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November 20-24 To the Officers and Delegates of Topeka, Kansas. The Virginia and tional bank with a combined capitalthe honor to submit the following the year report of my work during the year just closed.

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The Illnois are the year next In the year now past I visited Min- many of the old timers as the best nesota, Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Col- that had been held in that state for orado, Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas, ten years. The Union in Illinois is made up of a fine body of loyal and District of Columbia in connection determined cooperators and it is my with duties assigned to me. In all I opinion that a well organized and agtravelled 26,559 miles by train, 3,018 gressively pushed campaign for memmiles by automobile and 300 miles by steamboat, a total of 29,869 miles. I in that state. I was also present at attended and addressed 103 Farmers the last days session of the Missou-Union local meetings including pic- ri State Convention which was nics, barbarcues, County and Local held in Kansas City. Plans for inconventions and organization gather- creasing the membership were worked out there and the future may see In addition to what may be called the organization considerably stren-

Organization

Early in the year I attended what ber of national and sectional confer- was called a Corn Belt Conference ences held for the purpose of advanc- of farmers called by William Hirth ing the interests of cooperation. of Columbia, Missouri, which met at Shortly after the adjournment of the Lynchburg convention I went to the While nothing in the way of any perinitial meeting of the National Coun- manent organization developed from cil of Commodity Marketing Associathat meeting it was valuable because the makers association. A. J. McGuire, Secretary, tions which was held in Washington, it resulted in a better acquaintance I spoke to that gathering on "The among farmers of a wide middle west

quired to pay income on about \$10,marketing live stock cooperatively ers Union Jobbing Association of ri. Questionaires sent to all sections 000,000,000 of wholly fictitious railon the terminal markets are the best Kansas City and the Producers Exof the state showed that prices paid of their kind and do a larger business change of Richmond, Virginia are by creameries on certain days var-In June I attended the National than any other similar enterprises in rendering especially valuable services ied as much as 17c p Wheat Conference which was held in the world. They now include com- not only to their shareholders and of the best cream producers of Misthe Sherman House at Chicago, as mission houses at Omaha, Sioux City to other members of the Union but to souri were receiving 17c per pound the personal representative of the South St. Paul, Chicago Kansas City, agriculture in general in the territory less than producers of the same grade governor of Kansas. That meeting Wichita, St. Joseph and Denver. At in which they operate. The Kansas of cream in other sections. It was was called by Governor J. A. Preus most of these points the Union house and Nebraska Union institutions are found also that certain creameries of Minnesota and was quite largely is now at the head of the trade in now and for several years have been were paying 11c more in some places attended by railroad officials, bank- volume of business and at all of them able to fix the price of binder twine than the same creameries were payers, millers, bakers, agricultural im- there has been a very rapid growth. to consumers. In this way the price ing at other points on the same day. plement manufacturers, representa- The Kansas City house has increas- of this essential commodity has been After this investigation was made, tives of Boards of Trade, grain deal ed its sales about a hundred per cent reduced an average of five cents a the Directors of the Missouri Farmers and others interested in the hand- over last year. The Wichita House pound to all farmers in Kansas and ers' Association asked all of the big ling, transportation, conversion and consumption of wheat proconsumption of wheat proconsump ducts. In addition there were a few tion on that market. The three hous- saving of at least \$2,000,000 a year. ference which was held in St. Louis ing that they had served long enough are much more miserable than befarmers and several representatives es so efficiently ad profitably con- The Producers Exchange of Rich- At this conference the creameries begged for a change which was fore the war. Before the war there ed. We had to keep up with him in farmers and several representatives and several representations. That conducted by the Nebraska Farmers Union State were asked to base the price paid to find the producer on the basis of the Chi
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Exchange of Kentucky have rendered several representations. They dook their was a feeling for the war. Before the war. consumption of wheat and wheat products. So far this Council which maintains headquarters in Chicago, million dollars and will distribute ious state units for cooperative marconsumption of wheat and wheat pro- volume of sales for this year amounthas recommended a nitty per cent increase in the tariff on wheat and has
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So long as the millers are allowed port that all the larger Union coop- plan for wheat but thought best to is converted into flour and re-ex- One of the difficulties in the way of has operated in competition with the wheat grower. As the Council's plan appears to be excessive overhead On the whole the progress in the for acreage reduction was not pub- costs. The Georgia Cooperative Cot- organization of wheat for cooperative lished until after most of the fall ton Association and the Georgia marketing has been disappointingly seeding was done it is not likely to Cane Growers Association, both slow. The units formed, for the most have much affect on next years wheat largely composed of Union men and part, control volumes of grain so production and prices even if the directed by Union officers have made small that profitable operations have growers should some time find out splendid showings. The Cane Grow- been difficult and in several groups In October I went to Denver to at- more for its membership than any that nothing very much worth while

system except in an informal way sion in cooperative banking but un- erators and supporters of cooperawhich resulted in several smaller fortunately not much of it to the cred- tion met in Chicago and constituted Committe which will be discussed in land has grown in number and re- Carl Witham of Oklahoma, Bernard another part of this report. It was sources. There are now some sixteen Baruch of New York, Senator Arthur sources of more than \$50,000,000. The farmers of the country may well congratulate the wage workers on their success in this important field of cooperative endeavor. There has been country may be considered we were so miserable and cooperative endeavor. There has been compared the contract of Missouri for betaining the contract pleasant and friendly party and it such institutions with combined re-is not too much to say that a good sources of more than \$50,000,000. The known men are members of this is not too much to say that a good sources of more than \$50,000,000. The I also attended the Farmers Un- gratulate the wage workers on their ion State Conventions held in Win- success in this important field of cochester, Virginia; Marissa, Illinois operative endeavor. There has been

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Our own organization.

Phillips County, Kansas, now has the largest local Rochdale enterprise in the country a society that has about 1000 shareholders, \$200,000 of paid up capital and does not own a dollar. The success of that business has been year largely due to the our own organization. hase been very largely due to the fact that the Union farmers of that county have organized and are conducting two state banks and one na-

> Kansas City, Kansas. The Board of Directors have been selected and have Committee. qualified a large part of the stock icitation and operations will proba-bly begin very shortly after the first nesota, South Dakota, and Nebraska. of the year. Properly managed banks In Iowa, the Committee will work are the best safeguard for coopera- under the direction of the Iowa tive business associations. The great Creamery Secretaries and Managers cooperative banks of Denmark, Eng- Association, a large association land and other European countries maintained by co-operative creamerare object lessons on the value of ies. While in Wisconsin the Comsuch institutions. The farmers of mittee will work in conjunction with this country must learn to centralize the Wisconsin Butter Makers Asso-

ers Association has probably done impossible. It is now perfectly plain

A few weeks ago a group of coop-

# Creameries

**Extensive Investigation In** Northern States

A Committee appointed by Wm. I Steiner, President of the Missouri Farmers' Association, is now making MIAMI COUNTY PLANS an investigation of Cooperative Creameries in several Northern states \$350,000 in their own enterprises which are successful by reason of sensible, loyal and business like support the farmers of that county have set an example well worthy of emulation.

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After a short conference the legislative and resolutions committees decided to present a joint report. The Kansas Farmers Union is now fieldmen of the M. F. A., and Howorganizing a \$200,000 state bank at ard A. Cowden, Secretary Treasurer of the organization, constitute the

The Committee will visit the larger has been subscribed for without sol- and most successful coopreative stitutions and use it for their own in- Minnesota Creameries Association, an organization with over 400 coop-All of the Farmers Union Mutual erative creameries as members, and manent body that was organized at that time.

Occupied an entire week. Leaders that Life Insurance Company established by the Iowa Farmers Union survey is expected to be made. From complete control of all road money. that time.

