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## A Call to All Loyal Members

### FARMERS' WEEK PLANS COMPLETE FOR NEXT WEEK

Many Kansas Farmers Union County Organizations to be Represented by Delegates at Annual Meeting of State Board of Agriculture

#### A FULL PROGRAM

Governor Landon is Speaker at "Get Acquainted Dinner" Wednesday Evening; Meeting is Sixty-Fifth Annual Meet of State Board

Many county Farmers Union organizations in Kansas will be represented in the annual meeting of the State Board of Agriculture in Topeka next week. County organizations have selected their delegates to meet with the delegates representing many other agricultural organizations and units from over the state.

Information on "Farmers' Week" in Topeka comes in the form of a release from the office of J. M. Hargrove, secretary of the Kansas State Board of Agriculture. This release states that the State Agricultural Convention, under the auspices of the sixtieth annual meeting of the State Board of Agriculture, will hold a business session of the delegates at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, January 8, in Representative Hall, Topeka.

At 6:30 that evening, the famous "get acquainted dinner" begins in the Roof Garden of the Jayhawk Hotel. Governor Alf Landon will be the chief speaker on this occasion. Chancellor Lindley of the University of Kansas, Charles M. Hargrove of Abilene, and "Peggy of the Flint Hills" will also be on the program. The last named person is Mrs. Zula Greene, formerly of Chase county near Cottonwood Falls. She and Mr. Greene were for years members of the Farmers Union in that county. State is now a widely quoted Kansas columnist living in Topeka.

Secretary J. C. Mohler has been fortunate in the selection of topics for discussion and in securing such an array of talent for such presentation. Insect pests we have always with us and a new line of conquest will be presented by Professor George A. Dean of Kansas State College and S. G. Kelly, Entomologist of the Australian Government. This is to follow an exemplified and informative address on "The Application of Insect Principles in Farming" by H. S. Busch, Jr. This session will be held in Representative Hall beginning at 9:30 o'clock.

The afternoon session of Thursday will be held in the C. A. R. Hall of the Memorial Building, beginning at 1:30 during which two government officials will present important matters directly from headquarters. Dr. H. H. Bennett will discuss Soil Conservation and Dr. Carl C. Taylor, Director, Division of Rangeland Management, will tell of Stabilizing American Agriculture. This session brings an address from the head of the great National Grange, L. J. Taber, who speaks on the Machine Age in Farming.

The evening session beginning at 7:30 p. m., in G. A. R. Hall is devoted

### PRESIDENT EVERSON'S NEW YEAR POEM

The following verses, written by E. H. Everson, president of the National Farmers Union, were broadcast by Mr. Everson at the beginning of his address Saturday, December 28, over the nation-wide hook-up of the N. B. C. The poem was dedicated to Mr. Everson "to all of you listeners everywhere."

May your love be multiplied,  
May your sorrows decrease;  
May your happiness be amplified,  
May your suffering pain forever cease.

As we launch out in this coming New Year  
May we stand for the people without favor or fear,  
May we muster our forces from Sea unto Sea  
United for Justice till Eternity.

May we strive for peace on sea and on land,  
Divided we fall; but united we stand.  
Yes, united we'll stand with hearts and minds true,  
Determined forever our duties to do.

Determined that Shylock and his exploitation  
Shall be banished forever from out this fair nation.  
So our children may live in a land of the free,  
And enjoy peace and plenty, where'er they may be.

Oh, never shall Mammon or Moloch again  
In this land of the free be permitted to reign,  
And deprive the farm people of the fruits of their soil  
And the laborer and craftsman of fair pay for their toil.

Oh, may wisdom increase and virtue extend,  
May these glorious blessings upon mankind descend,  
Bringing comfort, happiness, Peace and Good Will  
To all mankind—God's plan to fulfill.

Until time shall end and be no more,  
May our Banner of Justice wave from shore to shore,  
Proclaiming equity for every daughter and son;  
Respected by all and dishonored by none.

to an address by Wheeler McMillen, editor, The County Home, on New Routes to Farm Wealth. Friday morning session at 9:30 in the same hall will be devoted entirely to a discussion of dairy matters with F. W. Atkeson of Kansas State College, J. S. Anderson, director, Nemaha Cooperative, George S. Hine, secretary, Kansas Cream Improvement Association as the speakers.

In the afternoon at 1:30 Charles W. Holman, Secretary, National Cooperative Milk Producers' Federation, will discuss Butter Surpluses and Butter Substitutes. This will be followed by the election of members, report of the Resolutions Committee and unfinished business. After adjournment, the newly elected members of the Board will be installed at the Secretary's office in the Capitol building. Railroad fares for Farmers' Week are two cents per mile each way at all Kansas stations.

The Kansas State Poultry Association will hold its annual show and meeting during the entire week beginning January 6. The State Association of Kansas Fairs and the Kansas Agricultural Council are other meetings of the week at Topeka.

The success of the 1936 Membership Campaign depends on the wholehearted cooperation of every one who believes in cooperation and organization.

### Peasantry or Organization

(By JOHN FROST)

(This is another of a series of articles by the vice president of the Kansas Farmers Union.)

Some say it is a far stretch of the imagination to prophesy that American farmers will sink to peasantry. But some farmers are already peasants. Peasants are farmers who have been whipped by the unequal economic struggle for home and security, who have lost hope, who have given up in despair of their ability to be the masters of their own destinies, who have been content to take with a man's servility whatever crumbs Big Business charity offers them, and who are despondently drifting down stream toward a bitter old age of want. Pride of farm ancestry, the surge of red blood for freedom, the hope that springs eternal in the human breast for success, is gone in many thousands of farmers' hearts and homes today.

Big Business dominates every road from the farm to market. Packers dictate the price of the cattle and hogs and sheep and poultry that the farmers care and skill produce. Speculators on the Board of Trade, by their short selling, force down the price of the wheat and cotton and other products of the farmers' sweat and toil. The farmers' toll to the Implement Trust is high. International Bankers and the Big Corporations bring on wars and depressions and panics to enrich their coffers and despoil the farmers' customers, the laborers. The Bankers' Trust controls credit and makes the dollar alternately cheap and dear to win by speculation the possessions of the people. Invisible Corporation Government camouflaged behind a screen of vast and deceptive propaganda mocks at justice. Yes, peasantry threatens.

There is only one escape from peasantry. It is in organization, in union, in joining together, in gangling up on the Robber Middlemen. Gang that takes 60c toll out of every \$1.00 the consumer pays for the farmers' products. If farmers go it alone, it means the hard and bitter road to poverty for all agriculture. Rugged individualism will avail nothing but, ragged individualism against middlemen wealth entrenched behind vicious legislation and unfair court procedure.

How pitifully futile is the protest of one farmer against the injustice of packer and board of trade and banker domination of his little business. But 30,000,000 farmers organized and informed and militant, and united with their customers and friends, the hosts of labor, can break the chains of economic tyranny and bring justice and prosperity to both, and drive back the threat of peasantry. Senator Robert LaFollette, one of the truest and best informed friends of agriculture, has said: "It is my firm conviction that unless the farmers of America join some militant farm organization they are not hope for economic justice in this country."

### OUR UNFINISHED BUSINESS BASIS OF EVERSON TALK

National Farmers Union President Says Congress and the Government Have Much Unfinished Business to Attend to

#### RESTORE AGRICULTURE

Says We Have Wonderful Opportunities for Union Service to Society in Year ahead; Points out Poor Distribution of Opportunity

Following is the text of the talk made by E. H. Everson, president of the National Farmers Union, over the National Broadcasting Company and affiliated radio stations on the regular Farmers Union hour, which always comes in the fourth Saturday of each month. This talk, entitled "Unfinished Business," was delivered on December 28. The poem with which Mr. Everson introduced his address is printed elsewhere in this issue of the Kansas Union Farmer. Mr. Everson's address:

**Unfinished Business**  
We are told in the second chapter of St. Luke that the lowly Nazarene, whose birth we have just now celebrated with joy and thanksgiving, when he was but 12 years old, tarried behind in Jerusalem, where he and his parents had attended the feast of the Passover, in order that he be about his Father's business. No doubt, this was unfinished business that he felt must be attended to. And so I say to you, my friends, as we pass from this year 1935 into the New Year of 1936, there is a vast amount of unfinished business to be attended to.

**Take an Inventory**  
It seems to me it might be well for all of us at this time to take stock of ourselves and our work during the year just past. Let us determine what we might determine the progress made or lack of progress as the case may be.

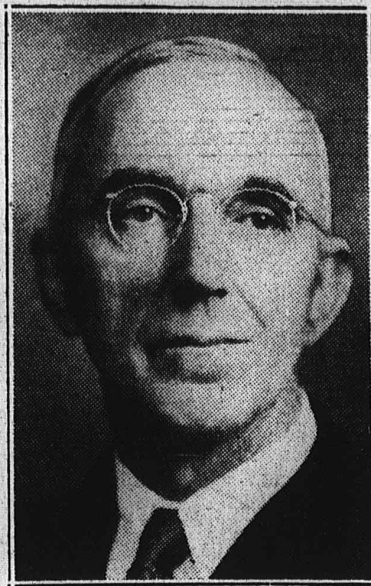
As in a well-conducted business, it is a good practice to take an inventory of goods on hand as well as of accounts, good and bad. In order to determine whether the said business is going forward or advancing backward as the case may be. So also, it seems to me, it is a good time for each and every one of us to take an inventory of ourselves, to take up on ourselves the burden of the past year, and to determine whether we are individually or collectively living up to our duties and responsibilities. This is the real test. It is the test which will really determine whether we as individuals are discharging our duties to the community, State or Nation.

The real test is whether we as individuals have rendered to Society a service equal to the value of that which we have received from society. Suppose we just ask ourselves a few pertinent questions. I know there are very strong tendencies in most of us to over-estimate our importance—to take ourselves too seriously, so to speak. Some of us just get into a habit of over-drawing too heavily upon our imagination. Many times we are too much inclined to look upon the position to human progress that we must deal with, perhaps because they may seem unpleasant or difficult or because perhaps we may lack the courage to face the facts and the opportunity to encounter. Especially is this true of many of the Politicians and Bureaucrats that continue to pyramid a tax burden upon the people so staggering that we are told now full one-third of our entire National Income goes for taxes. This means that every time two people sit down to their table to eat their morning, noon or evening meal, there is a third party on the payroll sharing your meal with you and that goes whether you like it or not. Everything under the sun now is taxed heavily to support this army of Bureaucrats except the air we breathe and the Sunshine and no doubt this air and sunshine will be brought in to us full measure of tax just as soon as some one will invent a meter to fasten on our windpipes to calculate and compute the amount of air we breathe and devise some method to measure the amount of the Sun's Rays we can absorb.

