

SALINA, KANSAS, THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 1940

Royalty Members

Co-op Conference in Session Today at State College

Farmers Union People Have Prominent Part on Program at Manhattan

The Cooperative Conference at Kansas State College, Manhattan, is being held today and tomorrow, April 18 and 19, sponsored by the Kansas Farmers Union and other farm organizations, cooperatives in Kansas, and Kansas State College.

The Conference begins at 2 p. m., in Room 232, West Agricultural building, wiht C. C. Cogswell, Master of the Kansas State Grange, presiding. The afternoon session will be devoted to a panel discussion of current problems of cooperation under the direction of V. M. Rucker, secretary of the Wichita Bank for Cooperatives, and George Montgomery, Kansas State College. W. G. Bernhardt, general mana-

ger of the Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Company, Kansas City, H. E. Witham, general manager of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association, Kansas City, and T. E. Hall, head of the membership department of the same Farmers Union organization, will represent the Farmers Union on the panel discussion.

J. P. Fengel, president of the Kan-sas Farmers Union, will preside at the Friday morning session, and Mrs. Henry Sinner, Farmers Union woman from Harvard, Nebr., who drew so much favorable comment from her speech at the last National Farmers Union convention, will be the first speaker of the Friday morning program. She has chosen for her speech subject, "The Potency of Co-operation."

J. E. Wells, Jr., deputy Cooperative Bank Commissioner, Farm Credit Administration, Washington, D. C. will be the banquet speaker Thurs day evening, Wareham Hotel. There is a charge of 85 cents a plate to the banquet. Ralph Snyder, president of the Wichita Bank for Cooperatives will be toastmaster.

On the Friday morning program, in addition to Mrs. Sinner, Mr. Wells will again make an address, and Roy Bender, secretary of the Farmers Co-operative Grain Dealers association of Oklahoma, Enid, will discuss "Oklahoma Cooperative Council."

In addition to the Farmers Union representation on the panel Thurs-day afternoon are the following:

Howard Cowden, Merlin Miller, and Glenn Fox of Consumers Cooperative Association; Harold Hansen, Axel Myerton, and B. W. Roepke of the cooperative creameries; Otto Pecha of the Equity Union; H. C. Morton of the Farmers Cooperative Commission

the following, and others:

Should a cooperative business organization require that each of its definition the system is not a cooperative" plan solve the member-

some other form of financial participation desirable in all types of co- fore, according to all business pracoperative business organizations?

mendation made by President Roose-velt, April 11, is followed.

place Sunday, April 14.

Couldn't Take Chances A Judge, failing to be reelected. was made cashier of a local bank. A man presented a check to be cashed "Don't know you," greeted the

The customer produced a credit card and a lot of letters addressed to "Not sufficient identity," said the

new cashier.

cashier, pushing the check back, "Why, Judge," protested the man, "I've known you to hang a man on less evidence than that.' "That may be," said the judge, "but when you're paying out money you have to be careful."

Rattle-Brained

difficult. As they were nearing the

"Is this Wembly?"

That Explains It

"Where did you get all that mon-"Borrowed it from Wilson." "But I thought he was pretty tight." | follows: he was."-Philadelphia Bulle-

The Democrats want the farmer to



Farmers Union Fights for **Debt Adjustment Legislation**

Wheeler-Jones Farm Bill is Defended in Strong Argument by the Nat'l F. U. Leaders in Washington, D. C.—Discuss Farm Credit Administration

The Farmers Union is fighting for the Wheeler-Jones Farm company, the Shields well, drilled by the Continental company, and rated at 511 barrels. The division order is Debt-Adjustment bill. In Washington, D. C., a representation of Royalty company expects income Farmers Union leaders under the leadership of M. W. Thatcher, chairman of the National Farmers Union legislative committee der is used by the party buying the issued a statement entitled "Debunking the charges relative to oil that payments may be made to the destruction of the Farm Credit Administration.

Homer Terpening, vice presi- be based refinancing and debt adddent of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association, is one of the signers of the statement, is accomplished under the provisions of Section 12-B, which determines the amount of mortgage reduction, if bers of Congress.

The statement read: The statement read:
The bunk so far presented in criticism of the Wheeler Jones Farm Debt
Adjustment Bill boils down to five main questions.

The statement read:

(e) Paragraph 4 of Section 12-A and Paragraph 6 of Section 12-C provide fully adequate protection for

As a large group of representatives of farmers in 21 states, which states of bad faith on the part of farmers. are located in 9 of 12 Land Bank (f) Section 16, which prohibits fore-Districts, we have carefully studied closures and deficiency judgements the statements in opposition to the contains exceptions which very adebill. We, the undersigned, represent quately protect the interests of the farm organizations and farmers' co- system. operative institutions serving appro-free of all liens and encumbrances

ximately 350,000 farm families.

Speaking in behalf of those fami-De Farmers Cooperative Commission of the Federal Farm of those family of the Federal Farm of the Federal F nd others. Capper-Volstedt Act, passed by Con-Topics for discussion will include gress February 18, 1922, defined a members belong to a general farm farmers' cooperative, as it is neither

organization? Will the "100 per cent farmer-owned nor farmer-controlled. (a) It is not farmer-owned. A study ship problem of cooperative eleva- of the present set-up reveals that the farmers own less than one-sixth of the present capital stock of the four Does "going on a cash basis" result in loss of business sufficient to re- units comprising Farm Credit Adduce the net earnings at the end of ministration. The farmers own \$131,the year? Can cooperative livestock organizations solve the problem of owns \$877,269,877.00. It is admitted that losses that should be marked off What are the possibilities of co- at this time are approximately \$300,operative cold-storage lockers in 000,000. This is more than twice the capital stock owned by the farmerborrowers in the four units. Theretices, the system is insolvent.

(b) It is not farm-controlled, as the farmers do not elect a majority of the The Food and Drug Administra- Board of Directors who formulate the tion would be transferred from the federal security agency under the direct control of the United States Public Health Service, if the recom- in the selection of their local boards of directors and local secretary-treasurers, since the parent units demand a voice in the selection of these of-Ellsworth-Miss Roberta Webb, ficers on the theory they are subcounty junior leader of the Ellsworth sidizing the local organization. For Union, became Mrs. Hubert example: The local association has Voeltz, R. F. D. 1. The wedding took but little or no voice in fixing sale values of farms foreclosed, yet losses sustained are charged back to the

entralize authority and lessen farmer control? The Wheeler-Jones Bill does not centralize authority and does not lessen Farmer Control, for the fol-

lowing reasons: (a) It retains all of the farmer participation now granted, through continuation of full power of the (b) It increases local authority by establishing debt adjustment commit-

farm loan associations. (c) By the authorized delegation of power contained in Section 8-A, the farm loan association or the Debt adjustment committee, whichever is Three slightly deaf men were mo- functioning, may itself determine the toring from the north to London purchase price of the refinanced farm in an old noisy car, and hearing was and make conveyance to the farmer. difficult. As they were nearing the (3) Would the bill result in "loose" "easy," or "unsound" credit? The purpose and effect of this bill will "No," replied the second, "this is be to create a sound farm credit hursday."

He urg produce, system has not operated produce, a large system. "So am I," put in the third. "Let's on a sound basis up to this time as stop and have one."

> (a) Any new loans made by the land banks will be made under the same procedure as herefofore. (b) Applicants for refinancing must

Find Interest in Oil Drilling Increases in Rooks County, Reports Manager G. E. Creitz Increased interest is apparent among members of the Farmers Un-ion Royalty Company with oil prod-uction on pooled land making new

development, according to G. E. Creitz, secretary-manager of the com-In Rooks county, six miles straight north of Codell, are two producing wells which are in the pool, known as the McClay wells. One is rated with potential of 1,900 barrels per day, the best in the vicinity. Both these wells were drilled by the Atlantic Refining company, and the oil is sold to the cooperative refinery at Phillips

Adjoining this eighty in the same section, both to the east and to the south, are eighties in the Royalty company pool on which offsets are being forced by an oil well in the southeast eighty.

An oil well is placed on every twenty acre plot in good oil locations,

and this is called "drilling a location out." J. H. Harvey, Tulsa, has drilled the one well on the eighty in the northeast, and is reported planning to drill the quarter out, which would mean seven more wells.

In Russell county, ten miles southwest of Bunker Hill is one producing well on land included in the Royalty from this well soon; the division orthe correct parties owning an interest in the land.

In Stafford county the Royalty company has interest in three producing wells, but income is held up at present in litigation. There is prospect for drilling on pooled land in Graham county with the block organized by R. W. Shields, Hastings, any, which is required to meet the maximum possible debt load which

Mr. Creitz is strongly in favor of the pool plan by which the Farmers Union Royalty company is organized. "It is the most sensible plan by which to handle mineral rights," he said. "It is not a get-rich-quick proposition at all, but a good sound method of handling mineral rights."

VISIT JOBBING ASS'N

Kansas State Students Make Cooper

Lester Ryon of the Producers Commission Association; R. J. Scott of the Sabetha Produce and Cold Storage Locker company; E. P. Mulligan, Gus Augustine, and Mark Abilgaard of the milk producers, J. C. Mohler of the State Board of Agriculture; of the State Board of Agriculture; that bunk—if necessary, we will follow this appraisal with one of the wilfull or negligent act of his own, students in the latter named class vistudents in the latter named class activities of the various cooperatives lows:

(4) Isn't existing legislation sufficient to take care of present and future farm credit needs? Existing Leg- its to the Milk Producers Marketing hattan; 80 at Magic, 15 miles south-Co., the Pure Milk Producers Associa- west; 60 at Briggs, 12 miles south; tion, Consumers Cooperative Asso- 70 Three Miles, 14 miles southwest; were delinquent—a total of 269,920 Live Stock Commission Co. as well west; 120 at Deep Creek, 7 miles (b) There is no legal method of land bank refinancing except expensive foreclosure, with resale to (c) There is no present legislation Farmers Union Terminal Elevator. to provide for the marketing of gov-ernment-guaranteed bonds that will Busset, Harold Fox, James Spears, Martin. permit interest savings to the gov- Wilber H. White, Keith Harrison, Lee

farmers.

