Kansas looks to the ultimate conkansas looks to the ultimate conpose to cut off all porous material some eastern Kansas streams would streams. Ordinarily but a small part is thus definitely permitted and even provided for. This percolating water, proceeding down through the valley rain takes place after earlier rains provides a continuing water sup- have saturated the soil and reduced ply for wells below and in some instances it establishes perennial flow point. By that time the small reservoir channels which before had only voirs have also been filled to capacity and must pass all additional runoff through their spillways.

recreational purposes and in some instances also for municipal water supplies. In outlining a comprehensive water storage program to meet

INTO POULTRY EXPERIENCES

Producers Will Speak Over Farm and Home Radio Hour

a. m. over the NBC-Blue network. State and federal officials administering the plan also will be heard

on the broadcasts. Poultrymen in Alabama, Washington, Kansas, Ohio, Connecticut and Minnesota will appear on the pro-grams to tell of their experiences in raising poultry under the national plan for poultry improvement. These six states are among the 44 cooperating with the United States Department of Agriculture in the project. Last year more than 2,000 hatcherymen and more than 40,000 hatching-egg

producers with over 8,500,000 breeding birds participated in the plan.

Alabama poultry producers will be heard on the first broadcast. They will tell of the part the plan is playing in improving Southern living conditions. Also, they will des-cribe a unique feature of the plan in Alabama—the record-of-performance project at Auburn where breed-ing birds are tested for production and improved stock is produced for distribution among the flocks of the

Washington poultrymen will be heard on Wednesday, February 28; Kansas poultrymen on Wednesday, March 13; Ohio poultrymen on Wednesday, March 27; Connecticut poultrymen on Wednesday, April 10; and Minnesota poultrymen on Wednes-day, April 24.

BRITISH OIL MEN ATTACK CO-OP

British oil interests made a direct attack on the right of cooperative societies to pay patronage dividends on the sale of petroleum products last week, delivering ultimatums to several of the largest cooperative handling petroleum products, according to the Cooperative News.

Acting through the Petroleum Board which represents private oil companies controlling 99 per cent of the Brit-ish supply of oil, the oil interests delivered ultimatums to the Derby and Nottingham societies that they either stop paying patronage dividends or supplies will be cut off. The Derby Cooperative Society is the largest retail distributor of petroleum products in town.

Although the cooperatives presented a formal protest to the Petroleum Board, it was flatly declared that the Oil Pool will not revise its decision. The Pool Board was formed at the request of the Government, the oil companies entering into a voluntary agreement to control distribution and hold the prices up.

If the cooperatives' demand for the right to handle petroleum products as they handle other commodities is not granted the co-ops will take oil under protest and will ask that all members of co-ops will take oil under protest and will ask that all members of co-ops, many of them now purchasing through private firms place their orders through the cooperatives. Since pertoleum supplies are rationed, co-op distribution would be greatly increased while private dealers would be left with large quantities of unsold petroleum.

The up-to-date marketing cooperative does more than just sell the products of its members. As "Producer Co-ops in Action" points out, "It keeps abreast of the latest scientific methods of raising better crops and healthier livestock setting the pace in providing constantly improving food products for the nation's gro-cery basket. Further than that, the cooperative, through its interchange of ideas and frequent membership contacts, is an educational asset of great importance, in the agricultural

community; it is, in fact a vital part of the producer's way of life."

Much marketing cooperative energy is directed to showing the farmer how he can get more from his farm, and at a lower production cost. The individual farmer, working alone, can do little in this direction—one man can't learn it all. The cooperatives hire experts, and work with research organizations. They are the first to learn of anything new that will help the farmer. The marketing cooperative, in short, is a civilizing agent, as well as an econofic and social force.—Industrial News Review.

Civilizing Agent

Investigation of

Associated Farm.

Finds Big Names

Governm't Lists Top 400 Incomes of Big Business

Soap Executive Has Top Salary With \$469,713 for Year

The \$469,713 salary and bonus of A. Countway, president of Lever Brothers soap company in Massachus-etts, topped all others in 1938 corporate income tax returns.