**Unfulfilled Promises**  
Notwithstanding the regular election promises to reduce taxes, to eliminate the numerous boards, bureaus and commissions. These continue to multiply at every session of Congress and legislature, regardless of what Party is in power. These unfulfilled promises, together with an ever-increasing, unbalanced budget constitutes the unfinished business of each succeeding Administration. Citizens and taxpayers everywhere should check up on their public officials—compare their pre-election promises with their after-election performance.

The coming session of Congress which convenes January 3rd has a very great deal of unfinished business to transact if the administration keeps its campaign promises to the country. Let us keep in mind all public servants, regardless of party, who have kept the faith—those who have rendered faithful and efficient service

### Heads Membership Campaign



JOHN VESECKY  
President, Kansas Farmers Union

**VESECKY'S MEETINGS**  
John Vesecky, president of the Kansas Farmers Union, is starting this week on a series of meetings most of which will be in eastern and southeastern Kansas. Most of these meetings, too, will be in connection with membership campaigns that are now going on or that will start with the meetings.

While complete information on some of the meetings is lacking, the itinerary of Mr. Vesecky's trip and series of meetings is given below as completely as possible.

Thursday, January 2—Bellevue Local 2042, Lone Elm, night.  
Friday, January 3—Erie Local 562, Saturday, January 4—Allen County Farmers Union, LaHarpe High School, 7:30 p. m.

Monday, January 6—South Mound, 8 p. m.  
Tuesday, January 7—Labette, 8 p. m.  
Wednesday, January 8—Parsons, 8 p. m.

Thursday, January 9—Sherwin Junction, 8 p. m.  
Friday, January 10—Dennis, 8 p. m.

Monday, January 13—Ottawa, Minnesota Local, 7:30 p. m.  
Tuesday, January 14—Miltonvale, Pleasant Hill Local 592.

and support them with our full faith and confidence. On the other hand, let us be just as determined that those who have betrayed their trust—those who have looked upon their public office as a private snap rather than a public trust; let us promptly return them to private life at the first opportunity, regardless of what party they may belong to. That is the only way we can really make our Government truly responsive to the wishes of the people. Unless we do this, unless the vast majority of liberty-loving people throughout our land actually become active, democratic citizens in the performance of their patriotic duties as citizens of a Republic, there can be no hope of retaining that Democracy for which our forefathers gave their last full measure of devotion. Just in proportion as the muscles of our arm become weak from lack of use or exercise, just so will the true principles of Democracy vanish from the face of our far land, if the people fail to perform these patriotic duties as citizens. This, my friends, is our unfinished business as citizens. Oh, yes! and there is no more important business in this world than this. For upon the proper transaction of this business depends the life of a nation and the general welfare of one hundred and twenty million people and their children.

**Opportunities for Service**  
So, I say to you at the close of this year 1935 and as we approach the New Year just ahead, let us think of the opportunities we have for real and genuine service—for Union service—for cooperative service; service for the building of a society where each shall enjoy the fruits of his labor and where no one shall be permitted to appropriate for himself that which rightfully belongs to another and where every person shall have an opportunity to serve in useful productive employment, creating new wealth to supply the ever-increasing wants and needs of society. Oh, what stupidity in blaming surpluses of food and clothing for hunger and want throughout our land. To me, this is just like blaming the rain for the drought or like blaming the sun for the dark nights. It is just too ridiculous for serious consideration.

The real problem in America is not over-production. It is loss of income on the part of the vast majority of our people. It is the lack of ability to buy power on the part of many to supply their needs. This I say is the real problem in America and this, my friends, is still our unfinished business at the close of the year 1935.

If you take the position that there is too much of a surplus of these good things of life instead of first recognizing that there is hunger and want among a large number of our

### Thorough Campaign For Farmers Union Members

Intensive and Extensive Membership Campaign Getting Vigorously Under Way Looking to Largest Membership in Union in Many Years

#### LOCALS, COUNTIES MAKE PLEDGES

Money Pledged to Be Used in Communities in which it Is Raised; Locals to Organize Teams and Report if Outside Help Needed

The 1936 campaign for members in the Kansas Farmers Union is getting under way, and in a few days should be under full steam.

The state officials have been instructed by the state board, as well as by the membership through the delegates at the Iowa convention, to organize the work and to build up the membership to double the 1935 number, or to approximately 16,000 Kansas farm families.

**Many Already Pledged**  
The five directors on the state board, and vice president John Frost of Blue Rapids, Kansas, met on Monday, December 23, with the state president, John Vesecky, and the state secretary, Floyd Lynn, to discuss plans for proceeding with the campaign. It was brought out in the meeting that several County Unions, as well as several Local Unions, have already pledged definite amounts of money to be used in the membership drive.

The Kansas Farmers Union, therefore, is making a plea to all County Farmers Union business associations over the state to set apart a liberal amount to be used in the state-wide campaign; with the understanding, however, that the funds so supplied are to be used in the locality from which they come, or from which they are pledged.

It was pointed out that many County Unions as well as other units have considerable funds on hand, built up through a period of years. It was suggested, too, that the County Union's part of the dues collected are supposed to be used in organization work. The money in the Local treasuries is also available for organization work. In many counties—perhaps in most organized counties—at least a hundred dollars could well be spared for an intensive membership campaign. It is certain that if such an amount is used for that purpose early this year, the membership in the communities affected will show a total strength unheard of for years.

The money need not be sent to the state office. It is better to administer it locally. Any county, or any Local Union, can best apply its membership fund by definitely deciding to get wholeheartedly into this early 1936 campaign, send word to the state office that it is ready to go to work, and ask that arrangements be made to have some one from within the state Union membership to help in arranging the campaign. Then see that the plans are put into operation. In many cases, the state director having jurisdiction over a particular county will assist. State officials will also be available.

**Centralized Direction**  
The directors and many other leaders from over the state have expressed the opinion that the work should be directed from the state office, so that complete unity of effort can be attained. It is the plan, however, that the campaigns will be under the direction of local men and women. In most places, the plan will involve the organization of teams of workers who will go to the various farmers in the community and call on them, urging their membership in the Farmers Union.

**"Surround" the Prospect**  
John Frost, vice president of the Kansas Union, remarked in the recent state board meeting: "Two or more men can surround a prospective member, but it's pretty hard for one man to surround another man." While there is humor in the remark, there is a lot of sound, common sense in it, too. It brings out the value of team work in a membership campaign.

**Teamwork Results Surprising**  
Even with such a small outlay of money for actual expenses, the members of any local or county Union can accomplish surprising results if they will organize teams and go to work actually calling on their neighbors with an earnest, sincere invitation for them to join the Farmers Union.

**Personal Work Effective**  
The campaign will, of course, mean many "schoolhouse meetings," where the members will gather to talk over plans, to discuss what the Farmers Union means to agriculture, and to

listen to talks by local men and women as well as by any one who may be in the community helping with the campaign. It is pointed out, again, however, that it is the opinion of seasoned campaigners that the real results depend upon the actual contact and personal work which takes place on the personal calls at the various farm homes.

Early in the campaign, it is the intention of the Kansas Union Farmers to publish the names of the County Local Unions, as well as of the cooperatives, who contribute to the success of the campaign. The amounts of money pledged by the various units will be published if that is satisfactory with the group involved.

Campaign pledges, or notices of such pledges, may be sent either to John Vesecky, president of the Kansas Farmers Union, Salina, Kansas, or to Floyd H. Lynn, state Farmers Union secretary, Salina.

**The More Done, the More Gained**  
Leaders from various parts of the state have declared it to be their opinion that the more a County Union, or any other group, spends in this membership campaign at this time of year, the more that group will have at the end of the year. That is logical reasoning, because it has been proven many times that the prosperity of each group, as well as the prosperity of the farmers as a whole, depends upon the number of members in that organized group.

**Now is Opportunity Time**  
The argument has been advanced that there never was a better time to build up the membership strength of the Kansas Farmers Union than now, early in 1936. The organization has been of inestimable benefit to Kansas farmers. Even in the face of dwindled membership, benefits that can hardly be measured in dollars and cents. The motorium, elimination of gas tax on farm-used gasoline and motor fuel, establishment of an income tax, better freight rates, easier regulations with respect to tax delinquencies, and many other measures of legislation have come to Kansas farmers. The Farmers Union can be thanked.

**Value of Cooperatives**  
The improvement in marketing conditions that have been brought about because of the presence of strong Farmers Union cooperatives on the terminal markets, as well as out through the state, the narrowing of margins, the forcing of old line concerns to meet, or attempt to meet, the better prices and better trade conditions, all constitute benefits that cannot be accurately measured in dollars and cents. These things, and many others, must be fostered and maintained. They can be maintained only through the preservation of the Farmers Union.

**Must Have More Members**  
While the Union has been bringing all these benefits, perhaps it has not paid enough attention to keeping the membership strength up to the proper totals. Now the time has come when the membership must be built up. Farmers and farmers alone can be looked to for membership. It is a class organization. The membership has long maintained that it does not want any other class to subsidize the Union, or to have a leading part in keeping up its membership strength. The Farmers Union has chosen to be free from domination—no free hand. That means that no one else is going to help us build our membership totals, but that we have to do it ourselves.

**Must Not Fail**  
To fail in this campaign would be to admit that we cannot take care of our own membership problems. That is true of Locals and county Unions as well as of the state organization as a whole.

The organization is expecting each Local, each County Union, each business group, to do its part.  
**Make Plans at Meetings**  
At each Local or County meeting (Continued on Page Two)

### ASK DEMOCRATIC CONTROL BE HAD OF AAA PROGRAMS

State Board of Kansas Farmers Union Asks Control Be Taken from Extension Department and County Agents and Given to Farmers

#### WIDE SPREAD DEMAND

Points Out that Extension Department is Educational and Not Administrative; Ask Administrative Board Locate in Central Kansas

The Kansas Farmers Union, through action of the state board of directors and the state officers who assembled in Salina, December 23, has taken the initial step in an effort to transfer the control of the wheat adjustment program and the cotton hog adjustment program from the Extension Department of the Kansas State College and from the county agents, and to place this control in the hands of the county allotment committees and under a state administrative board to the extent it should be. Farmers feel that the adjustment programs are, or should be, their own programs. Such has been the understanding from the start; and undoubtedly, when the programs were first formulated and made possible, such was the intention.