In May I attended the National Conference on Railroad Valuations that was held at Chicago on the call of Senator Robert M. La Follette. I of their westing that was confirmed in the westing that we should be nationalized, and supported by the National Farmers Union and the attendance was a busy season and the attendance was confirmed in the world. In Nebraska was confirmed in the world of about six hundred men and women all over the country. The time has had a steady growth throughout the year. As soon as possible that will go to Aberdeen South Dakota, where the Farmers Union and the year. As soon as possible that will go to Aberdeen South Dakota, where the Farmers Union and the farmers Equity are operating the largest cooperative contralized of shout six hundred men and women all over the country. The time has a steady growth throughout they end to south the well as the M. F. A. Committee agreement made between the Farmers Union and the year. As soon as possible that will go to Aberdeen South Dakota, where the Farmers Union and the Kansas where the Farmers Equity are operating the largest cooperative contralized or souther that we endorse the Minnesota the M. F. A. Committee will agreement made between the Farmers Union and the Kansas where the Farmers Union and the principals of the world adhere to the principal adhere to

body of watered and worthless se- permanent feature of its activities as ey centers to be used for the exploit- tion which is the most powerful cosecurities as part of the rate making a school for instruction in organiza- ation rather than the service of pol- operative organization of its kind in It would require too much time to ing more than 400 local cream buying Mutual Telephone Companies of the conditions became such that they low's wheat to make a profit. That interested and one that requires some direct action of congress. If the valuation methods now being employurrect action of congress. It take pleasure in reporting that entire achievements during the year proximately \$8,000,000.00 worth of passage of a law forcing the Long but a few other enterprises should but a few other enterprises organized but a few other enterprises organized but a few other fellow. We forgot enterprises organized but a few other enterprises organized but a few other enterprises should be mentioned. The state Nebraska enterprises organized but a few other fellow. We forgot enterprises organized but a few other fellow. We forgot enterprises organized but a few other enterprises organized but a few other fellow. We forgot organized but a few other enterprises organized but a few other fellow. We forgot organized but a few other enterprises organized but a few other enterprises organized but a few other fellow. We forgot organized but a few other enterprises organized but a few other fellow organized but a few other fellow organized but a few other fellow. We forgot organized but a few other fellow. The because we were fellow organized but a few other fellow organized but a few other fellow organized but a few other fellow. The because we were fellow organized but a few other fellow organized but a few other fellow organized but a few other fellow.

became evident that the creameries Fontana, Kansas, president; Bro. it increases in population. It looks In order to keep our members loyal were unwilling to to cooperate in sta- Lohr, Rock Creek Local, Wellsville, like if we are gong to build up our our elevator manager was forced to bilizing prices, to begin the financing of several cooperative creameries. It busch, Osage Valley Local, Osawa-must be some kind of conditions that The other man had to bid up again tee will doubtless form the basis for conductor; Ira Wagner, Union Valley Online and the State Wheat Marketof these enterprises.

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ized creamery has been more succareful consideration is the steps necessary to improve the quality of tend another general conference on other commodity group in the coun-wheat marketing that had been called in connection fith the regular meeting that it has increased the prices of its wheat marketing that had been called try. Its books and reports indicated the production is controlled by the cooperative of the Board off Directors of the of the Board off Directors of the product rectained and it is equally obvious that visiting. This difference in quality labor in the expectation of fair re-American wheat Growers Associated. The Arkansas Farmers Union Cooppooling the existing organizations can is costing the farmers of the state turns on his investment in land and That meeting was attended by Aaron and the liming organizations can be desired a great many cream-equipment, his expenses for harvest-never sign up that proportion of the enough to build a great many cream-equipment, his expenses for harvest-never sign up that proportion of the liming organizations can be desired by the liming organization of the liming organizations can be desired by the liming organization of the liming organization organization organization or the liming organization organ er, r. w. monder and other administration and cooperative leaders in adstraction and cooperative wheat growers association now operwheat growers association now wheat growers association how operated where the grade of butter than is produced in ten to one bet that he will come out over and reports show that a ting in Washington, Oregon, Ida- and its records and reports show that any other Country. The cooperative even with a little over to buy decent ion. Nearly everything said here has entire wheat pooling movement that any other Country. The cooperative even with a little over to buy decent ion. South lit received higher prices and operated Montana, North Dakota, South it received higher prices and operated was undertaken with such sanguine creameries of Denmark are becomno, Montana, Notes Dakota, Minnesota, Nebraska, Colo- on lower percentage of expense than provide them with comforts and de- one business organizations organizations of the content of this institution. If

are fewer dairy cows the big central-

A. held in Sedalia the latter part of August. Most of the successful co-A Committee is Now Making of the leaders of the Missouri Farmers' Association that the farmers of Missouri can successfully handle the quality problem, as well as that of better markets, by cooperation.

### MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The Miami County Farmers Union held its annual meeting at Paola December 17th. All members of var-

decided to present a joint report.

After a splendid two hour's committee meeting during which various phases of Farmers' Union activities

were discussed the following resolutions were prepared and adopted at the afternoon session: RESOLVED: That our County Union continue to support Farmer candidates for Public office until the farmer is justly represented in State

and National offices. RESOLVED: That our County Union urge the passage of a state law fixing a tax on gasoline, the revenue thus derived to be used for road building, and that we discourage systems of road building which places the burden of taxation on the land.

RESOLVED: That our Union is of leaving the auto license fund in Tabethallow another law of nature, the members then and that is all it the County where raised and we urge the amendment of the law so the

The Missiouri Farmers' Associa- made without injury to the Farmers ed to us as long as conditions are We made money also. We were not the country and which is now operat. a meeting of the various boards of and enjoyed the sunshine but when ourselves. We took that other fel-

> E. F. Schiefelbusch Owen Hunsperger George Frank N. J. Kaiser Henry Dageforde J. R. Williams Wheaton Slyter P. H. Heidecker W. E. Hays I. M. Wagner

Committees. one o'clock and was the largest and not happy by refusing to cooperate how much I have been making. Then One of the most important things the Committee will determine is whethcommittee will determine is was to institute a memcommittee will determine is whitelevel of the big things we did at is that our membership has dropped off half We have made conditions elevator was full and our doors shut

> Yours Truly. E. F. SCHIEFELBUSCH County Secretary.

#### THE WHEAT GAMBLER.

Union County in Kansas.

The big gambler in the wheat bus-Missouri butter. The farmers of Mis- iness is the farmer. He seeds in the souri are penalized several cents per fall hoping that in spite of dry weapound at the present time because ther, winter killing, green bugs, of Denmark manufacture a better year. He takes a long chance, a That is the material we have to go Farmers Union principles and do even though they are forced to pay a tariff of 8c per pound in addition to titled. If the farmer wins in his have made conditions for the loyal we will have to change our policy. a tariff of 8c per pound in addition to freight across the Atlantic. The Coperative Creameries, by improving one wand the quality and developing new and better markets, have revolutionized better markets, have revolutionized to the door and the door and the forming industry of Doorself and the forming in the forming industry of Doorself and the forming industry of the farming industry of Denmarks can he ever reach such a result as have to meet this condition. They have made Denmark one of the long as he sells in competition with most prosperous af Agricultural na- his neighbors and hands the grain tions. The report of the M. F. A. Creamery Committee will be the opening wedge in the fight of the cream producers of Missouri for better markets and will therefore he of capital and names the grain trade the finest business opportunity enjoyed by any group of merchants in this world. It is not the cars. That was their only function. We found out the private individuals charge 22c and higher.

# Echoes of the Assembly

Under This Heading Each Week We Expect to Print Excerpts or the Addresses in Full of the Different Speakers Who Were on the Program of the Farmers Union Educational Assembly at Salina.

HOW TO GET AND (By M. O. Glessner)

very appropriate at this time.

made a big success and progress as started up there and when we startindividuals in the world working under that natural law. It is going to be necessary for us to go back and be necessary for us to go back and understand and try and follow our volume of business and we made own particular law of nature we must abide by. We are forced to abide by those laws of nature. Later on, as an and we made about 10c to give back. That showindividual we learn that as an individual self preservation was a law of nature. I have been noticing a little squirrel out by the side of this wagees interest on the capital stock building. He is busy storing nuts and investment. That is all it cost Take the law of nature again. Self- costs them now. preservation.. In-as-much as self-

the coyote. We find the rings when belong to our stood with their heads out and fought were living up to our obligation, we off the enemy. Follow the organiza- would not have bought the other fel-

tions springing up in the South. low's wheat. A great many of them sprang up The other elevator man says if after the Civil War. They were in you made \$14,000.00 and I did as The afternoon session convened at a miserable condition. They were much business as you, that shows

Our local elevator association at Bison, my home town, was organiz- the other elevator The outside man

tor associations over the state had KEEP MEMBERS a high volume of business, if all the wheat went through one elevator in the town. As long as all the wheat I am going to tell you only anoth- went through that one, the handling er's opinion or another plan but before charge would be small. When there I get through I am going to present were several elevators in that town, a plan for getting new members. I it was necessary to force each eledon't guarantee that the plan will vator to take more money or the serwork but that if it will work, it will vices rendered. In most of the towns keep the members. We have heard of Kansas there is at least two or the big bugs of the Farmers Union three or four elevator associations. from all parts of the country. They The patrons divide their wheat betell us we should keep out envy, not tween the different elevators The allow superstition to creep in. I will farmer had to organize an elevator recite you a little of a poem I think and put all his business through the one elevator. You do business on a That small voice is the voice of the profitable basis. The live stock comcreator. In as much as we have to mission company has that same idea. ive we first come within the juris- They charge the same commission the diction of that natural law. We have other fellows do. At Bison, we

Here is where we made our mispreservation is the first law of na- take Just as soon as we went into ture, we find it necessary to unite one business we got a cooperative RESOLVED: That we endorse the our individual efforts and occupa- charter. We were granted that charagreement made between the Farmcloser together when such can be meeting. A. C. Davis, when he show- vator. We were all right that year. RESOLVED: That we recommend as an individual laid out by himself mankind and brotherly love among plains there still remains the rings were the one who received the benof buffalo. When there was plenty efit from it When we began to take of buffalo grass, his only enemy was the other man's wheat who did not it became so miserable they had to big mistake. The other fellow said cooperate. The young were placed that outside wheat belonged to him in the center and the old buffalo just as much as it did to us. If we

ies. In some of the more intensive membership so that Miami County of the Live Stock Association the Insurance Company, the Jobbing As- loads to his one but he lost moneysociation, etc., they have built up and on only one load of wheat and we made conditions in the state of Kanlost membership joined the busses. The membership joined the busses where they have dropiness associations and they have dropped out of the parent organization.