Under a new law the treasury made public the names of those who received more than \$75,000, instead of \$15,000 as in past years. This change cut the list from 50,000 to an even

The list does not become a "400" of the nation's wealthiest persons, however, because it excludes income from dividends or other sources not called "compensation." Thus Henry Ford

and John D. Rockeferrer Jr., do not

Thomas J. Watson, head of International Business Machines corporation, ranked second with \$453,440; No. 3 salary man was E. G. Grace Bethlehem Steel magnate, with compensation of \$378,698; No. 4 was George Washington Hill, whose Ameri can Tobacco company remuneration amounted to \$331,348.

List By Industries By industries, here are other top pay checks of 1938; Movie—Warner Baxter, \$279, 807;

Daryl F. Zanuck, producer, \$265,000; Bing Crosby, \$260,000; Jack Benny, \$250,000; from Paramount Pictures alone, any income from radio and other sources apparently did not exceed \$75,000 from any one employ er); Shirley Temple, \$114,848; Leslie Howard, \$141,249; Loretta Young, \$181,615; Fred MacMurray, \$183,333; Henry Fonda, \$105,000; George Raft, \$186,964; Gary Cooper, \$140,129; John Barrymore, \$105,833; Bob Burns, \$155,952; Joel McCrea, \$152,000; Marlene Detirich, \$130,000; Charles Boyer, \$161,000; Frederic March, \$136,311; Tyrone Power, \$140,750; Director Roy \$186,964; Gary Cooper, \$140,129; John rone Power, \$140,750; Director Roy fellow neighbors. Here warm friend-ships and acquaintances are formed a successful dairyman and other far-ships and acquaintances are formed

was Helen Hayes, who got \$113,458 from Heron Productions, Inc.

Notar can W. S. Too often, however, o Motor car-W. S. Knudsen, General Motor car—W. S. Knudsen, General peal to few, if any of the members. Motors, \$303,400; Edsel Ford, \$113. In time, many members neglect to

Banking-Winthrop Aldrich, Chase National bank, New York, \$177,600.
Radio—W. S. Paley, Columbia
Broadcasting company, \$171,849.
Electrical—Owen D. Young and Gerard Swope, both General Electric,

Oil—H. F. Sinclair, Consolidated Oii company, \$200,550.

Aviation—J. H. Kindelberger, North American Aviation, Inc, \$96,299.

sylvania railroad, 100,410. Beverages—J. F. Brownlee, Frankfort Distilleries, \$125,000.

Turf Club, \$140,887. M. Pulitzer. Publishing—Joseph

Pullitzer Publishing company Louis Post-Dispatch), \$180.461. corporated, \$120,000.

Advertising—Sheldon R. Lord & Thomas, \$108,921. Household Supplies-Sir Douglas Alexander, Singer Manufacturing com-

Mining-E. T. Stannard, Kennecott Cooper company, \$97,543: Beauty—Alfred and Syma Busiel, both Lady Esther, Ltd., each \$96,000. Baking—R. E. Tomlinson, National Biscuit company, \$96,550.

H. McInnerney, Dairy-Thomas National Dairy Products corporation, Food-Colby M. Chester, General

Foods corporation, \$122,000. Utilities—J. I. Mange, Utility Clearing corporation (Associated Gas and Electric System), \$82,818.

Albert Jones Married

Carlton-The marriage of Miss Evelyn McAdams and Albert Jones, iness Association here took place December 30. The couple took a short large, honeymoon trip west. They spent may be written on slips of paper and New Year's Eve with Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Newbrey, Alton.

THE TWO-PRICE SYSTEM—ONE UP, ONE DOWN



Group Discussion Methods

members of the panel.

discussion from the audience.