The programs were first placed in the hands of the extension department because that department afforded a set-up already in existence. That action saved time just then, because it made it unnecessary to construct an administrative structure especially to handle the programs. The original intention was for the cooperating farmers to elect, from among their own number, allotment committees who could avail themselves of the services of the county agents who were to act as helpers to the committees.

Gradually the county agents were allowed, and even encouraged, more or less to dominate the county committees, according to information coming at different times from various counties. Reports say that information was sent to the agents, and in many known instances this information was temporarily withheld from the committees. It is not charged that such action was authorized by the extension department or by the administration of the AAA from Washington; yet it was made possible.

The net result has been that the administration of the program has lost some of its democratic characteristics. In that loss, it stands to lose its effectiveness.

Discussion in the Salina board meeting of the directors of the Kansas Farmers Union also brought out the

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### BUILDING IN 1936

1936 is here, for us to use as we will. Like all years, it will be a good year for some and a bad year for others.

There is no reason in the world why 1936 should not stand out as one of the best years of the Kansas Farmers Union. We have the material to work with, we have an ideal program to work for, and we have a worthy goal to reach.

Looking back over 1935, we see a year of great transitions, of changes being wrought, of promises made and of achievements accomplished. The year just passed was a year in which programs and policies began taking form. Out of a chaotic social jumble are coming certain well formed policies of action and of being.

### Gathering Our Bricks

It is as if a house had become top-heavy and unbalanced, and had toppled over, scattering bricks in disordered confusion. We are gathering those bricks, and are now in the process of building a new house, or rebuilding the old house.

Agriculture must have comfortable quarters in this new or rebuilt house. Other classes who expect to build rooms for themselves are hard at work shaping the structure to suit themselves. Agriculture must hurry and gather its own bricks and place them together in such manner as to have a room in this house as good as any other room.

In order to do this, we must organize our efforts. That means we must build up the membership of the Farmers Union. We must not allow other classes to over-build and thus again endanger the balance and stability of the entire structure.

### A Strong Foundation

Our part of the new house will be, as has always been the case, on the ground floor; near the foundation, or, really a part of the foundation. Our part of the house must be strong, and well built. The stronger the foundation part of the house is made, the larger the entire house can be safely built. We are not selfish when we insist that as a class, we must have good quarters in this new house.

We build for ourselves, and for the stability and strength of the entire structure of the country or of society as a whole when we build our cooperatives. Good strong cooperatives are our assurance of economic strength. We need this economic strength in order to withstand the storms of economic competition that wage against us. These cooperatives are made strong in two ways, but only by one class—and that class is Agriculture—the farmers. The first way is by increasing our membership strength in our own fighting class organization—The Farmers Union. The second way is by patronizing our own cooperatives.

### Legislative Protection

Then it is necessary for us to protect what we have built. We can do that through legislation. We have legislative strength according to our membership strength. When we are

a united class, we have political—not partial—strength which must be respected. We hold in our hands an instrument of great power when we have a strong organization built for farmers by farmers.

However, the pitiable fact is that if that organization is only a shell of what it should and could be, it but invites attack from strong forces which we are unable to withstand.

### The Washington Scramble

Now we are launching into a new year. The Congress will be in session this week in Washington. There will be a fight between many different forces to gain control of the bricks with which the new house is to be built. The same old results will obtain unless we show renewed strength and determination as a class. The Farmers Union will be represented at Washington with strong leadership. Many of the Congressmen and Senators favor our cause because they know we are asking for things that are right and equitable. We must back these friends and leaders with a strong determined membership.

The Frazier-Lemke bill will be pressed, and will be passed into law, if we get behind it as we should—as a well organized class. The Patman bill, cost of production, improved banking and credit laws, curb off direct buying by the packers, elimination of gambling in farm products, and many other items of needed legislation can be secured if we back our demands with determined membership representing a large part of our class of people—the farmers.

The lines are already forming. In a news dispatch from Washington this week, we notice that Clifford Hope, Kansas Congressman, has already declared that the fight for the Capper-Hoppe direct marketing bill will be pushed for an early passage.

This is a bill sponsored by the Kansas Farmers Union as well as by the National Farmers Union and many other state Unions. It would place private stockyards under the same control as public stockyards. The fact that big packers oppose working under any such control is proof that it is needed. It seems ridiculous to think that such effrontery as that of the packing industry would be tolerated; yet the packers will have their way if farmers do not assert their rights in an organized way.

There is no argument against the Frazier-Lemke legislation providing for a fair method of refinancing agriculture, which needs refinancing because all other classes have exploited it. Yet the bill will not become law unless farmers assert themselves vigorously through their own class organization.

### Strength Depends on Locals

So, early in 1936, let us build up the strength of our own organization—the Farmers Union. That strength must all be assembled and fed into the main organization through the Locals.

It is checked right up to that Local of yours. With that truth in mind, start out this week and help build up the membership.

## THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE BY JOHN VESECKY

### A UNION RENAISSANCE

During the last half of December I spoke at three county wide meetings. The first of these, December 14, was at Cal Ward's home Local, Lone Star, in Douglas County. They have a fine bunch of Farmers Union folks in Douglas county, and the ladies certainly know how to put on a feed.

The afternoon meeting was well attended, and the interest displayed by the membership in Union work speaks well for the able leadership they have in that county. I feel certain that Douglas county is going to increase their membership this year, and perhaps double it.

The next meeting I attended was on December 19 at Downs in Osborne county. By actual count, there were over 200 persons at that meeting. This, I am sure, shows very well for a county having so few active locals as Osborne county has. I feel certain that with a little application by the membership in the county, and perhaps by a little outside help, Osborne county can again be made one of the leading Farmers Union counties in the state.

Their business organization, which is a county unit, under the direction of J. C. Gregory, with the aid of his able assistants in charge of the several elevators, produce stations, stores, and oil stations, is in excellent condition and is rendering valuable services to the farmers of Osborne county. It is my hope to see every shareholder of the business associations who is eligible to membership in the Farmers Union enrolled as a member in some Osborne county Local before the end of the year.

Mr. Lynn and I attended a county Union meeting of Cloud county Farmers Union folks at Concordia on December 30. Besides a house full of Farmers Union folks from Cloud county, they had sufficient visiting talent from Marshall and Washington counties, in addition to the state officers, to put on a series of revival meetings all over the county, if we had been separated, one to each meeting. I am sure it will take the Cloud county Farmers Union folks quite a while to digest and assimilate all of the good things said and all the good advice given them in this meeting.

Cloud county expects to put on an intensive membership campaign some time in March of this year. I assured them of the full cooperation of the state office.

### Much Interest Apparent

The interest taken in the Farmers Union and its program by the farmers, their wives and even their children, which has been apparent in all of the meetings which I have attended since the state convention, makes me feel certain of a Farmers Union renaissance. I feel confident that our Farmers Union folks are again gaining courage to fight for the principles of the Farmers Union, and have confidence in their ability, through their organization, the Kansas Farmers Union, to hold whatever we have gained through organization and legislation during the last few years; also, further to successfully demand additional legislation which will enable our farmers to take the proper position in society as compared with other groups.

### Opinions Differ

I notice in going over the state that there is considerable diversity of opinion in regard to the New Deal legislation, as it affects the farmer. Although a large majority of our members are favorable to the Agricultural Adjustment Act, as a whole, still I find some equally earnest Farmers Union members opposed to the adjustment plan.

### Keep In Good Company

We all know that the present plan is not perfect; that it needs a lot of fixing to make it work as we feel it should work. Still, the benefits we have received under this plan during these last three hard years, and the possibilities of the adjustment program if it is carefully revised by the farmers themselves who are friendly to the program, are so great that every thinking farmer should pause before he joins the pack of wolves among the industrialists who are howling against every part and parcel of the new deal legislation.

Every thinking farmer should study the personnel of the organizations which are so strenuously opposing the processing tax and every part of the new deal program. You will find that, in a large measure, these organizations are composed of politicians whose only aim is to turn out the folks who are in office and gain power and patronage for themselves and their friends.

Next, there are organizations of manufacturers and industrialists whose foolhardy disregard of the rights of agriculture to a fair return for its labor has plunged this country into the depression through which we have been wading during the last 4 or 5 years. These indus-

trialists, while howling against every part of the new deal and especially the part which affects the status or prosperity of agriculture, have only one purpose in view and that is to increase their own power and their own profits, even if it may be at the expense of the welfare and liberties of the common people.

There is an old saying which says something like this: "Tell me who your companions are and I will tell you what you are." So, let's be careful and not work in cooperation with the folks who, by their past performance, have shown entire disregard of the rights of both the farmers and laborers.

### An Economic Measure

Repeating again that although the new deal, as regards agriculture, is no where near perfect, as it does not bring to the farmer what the farmer has a right to expect, that is, cost of production for that part of his products used domestically, we must remember that it is a step in the right direction and a recognition of the rights of agriculture to equal opportunity with other industries. It is also admittedly an experiment and as such it should be permitted to go through the trial and error period, the bad parts to be discarded or changed and the good parts kept. It is not and should never be considered as a political measure, since members of both parties were instrumental in bringing it about and should receive full credit for the good it has done.

The Agricultural Adjustment Act should be considered as an economic measure, intended to bring equality to agriculture; and whatever changes are made in the law should be made by the friends of the measure, and especially by farmers and their representatives who are interested in agriculture, and understand its needs.

One of the necessary parts of any farm program is some form of crop insurance, if we so may name it. It is a generally acknowledged principle of society at present that some provision should be made for the care of labor in times of unemployment, the same as the manufacturer makes provision for the care of his machinery and buildings while they are not being used. Using the same line of reasoning, is it not proper that society should carry a part of the risk which the farmer assumes in providing society with its necessities of life? It is not right and proper that the farmer should carry all of the risk, both crop and price, in providing society with these necessities with no assurance that he will receive for his contribution to society an amount sufficient to reimburse him at least for his actual outlay in money and labor for the production of those necessities.

### Processors' Suits

I believe the many law suits started by processors enjoining the collection of processing taxes are an indication of what the farmer can expect if he should be so foolish as to try to get rid of all of the good features of the Agricultural Adjustment Act before some other legislation is enacted taking its place or before it is so amended as to make it better serve the purposes for which it was intended.