They are loyal to their business institution but they have forgotten stitution but they have forgotten an association there that was a benefit to the outsider. When we have about the Farmers Union. The Farm-ers Union is a great deal like a build-on the outside was responsible for that loss. The shareholders and Un-We are faced with this same prop- ion men were not. The outsider did osition. We have to rebuild the not have to stand the loss that you house and we did not have it insur- had and he could sell his wheat at have been torn by storm; lumber was to be in. Why would a man come which is not whole but in bad shape. into the organization when he was We have to take that material and getting more benefits to stay on the

The government doesn't allow peowheat on just as big a margin as will have to sell his wheat to the other fellow and he will get placed in his misery, at the mercy of that fellow. When we were at his mercy, it cost us 22c. What will happen him. Every bushel of wheat will come

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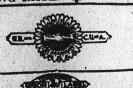
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#### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 1923.

THE BUILDING FUND ASSESSMENT In explanation of the admitted fact that his own Local has lost two thirds of its original membership Brother Carney Barr of Bayard

"Adding that assessment for a new building cost us a lot of members and then we got no building and that cost us a lot more."

That statement is part of a letter published in last week's issue in criticism of the present officers of the Kansas Farmers Union. Not one of the present officers held his place when that assessment amendment was voted by the State Convention. The assessment for building purposes was not imposed on the membership by the present officers or by the officers who were in service when it was proposed and adopted.

The State Convention that met in Topeka in 1921 voted to submit the assessment amendment for the building fund to the Locals. That was done by the Board of Directors in due time. Neither the officers of the Union, the Board of Directors, or this paper ever urged the members to ratify that amendment but the Locals gave it stantial majority and it became a part of the by-laws of the State Union. The present official family has acted in this matter only as directed by two State Conventions and by the membership.

Brother Barr says that the fact that no building was constructed cost us a lot more members. This is hardly fair. The collection of assessment is not yet completed. It is uncertain just how much money will be realized, probably not more than \$30000 when it is all paid in. Topeka State Union Convention last January decided, and apparently with wisdom, that the assessment could not return enough funds for the erection of a Farmers Union Home Building in Topeka of the kind that is needed. Therefore it was voted to complete the collection, to invest the fund in interest bearing securities and to use the income for paying rent for headquarters offices in the Farmers Union Insurance Building at Salina until the organization ordered oth-

The orders of the Convention have been carried out. The Building Fund is safely invested. The rent that the State Union pays for offices in the Insurance Building returns to the members of the organization in reduced costs of insurance. The farmers who have dropped out of the Union rather than pay that ONE DOLLAR building fund assessment spread over two years certainly do not seem to have known the facts.

SOME DEBATABLE QUESTIONS.

The farmers must be able to take his own part. It is all right to hire an advocate once in a while but most of the time the man who cares to have any influence in the neighborhood or any standing in the business world must be able to speak for himself. The man who can stand on his feet in front of an audience and can think and express his thoughts clearly will always be a force in the world whether he is a farmer, a lawyer or a coal miner.

Debating is the very best of all forms of mental exercise. There is the element of contest which is stimulating. There is pride in a cred itable performance which is always justifiable. There is a growing self confidence as subject is studied and presented which is always desirable. Every rural community should have debates.

The days are growing longer. The work of the farm is not so pressing. The necessity for the farmer to defend himself is more urgent than ever before in the history of American agricuture. Why not be prepared? Why not be making careful studies of the subjects with which the farmers must deal during the next year or two.

Here is a good question for the next debate in your Local: Resolved that wheat farmers should reduce their production to conform to the reasonable demands of domestic consumption,

SHORTER HOURS FOR WOMEN.

A good many states have declared by law that eight hours shall be a full day in all public employment. That is the law of the United States.

For a long time there was a demand for a minimum wage for women. Many states passed laws establishing such a minimum.

Neither of these regulations applies to the women who work on the farms of this country. They have neither an eight hour day nor a minimum wage. They begin early in the morning and they quit after every worker on the farm has finished his job for the day.

The farm women of Kansas are entitled to shorter hours and to better returns for their labor. These things they can get through organization.

THE MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN.

The Union folks of Anderson county have perfected an organization for pushing the campaign for collection of dues and for new members. They say down there that all they want, besides getting a lot of new blood into the organization is the first prize for the largest number of paid up members on December 31st and the Blue Banner for the largest total membership on the same

There are fifty or more counties that were organized in the Union before there was a Local in Anderson county. Any one of a dozen should have more members than this comparatively new county but Anderson has the pep and the loyalto the Union that will carry the folks down there a long ways towards their goal.

Stafford is another county that proposes to do its duty in strengthening the Union. Nor is Cowley with its twenty-four locals, most of them wide awake and stirring about to be overlooked in this matter. Every Union county in Kansas should get busy and do its share of the work.

THE LIVE STOCK BOYCOTT.

On September 26 the traders in the stock yards at Kansas City quit doing business with the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Company. They gave no reasons but simply refused to buy from or sell to the Union. That condition affected only stocker and feeder trade and Manager Woodman and his force were able to carry on without any loss in business. Fact is that October, the so-called boycott month, was the biggest since the Commission Company was established five year ago.

The trouble has now been adjusted. The Union house is admitted to all the privileges that had been denied it, including the clearing house, the blanket insurance and the service of the so-called hog doctors. An agreement that should prevent any further trouble was finally reached and everything is running smoothly in that business

100 PER CENT LOCALS.

A ONE HUNDRED PER CENT LOCAL is one that has collected dues from every member on its rolls. Beginning in January of the New Year every such Local will have its name, number and location printed in this paper in the Honor Roll of Locals. To get on that roll it will be necessary for every dues paying member to be clear on th books until December 31st, 1924.

Secretaries and other officers of the Locals should interest themselves in this matter. It costs no more to ay up now then it will two or three months or a year from this time. If the income of the State Union could all be collected in advance a lot of money could be saved and also a lot of trouble.

It is only a little more than five weeks until the end of this year. During that time it is possible for every member to pay up for this year, if he has so far neglected that duty and to pay in advance for 1924. This would put the Union on a business basis and that is where it must go if it is to do the work that is so necessary in the interest of the farmers.

READ THIS PAPER ALL THE TIME. If the members of the Union read this paper it is worth more than it costs to the organization. If it is used only for lining pantry shelves and kindling the kitchen fire it is hardly worth while to keep it up. There is something every week

that everyone in Kansas should know. There are a few folks who read only to criticize. The editors want all the criticism that is fair and constructive. It is quite a job to get the material together for a paper of this size. There may be a better way to do it. It may be possible to get news that is more interesting. Tell us how

The only singular quality that we claim for the Kansas Union Farmer is that it always prints the truth. That alone makes it the most valuable newspaper in the state.

GOT A NEW MEMBER THIS WEEK? The members of the Union have mighty good grounds for asking their neighbors to join the organization. It has made good. Union purposes are the best. Union ideals are the noblest. Union achievenments are the most substantial and beneficial.

The best way to help the Union to do better and achieve more is to get more members. Use the application cards printed in this paper.

WEAK COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES.

It is true that many cooperatives have failed. That is too bad. It is even more bad and sad that there are other Union cooperatives that are certain to fail in the future. The principal reason for such failures is that the patrons have dropped out of the Union and no longer feel under any obligations to support our enterprises.

The best and quickest way to restore the usefulness and the financial strength of a failing cooperative association is to reorganize the Union in its trade territory. Yes, the word is RE-ORGANIZE. If the people in its neighborhood belong to the Union and live up to their

obligation there can be no failure. The Union enterprises can very well afford to spend a little money in getting more members, That is the best insurance against failure that it can buy at any price.

TEN GREAT AMERICANS.

Keep working on your list of the ten great

The voting will begin in a short time. Have your list ready so that you can get it in early after the announcement is made.

