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Interesting History of the Organization as Told by W. C. Lansdon, Vice-President of the Kansas Farmers' Union In His Address Before The Stockholders At Their Annual Meeting In Topeka, On January the 16th

Board of Directors to be able to come competent we compiled our figures before the representatives of the and went to Wichita to compare that shareholders of the Jobbing Associa- statement with sales made by other tion and report that on the year's op- houses. The members of that Board erations we have made money. Such of Directors admitted that Mr. DeVoss a report has been made only once, was receiving from three to five cents

frank to say that the directors thought out the State and the shareholders the "jig" was up and that the only in the various co-operative elevators thing to be done was to liquidate and throughout the State that are stockget out, paying our debts as soon as holders in the Farmers Union Jobbing possible; but the members of the Association to assert themselves and Association and of the Farmers Un- say to these managers and boards ion had more confidence in the organization than some of the directors, and they refused to let it die. They have an agency of our own on the started a movement at Wichita, which resulted in two or three thousand dol- it does as well or better than any lars of additional capital. At that other grain house on the market. meeting further evidence of faith was Can't we have the support of our own shown by the re-election of the outgoing directors at that time. We have not at all times been worthy of the confidence you have given us; but you have kept us on the job and your confidence has made us more determined to succeed. Through that confidence, the membership imposed an obligation on the board of directors to do whatever we could to re-organize the enterprise and put it on a money making basis. We believe it is now on a sound foundation financial-

As Mr. Corporon stated in his report, every single doubtful item of any consequence has been taken from the assets and the statement as present ed is as clear of such items as any report ever presented to the share holders of any organization. We take no credit for the going value of the concern. The actual value of this con cern as a going proposition, measured its good will and indicates that the stock is equal or better than par at the present time; because we all know that no business association with \$100,000 paid up capital and annual turnover of nearly \$4,000,000 can be organized, stock sold, business set up and business obtained without an expenditure of a good deal more than \$26,000, the margin as shown between our assets and liabilities as present-

ed today. Pursuant to the vote taken a year go, the Association has gone entirely out of the merchandise business insofar as maintaining a warehouse in Kansas City is concerned. Such merchandise orders as are received are attended to in a satisfactory way by placing them with concerns transacting business along that line. We are working largely toward carlot business. During the year, we have handled four thousand carloads of commodities going and coming. Sales were made by and for members that would best plowed up pastures and even garmake one hundred freight train loads dens, and we had the biggest wheat of forty cars each, which is a consider- acreage ever sown in the history of able volume. Three thousand cars of the United States. This was done on this volume has been wheat consign. the theory that we were going to win ed to the Association for sale by cus- the war and save the world for the tomers in the different territories of rights of men. The farmers were not the state. This wheat trade has re-sulted in the largest single item of that wheat; all that was offered them income, something like \$57,000. This was a price of \$2,26 per bushel for sounds big; it is big, and it is also Grade 2 wheat, on the Chicago margratifying to the officers of the assoc- ket. Not a farmer in the country

of the association.

sent us nineteen cars they quit. We cally one-fourth of all winter wheat didn't know why they quit but finally made in the United States and using found that some of them alleged we approximately twenty million pounds couldn't get the prices they were en- of binding twine each year, it doesn't titled to. We had anticipated that such take you long to figure the saving a point might be raised and we had made to the farmer in one year. The kept a detailed account of thase cars farmers realized \$1,400,000 as a twine showing wheat test, price obtained saving in one year, because the Joband everything connected with the bing Association was there. That prosales. Rather than rest under the im- fit remained in the pockets of farmers

tion—at the end of the first year's other agencies. It seems to me that states during the past year and have At the Wichita Convention I am ship of the Farmers Union through-

> Kansas City market that can prove members and elevators during the next twelve months?

Some extraordinary things, have been reported to me that I believe are true. One Farmers Union Elevator in this state changed managers. The outgoing manager had been supporting the Jobbing association and the incoming manager did not send us any wheat. One of our representatives called on this manager and wanted to know why the Jobbing Association was not getting his consignments. The manager's reply was-"Of course I'm not consigning to the Farmers Union Jobbing Association. When I came in and looked over the records I found that everything had been going to the Jobbing Association and that seemed ed six or eig stock in the Jobbing Association and this manager was diverting trade from their own Association. Let's have the

support of the members of the As-The net profit of ten thousand dol lars on the year's operations that involved millions of dollars of transactions, is insignificant in amount and if that was the only good result the farmers had obtained by dealing with the Farmers Union Jobbing Association, it wouldn't be worth all the labor, loss of sleep and anxiety caused; but I am going to call your attention to a few of the invisible dividends earned by the Jobbing Association and which could not have been earned without the Jobbing Association. In 1917 when Herbert Hoover was Food Administrator, he sent agents out to ask our people to put in more wheat. Every farmer in the wheat lation and to the membership, but thought he would come out even at after all it is not one half or even that price and I know the men in this one-fourth of the business we had a Convention will bear me out in this

right to expect from the membership statement. Not a farmer sold a bushel of wheat from the 1918 harvest If the elevators that are members for as much money as it cost of this association (some owning him to make it. They made that stock to three thousand dollars) had crop as a patriotic service. They supported the association with one were perfectly willing to do anything hundred per cent of their consign- and everything that the country askments, instead of earning \$57,000 in ed them to do. You would have commissions on the grain trade, we thought that when such sacrifices would have earned \$157,000 or more were asked of agriculture, that every during the year, and we would have other business associated in any way been able to present a report showing with farming would have been willing stock worth one hundred cents on the to cooperate in every wap possible, dollar, with money for distribution but not so. About the first of May, among the various elevators that had 1918, the International Harvester Comgiven us that business. Instead, for pany and other companies that consome reason many of our own mana-trolled the supply of binder twine in gers throughout the state have never the west announced that the price of yet been convinced that the Jobbins twine would be twenty-nine cents per Association can sell wheat on the pound, which was going pretty strong Kansas City market as well as any for a product that had been selling for other firm. Our records are open, and seven cents only two years before we ask any elevator manager or any However, we had made arrangements person outside of the organization to and the very day the trust announced investigate the sales that have been the price to be 29 cents per pound, we made. We can show that we have were able to announce that we could made as good or better sales than any purchase twine for 22 cents for Farmother house on the market in Kansas ers co-operatives. Not enough twine City during the past twelve months, to speak of sold for 29 cents in 1918 We had a concrete illustration of that The cooperatives saved seven cents by contracting with the Farmers Union An arrangement was made with the Jobbing Association. Seven cents Kansas Wheat Growers Association to doesn't mean much, but when you sell their consigned wheat on the consider that Kansas is the greatest Kansas City market and after they of all wheat states, growing practi-

It is a great gratification to your putation that our salesmen were in and they didn't have to pay income

We did almost as well this year. Our contract enabled us to supply twine in such a way as to have the price fixed at 8 1-2 cents per pound. I suppose there are men here who bought it for 8 1-2 cents or less. I the time has come for the member- states during the past year and have ent states. The usual minimum was twelve cents. Some that had cooperathe cooperatives in this state. It is very conservative to say that we saved the farmers four cents a pound on capital invested in the Jobbing Association. The truth of the matter is that we are now fixing the price of binder twine in Kansas. Twine is one of the biggest single items of expense that the wheat growers have in the state. We have already sold nearly three million pounds of twine for this next year's use and the contracts have in a large measure been accepted.

iation has proved its worth in other ways than saving the farmers a great deal of money on twine. Unfortunately, we disagreed with the policy of the Kansas Wheat Growers, with whom we had hoped to cooperate; we want our way and they want their's. We thought we were entitled to their business whether or not we had a contract with them. They were a farmers Jobbing Association and that seemed to be an indication to me that there must be a nigger in the wood pile somewhere. I took the business away rom the Jebbing Association." The Board of Directors should have looked after that man. The elevator owned after that man after the word of the profit man and that seemed the farmers wouldn't put their cows in to farmers wouldn't put their cows in the firmers to farmers wouldn' the Kansas Wheat Growers, we enter-tural wealth of the country

> way in which we handle business in past eight or nine years we have been tions. Land was selling very high at farmers can get along somehow or past eight of line years seeing daylight that time and when you come to re- other as they have done in the past. now and if you give us the support we ducing the thing to substantial facts. We have fifty thousand memnow and it you give us the same that the farmers of the bers of the Farmers Union in this

members of the Union and of the Jobbing Association. They can bring it we can make such a splendid report that you will hardly recognize it is the same organization providing we get that support; but I say to you that it is not a matter that can be worked out by higher-ups. The truth is that the farmer is not quite hard boiled enough; he is a little too easy to divert. I sometimes think he is a kind of quarter horse. He goes into the race and he gets away under the wire pretty fast but his wind gives out in about four hundred yards,

We must realize that this is no joking matter in which we are engaged. It is a matter upon which depends the very existence of agriculture. The inquired the price of twine in differ- farmers of the United States are in years ago at the end of the great war between the States our fathers and I found many places where twine was grandfathers came back after fighting We don't know what it would have and put on their overalls to go to been in Kansas had it not been for the cooperatives in this state. It is world. There was not more than thirty billions of dollars of national wealth; but during this fifty seven years a \$800,000 or an 800 per cent on the great enterprise or firm as we may call it, has been established. That firm is comprised of three partners— Land, Labor and Capital, from which comes all the wealth of this world, That partnership has accumulated profits unbelieveable in amount: from being the poorest of all nations we have become the greatest of all powers of the world. We have more wealth than France, England and Germany The Farmers Union Jobbing Assoclars at the present time.