By the wildest stretch of imagination, I cannot see what rights the processors can claim to have to the taxes which they have admittedly not paid themselves, but have collected either from the consumer or the producer or, in part, from each. Should the Supreme Court decide in favor of the processors, which is unthinkable in view of the facts surrounding the different cases filed with the Supreme Court, it behooves the producers, through their organizations and also the consumers, to immediately file suits in the Federal Courts enjoining the Federal Government from refunding or permitting the processors to keep any part of the taxes, either already paid to the government or held by the processors, pending the decision of the cases.

### Farmers Should Sue

The farmers and the consumers should also file suits demanding the return to them of their proportionate part of the taxes collected by the processors. If the tariff is proper, if the several subsidies granted the railroads, air lines, steamship lines, etc. in the past by our government, are proper and considered constitutional under the Commerce and Welfare clauses of our constitution, then certainly the Agricultural Adjustment Act and the processing tax should have equal standing before the courts and should be equally constitutional. If this farmers' tariff is declared unconstitutional, then during the last 150 years, the manufacturers have been unconstitutionally collecting tariff taxes from the consumers for their own enrichment and should be made to repay every dollar with interest, of the taxes they have collected during the several generations when they were the beneficiaries of our Government.

Nothing would more completely please those who exploit the farmers for a living than to see our membership campaign fail. Keep up the work in your neighborhood.

## Neighborhood Notes

### SHIPP'S LETTER

Dear Cooperators:

Well we've just completed work at Seneca and Pauline for the Consumers Cooperative Association. Both places will very soon have bulk oil setups, which is a step in the right direction. Money saved to tractor farmers means much in production costs, therefore each dollar kept at home brings us nearer our cost of production program.

It has long since been my viewpoint that cooperation will do for the common people that which is impossible to attain through legislation. I feel that while proper legislation to keep down unfair trade practices are highly desirable, yet the sure cure for our economic ills is Cooperation. Producers and consumers comprise our entire population. The common people or the great masses, produce the wealth. However, under the system so long in vogue in our country, those who produce the wealth only share in the production. Exploiters of farmers and laborers get the money. Those who get the money invest in tax exempt securities, and therefore throw the burden of Government on the shoulders of the common people to bear.

We today are facing a problem of top heavy Government. I noted in today's paper a statement by one of our college men, Mr. C. R. Jaccard of the Kansas State College Extension service, who speaks to a farm planning conference held in Lawrence, that if farmers fail to take their present opportunity to work out their own plans for a long time farm program, the government will do it for them; and the fear of farm regimentation may become a reality. I know it would be fine to leave the farm, go to college, and get a job planning the farmers' plans, surer pay than farming, etc. But when any college man thinks for a moment farmers will stand for this, then he fails to understand the farmer and his needs. And were I on the farm I would want none such planning. I spent many years on the farm and know from experience that farm plans go haywire. The farmers have already planned in this country to a point where a great empire was built, but the careful planning of others has worked such a hardship on him that he has lost heart, and possibly better cultivated and fertilized fields; hence just as many bushels, but less in crops. Third, not more beef or dairy cattle but better beef and dairy cattle; less months to feed a hog than many pounds of beef and butter for consumption. Fourth, same applies to hogs and poultry. Fifth, plan to own and control your markets; then through a system that can best be evolved by cooperative measures, orderly marketing. Sixth, last but not least, take your brother labor man along in your cooperative; then you will have a more equitable distribution of our nation's wealth; then the common people will run the show; then our government will be truly democratic; then there will be no ultra rich to sack the money while you pay the taxes.

Then we will go places and do things that our children can look forward to a world while future; then we can have home ownership, and will not have to be subsidized before we can sit at our own table. Then we will only have but one need for the apple, and that is as a primary factor an assembling and dissecting words and sentences. Our forefathers with practically no education comparatively, and with crude implements, built our country and we with all our educational advantages have dissipated much of their hard earned efforts.

Another political race will soon be on. Each party and many ideas are springing up. Many more farm plans are being cooked up. Now if Mr. Farmer will look after his own business of producing and marketing, he can sit down and laugh at Mr. Farm Fixer trying to fix things for him. It gives me a laugh, it gives me a pain, to hear the same old story again and again. "Let us save agriculture; send me to Washington."—What a laugh.

Now, brother and sister farmers, let's just naturally save ourselves. In so doing you'll save others. If you do not do it, your children and mine will have to. What do you say we leave them that priceless heritage of self help and help others.

Season's Greetings.

J. E. Shipp.

Allen County Farmers Union folks are expecting to have a larger membership this year than in many years past, and are craning every farmer and every person of any calling who are interested in the welfare of agriculture, to attend this LaHarpe meeting. Mr. Vesecky will have an interesting and enlightening address, and the evening will be enjoyed by all who attend.

### ALLEN COUNTY OPEN MEETING IN LAHARPE

On Saturday evening, January 4, at 7:30 o'clock, the Allen County Farmers Union open meeting will be called to order in the LaHarpe high school auditorium. John Vesecky, president of the Kansas Farmers Union, who is speaking at several southeast Kansas points during the week, will be the speaker of the evening.

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—J. C. Blitner, President.

Write your membership work ideas to the state office at Salina.

### CULVER LOCAL GIVES \$5 TO DEFENSE FUND

Culver Local No. 2170 met in regular session Tuesday evening, December 17 at 8 p. m. The meeting was called to order by the president, Ira McCall. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The three referendum resolutions were voted on and approved.

A motion was put before the meeting for the Local to give five dollars to the National Farmers Union to fight for the passing of the Frazier-Lemke bill, with the understanding that any member who wishes may give ten cents each to the cause, as asked for by the National secretary. The motion carried.

As there were only nine members present, there was no program. The officers for 1936 were elected as follows: The president and vice president were re-elected; Mrs. Hattie McClellan, secretary-treasurer; Wesley Pangrac, doorkeeper; Mrs. Ed Frain, conductor, and Mrs. A. Pickering, corresponding secretary. A motion was made to audit the books of the secretary-treasurer. The president appointed Harry Cumberland and Abe Pickering to audit the books, which they did at the close of the meeting, and found them O. K.

They then went to the basement for a lunch of cake, fruit salad and coffee.

The next meeting will be the third Tuesday in January.

—Cor. Sec.

### ALLEN COUNTY PLANS A MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

The Allen County Farmers Union held its regular meeting Wednesday night, Dec. 11, at the Fairview school house. The following officers were elected: Stanley Harris, president; Roy Love, vice president; Mrs. John Roedel, secretary-treasurer; Homer Dreher, conductor; Jas. Moore, doorkeeper; Oscar Brown, Willie Moss and Frank Martin, members of the executive committee.

It was decided to have a membership drive with Roy Willis and Fred Geer as captains. The drive is to close February 15, 1936, with the losing side putting on the "feed."

Our next quarterly meeting will be held at Silver Lake school house, Wednesday night, March 18th 1936.

A short program was given followed by refreshments of sandwiches, pie and coffee.

Mrs. John Roedel, County Secy-Treas.

### GOOD EUREKA LOCAL MEETING

The Eureka Farmers Union Local No. 2199 of Stafford county met for its regular business meeting Friday night, December 27, at the Eureka school house.

A short business meeting was held during which the following were voted upon to compose the executive committee: Fred Davis, E. R. Newell and James Henry.

The following program was given by the women of the Union with Mrs. J. C. Rosacker as chairman:

Violin solo—Glenna Ferne Weir. Dialogue—"The Christmas Surprise" in two acts.

Song—Letha Irvine, accompanied by Alma Mae Newell at the piano. Stunt Dialogue, "The Magic Box," in two acts with Alma Mae Newell playing the piano between acts.

Reading—Beth Newell. After the program the men of the losing side in a rabbit hunt, with Bill Deniston captain, invited the winning side with Morris Minks captain, and every one present, to the church basement across the road from the school house, where every one was served oyster soup, sandwiches, pickles, celery and coffee.

Everyone left declaring the men royal hosts.

Mrs. J. C. Rosacker, Reporter.

### LIBERTY LOCAL NEWS

Liberty Local 782 in Marshall County held its regular meeting December 20. The house was called to order at 8:15 and the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

A membership drive is being planned to take place in the near future. Election of officers was postponed until the next meeting. Martin Bonin and Arthur Mapes each gave a report of the quarterly meeting held at Bremen on December 3rd. Miss Isabelle Savin and children of the Liberty District, presented us with a splendid Christmas program. Sandwiches, cake and coffee were served after the meeting, which adjourned to meet again January 17, 1936.

Program committee: Liberty Local boys; refreshment committee, Mrs. Chas. Parker. Visitors are always welcome. Let's have a big crowd, and start the New Year out right.

Mrs. John Tommer, Reporter.

### BENNINGTON ELECTS

With his remittance for dues of members in Bennington Local 2169, Sam M. Fox of Bennington, Kansas, sends the information that at the recent Local election, the following officers were elected for the coming year:

President, M. J. Werhan; vice president, Carl W. Johnson; secretary-treasurer, Sam Fox; conductor, Lem Kinion; doorkeeper, Alex Rehberg.

### REPUBLIC COUNTY MEETS FRIDAY, JANUARY 10

The Republic County Farmers Union will hold its first quarterly meeting at the Highland Local four miles south of Rydal, on Friday evening, January 10, 1936, 8 p. m. All members are asked to be present. Election of officers for 1936, and other business, will be attended to. An invitation has been extended to a state president. Remember, Friday evening, January 10, 1936, at 8 o'clock.

Charles Hanzlick, county secretary.

### PRETTY CREEK GETS ON

1936 100 PER CENT LIST Here comes another Local with its 1936 membership paid up one hundred per cent, and with one to spare. That is, all its 1935 members have paid 1936 dues, and one man who did not pay in 1935 now pays 1935 and 1936. This Local is Pretty Creek Local No. 1652, in Wabawsee county. Most of the members live on Alma, Kansas, rural routes, but the secretary H. C. Mathies, gets his mail on Route 1, Wamego.

The report accompanied by the dues that put Pretty Creek in the 1936 100 per cent class, came in during the last week in 1935. No doubt from now on, this being 1936, many Locals will be getting on the 100 per cent list.

By the way, a final 1935 100 per cent list will soon be published.

### OTTAWA COUNTY TO INSTALL NEW 1936 OFFICERS JAN. 3

The Ottawa County Farmers Union will have its regular monthly meeting on January 3, Friday evening, at 8 o'clock. The meeting will be in the I. O. O. F. Hall. Business will include installation of the new officers for 1936. In addition there will be a program and a lunch. As usual, the meeting will end with a dance for all who care to take part.