ONE HUNDRED PER CENT MEMBERS.

cent Local. All that is necessary is to collect all the dues. Making a one hundred per cent Un- gressive the Californian has managother matter and probably, except in mighty few or the friendship of the conservative. Will be urged strongly in the next

good word for the organization wherever he can. He gets a new application for membership at least once every year. He patronizes all the house and barns are insured by the Farmers granted and probably with good reabeen drained. Too many forest arbotic which seems never to be drained. Too many forest arbotic which seems never to object to the high prices charged for son that his name will be presented eas at the headwaters of great rived admission tickets. all his car lots of live stock to the Farmers Union Commission Company either at Kansas City, St. Joseph or Wichita. He sees that his wheat is consigned to the Farmers Union Jobbing Asis consigned to the Farmers Union Jobbing AsMontana, Washington, Oregon, Ida- been seriously affected by the drainsociation. He never knocks on the Union but ho, Nebraska and Iowa and have a age of swamps, marshes and lakes. sociation. He never knocks on the Union but is always ready to give good reasons for supporting the organization.

There are other marks of the good Unian man but any one who lives up to all these will not but any one who lives up to all these will not but any one who lives up to all these will not but any one who lives up to all these will not but any one who lives up to all these will not but any one who lives up to all these will not but any one who lives up to all these will not but any one who lives up to all these will not but any one who lives up to all these will not but any one who lives up to all these will not but any one who lives up to all these will not but any one who lives up to all these will not but any one who lives up to all these will not but any one who lives up to all these will not but any one who lives up to all these will not but any one who lives up to all these will not but any one who lives up to all these will not be all these will not but any one who lives up to all these will not but any one who lives up to all these will not but any one who lives up to all these will not be all these will not be all the second to all the second to

but any one who lives up to all these will not gressive states is not nearly sufffi- the country needs more than any-

ed that the Farmers Union Live Stock Com- ty conventions. The country already mission Company had compromised its disagree- knows that the Wisconsin senator Cut Over ments with the members of the Live Stock Exthe members of the live Stock Exchange. A good many folks do not like the word compromise. To enter into a compromise with the national republican convention. What everybody is interclearing and cultivation of such of folks that cheerfully pay \$50,000 as possible is what he will do dom returns a profit to the first genagreement requires that something be conceded soon as possible is what he will do dom returns a profit to the first gento the other fellow and it is generally admitted after the convention? that a concession in a controversy is a sort of admission of error or fault.

ion may relieve their minds of all worry in con- a third party and wants La Follette to be able to prevent. nection with the reported "compromise." Before the alleged boycott was started on the 26th Senator La Follette's policy. He has been in the treatment of forest and of September the Union Commission Company never been in accord with the domiwas deprived of access to the clearing house that nant faction of his party and on the there was once an inexhaustible supwas deprived of access to the clearing house that served the Exchange members in the yards; could not participate in the advantages of the blanket insurance enjoyed by other dealess. blanket insurance enjoyed by other dealers; was denied the services of the so-called "hog doctors" to retain his place on the biggest and carried on its operations under some other small disadvantages. Notwithstanding all these things its business was profitable and was growthings its business was profitable and was growing more rapidly than that of any other consension of Congress.

Session of Congress.

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La Follette can form his "bloc" of sensible system of timber culture and adian what her wear and none country already this year and none cern on the Kansas City market.

Farmers Union is readmitted to the clearing organization of the senate. It is not profitable in the long run would be has been exported to Europe in comhouse privileges; may avail itself of the advan- certain that his followers from Wis- to restore timber growth to all cut tages of the blanket insurance; and may have consin cannot do the same in the over areas. The tree crop is the the services of the "hog doctors" on equal terms house of representatives. He is in the most promising possibility of such been refunded to the millers. with Exchange houses. The only thing that it strongest position that he has ever lands. gives up is the privilege of employing an unlimited number of solicitors for country shipments strategy for him to ally himself with Seems As Uncertain on full time at high salaries. The Farmers Un- a third party at this time and here ion Live Stock Commission Company needs no is one plain citizen on foot who feels Kansas and Missouri Universities that very thing early next month and solicitors if its members will do their duty to the republican convention and then be A little while later Kangas best footnoted the republican convention and then be A little while later Kangas best footnoted the republican convention and then be a little while later Kangas best footnoted the republican convention and then be a little while later Kangas best footnoted the republican convention and then be a little while later Kangas best footnoted the republican convention and then be a little while later the republican convention and then be a little while later the republican convention and then be a little while later the republican convention and then be a little while later the republican convention and then the later than the republican convention and then the later than the republican convention and then the later than the republican convention and the rep themselves and to their own organization. The only in the event of the nomination Washington University by a score Chamber of Commerce will fight it. "privilege" that was conceded in the "compro- of some hopelessly hard boiled re- of 83 to 0 and might have doubled mise" should save the Commission Company a actionary. lot of money and should not result in the loss of a single shipment.

with County and State Union officers should re- open and so far is away yonder in to St. Louis the day before the game ance. There are more people who alize that they are trustees of funds that have been paid in for certain specific purposes. The ern states may send Underwood del- the door before returning to their but the real standard of intelligence by-laws of our organization provide the amount of dues that must be paid by each member and tain that most of the votes from that A good many people were amazed revolutionary war. just how those dues are to be distributed, Local section will finally go to McAdoo at the unexpected defeat of Notre A nation that gets its amusements secretaries should make full monthly settlements with the county and state organizations.

sas that apparently have seceded from their county and state organizations. Members report that they have paid their dues but the secretaries have not passed them along where they belong. One Local secretary is reported to have declared that he would not pay over the county and state dues in his possession because he does not believe any organization above the local is true. Except for the activities of the county and PLAN WHEAT POOLING IN CAN- gerating the financial benefits to be Starve the state Union to death by withholding dues and within twelve months every Local in the state will be dead and every business enterprise will be on the broad road that leads to bankruptcy.

Wherever there is a weak or failing cooperathere is a dwindling membership. The best way to assure the success of every one of eratives is to organize their supporting territores one hundred per cent strong in the Farmers

eat must ordinarily use their stomachs more than present farmers the pool be organized outside of and the volume of wheat handled through 000 has been spent to advertise one than they do their heads.

tablished to carry the Department of Agriculture and the work of the Agricultural Colleges should afford a real the farmers' to all the farmers of the state. Any movement tional agencies to small groups or that creates likely to be derived from the pooling efit will depend upon the volume of a year. that restricts the services of tax-paid educationdissensions and lack of teamwork among men who should be working together worse than wastes the public money.

likely to be derived from the points wheat handled through one selling wheat handled through one se wastes the public money.

# COMMENT ON WORLD'S NEWS FOR WEEK

ifornia, sometimes disrespectfully rethe south and may develope sufficiferred to as "Howling Hiram" has ent strength to elect its candidate.
been a candidate for the White House

The most likely result of such a ever since he entered public life. It is third party movement, however, a fairly safe bet that like many oth- would be the failure to elect and the er greater citizens of the republic transfer of the contest to the pres-who have cherished similar ambitions ent house of representatives, which, It is easy enough to have a one hundred per Johnson will never reach his goal.

ed to lose the support of large num- Reclamation ases cannot be done.

A one hundred percent member attends all Senator Johnson was strong enough

La Follette

Has Not Defined idency. It is generally taken for Too many swamps have already late sports and teams are supported

THAT LIVESTOCK COMPROMISE.

The Kansas City newspaper recently announce—where delegates are selected in partion of such products.

A Good Part of Labor

most important during the coming timber unless the wisdom of those facture it into flour for export.

occupied since he went to Washington. It would be very poor political Football

Underwood Now Has Competition For the democratic nomination for Secretaries of Locals who delay settlements the presidency. McAdoo is out in the Missouri University team went take about what is meant by ignorthe lead of all other aspirants for and that the coaches and manager can read and write today than ever the place. While some of the south- forgot to tuck the boys in and lock before in the history of the republic egations to the convention it is cer- own rooms.

> support in the South. they can do so this year and force In the third place the Notre Dame norant.

of its readers to join in this search. Ten Americans living or dead whose contributions to art, literature, science, invention or any other necessary calling have done the most.

The nomination of a reactionary or of a wet candidate like Smith there will a certainly be a third party which will carry an astounishing number of states not only in the west but in states not only in the west but in the season, had played too many hard games, had travelled too many carry an astounishing number of states not only in the west but in the season, had played too many hard games, had travelled too many carry an astounishing number of states not only in the west but in the season, had played too many hard games, had travelled too many carry an astounishing number of states not only in the season.

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ohnson will never reach his goal.

Entering public service as a proled by either party.

the meetings of his Local and goes to the County Union whenever he can. He reads the Kansas Union Farmer every week. He speaks a good word for the organization wherever he all food demands for many years to come.