For this type of discussion the par-

ticipating group is preferably small, from 10 to 50. The ideal seating ar-

rangement is a circle. The chairman

In either a panel or an informal

should make frequent summaries and

obtained if two or three persons are

1. Seat the group informally; in a

circle if possible. Keep the group in an informal and in a jovial mood.

strangers, have each one around the

nite time to close the discussion.

allowed to monopolize the time.

circle introduce himself.

minute or two.

get others to talk.

lead to further discussions.

guidance of experience.

in a local meeting program.

entertainment deserves a part

WHEAT PRICES "IMPOSSIBLE" (

of \$1.25

At Winnipeg, January 19, Errick F. Willis, M.L.A., Manitoba Conserva-

position in that he must accept de-

"In Manitoba this year, the average

price received by the farmer for his wheat was under 60 cents a bushel,"

he said. "Machinery prices are at an

all time high, and further advances

"The British government indicat-

es the probability of a three-year war.

are forecast by machine agents.

marize.

ganization.

2. Informal Group Discussion

State F. U. Educational Committee Outlines Suggestions for **Farmers Union Locals**

We can fully receive the social ben- | have made advance preparation, or be

Too often, however, our local meetings become a routine affair, that ap-Motors, \$303,400; Edser Ford, \$113,7 291; Walter P. Crysler, \$162,083; Alfred P. Sloan, Jr., \$164,450, and Charles F. Kettering, \$192,923, both from

1. The Value of Group Discussion Group discussion is one means of relieving the monotony of our meetings and also a means of appealing to the interest of most members. Moreover, group discussion is democratic. It invites the participation of every-body and it is educational and entererican Telephone and Telegraph, taining. Frequently many dormant ideas are awakened. Whatever the topic of discussion, several view-union, \$86.840. points are obtained.

Although group discussion is popu-Merchandising—C. W. Deyo, F. W. lar in college groups, university clubs discussion group the chairman should refrain from expressing opinions. need not be "high-hat" or complicat- The chairman or discussion leader ed in its procedure.

Chemicals—Lammot du Pont, E. I. selected a topic, appoint the discussion leader. Appoint preferably some Dupont de Nemours & Co., \$150,220.

Railroads—M. W. Clement, PennRailroads—M. Railroads—M. R thinker, and one who likes to ask

questions. The discussion of any topic will Sports—C. H. Strub, Los Angeles naturally lead to related topics and once a discussion has begun, there seems to be no limit to its duration. rullitzer Publishing company (St. ouis Post-Dispatch), \$180,461.
Candy—Mrs. E. V. Mars, Mars InCandy—Mrs. Candy—Mrs. Candy—Mr milk products and various other subjects. Most groups will find it necessary to limit the time to prevent the discussion from continuing far in-

to the night. 11. The Forms of Discussion Group discussion can be fostered under many names and styles, debates, forums, panels and roundtables. Two popular types are:

1. Panel Discussions: (A) The Formal Panel. There is a chairman and several speakers who are called members of the panel. The panel members are seated in a semi-circle or behind a table at the front of the room with the chairman seated in the center. Each member of the panel is introduced by the chairman and is called on to present some phase of the given topic. After the members of the panel have had their say, the discussion is opened to the audience. Questions may be directed manager of the Farmers Union Bus- to the chairman or to any member of the panel. If the audience is very questions from the audience

Each member of the panel should

Farmers and Marketing Boards

From the Western Producer

Saskatoon, Canada
The setting up of the Bacon Board trol Board, may be simply a beginning in the organization of food supplies for the ganization of food supplies for the many years an agricultural advisory allied forces if this war is going to board the function of which is to conlast as long as Mr. Chamberlain has said, and if it is going to be the terror that seems to be expected, it will certainly become imperative to organize in the most complete manner possible the entire resources of

Now if in that imperative necessity the government relies entirely upon controlling boards composed of civil servants and without representation ed, how are we to avoid the emer-gence of a bureaucracy closely relat-ed to the very form of organization or the denied, however, that if the principles and methods of democracy from the economic interests affectwhich we denounce as Fascism.