This will be the first meeting in 1936, and it is a meeting to which all members should come.

### VESECKY AT MINNEOLA

Minneola Local No. 1223, in Franklin County, will meet on the evening of Monday, January 13, instead of January 3. Our new state president, John Vesecky, will be with us January 13. Benham's Orchestra will also be on the program.

Every one is invited to come.

—B. C. Nelson, president.

### LIEBENTHAL LOCAL MEETING

The Liebenthal Local will have a special business meeting Thursday, January 9. All members are asked to be present. After the meeting refreshments will be served.

J. J. Ensinger, Secy-Treas.

### NEW YEARS RESOLUTIONS

New Year's Resolutions for 1936: To see fifty thousand new dues-paying members in the Kansas Farmers Union and every wife cooperating with her husband this coming year as never before. Educating children in cooperation in the marketing of everything raised and sold from the farms of Kansas. With all members purchasing all supplies from Union stores, elevators and oil stations.

And, in every way possible helping to educate our neighbors who are not members of the big saving by buying through cooperation.

There is but one way for the farmers of the state to come out of this depression, and that is by and through cooperation. That must be done by the farmers themselves. The NRA did not help us. Neither did it is the AAA helping us as a class. The destroying of thousands of hogs last year was a crime against our people of this great state. So we it a crime in the slaughtering of the cattle on the account of the drought, in so many counties because of no feed. There was some eleven counties in the state where there were no hogs, cattle or poultry kept. The rural children suffered as well as adults, for the very lack of this meat, butter, eggs, except on rare occasions and in small quantities. In spite of all this we had to curtail production in 1935 to meet the demands of our government regime. So again this year not much pork. So, again, butter, poultry and eggs are being consumed by the millions. So come, brother and sister, farmers, and let us work as never before this coming year to increase our membership in every county in Kansas and before 1936 closes, we will find greater progress in the Kansas Farmers Union organization. Educating our children and neighbors through cooperating, farming and marketing and buying. And lost, but not least, let's all help our national officers in Washington who are striving for our well being with much needed laws.



## Junior and Juvenile Department

Juniors from 16 to 21. Juveniles from 16 to 6  
Floyd H. Lynn, Kansas Junior Leader

### SERIES OF CLASSES BEING CONDUCTED IN MARSHALL CO. NOW

Joseph V. Holly and Vernon S. Stuart  
Seek Cooperation of all Marshall  
County Farmers Union Mem-  
bers and Friends

#### PUSH JUNIOR WORK

In an interesting letter which he terms an "open letter to the people of Marshall County," Joseph V. Holly, Irving, Kansas, a vigorous Junior Leader and Farmers Union worker, calls on Farmers Union folks to help in a worthy cause. The letter reached Salina too late for publication in last week's issue of the Kansas Union Farmer, but it is still timely and should be read by all Farmers Union folks whether in Marshall county or some other county. It follows:

Through the columns of the Kansas Union Farmer I wish to present an open letter to the people of Marshall County, if I may do so: To Marshall County Farmers Union Members:

Beginning Monday, December 30th I will conduct a series of Workers' Education Classes in the east half of the county and Vernon S. Stuart will conduct classes in the West half.

In these classes it is hoped that a brighter outlook may be given on the future. Subjects in our current economic and social problems will be discussed and studied; such topics as the Frazier-Lemke Refinance Bill, Cooperatives here and in Europe, how they are operated and their success. Various Types of Taxes and their Justification, etc.

Cooperation and the value of organized efforts of Farmers should and perhaps will take up a greater number of class periods.

I want to especially urge all farmers and their neighbors to attend these classes, for the classes will be conducted in an interesting and instructive manner with all chance in the world to ask questions, debate topics, etc.

The classes are to be held every two weeks in the different places mentioned below:

Snake Creek School—Monday, December 30.

Midway School—Tuesday, December 31.

Bigelow School—January 1st.

Winifred School—Jan. 2nd.

Hopewell School—Monday, January 6.

Lillis Grade School—Tuesday, January 7.

Hatten School—Wed., January 8.

The eighth location I haven't made to date, so if some other group should like a class, let me know at once. Those classes will be called for 7:30 on the evenings of above dates, so let us cooperate and attend classes as much as possible. It will help the cause.

Junior Work

Up to the present time I am playing the part of County Junior Leader; so, acting in that capacity, I ask and urge every Local to appoint or elect a capable Local Junior Leader at the next regular meeting the local may have; so that the new State Leader, whoever he or she may be, will have a chance to work and cooperate with the Local Leader, as soon as the state program is announced.

It is my earnest and sincere desire to see our county membership grow and to see our County Junior organization to be second to none in the state. Please let me help you accomplish that and you help me to accomplish that with you. I will be ready to do everything I can to help put the Junior work on its feet. All that needs to be done is to call on me to help if any Local needs assistance.

The purpose of the Junior program is to get our Juniors to study cooperation and cooperatives and how they would affect life on the farms. The other purpose of the Junior work is to acquaint the young folks with the purposes of the Farmers Union so that when they become twenty-one years of age, they will become loyal Farmers Union members, and thoroughly schooled in the principles of cooperation.

Let us start the New Year right by paying our dues at once, getting the neighbor to join, and last but not least get the Juniors to Attend Meetings; and please recognize them at all meetings. Make the meetings interesting for them so they won't say "Oh! shucks; there's nothing here for us. Let's go to a dance." Help them out of the mess they are finding themselves in. Teach them cooperation and with that the way out to freedom on the farms instead of virtual slavery which they would find themselves in, in a few years, if cooperation were not practiced.

Wishing you a Happy New Year,  
Fraternalty yours,  
Joseph V. Holly.

Don't delay. Talk the Farmers Union membership campaign over in your next meeting—or see that a meeting is called for that purpose.

With a large membership right at the starting of the year, the Farmers Union will be more effective than ever before.

### JUNIOR WORK GAINING MOMENTUM THROUGHOUT STATE SAYS BRENNAN

Maple Hill Leader Thinks New Junior Subject, "Peace and Patriotism," is Timely Subject Worth Study of Careful Study

#### ALL MUST COOPERATE

One of the most active and prominent Junior Leaders in the state is Walter E. Brennan of Maple Hill, Kansas. He has done much to further the work of the Junior program in Kansas during the past year, and has had much to do with building up the Local. The following letter addressed to the editor is interesting and shows the type of action and thought that is going to build up the Junior Program in Kansas:

Our last regular meeting of Spring Glen local, No. 1976, was held on the 3rd day of December, at which time we had a very full, concise and interesting report of the State Convention by our delegate, James L. Petty. Our officers for 1936 were elected at this meeting and will be installed in regular form on January 7th, 1936. All officers were reelected except the Secretary-Treasurer. They are as follows: James L. Petty, president; Edwin Schwanke, vice president; Mrs. Maudie Roth, secretary; treasurer; K. C. Roth, conductor; Charley Holtwick, doorkeeper.

The retiring secretary is glad to say that our local has been on the 100 per cent list and has continued to grow for the past two and one half years since its reorganization and I feel sure that the incoming officers with the cooperation of each of the members will have even greater success than has been our past experience. Our prospects for increased membership are not so rosy because of the fact that said prospects live farther away, but we hope to increase our membership in spite of the distance.

I have watched the newsy, enthusiastic letters which have been written by local secretaries and other F. U. leaders and I have been much impressed with the hope that they have expressed and I am confident that each and every one of us must make a supreme effort and cooperate with State and County leaders to help them put over our worth-while program and this can only be done successfully by increasing our membership.

The Junior work seems to be gaining momentum in all parts of the State and I hope that this is only a fore-runner of the good that will be derived from this cooperative, class-conscious, educational movement. Our next year's subject, "Peace and Patriotism," is a timely and appropriate theme and should command the attention and interest of all of us, old as well as young.

I want to congratulate Vincent Larson for his fine work in the National Essay Contest. A fine beginning for Kansas as well as for Vincent. Now, Juniors, let's go Vincent one better and come back with a couple of firsts next year. You have the subject, so get to work.

Fraternalty yours,  
Walter E. Brennan  
Secy-Treas.

Talk to the next neighbor you see about joining the Farmers Union.

Make 1936 the best year in Farmers Union history—in your own community.

Don't let our enemies say "I told you so." Show them the Union is strong.

Who will be the first in your Local to report a new member, or an old member brought back into the Union?

#### TO START THE DAY



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### JUNIOR LEADERS AND COUNTY OFFICERS TO MEET IN MANHATTAN

First District Leaders to Draft Definite and Workable Plans for Development of Junior Work in This District Meeting

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25

Below is a letter from Mrs. Leona S. Dobson, an outstanding Junior Leader of Riley county. This meeting will no doubt have a bearing on the entire Junior Program for the state, and will be watched with interest.

Final plans for the meeting of those county officers and Junior leaders of Mr. Ross Palenske's district for the purpose of planning the Junior work are now complete. The meeting will be held in the community house at Manhattan at 1 p. m. sharp Jan. 25.

It is suggested that each leader and county officer make a list of his ideas for conducting the Junior work, projects, methods of financing it, etc.

It is hoped some means may be worked out whereby a truckload of Juniors can be sent to the State convention.

Plans for financing the district organization should also be worked out. Let's talk these matters over in our counties and then come to Manhattan ready to draft a sensible workable plan.

Now, at the beginning of the year is the time to get to work. Let's not allow interest to cool.

Leona S. Dobson.

The day or days you spend in helping get more members into your Local may be the most effective days of work you'll do for yourself during the entire year.

With the membership campaign going on, now is the time for all members in the state to be doing the same thing at the same time.

#### PLOW THAT TURNED SOIL WITH SINGING SOUND

Of the many steps by which plows have progressed from the crooked stick powered by the muscles of man to modern methods of turning the soil, none were more important than improvements undertaken by James Oliver beginning in 1833. Oliver wanted a plow that would "turn the soil with a singing sound," says a record of the Bureau of Agricultural Engineering.

Cast-iron plows made about that time were superior to wooden plows, but they were too rapidly and would not scour properly in the rich, sticky soils of the Mississippi and Ohio Valleys. They "rooted, but would not invert, the soil."

Oliver's experiments led him to obtain several patents for the process of hardening or "chilling the nose and cutting edge of the share." Thus he realized his ambition for a plow that "sang" as it cut its way through rich prairie sod or heavy soil.

If the Farmers Union is important, it's important to get the membership built up early this year.

