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## C. E. HUFF REPRESENTS KANSAS FARMERS UNION

### HUFF OUSTED AS NATIONAL HEAD FARMERS' UNION

Some Delegates View Defeat of the Salina Man as Blow at Farm Board Policies—Deny a Split in the Union

St. Paul, Nov. 21.—Opponents of the federal farm board policies elected John A. Simpson, Oklahoma City, Okla., president of the National Farmers Union.

Simpson and his supporters from the southwest, who were believed to have been in the minority, succeeded in ousting C. E. Huff, Salina, Kan., as president.

Huff, also president of the Farmers National Grain Corporation, is a supporter of the board's policies, including the federal marketing act. He was backed for re-election by representatives of the spring wheat states of the northwest.

Huff's defeat was viewed by some delegates as a blow to the farm board's program. Representatives of the northwest spring wheat states announced after the election Huff would be their official representative in all matters pertaining to the farm board, the agricultural marketing act, and the marketing agencies sponsored by the government agency.

Deny There Is a Break

They made it clear, however, that this was not to be interpreted as signifying a break within the ranks of the National Union. No evidence was made to the farm board or any agricultural act in resolutions adopted today by the convention, continued from yesterday when all business matters were not disposed of on schedule.

Great Falls, Mont., was chosen as the 1931 meeting place. Huff was supported by Minnesota, North Dakota, Wisconsin, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Missouri and Maryland delegates. The other 16 states represented in the organization either have acted passively toward the farm board or have been opposed to it.

Resolutions adopted today endorsed United States leadership in world peace by reduction of military armaments and removal of military training from schools; urged a higher license fee for dealers in butter and cheese substitutes; endorsed independence for the Philippine Islands, and formation of a farmers' union regional wool marketing association to serve Illinois, Iowa, Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota and Montana.

H. G. Keeney, Omaha, Neb., was elected vice president of the union, and J. J. O'Shea, Roberts, Mont., was re-elected secretary.

### GRAIN STABILIZATION CORPORATION AGAIN ENTERS WHEAT MARKET

In response to inquiries from newspaper correspondents, Chairman Legge, of the Federal Farm Board, made the following statement November 16, 1930:

"Demoralization in world grain markets has made it necessary for the Grain Stabilization Corporation to again enter the wheat market in order to stop panic selling and to prevent further unwarranted declines in domestic prices. Comparative wheat is lower in price than agricultural commodities. The price of flour fully reflects the price of wheat, which, no doubt, is increasing the per capita consumption. While the visible supply of wheat is large, there is no congestion in any of the terminal markets. Receipts at primary markets are unusually light, which suggests the extent to which farm stocks are being used for feeding purposes. Further price declines would be in sympathy with foreign markets and not justified by domestic conditions."

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### A SOCIAL REBEL'S THANKSGIVING

We thank Thee, our Father in Heaven,  
That Thou hast removed from our sight  
The hoodwink of dark superstition  
Which blinded our eyes to the Light.  
The dogmas of Priest-craft and State-craft  
No longer can hold us enchained.  
We thank Thee, our Heavenly Father,  
For the Gospel Truth we have gained.

We thank Thee, O God, for arousing  
The forces of Labor's great throng;  
For giving them courage to welcome  
The struggle to overthrow wrong—  
The struggle for Freedom and Justice,  
The battle for Right against Might,  
The grapple of wage-slaves with masters—  
We thank Thee, O God, for the Fight.

We thank Thee, dear Lord, for the vision  
Unfolding before our glad eyes—  
The vision of Greed in its death-throes,  
The bright bow of Love in the skies.  
We see in the East the faint gleamings  
Of the day Thy Prophets foretold,  
When man shall stand forth in his manhood  
Redeemed from the "Rule of Gold."

A. M. Kinney.

Concordia, Kans.  
November 19, 1930  
Farmers Union Headquarters,  
Salina, Kansas.

Friends: Again I am proud to report the Union is growing in these parts. Last Friday night attended Cottonwood Local. Much interest shown. Monday night Brantford Local only five weeks old with 34 brand new members. Tuesday night, Roundhouse Local N. E. of Clyde. Now about 150 members within reach of our Farmers Union elevator and shipping association at Clyde. Manager Harrington and force very busy there, 10 to 15 wagons or trucks in line all day Tuesday I am told. At these meetings I tried as best I could to explain our aim and purpose and urged all to support our various activities. At Roundhouse Local five additional members took shares in our Farmers Union Oil Company of Cloud County. Think our Jobbing Association, Insurance, Livestock as well as crochets will note new names from time to time on their list. It has been a pleasure to work with these good people. I am wondering how many of the readers of our Union paper would enjoy a swap column, I mean an experience as to how to best keep a Local active. Wish we could find out and since I am nearly finished with Cloud County for a while at least, wish members in communities where no locals are established would write me. Will soon be ready for Republic County or Washington. First come, first served. This work must be done. In Union there is Strength.

J. E. Shippy.

### MINUTES OF MEETING OF FARMERS' UNION MANAGERIAL ASSN.

Resolutions Favor Oleomargarine License Law and Farm Storage Law on Grains.

A splendid and informative meeting of the Farmers Union Managerial Association was held at McPherson, Kansas, on October 28th.

It is felt that the Minutes of this meeting are of much interest and they are printed below. They were received only last week, which is the explanation of their late appearance. Meeting called to order at 1:00 P. M. by President C. B. Thowe.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved as read.

Appointment of committee as follows:

Resolutions Committee: G. M. Peet, Madison; Harold Westgate, Manhattan; Wm. C. Hauser, Osage City.

Membership Committee: Harry Neath, Kansas City; J. O. Newberry, Alton; D. E. Wallace, Salina.

Report of President C. B. Thowe. Addresses on Terminal Elevator Facilities by: H. E. Witham, Kansas City; A. T. Wilson, Solomon; A. T. Riley, Salina.

Discussion on Wheat Storage Law by C. C. Talbott, Pres. N. Dakota Farmers Union.

Address by: H. A. Cowden, Union Oil Co., Kansas City.

Discussion by: C. C. Servis, Winfield; Mr. Kamp, Grainfield; John Fengel, Lincolnville; A. M. Kinney, Salina.

Address by Mr. Farmer, Nebraska Farmers Union.

"Discussion on Exemption of Income Tax on Farmers Union Oil Companies."

Address on Elevator Federation: A. M. Kinney, Salina.

Discussion by: Cliff. Miller, Brewster; E. A. Crall, Erie.

Resolutions Committee report—Harold Westgate, Chairman.

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### AT A MEETING OF MORE THAN SEVENTY-FIVE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATES WHICH HAVE BEEN SUPPORTING THE AGRICULTURAL MARKETING ACT, THE FARM BOARD AND THE NATIONAL GRAIN CORPORATION, THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED AND SIGNED BY THE OFFICERS OF THEIR RESPECTIVE STATES.

Mr. C. E. Huff,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.  
Dear Mr. Huff:

WHEREAS, following the passage of the Agricultural Marketing Act, the Board and the Officials of the National Farmers Union, the Presidents of the various State Unions, and the Managers and Directors of the central business organizations met in Kansas City, Missouri, in July, 1929, and formally adopted a program and policy in relation to the Agricultural Marketing Act and the Farm Board and to the marketing agencies to be set up thereunder; and

WHEREAS, in line with that adopted program, Farmers National Grain Corporation was created by the various grain cooperatives of the entire United States and our central grain organizations became stockholders and our representatives became directors and officers therein; and

WHEREAS, the Farmers National Grain Corporation has become the greatest factor in our grain markets and a source of help to our producer-members through its marketing program and through financing, as a matter of fact all grain producers are the beneficiaries of the accomplishments of the Farmers National Grain Corporation in policing the grain markets which services at the present time are giving the American wheat grower nearly one-half of the protective tariff on wheat—also minimizing discounts on grains and at times lifting the market price and is of proven and inestimable value to our grain handling cooperatives and to the growers; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Farm Board has maintained so helpful and constructive a relationship to the Farmers National Grain Corporation, and has developed in connection with it a program so definite and helpful as to merit the approval, the confidence and co-operation of every farmer and farm leader, and

WHEREAS, our grain cooperatives have, through relationship to Farmers National Grain Corporation and the Federal Farm Board, experienced during the last year the greatest and soundest growth in their history; and

WHEREAS, we desire to extend our program to include similar relationships in central organizations cooperating with the Federal Farm Board and handling other farm commodities than grain; and

WHEREAS, we deeply desire to continue the policies which you have aided us in developing, and your leadership upon which we have learned we may depend, and to utilize the experience which you have gained and the influence which has grown out of your work; and

WHEREAS, in order to carry out effectively our purposes as above stated, we have created an Executive and Finance Committee, made up as follows: C. A. Ward, President, Kansas Farmers Union, Chairman; Sen. Joe Atkins, member of the State Board of the South Dakota Farmers Union, Vice Chairman; and M. W. Thatcher, Manager Farmers Union Terminal Association, Secretary Treasurer;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED: that you are hereby formally designated by the undersigned State Unions and the business institutions operated by and/or in connection therewith, as their official representative in all matters of relation to the Federal Farm Loan Board, the Agricultural Marketing Act, the Federal Farm Board, and the marketing agencies established to cooperate with them on the central markets in connection with agricultural legislation, or in any special capacity otherwise, and be it further

RESOLVED: that we ask your early and formal acceptance of this appointment.