Efficient organization there must be, but it is not necessary in order to obtain that efficiency to jettison the methods of democracy, and impose upon the people that which they should by cooperation with the government set up for themselves.

A glance at the newly issued offi-cial Year Book of the Union of South Africa shows that in the union they have a National Marketing Council, with an advisory committee for pro-ducers and one for consumers, and

Egg Levy Advisory Board; Perishable Products Export Con-

In addition the Union has had for sult with the minister of agriculture from time to time in connection with matters relating to agriculture and any proposed legislation affecting agriculture. The secretary of the board is also secretary of the South African Agricultural Union, the main organization of the farmers.

What the Year Book, unfortunately, does not disclose, is the value of these organizations to agriculture and are to be applied to the economic organization of the country, the plan of organization must be on the lines adopted in South Africa. It may be that the plan must be tighter in war time than is necessary in peace time, but there is no alternative to the ac-

be preserved. It is to be regretted that the government of Canada does not see things in that light. The tendency is ducers and one for consumers, the following regulatory boards unthe following regulatory boards unthe following regulatory boards unthe following regulatory boards unthings in that light. The tendency and today are bureaucracy and what that may ward bureaucracy and what that may ward bureaucracy and what that may Marketing Council:
Dairy Industry Control Board;
Tobacco Industry Control Board;
Mealie (maize) Industry Control
Board:

Mean after the war is anybody's guess but it will certainly mean a substantial drift away from the free-dom. for which we are today fight-dom. for which we are today fight-dom to which we are today fight-dom to which we are today fight-dom.

Evidence of Intimidation and Coercion Given Before Senate Committee San Francisco, Cal., (FR)—Testi-nony being given before the United States Senate Civil Liberties Com-

mittee discloses that the Associated Farmers, Inc., an organization whose activities have aroused nationwide protest receives its financial backing chiefly from banks, railroads canners, sugar corporations, processors, utilities, and packers. Evidence of intimidation and coercion was given the Committee by farmers who did not subscribe to the Associated Farmer program.

The chief witnesses who have appeared before the Senate Committee

o relate their connections with the Associated Farmers, Inc., are: Colbert Caldwell, of Caldwell, Cornwall and Banker, an important land investment company; Earl Fisher of the Pacific Gas and Electric Co.; A. W. Earnes, of the California Packing Corp., which is the world's largest canner of salmon, asparagus, spinach, tomatoes, corn, prunes, peaches, pears, apricots, and grapes,; and S. Parker Frisell, generally referred to as "the brains" of the Associated Farmers al-so on the payroll of the University of

Banks as Backers
The Bank of America, a Giannini enterprise formerly the Bank of Italy and one of the chief land mortgage holders in California, has been cited as one of the earliest and largest contributors to the Associated Farmers fund. Other banks named as "angels" were the Anglo-California Bank, Crocker First National, and American Trust. The railroads named were the Santa Fe, Southern Pacific, and Union Pacific. Canners, packers, and processors, some of whom own many thousand acres of land, included the Canners League of California, Cali-Sugar Co., and the Spreckles Sugar Co. Also named on the roster of (B) The Informal Panel. Also has contributions were Pacific Gas and a chairman and several panel members. The panel members do not thern Californians, Inc., and the San rise and make formal speeches, but Francisco Industrial Association—the a definite period of time is alloted two latter being employer's association informal discussion among the tions.

panel members. After that, the discussion is opened to questions and Senator La Follette asked S. Parker Friselle why donations and mem-berships were sought among the cor-ward trend since 1909. porations and banks, instead of among the farmers. The explanation offered

by Friselle was: "On account of the distress of the country in 1933 and the danger of bloodshed and trouble caused by supervised groups we recognized the necessity of speed—getting protection from the Reds. Hence our haste to go to the industrialists . . . "
A small farmer from Yolo County,

John Storland, told the Civil Liberties Committee that he received threats by the Associated Farmers for let-American Aviation, Inc, \$96,299.