Have the six hundred billions been in rented houses—some of them, the

ed negotiations with the Nebraska and to seventy-seven billions of dollars. Colorado Wheat Growers; and with Assuming that to be a fact, that is a the exception of fifteen cars that were comparatively insignificant amount for less than it costs them to produce. consigned to the Minneapolis market of the profits made by the firm Land as they have been doing now for many consigned to the binnesspons manded Labor and Capital, during the past years? If those conditions continue, all of the Nebraska and Colorado fifty-seven years, but the census figwheat. The wheat we have in storage ures are misleading. Forty per cent in Kansas City now is the wheat of of the agricultural lands of the Unitin Kansas City now is the wheat of the Nebraska Wheat Growers Assocted States are operated by tenants and generous we may be. It is important the present time. iation. We have their storage and we and share-croppers. From the best insecured money for them to advance to formation we can get, the debts on growers at six per cent, and I don't agriculture at the present time-long believe anyone else has been able to and short term mortgages, open accounts at the store and other obligado any better than that. They are entions amount to at least twelve biltirely satisfied with our sales and the lions of dollars. Another thing: The census was taken in 1920 and the val-Kansas City.

You have stood by our organization ues people thought were in farm land having agriculture restored to a prowith extraordinary loyalty during the in 1920 were written into those valua-

back on the farms; people who are the wealth of the country. Today we ganization will have to do it for that own only one-twentieth. The situa- is the only way it can be done. No tion is not improving. The truth is other state in the United States has about and in another twelve months that in fifty-seven years of operations the farmers of the United States have business -a better starting point, lost title to forty per cent of their than Kansas. lands and have gone in debt twelve billions of dollars. That is a very disiness man to have to face. It is about Marketing Association was ever oras bad as any balance sheet this as- ganized. We have the wheat and the sociation ever had. If agriculture were men who produce it. We have the loa single business there is not a judge cal elevators and the terminal maron any bench that wouldn't say keting agencies. When our Wheat away to wind up your affairs." Whose and ready to do business, we will not fault is it? Some say the Republican party is to blame. I don't say that or raise anybody's salary; nor will Other people say it is the Democratic party, some say it is the banks and ready to go to work without incurring others say it is the laws. I am going any additional expense, and no other to tell you who is to blame for this Marketing Organization in the United condition of agriculture. YOU ARE States has/been able to do that. They these fifty-seven years they have been bability the union is doing the same taking whatever was offered them. thing in Nebraska that we are doing The farmers have been buying on the in Kansas. market where prices were stated and selling on the market where prices

destroyed all hopes of profit. problem and that is self-help. There must be an organization of the farmtal? How much has Labor? Labor or any other group of producers in ing yet. More than four millions of work together, they can get the bene-laboring men in the United States live fit of the protective tariff. But they can't do it as individuals. There are farmers wouldn't put their cows in to immense possibilities of profit in the

were fixed for them-nothing to say

their commodities in competition with

we can't produce this volume of agriculture, no matter how big-hearted agriculture is going to result in a de- of the Jobbing Association in the ear crease in agricultural production in ly part of my report applies equally this country and instead of having a as well to practically every one of surplus to send abroad we won't be the cooperative associations function producing enough to take care of our ing throughout the State. There are home consumption. The industrial any number of cooperative associations which for one reason or another

a better foundation for cooperative We are setting up a Wheat marketing association in Kansas under more couraging balance sheet for any bus- favorable conditions than any other

"You'll have to have a receiver right | Marketing Association is organized have to hire a single additional man we have to buy anything. We are THE FELLOWS. The farmers of the lawe had to experiment; we are United States are to blame for this ready to start to work. We have the condition of agriculture because for foundation for this work. In all pro-

I know a good many people are so broad-minded that they think these benefits of organization should about the prices either way. By selling thrown open to everybody and that all such organizations should work each other to organized business, they together. God knows the Farmers Union has tried to work with other There is only one answer to this groups in the state of Kansas, not only during the past year, but ever since it has organized. I don't know ers to protect themselves. We have asked for this and that form of legistheout the other fellow is wrong, but I do whether we are wrong or whether lation. We have a protective tariff know that we have never had much on farm commodities that might help luck with the exception of our business relations with the Missouri use it. The manufacturers are going Farmers Clubs. I believe the Farmers to realize large profits out of the pro- Union is better equipped by its contective tariff. They are going to make stitution and in its ability to deal with equitably divided among the partners immense fortunes on the commodities the various problems than any other of the firm of Land, Labor and Capi- which they manufacture. If the wheat organization in the United States. It stands higher in Washington than had nothing in 1865 and it has noth- this country will get together and does any other agricultural body represented there. Our president of the National Farmers Union who has dedicated his life to the work, is the most powerful individual representing agriculture in the United States.

> to solve their problems at the present How long can farmers go on selling time. If there was one good reason for setting up the first local of the Farmers Union down there in Raines County, Texas on the Second day of September, 1902, there are one hundred better reasons for maintaining and strengthening that organization

What I said about invisible profits have not made sufficient cash incomto distribute cooperative earnings and a great many of those sharehold ers come to the conclusion that they that as a result of the organization the new.

give us that support; the managers or one twentieth of the unencumbered to re-establish agriculture in this teen to twenty cents per bushel more give us that support; the managers can't do it; there is only one body of people in this world that can bring about the result so earnestly desired. That is the membership, the people back on the farms; people who are operative, where the farmers are compelled to market through an old-line elevator, that does not prove it.

I recently attended a meeting at

Hackney, Kansas. Their elevator had had a very successful year and at that all day meeting they distributed between sixteen and seventen thousand dollars of profits as dividendswith a turn-over of about 188,000 bushels of wheat. Everybody joined in the testimony that the manager had paid the average market price for his wheat and that he had not purchased at a low price. That very day I was informed that in that same neighborhood and not more than fifteen miles away where the farmers were not organized, they were taking twelve cents less per bushel for their wheat. You will find illustrations of this kind throughout the state. Every one of these cooperatives, even if they haven't put checks in your bank account and money into your pocket coming through the officers of the Association, has been of value in some other way and there isn't a one that has lost money for its shareholders.

I thank you for your attention, and hope the Farmers Union Jobbing Association, during the past twelve months, has in some measure justified the faith you have had in it, and that during the next twelve months it will grow in usefulness to the members of this state.

CO-OPERATIVE CREAMERY HAS

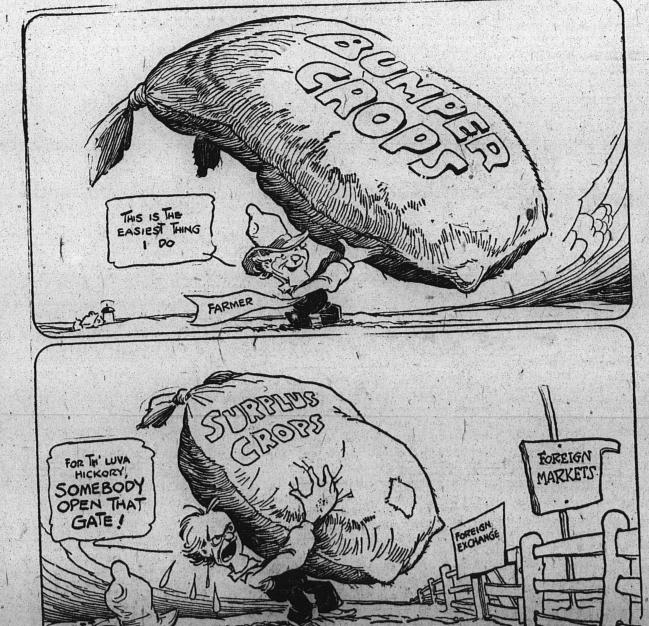
One of the largest cooperative creamery organizations in the United States, with 1,000 patrons scattered over a territory that is fifty miles wire and one hundred miles long, is the achievement of the Danish Creamery Association in Fresno, California, organized in 1895. Twenty-five trucks are required to haul the cream to the two plants. More than 8,000 pounds of butter are made daily, on which the co-operators realize \$30,000 a year in profits which they divide up accoraing to good co-operative principles.

The Danish Cneamery Association, in co-operation with six other co-opera tive creameries, has established a central selling agency in Los Angeles. During 1921, it sold 6,850,000 pounds of butter for over \$3,600,000. This was an increase of 10 per cent in the qua tity handled in 1920 and made possible a decrease in the cost of selling from from 1.8 cents a pound to 1.5 cents in

From one end of the country to the other, from New York to California, such producers' organizations as the New York Dairymen's League Co-Operative Association and the Danish Creamery Association of Fresno, California, are making remarkable strides in emancipating the consumers of the ountry from the exploitations of pro-it making middlemen and in winning or the producers a fairer return for heir labor.

Whenever you send in-a change of address for your paper be sure to are failures; but I want to tell you hention your old address as well as

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On the other hand if you are not a out dividend checks to the amount of stock, and according to their by-laws have placed 10 per cent of all net profits for 1922 in the reserve fund for the protection of their business.

However, several men, who shipped investock to the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission during ion Live Stock Commission during for 1922 business by instructing that company to deduct \$1.00 from your patronage dividend as appeal dues. paid 8 per cent interest on capital However, several men who shipped livestock to the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission during 1922 have not yet received their dividend because they have not filled in and returned the application blank sent to the stock Commission.

Company to deduct \$1.00 from your patronage dividend as annual dues, to make you a member, and eligible under the provisions of the Packer and Stockyards Act to participate in the earnings of the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission.

of that firm's profits must be made in accordance with the bylaws of the company and in accordance with the United States ruling. (Packer and Stockwards Act. 1921) which says that Stockyards Act, 1921) which says that in order to participate in the profits of a corporation you must be a memof a corporation you must be a member of that corporation.

