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## C. E. HUFF'S SPEECH AT McPHERSON CONVENTION

### JOBING ASSN'S. SALINA OFFICE IS OF DEFINITE VALUE

Art Riley, Manager, Started At Bottom of Ladder and Is Now a Leader in Farmers Union Affairs.

Mr. A. T. Riley, manager of the Salina branch office of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association, has been in the service of his organization for a period of more than ten years, and has been manager of the Salina office since 1924. The Salina office was established in 1923.

When Mr. Riley started working for the Farmers Union Jobbing Association, his duties consisted of manipulating the business end of a broom, answering the telephone, and other similar office duties. A little later he traded his broom for a pencil, and before long was familiar with the office work in general. His aptitude for



ART RILEY

the work soon brought recognition from the management, and he was placed in responsible positions with reference to the work of the firm. The Jobbing Association was located in the New England Building when he started in.

Under Mr. Riley's efficient management, the Salina office has shown a steady growth and development. In 1930 the office showed a wonderful business. It handled the Hall-Baker account, and did a big business in all departments. The Hall-Baker account was handled for the Farmers National, and the Salina office bought wheat for the Farmers National through the summer.

When the slack season, following harvest, came this fall, Mr. Riley was able to get away and answer a call from the Farmers National Grain Corporation at Chicago, who wanted his services for a while. The Farmers National people were so well pleased with Mr. Riley's work the brief time he was with them, that they asked him to remain with them and permanently assume duties there. However, Mr. Riley elected to return to Salina, and remain in the employ of the Farmers Union.

The Salina office of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association serves a most definite purpose, offering improved service to the farmers in the western portion of the state. The establishment of the office came as an

answer to a definite demand on the part of the Western Kansas farmers. Mr. Riley has a membership on the Salina Board of Trade for his firm. While Mr. Riley is a most important cog in the Farmers Union wheel, yet he is not the only one in his household who figures prominently in Farmers Union affairs. His wife has a very important work to do in connection with the state organization, for she is assistant editor of the Kansas Union Farmer, published at Salina—Cooperator.

### F. U. INSURANCE CO. HAS BIG GAIN IN VOLUME OF BUSINESS

Ward Spencer, Vice President F. U. Livestock Company, Says State-Wide Business Activities of Kansas Farmers Union Are in Excellent Financial Condition.

Ward Spencer, Vice President of the Farmers Union Mutual Insurance Companies of Kansas delivered a most interesting speech over WIBW, Topeka, Friday night, November 14th. Because of lack of space, Mr. Spencer's remarks cannot be printed in full. The following are the "high spots" in his address:

1. The management of a Mutual Insurance Company is truly representative of the members, for there are no stockholders, the purchaser of a policy automatically becoming a stockholder when he purchases the policy. The member is entitled to one vote in the annual meeting for every five hundred dollars of insurance carried.

2. A reserve of at least four thousand dollars per million dollars of risk must be maintained always in a mutual insurance company, and if a dividend of any kind is paid to anyone, it must be paid on all policies alike that were written over a given period. Also, the law states that no policy holder shall ever be liable to the company or to any other person for more than the whole amount of the premium written in the policy.

3. The Farmers Union Mutual Insurance Companies are two separate companies, one writing fire, lightning and windstorm and tornado insurance as well as protecting buildings against hail, and the other insuring growing grain against hail. Both are officered by the same Board of Directors of fifteen members, elected by the policy holders on the third Friday in January each year.

Of the fifteen members of the board, two have served sixteen years, or since the organization of the company, Mr. E. E. Whitney of Speed, Kansas, who held policy number one in the fire company, and Grant Bliss of Woodstock, Kansas, whose first policy was number 29. Mr. Bliss has been Treasurer since the company was organized. There are eight men who have served over ten years, namely Mr. G. C. Kilman, of Green, Kansas, Mr. Arthur Glesner of Bison, Kansas, Mr. John Huber of Selden and Mr. Charles Dieckrich of Selden, Kansas, Mr. C. C. (Continued on page 4)

### Mr. Huff's Speech Outlining the Progress in Co-operative Marketing the Past Year, was One of the Outstanding Features Of the Kansas Farmer's Union Convention--We are Printing it in Full and We Hope Every Farmers Union Member in Kansas Reads it--The Speech Follows:

The pleasure is entirely my own on this occasion to which I have looked forward with a great deal more interest and longing than any of you can have, I am very sure. When I came into the room with my family some 50 or 60 minutes ago this train was the first thing that caught my eye and I have been hoping ever since that nobody has transportation in the weigh car who has not contributed something to the cargo of that train. These fellows who ride without contributing have done more injury to the co-operative movement than all the enemies we have in the world. I think it was John Simpson's paper which carried a rather clever cartoon a year or so ago in which they visualized that type of chap saying, if the other fellow arrived he would not be much behind him.

I have heard from every one with whom I have been in contact the most encouraging statements about this convention. I have looked forward to this time because I anticipated it would give me opportunity to meet with many of you with whom I have been associated quite intimately during the past years and only less intimately now. I was quite certain I would have the opportunity which I have already had very briefly, of meeting with your President and my friend, C. A. Ward, and with these brethren occupying similar positions in the other states.

I shall not undertake to review the year that has just passed in the matter of Agricultural relief. So nearly as I know, the words themselves are coming into disuse. I shall not attempt to review before you the experience of your own organization during the year that has just passed, except, if you will permit me briefly as one outside looking in and suggest to you the fine things you have done as they appear on the outside. First of all, I believe you have developed a cohesion within the organization.

I am thinking back now over recent past conventions. I think there is a distinctly better spirit and closer fellowship not as between those who were in fellowship and agreement but as having enlarged itself as being more nearly representative of the entire group. I offer my personal tribute to that leadership and membership. I think your officers are to be congratulated upon the achievements of this year and membership commended for the fine way in which you have played the game with them. It has been a matter of team work and I have been gratified to note the progress which that has brought about.

The agricultural situation is a complex one and at the moment is made somewhat more intense by a difficult world situation. I talked yesterday with a man just arrived in this country from Germany who came in the interests of agriculture and who has studied for years the international problems and confessed himself confused at the outcome of the world wide attempt to shut each nation's agriculture within its own boundaries. That attempt is being made, not only in our country but in other countries and I think it is being done in the name of agricultural relief. He did not know what the result would be upon German industry.

He confessed that grain from the United States for which there are people having a distinct need, cannot climb over the tariff barrier which has been set up in the name of protecting wheat products and food stuff in Germany. We are in the midst of world wide experimentation on the theory of tax heavy nationalism. The result which we might have expected to follow the world war seems to have become one of rather intensified nationalism. Barriers have been built up that destroy the old pathways and shut off the pathways for today. Agricultural prices are wholly inadequate. I believe they are inadequate in every corner of the world. Here there are relatively low general price levels. The agricultural difficulty in America is intensified by a world wide depression which incapacitates would-be purchasers. It is perhaps aggravated by our financial and monetary system. China wants to buy wheat from the Farmers National Grain Corporation. They have money with which to pay for wheat. But, their money is a commodity as wheat is a commodity. When China tries to pay for a bushel of wheat with a bar of silver she finds it higher than it was a year ago, even at the low price of wheat. Her silver has lost in value.