W. Collinsworth, Allan Ayres, Edward Leland, Leonard Pike, Keith (d) There is no legislation that will Cowden, S. H. Homer, Kenneth Lelcontinue even 3½ per cent interest bert McCune, Boyd McCune, Albert rates beyond June 1940. Pratger, Farland Fansher, Alfred An-(e) There is no legislation that will derson, Joe Correll, Joe Winderlin, bring inflated farm debt in line with and C. H. Holm. productive farm value.

relieve the farmer of liability for the losses of other farmers, losses for Indian brave riding a pony. A heawhich neither the guarantor nor the vily burdened squaw walked beside

(5) Would achievement of "parity" "Why doesn't the squaw ride?" prices provide a solution for all farm asked the tourist. credit problems? No. It will not. "Ugh," said the Indian, "she got

(2) Does the Wheeler-Jones Bill South Brazil Cotton Cooperatives Develop Fine Marketing Efficiency

The cotton farmer in the United of green and yellow woven into the conditions settle down. If he is he should pay more attention to the factors which have made the cotton program a success in South Brazil. This statement is made by O. W. ees where there are no operating Herrmann, cotton expert of the Farm considerable time in Brazil making first-hand observations.

(f) There is no legislation that will

(Continued on page 4)

borrower are responsible.

A Real Credit Problem

islation has proven inadequate to

meet the Farmers' Credit needs.

farmers.

Dr. Herrmann pointed out many of the practices which will make South Brazil a youthful but vigorous contestant in the future race for the world cotton markets can be adopted to advantage by cotton farmers and their cooperatives in the United States. He urged cotton cooperatives to

produce, multiply and distribute planting seed of superior varieties evidenced in part by widespread de-linquencies and the necessity for the moratorium ordered by former Gov-ernor Hill last September. Provisions in the bill which would insure a services. This practice is a foundation sound Farm Credit system are as stone of the cottin industry in South

States may still be interested in fabric. The size, weight and density the cotton export market when world of the bale have been standardized. Brazilian cotton gins are using a new type of bale press which in part liminates the necessity for further compression of the bale before ship ment to foreign markets. Usually the bale from this new type of press has a density of 25 to 33 pounds per cubic foot, which is between the American standard and high density compress bale. The presses are made in the United States for the Brazilian trade, but as yet have not been used by the United States cotton trade. Several Brazilian gin presses go the American made presses one better by turning out bales with densities around 40 pounds to the cubic foot. By working with the U.S. inning Laboratories at Stöneville, Mississippi, Dr. Herrmann believes that cooperatives might put into practical use a bale press which might eliminate a large part of the compress charges incurred under the

Additional recommendations inthe advocated development of a more effective plan for eliminating in machinery unfit for use and thus to eliminate wasteful practices, improving the quality of ginning. He urged cooperatives to take the ini
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Other legislation with the same agriculture. The Democrats want the farmer to prosper; the Republicans want the farmer to prosper; and nobody seems to know why the heck he doesn't go ahead and do it.—Douglas County Republican.

Exports from Ceylon to the United States increased 80 percent in 1939 over the preceding year. Rubber and to preceding year. Rubber and to preceding year. Rubber and tea accounted for 95 percent of the deems necessary.

(d) Land values, upon which with the gamping must improving the quality of ginning. He and expansion of the official cotton service so that farmers may have a certificial content in such a program.

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PRESENT ENTERTAINMENT

New Production

Goodwill Community Meetings
The cooperatives at Manhattan, including the Farmers
Union Co-op.

was presented as the entertainment attention from those things in which feature. In between act numbers we should have the greatest of conwere given by folks in the local comcern and to which we should make munity, and after each evening's a supreme effort right now in our performance, Harold Westgate, general manager, gave a short talk on cooperative principles.

in the series of meetings.



"For several years the cooperatives at Manhattan have sponsored a play, putting it on at the different schoollouses in a radius of about 15 or 20 miles. This year we used the play, "The Little Clodhopper." We had printed programs distributed in the various school districts in advance

schoolhouse, one mile north of Man-

Women Discuss

Farmers Union

Manhattan, April 8 and 9, for a two-day discussion conference to consid-er the subject, "Do We Have Abun-Is it time we were doing something Plantation. California and Hawaii dance in America?" Introductions re-vealed that the conferees represented lem of such magnitude and of so nently on the list. a cross-section of rural and urban much importance? life in the state. One farm woman reported that she had milked five Wheat bill No. H. R. 8839 Senate No. owner were limited to a maximum of

the Kansas State College Extension Service, with Miss Georgiana Smurthwaite, State Home Demonstration Leader in charge. Mrs. O. O. Wolf of Ottawa, Kansas, representative at the National Rural-Urban Women's Conence held in Washington, D. C. was chairman of the meeting. The Washington, Conference held in April Price?

In opposing this House and Senator Lee (Okla.) states the guise of lowering the the hands of the purchasers in other countries and then pay an American or domestic price for the things we needs must buy at a much higher Anti-Poll Tax Bill A federal measure to elim National Conference held in April, 1939, was called by the Secretary of Agriculture, Henry A. Wallace, and was the first of its kind to be held in titled to the home market at an fornia, who charges that this tax is

Manhattan Farmers Union Sponsor Elevator Association, F. U. Co-op. Creamery, F. U. Co-op Oil Dept., and the Manhattan Consumers Coopera-



The cast which presented "The Little Clodhopper" to Farmers Union audiences about Manhattan.

Good Publicity Stunt

"We find the entertainment plan very effective in creating interest in cooperation," reports Mr. Westgate, "stimulating interest in the business, forming new acquaintances and new customers, and I believe if followed up, is the best way to get the idea of cooperation over to the largest number of persons at the smallest

of the showing. under the sponsorship of George Kind of entertainment between acts Montgomery, instructor in Grain and some kind of refreshments after in Grain and some kind of refreshments after land has declined with the annual the play which provides a very pleasurable cash return on the investment in Union Central Life 166,280.84

100 in attendance at the Strong (a) On January 1, 1940, 22½ per ciation, the Midwest Wool Growers cent of land bank mortgages and 29.— Association, and Producers Commistory of Commissioner loans son Co., and the Farmers Union cast; 125 at Ashland, 6 miles southard are also supposed to be sacred and accordance of Commissioner Commission. Co. and the Farmers Union cast; 125 at Ashland, 6 miles southard are also supposed to be sacred and accordance of Commissioner Co. as well week to be sacred and accordance of Commission. loans. These figures themselves prove as a trip through the Topeka plant southeast; and 300 at Keats high, 8 ingly liquidated, is there anything the delinquency of the system itself. of Farmers Union Jobbing Associa- miles northwest of Manhattan.

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Economic Knots

Mrs. B. Immenschuh, St. Marys. and Esther Ekblad, Represent

men Voters, Home Economics Ass'n, plus products, especially of industrial goods at a price below the cil, and the International Ladies Garment Workers Union.

The conference was sponsored by

Topeka Allied Printing Trades Countrial goods at a price below the prices we are called upon to pay in this country.

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The President's Message

By J. P. Fengel

the Mannattan Consumers Cooperative have sponsored a series of goodwill community meetings.

A three-act comedy, "Little Clodhopper," with employees of the cooperatives as members of the cast, confuse our thinking or distract our confuse our confuse our thinking or distract our confuse our cooperative principles.

Since whether we as a nation of ers. But Mr. Vesecky has given definite assurance that he will be availrifice in money, effort and the use of our ability t oinduce our fellow farmers to support the Farmers Union sponsored legislation now before the Congress.

F. U. Legislation
1. The Farmers Union Debt Ad-Does the farmer's debts really need adjustment? I am quoting from Dr.

The schedule is as follows, Monday Carl T. Schmidt of Columbia Univerthrough to Friday:

ty:
"Almost half of America's farmers are politically as well as economically "submerged." "That a survey which he made shows that the upper 19 per cent of the farmers, including corporations with farm lands, receive the lions share of gov-

ernment aid to Agriculture."

Another quotation from Dr. A. G.
Black, Governor of the Farm Credit
Administration, "Government figures show that the farm debt is seriously out of line with farm in-come. While the total farm mortgage debt in 1910 amounted to 48 per cent of the cash income received by all farmers in that year, it amounted to 83 per cent of the total in 1939.

While the farmer was selling the products of his farm at a loss, and osing his farm: Dr. Black further states: "While banks, insurance com panies and other private creditors were paid off 100 per cent in most instances when the Land Banks or Commissioner took over their mort gage holdings, only one farm in four had its total debt load scaled down, and even then the reduction amounted to an average of 10 per cent." One in connection with the 1937 program.

now delinquent." Industrial Profits Jump 98 per cent in 1939. Farm Income lags, even in- of farm lands, more than any other cluding government payments show-ing an increase of 5.4 per cent and exclusive of government payments an increase of 1.5 per cent.

The question is how can farmers

survive with the ownership of their farms and homes and absorb the 98 arious school districts in advance f the showing.

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> that farm, a decline not chargeable mer on the basis of the annual return in cash upon his farm from the sale of his crops or produce at the then

prevailing prices for what he produced, with his paying ability being reduced to almost zero. should be so considered and accordsacred about the investment of the lender than the original purchas-

er of the land? So, under existing conditions, why upon the ability of the land to support a family and liquidate the actual value of the farm as amortized over a period of years?

Grave Tenancy Problem "It is estimated by Governor Black Kern County Land of Cal. that five million farm people were forced this year to leave their homes and take their belingings out on the Waialua Argi., Hawaii during the moving period which occurs annually at this time of year in Kohala Sug. Co., Hawaii...
The largest payment oth the south as leases terminate. Con- a life insurance company or finan-Fifty rural and urban women of stant shifting of tenants is costing cial institution went Kansas met at the Wareham Hotel, landlords and tenants \$150 millions Ranch in Texas. The

cows and turned 600 turkey eggs be-fore coming to Manhattan that morn-ing. One said that she was one of the advantage to "Family Sized Farm" ply on the 1937 program, however, working girls in a Kansas City Gar- The American Market for American and the extent to which it reduces ment Factory.