If you are eligible to become a tockholder in the Farmers Union Live would spend fifty cents per year in

Stock Commission under their by-laws, that is if you are a member of a state wide farmers organization in good standing, notify the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission of that the state organization would have additional funds for use in organizing new locals, and reviving old ones. act, mail them a check to cover cost of stock in that company or instruct them to deduct from your patronage dividend for that stock. In that case

19 per cent of all commissions paid during 1922. Besides this they have ganization in good standing, but have shipped livestock to the Farmers Un-

them by the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission, January 1, 1923.
Customers of the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission should bear in mind this fact; that the distribution of that firm's profits west be made to the status of its customers before it can act on this proposition. All that is necessary is to write them stating whether you are marker or not a mamber of a state

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SLACKERISM AT THE POLLS

The able bodied male citizen who evades military duty when his country is in peril is called a slacker. Patriots denounce him as a coward. He is shunned by all the good folks who pride themselves on their love of country and of duty. Mobs of exasperated neighbors daub yellow paint on his barns, houses and automobiles. He is an undesirable citizen and no one is at all mealy mouthed in telling him so.

The country is always in more peril in peace than in war. No nation eyer has much, trouble in getting plenty of fighting men to offer their lives in its service. There are many dangers now threateming the republic that are ten fold more menacing than any enemy that our country ever had in time of war. Cannon and warships are our defense in battle. The ballot is our weapon in times of peace. It is in the hands of every citizen but in times of real danger about one half of all voters

Last fall there was quite an exciting election. Nearly every one was more or less stirred up but when the issues were finally joined at the polls in November nearly one half the voters of Kansas were so busy, so indifferent, or so unpatriotic that they did not take the trouble to go to the polls and do their bit in the never ending war for human rights.

When the votes were all counted and the results in the several counties totaled it was found that Jonathan M. Davis had received 271,658 votes and that W. Y. Morgan got only 252,602. So Davis was elected. A great victory, nearly 20,000 majority the newspapers show. But what about the folks who stayed at home? There was a big lot of that sort of people. There were 983,547 qualified voters in Kansas on January first 1920 and certainly that many, probably a few thousand more in

November of 1922. It is hard to realize that after one of the most bitterly contested campaigns ever fought out by the two great contending parties in Kansas there were 459,287 voters who stayed at home. Were they republicans or democrats or were they just plain slackers unworthy of the privileges and opportunities of American citizenship? If the slackers had all gone to the polls and voted for Morgan he would have been elected by a majority of about 430,000. Or if that same bunch of political and civic loafers had all voted for Davis his majority would have been about 480,000.

Many good folks are worried about the dangerous elements in our citizenship. A lot of good men are afraid of the foreign born voters but there are only 100,000 of them in Kansas. They are outnumbered nearly nine to one and certainly cannot do much harm if the native Americans all get on the job. Other equally good people are alarmed over the activities of the Knights of Columbus but that order has not more than 20,000 members in Kansas. Then there are the timia souls who tremble with fright every time the Non Partisan League is mentioned. That association in its most prosperous days in Kansas never had 10,000 followers in this state. Organized labor scares quite a few but less than 30,000 Kansas voters are members of trades Unions. Organized agriculture keeps a few patriots awake at night wondering what will happen if the farmers fin-

ally get control of the government. If all the foreign voters, the Knights of Columbus, the Labor Unions, the organized farmers and the Ku Klux Klan should get together and vote one ticket solidly their combined strength would not enable them to elect a congressman, a sena tor or a governor in this state if all the other folks voted the other way. The slacker who stays at home on election day is the real enemy to free institutions. Is there any way to stir our loafers and shirkers up so that they will take the trouble to do some voting the next time we have an elec-

WHAT INFLUENCES LEGISLATION? Not very many bills have yet been enacted by the Kansas legislature, not more than a dozen in all up to this time. Not one of the bills that has become a law was asked for by any considerable number of people of the state. Not one tenth of the measures that will be enacted before adjournment have been asked for by any one outside the numbership of the two houses..

The bills that no one but members are interested in have no trouble in getting consideration. The bills that large groups of citizens desire to see enacted into laws are fought from start to finish. The amendments to the road laws, the cooperative banking bill, the bill to abolish the Industrial court, the bill to combine the industrial Count and the Utilities Commission, the bill to make it a misdemeanor for public officers to spend more than their appropriations, the bill to make the tax commission elective by converting it into an ex-officio body composed of the governor, the attorney general, and auditor of state and scores of other propositions backed by great groups of taxpayers and citizens have already been killed in community without consideration or must face determined opposition on the part of unfriendly forces in each house.

Is a member of the legislature a lawmaker on his own account or is he a representative of the real lawmakers, the taxpayers of Kansas?

BANKING IS A CLOSED SHOP

Nearly every banker in Kansas belongs to some organization, a bankers association, a chamber of commerce or some other association that is determined to impose the open shop on American industry. At the same time the bankers themselves are so compactly organized, are so strongly entrenched behind ramparts of legislation, judicial decisions, and convention that they have made their business a closed shop that is the admiration and the marvel of all those who believe in that particular type of monoply.

The farmers and the workingmen of Kansas are nxious to go into the banking business on the cooperative plan. They have heard of the great results of such enterprises in other countries. They need financial institutions of their own to serve their own needs, to give them a place for the accumulation of their small savings, to provide an investment for their own small surplus earnings. For ten years this wish on the part of the farmers and the wage workers of this state has been presented to the legislature and in each instance the bill providing for such organizations has been defeated.

This year the cooperative banking bill is again before the legislature for consideration. It is Senate Bill No. 27 by Senator Green of Elk and House Bill No. 108 by Representative Culp of McPherson. It is a good constructive measure. It provides safe guards for shareholders and depositors that cannot be established under any of the provisions of the existing banking laws. It should be passed without a single dissenting vote in either house.

Instead of receiving the treatment it deserves this bill has been referred to committees in each house that are made up largely of bankers who are determined to maintain their business as a closed shop, who are ready to do everything in their power to block this wholly reasonable and proper request that is being made by a very large proportion of the voters of Kansas. The House Committee on Banking is very likely to make an adverse report on the measure and the only way to get any consideration for it will be through the adoption of a minority report by the house of representatives. The Senate Committee on Banking probably will make no report on the bill unless it is ordered to do so by a majority vote of the

The voters who are interested in this bill must do something about it if they desire favorable action from the legislature at this time. Every Farmers Union and Trades Union local in the state should make its wishes known through petitions and letters to senators and representa-

CRAWFORD COUNTY ROADS

Crawford County has just completed twentyeight miles of hard surfaced roads. The greater portion of this new highway mileage is concrete construction but a few miles is of monolithic brick laid on a concrete base. Nowhere in the United States is there a letter road. The culverts and bridges, twenty-nine in number, are of cement or concrete. The grades are easy, none greater than two per cent. There are no dangerous curves. The whole mileage was built for about \$200,000 less than the engineers estimates. There appears to have been neither waste, incompetency, nor graft in this fine piece of road building.

Crawford county new has one hard surfaced road through the entire length of the county including about five miles of Pittsburg pavement. There are also several short lines connecting Girard and other towns with the main line. What has it cost the people already and how much will it take to pay the interest on the bonds and he roads completed is \$1,262,676. The government upkeep charges? The total cost to date for the aid already received or due on this construction is \$289,950. This leaves the net cost to the local taxpayers \$979,726 for the 28 miles of road or \$34,-991 or in round numbers \$35,000 a mile.

One half the local cost or \$17,000 is provided for by a county bond issue and county tax, one fourth or \$8,750 per mile falls on the townships through which the line passes, and the remaining one fourth or \$8,750 per mile on the lands within the benefit district. There are about 224 quarter sections in the entire benefit district to absorb the benefit district share of the construction bond which amounts to about \$1,100 per quarter section. Interest and safe provision for sinking fund requires an annual levy of about nine per cent so that the benefit district taxes alone for this improvement will amount to \$99.00 a year for each farm of 160 acres. To this of course must be added the county and township taxes for the same purpose and the annual levy to provide for maintenance. Probably the entire cost of the improvement is inside of an annual payment of one dollar an acre on the lands in the benefit district for a period of twenty years or a total of \$3,200 a quar-

The lands outside of the benefit district but within the townships through which the road runs must bear the next heaviest charge and all the lands witin the county as well as all other proper- tion.

ty must be taxed to pay the fifty per cent of the cost that is represented by county bonds. It is difficult to figure just how much this will increase the tax rate in the county but no trouble at all to learn that the total final cost of the road distributed over a period of twenty years will be \$3,-000,000 divided into twenty annual payments of \$150,000 each. This is a lot of money but it must not be forgotten that its expenditure has resulted in building about thirty miles of road that with reasonable care should last until the bonds are paid when another issue of about equal amount will be necessary for reconstruction. Also it must not be overlooked that by saddling themselves with an obligation of three millions of dollars the taxpayers of Crawford county have had the privilege of using almost one tenth of that amount of federal funds.

The road will not break any one up in all probability. It is within the resources of the taxpayers and they will meet their obligations. Of course this road is only a beginning, however, and others must be provided. The completed highway lies within six miles of the east line of the county except the Girard spur. Already plans are afoot for another road to run east and west from Pittsburg to the west line of the county and for gravelling the Jefferson highway from the Bourbon county line to Girard, Someone would better keep on the job of looking after these projects or one of these days Crawford county will have a tax bill equal to the combined income of all the farmers.