We have a supply to supply to all food demands for many years to from the taxpayers. The intercolleg-

cient to secure the nomination. It is thing else is improved methods of certain that he can get no votes from tillage that will increase the returns any of the states dominated by the from existing farms and better sys-

eration of pioneers that engages in ations to pay living wages to men of that work. Much of the cut over science, culture and vision who are land is not fertile. More of it has devoting their lives to learning. had the plant food destroyed by the Is already preparing to organize annual forest fires that no one seems

certain limited sense has always been made by the American people has

now in control is able to work out a

As horseracing. The teams of pealed. The farmers will ask for the score if the regulars had been Ignorance

ed Missouri. What is the answer? The guess of this column is that rors will soon vanish. Make no mis-

the nomination of a reactionary or of team had been developed too early

but if it had been written before Nebraska beat the Irish it would have been considered a weak sort of

Colleges

Are Institutions For the higher education of the youth. With one exception eveery department of every big university is short of funds for use in necessary work. The exception is the athletic department which has nothing to do tential productive capacity to supply were established and are maintained.

at Harvard University this year attracted an attendance of more than is almost enough money to maintain every other department of the university and is much more than the total budget of that institution call-

ed for twenty years ago. The Kansas Missouri foot ball game to be played at Lawrence this year will draw a \$50,000 crowd. The receipts are split fifty-fifty between the two teams. The total receipts at University of Kansas foot ball games this season will probably be more than \$50,000. That is alright but

Reduction Of Wheat Acreage Is recommended by the National Wheat Council. Fine. But the advice to sow less wheat was not given untill seeding was about over. Far too

The same outfit urges an increase of fifty per cent in the wheat tariff.

Nearly 70,000,000 bushels of Can-Under the terms of the "compromise" the progressive republicans and other in- tree cutting. The most sensible country already this year and none petition with flour made from American wheat and the duty paid has all

No tariff on wheat will do the farmer any good until the drawback provision that permits the miller to evade the payment of duty is re-

kept in the line-up. The very next Is Only Real Enemy week Washington Universty defeat. Of humanity. Abo Of humanity. Abolish ignorance and all other crimes, disease and er-

who is himself a southern man by Dame by Nebraska but after it was from the moving pictures so popureason of his birth in Tennessee. Allied both by birth and marriage with should have been able to explain that comic sections of the newspapers for the Presbyterian Church it would reversal of form. In the first place its evening entertainment at home, There are quite a few Local Unions in Kan- seem that McAdoo has all the elements of strength necessary to secure form. There is no reason why an trashy magazine as a substitute pport in the South.

Wall Street and the east, the great better football team than one in the loved that rushes in hordes to join railway officials and the great man- west and the truth is that for sev- a masked and cloaked organization ufacturers will all oppose McAdoo. eral years they have not done so. In that calls its chief an "Emperor" and Occasionally it has happened that such the second place the Nebraska team still boasts of its Americanism, that elements have been able to control had been especially prepared for that elects demagogues fools and knaves the national democratic convention. If game and was at the top of its form, to office stand self-indicted as ig-

Wheat growers in western Canada price of wheat from 12 to 20 cents are discussing the question of form- a bushel over and above a competiing a wheat pool. The majority of tive market price are extravagant. the growers, apparently, are in favor of pooling, but they do not exhibit may possibly reduce some of the cost izations handling boxed apples sold the rampant enthusiasm for the sys-

ers Limited, says:

companies Continuing to discuss the benefits

advocates of the cooperative pooling system are, unfortunately, exag-

derived therefrom. The claims made that the pooling system will raise the market to a considerable extent."

"A well operated pooling system of handling wheat, but not in a large more than 6,000,000 boxes of apples the rampant entities advocates degree because the physical system of the 1922 crop, valued at approxof handling wheat in this country is imately \$8,000,000, says the United superior to that in operation any States Department of Agriculture where else in the world. While there Sixteen of the associations advertise are economies to be effected, they their products, the advertising assess-"It must not be overlooked that the will bulk small in the price per ments ranging from one-half cent a pooling system of marketing wheat bushel received by the grower. There box to 4 cents a box

opportunity to test the various 333 be in the effect upon the market of tems of marketing in a manner which should afford a real demonstration without endangering the farmers without endangering the farmers throughout the year instead of being the returns for similar varieties are dumped on the market within a few similar grades. The pools are months, and the extent of the ben- periods ranging from two months to

one large pool marketing the bulk of the wheat crop would affect the

ADVERTISING PAYS

APPLE CO-OPERATIVES Twenty-six farmers' business organ

has not anywhere been carried on for will also be benefits to be derived Some of the larger appropriations a sufficient length of time to dem- by the elimination of private profits for advertising the 1923 crop are Thos members of the Union who turn to lo- onstrate its real value, and, conse- in the marketing of wheat, but this \$35,000, \$30,000, \$22,700, and \$7,200. cal meetings only when there is something to quently, Mr. Crerar's suggestion that benefit will only be in proportion to In the last 10 years more than \$750,-

"The chief financial benefit to be Pooling seems to be another of the Companies is the course of wisdom.

Such course will give a fair derived from the pooling system will secrets of success of the apple coop
The Agricultural Extension Service was es
opportunity to test the various sys be in the effect upon the market of be in the effect upon the market of the department says. Of

ARKANSAS BOY BOOSTS

I am a boy 17 years old; joined the ment of Agriculture. Farmers' Union in about a week after I was 16. I have found nothing ated Club will finance the girls' trip that pays the farmers better than the to the International Live Stock show Farmers' Union. My father is also in Chicago, December 1-8. a member of the Farmers' Union. He is 73 years of age, and he also belongs to the Cotton Association. He

Yours truly, GORDON ROGERS in Arkansas Union Farmer.

and they visit us.

ARKANSAS GIRLS WIN PRIZES Sebastian county ranked high in the Girls' Club clothing contest, held under the auspices of the Extension Division of the University of Arkansas, during Farmers' Week at Fayetteville. Nannie Gentry and Ruby Joyce, first and second prize winners, respectively, are both members of Sebastian county home demonstration clubs, directed by Miss Gladys Noras delegates from Arkansas to the International Boys' and Girls' Congress, in Chicago. The third place in the state clothing contest was won by Emma Vanderbilt of Miller coun-

entrants from all parts of the state.

The entrance requirements were in him for better livestock. strict, for the girls' records had to

the awards.

Practically every county employing a home demonstration agent was represented in the clothing contest. Phillips county, with Miss Julia Luster as county home demonstration agent, had the largest number of excellent entries in her county and district try-out. Fourteen girls entered the district contest at Helena.

In addition to the district and state will enter a complete outfit, dress, hat ured in terms of humanity — well, shoes, hose and underclothes, at the words fail. State Fair. The outfit, which is selected by the judges as winning first place, will be entered for the \$50 cash prize at the National Boys' nad Girls' Club Congress at Chicago in Decem-

The clothing and textile work is under the direction of Miss E. S. Pat- to our elevator or it will go across ty, specialist in textiles and clothing the track to the other fellow. Do you

The Ft. Smith, Arkansas, Feder-

Mark Twain in his early days was

These girls were the successful ever, the greatest value that has contestants, in competition with 800 come to Homer is the interest arouscome to Homer is the interest arous- take part in entertainmnets. Just as modities on contract. Kentucky put

and constructed a complete outfit, including undergarments and dress
suitable for school wear and selecting
suitable accessories.

Good taste in dress, skill in garment construction, judgment in the
choice of textiles, color line and design were all considered in making

od to cnampion club boys and girls, and constructed a complete outfit, in\$14,000 worth of entertainment and have somebody who studies
\$2,000 worth of other prizes to be awarded to national championship determined by inter-state competition.

The Brooks Applino one pays any attention to it. We when he has violated his contract and when he has violated his contract. Maybe then the note is collectable. Maybe then the note is contract. I have made this won't work. Maybe they won't sign the contracts. I have made the note is contract. I have made then the note is collectable. Maybe then the note is contract. I have made then the note is contract and when he has violated his contract and when he has violated his contract. I have made then the note is collectable. Maybe then the note is collectable. The note is conditions and understands human nature and have a program that will appeal to every particular man there.

When we have a business meeting the note is collectable. When he has violated his contract. I have been the note is collectable. The then the note is collectable. When he has violated his contract. I have been then the note is collectable. The note is collectable. The note is conditions and understands human nature and have a program that will have to have on the note sign were all considered in making Live Stock Eposition, for the exone would dare estimate the worth of the 1,500 young blue-bloods who will be present, the 700,000 farms boys and girls they represent and boys and girls they represent and what their club training represents in potential wealth and welfare for the nation? Measured in terms of money-yes, a \$100,000 show; meas-

### **Echoes From The** Assembly

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# PRICE LIST OF LOCAL SUPPLIES

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FRANK D. BECKER, Secretary SALINA, KANSAS GRANT BLISS, Treasurer CHAS, SIMPSON, Field Re C. E. BRASTED, President

ers Union. The wheat marketing as-in. There is this proposition. If we there at Bison, we had just a little sociation says, I believe these princi-

was made by Homer Ryman of this to get a chance to play the fludie.

County, a member of the Boys' nad Girls' Pig Club.