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| C. A. Ward, President Kansas Farmers Union.                                   | W. E. Sanderson, Secretary-Treasurer Wisconsin Farmers Union.             |
| A. M. Kinney, Secretary-Treasurer Kansas Farmers Union.                       | Betty Kapauff, Secretary-Treasurer Oregon Farmers Union.                  |
| H. E. Witham, Manager Farmers Union Jobbing Ass'n.                            | H. Jergensen, delegate from Washington.                                   |
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| G. N. Knobel, North Dakota.   | Charles D. Egle, Manager Farmers Union Livestock Company, St. Paul, Minn. |
| A. U. Young, President Minnesota Farmers Union.                               | J. S. Nelson, Delegate, Minnesota.  |
| D. D. Kennedy, Vice President Wisconsin Farmers Union.                        | Joe Atkins, South Dakota, former Vice-President National Farmers Union.   |

St. Paul, Minnesota, November 21, 1930.

Mr. M. W. Thatcher, Secretary,  
Executive and Finance Committee for Seeral State Organizations of the F. U.,  
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir—  
It gives me pleasure to accept the position which you have tendered me.  
I appreciate your expression of confidence in me and in the program we have been carrying on together, and in its extension. Let me express the hope that our relation may be as pleasant as it has been in the past, and that we may go forward in an effective way with the work which your members rightfully expect you to perform.

Very truly yours,  
C. E. HUFF.

The Kansas Farmers Union has supported the Agricultural Marketing Act from its passage, because while we felt that though it was not what we wanted, still we believed that great good to Agriculture could come from it if it was properly administered; and while we have in the past severely criticized the Farm Board on some of its policies, and reserve the right to criticize them in the future, we believe that they have honestly tried to be of service to the American farmers. If they have made mistakes, they are only human.

We believe that the National Grain Corporation, set up by the Farm Board, and financed by them, is the greatest step forward in Cooperative Marketing that the world has ever seen. It is the biggest undertaking ever attempted in this country, and has been highly successful up to the present time. The price of wheat in Chicago today is twenty cents above the Liverpool price.

We believe that Mr. Huff, more than any other man in the United States, knows what this is all about and we feel that he is the proper man to represent us with the Government agencies connected with the Agricultural Marketing Act.

A. M. KINNEY.

### F. U. STATE BANK PAYS DIVIDEND

Thomas B. Dunn, Assistant Receiver for the Farmers Union State Bank, Kansas City, Kansas, announces that the bank will pay a dividend of five percent December 10, 1930. The checks will be mailed from the Assistant Receiver's office at Salina.

### LEGGE SAYS FARM BOARD CAN KEEP WHEAT AT 76 CTS.

This Is Discussed at a Session Today But Nothing Is Revealed to Public—Regulations for Grain, Cotton Exchanges

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24. (AP)—The possibility of future wheat purchases of the farm board and additional regulations affecting grain and cotton exchanges were discussed at Senator McNary's farm conference.

McNary, chairman of the senate's agriculture committee, said Chairman Legge of the farm board and Secretary Hyde made recommendations. He did not reveal their nature.

He did say, however, that Legge believed the farm board could sustain the wheat price at 76 cents a bushel, now more than 20 cents above the Liverpool market.

Legge discussed the board's reasons for buying already more than 100,000,000 bushels of wheat.

Secretary Hyde proposed amplification of existing regulations governing the grain and cotton exchanges.

A Secret Session

Those invited to the conference, which was executive, were Secretary Hyde, Chairman Legge of the farm board and Presidents Thompson of the Farm Bureau Federation, and Faber of the National Grange and Huff of the Farmers Union.

It is likely the advisability to additional wheat purchases by the farm board would be discussed, as well as the possible revival by some western republican senators of the export debit plan so vigorously opposed by President Hoover.

Many of the farm group in the senate, including Senators McNary, Norris of Nebraska, and Capper of Kansas, all republicans, are inclined to give the farm board a further trial of present policies. Senators Borah of Idaho, and Brookhart of Iowa, republicans, have indicated they might endeavor again to bring up the debenture, but the overwhelming majority against it in the house is believed still to exist.

Senator Capper's suggestion that congress might look favorably on a proposal to feed the farm board's wheat to the unemployed was another topic for the farm leaders.

### EGG AND POULTRY BUSINESS STARTS CAMPAIGN TO INCREASE EGG CONSUMPTION

Following the example of other food industries which have advertised their products in a national way and thereby materially increased the public appetite for the things they have to offer, the egg and poultry business has embarked upon a national selling campaign of its own, designed primarily to increase the consumption of eggs immediately, so the present abnormal surplus now in storage can be cleared away within the next two months.

Opening guns of the national egg campaign were fired during the week of November 9.

### F. U. PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY ATTEND TOPEKA MEETING

Salina, Kans., Nov. 25.—C. A. Ward, President of the Kansas Farmers Union and A. M. Kinney, Secretary, drove to Topeka today where they will meet H. E. Witham, General Manager of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association and the State Board of Administration, relative to business matters affecting the state program.

Mr. Ward will spend Thanksgiving Day at Lone Star, with relatives. Mr. Ward and Mr. Kinney have been asked to attend several meetings the latter part of the week but final arrangements are not definitely made at this time.

### NATIONAL FARMERS UNION ELECTS OFFICERS

The twenty-sixth annual Convention of the Farmers Union met at St. Paul, Minnesota, November 18-19-20-21. The following are the officers and delegates of the National organization, elected for the succeeding year: John A. Simpson, Oklahoma, President; H. G. Keeney, Nebraska, Vice-President; James J. O'Shea, Montana, Sec'y-Treasurer.

T. E. Howard of Colorado, C. N. Rogers of Iowa, Emil Becker of Nebraska, E. H. Everett of South Dakota, and Fritz Schultheiss of Wisconsin, were chosen as members of the Executive Committee.

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

To the 25th Annual Convention Held at St. Paul, Minnesota, on November 18, 19, 20, 21, 1930.

We, your committee on resolutions beg leave to submit the following report:

WHEREAS, the present economic distress of the country is due to the effects of the war, and the unfair treatment accorded the farmers through the program of deflation for the purpose of removing the cost of the war from the industries which profited by it and putting it upon the farmers who suffered under it, and

WHEREAS, the agricultural interests of the country have always had to bear the brunt of war and the only way to prevent repetition of these practices, which if continued will wreck civilization, is to make it impossible for privileged interests to force the country into war.

BE IT RESOLVED, that we insist it to be the duty of our Government to take leadership in the establishment of world peace and the creation of the necessary machinery to administer it and that we show good faith by ceasing the practice of talking peace and then building increased naval armaments and letting the military interests grow in domination of national spirit.

To this end we should lead the reduction of naval armaments. We should take compulsory military training out of our schools and we should adopt a program of education leading to better understanding of the methods necessary for the promotion of world peace. Demobilizing war is a vital question can only add to the burdens of the farmers which now have reached the point of national agricultural distress.

At our Omaha National Convention in 1929, we started the movement for State Tax Reform by changing from an ad valorem to an income tax system. As a result this became a campaign issue in many states and in a number of states, candidates advocating the change were elected.

We hereby pledge ourselves to continuous efforts for this much needed reform.

### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The manufacture and sale of oleomargarine in the United States constitutes a menace to every farm family in this country that produces butter fat and dairy products for sale.