The agricultural situation is a little more complex because America before has been able to move and distribute new homes, now has nothing which can be termed by any stretch of the imagination, a land program. America has no land program. We have no adequate program yet in America of the possibility of developing land ownership through the steps of tenantry to the steps of complete title. We subject our agriculturalists to every natural hazard, to the unnatural hazards created by legislative groups and never yet has there been designed a road leading back. There is no road, there is no proposition of the redistribution of agricultural areas. They are supposed to dig out of the soil but offer nothing to be put back.

I am not sure but the term agricultural or farm relief is falling into disuse. Not because the need is less grave because in my opinion agriculture has a problem. The problem of bringing about agricultural relief became a problem of the administration by a vote of the American people, including the American farmers. I knew how it could be settled and I urged every farmer in Kansas to follow my plan, but to my great surprise, when I looked at the election returns, I found a lot of you had not agreed with the proposition, or if you had agreed, you found other matters of greater importance, and trusted the agricultural situation to the hands of Herbert Hoover and his relation to it. I believe the farm groups are coming to believe their problem is to build their organizations. Make them serviceable to their membership. Bring to the individual a new deepening of co-operative thought and a diminished tendency on the part of farm organizations to set themselves at odds with other groups.

I was quite sure I knew what would most adequately meet the agricultural situation. I was quite willing to risk disfavor of those who did not follow my advice if it proved to be wrong, but it was taken out of our hands, my hands, the Farmers Union hands, the hands of organized agriculture and put into the hands of those who pledged themselves to assist us. Whether the program they offer is inadequate, it is they who have to answer. If the program enables us to do the job more adequately then surely we will be short sighted if we did not avail ourselves of the opportunity for which we have been working for 23 years, the Farmers Union has been battling for something which would contribute to the welfare of American agriculture more than any other single proposition can do, because it places us in a position to bargain for that which we produce.

I like the thought of this train. I like to claim everything that will put more steam into the locomotive, allow us a larger volume and more facilities and service when we have reached the central markets.

I would like to talk about the opportunities I think are before us. I think the opportunity is so clear. I think it is so distinctly our day and this hour, the hour in our hands, that I shall be gravely disappointed if this organization and every similar organization in these United States did not take the fullest advantage of the new situation. I do not blame anybody to not rush pell mell into something new. Folks came to Kansas a good many years ago and some of them stayed in Kansas and built the state. When they got that done, they went down and built a good state for John Simpson in Oklahoma. We could not do that for Nebraska, they settled about the same time we did. Some folks came out here and tried it for a little while and went away again. I do not blame anybody being reluctant to let loose of that which they have worked hard to get and rushing into something new which is untried. I do not blame folks as between the co-operative organizations to look on with a great deal of suspicion on some one who wants to change it to something they are not familiar with. On the other hand, I think we can hang on to a thing too long. The Jobbing Association is trying to move the elevators in the country into the closer co-operation. I think these elevators are short sighted in insisting on standing alone in the days in which organization runs to the highest peak of perfection the world has ever seen. Any local elevator association is short sighted that does not bring itself into complete marketing relationship with the Farmers Union Jobbing Association and put that grower who comes to it co-operatively into the central markets into co-operative hands. There are some folks who make a business in not transferring over to the new in the co-operative movement simply because the

### Frankfort Gets First in October Honor Roll Race

Heads List With Eleven Loads for the Month; Is Always Near Top of List.

### LYNDON GETS SECOND PLACE

Erie Is Third, and Fourth Place Is Shared by Three Outfits; Many on October Roll.

A familiar name heads the Honor Roll list for shipments received by the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Co. at Kansas City for October. It is the name of Frankfort Farmers Union Live Stock Shipping Association, Frankfort, Kans., with Glen Leopold as manager. This outfit topped the list for total car loads shipped by associations during 1930, and is found near the top nearly every month. (Continued on page 4)

### FARM DISTRESS NOT CAUSED BY OVER PRODUCTION

(Address Given by T. E. Howard, Secretary of the Colorado Farmers Union at F. U. State Convention at McPherson)

Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen:

Certainly I have been impressed this morning with this splendid service which has been rendered in memory of your two departed leaders. You know, us farmers at times in the business of conducting our farms and carrying on our conventions might do well to remember the efforts that have been put forth by perhaps our next door neighbors in carrying on, in so far as I know, the only thing, way by which the farmers of this nation may be placed on a more profitable basis. Kansas has contributed leaders, real leaders and conscientious ones who have carried on in the name of the nation, unless we as grown men and women continue to carry on for them, we will never be able to own their homes.

A challenge has been thrown down to agriculture. It has only been properly visioned by a limited number of the farmers of this nation so in two great leaders such as Brasted and Tromble have passed out of the picture, I say it is impressive and touching when you pay your local homage and tribute to their memory as you have this morning. May Kansas continue to contribute leaders to the farm movement of this country so new responsibilities will be taken on by some of you who have only dared to pay your dues and attend your meetings but the real responsibility is carrying on and building and building so when you and I pass out and meet those two great leaders in that higher and holier realm where shoulder meets shoulder and hands clasp and while we pay respect to our dead, let us not forget the living that Kansas has and is contributing to agriculture in this country. I speak now of men like C. A. Ward, M. M. Kinney, H. E. Witham, C. E. Huff, and others. All of them able and competent soldiers. All of them soldiers in the ranks. Leaders, just capable, leading on and on and while you have finished your day's work on the farm these men are making drives night after night calling on all of their mental reserve, their intelligence, their understanding to carry on his work for his cause, and may you continue to continue such leaders as these. When we go to the National Convention next month, I am going to offer a resolution over there. I am going to attempt to create a new office in the National Farmers Union. I am going to try and so impress the delegates there to the necessity of having a post-laureate for the National Farmers Union and I am going to propose A. M. Kinney for that job. There is lots of meat in those poems. Kansas has turned out many poets. If you will study Mr. Kinney's poems, they are real poems. Some day they will be written in a history which will be a text book for the boys and girls of this country to learn. Real poems with meat that mean something and attempt and do cause us to carry on with greater effort in the proposition that we are now engaged in and that is to place the American farmer on a more profitable basis.

When Cal Ward first asked me to this convention I turned him down. I said, express my appreciation to those delegates. I trust you will have a fine convention. He wrote me again and it happens that the Farmers Union stands in good repute out in Colorado and I figured out a way of saving time. Would you know that although I arrived here at 4 o'clock yesterday I did a half day's work in the office of the Farmers Union before I left? We have some good friends, and as I say, the Farmers Union is in good repute so I came down in a big plane with one of the greatest aviators of the nation. He came over the town and then had to go to Lindsborg to find a place to stop. This is a day of progress and you have a beautiful town and splendid people but you do need an airport. It will not be five years until you will find practically every state organization in the country of the Farmers Union using air planes to hurry its speakers from one (Continued on page 4)

### IMPROVED MARKETING OF FARM PRODUCTS A BASIC NEED

Mr. Alex Legge, Chairman, Federal Farm Board, Delivers Address Part of which appears below, November 18, Before the Forty-fourth Annual Convention of the Association of Land Grant Colleges and Universities, Willard Hotel, Washington, D. C.

"Cooperative marketing is the basis of the Agricultural Marketing Act," Mr. Legge said, "and with what experience we have had to date, every member of the Board is thoroughly convinced that this is the right method of attack. Yet we hear on every side criticism of the cooperatives, coupled with the statement that they never have succeeded and never will, and so on. True, there have been many attempts made that did not prove successful, but the percentage of failure of these cooperative efforts is far less than the percentage of failures in private enterprises and corporations generally. Failures in general business have been with us all our lifetime and we have become accustomed to it and recognize it as incidental. Little attention is paid by the public to the collapse of a business institution, but every failure of a cooperative organization is played up to the skies as a demonstration that that sort of organization cannot succeed.