Participants came representing the following agencies and organizations:

The Farm Bureau, the Farmers Un
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The American Market for American land the extent to which I feduces a farmer at an American price, companies, such as parable with the average of all other life insurance firms which hold farms in many states, has not been theory of an export market, with its ion, Farm Security Administration, control over the prices we have been from any maximum. Consumers Cooperative Association, receiving for the entire crop, based The House has adopted an amend-State Federation of Labor, Chamber on world price levels in the hands ment to the AAA, not yet passed of Commerce, Congress of Parents of the purchasers in foreign coun-upon by the Senate, limiting payand Teachers, American Ass'n, of tries, having a much lower standard ments to \$5,000 for farmers other University Women, League of Wo- of living, while receiving our sur- than those having tenants. The

the Kansas State College Extension domestic price for what we produce

Nat'l President to Address Five Ks. FU Meetings

John Vesecky Is Scheduled for May 6-10 in Southeastern Territory

John Vesecky, president of the Na-tional Farmers Union, will address a series of meetings in eastern and sed with local Farmers Union leaders. But Mr. Vesecky has given defi-

able for the schedule. "National Legislation" will be the subject for Mr. Vesecky's speeches, and is expected to attract wide interest. The meetings will be open to all, Farmers Union people are expected to awaken organization interest of justment bill No. S-3509 H. R. 8748. their neighbors by inviting them to

through to Friday:
Baldwin—May 6
Osawatomie—May 7 LaHarpe—May 8 Girard-May 9

Parsons-May 10 These will be evening meetings. Local talent will prepare programs of real entertainment. Watch for further details in the May 2 Kansas Union Farmer.

Insurance Firms Draw Big Checks from Government

20,000 Soil Conservation Checks Are of Amount Over One

Thousand Dollars By Farm Research
The largest soil conservation paynents were made to life insurance companies, according to the report submitted to Congress on payments of one thousand dollars or more made out of every four loans made by the land banks and the Commissioner is to the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., which the Monopoly Committee recently cited as owning \$83,290,000

> insurance firm. The AAA report shows that 20,000 insurance companies, corporations, and farms received soil conservation payments of one thousand dollars or

more in 1937. Mutual Benefit Life Northwestern Mut. Life ... John Hancock Life 91.257.33 Connecticut Gen. Life Equitable Life of Iowa ... 77.676.21 41.837.99 Connecticut Mut. Life

AAA occicials state that the average payment made to the 3,750,000 armers participating in the program mounted to \$75. Over half the farners got less than \$40 apiece. Five nundred and ninety-four payments mounted to \$5,000 or more apiece: and 272 payments amounted to \$10,

Eleven payments of more than \$100,000 each were made; and twelve payments fell in the \$50,000 to \$100,-

000 bracket. Other Large Soil Conservation

Payments Delta & Pineland Co Miss \$ 64,168.47 Delta Planting Co., Miss. 13,232.97 Godchaux Sugar, Inc., of La 19,434.55 2. Farm Tenancy. Why should we Matador Land & Cattle, Col 60.153.04 support the Lee Tenancy Act No. S-Calif. Lands, Inc. of Cal... 1836 "Quotation" Washington D. C. Calif. Packing Corp., Cal... Calif. Packing Corp., Cal. . . 14,235.33 Libby, McNeil & Libby, Cal 14,159.58 42,754.47 17.059.21 road in quest of new living quarters Hawaiian Corn & Sug. Haw 34,843.65 17,544.30 The largest payment other than to

> corporations also appeared Beginning with the 1938 AAA pro-

In opposing this House amendment Senator Lee (Okla.) states, "Under the guise of lowering the ceiling, it will again take the ceiling off." He told the Senate, "I think we should

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Are Most Important "Theories"

ing edition of April 15 has a very somewhat few, but entirely without fine editorial entitled "Farm Credit opposition to the certificate bills Theories" in which the different FCA which perhaps is something.

The attempt was made for an honcussed. While the editorial brings out the need for cost of production for ber addressed from the 1940 membership. farmers, the need for family-sized and bership roll of the Kansas Farmers family owned farmers is almost ig. Union, namely the third named on family owned farmers is almost ignored. And it is this difference that the permanent state records. makes the Farmers Union support hundred locals includes practically all for the more liberal policies of the adjustment bill introduced by Marvin Jones and sponsored by Senators Wheeler, Bankhead and Lafollette warrant favorable consideration.

protect borrowers and if necessary to 1 may publish same in our Kansas losses to responsibility and charge the government are giving their support to the Jones bill," explains the Star. This is strong language and not kindly to the Jones bill. In turn, it might be said that only those who favor the abolishment of the American family-sized farm, those who are interested in collecting farm mortgage loans whatever the sacrifice to the farmer are in favor of the Gillette bill which would restore the independent status of the FCA under a bipartisan board of five members with the secretary of agriculture an

ex officio member. Continues the Star: "The large insurance companies, individuals and port; at least it would be better than organizations, which are financing farm mortgages oppose the Jones bill because it would lower interest rates and make government loans more attractive to borrowers. Another group oppose it on the grounds that it would lead to an inflation of land values. They point to the effect of easy money and increased land values which resulted so disastrously when deflation was encountered. They assume that most of the financial troubles of farmers have come from excessive borrowing and that in the end restrictions as to the amount of letted member should be chance-seloans and normal interest rates would

values, explains the Star Editoriol. There has been no provision for com-There has been no provision for composition of federal bank loans. An at the cross-roads, effort has been made to ameliorate the situation by deferment of pay- the "resolutions" from our local Unments on principal and by a direct ions, as in former days. It needs more rate on farm loans has been re-

operative feature under which those securing loans have bought stock to the extent of 5 per cent of the principal of their loans would be eliminated. Joint liability would be eliminat- of our Unions are following the dis ed and the responsibilities and rights cussion outlines as published in your of the local associations would be in-

land banks have encountered and time to time, setting a mark describ-which has resulted in excessive foreclosures, delinquencies in payments ion, and clarifying the issues. on many loans has been directly due to deficiency in farm incomes which have resulted from low prices for farm products and crop failures due to droughts and floods. With a remembership card, Is it for the year

The Income Certificate Commodity bills, written and developed by the National Farmers Union, need understanding by the membership of the Farmers Union generally, for if these bills are to be enacted into law a week's meetings in Marshall coun-

Your editor experimented with the nished by the ladies of that commit-

opinion of certain of our discrimina-The Kansas City Star in its morn- tive members. Returns have been The card read: "I would much appreciate having your opinion of the Income Certificate bills. Would you kindly write a brief statement tellit is the duty of the government to Commodity bills merit support, that

> rom you this week, please." There have been replies "I think we should get behind and push the Income Certificate bills all we can to get them through Congress," writes one. "It seems to be the best we can get at present. How-Allotment and family size farm." The writer seems not sure of the protection for the latter now included in the commodity bills.

Union Farmer?. I hope I may

Another writes, "In reply to your card of April 8th, I will say that I think it would be a fine thing for you to publish these bills in the paper and I think they merit our supthe way it is now."

More disconcerting is this: "Your card in regard to Income Certificate bills rec'd; in reply would say that I know nothing about said Thanking you for the request." But perhaps the writer had become simoly too conservative, and really was in the position of another who wrote: 'I do not know enough about the income certificate bills to express an

While replies have not been many lected member should re-emphasize that each member shares the respontend to establish a sound system of sibility for the driving force of our farming."

The federal land banks have been lending on the basis of normal land member that the officials of his organization welcome and value the

Our organization needs more through which the interest exacting members than ever before men and women who can hold the "If the Jones bill is enacted the co"If the Jones bill is enacted the coer play a cautious and forceful diplomatic fight to achieve it.

The Discussion programs by locals are supporting and solving these needs; an increasing number Union Farmer. This is a splendid policy, and only needs to be follow-"The difficulty which the federal ed through with "Resolutions" from

to droughts and flow incomes on turn of normal farm incomes on which loans were originally based the banks would again become self-supporting."

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The Farmers Union needs you, and you need the Farmers Union. Let's work together to build the Farmers Union; and through organization build new farm economy—R. H. T.

TRAVELOGUE By J. P. Fengel

The past two weeks have been these bills are to be enacted into law our members must force their passage with intelligent and resolute backing. The farmer cannot leave his thinking for someone else; legislative resolutions by Farmers Union locals can be made meaningful and effective.

a week's meetings in Marshall county with the first meeting at the Star school house north of Waterville.

This meeting was in charge of our State Conductor John Tommer. We had a very nice attendance at this meeting, after which we enjoyed the splendid social hour and a lunch furnished by the ladies of that committee.

the weather we were more than pleased with the attendance and the accomplishments.

In between these two meetings, Miss Esther and I did some visiting in communities in that part of the country, calling at the Farmers Union store in Waterville to get acquainted with Mr. Samuelson and then to go out into the country and make the acquaintance of Mr. Weber, president of the Waterville Cooperatives, I also had an appointment at the home of Mr. George Schiller, were impressed by the interest of some of the younger folks, making inquiry about the Farmers Union Junior Department, their Camps and study projects which is as it should to encourage them and Miss Esther is sending material to Mr. Leo Brown-Vermillion and Mr. Richard Rewherter-Lillis, Kansas. These were the Notes

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he 11th for a further conference. the meeting had been changed to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Miller instead. We were delighted to meet Mr. and Mrs. George Rumbeck, Marshall county president, Mr. Roy Vernon, formerly of Herington, now manager of the elevator at Poette.

many friends.

Our fourth meeting was at Hopewell school house, north of Frankfort. Here we had another enthusiastic meeting and rather surprised to meet Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lockard from my home neighborhood. Mr. Lockard is the manager of the Farmers Union Surprised to my lockard is the manager of the Farmers Union Creed.

Singing, Farmers Union Creed.

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Talk, Miss Esther Ekblad, Kansas Farmers Union Junior Leader.

Short Talk and Picture Show, T. E.

Hall, of Farmers Union Jobbing Assn.

Short Talk, by Mr. H. C. Hartke,

During the latter part of the meeting and reference in the meetin my home neighborhood. Mr. Lockard is the manager of the Farmers Union ing the matter of a change in their Cooperatives at Vliets, Kansas.

and I were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albin Olson and as dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lockard.

We were so glad to meet men like Mr. Joe Imhrun and H. G. Culver, president and secretary of their splengers. We thank both of these splendid did cooperative at Madison.

We thank both of these splendid families for the courtesy which was delightful and fully appreciated.

At the Hopewell Local meeting we were also pleased to meet our Farmers Union friend and one of the wheel horses in that section, Mr. A. We made a L. Wempe of Frankfort. He made a L. Wempe of Fra

peen largely responsible for the rapid develop-

ment of industry and for the modern uses of

natural resources in this country. However, as

industries and business become older and the

risks involved in starting an entirely new busi-

ness venture are no longer present, there is al-

ways the tendency under the above system to

continue the high profits. Profits which possi-bly were justified in the beginning as an en-

couragement for someone to open new indus-

trial fields. For example, 10 to 15 cents a bush-

el gross margin on grain may have been justi-

fied in early days to persuade men to provide

the needed elevator facilities, at a time when

transportation methods were poor, or the

means of protecting the investment in grain

inventory as we have now in our hedging oper-

the risks become less and more men go into

the business, the increased competition will

force margins lower and thus always tend to

keep profits from becoming excessive. This

would be true if competition was always free.