If every member of the organization will get just one new member this year for their local, The Farmers' Union will be so far out in front of all the other farm organizations that you will not be able to see it for the dust.

Whenever you find a good live local you will find that there are a considerable number of women's names on the roll. They are not content to sit idly by and let "George" do it but are always planning ahead to make the organization a place of instruction and amusement.

The members of the organization should be sending in their ads to the paper. This, is the time of the year to sell your eggs for hatching and to secure orders for baby chicks.

WOMEN IN UNION WORK

There were more women delegates and visitors at the Annual Convention last week than ever attended any other state meeting of our organization. They took part in the discussions and in the other work of the meeting. They missed no sessions. They were all in deadly earnest and each one was determined to do something and to learn how to do something more in the interest of our great program of organization, education, and cooperation.

The women delegates themselves decided against the organization of a separate incorporated and chartered womens' auxiliary. They went on record in favor of womens' clubs in connec tion with the locals with membership in such clubs conditioned on active membership in a regular Farmers Union Local.

Right now the big important thing to do is to get the wives of all dues paying members into the locals. This costs no money-only a little work which the men and women now in should be willing to do. There are thirty or forty thousand women in Kansas-wives and daughters of men members who are eligible for membership in the organization and who will come in if they are invited. Get them in right away. Just as soon as they are on the rolls something will start. The average women cannot tolerate doing nothing. She will insist that the Local get busy, that the men get to work and that they themselves have

duties in connection with the organization. Whenever a dozen or more women are members of a local they should form a "Union Farm Womens' Club." This Club will have its own special work to do. It will hold meetings frequently, perhaps weekly whether the Local meets or not. It will soon prove itself of so much value and interest that the wives, and daughters of farmers who are not Union men will want to get in. To get in they will see to it that their fathers, brothers and husbands qualify them for membership

by joining the Union and taking the obligation. This paper will soon print a model set of bylaws for such organizations and will also provide programs and directions for the work. Whenever the women get to working in the Locals and in their own clubs there will be renewed interest in the organization. No Local with twenty or more women members will be unprepared at the next annual Convention on account of lack of funds to pay a delegate's expenses. The women will work out a way to raise the money and when they do so no one can blame them if they elect one of their own number to go to Emporia.

Boy and Girl club members should send in stories of their endeavors. These will be published every week in The Kansas Union Farmer and should prove to be interesting to all readers as well as promoting the cause of co operation.

The Farmers Union Live Stock commission is planning to make the year 1923 the banner year of its existence. It is up to the members of the live stock shipping associations to help them realize this. It can be done if every shipping association will practice Coue and say "Every month we will ship more and more."

QUESTION FOR LOCAL DEBATE Do you have debates at the meetings of your

Local? If not you are overlooking one of the best ways in the world to develop and maintain interest. This question is suggested for discussion: Resolved, That all federal judges should be elected by the people.

If that one does not appeal to you try this: Resolved, That government participation in highway construction should be limited to building and maintaining interstate roads independent of the state governments and owned by the na-

Some Observations on the Kansas Legislature

Killing

peka. Too many bills are introduced, so many that the average member of senator is able to master the details of only a very small number and must be guided by the reports of the committees. To many bills are passed. A very considerable portion of the time of each legislature is taken up in repealing laws that were passed in pre-

Two years ago the senate used lot of time in framing, debating and finally passing a measure to divorce the Industrial court from the Public Utilities Commission. It is already evident that the same senators will use even more time this year in the debate over a proposition to remarry the institutions that were divorced after a fair trial in open court only two years

The Public Money

Is a very popular pastime all over the country. There is never any shortage of loyal and patriotic citizens willing and anxious to play that game. It is the theory that no public officer shall spend more money than the legislature appropriates for his use or the use of his department. In practice many departments and officers spend all the funds provided and then go on spending more with the almost certain assurance that there will be no serious objection to a deficiency appropriation to pay the debts against the taxpayers that have been piled up by officials spending funds not

yet provided for their use. Senator Gates of Stafford county does not like deficiency appropriations. He believes that a public officer, just like a private citizen, should live within the income provided for his use and that he should be punish-. ed if he runs the state in debt and asks for a deficiency appropriation. Gates introduced a bill making it a misdemeanor for any state officer to over spend his appropriation and pro-viding for the punishment of that misdemeanor, upon conviction, by forfelture of office and by a fine of double the amount of the deficiency creat-

Looks like a good bill but the Senate committee on State Affairs killed it and so prevented its consideration. The time will come when the members of that committee will be required to explain to the voters wny it is wrong to hold a public officer down to the spending of only as much money as the legislature has appropriated for his use.

May Be The Keystone

Of civilization. Many of the best people of the world believe it is. Human rights are also highly cherished. So far all bills except the soldier bonus, that have been enacted by the legislature deal with the safeguards for property and not one has the defense of human rights as its chief

It is an easy matter for a lawyer to get a statute changing the procedure of probating wills, of recording and validating titles, or of court practice. It seems to be impossible for a farmer or any group of farmers to make a fair start in securing legislation to provide for a fair distribution of grain cars among local elevators. The railroads are right on the job to protect their property from being interfered with in the interest of human rights and the millers are also there to aid and assist their allies in the fight to destroy cooperative elevators that have been established to promote agricultural prosperity and human happiness.

The Recall / . Constitutional Amendment Was adopted by the people of Kan-

sas quite a good while ago. So far the legislature has refused to enact any laws to make it possible for the voters to discharge an unfaithful, incompetent or dishonest county in the House of Representatives, presented a short workable bill to give life to the recall amendment.

the house but it was killed in the administration and set up over head ries in a sample of Kansas wheat.

constitution into effect.

\$60,000,000

For Paved Roads in Kansas Will be provided for if the bond issue bill presented by Senator Jonn his heart in hard surfaced roads accepted the responsibility of fathering the measure and it is now under comsideration by the Senate Committee

on Highways. The idea is to use the income from the automobile tax to pay the interest and provide for the sinking fund for such a bond issue. Probably enough money can be secured for sucu a purpose in that way. The roads would be built by the state and with out any interference or obstruction by the local or county authorities. So far no very strong sentiment in favor of the measure has developed in eitner house and no one would be very much surprised if the legislature should refuse, to authorize such a bond issue or to submit a constitutional amendment for such a purpose.

Debates In the Kansas Senate

Are always interesting. There are several men there who are able, eloquent and well informed and are will for consideration. The proposition to pose of discrediting the administraing to talk on any subject that is up authorize the State Business Manager to drill for oil or gas or both on the state property at Winfield started a real argument that lasted almost an

entire legislative day. The discussion brought out the facts that the state owned land at Winfield in what oil men call wild cat territory; that a producing well in that district is always about 2,300 feet deep; and that the state spends about \$25,000 a year down there for oil and gas for its own use in the school located at Winfield. Several Senators wanted to authorize the senate to lease the land to wild catters but that proposition was abandoned when some senator proved by the statutes that such authority already

existed. Several gentlemen who are known to hold rather strong opinions as to the evil effects of speculating in grain or gambling in other forms expressed themselves in favor of having the state take a flyer in oil propecting out of properties to the increase in with only the average wild catters chance of striking pay sand. The bill has not yet passed but a majority seems to be in favor of Kansas get. at a probable cost of at least \$25,000 seems to be in favor of Kansas get tng into the oil drilling business.

The School Code

Commissions Big Report Has been reduced to a single bill of many sections which has been introduced into the senate by Johnson they can find lodging, food, and of Brown and into the house by Walk- friends to endorse their claims for er of Norton. Senator Johnson asks consideration at the hands of the govthat the farmers and their representa- ernor. It is reported that there are tives in the legislature retrain from now 178 good republicans serving the opposition until they learn just what state as deputy grain inspectors. It

is proposed. The School Code Commission made up of able and thoughtful citizens of the state. Much time has been | Chief Inspector will not have any given to investigation, to the construction of the report and to framing the bills to enact the commissions recommendations into law. The school laws least five thousand democrats in the of Kansas are in a frightful mess. Something should be done to simplify willing but anxious to inspect wheat. and make more effective the provisions for public school education in this state. Especially is it necessary spection of the candidates for inspecthat something be done to provide the torships and other offices. It would country children of Kansas with equal educational opportunities.

Senator Johnson, who is the author and sponsor of the proposed legisla- hotel sheets. A man might oe well tion, is himself a farmer and has been a country school teacher. He says that he has eliminated every provision to bout the absolute necessity for navwhich the farmers can reasonably ob- ing fly screens on toilet room doors ject. If the commission , has done or the immense importance of sheets something that will give the farmers nine feet in length. county, leader of the minority party priving the tax payers of democratic the grand old and always unterrified supervision and control of those democratic party schools every one will wish it success. On the other hand if there are cover-Such a bill was surely entitled to ed up and camouflauged provisions rooms to the even more important consideration by all the members of that are intended to centralize school duty of counting up the bin burnt ber-

committee and so nine tenths of the boards and officers to exercize the representatives will go home without powers now lodged in the annual May very properly be regarded as ever having a chance to consider a school meeting the farmers are cerone of the best things done by the senators and representatives at Toto carry it into effect.