"In studying the causes of failure of cooperatives one common cause seems to exist in all. The farmer joins, paying his little initiation fee or signs the contract, or both, in many cases without having a very clear understanding of what it is all about and feels that having gone that far he is under somebody else to do the rest. He utterly fails to exercise the prerogative of the stockholder or member, pays no attention to electing the board of directors or to seeing that through the board of directors the proper management is employed. This naturally leads the management in too many cases to conceal the facts when something goes wrong. Every business has its reverses—cooperatives must naturally expect the same. Where none of the members is paying any attention there is too great a temptation for the management to withhold information from the membership until the situation becomes so serious that it can no longer be concealed. The farmers in joining the cooperative organization should be taught it is their duty and obligation to exercise the proper function of stockholder or director and to insist that they be kept informed as to how their cooperative is running. Too many of them regard it as being somebody else's show and are prone to criticize the mistakes made on the theory that somebody promised them that something would be done and that their responsibility in the matter ceased when they joined the organization or paid a membership fee for its support.

"A few days ago in talking with a member of a certain cooperative who complained bitterly about extravagance and bad management, questioning, I led him to admit that he had never attended a meeting of the organization; never had any voice in the selection of directors or the management to run it; had never called for or received any information as to its operation in the several years that he had been a member of it. The facts are that these organizations in the last analysis will be what their membership make of them. Therefore, let us not condemn cooperative organizations as such but rather try to inculcate into the membership composing them a few of the sound business principles that when applied will make the movement a success."

### Kenneth Cooper Wins With Black Diamond, Jr. Angus

Has Envious Record, Gained at Four Shows This Season.

Outstanding among the calves exhibited at the American Royal Live Stock Show at Kansas City this week by vocational students, was the Angus yearling calf shown by Kenneth Cooper, of Overbrook, Kans. This calf was consigned to the Royal through the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Co. Harold Cooper, Kenneth's brother, also exhibited a very good Angus calf.

The Kenneth Cooper calf, known as Black Diamond, has brought a great deal of notoriety to its owner, and speaks well for his ability to feed and produce cattle of the prize-winning type. This calf has shown in four shows this year, with the following results:

At the local show in Overbrook, Kans., he was the champion calf shown. At the Topeka Free Fair he won first place in the Junior Yearling Angus Division. At the same fair he was named as Champion Junior Yearling of all breeds. At the Royal, this week, Black Diamond was awarded first place in the Junior Yearling Angus Division, and he was awarded second place in the Missouri Pacific special awards.

Black Diamond's weight, when (Continued on page 4)

### REFLECTIONS OF AN EX-REFORMER

As I look back across the troubled years That I have lived in this old vale of tears, It seems to me sometimes I've been too fast And hollered for a cause that did not last.

When Populism fanned the western air, I proudly jumped in and performed my share; I took a fling at Socialism, too, And when my friends would warn me, answered "Pooh!"

When our dear Teddy swung his stick and cussed, I would have bet my head he'd bust some Trust; And when I heard Nebraska's favorite son, I swallowed whole, his creed, "Sixteen to One."

I firmly believed he "kept us out of war"; Gazed proudly at the League of Nations star; I thought the World Court was the proper thing And to a war racked world relief would bring.

When prohibition made our country dry, Although I always drank some on the sly, It was reform, so I fell into line And shouted, "Let's get in, cold water's fine."

And now I wonder if this Mencken's dope Will qualify him as the White Man's hope; Or if some new Crusader will perform And show us some great evil to reform;

O well, I think my few remaining years, Unless some new style of reform appears, Will be devoted to my own affairs, Until at last I climb the Golden Stairs.

But then, I wonder if that Golden Way Will be just right; or will I want to stay My steps until some defect is repaired; I really think I'd better go prepared.

A. M. Kinney.

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## KANSAS FARMERS UNION ASSETS TOTAL MORE THAN THREE QUARTERS OF A MILLION DOLLARS

	Capital	Reserves	Surplus	Total
F. U. Jobbing Assn.....	\$112,330.00	\$ 57,581.11		\$169,911.11
F. U. Co-op. Creamery.....	7,470.00	82,060.47		89,530.47
F. U. Produce Assn.....	44,212.00	27,164.80		71,376.80
F. U. Live Stock Com.....	16,884.00	52,673.71		69,557.71
F. U. Mutual Ins. Co.....		339,229.04		339,229.04
State office.....		16,501.87		16,501.87
F. U. Auditing Assn.....		7,284.89		7,284.89
	\$180,896.00	\$582,495.89		\$763,391.89

We are wondering if the average member of the Farmers Union realizes the investment he has in the different state wide business institutions belonging to the Farmers Union. The figures printed above, compiled by Mr. T. B. Dunn, of the Auditing Association, tell a story that should warm the heart of every Farmers Union member in Kansas. More than three quarters of a million of assets belonging to the Farmers Union members, this splendid showing, in spite of the fact that we have been told for years by our friends (?) the grain dealers and old line commission firms, that the farmer did not know enough to run a business. These assets should have been several times this amount and would have been, if these institutions had had the united support of all of the men who belong to the Farmers Union.

## KANSAS WILL SUPPORT PLANS

### OF A CONSTRUCTIVE NATURE

The Farmers Union National Convention at St. Paul is over and as the smoke of battle clears away—and there was a battle—we wish to make some comments on the results.

The vote for national officers seemed to mean a complete repudiation of the Agricultural Marketing Act, the Farm Board, and the National Grain Corporation. This is only seeming, however, for the vote showed that those states which have been supporting the cooperative marketing plan of the Farm Board and the Grain Corporation, stood solid as a rock against repudiation. Those states which have not seen fit to work with the Farm Board or the Grain Corporation, that is, Nebraska, Oklahoma, and Iowa, had the votes and of course they were successful in electing the national officers.

Mr. John Simpson was elected by a large majority and Kansas will support him as National President in all of his plans for building up the National Farmers Union but we shall not support him in trying to destroy the Agricultural Marketing Act. We shall go down the line cheerfully, paying our dues to the National Organization and hope that the coming year will see a big increase in membership in the Farmers Union. The Kansas delegation took a beautiful licking at this Convention. We took it smilingly, and we propose to go down the line, in the future, as we have in the past, building up the Farmers Union membership.

Kansas, however, has too much at stake in its Cooperative program, connected with the Farm Board, to back up at this time and say, "We will have nothing further to do with the Agricultural Marketing Act and its program."

## THE NATIONAL CONVENTION

The outstanding decision of the delegates to the National Convention was the defeat of C. E. Huff in the election for National President and the selection of John Simpson of Oklahoma to preside over the destinies of the Farmers Educational and Cooperative Union of America for the ensuing year.

The issue on which this election was decided was not that of the personality or ability of these two men. Both of them are able. Both are old in Farmers Union experience. Each has been president, in previous years, of his respective State Union. Each has a creditable record.

The issue on which the delegates milled and caucused for four days was the Federal Marketing Act and the Farm Board.

Those who supported Huff believe that there is virtue in the Marketing Act and that the Federal Farm Board is making an honest and intelligent effort to aid the Cooperative Marketing Program, whereby the ownership of the machinery of marketing may be transferred from private and commercial ownership to cooperative and producer ownership.