However, since the motive in each line of bus-

iness activity is the same, namely profits, for

each of the individuals or corporations, what

is to prevent corporations from agreeing among

themselves to continue establishing excessive

margins and thus each make huge profits. This

is exactly what happened in the grain business.

Instead of the increased competition prohibit-

ing excessive profits it had no effect, because

the would-be competitors' interests were all

the same, namely profits. By mutual agreement

charges were hurting the producer of grain be-

cause they decreased the market value of the

grain he was marketing. In attempting to find

a way to correct the marketing problem, farm-

ers reasoned that if they were to make compe-

tition effective they must have the type of bus-

iness as a competitor, which would work for

their interests as individual producers of the

grain. Again they reasoned that the only way

they could be sure of having marketing organ-

izations which would work for their interest as

grain producers, would be for them to own and

operate that kind of an organization for them-

reason why we have cooperative organizations.

By having as a competitor in marketing of

farm products or purchasing of farm supplies,

a cooperative organization owned and operated

The above situation gives the paramount

These excessive profits and handling

they were able to maintain them.

The argument will be advanced that as

the home of Mr. George Schiller, ter-Lillis, Kansas. These were the where several of his neighbors had two young men making the request been called in for a conference, at for the literature and information, this time arrangements were made promising us they would make aror me to return for the evening of rangements for a return a little lathe 11th for a further conference.

The third meeting of the series zation real soon. We enjoyed every was held at the Hatton school house, but when we got over here found anxious to have a return invitation Band.

non, formerly of Herington, now manager of the elevator at Beattie, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Chase and Mr. Dale Winnet. We enjoyed this meeting very much and glad to meet so many friends.

This meeting was held in the basement of the Christian church on the evening of the 11th and was well attended, but not as well attended as it would have been had Mr. Imtruh known for certain he could count on Talk

By-Laws was discussed at length, During these meetings Miss Esther with the matter to be disposed of

DISCUSSION NO. 7

CO-OPERATIVES

Development

The types of business enterprises making organizations are making excessive profits, the

Excessive Profit Taking Is a Paramount Reason for Cooperative

our capitalistic system have profits for their needed competition is stimulated. The privately

prinicipal goal. This hope for huge profits has owned businesses are interested in as large

Notes

In Marion County Farmers Union meeting, Lincoln-ville High School Auditorium, Lincolnville, April 24th, 7:30 p. m. Music Lincolnville High School

Meeting called to order by M. I. Shields, president F. U. Elevator. Address of welcome, J. P. Fengel president Kansas Farmers Union. Reading the Farmers Union pre-Music, Rhythm Band by Cross

Recitation: Farmers Union Creed. Band Music, Lincolnville High School Band.

Refreshments. Everybody come and enjoy the evening with us. Sponsors-Farmers Union Cooperative Ass'n and Lincolnville Local No

PARMERS UNION LIVE STOCK COMMISSION CO—Room 100 Live Stock Exchange Bldg, Kansas City, General Manager, Experimental Manager, Ly Alkire, Mansas, W. (). Bernhardt, Kansas City, General Manager, L. J. Alkire, Mansas, W. (). Bernhardt, Kansas City, General Manager, L. J. Alkire, Mansas, Room 311, Farmers Union friend and one of the Manager, Parsons Branch. W. L. Acuff, Manager, Parsons Branch. Sailna, Kansas, Room 311, Farmers Union Manager, Insurance Co. Building.

PARMERS UNION AUDITING ASSOCIATION—Room 308, Farmers Union Insurance Co. Building, Salina, Kansas, Experimental Manager, Salina, Kansas, Tankers Union Manager, Salina, Kansas, Salina, Kansas, Co. Ecretz, State Manager, Salina, Kansas, Co. Ecretz, State Manager, President Insurance Co. Building, Salina, Kansas, C. E. Creitz, State Manager, President Glenn Hewitt.Osawatomie.

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P. J. Nash, Ellsworth. Secretary Manager, Salina, Kansas, C. E. Creitz, State Manager.

President Glenn Hewitt.Osawatomie.

President

attendance of any of our meetings. This was a splendid meeting too and every one seemed to be so frinedly stock at Ransas City out to this meeting to the first out to this meeting. The Lee Tenancy Act No. 1836 by Senator Lee; The Farmers Union the dinner they could and did their Dairy Stabilization Bill No. H. R. No.

profits as possible while the cooperative is in-

terested in as large a saving as possible, being

owned and operated by those who furnished

the business. In this way the people themselves

are providing a means of making our present

capitalistic system work, at least in a measure.

They provide the kind of competition which

will force the others to operate without exces-

tives as successful competitors are found in

Scandinavia. Long cold winter months make

galoshes a major necessity in Sweden but the

prices of the galosh monopoly there were pro-

hibitive. In 1926 the Swedish Cooperative Un-

ion began steps to break the monopoly.

Through the purchase of a factory and the co-

operative manufacture of galoshes, prices were

reduced from a cartel price of \$2.27 to 93 cents

the Luma Electric Light Bulb Factory, North-

would aid its members or owners. For exam-

ple, a marketing business organization might

quality or the unformity of the product mark-

eted, and thus increase the value of the prod-

other states have set up standards which not

only give the consumer high quality butter,

but also net the farmer a premium return for

tives can and are at the present time doing

much to introduce and promote types of wheat

suitable to local climatic and soil conditions.

Through cooperatives that share profits, far-

mers can gain by placing on the market grain

used in improving marketing and purchasing

methods, or in the elimination of unnecessary

costs. The cooperative provides a way in which

the individual may help himself by uniting

forces with the neighbors and friends who

The cooperative can be the instrument

which will mill a fine quality flour.

Cooperative creameries in Kansas and

be instrumental in helping to improve the

bulbs were reduced from 37 to 27 cents.

Through the organizing and building of

The outstanding examples of coopera-

sive handling charges and profits.

on a pair of men's galoshes.

Be Your Own Loan Wheat Salesman

You can do this by having your own cooperative grain marketing organization handle the sale of this wheat whenever you are ready to redeem it. No matter whether you made the loan through us or some other channel, your own representative on the Kansas City and Salina markets can handle this for you promptly and satisfactorily.

Procedure Is Simple

The procedure to be followed when you want to liquidate your loan wheat is quite simple. When the Farmers Union Jobbing Association is the Lending Agent on loads, just instruct us to sell the wheat and we will sell it and send ht ereturns

When we are not the Lending Agent, instruct your Lending Agent to forward the warehouse receipt and accompanying papers covering the loan to us for collection, with the draft for the principal and the accrued interest.

Local Elevator Usually Can Handle It For You

Your local cooperative elevator manager is usually familiar with the handling of this wheat, and will take care of it for you quickly and correctly by sending the necessary papers or instructions direct to us either at Kansas City if the grain is in Kansas City or Topeka, and at Salina if the grain is stored there.

COOPERATIVE GRAIN MARKETING ONLY STARTS AT THE LOCAL ELEVATOR—CARRY IT THROUGH BY PATRONIZING

Farmers Union Jobbing Association

KANSAS CITY

6500; S No. 2385. The Farmers Union those engaged in other industries or Cotton-Commodity Bill H. R. No. professions 2434; The Farmers Union Income Certificate-Domestic Allotment -Family Sized Farm-American Market for the American farmer H. R.

8839—S 2359. Will you please lend yourself, your ability and the prestige of your po-sition to the passage of the above named acts now before the Con-

M. J. Navrat. Secretary Lincolnville Farmers Union Co-Op Ass'n. M. I. Shields,

President Lincolnville Farmer's Union Co-Op Ass'n. Lincolnville, Kansas.

In McPherson County Be it resolved that North Side Lo-

cal 1061 in meeting April 8, 1940, ap- for this purpose. prove the Farmers Union income cer ificate commodity bills. Further, that we are opposed to S-3480 and favor the retention of the ers Union measures? Farm Credit Administration within the Department of Agriculture. that we ar

Farmers Union debt adjustment bill.

Ruben Spongberg, Pres. E. J. Bengtson, Secy.

In Stafford County Resolution of Sympathy. North Star

Local, No. 1979, Stafford. In humble submission to the will an industry. of our Heavenly ather, in removing and his children.

Daisy Fortner, Bessie Cline, Della Powelson, Committee.

Ouestions FU Leaders Why the inconsistency? Is it the ntent of our leaders to ignore the resolutions adopted at our state convention at WaKeeney? Resolution No. 4 defined the manner in which o preserve the "family-sized" farm and resolution No. 7 insists on the

ern Europe broke the prices of an International light bulb cartel. Even before the cooperaof production principle in our tive factory was completed, prices of light farm bills. We agreed on cost of production The elimination of excessive handling resolution the Committee breeding places for flies. charges and profits is not the only reason for specified No. S. 570, but agreed on "A general cleanup campaign of behalf of the Oklahoma officials to all accumulations of refuse and rubhaving cooperative business organizations. Remember the cooperative is owned and controllmodify by striking out the title, S. bish is essential, and this campaign ed by the people who are using it to do their 570, in order to admit and harmon-must be followed by constant vigi-ize with a similar bill from a replance over the cleanliness of house, business for them. It would be to the interest of a cooperative to work on any problem which

resentative from Oklahoma. gale, of Oklahoma, is trying to get are taken when garbage is speedily the companion bill to S. 570 H. R. and efficinetly disposed of and the 2371, out of committee. Why is it our regulations on the care of stables eaders are giving him no support? and receptacles for manure are en-He has secured 120 of the 218 signa- forced. tures necessary to get it out of the hands of the committee and before the full House for consideration.

hands of the committee and before windows, at least on the first floor. The Senate Committee on Agricul-ture and Forestry approved the pro-posal unanimously last year but the about 16 to the inch. Screens made

producing a better grade product. Cooperaleaders do not support it. One thing is certain, that when not more than they ask for, as it shifts the responsibility from the shoulders of our Senators and Repre-

> courses also Farmers Union locals, window sill. Thought it is not a dan-for until the people of this nation gerous poison, it is wise to keep the understand our money system we will never be free.