WHEREAS, The Farmers Union of Montana has successfully eradicated oleomargarine and butter substitutes from their state by the passage of a law, the body of which reads as follows:

"OLEOMARGARINE DEALER'S LICENSES. It shall hereafter be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation, by himself, his or its servants, or agent, to sell, exchange, offer for sale, or have in possession with intent to sell or offer for sale or exchange, any oleomargarine, imitation or filled cheese or any substitute for any dairy product made from milk or cream, without first securing a license from the licensing department to conduct such sale or exchange. The fee for such license shall be Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) per quarter for a license to sell at wholesale, and One Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) per quarter for a license to sell at retail. Said license shall be payable at the beginning of each quarter of the calendar year, or whenever application for license is made, and the license shall be issued to cover the following quarterly period, or such part of it as is unexpired at the time the license is applied for. All persons selling, handling or dealing in oleomargarine, imitation or filled cheese, or any substitute for any dairy product, shall make a quarterly report to the Department showing the number of pounds of such product sold or disposed of by such person during the preceding three months. The license required by this Section shall not be renewed until said statement has been filed by the applicant. Said license shall be posted in a conspicuous place in each store or place of business of the licensee for the inspection of the public and may be revoked by the Commissioner of Agriculture for failure of the holder thereof to comply with the laws of the State of Montana. Whenever any person, firm or corporation, by himself, his or its servant or agent, or as the agent or servant of another, conducts such sale or exchange in more than one place of business, a separate license shall be obtained for each place of business and a separate fee shall be paid for each such license.

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### LEAR TO BROADCAST CAST OVER WIBW

Rex Lear, State Manager for the Farmers Mutual Life Insurance Company, will have charge of this week's Farmers Union Hour, which will be broadcast over station WIBW, Topeka, November 28th, at eight o'clock.



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SALINA, KANSAS, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1930

### MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR C. E. BRASTED

The following memorial service, dedicated to the memory of C. E. Brasted, for many years State Secretary of the Kansas Farmers Union, was given on Wednesday morning, October 29th, at the twenty-fifth annual convention of the Kansas Farmers Union, at McPherson, Kansas.

C. A. Ward, President of the Kansas Farmers Union, began the service with these words:

Mr. Ward: "As I look out over this audience this morning I see a lot of our fellow brothers I have known ever since I have been a member of this great organization and, of course, we are mighty happy that you are here. As I stand in your presence this morning, I sense a condition of loneliness because there are those who have mingled with us in times past that we have worked with, that we have discussed these various problems together, who are not here. This fact comes to us and it only proves the realities of life, what life really is. We are told from Sacred Writ we will not continue here. We are coming to a part of our program this morning that is unannounced so far as the printed program is concerned, but we as a great state organization would be very ungrateful and unthoughtful indeed, if we did not pause for a few moments and pay a special tribute of respect to one of our number who has gone from us, who was a pioneer in this great forward going group. It is needless to tell you I refer to our good friend and brother and counselor, Clarence E. Brasted.

We look back a few years and the Farmers Union sustained a great loss in the death of Uncle John Tromble who was one of the most fearless, courageous, big hearted, sympathetic outstanding leaders this country has ever known. I remember how in our annual convention at Ottawa our sentiments were touched, our feelings were touched when we held that brief memorial for him. Little did I think at that time that I should be before you now in leading in this brief service, but such is life and a great forward looking movement will go on regardless of us as individuals.

We come and we go but a great worth-while movement like this goes on, and so this morning the Farmers Union will go on. It is bigger than any one man or group of men, but I hope that as we direct our thinking we will appreciate in an understandable way the contribution made by such men as John Tromble and C. E. Brasted. Might we, at this time stand for a few words of prayer."

After the prayer, a group of men, Ralph Chapman, George Beach, L. J. Alkire, Carl Clark, A. J. Wempe, C. A. Ward, Rex Lear, Floyd Lynn, and W. N. Carlson and George Hobbs, sang "Face to Face."

"Mr. Brasted had many contacts with our work in this state and in many other states. He made many friends and he was a counselor who was always ready and willing to give help and advice to us. I have appreciated him very much myself. I felt free to go to him at any time and get his reflections with reference to problems which were confronting us. He was one of those men and type of man who was lovable and had many friends. He was associated with all our various statewide activities in a definite way and at all times was intimately connected with all of the activities. There is no one man in the state at the present time who was closer to Mr. Brasted than was H. E. Witham. They were on several Boards together. They spent weeks, days and hours together. I have asked him to bring to us a few words of appreciation of what Mr. Brasted has meant to this organization and us as individuals."

H. E. Witham: "It is indeed fitting for us to pause for a few moments to pay tribute to our friend, I, perhaps, had the good fortune of being more closely associated with Mr. Brasted than many others who did not have that privilege. I looked on him as a friend and wise counselor. I never came out of a conference with him that I was lifted to a higher plane by his wonderful character and high ideals. We were on a few Boards of Directors that have had considerable to do with the activities of the Farmers Union in a business way. He was always ready and willing to give his good advice and counsel to those who wished it. He was a man who would never turn aside from the part of right, no matter how close a friend might try to influence him. Had I known I was going to be called on in this service before I left Kansas City, I would have brought the last letter I received from him. It was written to me while he was in the hospital at Concordia. I think that was one of the few last letters he ever wrote. It displays his wonderful character and high ideals. I think it fitting at this time that I read a few lines he wrote in memory of John Tromble when he passed away. They are so true of Mr. Brasted, also.

### DEAR FRIEND

At last, by the law of God's high will  
Thy brow is cold and thy great heart is still.  
The day is mild and the sun is bright  
In the outer world, but alas, no light  
That Phoebus flung from his azure dome  
Could comfort bring to thy darkened home.  
In thy life's bright years and thy manhood's prime  
Thy life is writ in the tower of time.

But, not alone by the fireside's few  
That most you loved and best you knew  
Will sorrow's tears be dimly shed  
For thousands know that their friend is dead.

From out the country far and near  
Will mourners gather round your bier  
Respectful tribute to declare.  
It will seem lonesome everywhere  
When John Tromble is not there  
And many a friend's heart grows sore  
As they think of the friend they can meet no more.

You shared the love, the respect, the power  
Of untold friends to your dying hour  
And when the early flowers shall bloom  
And birds shall sweetly sing near your tomb  
And sorrowing hearts you leave behind  
Will also come and a garland bind  
To the memory dear, with a tender care  
For the honored dust that is sleeping there,

I would also like to read a poem written by one of our Farmers Union leaders, A. M. Kinney, which was read at Mr. Brasted's funeral and which I think is very appropriate.

### OUR FRIEND

Our friend is gone; another sacrifice;  
In fighting for the right, he paid the price  
Demanded of the ones who love mankind;  
To this great love he gave his heart and mind.

There was no path too steep, no strife too fierce,  
No maze too deep for his keen brain to pierce,  
No selfish thoughts to turn him from the road  
He trod, to lighten Agriculture's load.

In this great work he never spared his health;  
He never gave a thought to fame or wealth;  
But always with a purpose clear as light,  
He gave his best in Agriculture's fight.

When Agriculture's tale at last is told,  
His name will shine as bright as burnished gold  
In that great hall of fame, the people's hearts,  
Although in life he felt their poisoned darts.

Help us, O God, to carry on down here,  
The work marked out by him we loved so dear;  
So, when at last we meet him face to face  
We then can say, Dear Friend, we've won the race.

I hope that when I shall come to the end of this road I shall have the conscious and the feeling that I can say in the words that Mr. Brasted said to me when he learned there was no help for him, "I have no fear, I believe I will be treated as I have tried to treat mankind."

Mr. Ward: "I think Mr. Witham paid a very fine tribute to the memory of Mr. Brasted. Those of you who know him know that Mr. Brasted was as Mr. Witham has just been telling us. Another one who shall speak for a few minutes this morning is one of our number and leaders who has been associated with Mr. Brasted, especially so in connection with the insurance work of the state. I refer to Mr. Broom, who will, at this time, bring us a few words."

Mr. Broom: "During the year since we last met in state convention we have sustained a distinct loss in the death of one of our esteemed leaders, Clarence E. Brasted. It was my privilege to have been associated with him very closely and intimately for some years prior to his passing. No one can appreciate how grateful I am for having had this opportunity and this association and intimacy. I shall always cherish until it is my lot to pass to that great beyond from whose bourne no traveler returns.