Manary Member of the House

Of Representatives from Morton county bought a pint of bootleg booze, drank himself into irresponsibility and a long time it seemed that the roads made a disturbance in a Topeka hotel. He was arrested, thrown into jail ther a senator or representative win- and taken into police court. Released ing to introduce such a measure put on bail after he had sobered up he Senator Gray who believes with an found that his escapade had furnished material for a lot of newspaper stories and that every one in three states knew all about his trouble. Unable to face the sympathy of his friends or the censure of others Manary shot himself and now lies in his grave

in a Wichita Cemetery.
On the first report of the incident the newspapers reported that the leaders of the house of representatives. were considering Manary's expulsion. That report probably caused the suicide. After the man was dead the legislature voted \$1.500 to pay his funeral expenses, adjourned for the funeral which was held in representative hall and sent five members to Wichita to attend the funeral. All of which raises the question as to whe ther a little charity in thought and action to men yet alive might not be much better than any posthumous

eulogies. The Topeka newspapers played a very sorry part in this unfortunate incident. The story was brutally written up and was given the widest possible publicity for the apparent purtion of Mayor Corwine who had just announced that he would be a candidate for reelection.

Visiting

The State Institutions By members of the two houses of the legislature has come to be a custom that appears to be sacred. Senators and representatives on this duty are kept away from their proper jobs at Topeka for varying lengths of time. They get some information about the schools, the prisons, and the charities of the state. They get acquainted with a lot of nice folks who love the old flag and want increased appropriations, and they return to Topeka fully prepared to act on the big appropriation bills_

Until the state evolves some better way of preparing and passing on the budgets of the institutions that it supports by taxes there will be an anout of proportion to the increase in

Office Seekers Crowd the Streets and Hotels

Of Topeka. They are underfoot anu overhead and everywhere else that is a good many but Kansas raises lots of wheat and it must all be graded. Governor Davis and Wilson, the new trouble in finding plenty of democrats to take the places of the 178 republicans now on the job. There are at state any one of whom is not only

So with other places. What the governor now needs is some sort of an inbe very unfortunate if some man anxious to grade grain should by mistake be appointed to inspect oil, gas, or qualified to determine the flash point of gasoline and not know a thing a-

children better schools without de- For the good of the state and of afford to assign any expert in tollet

Report of the annual meeting of the The meeting was called to order by President Art. Glessner. After the

routine business the following committee was appointed: Archie Wilson, Eldridge Shank, and John Vesecky. While the committee was working the following officers were elected: President, Arthur Glessner; vice-president, W. B. Romeiser, secretary; John Vesecky; room man, Mark Harmon; treasurer, Herman Timken; doorkeeper, M. Daniel; delegate to state convention, Art. Glessner. Executive ing to feed the physical man, with hot committee: W. B. Romeiser, M. O. weinie sandwitches and coffee and Glessner, Alex R. Wilson. After the election of officers the

following resolutions were adopted: We, as farmers of Rush county, haps some state speaker. Kansas, and delegates to the Rush county Union of F. E. & C. U. are cpposed to the present law in regards to the County Agent system, under which payers, and we demand that the law sand tons of capitalist daily propa-be changed so that it will require a ganda sheets. majority vote of the tax payers to 1:1augurate it in a county, and that it may be abolished by such a majority

We are in favor of the passageof work.

the King-Norbeck bill providing for OF RUSH COUNTY the financing of Farmers' Co-operative Marketing associations. We favor the appeal of the present

Rush county Union of the F. E. & C. hard surface road laws and demand U. held at LaCrosse, Kansas, January that the entire supervision of the roads in each county be left to the board of county commissioners, and that the auto license money be left in the county in which it is collected. On motion it was decided to hold a series of open meetings over the county during the year. The first meeting is to be held at Timken on Thursday evening, January 25. The Timken brothers wish to invite all who are interested in farming and especially brothers and their families from other locals. They are expect-

recitations, music, speeches, and per-MENTAL FOOD

other good things. While for the men-

tal food they will have some songs,

An ounce of organization is of more a minority can vote taxes on the tax- value to the producers than a thou-

> If the producers wish to be free they must join hands with all honest tailers and force the parisites to go to

The one-acre farmer produces more gold_values than Andy Mellen, or J. D. Rottenfellor.

The medium for mental enslavement is a diploma in theology.

If we put the profiteer at useful la or poverty would vamoos.

If you farmers would like a nice, sweet, juicy slice of Mellen (melon), call on Wall street's secretary of the treasury.

The O. B. M. of the producers of the U.S. A. is the royal road to pros-

Law up to date is the creation of and by the rule of gold, the breath of life has been breathed into the nostrils by the dominant profittering clan.

-A Rube Member, Local 261, Corinth.

WHO WANTS A JOB Wanted—A Real Rough Guy— "I want a cow-hand who knows cows, not under thirty-five years old nor over fifty. One who smokes, drinks, swears, tells the truth and hates sheep herders,—Classified Ad. in the Ajo (Arizona) Copper News.

USE UNION WANT ADS

KANSAS CITY HAY MARKET Prairie has shown a decided streng-thening with a good demand for the

No. 1 grade, with quotations 50 cents

to a dollar higher than January 30.

Alfalfa has been weaker with quota-

tions from 50 cents to a dollar low-

er. All other quotations are unchang-

Receipts this week were 127 cars of Prairie; 420 cars of Alfalfa; 51 cars

705 cars a week ago and 532 cars a

Nominal Quotations Jan. 27, 1923.

give us a much better market.

year ago.

PRAIRIE: No. 1 \$12,50-14.00.

ALFALFA:

No. 2. \$11.00-12.00. No. 3. \$9.00-10.00.

Sel. Dairy \$26.00-28.50.

No. 2. \$9.50-12.50.

R. Y. Prigmore, Hay Salesman.

BUSINESS CHANCES

ELEVATOR FOR SALE

Good roomy building, modern equipment, situated on own ground. Good business, good locality. Will receive sealed bids up to February 15, 1923, at 12 M, when bids will be opened. Right reserved to reject any or all bids. Farmers Union Co-operative Ass'n. R. E. Mauler, Manager, Olmitz, Kansas.

The Farmers Union Elevator Company is now open for bids. If you want an elevator in a good agricultural place, call and look this one over. The Farmers Union Elevator Company, Stark, Kansas. 26

YOUR HOROSCOPE-SCIENTIFIC ANALysis, showing suitable occupation, affinity etc., if life seems uncertain, write; questions answered free; send 25 cents, birth date. St. Germain Society, Dept. 18, Sharpsburg, Pa. 27*

IF YOU WISH A WEALTHY YOUNG wife, write, enclosing envelope. Violet Ray, Dennison, Ohio.

WOULD YOU WRITE A WEALTHY PRETTY girl? Stamped envelope please. Lois Sprouk Cleveland, Ohio.

SUDAN \$6.00

You Can Cure

PERSONAL

Packing \$7.00-8.50.

Boys' and Girls' Club News

CLUB WORK IS GROWING

The various states, organizations and individuals have supported Boys and Girls Work more and more every year since they came to know about it until their contributions are seven to ten times greater than those provided by the Federal Government. In of Agriculture expended \$12,000 and the states \$3,900, while in 1920-21 the Department expended only about \$10,-1000 and the States approximately

\$766,000 for club work. In 1921 the banks of the country loaned to the boys and girls approximately \$1,750,-000 and business and educational organizations contributed nearly \$300,-000 in prizes to encourage the work and focus the attention of the communities on the value of these practical farm and home demonstrations conducted by the boys and girls.

In this connection the demonstrations given by the club members have a valuable and helpful influence upon the agricultural practices of the comficult to estimate. During 1920, club members gave 15,000 public demonstrates are longings for raice members gave 15,000 public demon-strations with an aggregate attend-things and "good times," looks to ance of 413,376 farmers and farm the poultry yard, the milk house, or wives, thereby serving their home the garden for her spending money. community by spreading the influence of the practices which they had been promoting in their homes or upon the

shels of potatoes per acre while the average for the same states for the same year for all potato production was 115 bushels thereby showing all farmers in those states with whom lost one more potential home and famthey came in contact how larger profits can be made. The difference of 64 bushels per acre applied to our 3,929,000 acres utilized for potato production in 1920, at the usual price per the United States Department of Aglars of wealth which could have been but was not produced.

THE INVESTMENT Boys and Girls club work costs the vestment which more than pays for things it will buy asserts itself and itself and bears a high rate of inter- home betterments and improved livest. In 1921, products worth more than ing conditions follow naturally. \$7,000,000 were produced by the boys and girls, and the cost of production was approximately \$4,500,000, which includes the actual cost of production plus the overhead or leadership. The United States Department of Agridership for 1920 was \$460,630 while 3,140 pounds of tomatoes on one-tenth being were it not for the Boys and

Girls Club work. In the northwest district alone, 263 with net returns of \$68.

Wheat Pool News

THE PLAN FOR SEASONAL POOLS

sociation has now in operation a ser-

the member who is financially press-

ed from a delay of many months be-

which could go into any one pool. Otherwise there would be danger of

total acreage close to the 650,000 mark

according to John Manley, secretary

of the organization. The total mem-

bership at present exceeds the 6,250

first year,"

and will be rewarded."

market glutting.-The Producer.

ies of seasonal pools.

beeves have been canned beside EACH YEAR corresponding amount of pork and chicken. In Yazoo county, Mississippi, 60,500 pounds of beef, pork and chicken have been canned, Hinds County reports one girl sending herself through high school on money from the sale of canning club products. Carroll County reports 1,000 cans of squabs put up during the year. In Lafayette County, we have an interesting example of the profit that can be made in cauning chicken over seli-ing them on foot. 13 cockerels that would have sold at 90 cents each were canned and they put up 33 cans at 80 cents per can. When figured up this is a profit of nearly 100 per cent more when sold in cans than when sold on

> VARIOUS WAYS FOR GIRLS TO EARN PIN MONEY

foot.