C. W. O'Brien, Rush Center, Kan.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

surpluses, underconsumption, undernourished peoples, want and misery, unemployed, a depression lasting 11 years, with no immediate prospects

| Description of the lamb for the service of the liquid. Keep the solution away from the flames. | More information about attacking |

Are we red blooded farmers? Do we believe in right and justice? Then let every one of us support the Farmers Union in their fight right now for a square deal for the American farmer. These bills are before the Congress right now. Hearings have been had before Committees and have been reported favorably by the Committees

This fight is costing the Farmers Union as an organization a lot of money to fight the farmers' battles

Have you contributed anything to help the only organization of farmers defending your needs in Wash-

Have you or your county or Local contributed to the Legislative Fund

Have you as an individual written our congressman or senator requesting him to support all of the Farm-You should do all of these things,

and it's going to depend upon you and your county and Local Unions response to this appeal that will make the decision as to our success or failure to secure for the farmer his fair share of the national income, which in the final analysis means the difference between a debt ridden agriculture and a prosperous, self respecting and respected agriculture as

The results are greater than that, from this earthly life, Mrs. Brown, as it means the difference between nother of Mr. H. M. Brown of this a future of poverty and slavery for local, be it therefore resolved that our farm boys and girls and the we give expression of our deepest hope and opportunity to own a home sympathy to our bereaved brother of their own and to live honorable and respectable lives.

Here is your opportunity. You know the need. Congress wants to hear from YOUe Write them. Send the Kansas Farmers Union a few dollars to help them carry on the fight for you. We will do our very best, but we are doomed to failuse so far as Kansas is concerned without your help.

J. P. Fengel.

Swat the Housefly "Watch for the first fly that lights

on your cuff in early spring,' "It's a timely reminder of the pesky generations to come unless is defined in S. 570 or a similar bill, and your community do something Those present will recall that in the about ferreting out and eliminating "A general cleanup campaign of

barn, yard, alley and street. Two im-At this time the Hon. Sam Massin- portant steps toward fly elimination

"First protection against flies in the House Agricultural Committee og-nored it. Since HR 2371 complies are painted or made of galvanized with the spirit of our resolution No. 7 I do not understand just why our screens should be repainted each year.

"Always cover food to shield it ve send our farm leaders to Wash- against flies. Likewise, exposed food ngton to represent us we will get in markets and groceries should be covered.

"Poison solutions to lure the fly are simple to make and are effective.

entatives (in part) to our farm One good solution can be made by mixing 3 teaspoonsful of commercial I wish also to take this opportunity formalin with a pint of milk and wao thank our State Board for their se- ter, sweetened with a little brown ection of Mr. Wm. C. Gehrke to en- sugar, Place this in saucers around ighten us on money. I hope every the room. Another method is to place Farmers Union members and his fam- a piece of bread soaked in the soluly will read and discuss these dis- tion on a saucer and leave it on a solution out of the reach of young children.

"Commercial insect poisons may be effective, but those containing arsenic should be kept out of the reach of children.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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by the people from whom the old line business have similar problems. **DISCUSSION QUESTION**

How far Can Co-ops Go in Our Country?

a. Do cooperatives need to be led deeper into the field of industry, such as in the avenues of processing and manufacturing?

b. What is the ultimate objective of any old line business? Of a cooperative? c. Will cooperative groups be able to meet the test of efficient management as well

Your editor experimented with the tactics of the old Literary Digest in seeking grass-roots opinion of our membership. Postal cards to 100 membership. Postal cards to 100 members in 100 locals were sent out tary F. C. Pralle in charge of the L.S.—A Balance Sheet," "Cooperative Marketing of Farm Products," Federal Farm Board Bulletin (No. 10); as has the system of private ownership.

C. Will cooperative groups be able to meet the test of efficient management as well unemployed, a depression lasting 11 years, with no immediate prospects of better times or prices and at the base of all our miseries and mistors of Agriculture bulletin, "The House-tooperatives" and others. Also, "Cooperative Marketing of Farm Products," Federal Farm Board Bulletin (No. 10); farmers of their ability to buy, to live on the same plane as D. C.

Junior and Juvenile Department

Juniors from 16 to 21

Juveniles from 6 to 16

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

ROBIN AND CHICK

A plump little robin flew down from the tree To pick up a worm he happened to see. A frisky young chicken came scampering by, And gazed at the robin with wondering eye

Said the chick: "What a queer-looking chicken is that! Its wings are so long and its body so fat!" While the robin remarked, loud enough to be heard: "Dear me! An exceedingly strange-looking bird!"

"Can you sing?" robin asked. And the chick said "No"-But asked in turn if the robin could crow. So the bird sought a tree, and the chicken a wall, And each thought the other knew nothing at all.

YOUR LEADER'S MESSAGE Esther Ekblad

Around the Table

With each time that we are privileged to take part in roundtable discussions, we like them just that much bettre. We find them very chatty, are very much improved. We were the currency or checking prive and quanty.

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In all seriousness the weighty problem of "Can We Have Abundance in America?" was discussed pro and con by fifty Kansas women, April 8 and 9. "Do we have the mechanics and the man power to produce abundance?" "Do we have the mechanics and the man power to produce abundance.
"Is it ignorance and mismanagement that causes many to have a low standard of living?" "Is our educational system adequate?" "What can be done and of living?" "Is our educational system adequate?" "What can be done was held. In keeping with April That's the advice of experts in the about the poorly fed, poorly clothed and poorly educated Kansas boys and (25.7 per cent of 47,000 Kansas children are undernourished) "Does girls?" (25.7 per cent of 47,000 Kansas children are undernourished) Boes was regional abundant living mean more than the mere necessities of food, clothing and shelter?"

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These are a taste of the questions which brought to our minds bewildered and deep concern. As opinions were tossed forth and back among city and farm conferees, many of us became more and more stirred, and more determined that we must do as Dean Justin urged in an address to the conference—clear ourselves of muddy minds.

How easy it is to get into a rut, to attend club meetings, P. T. A. meetings. Farmers Union meetings and what have you, and really have nothing fair. Everyone is busy working on dye, to avoid streaks, dissolve these to account for except that we are constantly on the go. De we need to pause occasionally to balance our books and find out if the time and energy we so freely spend is good investment? Our organizations give us golden opportunities to discuss and to form action programs on the details of securing abundant living for ourselves and others about us. But does oppor tunity knock and receive no answer?

Children Extend a Helping Hand

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Mor of the world is caught in the clutches of war and our hearts ache for the children of all countries who must flee from the love and security of home life among strange people. We have told you about the Children's of home life among strange people. We have told you of it.

Crussade for refugee children, and now we again remind you of it.

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(with some of the world is caught in the clutches of war and our hearts ache es of chocolate covered parafin), sandwich some had paper filled) and perspiration. Generally, fibers like from barter to the use of money, that wool and pure silk dye better than oney was based on wealth (remember) wool and pure silk dye better than of you no doubt recall that after cotton, linen or rayon. Worst risks the own part mostling the 2nd wool and pure silk of the countries who may be a developed as all the own perspiration. Generally, fibers like from barter to the use of money, that money was based on wealth (remember) wool and pure silk dye better than of you no doubt recall that after cotton, linen or rayon. Worst risks the cotton, linen or rayon. Worst risks the cotton, linen or rayon was based on wealth (remember) who may be a custom of wars and our hearts ache of world is caught in the clutches of war and our hearts ache of world is caught in the clutches of war and our hearts ache of war and our hearts ache of world is caught in the clutches of war and our hearts ache of world is caught in the clutches of war and our hearts ache of world is caught in the clutches of war and our hearts ache of world is caught in the clutches of war and our hearts ache of world is caught in the clutches of war and our hearts ache of world is caught in the clutches of war and our hearts ache of world is caught in the clutches of war and our hearts ache of world is caught in the clutches of war and our hearts ache of world is caught in the clutches of war and our hearts ache of war and our hearts ache of war and our hearts ache of war an Crussade for refugee children, and now we again remind you of it.

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Choose the type of dye that is best suited to your needs. Dorothy Canfield Fisher, Pearl Buck and other noted people. In the "Lantern" Mrs. Edwards writes:

The Children's Crusade is important, not for the money it may raise for homeless children of all countries, but because it shows to our children the desperate plight of children who are the innocent victims, not of some for homeless children of all countries, but because it shows to our children the desperate plight of children who are the innocent victims, not of some particular country, but of WAR. It arouses in them a feeling of responsibility toward children of other lands, and that is what we are teaching them in the Cooperative Movement."

April 22 to 30 has been designated as the week for school children to remember refugee children in programs and classes and to contribute anything from one penny to the number of pennies of their years of age to help those unfortunate children. Many rural schools will be dismissed by that

thing from one penny to the number of pennies of their years of age to the contribution of the pennies of their years of the pennies of the p time, but we can help by getting contributions from the children in our locals. Send all collections of penuies to Dorothy Canfield Fisher, Arlington,

stituted for it, and the entire study

The study packet on Cooperative

Medicine is being revised, also, and

eral copies of one very fine pamph-

Why Study Packets

Other groups than the Farmers Un-

ion Locals have used the Farmers

Union study packets, and they have

Farmers Union Credit union packet, while the Recreation Packet has been

used by both church and school

groups as well as by Farm Security and other farm organizations.

These kits are prepared by State Leaders, who have had wide experi-

ence in Farmers Union educational

work. Through their conferences with

Leaders they know what subjects are

most needed in study packet form.

Camp Bulletins
We have just finished a new Coun-

ty Camp Bulletin, prapared by Mil-

gram plans and probable costs are

the outline is much simplified.

outline has been revised.

With Your State Leader

In a swing around Marshall county the week of April 1 to 5, Mr. Fengel and I had the pleasure of getting better acquainted with the locals and the Farmers Union members there. Each evening, the need of local meeting with entire families Taylor and much of the outline for Farmers Union unity in pushing for let. It gives a very complete picture farm legislation now pending in of what is happening to the people of the United States under the imple. That evening, after Mr. Fengel and I had talked with the group, a sic and many enjoyed the remainder Conservation. The two parts of this heat to soften it.

gram too! We were happy to meet there sev- resources. eral boys who are going to push hard for a Junior class in the Lillis hard for a Junior class in the Lilis
Local. We can just see them having
pichics and parties this summer, and
all the while stirring up entifusiasm
for the Junior camp in August. We'll
be hearing more of Juniors at Lilis.

Two very interesting and we think
Two very interesting and we think
They have study packets are. valuable days were spent in Man-hattan, Monday and Tuesday, April 8 and 9. At that time Mrs. Bernard 1. Study packets are made up to supply a course fixed on sub-jects in which Juniors are interested.