During times of stress he was always kind, considerate and patient and a most faithful friend. His great heart went out in sincere sympathy to those who toiled and struggled against adverse conditions and he spared not his time or money nor even his own physical condition for their aid and betterment. His was a life of action and his vision was broad and we should see that the heritage which he left us is not wasted.

To him perhaps, more than any other one individual, we owe the debt for having our insurance organization. To him fell the opportunity of organizing this one of our business activities and with a few others to aid and assist he brought it through those trying first years and it stands as a monument to him and his efforts. From his life we can learn many lessons yet I feel that perhaps the greatest one is that of formulating a definite plan and then following it through to the end with the idea in mind that it was better to have pursued an improper course than to have pursued none at all.

How well I shall always remember that evening just about a year ago when he said to me, "Charlie, I know I have but a few weeks or perhaps a few months at the most here with you, yet I am ready to go for I feel confident that you boys who have been associated with Uncle John Tromble and the rest of us in this great Farmers Union work will carry on until every farmer in all this vast country receives his just recognition and a fair compensation for his labors. Do not falter nor turn aside but continue straight down the road to the end. Your work will not be in vain. I have received a sufficient compensation for my efforts in just the satisfaction of knowing that we have made history in our progress. The reward of those who labor in a good cause will be ample." His was another sacrifice to the great cause of the Farmers Union which should spur us on and on. He was intensely interested in all Farmers Union activities and he hesitated not at any hour of day or night to throw himself into any breach that might occur.

To his family we express our sincere sympathy in the time of their grief and to them we say, "Let not your heart be troubled."

Mr. Ward: "I am sure you can sense my position as state president, in being called to this office last fall from the farm and not definitely acquainted with our statewide activities and I courted council and immediately upon our moving to Salina, I would go day after day, several times a day sometimes and Mr. Brasted was more than willing to go into our state program and tell me of its past and reach out into the future and tell of its possibilities. No one values the kind words and instructive information more than I that Mr. Brasted gave to me. I too received a letter I shall always treasure and in this letter he expressed the thought that he had tried to deal justly with all men. That he had no fears. He was brave to the end and we appreciate his character very much. Mr. Kinney, our state secretary, will bring us a few words."

A. M. Kinney: "I certainly am glad to stand up and speak a few words in regard to Mr. Brasted. No one in the Farmers Union will ever realize the sacrifices he made for this organization. Always ready with help, financial aid and his good judgment. There is no question in the world but the sacrifices made by John Tromble and C. E. Brasted caused their early death. They would have been alive today if they had laid down some of the load put on them by the Farmers Union of Kansas. That is one thing I blame our Farmers Union of Kansas for. We loaded them too heavy. They were willing to take it, but it was too heavy. I was up in Phillips county not long ago. There is a side there that no one knows. They tell me no one ever came to Mr. Brasted for help but that he got it. Kind words, finances, anything that he could do. Everyone who knows him knows that is the truth. I do not think anyone ever came to him for help but that he got it. That was his whole life religion. I knew him for 10 or 12 years. Only the last 4 or 5 years was I closely associated with him. One of the best feelings I have today is I can look back and say he was my friend. I do not think anything better can be said than the fact that a man can say C. E. Brasted was his friend."

"Rock of Ages" was sung by the group of men, and the service was ended.

## THE PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

C. A. WARD

### STATE AND NATIONAL CONVENTIONS ARE OVER AND WE MUST LOOK INTO THE FUTURE

May I say at the outset, that we best draw conclusions by making comparisons. The Kansas Farmers Union convention will go down in history as an outstanding one, for many reasons. It is not my purpose at this time to go into detail and make special observations. But I am sure that all who attended our recent state convention have been making some careful observations and commanding some definite thinking. Perhaps the one thing that was most notable and appreciable was the lack of the usual political maneuvering, most generally evidenced in conventions such as ours. Legitimate competition is always timely and in place and rivalry in many instances is a valuable asset but it is my wish that so far as Kansas is concerned, we shall never resort to the debasing tactics and unethical procedure that we find in so many conventions.

In a few words may I say that our recent State convention was one of outstanding accomplishment, inasmuch as all were of one accord with respect

to those things that have to do with the forward going, aggressive program in behalf of the Cooperative movement and the betterment of agricultural conditions on our farms. Not long hence our membership will be informed as to what our definite program will be for the ensuing year. Each member of every state wide Board is immensely interested in this program and I am sure that when we meet and concentrate our thought into a definite policy and program, all will see that we expect to accomplish great things this year and add many thousands of new members to our organization.

We are just back from the National Farmers Union Convention, held at St. Paul, Minnesota. It is not my purpose to comment on the various reports of the Legislative and Resolution Committees. These reports will appear in the columns of our paper, either this week or later. We want all to read and study them. The real benefits and good to come from this convention remains to be seen in the future.

Upon our arrival at the Convention, it was clearly in evidence that the political pot was boiling and that machine politics were being played. In advance of the Convention, certain alignments had been formed about which had been thrown a chain of steel. The lock had been securely fastened and the key had been thrown into the river. Vainly did they seek but the lost was not found.

Many proposals were made to whom the National officers and directors should be but in the final analysis each time it was revealed that prearranged promises could not be broken and group alignments could not be changed. The results of this election as in many others that I have experienced might not have been the concentrated choice of the membership at large as represented through their delegates. In the choosing of Convention applause did not prove to be the index as to who the National President should be.

May I speak to Kansas now? We came back from this Convention as we clean as a die and as clear as a whistle. Eternally we remain so. We were "propositioned" in several instances but the Kansas delegation felt as they feel now, that when we present ourselves before a mirror, we want to behold ourselves as we are. Elsewhere in this paper appear the names of the new national officers and Directors of the Farmers Union.

The Farm Board program was the apparent pivot of much controversy and on which the conclusions of the Convention were to rest. I trust the Kansas membership of the Farmers Union will remember that our attitude toward the Farm Board and its program in the application of the Agricultural Marketing Act to American Agriculture, is well understood. May I reiterate more, that I believe there are great possibilities in the proper application of the Act. The Farm Board itself is composed of men, and men are human, and to be human is to achieve accomplishment and make mistakes and any criticism thrust at the Board or any member of it, which comes from the officers of your organization, is given in the spirit of helpfulness and is intended to be of a constructive nature.

It is well known to our readers, the part the officers of the Kansas Farmers Union played a couple of weeks ago in pleading with the Farm Board to use the stabilization feature of the Act, and get into the market and buy wheat. Our proposal was that they might convert it into channels and feed starving humanity or even dump it into the ocean. My contention has been always that wheat is a basic standard in the program of business economics and that a higher price level to American farmers for this product will absolutely and without fail stimulate all lines of business, Agriculture and Industry included.

The result of the Kansas appeal to the Farm Board for action, is that they are in the market, buying wheat and the general price has been working a little higher and in relation to the world's price of wheat, at the present time our price is 20 cents above the Liverpool price which demonstrates the worth of the Farm Board program. It is our sincere wish that the Government will show its hand in compliance with the Bill and demonstrate to the grain speculators and gamblers which element is the more powerful.

Your Secretary, Mr. Kinney, and myself have been in close contact and conference with Government officials and we are convinced that if Kansas will lay hold of the opportunities afforded by the Farm Board in the building up and strengthening of our Kansas Marketing program, that we can not only put creameries and elevators into every community, consistent with only put creameries and elevators into every community, consistent with good business, but that we can as a direct result of this program, put thousands of Kansas farmers on our Membership Roll. In this connection it is hoped that the Live Stock program will so adjust itself that it may meet the approval of all concerned. At our contemplated Joint Board Meeting, all of the above referred to problems and many others, will be discussed and our membership is entitled to and will know of them.

Boost for the Kansas Farmers Union.

C. A. Ward.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

(continued from page 1)

person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of the preceding section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not less than one Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) and not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) or by imprisonment in the County Jail for not less than thirty days (30) or by both such fine and imprisonment.

WHEREAS, BE IT RESOLVED, that the twenty-sixth annual convention of the Farmers Educational and Co-operative Union of America recommends that each state organization of the Farmers Union shall see the passage of this act in the next session of the legislature in their respective states.

WHEREAS, The Philippine Islands are being held in subjection by our Government, and

WHEREAS, There is a vast amount of vegetable oils produced and used in competition of agricultural products, and

WHEREAS, Our tariff laws intend to protect our American Agriculture and Labor against the pauper labor of Europe, cannot become effective against our progressives.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that favor the granting of independence to the Philippines at the earliest possible moment.