The only place he could go to get an audience was by joining the Farm-to get members into the union. The composed of men like him, they were local getting the highest number of the papers and everything was tried and mad. If the Farmers Union was to town. I said he was care to get members into the union. The local getting the highest number of rotten clear to the core. Now, wasn't He purchased his pig, a Chester white, for \$10 when it was eight weeks old. His first showing was made at the county fair in the breeding class against all breeds, where Ryman's pig placed first, winning for its owner a free trip to Boys' and Girls' Week at Columbus. At the Girls' Week at Columbus. At the constitution of the

ppen class. tobacco. Some others have a partic-Later at the Madison county fair ular hobby. They want to talk and agent. These two girls entered the agent. These two girls entered the Tri-State Fair at Memphis, in which Contestants from Missouri, Tennesee and Arkansas tried for the Tri-State Championship. They will also be sent championship. They will also be sent championship. They will also be sent and fourth in the open class. At the open class ice cream or somelatter fair this pig defeated in the thing else to eat in the back of the open show a sister that had also won room so we all just stay and lists. open show a sister that had also won its owner a free trip to Columbus.

The winners on White Star have

> long as we have an entertainment their products on a commodity basis will come out. He is really a good egg producers, milk producers, fruit entertainer and he comes out when A hundred thousand dollar "Show" entertainer and he comes out when growers cotton growers, etc. Every-

contest selected the shoes, hose and 000 worth of educational trips awardhat suitable for schoolwear, planned ed to champion club boys and girls, 1 o'clock at night to listen to it. Now organization is to vote by majority

think that other fellow will pay more good appetites. We used to invite one leaders that they have loyal support think that other remow will pay more than we do when he knows he going to get the wheat anyway.

It is a good thing for the Live stock commission company and the FARMERS UNION years old; joined the years old; joined the with Arkansas. Feder good thing for the elevator associated as a point of Agriculture.

The Ft. Smith. Arkansas. Feder good thing for the elevator association of the property of the last pound of coal and Farmer men to try to ride into glory on the last pound of coal and Farmer men to try to ride into glory on the last pound of coal and Farmer men to try to ride into glory on the last pound of coal and Farmer men to try to ride into glory on the last pound of coal and Farmer men to try to ride into glory on the last pound of coal and Farmer men to try to ride into glory on the last pound of coal and Farmer men to try to ride into glory on the last pound of coal and Farmer men to try to ride into glory on the last pound of coal and Farmer men to try to ride into glory on the last pound of coal and Farmer men to try to ride into glory on the last pound of coal and Farmer men to try to ride into glory on the last pound of coal and Farmer men to try to ride into glory on the last pound of coal and Farmer men to try to ride into glory on the last pound of coal and Farmer men to try to ride into glory on the last pound of coal and Farmer men to try to ride into glory on the last pound of coal and Farmer men to try to ride into glory on the last pound of coal and Farmer men to try to ride into glory on the last pound of coal and Farmer men to try to ride into glory on the last pound of coal and Farmer men to try to ride into glory on the last pound of coal and Farmer men to try to ride into glory on the last pound of coal and Farmer men to try to ride into glory on the last pound of coal and Farmer men to try to ride into glory on the last pound of coal and Farmer men to try to ride into glory on the last pound of coal and Farmer men to try to ride into glory on the last pound of coal and farmer men to try to ride into glory on the last pound of coal and farmer men to try to ride into glory on the last pound of coal and farmer men to try to ride into glory on t good thing for the elevator association. In the wheat pool the signer tion. In the wheat pool the Farmsays he will be loyal to the Farmsays he will be loyal to the Farmsays I wheat marketing as-

sociation says, I believe these principles are going to have a Farmers Union we had to haul to the fellow across that you signers sign up an agreethat you signers sign up an agree-ment and show your word is good by the farmers union and guarantee phoned out on the line and said he longs to the Cotton Association. He thinks that is a good thing for the farmers. My mother is a member of farmers. My mother is a member of the Farmers' Union. Her age is 52. We have about 35 members, and about ten are women. We meet at about ten are women. We meet at prince, Ark., every Tuesday night. I go to every county meeting I can, The go to the fellow to members in the state of Kansas and guarantee behind it. Why don't we members in the state of Kansas and put the fellow to members in the state of Kansas and guarantee behind it. Why don't we members in the state of Kansas and put the fellow to members in the state of Kansas a cooperative union store at Havana, merely looking over our paper to see have a few programs in which merchant is not advertising, have these conditions to contend holds them is a practical proposition. ter a while it came back and in a have have all kinds of human the proposition. Ark. We have a few programs in which merchant is not advertising, have these conditions to contend holds them is a practical proposition. ter a while it came back and in a short time it passed me loaded again. Nemaha county offered an induceour union to cheer up the people so so he can go to that store, spin his they will come: I visit other locals web across the door, and live a life one and little ones. Fat ones and they visit us.

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Nemaha county of \$75.00 to be divided among ment of \$75.00 to be divided among the different locals in the county that and they visit us. slim ones. We have in our local out secured the most members. So many truck and he could with my SUCCESSFUL PIG CLUB BOY. home a member who is kind of a vioA notable record as an exhibitor linist and he comes to the meetings was made by Homer Ryman of this to get a chance to play the fiddle.

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The only place he could go to get campaign was put on. Articles in the loss many points for each new member. So lots faster than I could with my points for each new member. A many points for each old member. A my way to town. I said he was taken a many points for each old member. A my way to town. I said he was taken a many points for each new member. A my way to town. I said he was taken a many points for each old member. A my way to town. I said he was good country a member of the Roys' ned.

> Girls' Week at Columbus. At the county fair he also took first in the open class.
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> Later at the Madison county fair
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Each has grown a garden or raised some standard breed of poultry, keeping careful record. Each has done a required amount of canning and preserving and has studied food values.

Each of the 300 girls entering the Stood Office of the stood of the stood

building erected by the International He is hard to find but we have him. and obligation I have taken. To so broken parts together as you would a live Stock Eposition, for the exclusive use of the club boys and girls. There are part of the crowd that do your organization. If we do not belies. Durable, cheap. M any imitators. But getting away from mere filthy not come. When we have a social lieve in the principles of the Farmlucre, this Congress might well be meeting that side don't come out but ers Union and they are correct, let styled "A Billion Dollar Show." No the other side does come out. If I us tear it out of the Farmers Union

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To Lecal Secretaries And The Membership in General We have the State Constitutions for 1922, "containing the Amendments as adopted," ready for distribution at 5c per copy.

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The regular meeting of the Craw-ford County Farmers' Union will be held on the last Tuesday of each month throughout the year except when this date falls on a Legal Holi-

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CRAWFORD COUNTY MEETINGS AT GIRARD KANSAS Girard Local No. 494 of the Farmers Union meets in Union Hall the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month

L. E. Roof, Pres. Roy W. Holland, See.

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other business of importance to come ports, of the membership drive will be made that day. The committee is planning a surprise for that day and is welcome and your presence is replanning a surprise for that day and cuested. So come, every Union member should attend quested. So come. the meeting whether a delegate or

C. L. HENDRICKS, County Secretary.

WAUBAUNSEE COUNTY MEETING DECEMBER 8th

The fourth quarterly meeting of the Waubaunsee County Farmers Union will be held in the Court House at Alma on Saturday, December 8th, ted for the coming year, and the sec- House. retary will read the financial report.

Local Secretaries if you have not as the books will be audited at this meeting and I would like to have all Mrs dues in. A good attendance is always

JOE RICHMOND. . County Secretary.

Neosho County Meeting December 8. Our last County meeting will be held Saturday, December 8th. All local secretaries are requested to send their reports to the county secretary before that date so that I will be able to incorporate them in my

one of the best meetings of the year. J. O. FOUST,

County Sec.-Treas.

SQUARE DEAL LOCAL NO. 923 Square Deal Local No. 923 is a wide awake local, something doing every first and third Saturday night of each month. By saying something doing we mean both social and business. We meet and have our business meeting then we appoint three lady and three gentlemen members the entertainment at the net meting. They have two weeks to prepare. Some give lunch, some a program and lunch included which makes it interesting and it keeps the members coming to find out what is going to take place. bed. Bedding is cheap.

think the locals are what keep out here but we have a fairly good is very small. attendance, and the discussions keep

the union growing.

Here's for the Union.

MAGGIE STANLEY,

UNION. The fourth quarterly meeting of the Republic County Farmers Union and grass, bran or potatoes to keep will be held at Bellville Wednesday, December 5th, at 12:30 P. M. Besides the regular quarterly business election of officers will be held.