Those who supported Simpson believe that the Marketing Act is without worth and that the Federal Farm Board has done nothing of value in the past and will do nothing of value in the future.

The Convention refrained from expressing any opinion on this subject

in its resolutions. Thereby and therein, the issue was hidden and covered up from public view.

The supporters of the Marketing Act were in the minority from the start of the convention. Each side had its ranks in hand, and there were no defections so far as the delegates were concerned from either side, and of course, no recruits gained.

The states opposed to the Farm Board and the Marketing Act at least so far as their delegations were concerned, were Oklahoma, Colorado, Nebraska, South Dakota, Illinois, Iowa, Arkansas, Georgia and Wisconsin.

The states supporting the Marketing Act and the Farm Board were Kansas, Missouri, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, North Dakota and Minnesota. Huff received the votes of the latter group of states, and Simpson of the former. The Simpson group of states had the greater voting strength and won.

Having won on the issue of the Marketing Act and the Farm Board, the Simpson followers were permitted to select the vice president and the national board of directors. Candidates from the Farm Board group were nominated for national board memberships, but all declined, because they thought it best that the new administration be like minded and agreed on policies rather than divided.

J. J. O'Shea was re-elected as national secretary-treasurer. The national secretary is a detail officer and not involved as such in matters of policy. This is not to say, however, that National Secretary O'Shea is without opinions. He voted with the Farm Board group and believes with his associates of this group, but, as national secretary, he has no vote in board meetings and is in no way responsible for board policies.

Probably, there was not a delegate in the convention who would deny that C. E. Huff is the ablest president who has ever filled that office in the entire history of the Union. His ability, his statesmanship, his fairness, and his honesty were at no time in question. His opponents offered to pay this tribute to him in a resolution, an offer which was declined by his supporters on the ground that the test of confidence in his leadership was votes for his continuation in office.

Huff has worked with the Farm Board. He is highly respected by the members of that body.

Those who refused to vote to continue him in office, did so because of the very things stated in the previous paragraph.

Those who voted for Simpson did so because Simpson is an outspoken opponent of the Federal Marketing Act and the Farm Board.

In numerous speeches and articles, he has expressed himself in no uncertain terms, so that his position is definitely known.

After the convention had adjourned, the delegates from the states whose business activities are cooperating with the Federal Farm Board met and formed an association. They selected Mr. Huff as their representative, in all matters having to do with the Marketing Act, the Federal Farm Board and the Federal Farm Loan Board.

The states named above and which voted for Mr. Huff for president, have Cooperative Marketing Organizations, which are closely and materially related to national sales agencies fostered by the Federal Farm Board. Their spokesman could not be President Simpson, because Simpson is opposed to having anything to do with the Farm Board or any of its agencies.

The step taken by these delegates, boards of directors, and business managers, was a very natural and necessary one.

It is not to be construed in any way as disloyalty to the Farmers Educational and Cooperative Union, the parent organization, or to use a better term, the educational organization.

The National Farmers Union does not own and never has owned any business activities. It is an educational organization designed to promote, and to give opportunity for, cooperative education.

Brother Simpson as president of the educational organization, will have our loyal support in all efforts to enlarge the membership and extend the influence of the Farmers Union. It is not his function to interfere with, or be concerned about marketing agencies owned by members of the Union, and organized under the laws of the various states in which they operate. Such matters are left to the supervision of state Unions.

For example, while President Huff is a staunch believer in cooperation with the Federal Farm Board, he at no time interfered with those Farmers Union business activities which chose to stay out of Farm Board sponsored National Sales Agencies. He had no authority to compel any action on the part of these individual cooperatives, and never sought to exercise any authority. He could only advise and lend his assistance when asked. This is historic practice on the part of the Union, a precedent which dates far back in its history.

President Simpson may disapprove of the affiliation of our cooperatives with Farm Board sponsored National Sales Agencies, but he possesses no power as national president to determine a course of action for any of the Farmers Union cooperative enterprises. He may advise, but only when his advice is sought. The prerogatives of a national president have to do only with the Educational Organization, and here such prerogatives or powers are clearly defined in the National Constitution and By-Laws.

We have discussed this phase of the question at length for the benefit and information of our members, who, despite many explanations, are still confused on what it is they join when they become members of the Union.

Living in a feed-buying district, many think they have joined a Feed Union. If a livestock area, they think they have joined a Livestock Commission House. If gasoline and a cooperative bulk oil station is uppermost in their minds, they think they have joined an oil station. If in a wheat district, they see only an elevator or a shipping association. Such misapprehensions of the Farmers Union are unbelievable you may say, but, it is a fact none the less.

The Farmers Union was here years before anyone ever thought of a Federal Marketing Act or a Farm Board.

Doubtless in its twenty-eight years of history, it has taken over a million farm families into its fellowship.

Countless thousands of rural communities have benefitted by its training, its fellowship and its education. It would still be needed if the so-called farm problem were solved. It is needed as much as the church and the school.

The need for a Union of rural people will exist as long as there are men, women and children who till the soil.

Whatever may be our disagreements over marketing organizations, sales agencies, insurance programs, or any of our many purely business activities, we may all agree on the great fundamentals of the Farmers Educational and Cooperative Union of America, which is bigger even than business programs.

This is the organization of which John Simpson, of Okla. is now president, our president, and to whom we owe our united support during his term of office.

As to the question which chiefly concerned the delegates and determined their voting (the Federal Marketing Act), the future alone will determine which group exercised the best judgment and had the greater vision.

It may be, despite all the pessimism which now prevades a land, and a world, suffering from industrial depression, that the Marketing Act will prove its worth, and the Farm Board demonstrate successful progress.

If so, those who insisted on voting the Farmers Union into opposition to a national program of cooperative marketing will have something to repent in the days to come, and the judgment of those of us who made the decision to go along with the Farm Board and support the Marketing Act be vindicated.—A. W. Ricker in Farmers Union Herald.

## THE INSURANCE CORNER

By CHARLES A. BROOM, Secretary

We have just returned from the National Farmers Union Convention at St. Paul and together with other managers of the Farmers Union Companies discussed problems common to all of us. We hope some good results may come from it. There are many problems that are purely local in nature and some in which we all can enter with good results. Among the general topics is the matter of re-insurance, and this has already received considerable thought and study, and will receive much more. To the average man on a Kansas farm, this may seem unimportant, but to those on whom the responsibility of our various state insurance companies rest, it is a very vital matter.

All the Farmers Union Mutual Insurance Companies have made much progress the past year. The total volume of business handled by all the companies has passed the \$250,000,000 mark, which is a very creditable showing for the time the companies have been in operation. Kentucky is now organizing and will be in operation by spring. This will make twelve

states in which Farmers Union companies are in operation. Most companies operate on the assessment plan. We here in Kansas are partial to the stated premium legal reserve plan, but each state follows its own plan and all have been quite successful in reducing the cost of insurance to the farmer members.

## Jobbing Association Shows Record Financial Condition

Is in Commanding Position and Has Helped Finance Several Member Elevators in Kansas.

### SERVICE TO KANSAS FARMERS

Report Given Before Kansas Convention Shows Institution Has Gained in Every Department.

The Farmers Union Jobbing Association audit which just has been completed by Thomas B. Dunn, secretary-manager of the Farmers Union Auditing Association, for the third quarter of the year, shows the institution in the best financial condition it ever has experienced, says H. E. Witham, manager of the Jobbing Association. The audit shows a most substantial gain in business and earnings over a year ago, and altogether the members of the board and all interested in the organization are highly pleased with the showing.