RESOLUTIONS  
WHEREAS, It is the avowed policy of the Farmers Union to concentrate the marketing of staple farm products in regional or National marketing setups.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the intention of the wool growers of the States of Illinois, Iowa, Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota and Montana to set up a strictly Farmers Union regional Wool Marketing Association is given the hearty approval of this convention, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this setup be completed by the duly authorized representatives of these various States in ample time to handle the wool crop for the members of this organization for the year 1931.

RECIPROCAL ENDORSEMENT OF FARMERS UNION AND LABOR UNION LABELS.

WHEREAS, The Farmers Union Produce Exchange has recently been established at 5510 State Street, Chicago, Illinois, handling all kinds of farm products produced by Farmers Union members in Illinois, Wisconsin, Iowa, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas, Minnesota, North Dakota and other states naturally selling on the Chicago market, and

WHEREAS, The Chicago Federation of Labor has given the use of Broadcasting Station WCFL and has endorsed the Farmers Union label on butter and other farm products, and

labor consumers are buying these products in preference to commodities not bearing the Farmers Union label, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That we thank the Chicago Federation of Labor for their endorsement of the Farmers Union label, for the use of WCFL, and we recommend that the Farmers Union members give preference to such manufactured goods as bear the Union labels of the various Trade Union crafts.

Realizing the need for mutual recognition of Farmers' Union members wherever they meet, we wear the Farmers' Union Button. It is equally advisable that in these days of automobile transportation this emblem be displayed on our cars. We blem be displayed on our cars. We therefore recommend that the Farmers Union Emblem be ordered by all state unions and sold by them to their membership.

WHEREAS, This, the 26th annual convention of the Farmers Educational and Co-operative Union of America, held on the 18th, 19th, 20th, and 21st days of November, 1930, in the Lowry Hotel, City of St. Paul, Minnesota, has been signally successful, and

WHEREAS, because of this success, the cooperative movement has taken on new life and vigor, and the delegates, when this convention closes, will go forth armed with the conviction that their path lies in the right direction, and that their cause has the unqualified approval of agriculture, and

WHEREAS, this spirit will produce immeasurable benefit for agriculture during the coming year, and

WHEREAS, The success which has been attained has come very largely through the assistance of various factors in the civic life of the Northwest.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That this convention extend its sincere appreciation for the marvelous spirit of cooperation expressed in deeds of effectiveness to the Hon. Theodore Christianson, Governor of the State of Minnesota; the Hon. Thomas D. Schall, United States Senator for Minnesota, to the Hon. Gerhard Bundie, Mayor of the City of St. Paul, to the St. Paul Association of Commerce, to the Farmers Union Band of Illinois, to the efficient Northwest Committee, composed of Charles C. Talbot, M. W. Thatcher and A. W. Ricker, to the members of Home Local No. 107, and to the many other friends of agriculture who assisted in the great task of carrying this convention through to its successful conclusion, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That a copy of this Resolution be sent those who have been named herein, and that a copy be spread upon the minutes of this convention, and made a part of the record thereof.

L. A. CHAMBERS, Chm.,  
T. E. Howard  
C. A. Ward  
J. C. Epi  
C. C. Talbot,  
Committee.

### KANSAS UNION FARMER WEEKLY EXCHANGE

If members of the Union have anything to Sell or Exchange, they should advertise in this department. Rate: 3 cents a word per issue. If run 4 times 10c per word for the four issues. Count words in heading, as "For Sale," or "Wanted to Buy," and each initial or figure in the address. Count words count as two words. CASH MUST ACCOMPANY ORDER. THEY THIS DEPARTMENT—IT WILL PAY YOU.

### CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

#### WANTED

WANTED—Discarded Jewelry. Cash for Dental Gold, antiques, diamonds. Uhler, Sta. B., Brooklyn, N. Y.

WANTED—Position as bookkeeper. Prefer with Farmers Union. Five years experience.—Miss Grace Varian, Elkhart, Ind.

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

#### FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Two pure-bred Holstein bulls coming one year old. Papers furnished. Out of tested cows. Over 400 lb. B. F.—J. V. Nauerth, Keosauqua.

SHIP YOUR FURS TO J. E. Green Fur Co., 201 East 1st St., Topeka, Kansas, for highest prices, fastest grades. Write for price list.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY  
Whereas it has pleased Almighty God in His divine wisdom to remove from our midst our faithful sister, Kate Kerns of Spring Creek Local No. 1174.

Therefore Be It Resolved, that we, the members of said Local extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family. Be It Also Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Kansas Union Farmer, one to the bereaved family, also be spread on our minutes.

Mrs. Nell Longhiser

Mrs. Grace Cook

Mrs. Fern Vick, Committee.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY  
Whereas it has pleased our Heavenly Father to remove from our midst Mrs. Catherine Kusy, mother of our Brother Mat Benda, who died at Pleasant Ridge Local No. 900 of Washington Co., Kans. one who was ever a loving mother and a kind neighbor.

Be it therefore resolved that we extend the sympathy of the members of Pleasant Ridge Local to our brother Mat Benda and family.

Be it further resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent to our Brother Mat Benda, a copy to the official paper, and a copy be spread over the minutes of the meeting.

J. F. Wenke, President.

John Sedlak

A. C. Pienka, Committee.

#### FOR SALE

Feed Wheat and Corn. Write for prices. Farmers Union Co-op. Ass'n, St. John, Kansas.

### GREENWOOD COUNTY

The fourth quarterly meeting of the Greenwood County Farmers Union will be held at Madison, Kans., on Thursday, Dec. 11th. (Voted date changed on account of speaker for the day). There will be all-day meeting with basket dinner at noon. Also election of officers for the ensuing year.

Come out and make this a great meeting.

H. L. Soule, President.  
Chas. A. Roberts, Sec'y-Treas.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF F. U. MANAGERIAL ASSOCIATION (continued from page 1)

Resolutions adopted were as follows:

First: Be it resolved that we go on record as favoring a law similar to the one in Montana putting a wholesale and retail license on oleomargarine.

Second: Be it resolved that we go on record as being in favor of a Farm Storage law on grains.

Third: We also recommend that the officials in charge continue their efforts in the Federation of Elevators until they are organized 100 per cent.

Fourth: Be it resolved that the managers of the business organizations be as loyal to the State organization as they would be to their stockholders to be to their local organization.

Election of officers: All officers and directors were re-elected, with the exception of W. H. Roberts, La Harpe, Kansas. George Pete of Madison was elected to fill this vacancy.

Harry Neath elected as delegate to State convention.

Adjournment.

### FARMERS UNION CO-OPERATIVE ASSN. OIL COMPANY

Of Conway Springs, Kansas

We are doing a nice business here now, just started five months ago. We are gaining in every way. Brother Moyer is here now help us carry a load of oil or coal to be delivered in the spring. I think we can get a car, if not more for the coming year. Zephyr Local is growing every day. Every member must be there for the next meeting night, Dec. 1. We will have election of officers. Everything seems to be going fine here now and we are all behind to push things along.

If they will all co-operate we will have a real business Local 1622.

J. I. Jones, Local Sec'y.

### HOG CHOLERA

Vaccinate your own pigs with Peters' Serum

fresh, Government inspected

Peters' Serum

(Pasteurized, clear, concentrated Serum)

Your check for \$25.50 brings 8000 c.c.s of serum (80¢ per 100 c.c.) and 1500 c.c. of virus (1¢ per c.c.) enough for 85 to 100 pigs. We send FREE two syringes with double strength glass barrels and directions. Write for Free Veterinary Bulletin.

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## Junior Co-operators by Aunt Patience

### HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THIS DEPARTMENT

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

### JUNIOR LESSON

Hello Juniors—

Here we come with another lesson. Just one more lesson after this and the year will be finished.

I wonder how many are going some where for Thanksgiving. To Grandma's house, maybe, or some good aunt perhaps will have the Thanksgiving dinner this year.

Well, whatever you do or wherever you go I trust that you will not forget to count up the many things you have to be thankful for. Most of us on the farm have at least enough to eat and I am afraid this can not be said of all the Juniors in the cities whose daddies are out of work. Let's think kindly of all the world at this Thanksgiving time and try to do some deed of kindness for some one less fortunate than we.