By all means, don't refuse to take part in the membership campaign. When your Local needs men for teams of workers, forget excuses. Every member can spare a day or a few days out of the year for his own class organization. Such days will count for more this month than in any other month this year.

Get the Membership Drive started in your local.

### GRANDPA GUS LETTERS

Wheaton, Kans., Dec. 8, 1935.

Dear Grandpa Gus:

I never heard from you for a long time. I was looking at the paper the other night and I see that there were some birthdays the same as mine. But there wasn't any name. It was on November 14. Do you know who that was? If you find out, will you answer? I sure would like to know. I have been waiting so long that I am getting tired. Well, I guess I don't know any more for tonight.

Sincerely yours,  
Veloria Bosse.

Dear Veloria:

Yes, I'll tell you whose birthday it is on November 14. It is Raymond Koenig, Piqua, Kansas. I am sure Raymond would like to hear from you. I was glad you wrote, for we haven't been having many letters lately. I suppose all the Juniors are busy with their school work, and perhaps they have been busy getting ready with Christmas programs and things like that. Let me hear from you again soon.—Grandpa Gus.

Allen, Kans., Dec. 22, 1935.

How are you? I am fine, but I am a little cold. The people around here are getting their feed cut by cutting in the morning when it is frozen. We cut some Monday and Tuesday, and we shocked some of it. We have about 15 acres to cut yet. When will you start our lessons again? How many members do we have in the club.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Your member,  
Edward Fredericksen.

Dear Edward:

I'm mighty glad to hear from you again, and to have you tell me how you are getting along with your farm work. That all seems like hard work, but it makes me think of old times to hear you telling of cutting feed when the ground is frozen. I wish I could tell you exactly when we are going to start the lessons again, but I can tell you it will not be so very far in the future. We expect to have a Junior Leader who will take care of such things. That Junior leader will be the one to become familiar with it. The extension service, being an educational service subsidized by the government, could well continue to supply information regarding the adjustment programs. However, it is high time that a purely administrative body, selected democratically by the cooperating farmers, should be placed in charge of the administration of the programs, believes the Farmers Union board.

#### ASK DEMOCRATIC CONTROL BE HAD OF AAA PROGRAMS

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fact that the Extension Service is primarily educational in set-up and in purpose. The service was not originally intended to be administrative. Plenty of time has now elapsed since the inauguration of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration for the people to become familiar with it. The extension service, being an educational service subsidized by the government, could well continue to supply information regarding the adjustment programs. However, it is high time that a purely administrative body, selected democratically by the cooperating farmers, should be placed in charge of the administration of the programs, believes the Farmers Union board.

### BUT THE TELEPHONE ROAD WAS OPEN.

"WE LIVE on a cross-road and in bad weather we are sometimes shut in for a week. During one of these storms, my sister was very sick. If it weren't for the telephone, she probably wouldn't be alive today."

"One day it snowed until traveling became very difficult. A neighbor of ours started for the city. Some time later, his anxious wife was notified by telephone that he had not reached town but had found comfortable shelter on the way."

The telephone is your road to others when illness or quarantine keeps you at home. It is the open road to help in time of emergency when you need some one in a hurry. And a willing hand in helping to locate the best market, the highest price, a harvest crew, advice from the county agent, or to bring the friendly voice of a neighbor.

BELL TELEPHONE SYSTEM

of these resolutions be mailed to Henry A. Wallace, Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.; to Chester C. Davis, AAA Administrator, Washington, D. C., and to Dean H. Umberger, Director of Extension Service, K. S. A. C., Manhattan, Kansas.

The resolutions passed unanimously by the state Farmers Union board and officials present, are being sent to those men listed in the resolution. Those who participated in the board meeting were Ross Palenske, Alma; B. E. Winchester, Stafford; F. C. Gerstenberger, Blue Mound; John Fengel, Lincolnville; W. E. Roesch, Quinter; John Frost, vice president, Blue Rapids; John Vesceky, president, Salina, and Floyd Lynn, secretary, Salina. The resolutions follow:

Whereas, there is a wide spread demand among Kansas wheat and corn-hog contract signers that they have more direct control of their respective Agricultural Adjustment Administration set-ups, that they now have, and that the administration be made more democratic; and since the Extension Department of the State College, now largely in control of the administration of the wheat program and the corn-hog program in Kansas, is primarily an educational body and not an administrative body; and because the set-up of the Extension Department does not furnish the grower-control so necessary to the successful operation of the adjustment programs;

Therefore, be it resolved by the state board of the Kansas Farmers Union: That we recommend 'as expedient and necessarily that the Extension Department and the county agents be relieved of the responsibility and the duties of administering the wheat and corn-hog adjustment programs, and that these programs be administered by the county allotment committees and a state administrative board to be elected by the various county allotment committees.

Be it further resolved that the administration offices of the above mentioned state administrative board be located in Salina or some other centrally located city in Kansas. Be it further resolved that copies

of these resolutions be mailed to Henry A. Wallace, Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.; to Chester C. Davis, AAA Administrator, Washington, D. C., and to Dean H. Umberger, Director of Extension Service, K. S. A. C., Manhattan, Kansas.

### Of Interest to Women

#### YULETIDE KISSES

Beat the whites of four eggs until stiff but not too dry. Fold in one cup sugar, one teaspoon almond flavor and one cup canned moist cocoa. Drop by small spoonfuls on an ungreased brown paper. Decorate tops with tiny red and green candies or with fine candy shot in mixed colors. Bake in a very slow oven at 250 degrees for forty-five minutes.

#### Nut Chews (Chewy, Waxy Cookies)

3 eggs  
1 cup sugar (brown)  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 cup flour  
1 teaspoon baking powder  
1/2 cup nuts

Beat eggs add sugar and mix well. Add rest of ingredients. Pour into greased shallow pan and bake 25 minutes in moderate oven. Cut in strips and while warm roll in confectioner's sugar.

Stored in a tightly covered container, these will remain fresh a week.

#### Louise's Butterscotch

3 cups dark brown sugar  
1 cup water  
2 tablespoons vinegar  
4 tablespoons butter  
Boil gently, sugar, water and vinegar, without stirring, for 10 minutes. Add butter and boil until fine thread forms when portion is slowly poured from spoon; do not stir while cooking. Pour hot syrup into buttered shallow pan. When a little stiff, cut into squares and break apart.

#### Apricot Squares

One cup dried apricots, 1/2 cup grated coconut, 1/2 cup nut meats, 1 tablespoon lemon juice, confectioner's sugar or dipping chocolate. Wash apricots thoroughly in several waters. Cover with warm water

### CLASSIFIED ADS

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Certified frostproof cabbage and Bermuda onion plants, open field grown, well rooted, strong. Cabbage: Each bunch fifty, mossed, labeled with variety name, Jersey Wakefield, Charleston Wakefield, Succession, Copenhagen, Early Dutch, Late Dutch. Postpaid: 200, 65c; 300, 75c; 500, \$1.00; 1,000, \$1.75; express collect, 60c per 1,000. Onions: Crystal Wax, Yellow Bermuda, Prizetaker, Sweet Spanish. Prepaid: 500, 60c; 1,000, \$1.00; 6,000, \$3.50. Express collect, 6,000, \$2.00. F. O. B. farms. Full count, prompt shipment, safe arrival satisfaction guaranteed.

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Texarkana, Arkansas 1-30c

and let stand an hour. Drain and feed between towels. Put through food chopper with nuts and coconut. Add lemon juice a few drops at a time and work until well blended. Roll out on a sugared board into a sheet about 1/2 inch thick. Cut in half inch squares and roll in confectioner's sugar or dip in dipping chocolate.

#### Date Nut Rolls (Delicious Creamy Candy)

3 cups sugar  
1 teaspoon cream of tartar  
1-8 teaspoon salt  
3 tablespoons butter  
1 1/2 cups milk  
2-3 cup broken nuts  
1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla  
Mix sugar, cream of tartar, salt, butter and milk. Boil gently, stirring frequently until soft ball forms when portion is tested in cup cold water. Set aside 25 minutes. Beat until thick and creamy. Add rest of ingredients. Shape into 2 rolls, each 1 inch in diameter. Wrap in waxed paper and chill. Serve cut in thin slices.

Work with your neighbors and get that Local up to where it belongs in membership.

The Greatest Need Today of the

## Farmers Union

is

## More Members

The greatest need of farmers today is

MORE ORGANIZATION

The only way out of the difficulty is for the present members to get more of their neighbors to join with them, through the Kansas Farmers Union, in the organized fight for better social and economic conditions for farmers.

The only fighting class organization established and maintained entirely by the farming class, the Farmers Union fights free-handed for the class to which and for which it is responsible.

Keep up your membership in the

## Kansas Farmers Union

## IF—

—every member of the Kansas Farmers Union who reads this would voluntarily make himself personally responsible for just

## One More Member

THEN OUR 1936 MEMBERSHIP PROBLEM WOULD BE SOLVED

When our membership problem is solved, most of our other problems will just about solve themselves.

### TRAP THE DIRT

Only one cream separator in all the world that traps the dirt and keeps it from going through with the cream. It's the Anker-Holth.

This exclusive Dirt Trap keeps CLEAN CREAM that will bring you up price. And there are SEVEN other exclusive features on this separator, including the only bowl made in America and guaranteed to serve you for years.

Be SELF-BALANCING. As for price, this Brand and Size is \$14.95.

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## FARMERS UNION LIVE STOCK SALES

Below is published a representative list of the sales by Farmers Union Live Stock Commission Company of Kansas City.