When a city girl feels the need of money-her own money, to pay for the things girls imagine they must have these days-she goes, to work in an office, a store, or a factory, according to her education and oppor-If her parents are the right kind, if they are intelligent enough to help her and encourage her in her work, she will soon establish herself as a home farms.

As an example of the influence that is brought to bear to improve the methods employed, boys and girls of methods employed, boys and girls of ents are not disposed to have such goings-on, and there is no home degree while the monetration of the monetration of the same as a semi-independent member of the family. If, as often happens, the parents are not disposed to have such goings-on, and there is no home degree of the monetration of the family. If, as often happens, the parents are not disposed to have such goings-on, and there is no home degree of the monetration of the family. extension work of any kind in the community the country girl goes 'to the city and the farming regions have

No doubt exists in the minds of men and women of large experience in the extension work carried on by bushel runs into the millions of dolriculture in co-operation with State omical appeal is the entering influence needed in getting their clubs or bureaus started in rural regions. Once the young people have learned a way nation nothing. Instead it is an in- to earn money the desire for the

Down in Arkansas a girls' canning club started a contest to determine which of the members could produce the most tomatoes at the least expense, and with the lowest percentage of waste. Annet Sargo, on the Mount Valley route, near Hot Springs, grew the value of the crops and products of an acre at a cost of \$31,40 and net was \$4,621,538. It is safe to assume returns of \$109. With the same exthat a large proportion of this wealth pense her sister, Fannie, grew 3,020 ave been brought into pounds and had a net return of \$107.-89. Ada R costing \$27.42, with a net return of \$76.66, and Ruby Waddell at Bonnerville, had 3,070 pounds costing \$29.91,

> WOOL MEN COMMEND 1922 POOL RESULTS

The directors of the Pacific Cooperative Wool Growers have expressed themselves as highly satisfied with the results of the year's business. The association has handled a pool valued at \$400,000 and prices received by There is an increasing sentiment members have been several cents per pound above the prices obtainable outto establish seasonal pools for coopside the association at shearing time. erative marketing of commodities hav-The association consists of 2,200 ing lengthy sales periods. Several of the older California associations have wool and mohair growers residing principally in Oregon, though with adopted the seasonal pool idea and considerable membership in Idaho, it seems likely that more than one of the wheat growers' associations Washington and California. will use it next year.

The Montana Wheat Growers' As-

FLORIDA GROWERS FORM ASSO. CIATION

sociation tested a spring pool last year and found it so successful that local cooperative marketing organization has been completed at Sum another one will be operated this sea-son. The Idaho Wheat Grower's asmerfield in the southern part of Marion county, Florida. It is known as the Summerfield Truck Growers' As-Washington and Oregon wheat Growers' boards of directors are consociation. Tomatoes will be the principal crop to be grown and marketed. The association has awarded contract sidering the adoption of three seasonto Gentile and Hardee to handle its al pools of three months' duration each, with an all year pool which may tomatoes. A packing house 60x100 ft. will be rected at Summerfield and be selected if the grower chooses. A similar plan is contemplated by the approximately five hundred acres in tomatoes will be planted by the mem-Oregon Cooperative Hay Growers and other cooperative marketing above bers of the new association next gencies operating upon the contract

The packing house will be paid for The seasonal pool has a number of things in its favor. It would relieve the member who is financially pressganization. There will be a packing house representative who will be in fore the final settlement of his account. It would enable the associa- joint control of the packing house tions to handle a large amount of with a representative of Gentile and mortgaged wheat which is now get-

ting away. And, contrary to a some chTas The association's packing house what general belief, it would not comwill be the second tomatoe packing plicate the accounting work, nor add house to be erected at Summerfield. excessively to the costs of operation. Any arrangements for seasonal A new house was erected there last pools, however, should be safeguarded spring.

by power placed in the hands of directors of the associations to limit the CO-OPERATIVE WHEAT POOL proportion of the total production

TO INVADE CANADA Representatives of organized wheat producers of Canada who attended the conference of co-operative organizations held recently in Washington, OKLAHOMA WHEAT POOL GROWS

All records for the enrollment of new members since the organization formation of co-operative wheat marperiod were broken one day this week keting association. The Canadian plan, at the state office of the Oklahoma if put into effect, will follow substan-Wheat Growers' association when 65 new contracts, averaging 100 acres each, were secured. This brings the United States. each, were secured. This brings the

Aaron Sapiro, cooperative attorney, has made several addresses to important meetings of Canadian wheat preducers and it is expected that he will return in the spring to do additional work. Other leaders of the American with the progress made during the cooperative movement also have ap-Manley said. "They are peared before Canadian groweds to explain the method of cooperation used by the state marketing associations

pioneers in Oklahoma in the cooperative marketing of wheat and gradually and surely they are winning their battle. They have stuck admirably in this country. At present there is a large organization of Canadian wheat producers selling grain on a consignment basis.

not been able to accomplish all that buy the groceries and there will be some left for a few amusements. the members think might be attained, and the pooling movement is looked

to as the next step.

The Minneapolis headquarters of the Northwest Wheat Grwres Association were recently visited by a delegation from the Canadian organization who made the control of the control of

tion who made a careful study of the sales operations of the marketing agency. MARKET RICE COOPERATIVELY

Rice growers in Louisiana have or ganized themselves into the Louisiana Growers' Co-operative Association which will handle one million bags of rice for its members this season A cleaning mill with a capacity of 2,000 barrels a day has been leased and also a warehouse with a storage capacity of 150,000 bags. The mill will be operated exclusively for the members. The association makes a charge of 40c a barrel for milling rough rice and advances 60 per cent the value of the rice to its members.

Prices paid to Pacific coast farmers in 1921-22 were 95 per cent of prices paid to middle western farmers?

PRICES PAID TO PACIFIC COAST FARMERS DURING THE PRESENT SALES SEASON, FROM JULY 1, TO

Prices paid to Pacific coast farmers for wheat during the pre-war per-

paid to middle western farmers? Five to ten good milk cows on the farm will bring in a nice check every week and in all probability pay the running expenses of the ranch.

iod were only 88 per cent of prices

A flock of good hens will more than

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY

Whereas, Our Heavenly Father has seen fit to remove from our midst Brother Frank Schutz.

Be it resolved that, the members of Spence Local No. 991, extend to the bereaved family, our heartfelt sympathy in their hour of sorrow.

Be it further resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Kansas Union paper for publication, one to the bereaved family, and one to be recorded on the minutes of the local.

MRS. MINNIE KEMPER.

MRS. CHRISTINA MARTIN,

MISS MAMIE MARTIN.

Committee.

Whereas, Our Heavenly Father in his infinite wisdom has seen fit to remove from our midst. Brother H. R. Hurlburt, Therefore be it resolved that we, the members of Mayflower Local 287, extend to the bereaved family, ur sincere and heartfelt sympathy in this hour of sorrow. Be it further resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, and one to be spread upon the minutes of this local.

A. A. WILLIAM
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Committee.

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JOHN TROMBLE February 7-Whiting. W. C. LANSDON February 8—Burns. March 8-Osage County.

M. O. GLESSNER April 7-Strong City.

UNION MEETING NOTICES Notices of Farmers' Union meet ings will be printed under this head without charge. Secretaries should

To Local Secretaries And The Membership in General
We have the State Constitutions for 1922, "containing the Amend ments as adopted," ready for distribution at 5c per copy. C. E. Brasted, Secretary.

CRAWFORD COUNTY MEETINGS The regular meeting of the Craw-ford County Farmers' Union will be

A. C. BROWN, Co. Pres. AT GIRARD KANSAS

Girard Local No. 494 of the Farmers Union meets in Union Hall the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 7:30 p. m.

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

AT OSBORNE FEBURARY 7th. The regular monthly meeting of the Osborne County Farmers Union will be held at the Farmers Union Elevator in Osborne, on February 7th at

The report of the state meeting will be made at this time and also a general discussion of pending legislation. J. H. Pickens, County Secretary

UNION LOCAL NO. 2019 Regular meetings on the first and third Thursdays of each month, at

Blaine O'Connor, Sec.

AT ANTELOPE, FEBRUARY 6 Regular meeting of the Farmers Union of East Creek Local No. 1466 will with a real honest to God Union spirbe held in Antelope school house on Tuesday February, 6th. All members are urged to be present as we will the small word "I" only in thoughthear the report of the state meeting something like this, "I am going to and find out what the Farmers' Union attend every local meeting; I am gois doing. Meeting will be called to ing to pay my dues promptly, etc."

Philip Stenzel, Sec.

SPRING HILL LOCAL ENJOYS BEST YEAR OF ITS CAREER
There is one department of the Farmers Union work which is sadly neglected. We talk cooperation, but as a rule we judge our work along co-operative lines in dollars and cents. To have co-operation along financial lines, we must first work co-operative

ly in our locals. In the different locals the greatest interest may be manifested, but if each local keeps its light under a bushel, how are we to get, acquainted, to know each other better, or develop that fraternal spirit, which is so essentially necessary, if we ever hope to present a solid front to meet the

Your own paper which comes to you each week, has kindly offered a column to its members in order that they may tell their fellow members over the state of their work in individual locals. Personally I read these communications with interest and in conversation with members over the state, I find that they take as much interest in this column as . I do. Through this column let us tell what we are doing, exchange ideas and help bring aout the cooperative spirit

throughout the state. During the year just closed, Spring Hill Local No. 1784, of Johnson County has enjoyed the best year of its career. We have met twice each month. The first meeting of the month is strictly a business meeting. It is is strictly a business meeting, the second a social meeting. It is at this meeting that we get the most good

and more interest is manifested. At this meeting each month we have a debate on present day problems that are confronting Farmers Union members; such as different phases of the tax question: whether Topeka or Salina is the best place for the State the lights go on. Headquarters; hard surfaced roads; Muscle Shoals; School Code Commission etc. Also different members prepare papers on special subjects. All of this combined with music and readings, we have a well balanced program. It is surprising the interest that these programs have created. I lets. almost forgot to mention the refresh-

ing members. The principal event along this line to good feeding, systematic manageis held on New Yeads Day each year.