I went out to McPherson to attend the convention but as was to be expected there were no Juniors present but I had the good fortune to meet several of your parents. I wish that I might have met them all and talked Junior work to them.

Do you know Junior Co-operators, the folks at the convention talked mighty nice about the Junior page, so let's try to keep it up to its present high standard. Remember, you are the ones who make the Junior page. Aunt Patience and I could do little without your co-operation. That is really what the name implies, Junior Co-operators—Let's hurry up with the lesson. If you start right to work on it you will finish before you know it.

Instead of a slogan we have this little article called "The Price of Success." Copy in your lesson. How would you apply it to farming?

### THE PRICE

"What is the price of success?" I would say it was very hard work and study, the courage to force oneself to have to concentrate on a problem at hand, a thorough knowledge of the tools of our business, a knowledge of our prospect's needs, a knowledge of how to talk your business in his language. Other factors in the price to be paid are the application of this knowledge to the fullest degree by an efficient use of time and energy; physical and mental fitness, co-ordination of mind and body.

We are going to have a nature study of a very unusual animal and one we know very little about. Write story in your own words about the Armadillo, all the Juniors.

### THE ARMADILLO

By Col. Sol Stephan, Gen. Mgr., Cincinnati Zoological Garden. The Armadillo is another queer looking creature Dame Nature has created to excite our wonder and amazement. To find this animal in its own home one would have to go as far south as Texas and into the southwest. They are plentiful in Mexico, Central and South America. The farthest south they are found is Argentina.

Try to imagine, if possible, an animal that is about the size of an opossum, looks somewhat like a small pig with very short legs, that has a long tail tapering to a point, long claws on the toes of its feet, and has the body covered by a hard shell that is like a coat of mail. This is a mental picture of the Armadillo.

There are several species of Armadillos, that are found in the southwest being known as the Nine-headed Armadillo because of nine narrow bands about the middle of the body. It is one of the larger members of this odd group of animals, reaching a weight of from 12 to 15 pounds. Its color is yellowish.

Young Armadillos are mostly born with hard shells, such as the parents have. Their armor is soft and pliable, like fine leather. As they grow older the outer surface of the skin grows harder and harder until when the animal is fully grown, the covering is hard like bone. Armadillos have their eyes open when born.

The small, long head of the Armadillo is carried almost straight down and is set on a very short neck. The eyes are small and set far back; the ears at the top of the head, are upright and pointed, rather large looking much like those of a pig.

The Armadillo is considered a rather stupid animal. Both sight and hearing are poor. Because of its armor covering the body it has a stiff-legged walk. When frightened it has a sort of a clumsy gallop, but which is so slow that a man on foot can overtake it.

The food of this animal consists almost entirely of many species of insects, but chiefly of ants. It has no teeth in the front of the jaws, and such as it has are of little real use. It captures the insects on which it lives on the sticky surface of its tongue which may be extended a considerable length.

The food by which the Armadillo lives includes ants, grasshoppers, crickets, roaches, beetles, caterpillars, centipedes, spiders and earthworms. When in search of food this animal becomes so intent that one may approach quite close before being discovered.

The preference of the Armadillo is for forests, brushy jungle or tall grass. Here, sheltered, it will dig its burrow a few yards deep into the side of a hill or bank. Or it may be under a stump, the roots of a tree or under a rock. It has been found, too, in level ground.

At times the Armadillo is said to have a pig-like fondness for taking mud-baths. In such places it leaves the prints of its bony armor behind it as tell-tale evidence.

All together the Armadillo is considered to be a harmless animal, doing more good than damage. It goes about mostly at night, but often may be seen abroad in the day time. In some parts it is said to go out both day and night.

When hunting its food, it roots among fallen leaves, other loose vegetation and soft earth from which it digs grubs or beetles. Sometimes it visits plowed fields rooting in the loose ground. That it actually does damage growing crops, as some say, is a mooted question.

Here is a little poem for those under the sixth grade. Those under the sixth grade may do the nature story also.

### TO-MORROW

A bright, merry boy, with laughing  
Whose every motion was full of grace,  
Who knew no trouble and feared no  
care,  
Was the light of our household—the  
youngest there.

He was too young, this little elf,  
With troublesome questions to vex  
himself;  
But for many days a thought would  
rise,  
And bring a shade to his dancing  
eyes.

He went to one whom he thought more  
wise  
Than any other beneath the skies;  
"Mother,"—O word that makes the  
home!  
"Tell me, when will to-morrow come?"

"It is almost night," the mother said,  
"And time for my boy to be in bed."  
When you wake up and it's day again,  
It will be to-morrow, my darling,  
then."

The little boy slept through all the  
night,  
But woke with the first red streak of  
light;  
He pressed a kiss to his mother's  
brow,  
And whispered, "Is it to-morrow  
now?"

"No, little Eddie, this is today:  
"To-morrow is always one night away."  
He pondered a while, but joys came  
fast,  
And this vexing question quickly  
passed.

But it came again with the shades of  
night;  
"Will it be to-morrow when it is  
light?"  
From years to come he seemed care  
to borrow,  
He tried so hard to catch to-morrow.

"You can not catch it, my little Ted;  
Enjoy to-day," the mother said;  
"Some wait for to-morrow through  
life's weary  
It is always coming, but never is  
here."

Questions To Be Answered:  
What is meant by "dancing eyes"  
in the second verse? What is meant  
by "shades of night," in the seventh  
verse? Of what name are "Eddie"  
and "Ted" nicknames? What trou-  
bled Eddie? Can you define to-mor-  
row? What did Eddie's mother ad-  
vise him to do?

I want the Juniors over the Sixth  
grade to take the poem: "Monkey Food  
and Monkey Business" and tell in his  
own words the meaning as applied to  
the farmer. This poem runs through  
several pages.

In the issue of Sept. 4 what does  
Cal Ward say in headline in first col-  
umn of paper?

On same page, how many pounds  
of butter was made by Farmers Un-  
ion Creamery in four years? What  
does Mr. Seamans say about the ex-  
pansion program.

How many Juniors have we in the  
last printed list?

In the issue of October 9 what  
headlines do we find about corporation  
farming?

What did John Vesceky say in this  
same article about corporation farm-  
ing?

Juniors, what do you understand  
Co-operative Marketing to mean?  
Tell several reasons why you think  
we should not have corporation farm-  
ing.

In the issue of October 23rd copy  
the poem in the center of the page.  
Give the name of the leaders men-  
tioned, then the name of the fourth one.  
What does Mr. Kinney say of Cal  
Ward?

The rule for measuring corn and  
hay will be helpful in a great many  
instances. Clip and file in your note  
book. Maybe some time you can help  
Daddy out when he wants to know  
how much corn or hay in crib or  
stack.

TO MEASURE EAR IN CORN CRIB  
Ascertain the number of cubic feet  
and multiply by four, then divide by  
10. Most corn in cribs is figured by  
this rule. However, if the cobs are  
well filled and the corn is sound and  
dry and well settled in the crib, di-  
vide by 9. If the cobs are not well  
filled or if the corn is damp or in-  
ferior quality, divide by 11.

TO ESTIMATE NUMBER OF TONS  
OF HAY IN SQUARE OR OB-  
LONG STACK  
Multiply the length in feet by  
width in feet and this by one-half the  
height. Divide the result by 300.  
In Round Stack  
Square the distance around the  
stack in yards. Multiply this by 4  
times the height in yards. Point off

## NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES

### WOODSON COUNTY

The County Union will on the first  
Thursday in December, the 4th, hold  
an all-day meeting with a basket  
dinner at noon. After the business  
meeting and election, a program and  
speaking will be in order. Mr. Bullard  
will be with us on that day so try and  
be there. We are on highway No. 54  
about surface road nine miles east of  
Yates Center. All Union members  
welcome.

Wm. Heimen, Co. Pres.

### MARSHALL COUNTY MEETING

The annual meeting of the Marshall  
County Farmers Union will be held in  
Frankfort, Tuesday, Dec. 2, at 11  
o'clock a. m. Be sure and have your  
delegates present as this is election  
time. Basket dinner and program, in-  
cluding a speaker if one can be se-  
cured.

Richard H. Mackey, Secretary.

### ALLEN COUNTY

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

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

Robert A. Meliza, President.

C. A. Houk, Secretary.

### NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

The Miami County Farmers Union  
No. 59 will hold its annual meeting at  
Paola in the City Hall on the 13th of  
December at 1 p. m. Our legislative  
and resolution committee will meet  
at the Farmers store at 10 o'clock. All  
members are requested to be present.