Insurance—H. M. Leisure, Occidental Life Insurance company, \$177.

Geometrical Life Insurance company, \$177.

Chemicals Lammet du Pont F. J.

ed in its procedure.

We all learn by doing. First try some simple discussion topic at a local meeting. For instance: "What is a good ration for a dairy cow?" Having the summaries and the track and also keep it from becoming a mere argument. All should should should be summaries and the track and also keep it from becoming a mere argument. All should should should should be summaries and ting apricot pickers hold meetings in his orchard. He reported that a grice point of the track and also keep it from becoming a mere argument. All should sh using your place for meetings, you'll have to take the consequences. Is the Purpose of the Associated Far-

mers, Inc. Pro-Farmer or Anti-Labor? This seems to be one of the chief questions under investigation by the Senate Committee at the present time. 2. If in a group where many are Organizers for the Associated Farmers, including Garrison, Angler and Devine, admitted that they directed 3. Start on time and have a defi- their energies to areas where they thought unions might be starting up, 4. Emphasize before opening the that they made fiery speeches attack-discussion that no speeches are exing labor, that they lobbied for an pected. Make it a practice to hold anti-picketing law, that they worked each individual's contribution to a with local sheriffs and supplied

strike-breakers to corporations. 5. Make your own preparation for In the case of the 1937 strike at the the discussion, but do not make it Stockton Food Products Plant, San a practice to express your own ideas Joaquin County, one of the bloodiest during the discussion. Your job is to attacks ever staged in California, Sheriff Odell had purchased "soft-6. Try to prevent the discussion nose" bullets, 446 pick-handles, tear from drifting too far from the sub- gas "Ko" gas, candle shells, long ject. It is a good practice for the range gas equipment, rifles, and shotleader to frequently summarize, or guns. The Associated Farmers ran have a secretary appointed to sumand the unarmed picketers charge 7. Don't worry too much about defi- that these trucks fired a barrage of nite conclusions. Perhaps the best shells before coming anywhere near accomplishments are questions that the picket line and without provoca-

Invite your friends to take part | Testimony on Sutter County, Calif. n your discussions and encourage revealed that the local sheriff, Herthem to become members of your or- bert Ulrey, let the Associated Farmers use his office, typewriter, secre-Group discussion should interest tary, and supplies and that a state young and old members alike. It senator, John Banning, was guaranprove a means whereby the teed a salary of \$300 a month plus keen initiative and ambition of youth may obtain the encouragement and in this county. Captain Weldon Broun of the state highway patrol offered to Finally, group discussion should supply the organization with axe handles, and a Captain of the Nationbe made a regular part of the program of your local meetings, but do al Guard, Marion Underhill, offered not allot all the time of the meeting to "cooperate" with his men. Assoto it. Refreshments, games, music and ciated Farmer representatives admitted that officials of the California Packing Corp., held positions as directors in their "farmer" organization. Further disclosures have been made since the resumption of hear-

NEED STUDY MARKETS Badly needed, and included as part

ive leader, charged that the western of the proposed national dairy advertising and educational campaign is a sound program of research. Scienpression prices for his wheat and pay tific study of the nature of butterwar prices for everything he pur-chases. Mr. Willis said he was leaving tary factors of milk and milk prodfor Ottawa in a few days to discuss ucts are essential, if consumption is the problem with Hon. W. D. Euler, to be maintained and expanded in minister of trade and commerce, re- the face of the steadily increasing ports the Western Producer, Saska- competition for a share of the consumer's dollar and stomach space. Market research, too, is needed, not

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ple themselves in organizations designated for a specific economic purpose, if the democratic idea is to be prosecuted for the probability of a three-year war.