Never before in the history of the Jobbing Association has it occupied the commanding position it now does. It has developed into a tower of co-operative strength, and by virtue of its strength it has been able to help finance several member elevators throughout the state. In this manner, it has been of inestimable service to Kansas farmers.

In this connection, it is interesting to note that the Jobbing Association has been able to finance the building of a new elevator at Phillipsburg, Kans., mention of which has been made previously in this paper. In addition to the Phillipsburg Farmers Union Elevator, the Jobbing Association has financed several other Farmers Union elevators to the extent of furnishing capital for them to buy their grain. In cases of this kind, satisfactory contracts are entered into, and certain instructions followed by the member elevators, which make the transactions not only beneficial, but absolutely safe.

According to the report rendered by Mr. Witham to the State Farmers Union convention recently held at McPherson, Kan., 125 elevators in Kansas have signed the Federation contract with the Jobbing Association. This contract binds the member elevators to work together, to cooperate with each other, and is as binding on the member elevators as on the member farmers. It furnishes the means by which the member elevators can enjoy the benefits extended by the farm marketing act.

Mr. Witham, in his report, told of the recently established office in St. Joseph, Mo., where Mr. C. S. Neely is in charge. He reported that so far the business carried on by the St. Joe office has exceeded the expectations, and that the office has been of great value from a service standpoint to the farmers in the northeastern part of Kansas.

Relative to the Salina office, Mr. Witham reported that it had bought almost a million bushels of wheat since the first of the year, 189,000 bushels of corn, and 25,000 bushels of barley.

The report gave the total wheat purchased by the Farmers Union Jobbing Association at Kansas City at 1,806,949 bushels, since January 1, 1930. Purchases of corn amounted to 1,390,640 bushels, and of oats, 61,182. The barley purchased amounted to 68,636. A large amount of kafir and milo also was purchased.

An interesting paragraph in the report deals with binder twine, and states that, although the volume of twine used in Kansas has been materially reduced because of combines, the Jobbing Association has handled 1,106,769 pounds of twine from January 1 to the middle of October.

The report touched on the business done by the merchandise department of the Jobbing Association. This department has handled a growing business in feeds, hay, coal, lucerne, and green and dried commodities.—Cooperator.

## Farmers Union Tops the Kansas City Cattle Market

Outstanding Sales Made in Cattle Pens Include Two Top Sales in One Week.

NINE HEAD ANGUS AT \$14  
Also 20 Head of Heavy Steers Sold at \$11, the Extreme Top for That Class.

The Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Co. at Kansas City is adding new names to its list of customers each week. These new customers are shippers and feeders who have heard about Farmers Union service, and who realize the value of cooperative marketing.

Our salesman, yard men and office force are constantly working to make our service better. Salesmen do everything possible to get good prices, yard men take the best of care of the live stock and see that they all get good fills, and the office force works hard—sometimes until along toward midnight—in order to get accounts of sales out promptly.

Just to cite an example of what our salesmen do, we want to refer to a sale of nine head of creep-fed Hereford calves, consigned to the Farmers Union firm at Kansas City on November 11, by Ora Stout, Lucerne, Mo. These calves, averaging 572 pounds to the head, were sold by Johnnie Hammon, Farmers Union butcher salesman, to Swift and Co., at \$14.00 per cwt. Only once before this season has the price been equalled. Mr. Stout is a co-operator, one hundred percent, and ships through the Farmers Shipping Association at Newton, Mo. In 1928 and 1929, Mr. Stout won prizes in the Missouri Best Production contests, sponsored jointly by the Kansas City Stock Yards Company, the Kansas City Chamber of Commerce, and breeders' associations. Since breeders are not allowed to compete with him in succession, and win three years in succession, Mr. Stout was eliminated from the contest this year.

Another outstanding sale in the

Farmers Union cattle pens in the same week was made by Bob Luerance, steer salesman, who sold a load of 20 steers, weighing 1,195 pounds each, for Hennessey Brothers, of Blaine, Kans., at \$11 per cwt. This is the extreme top for heavy steers and the sale was made November 12. Many other outstanding sales could be quoted, but these two were extreme ones in their respective classes.

Outstanding sales like these are so common in the hog department and in the sheep department, as every Farmers Union Shipper knows.—Cooperator.

## OUR LOYAL DUES PAYING MEMBERS

Now it won't be long until the 1st of the year and dues paying time will be here. Now there are several of "directors" Presidents of Locals who have not paid their dues for 1929 yet. Now, how in the world do they expect the good work to go on? We are not lucky enough to get any aid from our County Committee. We have to dig in our pockets and pay them. There are two things we ought to do in this depression. Pay our Farmers Union dues. Just read the answer from Mr. Legge in which he states he has no time for a conference with Kansas Co-operators. He goes on to say that after next week the wheat market situation will have changed sufficiently so that a conference will not be necessary. Now we are all watching and waiting for results.

Our dues are only \$2.75 per year. The Boot-blacks dues to their Union are \$8 per year. They pay theirs and get results. Let us farmers do likewise.

J. D. STOSZ,

Beattie, Kans. more about the depression in business than any one else and they have a right to for they are the hardest pressed. I was in the city of Beattie Monday when the B-Square Oil man was there to sight a new station. We have four stations at present and he was asking my advice. I told him I did not think it would pay as this was a farming county and they were all hard up. He says they sell more gas and oil now than ever before on account of the Good Roads Program and asked me if I wanted to make \$100. I informed him that I sure did for it would come in handy as I was a farmer but I thought it was a gag like the old story of the City Guy who asked the Hay-Seed if he wanted to make a dollar slick. He told him "yes." He said, "Grease it, that will make it slick." I was like him. He said he would give me the \$100 if I could prove it. I said, "If I am anyone, no matter who that put his auto away for the winter on account of no funds to buy gas and oil, and don't you know I could not think of one single farmer who had quit running his car for lack of money, so I lost my \$100 and had to admit times were good in and around Beattie, Marshall Co., Kans."

November 19, 1930  
Mr. A. M. Kinney, Secretary,  
Kansas State Farmers Union,  
Salina, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Kinney:  
I want to take this opportunity to thank you for sending Mr. William G. Swanson in this territory to help us revive and build up the Farmers Union spirit. We have held two meetings since Mr. Swanson has been here, while we did not have much of an opportunity to get out a crowd at the first meeting, those that were there were very much interested and I believe in time we will be able to establish a Farmers Union local in that district. This was in a school district where they have not had an organization before.

Last night we held a meeting at the school house in Dennis. We had about forty or fifty in attendance and Mr. Swanson delivered one of those enthusiastic talks of his and I believe succeeded in getting this message across to practically every one that was there. A few left before the meeting adjourned, but those that were there when the meeting adjourned all agreed to come back for another meeting next Tuesday night and reorganize their Farmers Union local and pay up their dues. I believe that we will be able to build back a strong local at that place. Tonight we have a meeting billed for Mr. Swanson at the Henderson local and Mr. Whitaker will go to a school house west of Altamont and try to organize a new local there.

Tomorrow night we hold a meeting at the community hall at Labette. Friday night we will have a meeting here in Parsons and will try to get people in from all over the county in order to organize a county union. We hope to be able to perfect this county organization and then keep the Farmers Union spirit going right along. Where we have built up the membership around Parsons we expect to organize a live stock shipping association.