Immenschuh, county Junior Leader They are used also in locals where

it. Mixed with the green wheat fields and budding trees the day we went through the hills was a light sprinkling of snow. Perhaps you won't believe it, but for a short distance along the way. April 11 there were snow. the way, April 11, there were snow drifts along the sides of the road with apologies to Robert Nathan, "Winter in April."

"Winter in April."

I really wouldn't mind having an invitation to somewhere in the Flint Hills during May when spring is at its best; that relling country surely must be beautiful then. I'd better must be beautiful then. I'd better must be the sure on the subnot say too much here on the subject, or I'll be in the thick of a debate with our Kansas prairie folk!

At Your Service

Farmers Union Cooperative Educational Service Gladys Tabott Edwards Director

Education-A debt due from the present for future generations."

All About the Study Packets
The Credit Union Packet has been ions by Frances Butts, which you popular one since so much interest certainly, will want. It is a mimeoin Credit Unions has been aroused, graphed bulletin and it tells every-the war has caused us a great deal of difficulty in getting Credit Union books from Nova Scotia. In fact the amount of food to order for each the duty on the books was more than meal, menus, schedules, courses, prothe cost of the books.

The "Banker Racket," another book all there. used in the Credit Union Racket, is As our membership grows it be-

comes more necessary to hold County Camps. Montana has been outstanding for the work done in County money's worth are listed in a new Camps. North Dakota is now try- leaflet of Consumers' Counsel Divi-

New Plays
Mrs. Carl Lee, Ramsey, N. Dak. Leader has just sent us a group of five plays which we are preparing for use. Mrs. Lee's plays are simple and easy to produce, all have a Farmers Union thems and are just the

Mrs. F. Weinberger, is well written to some of the everyday problems and easily presented. This playlet that consumers as individual buyers, takes about fifteen minutes and is and as a group, encounter." especially good as a demonstration of Junior work.

able six for ten cents.

In Cowley County

Union Local presented a three act comedy, entitled "Good Gracious Grandma," the cast consisting of 4 small group discussion among neighgirls and 5 boys, March 20 at Kel-log Hall. We also gave it March 19 al families too can undertake the taken. The people were very gener-ous and the funds of our treasury | Copies of the leaflet, "A B

March 21, about 50 Beaver and Kellog Juniors enjoyed a skating party. April 1, the Kellog Juniors held their electing officers. To raise money for culture. our treasury we are going to serve at a community sale dinner and cured with powder, cake, or liquid have a stand at the annual Cowley dye, according to these experts," deing to have a display booth at the even color with powdered and cake

Reporter.

How to Clean Painted Floors

for painted floors that are unwaxed. "The way to clean the floor is this out of print. Two excellent Public Affairs pamphlets have been sub-

just as you would make a gelatin ric premanently, as will a dye." dessert. First, add a cup or so of cold water to the half pound of powdered glue, and let it stand overnight than men's, statistics indicate, but to soak up.

"In the morning add boiling water to the mixture to make two quarts sumer's Guide.

of liquid. Then boil the solution about "Felt hats should be brushed be-The new packet on Conservation of Human Resources will contain sev-10 minutes, stirring it as it boils. let, "Adrift On the Land" by Paul study will be based on this pamph-

Conservation of Natural Resourcand I had talked with the group, a less is another part of this study of ens, simply add hot water and re- When it is finally dry, the hat can of the evening dancing. Ice cream study shows how the destruction of "The advantage of this treatment or the evening dancing. The cream natural resources is bound to be over soap and water is that soap and last for a second season. Fur felts followed by destruction of human water dulls and gradually destroys particularly can be reblocked into the paint finish."

Increase the Life of Your Rug
You can add to the life line of to revive by reblocking." ur rug if you shift it around every half year or so, according to Cansumers' Guide.

Here's the way: "Laying a rug on the floor and the exact meaning was of the verse leaving it in the same position for- beginning: "Jack Spratt could eat no ever after may soon give you a rug fat." that is as good as new in some spots and worn to the floor in others. Obviously the amount of 'traffic' on the could assimilate no adipose tissue. Immenschuh, county Junior Leader They are used also in locals where of Pottawatomie county, and your the membership is interested in distance to the membe

Wednesday Mr. Fengel and I attended a meeting at Madison. Going to and from Madison was really my first trip through the Flint Hills region and may I confess that I love gion and may I confess that I love it Mixed with the green wheat fields. on the rug by shifting it around Does that make it clear, my son?" every 6 months so that all sections "Perfectly clear," ejaculated the of the rug have a turn at the more son. "The lack of lucidity in these

"The A B C's of Buying" Eight little lessons on getting your money's worth are listed in a new

sion, Department of Agriculture, to help consumers solve their buying problems through group discussion "Consumer interest in the 8 quesand easy to produce, an have a rarmers Union theme and are just the
type the Local program Chairman is
in need of. Write for "Five Short
Plays" by Lillian Lee, price twentyfive cents.

"The World's Your Oyster" by "The World's Your Oyster," by is designed simply to direct attention

Prepared in answer to requests of "A Family Talk About War" by gests ways of discussing many many consumers, the leaflet sug-Dorothy Canfield Fisher, has been the simple everyday buying questions written especially for schools in contact that are common to all consumers. mection with the Children's Crusade "Do you get all that you pay for?" for Children week. The play is availis one question. "What price do you able six for ten cents." money's worth?" is a third-designed to help consumers judge for them-The Juniors of the Kellogg Farmers selves whether they are getting qual-

for a literary society. Each night, af- simple "assignments" suggested and ter the play, a free will offering was answer some of their own questions

When You Dye Fabrics Success in dyeing depends not so

Fool's Day everyone was required to Bureau of Home Economics, as re-

"Good results in dyeing can be se-County Fair in October. We are go- clares the Counsel. "But to secure an banker. He is relatively powerless; small amounts of silver or the cer

After the meeting games were played then came refreshments of fudge (which some of us found was squar-not to other fabrics. Some are fast At our next meeting, the 3rd week are weighted or filled silks, and fab-

-preferably soft; keep the garment Buy powdered glue at your hardware or paint store. You will need a half be sure no part of the fabric remains tem is a history of contradiction and was that Congress was induced to pound of the glue for a medium at the top or bottom of the solution. political subterfuge. These discuspass a law which stated that the sized room.

"Finally, remember that tints, used sions probably reached their height Greenbacks would not be accepted." "Make the glue-and-water solution in cool water, will not color a fab- at the time of William Jennings Bry- for taxes or for interest on the pub-

> Take Care of Your Hat "Women's hats have a shorter life span of a felt hat," according to Con-

10 minutes, stirring it as it boils.

"When washing the painted floor ing should be done with a brush work will need a cup of this thick made of hair and not with whisk glue for each pan of water. Apply broom. The brushing should also be the liquid to the painted floor, or painted walls or woodwork with a to right. Try a dry rubber sponge to cloth or sponge dipped in the solu-tion. You don't have to rinse the surget wet all the creases and folds Congress, was discussed. The largest pact of machine civilization and manattendance was at Lillis where about one-half of the crowd was young peoone-half of the crowd was young peoand leaving a gloss.

The largest pact of machine civilization and manface after cleaning. The glue does should be pushed out and the hat
the double job of cleaning the paint should be placed on a table to dry. and leaving a gloss.

"If the thick solution of glue hard-tor or in a closet that is overheated.

be pushed back into shape easily "Many felt hats can be made to practically a pristine freshness. Wool felts, on the other hand, are harder

A precocious five-year-old son o professor asked his father what

"In simple terms," said the pro State Leader attended a State Rurarurban Women's Conference which
was sponsored by the State Extension Department. The Conference is
discussed elsewhere in the paper, so
am just mentioning it here as a part
of our journeys.

Cussing vital problems concerning
that the problems concerning
farmers.

A study packet consists of an outstreak, and it isn't very long before
wear begins to show.

"To avoid this, 'balance' the wear
on the rug by shifting it around

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Does that make it clean muscular
portions of the more muscular
portions of the epithelium. And so
between them both, you see, they
removed all the foreign substance
from the surface of the utilitarian
utensil. commonly called a platter.

"Money or Your Economic Life"

By Wm. C. Gehrke

Editor's Note - The following article is the fourth in the series on the subject of Money, being written by Wm. C. Gehrke, principal of the Smolan Rural High School, upon the invitation of the state board of the Kansas Farmers Union.

lege so he can pay farmer A. Besides their use.
this he pays the banker interest for These silver certificates will remain

imitation. If banks were only store much on the type of dye you use as er B without the permission of the administration in power. Our presbanker.

because he in turn is controlled by tificates were in the money stream Juniors, Raymond Groene, is ready to make his four-minute speech on the Minute-Man project.

After the meeting games were play
After the meeting games were play
After the meeting games were play
One or the 12 Federal Reserve Banks who has as their head the Board of Governors. This Board of Governors. This Board of Governors decides how much money shall circulate while honest money would be contact the money which shall be referred to culate while honest money would be

Choose the type of dye that is best suited to your needs.

"Before you dye a garment, read the directions and follow them to the T. Remove all trimmings, and the T. Remove all trimmings, and the type of dye that is best of Governors (the Control Group).

Be sure and keep in mind that while Federal Reserve Notes circulate as United States money and are guaranteed by the Government these case. These dollars passed as dollars, the government of the control Group).

Be sure and keep in mind that would be worthless.

Here are briefly the facts in the guaranteed by the Government these case. These dollars passed as dollars, and the government of the government of the control Group).

to our next topic.

ver certificates. Which of you would government won't honor its own prefer to carry \$50.00 of silver dol- money, certainly the people cannot. lars in your pocket compared to 50 one dollar silver certificates. On these certificates there is a state-Later much more shall be presented to show the complete position of Federal Reserve Notes, especially in relation to debts and our ability to repay them. However another important forms of the complete position of the greenbacks they would be days of "hard money" confusion which was so completely infused into people's minds that when a pan-

der our present system practically celled only by a law passed in Con-all trade is hampered by the banker gress. The chief reason we happen to have the silver certificates in cirthen farmer A can trade with farm- the earlier days to go along with the banker. ent administration also offered the wonder that The Master used force and anger in driving them from the troller. The Federal Reserve Notes ing was included, but was relegated are just the opposite of the govern- to a position of small importance in ment created Lincoln Greenbacks. The value of purchases and in the price

culate while honest money would be governed as to its abundance by the amount of wealth in existence. You should recall in our previous dis-cussions, when civilization advanced other kind of money as long as the main part of uor currency is based in value. This story has often been on the private desires of the Board told in orthodox economics to show

The Control Group did not tell us

A study of silver certificates and that the real reason it finally dropan. Very little silver is now in use lic debt. Of course this law was

framed by the Control Banker crowd because they held most of the gold and the common people held most of

the Greenbacks. Hence in order to pay their taxes they would have to give two dollars in order to get one gold dollar. It was a plain case of where the Government refused to make their because of the convenience of the sil- own money full legal tender. If the

After the bankers got most of the

people to turn in their greenbacks

at fifty percent loss, they then inment that if you want silver you can trade the paper for silver. Of course none care to do so since if one is protected this last law by telling protected this last law by telling repay them. However another importinto people's minds that when a pangold which was set aside to make
ic came along they all wanted the
mind, now, is that the only way
metal.