Methods of increasing our member-ship will be considered. All locals are asked to have their delegation pres-

G. R. BUNDY, Pres., CHARLES HANZLICK, Pres.,

OTTAWA COUNTY QUARTERLY MEETING DECEMBER FIRST The Ottawa County Farmers Union will hold its fourth quarterly for its members. For every dollar inmeeting in the Court House at Min-vested in the Hillsboro Co-operative neapolis December 1, at 2 P. M. All Association in share capital, a dolller locals are requested to have full delegation present and all officers of grocery bills. the county union are requested to be The share capital of this little co-

if possible. in the county are invited, as there stock holdings but on the basis of his are several questions of importance patronage. to be taken up at this time.

A. F. WATTS, County President.

FAIRVIEW LOCAL NO 1897. Next meeting December 4, regular days of each month at 7:30 P. M. ART MOYER, Sec.

ROCK CREEK LOCAL UNION

The first Tuesday in December the and entertainment in Carlyle school building. All are welcome.

On the third Tuesday in December the Farmers Loca will hold a regu- season for its 2,456 members by the lar meeting in the Township hall. All Pacific Cooperative Wool Growers, and bring one or more new members draws tis membership from Wash-

Southerland, director three years. F. A. SCHLINK.

NEOSHO QUARTERLY MEET-

ING DECEMBER 8. The fourth quarterly meeting of meeting of the Neosho County Farm-

not sent in your report to the County secretary, please do so at once. So e may have plenty of time to get his report by that time. Don't forget the Time, Date and Plase.

J. O. FOUST County Sec.-Treas. ANNUAL MEETING FARMERS

UNION SHAWNEE COUNTY The annual meeting of the Shawnee County Farmers Union will be held Tuesday December 4, 1:30 P. M. commencing propmtly at 2 p. m. At this meeting the officers will be elec-sharp on the 3rd floor of the Court

W. E. McDonald, president of Elevation Farmers Union will speak on sent in your 1923 dues do so at once "How we are holding our member- plus American production. But it is ing better prices

> tary will make her annual report. Lo- it will remove itself. cals which have not paid their coun-

officers and executive committee.

vention. It is hoped that since we have not bear. had county meetings for some time that every local in the county will be

Fraternally, MRS. E. N. SMITH, Sec. J. M. KESSLER, Pres.

WINTER RULES FOR CARE

. OF STOCK. Protect your animals from the old. This will make them more comfortable and will save you feed. Stop the holes in your barn. Board in your tie-up.

An old horse, especially, like an old man, feels the cold. nights in the Fall, when their coats

are short. Water your horses at least three Union alive, every one is busy times a day. The stomach of the horse

Punctuality in feeding and watering stock is very important. They will worry and lose flesh if kept wait ing beyond the regular time. Sec., No. 923. A good grooming costs no money,

REPUBLIC COUNTY FARMERS and is equal to two quarts of oats.

A horse cannot thrive an hay alone, e needs oats or corn for strength;

his bowels right. Keep your horses feet soft, and have him shod often. More feet are ruined in the stable than on the

Do not degrade your family by usng a lame horse. Kill the worn-out or incurably lame horse. If you sell him, the money that you receive is blood money.

100 PER CENT SAVINGS. Taylor Springs, Illinois, has a co-operative society that during the last

present if possible. Officers for the operative is \$2,355. The savings coming year will be elected at this showed by the last semi-annual reto December 31, 1923, will be put on as an 8 percent savings return, and \$6,00 was placed in the reserve fund. It is urgently requested that all Needless to say, the savings in this

The recent strike of the smelter workers in Taylor Springs strengthend the cooperative society. Many op by the attitude of the private merchants. The members of this co-operative are composed of more for products handled in mide. The success of coop- hold the price of wheat a reasonable tion is at least fifty per cent of the private marketing been demonstrated hold the price of wheat a reasonable tion is at least fifty per cent of the made good.

The private marketing been demonstrated hold the surplus. This production to be sold through a single price for products handled in mide and the success of the Unco-operative are composed of many meetings on the first and third Tues- different nationalities. But differences of language or of race count for nothing with these co-operators, who unite as one to build up a business based on service rather than

Farmers Union will give a pie supper SUITS AGAINST MEMBERS WON BY PACIFIC WOOL ASSOC. Over two million pounds of wool and mohair will be marketer this members are requested to be present Portland, Ore. This association with you and those who are back in ington, Idaho Oregon and California. years of approximately 100,000 tons. It is stated that in the two years of How Raisin Growers Succeeded. dues, please pay up. It is stated that in the two years of On November 20th, the Farmers operation the association has netted social meeting and elected their of- cents more than the outside prices. ficers for the next year. E. C. James Suits for breach of contract have

president: Homer Dreher, vice-pres- been filed against members and in dent; F. A. Schlink, secretary-treas- every instance except one the defend-Mrs. F. W. Murray, doorkeeper; O. trms prior to trial. Terms of settlement include liquidated damages, court costs and attorney's fees, also Secretary-treasurer, the entry for a decree of specific performance and injunction. In no verse to the association.

The fourth quarterly meeting of meeting of the Neosno County Farmthe Mitchell County Farmers' Union ers Union for the year 1923 will be held in Beloit at the G. A. R. held in Erie, I. O. O. F. Hall Saturwill be held in Beloit at the G. A. R. held in Erie, I. O. O. F. Hall Saturthall on Tuesday, December 11 at 10 ing at 10:30 a. m. sharp.

THIS IS THE UNLI WAI UCL.
I know of no way to escape the effects of a demoralized European market unless Europe comes to its senses and truly economizes as it can expense of selling. No middle the Every Local is especially requestReports from various committees and should do. Cancellation of debts expense of selling. No middleman of the appointment of such committees and should do. Cancellation of debts expense of selling. The flow of the mittees are rake-off. The flow of the annual election of officers will tion of all new members with a high that fluctuations are all new members with a high that fluctuations are aliminated to a be held at this time. There will be dinner at near for all named and unfair and criminal from the that fluctuations are eliminated to a dinner at noon for all members. point of view of the individual citi- great extent and the price is stabilbefore the meeting. The final re-

> rom that source. Europe Should Pay Its Debts. could not at the same time be thret- ment of the business.

by men who have very little interest more efficiently than the commission of in the producer aside from buying house mentioned.

its toll just the same. Cooperative Marketing Best.

development of cooperative marketing and safeguards provided under the Capper-Volstead law. The danger of persecution by interests naturally opposed to coopuerative effort because of greed and selfishnss, has been greatly lessened if not ntirely eliminated. The opportunity for co-operative commodity marketing today is favorable and in my opinion it offers the greatest chance farmers ever have had to get from under the con-

fair price for products handled is

Cooperative marketing, to a large degree, can lessen the evils of overproduction when certain markets, in which the surplus previously has been

is a notable example.

The way has been preparted for he development of cooperative mar- ING AT MANHATTAN, DEC. 8. the development of cooperative marketing and safeguards provided under the Capper-Volstead law. The time. Also the membership drive for was distributed among the members naturally opposed to cooperative effort because of greed and selfishness has been greatly lessened if not entirely eliminated. The opportunity It is urgently requested that all receives to say, the striptor of the union meeting and all members of the union stock holdings but on the basis of his farmers ever have had to get from under the control of the marketing agencies which in the past have robbed agriculture right and left.

greatly stimulated.

Cooperative marketing, to a large degree, can lessen the evils of overproduction when certain markets, in which the surplus previously has been disposed of, are out of gear. There is a notable example of this in Cal-Raisin Growers, a cooperative marketing organization, in 1922 faced the problem of a tremendous production with a surplus over average

The raisin growers not only ob the Farmers Local will hold a regu- its membership from four to seven tianed a fair price for their norma production but they sold the surplus profitably. Success was due to the power and efficiency of the associaurer; L. W. Cunningham conductor; ants have settled on the association's markets were found in other counconsumption was increased. This cooperative association natur-

ally is highly efficient. It turns out case has a decision been rendered ad- only the highest class of product. The raisins are graded carefully, sorted, cleaned and put up in attractive box-, es. That is a part of the selling cam-

be paid, 11 billions of dollars, is too ganization upon the basis of commod-All Local secretaries—If you have great for the benefit to be derived ities; second, organization under long term binding contracts between the association and its members; third, Europe owes these debts and should be urged to provide for their payment, if for no other reason than to prevent the expenditures of sufficiently large scale that the crop equivalent amounts for military pur- can become a factor in the market; oses. Italy is a recent case in point. fifth, employment of the best busif Italy should pay its war debt it ness experts in the actual manage-

ening to embroil Europe in another I have pointed to the rasin grow ers' experience because it is perfect-Other than thru some effective ly feasible for other farmers to do form of arbitration I do not see any as they have so successfully done. In way immediately to better the Eu- fact in many sections thruout the ropean situation and eliminate its in- United States farmers are handling jurious effects on the market for sur- their crops cooperatively and obtain-

Mrs. E. N. Smith, County secretion and a permanent nor a vital cause of the distress that exists. Eventually In Spokane Valley, for instance, a saw will make her annual report I. commission house in 1921 obtained I long have been convinced that an average of \$2.18 a box on apples ty dues should remit to her before or the underlying cause of such situa- for one grower. A cooperative growduring this meeting.