At this time we have an all day meeting with a basket dinner; installation of new officers and a good program. Our officials for the ensuing year are G. O. Stuckey, president; Chas. A. Bullis, vice-president; A. A. Smiser, Sec-Treasurer; Rosa Clinton, conductor: Frank Taylor, doorkeeper.

For our success the past year, es-

our full support and when the present year comes to a close, we will have ing. An excellent program was given the best attended local in the state and every one seemed to enjoy them-

State speakers will be present and the cause of the order "Co-operation." the cause of the order "Co-operation."

dicated below Requests for speak.

NEMAHA COUNTY UNION

CLOSES SUCCESSFUL YEAR Editor Kansas Union Farmer: Nemaha County Farmers Union No. 38 closed a very successful year at the recent annual meeting. According to the records at this office we Although 247 are delinquent,

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\$13.00; current dues \$109.99. Cash balars a great while that all of the farmers are over from last year \$49.76 makes a great while that all of the farmers are over from last year \$49.76 makes a great while that all of the farmers again.

It was also moved and carried, to will see the light and get on the banding a total of \$185.55. Paid out during wagon and the good ship Co-operation wagon wagon are wagon and the good ship Co-operation wagon wagon and the good ship Co-operation wagon wagon and the good ship Co-operation wagon wago

In spite of the fact that the promised speaker from the State Lecture Bureau failed to arrive the meeting was a great success and Mrs. Alice Wil- DERRY LOCAL HAS OYSTER liams did the lecture job up in fine shape. A very large crowd was in attendance and everyone seemed pleas-

Topeka with the exception of the secretary, Secretary-Treasurer. The Nemaha County Farmers Union should forge to the front. In regard to the secretary, will state that if he does not get caught in a reef, he will be on hand to give warning, especial-

luy at dues paying time. However, it is up to us to MonfE together, remember that the small word "I" stands for individualism and the big word "we" means collectively. so let us cooperate with our leaders and attend the meetings regularly. it is there we can discuss the things we want most. Let our State Leaders know that they are not talking to a hollow house. Let us get into the habit of "Thinking Union. Talking Union and acting as Union members

and then pronounce these resolutions with the big word "we." We are in

action to win. Joel Strahm, Co. Sec.-Treas.

FILLING THE WINTER EGG BASKET A great many inquiries come to me

asking to what I contribute my success in egg production. I am taking this means as an answer, having in thought what was good for one was good for all. Interested.

In the first place one must have good laying hens then proper care. This is essential regardless of Breed of poultry. Remember, a well is a well, but if a well contains no water you cannot draw any water from it." The same is true of a hen, no amount of care that you may employ to the henerey, if the hens are not good lay-

ing hens vou cannot expect satisfac tory results. Our hen house is conveniently arranged and equipped with a drymash hopper or self feeder. Electric lights and a water system furnishing fresh water at all times. The hopper is supplied with a dry mash consisting of 2 parts corn meal, 2 parts wheat bran, 2 parts shorts, 1 part alfalfa meat and 1 part commercial meat scraps. To

this mash the hens go at will. At 3:30 a. m. the lights are turned on automatically by means of a time clock. At 10 a. m. the hens are given some stock beets stuck on nails projecting from a post, also a wet mash consisting of 2 parts of the dry masn, 2 parts corn meal and 1 part meat scraps and feed in a trough. If the weather is nice the hens are given

free range for the day. At 4.p. m. the hens are given shell ed corn or Kaffir corn. At six p. m. or after the hens have gone to roost, 2 parts oats and 1 part wheat is scattered on the litter for the hens to work on in the early morning when

This system is followed out day after day with the regularity of a clock. We are aiming to give the hens a spring time environment with about 13 hours of daylight to work on. Our flock of pure R. C. R. I. Reds

consists of 30 old hens and 200 pul-In November we gathered 90 dozen ments which are always a success eggs, in December 260 dozen. In Janfrom the view point of the dues pay- uary up to Jan. 21, 217 dozen. We contribute our success for winter eggs

Sabetha, Kans.

OWSLEY LOCAL IS WORKING FOR NEW MEMBERS Owsley local No. 2004 in order to hatches chicks. pecial credit must be given to our feature of their work. The first work in a cool place. out-going officers. President C. C. of the committee was to plan a drive 4. You must respect to the committee was to plan a drive 4. You must respect to the committee was to plan a drive 4. Robinson and D. W. Chaney, secre- to take in the entire county. On Jan-Robinson and D. W. Change, seed are of Scandina-tary-treasurer. Through their untiring uary 18th the committee invited all 5. You must provide clean quarters vian descent, according to Prof. B. H. efforts interest was created in the friends and neighbors of the memand nests and thus keep the eggs Hibbard, of the agricultural economic process of the memand of the eggs Hibbard, of the agricultural economic process. etings and dues collected in full. bers to participate in a feed and pro- clean. To our new officers we have pledged gram given by the local. Four new members were secured at this meet-

We are doing our very best in this bers. Our officers are very prompt in DO YOU? their attendance, but we need more members. Outsiders do not seen to realize the benefits gained from be-

ing a member but those that are members would not let our local die for ing to the records at this office we have thirty-one locals in good stand:

Although we are growing in numerate to attend the Union convention bers every year but not as fast as at Topeka the 16th, 17th and 18th of ing and two delinquent, with a total we would like to see. The fact of the this month. membership of 1,134, divided as fol- matter is we farmers have been picklows: 803 male members and 331 fee ed so close financially the past few but interesting program was rendered. male members. Of the male members years, some seem to think that we A short and very comical play put on During the year 1922 we collected I do hope that I will live to see the joyed by everyone. Thanks, come as back dues \$12.80; iniation fees day and I believe that I will before again.

Mrs. Emma Hanes, Cor. Sec.

for the ensuing year: G. W. Cashman, spent for the hunt, and succeeded in gram. president; Tom Root, vice-president; setting four hundred rabbits, \$38.50. Joel Strahm, secretary-Treasurer; The net proceeds of rabbits sold was Mrs. Alice Williams, lecturer and or turned over to the Secretary-Treasurganizer; Peter Bieri, conductor; Hare er to be used to pay for the Oyster vey Strahm, doorkeeper. A. A. Rokey, supper. The refreshments served sevmembers of the executive committee. celery, pickles, cakes, butter, cream, the purpose of ascertaining if the Mrs. Alice M. Williams was elected and coffee. After about 175 people had rules, at present effective in order of as delegate to the State Meeting at been served still had soup to spare the Public Utilities Commission in and some crackers which were sold Docket No. 3630, are just and equit-With these officers in command, the proceeds \$4.00 turned over to the able or should be modified. -Docket

T. A. Engelhardt, Sec.-Treas.

OPPOSES SCHOOL CODE COMMIS. this Commission as follows: SION

Editor Kansas Union Farmer: We, the members of Mt. Zion Farmers Union local discussed the "School Code Commission" and the local was bitterly opposed to the government having anything to do with the country schools. Hope other locals will respond the same.

Velma Badders, Sec.-Treas.

AT UNION LOCAL The membership contest at Union Local No. 2019 closed on January 18th for the local. An interesting program was given and refreshments of oys-Let us get into the habit of using was given and coffee were served. Everyone reported a good time. Blaine O'Connor, Sec.

> WANTS AMERICAN FLAG SOLD BY THE GOVERNMENT

The following resolution was adopted at a recent meeting of Battle Creek Local No. 122 and request made that same be published in the Kansas Un-

"Resolved that the American flag manufactured and disposed of by the Government.'

Walter Harder, Sec. NESS COUNTY UNION ADOPTS RE-SOLUTIONS

Dear sirs:-Your petitioners, the farmers of the county of Ness, State of Kansas would respectfully represent that the farmers of this county ask that you use your influence to have enacted a law that will guarantee the farmers a price for their products in comparison with the prices they are compelled to pay for other commodities which are necessities in

producing their products. And that a law be enacted raising portion with the prices received by railroads and other corporations for their services or products. And that state road laws be abol-

ished and that the money now or hand now accumulated from this law be refunded to the respective counties and townships from which it was received that the said counties and townships be allowed to use this mon- 1944. ey to build and maintain their own And that a law be passed authoriz-

in our own state. We also petition you to use your influence for the reduction of state taxes as far as would be consistent with good government and not hinder in any way the inforcement of our

And also ask that you work for an ar endment to our constitution prohibiting the use of any tax exempt se-We believe there should be an ex- WISCONSIN FARMERS

tension of credit and not more credit. We want a law to settle differences between employer and employee without strikes. Respectfully submitted,

Fred Yost, C. Smith. Committee.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS OF 100 PER CENT EGGS You must not keep male birds

with laying hens after June 1st. for heat coupled with fertile eggs

6. You must not sell eggs from Wisconsin. "stolen nests." 7. You must not wash eggs.

8. You should consume all small and

liberal feeding and good rations to produce good, targe eggs. 10. Lastly, you must not sell home manufacturing end of the industry in preserved eggs or eggs candled from which Wisconsin produces three- kets demand, these commodities are

local to keep up the interest and in the incubator.