Into people's minds that when a panic came along they all wanted the
few cents on a dollar, hence not dolfew cents on a dollar, hence not dol-Federal Reserve Currency can get into circulation is by creating debt. Same law which makes the metal hood is even more openly exposed to same law which makes the metal hood is even more openly exposed. To show how ridiculous and simple the use of these private notes are let us remove all other forms of currency we now have and just depend upon the notes.

Same law which makes the metal nood is even more openly exposed in recent times when the greenbacks retained their full circulation power certificates without question is because we feel that since the government says they are money all will into gold. You haven't seen anybody them as such Fortunately throwing them away or turning them Farmers create new wealth by accept them as such. Fortunately throwing them away or turning them productive labor. Farmer A wants to productive labor. Farmer A wants to money. They get into circulation as gold behind them. The way the trade at the store. Before he can do this he must sell a cow, but before interest can be charged against their to converting their good money into own use when they enter into the gold money reminds us of the Money the cow so farmer can buy grocer-ies he must go to the bank and the Federal Reserve Notes can only of Christ. The chief way the Pharitime convertible into special money the privilege of the transaction. Unin use and cannot be recalled or cander our present system practically celled only by a law passed in Controllers. Even the faithful Hebrew who didn't raise sheep and wanted to offer a lamb in the time of celebrathouses or custodians for money the government issue based on wealth, offered to Western Congressmen in money changed at a terrible loss and then also bought the lamb through the Pharisee monopolists. Is there any Temple!

> Every farmer should be a member of the Farmers Union.

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TO KANSAS FARMERS

Henry Horn started farming on his present 160-acre place, near Falls City in southeastern Nebraska, about 25 years ago. The yields he got were pretty low to start with. But Henry Horn has changed that. By rotating diversified crops on strict schedule he built up the soil. And by breeding from fine stock he has made his hogs known for quality all through the Missouri Valley. Nowadays the Horns get top crops from their land and top prices for many different things. You'll be interested in what they've learned about how food of various kinds goes to market. The Horns approved this story as it is written here

YOUR SAFEWAY FARM REPORTER

Why the Horn family is doing all right...

OUR own crops and skimmed milk, with tankage and minerals to make a balanced formula, fatten our stock in grand style—we can even make our own mash for the chickens," Henry Horn told me. "And the way we've planned things we're never short of something to bring in cash.

"Selling so many things has kept us in touch with modern marketing. We like the way the Safeway people do business. They get foodstuffs to customers fast—in fine condition. And they sell at money-saving prices which make it possible for people to buy more." Mrs. Horn had this to add: "We've had dealings

with Safeway ever since they opened their Falls City

store eleven years ago," she told me. "We buy there regularly-because it's a clean, modern store, prices are fair, and the foods are as fine as you can find. "We've had first-hand experience with Safeway's quality standards. Often we sell them such things as eggs, broilers, onions and tomatoes. They'll take only

the best, but to get it they gladly pay better than the market price." THE SAFEWAY FARM REPORTER Yields the Horns get in an average year ...75 to 100 head Hogs (principal cash crop)4300 bushels from 66 acres 500 bushels from 12 acres

300 bushels from 8 acres

...75 tons from 5 acres

(additional acreage in sweet clover and pasture used for range feeding) Year-round cash income from sale of-3000 dozen eggs and scores of broilers and dressed chickens from 1000-bird flock...cream from 6 dairy cows (skimmed milk fed to stock)...a variety of fruits and vegetables

Atlas Sorgo.



Horn flock of about 1000 chickens and she markets the eggs and broilers. In addition, Mrs. Horn runs an attractive home, puts up hundreds of jars of fruit yearly, and sets a table it's a treat to sit down to



Henry Horn, Jr., 15, and Chris Horn, 10, are strapping farm boys who help their folks a lot. Hogs shown by Henry have taken 12 championship ribbons in 4 years. Chris is raising 2 calves and showing his first hogs at the County Fair



Horn hogs are pure-bred spotted Poland Chinas averaging better than 250 pounds apiece when shipped at 7 months. Generally they command a premium because they're known to make good pork. Mr. Horn recently shipped a 900 pounder to the Omaha stockyards, second largest hog ever seen there. His pure-breds have won prizes in competitions far and wide

CO-OPERATION

Two fool jackasses—now get this dope— Were tied together with a piece of rope. Said one to the other, "You come my way, While I take a nibble at this new mown hay."

"I won't" said the other. "You come with me For I, too, have some hay, you see.' So they got nowhere; just pawed up dirt, And oh, by golly, how that rope did hurt.

And said, "We are just like human fools; Let's pull together; I'll go your way. Then come with me, and we'll both eat hay." Well, they ate their hay and liked it, too, And swore to be comrades good and true.
As the sun went down they were heard to say,
"Ah this is the end of a perfect day."

Then they faced about, those stubborn mules,

Now, get this lesson—don't let it pass; Learn this one thing from the poor jackass; We must pull together—'tis the only way To put democracy on the map and put it to stay. -The Cooperative Builder.

Investigate the "Big 4" Packers in Monopoly Quiz

FTC Describes Market Sharing Practices at Livestock Pool -Price Control

form of rigid market-sharing ar-rangements, on the part of the "Big Four" meat packing companies was disclosed to the American Farm Economics Association by William H. Lockheed Air Nicholls of Iowa State College. In Gen. Fds. his investigation Mr. Nicholls found that the same monopoly practices scored by the Federal Trade Commission in its 1918 report have been con-

The FTC stated that this marketsharing takes "the form of a livestock pool, providing substantially for the division of purchases of the cattle, sheep, and hogs sent to market according to certain fixed percentages." The result of such a practice,

"... the price is bound in the long run to the lowest price which will keep the producers raising together, are able to determine broadly not only what the livestock producers receive for their cattle and hogs, but what the consumer shall pay for his meat."

Pu	rchases	ur" I	
Omaha .	1931	1934	1937
	Pct	Pct.	Pct.
Armour	45.2	45.2	4.39
Swift	24.4	24.9	24.9
Cudahy		29.9	31.2
St. Paul			
Armour-Morri	40.3	39.6	43.6
Swift		60.4	56.4

Investigating the period 1931-37, Mr. Nicholls finds that not only did each of the "Big Four" buy a relatively fixed percentage of the total livestock purchased in a given market but that this percentage distri-bution has remained amazingly constant over a period of three decades. In the Omaha market for example, Armour's percentage of the big purchases made by the "Big Four" varied only between 44 and 45 percent dur-ing the period 1931-37. Cudahy's share

was 30 to 31 percent; and Swift's 24 to 25 percent. Comparing the years 1906-11 with 1931-37, and allowing for Armour's acquisition of Morris, Omaha figures show that "hog purchases were divided in practically the same propor-tions." Over this entire period of thirty years, Swift's percentage of the total has fluctuated less than 2 percent while Armour's and Cuda-

hy's have varied less than 3 percent Oklahoma City is dubbed "the most extreme case of constant percentages, Armour and Wilson dividing hog purchases about fifty-fifty during the war and in recent years."

Division by "Big Fo			and
Calf Purchase	s-1931	-1937	
Oklahoma City	1931	1934	1937
Action in the state of the stat	Pct.	Pct.	Pct
Armour	. 50.4	46.4	50.2
Wilson	. 49.6	53.6	49.8
St Paul x		11.	
Swift	. 59.3	60.0	61.6
Armour	. 40.6	40.0	38.4
Sioux City			
Armour	. 39.1	36.6	32.9
Cudahy	. 35.3	34.3	38.5
Swift		29.1	28.6

x United Packing Co. was acquired by Armour in 1935; hence United's purchases are excluded for '37 total to make comparable.

1939 Net Profits for Corporations Much Over 1938

Sensational Increases Marked in War Industries—960 Companies Are Studied

Making a compilation of the profits reported by 960 corporations, the National City Bank of New York finds that their net profits in 1939 Several ways were proposed, conafter deducting federal taxes were "practically double that of the year 1938." The net profits of these firms rigid prices in agriculture. amounted to \$1,281,000,000 for 1939 as compared with \$647,000,000 in 1938.

The most sensational increase occurred in the airplane industry, where 14 companies showed an increase in out of loss and dismay for another to \$7,184 millions in 1939. Twenty- was offered. four chemical companies reported an machinery companies announced an

Including government payments, cash farm income increased from \$8,082 millions in 1938 to \$8,518 mil-cussion of diets. Some women favor-

Exclusive of government payments, needed.

to \$1,253 millions.

Though profits have jumped 77 to 98 per cent, industrial production, according to the Wall Street Journal, has increased only 22 per cent. Unemployment dropped only 3 per cent in the course of the year, and then at the beginning of 1940 it is reported that more than a million and a half workers were dismissed.

The old army saying that "the only war the generals know how to fight is the last war" seems also to apply to business men. The wave of publicity about big war orders that might soon be placed, led to the piling up to \$1,253 millions.