On this basis, judging by the experience of the last war, wheat prices should reach at least \$2.50 a bushel, and Hereford pigs, bred sows and and the British formation of the property of th and the Britich government would be called upon to pay this high price at a time when it was least able to do

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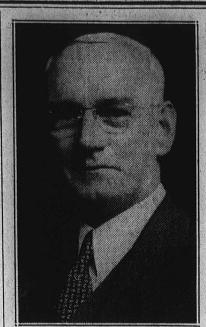
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only to find out many things that the industry does not know about the whys and wherefores of its sales, but to enable that industry to keep pace with constantly shifting con-sumer eating habits.

Several times in the past, the Dairy Record has listed many things that the industry does not know about its markets. Even more numerous are the things that it does not know about its products. Upon one occasion we pointed out that it has no clear understanding of why the average consumer buys butter and, in another instance, bewailed the fact that the claim that butter is not fattening is based more on glib opinion than on sound, scientific basis.

The problems confronting the dairy industry are both serious and numerous, but at least the industry possesses the elements of unification, fellow neighbors. Here warm friend-ships and acquaintances are formed and neighborhood interest and coop-mers with varying experiences as formed and neighborhood interest and coopsituation as discouraging as those which confront a number of other industries. Potato growers, for example, are faced with the knowledge that consumption of that staple drop ped from an average of 2.95 bushels per person during the years of 1910-14 to 2.32 bushels in the 1933-37 period; furthermore potato consumption ward trend since 1909, This is an immeasurably worse sit-

uation than that which confronts the lairy industry. The thing that makes the problem of the potato grower even

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As a matter fo fact, the greatest deterrent to united action by the dairy around. industry has been inertia. Indiffer- A rou ence and defeatism are still rampant, lication says, to protect finish items but, fortunately, there are a sufficient such as siding, window frames and number of progressive and aggressive dairy leaders who will push the are fitted in place. program despite the obstacles lying Spacing of rafter

stood or neglected are reported in a vice, is an equal spacing of rafters new publication of the Forest Serand ceiling joists so they can be Û. S. Department of Agriculture, of 600 homes under construction in 20 key communities in various sections of the country was made by Mr. Dunn is secretary-manager of Forest Products Laboratory technithe Farmers Union Auditing Association.

cians to determine where guidance in the use of wood in current building construction is particularly need-The publication stresses the impor-

settling walls and wood-rotting damp-ness in basements, and in some localities, resultant termite attacks. Houses in regions subject to wind dam- gestions for prospective home buildage should be anchored to the found- ers are contained in Miscellaneous ation by 5/8 inch bolts, spaced six Publication No. 358. "Use and Abuse feet, and extended down two feet into solid masonry walls.

portant factor in home building, ac- nologist, of the U.S. Forest Service. cording to the Forest Service. Since Copies of the bulletin may be ob-wood shrinks most crosswise of the grain and only negligibly lengthwise, Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

more serious is the fact that sectionalism is an inhibiting factor to unified action, and the elements which make up the potato industry are far smaller and, for all practical purposes, more fidely scattered than those which comprise the dairy industry.

As a matter fo fact, the greatest described in the foundation plate and the studding of the other side wall rests on the joists. Balanced shrinkage may be obtained by avoiding "on-edge" material in or under the wall, or by using the same amount all the way

A rough shelter is needed, the pub-

Spacing of rafters differently from put the plan across, and there is every reason to believe that they will. adequate tying together or root, wall and frame. Unequally spaced joists and rafters should provide for the and rafters should provide for the Construction features of home bu- to a rafter. A much better arrangelding most likely to be misunder- ment, according to the Forest Serspiked at every rafter and both can be spiked to the plate above the entitled "Use and Abuse of Wood in be spiked to the plate above the House Construction." An inspection studs, thus tying the walls together. Some additional construction hints:

Wood sheathing put on diagonally is preferable to that used horizontalbecause of the extra rigidity effected by the diagonal boards. On the roof, good valley flashing should extend well on each side from the center line—not less than seven inches when the pitch is one-half tance of proper foundations to avoid or greater and not less than ten

Numerous other construction sug-R. P. A. Johnson, Senior Engineer, The framing method is another im- and E. M. Davis, Senior Wood Tech-

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