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COLUMBIA LOCAL

HOLDS REGULAR MEETING Columbia Local met January 13 and opened in regular form by the president. R. L. Walker was elected del-

After the business meeting, a short will not be able to do anything, but by the young folks was greatly en-

hold our meetings at Cargy school house, half of the time, it being a of the members to meet. This shows that we believe in "Doing unto others as we would wish to be done by," that is the object of the Union. The farmer wants only what justly belongs to SUPPER AND RABBIT HUNT him. There is only one way to have Derry Local No. 1915, F. E. and C. a good Union and that is for every-U, of A. had a successful rabbit huns. one to take part and work. Let every ed. In fact this was one of the best The first drive resulted 'n getting 270 member feel it his duty to attend the meetings we have ever held in Nema rabbits and after the drive finished meetings, give our officers elected, ford County Farmers Union will be held on the last Tuesday of each month throughout the syear except when this date falls on a Legal Holiwhen this date falls on a Legal HoliThe following officers result in Nemas rapputs and after the drive finished at the noon hour. The Ladies Club also the committees appointed, your level method to the sportsmen, and lovel falls on a Legal HoliThe following officers result in Nemas rapputs and after the drive finished at the noon hour. The Ladies Club also the committees appointed, your lovel falls on a Legal HoliThe following officers result in Nemas rapputs and after the drive finished at the noon hour. The Ladies Club also the committees appointed, your lovel falls on a Legal HoliThe following officers result in Nemas rapputs and after the drive finished at the noon hour. The Ladies Club also the committees appointed, your lovel falls of the committees appointed and the interest in the Union work after dinner they were two more

-Mrs. A. J. Powell, Cor.-Sec.

GRAIN CAR HEARING

Further hearings on the above entitled proceeding will be held before Dodge City, February 19th 9:00 a.

Court House. Hutchinson, February 20th 9:00 a. m. Chamber of Commerce. Yours very truly, R. C. Dillinger, Secretary.

ODESSA LOCAL DEMANDS CHANGE IN CHICKEN LAW

Following are resolutions adopted by our Local: with a substantial gain in membership chickens in daylight, and, whereas, asked to pass laws or acts that will and must at all times keep in mind make stealing chickens in daylight as the character of the constituency as stealing chickens at

night, and a like penalty added. -D. R. Shields. Secretary, Odessa Local, 1571, Win-

field, Kansas, R. R. 4. WEST CORNING LOCAL NO. 438 Saturday night, January 13, our Loeal met and had the regular routing of business and installation of officers. After the meeting we had a big feed of oysters and crackers. About 50 people were present at supper time. To our Senators and Representa- We would like to have meetings of

this kind oftener.

-Laura Anderson, Sec._Treas.

LIBERTY LOCAL WILL DEBATE Liberty Local, No. 1988, of the Farmers' Union held their regular meeting January 15. After the business session a lively program was enjoyed, after which refreshments were served to more than sixty. The men were appointed to serve refreshments and have a debate at our next meetthe prices of farm products in pro- ing, while the ladies enjoy the well earned rest and entertainment. The subject for debate is: "Resolved that the wheat pool is the most successful way of controlling prices."

PRAIRIE HILL LOCAL DEBATES BAZAAR DELEGATION On January 13 an interesting meeting occurred at Prairie Hill Local, No.

Our neighbor local at Bazaar sent roads and highways in their own dis-tricts. a delegation over to debate with our Local orators. The question: "Resolved that the Industrial Court should ing and protecting co-operative bank- be abolished." Bazaar had the negative side of the

question and won it but-"Prairie Hill convinced against her

Remains of the same opinion still." America, sung by the crowd, and a few stories and readings, followed by refreshments of pie and coffee, completed a very pleasant evening.

MAKE SUCCESS OF CO. OPERATIVE MARKETS

MADISON, Wis., Jan. 10 .- Wisconsin farmers are solving their marketing problems through one of the largest systems of co-operative associaions in the country.

\$60,000,000 a year, done through co- bring fairly remunerative prices. operatives, which are operating successfully in fourteen different prices paid by the consumer in many branches of form activities, is knock instances, are exhorbitant. But under

3. You must gather your eggs twice that the organizations have been e- paid by the consumer. Just how to ad-

ives are a matter of governmental cause they neglected to inform them-

9. You must not feed skimpy and olicy improper rations. The hen requires In Cheese and Livestock. About 800 of the two thousand cheese factories that make up the growers produce a much larger crop fourths of the nation's 'supply of held over in cold storage, waiting the

COSTS Cooperative enterprise as a solution for present unwholesome conditions in business and industrial life as well bution can give any relief. Organizaas among agricultural producers, omes in for its full share of atten- ance. tion in the report of the congressional commission on agricultural inquiry

receive the "tmost encouragement om state and national governments. "The commission is convinced that the problem of distribution is one of the most important before the American people, and that only through its solution can there be an equitable achievement among agriculture, industry, transportation, labor, finance and commerce," says the report.

It goes on to declare that it now costs more to distribute and serve than it does actually to produce the things the American public consumes. The commission does not hesitate in the endorsement of cooperation as the following quotations show: Marketing Groups

Benefit All "With the development of cooperative marketing organizations, production becomes more uniform and better standardized with benefit to the producers, distributors and consumers. The federal government has recog-In the matter of a hearing relative nized the economic value or agricul-John J. Aziere and Earl Spring as en gallons of fresh oysters, crackers, to the distribution of grain cars for tural producers' organization for the purpose of cooperatively producing, preparing and marketing products by removing the limitations which have previously retarded the full develop-

ment of such organizations. "The state and federal governments should affirmatively promote and encourage cooperative enterprise. Both state and federal governments should enact the necessary legislation to assure cooperative associations against unfair discriminations and to insure such associations aganst unfar prac-

Good Management Is Imperative "There is no inherent virtue in cooperation which will make a cooperative organization successful without the application of the sound principles necessary to the success of pri-Whereas, the present laws do not; vate agencies. To succeed, a cooperadeal stern enough with the stealing of tive organization must have competent management, experienced and we, the members of Odessa Local, skilled in the technique of the busi-1571, have and are losing our chick- ness in which the cooperative assocens almost daily by the thief route, lation engages. In addition, the manand, whereas, so far we have been agement must be thoroughly in symunable to get convictions. Be it there- pathy with the idea of industrial defore resolved, that the legislature be mocracy of cooperative organizations

which it represents. "The solution of the farmers' distributive problem does not lie directly in legislation, but rather in the creation of economic agencies controlled by him for the sorting handling and listributing of his crop."

ORGANIZATION NECESSARY TO SUCCESS IN MARKETING

It is not the producer alone who is interested in the marketing of farm products. It affects everyone. It is indeed the most vexing problem confronting the American people today. The producers of farm products are not so much concerned about the prices which the consume pay as they are about the prices they receive. They recognize that the middle man is a potent factor in distribution. They recognize too, that the prices paid by the consumer is all out of proportion to the prices received by the producer.

A system of marketing that will increase the selling prices to the producer without increasing the purchasing price to the consumer would be an ideal system of marketing and one which would encourage both production and consumption. We admit that it is a difficult problem, the adjustment of which will require our mest thought and energy.

There are three, potent factors which always enter into the question of marketing. These are: Supply, Demand and Distribution. None of these factors are governed by caprice. In years of prosperity and plenty, demand increases. To supply these demands promptly, distribution must cut an important part.

Proper distribution of farm products depends largely on organizations and information and promptness of transportation companies to supply equipment for transporting farm products to the markets. There can be no successful distribution of manufactudred or farm products without organization. It is the basis upon which all marketing plans rest. Without it all is confusion and chaos. As the consumer is as much af-

fected by the prices the producer receive for their products as the producers themselves, they should co-op- R erate with the producers in perfecting co-operative organizations which The middleman is beginning to take will enable them to distribute their the count. An annual business of produce in such a manner as will C

2. Honor the sun in hot weather, high him for successive rows of goals. the present system of marketing and or heat coupled with fertile eggs. Success of the Badger co-operatives distribution, the producers do not re-Success of the Badger co-operatives distribution, the producers do not re-is due in a large degree to the facts ceive the benefit of the high prices pointed a committee to look after this daily in hot weather and store them volving through long development just the wrongs done both to the profesture of their work. The first work in a cool place.

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A Von must market eggs twice that the organizations have been e-paid by the consumer. Just how to add the profession of their work. The first work in a cool place. 4. You must market eggs at least in, and to the fact that many of the in the marketing problem which puz- R twice per week in warm weather. I rmers of the state are of Scandina- zles those who have given long and 5. You must provide clean quarters vian descent, according to Prof. B. H. serious thought to this burning economic question.

The producers of perishable farm C Wisconsin.

The Scandinavians' success are due to long experience in their mother country, where agricultural co-opera-

selves concerning the supply of some commodity they were producing. For illustration: When the Northern truck of cabbage or potatoes than the marand about the time these crops are ready to move from our Texas farms, COOPERATORS CUT MARKETING the holdover products are dumped on the markets at prices less than the Texas farmer can produce them. In cases like this, no scheme of distrition alone can prevent their occur-

The farmer should study the question of supply and demand and avoid which has finally been made public in the possibilities of loss resulting from full. The commission believes that too great production of any given procooperation among producers should ducts-Farmers Union Messenger.

> With Toms selling at \$7 to \$10 per head and hens \$5 to \$8 there should be a source of revenue for every farm in the state that would help pay the

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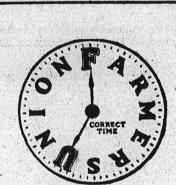
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