Int'l Nickel \$36,847,446 32,399,470 Corn Prod Rf. 10,120,398 Coco-Cola 27,230,375 23,770,877 Joco-Cola Monsanto Cm. 5,428,914 Monsanto 9,375,436 3,150,593 Evidence of collusion, taking the Oliver F Eq. 430,267 orm of rigid market-sharing ar- Ellis-Chalm. 3,719,546 554.958 60.750 2, 553,946 2,479,748 Celanese Crp. 6,374,100 Am. Tel, Tel. 172,586,539 152,428,028 Pet Milk 1,129,888 901,001 901,001 442,111 3,132,918 15,118,063 Gen. Fds. Gen. Elec. 27,729,329 25,435,643 Am. Tobacco 26,427,934 Carnation Co. 2,508,095 2,508,095 1,968,825 41,206,039 7,717,454 183,300,000 102,190,007 U. S. Steel Gen. Mot. DuPont

FARM AND URBAN WOMEN DISCUSS ECONOMIC KNOTS

(Continued from page 1)

Armour 49.9 50.3 49.8 Justin, Division of Home Economics, Kansas State College, addressed the group. Using as her topic, "Pilgrims Progress," Dean Justin admonished the women present to guard against "muddiness of mind." She reasoned that women do not often desire to think through a pattern but present and text books.

think through a pattern but present and text books.

than a "get rich ideal, By urbanizing our rural schools we permitted to brush hurriedly over some of the striking figures.

Thus it is generally accepted that in 1935, 42 per cent of the farmers working the soil were tenant farmers and text books. Wilson 56.1 49.7 50.2 think through a pattern but present and text books.

day problems do need clear thinking In this the m on the part of both men and women. State Junior Leader, were the Farm- terrifying.

ers Union representatives. The following report has been prepared by Mrs. Immenschuh, and gives an intimate descrip-

tion of the discussions.

The feeling that seemingly prevailed would indicate that the Rural-Urban Conference held in Manhattan on April 8-9 served its prime purpose, standing of the relations of interests between the country and city, by the the developing of a clearer underonference progressed a clearer understanding

in America?" by our leader, Mr. Joned possible we were almost unanimously of one mind on this point, having lived in a world with the reputation of being a land of plenty. We each one felt that she might be beheaded if she said what she really believed. After the aforementioned uphold the slogan of America, "The Land of Plenty," by stating that we did have abundance in America; however we had all held ourselves in check as long as possible and with one accord a storm of protest went up. Memories of dire and unrelieved poverty throughout our land of suposed plenty was too much of a chalenge to the conscience of all of us,

s Christian Americans. City women pointed to slums, families of low income wage groups and long bread lines, while country women cited unpainted and ill-repaired farm homes to the very few from nomes having any modern conveni-

Later we did agree that ours was a ing the potentialities for abundance, actually, what is the matter? Why don't we have it? How can we ac-

Are Big Potentialities
It was significant that after some detailed discussion on this, the coopnet profits from \$675 millions in 1938 solution or just inertia, no objection

So far we had agreed that we do advance from \$67 millions in 1938 to not have abundance, but that we \$125 millions in 1939. Seventy-three could have it. For not only in materials, but also in the techniques nec increase from \$16 millions to \$25 essary for producing commodities millions. Increase in Corporate Profits Compared with Farm Income—1938 to1939
Net Profits, Industry, plus 98.0 Pc.
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Net Profits, Industry, plus 98.0 Pc.
On the Profits of the Cash Farm Income...plus 5.4 Pc. all, production would have to increase 75 jer cent.

lions in 1939—a rise of only 5.4 per ed more education as to diets, others agreeing more buying power was

cash farm income increased only from \$7,599 millions in 1938 to \$7,710 millions—a rise of only 1.5 per dance in America includes more than cent. Income from cotton, tobacco, food and shelter. The discussion then dairy products, poultry and eggs showed absolute declines.

Here we pointed to the difficulties The Wall Street Journal, making a similar survey of industry's profits arrived at substantially the same conclusion. It finds that the net profits of 476 corporations increased 77.—

its of 476 corporations 4 per cent in 1939 as compared with ucation; the inequality of basing 1938, advancing from \$706 millions courses of study on college entrance requirements when most boys and

of stocks, and now inventories have increased to such an extent that a recession is taking place, despite the higher profits at the end of 1939.

Net Profits After Federal Taxes

Net Profits After F ganize parent-teachers associations so that as parents we will be in closer and we do consider it.

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> Develops Related Goals At the end of this two day discusdirect purchase money loans made sion I felt that I had developed a bet-by the Secretary of Agriculture. ter understanding of some of the problems of the urban people and their effects upon the rural population. And it was obvious that these ter understanding of some of the

Gen. Mot. 183,300,000 102,190,007 start the women thinking. To some of us it ws not only startling in its by the government except in the cartest are specified but somewhat terrifying. To Textiles report inventories 17 per cent higher than last year. Automobile inventories are up 23 per cent and clothing stocks are 26 per cent above last year. Steel production has dropped to 65 per cent of capacity. Economists for the C. I. O. state that "the country is hovering on the edge of a period of very serious liquidation and depression." The National City Bank also speaks of prestional City Bank also speaks of pres

as he says, "We have to get out and population and set all of them climbthink on our own." When by just ing toward success and prosperity In dren, even if they come from the most sion, not its rejection. dren, even if they come from the most state College were present as observers to give information in their particular fields when conferees asked for it, but they did not take part any other children when they come any other children when they can be just as your whole children when they can be just as your whole children when they can be just as your whole children when they can be just as your whole children when they can be just as your whole children when they can be just a in the general discussions.

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Mrs. Bernard Immenschuh, St. has caused most learned and farseeing men to ask the questions, "Are
omie County, and Miss Esther Ekblad.

We a nation to be pitted "Yes, it is

The county is a growing national problem that gradually is, engulfing all of agriculture wherever
it is practiced.

FARMERS UNION FIGHTS FOR DEBT ADJUST-

(Continued from page 1) (a) There is no prospect of farm

women citizens of our state. As the made.

(b) "Parity" income itself, if atseemingly developed tained without debt adjustment, will 11 from 1920. merely encourage the expansion of multiple mechanized farms at the ex-

(c) The farmer needs a sound crediterms of the loss of human resources. it system regardless and in addition to attainment of fair farm prices. (d) Present debt figures prove the debt situation to be a national problem independent of other considera-

tions. (e) Farm tenancy increased at the hesitation one patriotic soul dared to rate of 40,000 farms annually and 25 per cent of their equity. (f) Sound debt-refinancing will reduce the price level necessary to make farming profitable.

Statement of Farm Tenancy by Farm Research, Presented to the House Committee on Agriculture

We recommend and support the passage of S.B. 1836, entitled an Act to promote farm ownership by amending th eBankhead Farm Tenant Act to provide for Government insurance loans, etc. We do so with full knowledge that the bill will hardly provide that panacea which will imme diately and completely banish the vast tenancy problem, a problem land of plenty—potentially—yes, but as a reality—no. This state of opin-lor left us with this problem. Having the potentially formula to the ranks of those that already ex-

children. The conference signed off, so to speak, with this thought tossition of the Bankhead-Jones Farm ed at us, "Is Ours a Nation to be Pitied?"

The independent home owner is rapidly vanishing."

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man, the concomitant approach of self in a standard of living below any level of decency.

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man, the concomitant approach of monopoly farm production. Who can forget the spectacle portraved by the second of the focal weapons of the opidly vanishing." 7200 more would so become through

Insure Private Loans women were working toward the Agriculture would insure private roundings of such houses are bleak same goal, and felt that cooperation loans, up to the amount of \$400,000, and unattractive. Many have even no between the city and country was loans, amortizable over this period, The effect was as a stimulus to and bearing interest at 3 per cent

(livestock.) . . . In brief, the prearranged division of livestock purchases forms the essential basis of a system, by which the essential basis of a system, by which the big packers are relieved of all fear of each other's competition and, acting ficient at all costs. The greatest cost is thinking." And continues by criticizing our educational system because the downward course of our farm water, kitchen sinks or indoor toi-

think on our own. He goes on farther to the effect that, "We want all chil-

day evening at which Dean Margaret Justin, Division of Home Economics, Kansas State College, addressed the By urbanizing our rural schools we es of orientation we may well be

In this the most wonderful of all limited as it is often supposed to the countries, our present trend of life South, but rather it is a growing

Thus in the East North Central states of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michgan, and Wisconsin, farm tenancy has increased to almost 30 per cent. In the West North Central section MENT LEGISLATION the percentage has increased from 20.5 per cent in 1880 until in 1935 it

was 42.6 per cent. In the Mountain States, where the roblem has been deemed non-exisent, the percentage has increased from 7.4 per cent in 1880 to 26.6 in 1935, and to indicate how rapidly the nenace is increasing, 15 points of this enancy increase dates from 1910, and

About Rural Slums Less has been said about the effect The first question advanced for pense of presently distressed family- of this growing problem in terms of the creation of rural slums, and in entirely unnoticed. In 1930, and the

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ically undernourished. They are readily subject to diseases. Pellagra,

es sampled by E. A. Schuler in a 1920

In 1936 a sub-committee of the thinking we know that the True Purpose of education is to enable us to by reason of substitute suffers only stated in a report to the 74th Con-House Committee on Public Lands

> "Struggling against these odds the American farmer is being driven in-



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pers or hired farm laborers, are liv- Wrath" of the soulless corporation ing in houses of two or three rooms. The buildings are frequently of poor construction, out of alinement, weabodily disenfranchising and throwing from the land whole sections of the ing from pillar to post in roundings of such houses are please and unattractive. Many have even no and unattractive. Many have even no outside tollet, or, if one is available, or of Steinbeck's pen. In 1930, 58 per outside tollet, or, if one is available, cent of the value of land worked by and Onion Plants. Cabbage, all varieties. Parcel Post Prepaid. 200, 65c; American farmers belonged to about 100 to roundings of such houses are bleak perate quest for meager livelihood.

Unless the march of tenancy be must inevitably likewise bow to the inevitable. A glance at the following table will quickly demonstrate our

contention. Table Indicating Owners' Loss of Equity in Farm Mortgages

Extent Mort. Extent Mort-gages Interest gagors Int. 27.3% 39.6 50.2

The independent home owner is rap- need it be added, that there will be scant room for him in the city among the swollen ranks of the unemployed. So another stream is added to feed our reservoir of the disinheritsharpen the picture.

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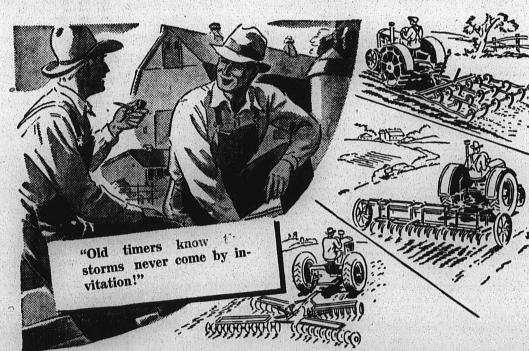
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