Week Ending December 27th, 1935	
Fred Bunge—Madison Co Ks—22 str 976	10.35
W. H. McQuitty—Jackson Co Mo—4 clvs 247	10.00
Virgil Schwartz—Shawnee Co Ks—21 str 1065	10.00
T. R. Evans and Son—Coffey Co Ks—25 str 966	9.75
J. P. DeMoss—Lafayette Co Mo—19 str 1098	9.25
Schoepflin and Butel—Osage Co Ks—23 str 1083	9.25
Carl Thowe—Wabaunsee Co Ks—34 str 1085	9.25
H. T. Gonnell—Jackson Co Mo—5 str 848	9.00
Joseph Hemmes—Jefferson Co Mo—24 str 1133	9.00
Oberle Bros.—Osage Co Ks—16 str 1001	8.75
H. H. Goetsch—Thomas Co Ks—12 str 784	8.75
H. E. Turner—Johnson Co Ks—19 hfrs 721	8.25
H. H. Goetsch—Thomas Co Ks—8 str 480	6.35
L. A. Leird—Johnson Co Ks—14 hfrs 680	5.75
J. E. Jameson—Clay Co Mo—23 cows 1071	5.65
W. C. Radtke—Stafford Co Ks—12 str 74	5.00
Ed. Whiteside—Livingston Co Mo—6 cows 1000	5.00
James Sanson—Johnson Co Ks—12 cows 1120	5.00
L. T. Fast—Ray Co Mo—17 cows 890	4.90
Darley McClure—Grundy Co Mo—9 hfrs 477	4.85
J. A. Nields—Lane Co Ks—11 cows 1093	4.50
Ed. Whiteside—Livingston Co Mo—5 cows 1040	4.50
Stafford Co S. A.—Stafford Co Ks—6 cows 905	4.25
Stafford Co S. A.—Stafford Co Ks—7 cows 900	4.00

SHEEP	
Archie C. West—Linn Co Ks—39 79	11.50
Sam Clark—Wabaunsee Co Ks—19 84	11.25
Harold Mooney—Linn Co Ks—7 82	11.00
Willie Sander—Lafayette Co Mo—18 81	11.00
E. H. Collins—Linn Co Ks—5 58	9.50
C. R. May—Sullivan Co Mo—9 57	8.00
Archie C. West—Linn Co Ks—11 106	3.60

CATTLE	
Medium and Heavy Butchers 230 Lbs. Aves Up	
Ira Ash—Jackson Co Ks—37 248	9.80

## BUTTER AND EGG MARKET LETTER

By P. L. Betts  
Dairy and Poultry Cooperatives Inc.

Chicago Butter Market  
Extras opened at 32 1/2c, then to 33c. Standards opened at 32 1/2c, advanced to 32 3/4c, then to 33c and back to 32 1/2c at the close. 89 score cars opened at 31 1/4c, advanced to 32 1/2c and then to 32 3/4c. 88 score cars opened at 31c and advanced to 31 1/2c.

New York Butter Market  
Extras opened at a split quotation of 34c to 34 1/2c and remained at 34 1/2c for the remainder of the week. Firsts with the score ranging from 89 to 91 points opened at 32 1/2c to 33 1/2c and closed at 32 1/2c to 33 1/2c.

The butter market has been steady and yet sales of fresh butter have been slow in Chicago throughout the entire week for the reason so many of our regular customers have gone almost 100 per cent on to their own storage butter. There has been no occasion, however, for discounting the market for the reason has maintained a strong position all throughout. It has just been a case of waiting until customers for fresh butter appeared.

At New York the market appeared to be a little more active. The storage butter is said to be getting very well picked over on that market. In fact there are now less than 4 1/2 million pounds for all grades of storage remaining in the New York market. It is reported some of the chain stores will very likely go on to fresh butter entirely within the next two or three weeks. When that happens the demand for fresh will become more active and very likely a wider spread will be in effect than is the case at present between the fresh and storage goods of the same grade. Undergrade butter has been in demand throughout the entire week, especially in the east. The demand for it has slowed down on this market for the same reason as given above, everybody seems to be using their storage of all grades.

Chicago Egg Market  
The egg market at Chicago has tended weak and lower throughout the week under review. Extra Firsts opened at 27c and closed at 25c. Current Receipts opened at 24c, went down as low as 22 1/2c, came back to 24c, and then lost again going to a new low of 22 1/2c on the 24th. Storage eggs for December delivery sold on the 24th at 17 1/2c.

From a million cases of eggs short in storage July 1st as compared to the previous year, we are now finishing the year with a big surplus of storage eggs and a tremendously sick market on that grade. Just the last few days this very bad condition has been reflected in the fresh market. Receipts are running quite heavy in fresh eggs and no doubt the price on that grade will work somewhat lower than is the case. The newspapers are making a great deal of fuss about the production control program now being indorsed by most farmers but which is opening in storage eggs demonstrates anew the farmer must keep away from surplus or else take ruinously low prices for his product. Of course, big business interests like to have farm products very cheap. It is easier for them to hold wages down and make an extra profit for themselves and their mouthpieces, the big city newspapers, are putting up a tremendous effort to create in the minds of the consuming public what there is no bigger enemy to the consumer than the man back on the farm. It is our prediction that sort of a thing is going to act as a boomerang sooner or later on the big city dailies.

Dairy and Poultry Cooperatives, Inc.  
P. L. Betts, General Manager.

## OUR UNFINISHED BUSINESS BASIS OF EVERSON TALK

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people, then I say, you have a materialistic or capitalistic complex and not the human complex that you should have.

Let us approach this coming New Year with an understanding of the fact that we are living through a man-made depression, a result of the unrestrained avarice and greed of a few heartless individuals and corporations.

There is a saying, you know that, "what a man has done, man can do," and I say to you, my friends, what a

few men have done, a multitude of men can undo. I do not mean by that that all evils made can be corrected; but I do mean that the United Cooperative power of the many of the grasping, greedy, exploitative locks from their fortress of money and credit of this nation—the lifeblood of commerce—the only medium with which we may exchange the product of our toil and soil for another products of labor which we need. And, this I say to you my friends, is our unfinished business for the year 1935. Will we do it? I say to you, if we have the intelligence, the courage and the determination, we will do it.

No nation in the history of all the world has ever built a sound economic social structure on Debt and Tax-Exemption. Tax-exemption simply means the granting of a special privilege on the part of our Government to those who have been so fortunate as to be able to accumulate more wealth than they need. It simply means that "To him who hath shall be given and from him who hath not shall be taken, even that which he hath." It is the granting of just such a special privilege which is responsible for the concentration of the vast amount of the wealth of the nation in the hands of the few and this concentration in the hands of the few just automatically creates poverty and lack of buying power. It is the hands of the many, the unfinished business to correct this condition by removing the causes and bringing about an equitable distribution of the wealth of this nation. It seems to me it ought to be perfectly clear to every thinking person that the providing of employment and government relief by creating more and more of this tax-exemption with interest is just like trying to lift yourself up by the boot-strap with a man on your shoulders. It is digging the issue. It is passing the buck on to future generations. It is making the future earnings of our children to satisfy the greedy appetites of the coupon clippers and the bureaucratic office-holders. It is creating bigger problems, rather than tackling and solving the immediate problems. It is perpetuating the philosophy that men must serve money, rather than that money must be made to serve men to measure the wealth of this nation in exchange. It is making it possible for the creditors—those who hold the mortgages on our homes and property—to acquire title to the homes, which in many instances represent the savings of a life of toil and the hopes and ambitions of a patriotic, enterprising, peaceful, law-abiding, home-loving citizenship. Surely no one can honestly contend that such a stupid policy of dealing with the home-owners of America—those who laid the corner stones in the foundation of the greatest nation on the face of the earth—the United States of America, can possibly be in the interest of the general welfare of our people. Surely the Congress of the United States that will convene early in January and the President will have the intelligence to vision the absolute necessity of rescuing these home-owners and preserving this foundation.

Unfinished Business of Congress  
It is the unfinished business of the Congress of the United States to exercise its constitutional power to Coin Money and regulate the value thereof in order to arrest this creeping paralysis of debt and insolvency that acquired such a strange hold upon the economic life of this nation under the Old Deal and which has been perpetuated with ever-increasing momentum under the New Deal.

It is the unfinished business of the Congress to protect and preserve the American Farm Market for the American Farmer and thus make secure our American market for American industry and labor.

It is the unfinished business of the Congress as well as the several States to revise our taxing laws so as to

pay taxes in support of government require every citizen and corporation in proportion to their ability to pay and benefit received. It is the unfinished business of the Congress to restore our basic industries—Agriculture, to solvency by passing the Frazier-Lemke Bill to Refinance existing Farm Mortgage indebtedness on a long time basis and low rates of interest and to enact the Thomas-Massingale Cost of Production Bill, which provides for an average cost of production for our farm products consumed in the United States.

It is our unfinished business to see to it that the millions of idle men employed at useful and productive work at an adequate wage which will enable them to sustain themselves at a decent standard of living and with a reasonable provision for the infirmities of old age.

I submit to you, ladies and gentlemen, this is a constructive program to promote the general welfare of our people. The Brookings Institute, a recognized authority on incomes of our people, tells us that 36,000 people at the top of our economic system are receiving as much income as 11,635,000 of the bottom of the ladder. This means that the average of that group at the top receives almost as much income in a day as the average of the 11,635,000 at the bottom receive in a whole year. There is a wide disparity of incomes has continued for many years. This, I say to you, ladies and gentlemen, has been the largest contributing factor in bringing about this depression. Can it be remedied by perpetuating this disparity? No, indeed, that would just perpetuate the depression.

To remedy the situation we must proceed in the opposite direction by increasing the incomes of the many and reducing the incomes of the few. And these must be earned incomes from the labor of the many. It is time we should reconstruct our National life upon resources rather than upon liabilities—upon actual tangible assets; rather than upon intangible obligations that are the creation of political imagination. The latter policy has well nigh wrecked our civilization and the politicians tell us it is a case of over-production when in reality it is a problem of under-consumption caused by this loss of buying power, and instead of dealing with this problem by providing these people with an adequate income, which would enable selling more tax-exempt, interest-bearing bonds to get funds for more projects. I say to you, my friends, if such a policy can bring us out of this depression in a solvent condition, then, I'm sure at my age I can believe in Santa Claus.

Why does this Government continue to turn its bonds over to the Banks and permit the bankers to issue their bank notes against these bonds? If this Government can permit these banks to do this, then why may I ask, cannot this Government itself do the thing which it permits the banks to do and save to the taxpayers this interest and tax-exemption? Surely, this great government of ours ought to be bigger and greater than any individual or group of individuals in it. Surely this great government of ours must belong to all the people for the protection and benefit of all the people and not for the special benefit of the few.

I say to you again, as we approach the New Year of 1936, let me now sincerely resolve that this Government shall belong to all our people, that it shall grant equal rights to all our people and that it shall be none. That our Public Officials shall be responsible to the people from the highest to the lowest; that they shall not be responsible to a political boss, whose chief function is the dispensing of political patronage. Such a policy not only threatens this Government with Bankruptcy, but threatens the destruction of Representative Government as well.

I ask you candidly and speaking to you people in all walks of life, do you not realize that if we do not take a more active part in determining the policies of government that we may lose our rights as citizens of a Republic and become subjects of a Dictatorship? Do you not realize that for years and years the policy of our Government as applied to our basic industry—Agriculture—has been to consider Agriculture sim-

ply as a feeder of industry, that it should have no voice in the compensation it was to receive?