From November first last year to November first this year there were one hundred and fifty car loads of live stock shipped out of Parsons. Very little of this has been going to the Farmers Union at Kansas City. We hope to get this organization formed in order to get this live stock going to the right place.

I think Mr. Swanson is doing us a great deal of good here and if our week's work shows up in the right way we should like to have him help us some just a little later.

Wishing the Farmers Union much success, I am,  
Very truly yours,  
W. J. DETMER,  
J. P. O'HARA.

### NOTICE

Washington County Farmers Union will meet at Washington on Dec. 12 at 11 a. m. Election of officers and delegates. Be sure and send your delegates.

J. T. Poland, Co. Sec'y.

## KANSAS UNION FARMER WEEKLY EXCHANGE

If members of the Union have anything to Sell or Exchange, they should advertise in this department. Rate: 5 cents a word per issue. If run 4 times 10c per word for the four issues. Count words in heading, as "For Sale," or "Wanted to Buy," and each initial or figure in the address. Compound words count as two words. CASH MUST ACCOMPANY ORDER. TRY THIS DEPARTMENT—IT WILL PAY YOU.

### CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

#### WANTED

WANTED—Position as bookkeeper. Prefer with Farmers Union. Five years' experience.—Miss Grace Varnam, Kincaid.

WANTED TO BUY, Inslage Cutter. Chester Chapman, Ellsworth, Kans.

SHIP YOUR FURS TO J. E. Green Fur Co., 301 East 1st St., Topeka, Kansas, for highest prices, fastest grade. Write for price list.

### RESOLUTIONS OF CONDEMNATION

Whereas our Heavenly Father in His Infinite Wisdom has called for our midst Mrs. Sarah Ross, mother of Ralph Ross.

Now Be It Therefore Resolved that we members of Ninety-six Local 1807 of the Kansas Farmers Union hereby respectfully pay tribute to the bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy.

Be It Further Resolved that we cause copies of the resolutions to be sent to the family of the deceased, and to be saved in the minutes of this local and copies printed in the Lacynge Journal and in the Kansas Union Farmer.

Mrs. J. N. Deardorf  
Elmer Michaels  
Mrs. R. A. Cline, Committee.

### RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY

Whereas it has pleased Almighty God in His divine wisdom to remove from our midst our faithful Lecturer and Brother, W. W. Deaton of Union Township, 1822. Therefore be it resolved that we, the members of Ninety-six Local 1807 of the Kansas Farmers Union, do hereby extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family.

Be It also resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, one to the bereaved family, also be spread on the minutes of our Local.

Reuben E. Peterson  
C. J. Nelson  
Wm. Martinson, Committee.

### OSAGE COUNTY ANNUAL MEETING

The Osage County annual meeting will be held at Michigan Valley Thursday, December 11th, an all day session. We request all locals to have proper representation and cordially invite all members as visitors. Election of officers for the ensuing year, reports on state and National Farmers Union Conventions and such other business as may come before the meeting.

E. L. BULLARD, Pres.  
WILLIAM BRODERSON, Sec'y.

### ALLEN COUNTY

The Allen County Farmers Union will have an all-day meeting Saturday, Dec. 6th. Business meeting, basket dinner, program and speaking. Let's have a large delegation of members as the annual election of officers will be held at this meeting.

The meeting will be held at Allen Center schoolhouse south and west of LaHarpe.

Robert A. Meliza, President.

### A POWER INCREASE FOR WIBW

(By a Member of The Star's Staff)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—The federal radio commission today ordered the power of radio station WIBW of Topeka increased in the daytime from 500 to 1,000 watts with an experimental license to continue to January 31, 1931.

### WANTS TERMINAL ELEVATOR

The sentiment among farmers and elevator men in Western Kansas is growing in favor of a Farmers Union terminal elevator in Salina, according to H. E. Witham, manager of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association, at Kansas City. While Mr. Witham did not venture any prediction as to what will be done in answer to the agitation, it is a well known fact that the policy of the Jobbing Association is to meet all reasonable demands for improved service, and that if the demand for a terminal elevator at Salina becomes great enough, something will be done in that direction.

Don't boost the sale of butter substitutes. Eat real butter.





## Junior Co-operators by Aunt Patience

### HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THIS DEPARTMENT

Any boy or girl between the ages of six and sixteen, whose father is a member in good standing of the Farmers' Union, who writes a letter for publication, can be a member of this department, and is entitled to a pin. In order to receive a book, he must signify his intentions to study the lessons and send them in. We cannot send out books to those who do not intend to send their lessons. The address to which all Juniors should send their letters is: Aunt Patience in care of the KANSAS UNION FARMER, Salina, Kansas.

#### MEMBERSHIP ROLL OF JUNIOR CO-OPERATORS

**ALMA**—Mabelle Fink  
Kenneth Fink  
Adeline Miller  
Willis Herren  
Helen Herren  
**ALTA VISTA**—Achula M. Falter  
Erma C. Hoch  
Vera Maxine Boettcher  
Edith McDuff  
**ALTON**—Cleora Bates  
**AMITY**—Maxine Snodgrass  
Marthelle Snodgrass  
**ARLINGTON**—Carl Brown  
Anna Marie Boss  
**ARKANSAS CITY**—Beulah Lagasse  
Joyce Helen Hamm  
Wilma Lee Hamm  
**ALMENA**—Margaret Dole  
Josephine Pantel  
**AGRA**—Virginia Rose  
**ADA**—Marjorie Baldwin  
**ARGONIA**—Verena Segebarth  
**BELOIT**—Emma Jane Coffield  
**BALDWIN**—Helen Holcom  
Helen E. Sutton  
Veda Sutton  
Mary Isabelle Churchbaugh  
Muriel Fickett  
Gerald Fickett  
Virginia Williams  
Lorena Williams  
Sarah Marie Gabel  
**BARNES**—Mildred Trubicka  
**BAKTER SPRINGS**—Bettie Irene Low  
**BURNS**—Nadine Guggenbueh  
Edna May Van Tuyl  
Kosene Nelson  
Ruth Brenzkofer  
Theodore Geller  
Theodore Geller  
**BREMEN**—Melba Pecanka  
Mildred Schick  
**BERN**—Mary Heininger  
Leola LaVaughn Lange  
**BELLE PLAIN**—Margaret Zimmerman  
Louise Zimmerman  
**BRAZILTON**—Marion Coester  
Leland Coester  
**BISON**—Joseph Stremel  
Dominic A. Stremel  
Alex Engel  
Paul Engel  
Catherine M. Stremel  
Alphonse A. Stremel  
Joseph A. Stremel  
Julius Breit  
**BELEVUE**—Merna Breymeyer  
**BREWSTER**—Marjorie Fletcher  
Edna Fletcher  
Violet Eicher  
A. H. Middleton Jr.  
**BLUE MOUND**—Leon Thyer  
Dale Thyer  
**BLUE RAPIDS**—Ruth Terry  
**BEATTIE**—Donald Miller  
**BURNS**—Hulda Goeller  
**BAZAAR**—Anna Lee White  
**BROOKVILLE**—Maxine Rittgers  
**COLONY**—Julia Powell  
Jaane Williams  
Vivian Barrett  
Howard Hester  
Wanda Hester  
Madge Hester  
**CONWAY**—Wayne Selbers  
Lela Selbert  
Ruth Stutzman  
**COLLYER**—Lorine Bollig  
Annette Bollig  
Walter Bollig  
Albert Bollig  
Joe Wendler  
Helen Appichow  
Tillie Knoll  
Clare Knoll  
Andrew Knoll  
Mary Knoll  
Albina Richmeyer  
**CLEBURNE**—Ralph Sand  
Geo. Smercheck  
**CANTON**—Celta Bruker  
**CEDAR VALLEY**—Alice Scott  
**COTTONWOOD FALLS**—August Linck  
Billy Jones  
Lawrence Shearer  
Damon Ruggels  
Evelyn Ruggels  
**CODELL**—Emmett Miller  
Leola Miller  
Alfred Rohleder  
Lorraine Rohleder  
Annette Miller  
**CLIFTON**—Henry Meenen  
Marguerite Clevenger  
**CENTRALIA**—Frances E. Ray  
Thelma M. Ray  
Rita Gaughan  
Robert Gaughan  
**CAWKEE CITY**—Etheletha Smith  
Genevieve Smith  
Louise Brinker  
Dorothy E. Samuelson  
Catherine Hoke  
**CEDAR POINT**—Eather Bryan  
Jean Laughridge  
**CARLTON**—Ethel Hamfield  
Irene Martin  
Evelyn McAdams  
Mary Alice Logan  
Evelyn French  
**CLERMONT**—Nadine Krueger  
**DELIA**—Loretta Simecka  
**DEBEN**—Irene Fortin  
**DELLVALE**—Carl Cornell  
**DEYNSMORE**—Marjorie Darlene Sullivan  
**ELLSWORTH**—Bernadine Svoboda  
Lavern Svoboda  
Evelyn Svoboda  
**ERIE**—Irene Wentworth  
**ELMO**—Dorothy M. Gantenheim  
**ENTERTAINMENT**—Mabel Forslund  
Albert Forslund  
Bertha Forslund  
**ELLIS**—Ralph Rupp  
Ida Mae Rupp  
Helen Weber  
Theresa Weber  
Isabelle Horhan  
Seraphine Herman  
**ELMO**—Dorothy M. Gantenheim