Owen Hunsperger, chairman legisla-  
tive and Geo. Frank, chairman reso-  
lution committee. Election of officers  
for 1931 and other matters of impor-  
tance to be considered at this time.

We request that you make a special  
effort to be on hand and try and have  
every member of your local there. We  
must have a better attendance at our  
county meetings or not hold meetings  
everyone should be interested enough  
in our affairs to be on hand at these  
meetings. We must build up our mem-  
bership and every loyal member  
should come and help with this very  
important matter. Come out and boost  
and help put this over.

S. J. Lohr, President.

W. J. Prescott, Secretary.

Beattie, Kans.

Nov. 19, 1930.

Dear Editor:

I see by the papers Legge may re-  
sign. Now don't you think after he  
has the endorsement of C. A. Ward  
and all the farm organizations, it  
would be unjust for him to do so?  
Right now is when we need "brains"  
on go through and finish the job.  
If he quits now they will call him a  
"piker." Of course you all know he  
was asked to resign once by two city  
gentlemen and he paid no attention  
to them. He only came back at the  
end and told them in capital letters NO.  
or in other words, invited them to go  
to H. I think if he resigns now  
Max and Louis will get a feather in  
their bonnets, not that I begrudge  
them the feather but I think we farm-  
ers would be at a loss to get the best  
of time. I just want to find out what  
our President Ward thinks about him  
resigning.

J. D. Stosz, Local 859.

P. S.: Next week I will write on our  
dues paying members.

### FRANKLIN CO. UNION NO. 72

Our County Union met in the K. P.  
hall in Ottawa for its meeting, Wed-  
nesday evening, Nov. 5. Plans had  
been made for a fine supper, and  
about 7:30 o'clock about 350 includ-  
ing members and their families from  
seven of the Locals were assembled to  
fully carry out those plans.

We also were pleased to have with  
us as visitors Mr. and Mrs. Henry  
Dancaster and Mrs. Della Burns of  
Miami Co.

To say the least we certainly had a  
fine supper and I am sure it was en-  
joyed by all present.

After the supper the meeting was  
called to order and the usual business  
was taken care of and the election of  
officers was held with the following  
results: President, Albert Carpenter;  
vice-president, Harry Morgan; secre-  
tary, measure, Mrs. Harry Morgan;  
conductor, Ben C. Nelson; doorkeeper,  
Harry L. Carpenter; lecturer, A. C.  
Scholl; Ex. Comm. Ralph Cham-  
bers, L. H. Perkins and E. A. Parks;  
business agent, L. A. Scholl.

Pinned, our retiring president, has  
served the Union three years in that  
office and he has certainly given his  
time and loyal support to it at all  
times, for which the Union is very  
grateful.

Our county delegate, Harry L. Mor-  
gan, gave his report, and with so  
many addresses he told us of from  
the prominent farm organization lead-  
ers, and the progress of the present  
business activities, makes one feel  
sure that the Farmers Union is wor-  
thy of all the support we can give to  
it. I might add due to the careful  
chaperoning by Albert Carpenter our  
delegate returned home Friday  
evening but for some unexplained  
reason, Albert did not arrive until  
Monday noon.

Zerbe's orchestra furnished their  
usual good music during the evening  
and we had a fine other numbers,  
Songs, "The Preacher and the Bear,"  
"A Farmer's Union Song," Mr. Tyrel  
Ford; "Minnie at the Skating Rink,"

two places from the right and divide  
remainder by 20.

I wonder how many boys and girls  
have an interest in the pig. Pigs are  
a few points to be remembered.  
Include in lesson:

POINTS TO BE REMEMBERED IN  
FALL AND SPRING PIGS  
1. Fall pigs are more difficult to  
raise than spring pigs, but when

Ellen Brady song, "The Farmers  
Feeds Them All," Mr. and Mrs. Hen-  
ry Dancaster and Mrs. Della Burns;  
reading, A. C. Scholl. I missed the  
title of Mr. Scholl's reading, but I  
guess when the "tail hold" on the  
steers slipped, down came the apple  
tree. He also related a little of the  
early life of our new president. How  
he started out to be a minister and  
did very well until he performed his  
first marriage ceremony, and made  
the awful mistake of asking the guests  
to now pass around and view the "re-  
mains."

Nevertheless, if we all do our part  
I am sure there will be some "re-  
mains" when he has served his time  
as our president.

Mr. Tyrel Ford, who represents the  
Farmers Union Mutual Life Insurance  
Co., also made a short talk.  
Our next county meeting will be  
with the Minneola Local Tuesday  
evening, December 2nd.

Mrs. Harry Morgan, Sec'y.

### NORTH STAR FARMERS UNION MEETING

The North Star Farmers Union  
met in regular session the evening of  
November 14th with a good attend-  
ance and a large number of visitors  
present to enjoy the splendid pro-  
gram.

Mr. Hazen Richardson, who had  
brought a number of his high school  
pupils out with him, furnished music  
for the evening.

The program consisted of a girls'  
society composed of Helen Beard, Be-  
ulah Titus, Helen Elliott, Nadine Ward,  
Virginia Lee and Mabel Pryor.  
They sang an English Folk song,  
"The Swallow," and the Finnish Folk  
song, "Slumber Song." Elbert Fly,  
playing the piano accompaniment.  
Also playing the following num-  
bers: Solo, by Taylor Bon-  
ner, "When Song is Sweet is Flute."  
And oboe duet by Junior Wier and  
Robert Wallace. A solo by Ada Belle  
Bonner, "I Am Waiting for the Ships  
That Never Come In." Trombone solo  
by Floyd McCune. Mr. Richardson  
playing the accompaniment.

B. Winchester and Joe Dale next  
gave reports of the Farmers Union  
state convention at McPherson which  
they attended.

Our county agent, Mr. Teagarden,  
gave us an address and gave a talk on  
various lines of his work in the coun-  
ty. This was followed by a clarinet  
solo by Richard Donnelly and a tenor  
solo by Ronald Povelson, "The Boat  
Song." A cornet solo by Richard  
Stewart. Elbert Fly playing the  
accompaniment at the piano and also  
playing a piano solo, "Winds."

The Glee Club boys then sang three  
numbers, "I Wish," "Little Close Har-  
mony" and "Now the Day is Over."  
President of the Union, C. A. Ward, re-  
sponded at the piano by Miss  
Helen Smart. Mr. W. T. Buckle very  
nicely thanked the Union for their  
support on the past election in elect-  
ing him Stafford County probate  
judge. Chairman of the program com-  
mittee, announced that there would  
be a debate upon the sub-  
ject, "Resolved that chain stores are  
detrimental to the American commu-  
nity."

The county meeting will be held at  
Liberty November 21. Delegates ap-  
pointed for this meeting are Mr. and  
Mrs. C. V. Cline, Mr. and Mrs. H.  
Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Nelson,  
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kirkpatrick, Mr.  
and Mrs. W. T. Vice, Bill Buckle and  
Clarence Reed.

The rabbit hunt committee are Wil-  
bur McCune, Chester Asher, Clarence  
Reed, J. McCounghey. All  
those wishing to take part in the  
choosing of sides and captains and  
the time for the hunt will be decided  
at the meeting. All passed to the  
basement where delicious refreshments  
were served to all present.

Our next meeting will be November  
28th at the usual place.

Mrs. Herve Prentice, Reporter.

### NEMAHA COUNTY

The annual meeting of the Nemaha  
County Farmers Union will be held at  
Seneca, December 6th.

Business of interest to all will  
come up for consideration. A short  
program will be rendered.  
State President C. A. Ward will be  
with us. Every member should make  
an effort to attend and give him a  
good meeting. By all means let every  
local send its delegates.

FRED W. LEHMAN, Sec'y.

Parsons, Kans.

### PRESIDENT C. A. WARD'S REPORT TO THE STATE CONVENTION

(Continued from last week)

The present world wide economic  
and financial depressed situation that  
we are now experiencing was brought  
about quite largely by this very thing.  
If you will study the stock catastro-  
phy of a year ago and analyze it in-  
telligently, you will find that it was  
brought about quite largely through  
the keen, shrewd manipulation of a  
few wealth holders who were selfish  
and avaricious and greedy and care-  
less for the security of the teeming  
millions but were only concerned  
about adding a few more dollars to  
their treasuries. This whole scheme  
threw the entire country into a con-  
dition of unrest and the result was  
that millions of dollars found their  
way from men of all walks and ranks  
of life into a comparatively few men's  
hands. Factories had to close their  
doors by the hundreds and millions of  
men and women were thrown out of  
employment. Regardless of any and  
all the false propaganda that is put

handled carefully they are at least  
equally profitable.