We have been told that the law of supply and demand determined the price we should receive, and yet we know that the law permitted those who controlled the money and credit of the people to get or control the supply and make the demand. No matter how great the demand may be without opportunity and without purchasing power the demand cannot be satisfied. I know there are those who would say there is no work to be done; but I say to you, I believe there is more work yet to be done than has ever been done. It is simply a problem of unlocking the door of opportunity for people to serve and receive a just compensation for their services.

We are told and we believe that necessity is the mother of invention. If the inventive genius of a few men can harness the hidden forces of nature and cause them to perform the work of thousands, yea millions of men and horse power to such an extent as to create unemployment for millions of men in order to provide sustenance for the owners of the mechanized processes of industry, then, I say to you, the same ingenuity of man can and must provide opportunities for these millions which it has displayed, to work and share in the fruits of the mechanized industry or else the very purpose and object of mechanized production defeats itself in the destruction of its own market for its production.

This, ladies and gentlemen, is the Frankenstein in the process of creation by the so-called Captains of industry and finance in their blind and ignorant, selfish greed for dividends on watered stocks, manufactured very largely out of thin air mixed with high priced advertising.

## Organize for Justice

Even though the tremendous weight of this Frankenstein threatens the liberties of the nation, it is our unfinished business to organize and finance this Lieutenants who make up the large bulk of that 36,000 at the top of the economic ladder, yet even now apparently do not seem to recognize the handwriting on the wall and for that reason, my friends, it is our unfinished business to organize and educate and cooperate in throwing the search light of Truth into the dark recesses of ignorance, corruption and political intrigue in order that a thoroughly informed, enlightened, aroused and organized public opinion may apply an effective remedy. I say to you farmers, wherever you may be, it is your first important unfinished business to become organized in your own class organization. Farmers in your Farmers Union, laborers and craftsmen in your laborers and craftsmen's organizations and all other social and economic groups united in your economic group organizations to promote Justice and equality among men. The opportunity is knocking at your door. You can make your voice heard and your influence felt as never before in bringing about a real, genuine, crystallized Public Opinion; which after all, my friends, will finally determine the destiny of this Nation.

A thoroughly enlightened people can never be enslaved. There is a greater opportunity for genuine and riotous social service today in this field of unfinished business that I have been telling you about than is to be found anywhere I know of. This field is so vast and the laborers are so few as compared to the magnitude of the task to be performed that there is room for everyone who really wishes to render a service to make this great country of ours what God intended it should be, a better home for His children where each should enjoy the fruits of his labor and where the lust for gold and gain for the sake of power, its possessor may have over one's fellow-man, shall have vanished forever from the face of the earth. I say to you, my friends, nobler objectives than these were never conceived in the mind of man. Then, too, these objectives when attained would be the greatest compensation in themselves for the service rendered that one could conceive of. For Peace and Plenty for all will then have taken the place of riches for the few and poverty for the multitude, and Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness will bless mankind as the sun and shower is a blessing to the gardens and flowers.

Here's a thought: What kind of a Local would a Local be, if all the members were just like me? Farmers are the only ones who will ever build up the Farmers Union. If you lag behind, you hurt your own cause.

## 100 Per Cent Locals

Below are listed, by counties, the Farmers Union Locals of Kansas which have, to date, reported and paid the dues of all members who were paid up for 1934. Watch the List Grow—and HELP IT GROW. See that your own Local gets on this list as soon as possible.

ANDERSON COUNTY— Liztown, 2064. Welda, 2054. Indian Creek 2050. Erwasm, 2127.	ATCHEISON COUNTY— Madison, 1216. Cummins 1837.	BARTON COUNTY— Odin, 233.	BROWN COUNTY— Morrill 1754. Carson 1035. Lone Star 942. Hamlin, 1820.	CLAY COUNTY— Broughton, 2173. Hays, 1111. Swanson, 1191. Wheeler, 1082. Millside 511. Ross 1124. Olive Hill, 1120.
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COFFEY COUNTY—  
Center, 2143.  
Oleary, 2146.  
Independent 2145.

Wagon, 2121.

CRAWFORD COUNTY—  
Slifer 431.  
Mommouth 1714.  
Ozark, 699.  
Dumb Bell, 581.

CHASCO COUNTY—  
Sixty Six 1907.  
Miller, 1929.

CHESTER COUNTY—  
Melrose 2059.  
Stony 2065.  
Sherwin, 1856.

COWLEY COUNTY—  
Science Valley 1946.  
Tisdale Busy Bee, 1986.  
Ohio, 1456.

CLOUD COUNTY—  
Rock Island, 1561.  
Carmel, 1056.  
St. Joe 2182.

DICKINSON COUNTY—  
Navarre, 1853.  
Harrison, 1063.

DOUGLAS COUNTY—  
Eight Mile, 1211.

ELLIS COUNTY—  
Pfeifer, 1777.  
Stockrange, 1057.

ELLSWORTH COUNTY—  
Advance 1889.  
Burmeister, 943.  
Cass Ridge, 1038.

FRANKLIN COUNTY—  
Liberty, 925.  
Excelsior, 975.  
Shamel, 974.  
Little Wolf 1376.  
Franklin 1301.  
Pleasant Valley 984.  
Trivoli 1001.  
Radtke, 1,000.

GOVE COUNTY—  
Park, 909.

FRANKLIN COUNTY—  
Pomona, 1742.

GEARY COUNTY—  
Moss Springs, 801.

GRAHAM COUNTY—  
Morland Elevator 1822.

GOVE COUNTY—  
Hackberry 1392.

GREENWOOD COUNTY—  
Summit, 1574.  
Lone Valley, 1538.  
South Verdigris, 1498.

JEWELL COUNTY—  
Rose Hill, 601.  
Star, 624.

JOHNSON COUNTY—  
Sharon, 1744.  
Pleasant View, 1957.  
Summit 1955.

LABETTE COUNTY—  
Osage, 2168.  
Parsons, 1304.

LYON COUNTY—  
Buckeye, 2074.  
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Admiral 1255.

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PRairie Gem, 540.  
Dixie No. Three, 777.  
Mulberry 1060.  
Hillside, 492.

MARION COUNTY—  
Harmony, 196.  
Lincolnton, 404.

OSTAGE COUNTY—  
Lost Springs, 385.  
Miam, 1911.  
Osage Valley 1683.

Bellview 1192.  
Jingo, 1737.  
Washington 1680.  
Rock Creek, 1810.

MARSHALL COUNTY—  
Hills, 951.  
Richland, 968.  
Sunflower, 1051.  
Bremen 2122.  
Fairview 964.  
Hwy 857.  
Summit, 1211.

McPHERSON COUNTY—  
Johnstown, 749.  
South Diamond, 1567.  
Castle Hill, 1344.  
Smoky Valley, 830.

NEOHO COUNTY—  
Eureka, 911.  
Hunt, 1107.  
Korber, 914.  
Pleasant Hill, 1175.  
Owney 1127.  
Summit, 2111.  
Triumph, 1027.

NEOSHO COUNTY—  
Barney, 869.  
Brogan, 226.  
Erie, 562.  
South Mound, 619.

OSAGE COUNTY—  
Plum Creek, 1484.  
Kinneyville 1522.  
Union 1412.

OTTAWA COUNTY—  
Mt. Pleasant, 79.  
Grover, 108.

WAGON COUNTY—  
Lone Cedar 1864.

WAGON COUNTY—  
Pleasant Hill, 1387.

WAGON COUNTY—  
Arbor, 1196.  
Grandview, 1214.  
Baldwin Creek, 1350.

WAGON COUNTY—  
Pleasant Hill, 1202.  
Crooked Creek, 1205.  
Fairview, 1207.  
Walsburg, 1198.  
Lee, 1549.  
Rock Island, 1199.

RUSSELL COUNTY—  
East Wolf, 726.  
Center 766.  
Pioneer 250.  
Prairie Dale, 370.  
Pleasant Valley 2208.  
Pleasant Hill, 728.  
Three Corners, 769.

ROOKS COUNTY—  
Sunny Slope, 532.  
Eureka 2207.  
Elm Creek 432.  
West Corning, 438.

RUSH COUNTY—  
Banner 905.  
Sand Creek, 804.  
Yone State 917.  
Illinois 784.  
Sunflower, 1237.

SALINE COUNTY—  
Bavaria 1978.

SHERIDAN COUNTY—  
Eureka, 2199.  
Corn Valley 2201.

SCOTT COUNTY—  
Moores 2006.

SHAWNEE COUNTY—  
Sunbeam 1815.  
Elevation, 1916.

TREGO COUNTY—  
Silver Lake, 679.

THOMAS COUNTY—  
Sunflower, 1181.

WASHINGTON COUNTY—  
Kimeo, 516.  
Blue Valley, 574.

Lakeview, 125.  
Summitfield, 1402.

OSBORNE COUNTY—  
Oleary, 2146.  
Rose Valley, 357.

POTAWATOMIE COUNTY—  
Olsburg, 1254.

PHILLIPS COUNTY—  
Gretna 634.

REPUBLIC COUNTY—  
District 99, 681.  
Lovewell, 2206.

RICE COUNTY—  
Pleasant Hill, 1387.

RILEY COUNTY—  
Arbor, 1196.  
Grandview, 1214.  
Baldwin Creek, 1350.

RUSH COUNTY—  
Banner 905.  
Sand Creek, 804.  
Yone State 917.  
Illinois 784.  
Sunflower, 1237.

SALINE COUNTY—  
Bavaria 1978.

SHERIDAN COUNTY—  
Eureka, 2199.  
Corn Valley 2201.

SCOTT COUNTY—  
Moores 2006.

SHAWNEE COUNTY—  
Sunbeam 1815.  
Elevation, 1916.

TREGO COUNTY—  
Silver Lake, 679.

THOMAS COUNTY—  
Sunflower, 1181.

WASHINGTON COUNTY—  
Kimeo, 516.  
Blue Valley, 574.

WAGON COUNTY—  
Lone Cedar 1864.

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Walsburg, 1198.  
Lee, 1549.  
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RUSSELL COUNTY—  
East Wolf, 726.  
Center 766.  
Pioneer 250.  
Prairie Dale, 370.  
Pleasant Valley 2208.  
Pleasant Hill, 728.  
Three Corners, 769.

ROOKS COUNTY—  
Sunny Slope, 532.  
Eureka 2207.  
Elm Creek 432.  
West Corning, 438.

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