J. M. Kessler will give a brief reers in their grip, is the present congrade of apples, obtained \$2.96 a tions as those which hold the produc- ers' association, handling the same port of the assembly held in Salina trol of the machinery of marketing box because it was able to market

his crops at the lowest possible prices | Now the Michigan apple grower is Election of delegate to State Con- and selling them to the consumer at like a jackrabbit in a field of huna price which is all the traffic will ters all anxious to shoot him. stands alone. No one is there to help It is not their concern whether a him in a pinch. He does not have the a carload of apples he ships nor that advice and assistance of market ex-I am trying to arrange to have M. O. Glessner, state lecturer, to be with us on that day. Every member is urged to come and flelp make this one of the best meetings of the vear.

I am trying to arrange to have M. Well represented. It will be well to discuss at this meeting any business or resolutions that you think should be presented at the annual State Contract the most of the perfect of market expectations. They do not care how many abandoned orchards dot the countryside, them beyond his ability to solve. He someone always will grow apples and is at the mercy of the existing marthe marketing machinery will take keting machinery and the doctrine its toll just the same. keting machinery and the doctrine of loot which has been built up in

So it seems to me that the hope and the eventual salvation of the aption but that his salvation lies in ple grower, the potato grower and cooperative marketing. Thru it he many other farmers, lies in commod- can systematize his marketing and ity marketing, cooperatively. Where he can to a greater or less degree the individual is helpless the group have a measure of control over what may be able to protect itself. The his products bring He not only carn larger the group, the more closely reduce the cost to the consumr. It it bound together, the more active is to his interest to stimulate con-Blanket your horses on frosty it is able to take as a unit, the less sumption thru better quality merchance that it will be preyed on by chandise and lower prices, and prothose who always are eager to seize duce a greater volume for a given outlay in expense. So the coopera-The way has been prepared for the tives, as they today are functioning,

> Are Your Consignments Being Marketed Cooperatively? (F. U.) If Not Why Not?.. (J. A.)

widely known. It is necessary, for the best interests of agriculture in the best interests of agriculture in the Ellis County Union the Sth day of December commencing promptly at 1 P. M. All officers and committee members will meet at 11 A. M. A good attendance is desired .

County President.

JOS P. RUPP,

the Community House at Manhattan, Kansas, Saturday, Dec. 8th, 1923, meeting to be called at 10 o'clock A. M.. Election of officers for the coming year and a s other bbusiness that may come before the meeting. Every Local in Riley county is requested to send a full delegation. GUST LARSON.

JOHN TOY, President.

The man who consistently follows a well established livestock system on his farm is more prosperous than the man who tries to be in when ifornia. There the Association of conditions look good and out when they look bad.

### Union Activities in U.S. **During Past Year**

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announced purpose of this committee to assist in pooling American wheat. tion, obtained from cooperation. New Largely through its efforts the Kan-Wheat Growers Association and tries, notably in Asia. At home, thru and the Farmers Union Wheat Mara consistant campaign of advertising, keting Association have worked out plan for a merger on a new contract

will tolerate the abuses that exist. I It is the plan of the National Ad- and children in the activities of our believe there is a rapidly growing sentiment thruout the Nation in favor of seeing to it that agriculture is given a square deal.

It is the plan of the Nation in Advisory Wheat Committee to support Locals. Mr. Vance Monroe, Editor of the Colorado Union Farmer has worked out a system of exercises and given a square deal. right and left.

So often has the success of cooperative marketing been demonstrated that its efficiency in obtaining a fair price for products handled.

ous consideration at this meeting. ization has trusted me and has impos-The general plan for cooperatively ed certain duties and responsibilities marketing wheat on the commodity on me which I have done my best to system is so well understood that not discharged I have had the opportunity much more needs to be added here. to study agricultural conditions in ev-The growers in each state are expect- ery part of the republic. Farming is ed to form a state unit and the var- not now a profitable business. The cur

Unions. Two years ago this body authorized the preparation of a Manual of Procedure which was compiled, printed and so far as possible distrib- Union, to agriculture in general and uted. Some good results have been obtained but the vast majority of our to treble the membership within the local oranizations do not function as next twelve months.

not only are advantageous to the producer but to the public which consumes.

Square Deal for Farmers

I do not believe that the public, if is thoroly informed as to conditions under which farmers are struggling, will tolerate the abuses that exist I

pooling movement. I feel that this the country for their friendly and is a matter that should have very ser-fraternal help. Because this organious state units then federate into a rent prices of agricultural products ING AT MANHATTAN, DEC. 8.

The annual meeting of Riley County Farmers Union No. 45 will be held in the Community House of Manhattan and the community House of izations of Washington, Idaho, Oregon, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Nebraska and Colorado have formed the American Wheat Growers Associated which is now handling the pooled wheat of its member associations. The state units of Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas have not joined the Area and Texas have problems and do it through organizanot joined the American Wheat problems and do it through organiza-Secretary Growers Association but the Texas tion. The Farmers Union has a more and Oklahoma groups have formed the Southwest Wheat Growers Asso-Co-operative organization could ciated. The goal of wheat organiza- ganization in the solution of the bus-

price for products handled is widely known. It is necessary, for the best interests of agriculture in all its body-blow to the army of gamblers that the program be in grain. — Louisville Courier-Jour-done to vitalize our Local and County all our enterprises of the Unational agency.

The business enterprises of the Unational agency.

It has become more evident during the support of more members. The great-done to vitalize our Local and County all our enterprises is more members.

Interested Cervice **V**atisfaction Let the Jobbing Association Prove It

# The Murray Garsson Membership Prize Contest

Mr. Murray Garsson of New York, the Motion Picture Producer, who is preparing the big Farmers Union Picture Play for presentation to the People of the United States, is an ardent convert to the Union Program of Organization, Education and Co-operation. While in Salina during the week of the Educational Assembly was very much surprised to learn that there has been a decline in the membership of our Kansas organization. He expressed amazement that there is even one farmer in this state who does not belong to the union.

Hearing that a state-wide Membership Campaign was being planned by the officers and Directors of the State Union Mr. Garsson offered to contribute \$500 to be used for prizes for securing additional members and for the collection of dues from those who have not paid up for this year. The Board of Directors accepted this generous donation and added \$125 to it from the State Treasury to be divided into five prizes to be offered to County Unions participating in the campaign as follows:

The First Prize, \$250 will be awarded to that County Union which makes the greatest gain in its paid up membership before November 16th, 1923. The County Unions finishing Second, Third, Fourth, and Fifth will each receive substantial money prizes the whole amount of Prize Money, \$625, to be divided as indicated below:

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FIRST PRIZE	\$250.00
SECOND PRIZE	\$150.00
THIRD PRIZE :	\$100.00
FOURTH PRIZE	\$ 75.00
FUURTH PRIZE	\$ 50.00
FIFTH PRIZE	φ σσ.σσ

Conditions of the Great Prize Contest

FIRST-Paid up Members for the purposes of this Contest, shall mean all dues paying members whose dues and assessments are paid in full to December 31st, 1924. This definition includes four groups of members in good standing as follows:

(a) All members now in good standing, that is who have paid their dues and the Building Fund Assessment for the current year and now pay \$2.25 dues for the year ending December 31st, 1924, before November 16th, 1923. (b) New members who pay an initiation fee of \$2.00, current dues and building

fund assessment amounting to \$1.07 and \$2.25 dues in advance or a total of \$5.32 to put them themselves in good standing until December 31st, 1924.

SECOND-No competing County Union shall be awarded a cash prize amounting to more than ONE DOLLAR for each NEW member obtained. The above prizes are maximum prizes, you must secure at least 250 new members

in any one county in order to win the grand prize. Oother prizes distributed pro-rata. THIRD—All dues and fees collected in the Prize Contest be properly distributed to the Local, County and State Unions before any prizes are awarded and Local Secretaries shall be given to November 23, to make their settlements with County and

State Secretaries. FOURTH-All County Unions contesting for the Murray Garsson Prizes must mail their reports to the State Secretary before midnight of December 31, 1923, and the post mark on the enclosing envelope will determine the date of mailing.

FIFTH—The award of Prizes will be made by a jury composed of the Officers and Directors of the Kansas State Union and shall be announced and the prizes paid not later than January 17, 1924.

Every County Union in Kansas should take part in this contest. Officers and members throughout the state are urged to give their time and influence to this campaign. It is more important that the Organization shall have a large membership in this state. If in doubt about any of the terms of the Contest write to Secretary C. E. Brasted. Salina, Kansas, for more information.

Now is the Time to Build the Farmers Union. Let's Go.

C. E. BRASTED, Secretary.

JOHN TROMBLE, President