**MARYSVILLE**—Helen Marguerite  
Mary Katherine Wilson  
Irene Scholte  
Evelyn Anna Wilson  
Helen Vopata  
Beatie Vopata  
Mary Kathryn Wilson  
Beatie Vopata  
**MUNJON**—Constance Pfannenstiel  
Bertha Pfannenstiel  
**MINNEAPOLIS**—Leota Rotrock  
Evelyn Kirkland  
**MCUNE**—Neva Hale  
**MACOSVILLE**—Amanda Lea Richards  
Roy Johnson  
Doris McCormick  
Ruth Charlene McColm  
Marvin Lillman  
**NEWKIRK, OKLA.**—Virginia Hamm  
**NORTON**—Ivah J. es  
Zanthia Standish  
Elizabeth Standish  
Roy John Torkelson  
**NEOSHO FALLS**—Ada Ruth Faidley  
**OTTAWA**—Mildred Nelson  
Dixie Lee Zerbe  
I. th Maxine Zerbe  
Margaret DeWald  
Nora Evelyn DeWald  
Charles Reed  
**OSAWATOMIE**—Richard Schiefelbusch  
I. th Schiefelbusch  
Nadine Prescott  
Ferne E. Barrett  
**OGALALA**—Mildred Rogers  
Naomi Jean Rogers  
Helen Hillman  
Ema Rogers  
Richard Weigel  
Frank Weigel  
**OAKLEY**—Ester Sims  
Clifford Sims  
Irene Englehardt  
**OVERBROOK**—Dora Brecheisen  
Eligtha Hoffman  
Verna Vance  
**OLSBURG**—Harry V. Samuelson  
**OSWEGO**—Mary Evelyn Severt  
Helen Morris  
Edward Schmidt  
Mable Brooks  
**OSAGE CITY**—Merton Nichols  
Mildred Nichols  
Wilda Nichols  
Verna R. Nichols  
**OSBORNE**—Wallace Grieve  
**OAK HILL**—Arlene M. Cain  
**FARNSON**—Elaine M. Long  
James Nicolay  
Mina Daniel  
**PLEASANTON**—Isabel Johnson  
Susie Shaffer  
**PERKINS**—Julia Richmeyer  
Mathilde Riedel  
Adolph Riedel  
Tony Riedel  
Robert Nickelson  
Russell Nickelson  
Andrew Billinger  
Mildred Clubb  
Ferna Wood  
Wayne Kobler  
Lela Grabner  
Dale Grabner  
Ada McCoy  
Albina Lang  
Edward Riedel  
**FERRY**—Edna Beuerman  
**FARK**—Magdalene Philiger  
Mary Kaiser  
**FORTIS**—June Knoll  
**FEETEF**—Adelaide Roth  
Thecla Smith  
**FOMOYA**—Mildred Ward  
**PITTSBURG**—Lee Bevins  
**FITQUA**—Alvin Bux  
**PAOLA**—Mattie Dietrich  
Cecilia Gast  
**FALCO**—Mattie Dietrich  
**QUINCY**—Mervin Innes  
Cecil Phelps  
Mildred Francis  
Lois Francis  
Peter Brunngrat  
Wavetta Brunngrat  
Earl E. Wilkinson  
**RUSE CENTER**—Helen Barts  
**RANDALL**—Phyllis Turman  
Vernon Stutzman  
Mildred Stutzman  
**ROSSVILLE**—Georgiana Olejak  
**ROBINSON**—Anna Lee Bryant  
Ella Mae Bryant  
William Bryant  
Harvey Bryant  
Elizabeth Lukert  
**RANDALL**—Doris Zimmer  
**RANDOLPH**—Elsie Lilley  
**ST. PETER**—Mollie Reidel  
Margaret Knoll  
Albert Herman  
Helen Herman  
Tony Herman  
Alfred Herman  
Chas. Billinger  
Edmund Billinger  
Edvina Billinger  
Kathleen Rudolph  
Josephine Knoll  
Otto Dinkel  
**SCOTT CITY**—Junior Rudolph  
Dorothy Lute  
Wayne L. Rudolph  
Dorothy Lute  
Verna Lute  
**ST. PAUL**—Margaret McGowan  
Kathryn Toothaker  
**SALINA**—Paul Huff  
Robert Maria Lear, 651 Highland  
**SPRING HILL**—Ralph Wedel  
Erma S. Hoch  
**STUDLEY**—Silvester Richmeyer  
**ST. JOHN**—Ellen Pearl Brenn  
Doris Louise Brenn  
**SCRANTON**—Mary Frances Nicolay  
James McCoy  
James Nicolay  
Raymond Nicolay  
**STOCKTON**—Lawrence Griebel  
**STAFFORD**—Lois Leatherman  
**TIMPKIN**—Dorothy Kralinger  
Nadine E. Naldenthal  
**TAMPA**—Berlice Schick  
Evelyn Schick  
Eugene Schick  
Eva Lorel  
**TESCOTT**—Willard Morgan  
**TESCOTT**—Virginia Gabelman  
Leola Leiva  
**UTICA**—Marie Newton  
Varda Funk  
**ULYSSES**—Gladys M. Collins  
**VASSAR**—Elizabeth Brown  
**VICTORIA**—Mildred Tholen  
Ted Tholen  
Alice Tholen  
Hubert Rajewski  
Georgine Schmidtberger  
Irene Miller  
Rita Miller  
Cynthia Miller  
Leona Miller  
Edna Mole  
Sybil Mole  
Cynthia Mole