2. A greater variety of feeds is  
necessary to grow fall pigs satisfac-  
torily, because green crops are not  
available.

3. Fall pigs make as rapid gains  
when well housed and handled as do  
spring pigs.

4. The amount of feed required to  
produce gains is practically the same  
for pigs farrowed at the two differ-  
ent seasons.

out by the press or from the platform,  
the problem of unemployment and fi-  
nancial distress is still with us.

Let me say, my friends, there will  
be no general prosperity until the  
wheels of our factories again begin to  
turn, until the men who earn their  
bread by the sweat of their brow day  
by day walk back to their regular  
work. I say now that labor must be  
employed. We have heard a lot about  
over-production. It has been stressed  
and heralded from one side of the  
country to the other. Surplus in one  
section and starvation by the thou-  
sands in another. I say that it is not  
so much a question of over-production  
as it is of under consumption and  
when men are out of work by the hun-  
dreds of thousands and even millions,  
their buying power is restricted and  
it does not take a smart man to know  
that this reacts back until every  
phase and channel of business and in-  
dustry feel it.

I was mighty happy that one of our  
political parties in Kansas put into  
their platform plank in opposition to  
chain banking, chain stores and chain  
farming. They are all a menace as I  
see it to the best interests of this  
country. The fact that the wealth of  
this country is finding its way slowly  
but surely into the great eastern cen-  
ters of population is something that  
should command our attention. Big  
gauged machinery and all forms of la-  
bor saving devices are thrown into  
operation and men and women are being  
displaced by the thousands by all  
types of labor saving machinery and  
equipment. This presents one of the  
most critical problems that is now be-  
fore the commonwealth of this coun-  
try.

It may be that we will be compelled  
to retrench and get back to more pri-  
mative methods in order to protect the  
labor interests of this country. As it  
affects agriculture, big gauge machi-  
nery is doing the work. The result is farm-  
ing in larger units. I want to raise my  
protest at this time as I have at many  
times, against corporate or chain farm-  
ing. I am telling you that it is true  
not only in Kansas but I have commu-  
knowledge of many states where such  
abominable corporations are being  
formed.

Not long ago I was amazed at a  
statement of Mr. Legge's when he  
spoke before the Mortgage bankers in  
Detroit, Michigan, and he urged the  
bankers to use their influence in the  
consolidating of smaller farms. He  
made the reported statement that  
growers raising less than 800 acres  
are hopelessly handicapped by high  
production costs. I am more than as-  
tonished that a high Governmental  
official should make such a statement,  
especially so in face of the fact that  
President Hoover in his speech of ac-  
ceptance said "that farming is our  
business and no solution requiring large  
and merged farms and mechanized  
production can fit into our ideals of  
farming." It occurs to me that if I  
were President of the United States, I  
would immediately call Mr. Legge in  
and inform him that no such state-  
ments would be countenanced espe-  
cially so in view of the election pledges  
which he made.

I feel we must stand united against  
these things. Corporation farming  
will mean in its final analysis the  
eradication and displacing of these  
thousands of American rural homes  
that we have dotted all about over  
this country and instead of indepen-  
dence and freedom and security will  
come peasantry, peonage, serfdom and  
enslavement. I say again, I am opposed  
to all of these chain systems in which  
the large interests swallow up the  
smaller interests wherein the wealth  
of this section of the country finds  
its way back east.

The tariff on imported commodi-  
ties is just one of the ways in which  
the production between cheap foreign  
labor and our own. The newly enacted  
tariff law is the point of much dis-  
cussion. I regard it as a manufactur-  
er's tariff and of no avail, but rather  
a thumb in the flesh to the agricul-  
tural sections of this country. At this  
time I want to extend my congratu-  
lations to those of our Kansas dele-  
gation who had backbone enough to  
express their convictions by their vote  
in the last session of Congress. The  
actual difference between cost of pro-  
duction at home and abroad with ade-  
quate safeguards for the wage of the  
American laborer should be the ex-  
tent of any tariff schedule. Tariffs  
should stimulate sound competition  
and in such proportions as will stimu-  
late channels of commerce as between  
nations, thus supplying nations in  
need from the surplus of those who  
have an abundance, and above all,  
should be void of the challenge of re-  
taliation.

Fellow farmers, we must rally our  
forces. As I see it, co-operation and  
organization is the only solution to  
the problem. Our enemies for gener-  
ations have held us under the grasp  
of an iron hand and through their  
cunningness and manipulation have caus-  
ed the most basic business of this  
country, that of farming, to become  
out of equality with other branches  
of industry and we challenge every  
inch of the way. We should never,  
never relinquish our present position.  
Our attainments have been slow but  
sure. A national monument should be  
erected to the pioneers of our cause.  
My friends, we dare not sacrifice or  
minimize in any way the heritage that  
has been handed down to us by our  
fathers. The co-operative business or-  
ganizations are rendering a real ser-  
vice either directly or indirectly to the

millions of our farmers today. The  
Farmers Union itself is doing more  
than a million dollars of business an-  
nually. Our success and whether or  
not we reach the heights of our ideals  
will depend upon our loyalty and ad-  
herence to our good old parent organ-  
ization itself.

We have passed the experimental  
stage in the history of our program.  
Our failures are buried with the past  
and evidence of success are on every  
hand. Let each member of the Kan-  
sas Farmers Union go out and ask  
your neighbor to join our ranks. It is  
my highest hope that in the next year  
the membership of the Kansas Far-  
mers Union may be doubled.

Again, I want to thank one and all  
for your splendid co-operation. My  
feeble efforts the past year have been

the best I could give you. I have gone  
where you have called and I have  
done what I could. I have not know-  
ingly offended any one. If, perchance  
I have, I ask your forgiveness. In  
conclusion, let me say we should think  
first of the preservation of our own.  
Our lives and program should be so  
related to society that we hand down  
to our children and our grandchildren  
a heritage that will maintain and pre-  
serve the security of our American  
farm homes all over the country and  
may there be a deepening of our na-  
tional faith and a reverence for Holy  
things and a devotion to God. There-  
in, in a large measure lies the solution  
of our financial, moral, social and ec-  
onomic ills.

I thank you.

C. A. WARD.

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# The Bosses Are Away This Week So We Can Talk About Them

**M**OST of the folks connected with the Kansas Farmers' Union and its business enterprises went to St. Paul to attend the national convention of the Farmers' Union and haven't gotten back yet. That gives us a chance to talk about them, say nice things we wouldn't say if they were here. Knowing about the men who are the officers and directors of the Kansas Farmers' Union Royalty Company you will see that it is a business enterprise built by and for the farmers of Kansas.

A. D. RICE of Delphos is president of the Kansas Farmers' Union Royalty Company and president of the Ottawa county branch of the Union. A leader in his community, with experience in numerous co-operative enterprises among farmers he brings the point of view of the farmer and the astuteness of the business man to the affairs of the Kansas Farmers' Union Royalty Company.

EMIL L. JOHNSON of McPherson is the owner of a large and well improved McPherson county farm part of which he has pooled with the Kansas Farmers' Union Royalty Company. He is vice president of the Company.

CHARLES A. BROOM of Salina, who is secretary-treasurer of the Company has been a director of several successful Farmers' Union business concerns. Everybody who is at all active in the affairs of the Kansas Farmers' Union knows him—he is a business man who "knows his stuff." His position in the affairs of the Kansas Farmers' Union Royalty Company assures it of the benefit of his sound and conservative judgment.

JOHN HUBER of Selden and JOHN FROST of Blue Rapids are directors of the Company. Mr. Huber has large business interests and is a director of several companies in addition to the Royalty Company. Mr. Frost has taken an active interest in the affairs of the Kansas Farmers' Union for a number of years.

These are the kind of men who believe in and are back of the Kansas Farmers' Union Royalty Company. They know your problems as well as you do. They have faith in the Royalty Company and its prospects. They manage and control it. When you deal with them you are dealing with "home folks." The presence of such men as officers and directors of the Kansas Farmers' Union Royalty Company proves it to be a real farmers' venture—"of, by and for actual farmers."

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