**WAKEENET**—Hilda Helen Fabrisius  
Edwige Fabrisius  
Tabeta Fabrisius  
Anna F. Fabrisius  
**WESTPHALIA**—Helen Centlivre  
Pete Centlivre  
F. th Centlivre  
Ned Corley  
V. th Brands  
**WALNUT**—Clarence Hamm  
**WAMEGO**—Ester Mathies  
Lilla Mathies  
Genevieve Grass  
**WHITE CITY**—Lorena Tatlow  
**WINDYBONE**—Autumn Andas  
Geraldine Spohn  
**WELL**—Theresa White  
Elizabeth White  
**WATERVILLE**—Glenn Travelute  
Aron Travelute  
Melvin Harker  
**WOODSTOCK**—Oval M. Hammond  
Irma Murphy  
Elaine Murphy  
**WELLSVILLE**—Mina Minerva Lingie  
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**WILLIAMSBURG**—Rose Catharine Collins  
Michael Collins  
Louis Collins  
Eloise Davis  
**WILSON**—Meta Weinhold  
Leo C. Weinhold  
Eugene Weinhold  
Morris Weinhold  
Op. Weinhold  
Norris Weinhold  
**WALKER**—Florina Sander  
Lucille Tholen  
Angela Sander  
Leona Sander  
**WICHITA**—Evelyn Mae Newell  
**WINONA**—Keela Irene Jones

Dear Junior Co-operators: I attended the National Farmers Union Convention at St. Paul November 18th and while there, met the other members of the National Committee on Junior work.

#### JUNIOR RESOLUTION

As Adopted at the National Convention at St. Paul, 1930.

In view of the urgent need of a National Junior Farmers Union Department of the National Farmers Educational and Co-operative Union of America.

1st. That we ask the above National Organization to appoint a committee of three, whose duties shall be to create by-laws for a National Junior Organization; To develop, select and furnish all material necessary to a complete Junior Program.

2nd. That we ask the National Board to make an appropriation sufficient to cover cost of committee's work, satisfactory to the National Board.

Read by D. D. Collins.

I had such interesting visits with the Junior Leaders from the other states—South Dakota, Iowa, Nebraska, North Dakota, Illinois, Oklahoma, Iowa—in fact, all of the Farmers Union states having Junior organizations. According to the information which I have, Kansas has the largest number of Juniors enrolled—South Dakota running a close second with a membership whose total almost equals ours. So we must redouble our efforts now, to keep ahead.

We're all like one big family in the Farmers Union, you know, and we're anxious to have you know and feel close to your brother and sister Co-operators of other states. I'll tell you what was done about the Resolution, when I hear, for I had to come home before the decision of the Board was known.

I have lots and lots of letters here which I've not been able to answer yet—and I hope you'll all be patient when you must wait so long for your answers. We're going to have a room for our department soon, I think, and then I'll promise to be very prompt!

Aunt Patience.  
McPherson, Kans.  
Oct. 24, 1930.

Dear Aunt Patience: How do you feel this cold weather? I don't like it so very much. You made a mistake in my name, it is "Mabel". I was disappointed that you never got my letter. I sent it in Sept. 31 and I guess you didn't get it. Well, I hope you get it this time. I've said to tell you that I've said so much for her book and pin. My twin's name is Clyde Miller. He is 9 years old and his birthday is February 21. And mine is February 21st. And I will be 12 years old and in the seventh grade. I have to hand three subjects in this year so I don't know whether I can keep up or not but I will try awful hard so I sure be a member. I guess I had better ring off.

Your niece,  
Mabel Wilhelm.  
Opal, Pearl, Betty, Faye and myself are in the same school. I like cold weather. Dear Mabel: I like cold weather, don't you? I'll fix it this time. I'm glad Faye liked the book and pin—you must write your twin often—and write us soon again.

Larned, Kans.  
Oct. 24, 1930.

Dear Aunt Patience: I sure am sorry but we have not been saving the paper so we cannot get the last two questions. I sure am sorry. But I will save all the papers from now on and will try very hard to get all the lessons. It is new to me, this is the first time I've had a lesson. Well, it is sure nice weather out here. It is just cool enough to make you feel good. Is it nice weather out there? Aunt Patience, our little dog, Sport, got killed. We sure hated it. But we got some cats yet. We took some of them off but we got long. I will close. Letter is getting long. I will close. From your loving niece,  
Harvene Carr.

P. S.: Are you supposed to write down the questions? And is that one list of questions all of them? Dear Harvene: I'm so sorry about your little dog—I know you feel badly about it. I have two kittens, you know—one is yellow and the other is black, with white paws. I don't believe you need write the questions—just number them.

Tescott, aKns.  
November 1, 1930.  
Dear Aunt Patience: I am sending in my lesson since I belonged. I will start and do the October lesson when it comes. I have saved some of the papers but found they were not the right ones.

Respectfully yours,  
Margaret Dole.  
Dear Margaret: I've noticed that you've not sent any lessons and I'll be expecting the October and November lessons—so don't disappoint me. I hope you'll save all the papers now like you never know which ones you'll need. Write us soon.

Aunt Patience.  
Pittsburg, Kans.  
Oct. 25, 1930.

Dear Aunt Patience: I am sending in my lesson for October. I am glad that next week is Halloween night. They have a festival every year which they call the Sekan Festival. They will have a parade and coronation of the queen. Well, I must close.

You—truly,  
Lee Bevins.

P. S.: I have written two letters to you, but they were not in the paper. Did you get them?—Lee B.

Dear Lee: I don't have any other letters from you—I always answer all those sent in the paper, but sometimes I'm very late with them because we don't have enough room. I'd like to see the Parade—I suppose you had an awful nice time at the Festival. Please write soon again.

Aunt Patience.  
Codell, Kans.  
Oct. 21, 1930.

Dear Amelia: Thank you for your wish—I'll wish the same thing for

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and I thank you. I have worn it to school once. I have not worn it any more because I am afraid I will lose it. Our bi-monthly is Thursday and Friday of this week and Halloween program is Friday night. I will close for this time.

Your niece,  
Faye Wilhelm.  
Dear Faye: I'm fine, too, thanks and I'm so glad to know you liked the book and pin. I hoped you would. Oh, if you're careful I don't believe you'll lose it—is the catch loose, or something? Be sure to send in the lessons and write us soon again.

Aunt Patience.  
Carlton, Kans.  
Oct. 24, 1930.

Dear Aunt Patience: How are you? I am fine and would like to join your Club very much. I am 13 years old. My birthday is May 23. Will you please send me your book and pin and I will try to get my lessons.

With love,  
Evelyn French, Box 75.

Dear Evelyn: We are so glad to have you become a member of our Club and I'll send you the book and pin very soon. Be sure to save the papers and when you find your twin, let me know.

Aunt Patience.  
Brookville, Kans.  
Oct. 26, 1930.

Dear Aunt Patience: Will you please send me one of your books and a pin. I am 10 years old. My birthday is February 12th. Who is my twin? I have 4 sisters and 3 brothers. How are you? I am just fine. I cannot think of any more to say so I will close.

Your niece,  
Maxine Rittgers.  
Dear Maxine: We are so glad to welcome you into the Junior Co-operators—I hope you'll like us and that you'll always live up to all of the obligations of the Club. You must watch for your twin and tell me when you find who it is. Don't forget to write occasionally.

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McPherson, Kans.  
Oct. 30, 1930.

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