

# THE KANSAS UNION FARMER

Organization

Sheep Industry Destroyed

Take away from steel, cloth or

while it has less than 40,000,000.

Farmer Wants Constructive

Assistance

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Agriculture a Public Utility

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### Our Present Day Problems

A Business Man Takes Notice of The Fact That Farming at A Profit is Only Way to Restore Agriculture and Stabilize Business

(By John Napier Dyer)

It is a singular fact that this year | Financial America, trying to solve for the first time a problem enters his problem, says he has grown too point. What would be the effect is into your business outlook which has much wheat. He caly followed the suddenly the farmer found he had the never before been given any serious urge of a war-stricken world and did means to build that new house, re-

ers has long been such an accepted of doubt. a curiosity fit only for Barnum's that there has never been an over-Museum. I remains that there are production nor an unwieldly surplus thousands to prosperous farmers— of wheat in all the history of the for reference ask any automobile world. You have hever heard of manufacturer, etc." Permit me to anyone dumping wheat into the sea. orige you men of business not to be In the five years past there has been misguided by such a gross missate-ment of fact, because if you do, you are contributing to an ill-founded method of bolstering up a false prosperity which will sooner or later crumble about your heads like the temple that Sampson wrecked. Wrong Ideas Fostered.

Certain publications have fostered the idea that the way to hold pros- out by those who profit from it. perity is to talk about it and to condemn anyone who dares to offer compete with the lowest paid serf la-

pessimistic business forecast.

It is quite true that bank deposits, dia, who works for 15 cents a day.

railroad earnings, car loadings and The American sells his product withnumerous other factors lend assurance out any reference to profit in acto the prosperous condition of our cordance with the standards of Amerbut I believe you will agree ican living. We are no more faced with me that there is an underlying with the economic impracticability of surplus and will continue so to do. element of distrust of the stability of producing wheat for anyone but ourthis so-called prosperity and every selves than we are in the produccautious business man is treading his business way carefully and observantly, fearful lest there be some unforeseen obstacle in his path of pro-

And it is well that they should be cautious because there is an element which is projecting itself into business, every day with greater force, in some parts of the country as a factor which is destroying mercantile is there in the present level of agribusiness, wrecking banks and spread- cultural standards? What fairness ing like a loathsome disease. My belist here in the practice of permitting
loved Indiana and your beautiful Illilow-cost Canadian wheat to come into nois are not immune to its menacing America to be ground in our mills approach, and it would be well for free of duty when we have a supposyou to understand the nature of the ed tariff of 30 cents per bushel on disease and some of the causes of its wheat? It comes in to be milled in Financial America says it is due markets of the world to the exclusion

to poor banking methods, bad farm- of a like amount of American wheat ing methods, one-crop farmers and flour. Would there not be equal justice in permitting the American wool building a financial wall around that section of the northwest which is afflicted.

Rank Injustice Congress is being asked by some who are misguiding the nation's Chief Executive to appropriate fifty million dollars to institute diversified sified manufacturing applied to an Boton than the woolen manufacturer economically distressed New England, pays for Australian wool. This coun-It takes years of patient effort to try could support 120,000,000 sheep create channels of successful agricultural distribution, and the men and women of the northwest, where it is sheep, while today with 38 per cent proposed to try this panacea, will be more population we have 38 per cent dead and gone into another world less sheep. The answer, two things—long before any beneficial results organized industry which kept wool long before any beneficial results might be attained, If every farmer to producing poultry and dairy pro- culture. ducts; as proposed by the professional planning adequate channels of marketing and distribution, agriculture

There is a rank injustice being practiced against the farmer every day by a selfish and ignorant press. A creat national weekly says editorially in speaking of the buying power of farm products: "The price sales abroad. evel of farm products in October, was much nearer the level of prices of industrial commodities than October, 1922. The evidences of agents to work for him, despite the ber and grown in importance." A of all proportion to farm product valby making statements so manifestly transportation wages are paid beyond untrue, presumably for the purpose the possible present competitive reach of misleading its advertisers, is un-worthy of public confidence. The de-against these injustices. He believes ception is easily seen by any-one famfliar with actual farm conditions and, while there has been an insignificant adjustment between agricultural and commodity prices, the gap is still so wide as to make unjustifiable statements designed to influence the popularity of its advertising pages.

would be far worse off than it is today.

Farmer Working at a Loss. Emphatically agriculture is in a worse condition today than it has been at any time in the past four years; 625,000 bankrupt farmers, and 400,-000 more to face the same ordeal in 1924 unless conditions change speed-Five millions of people of the agricultural class bereft of their life's accumulations. How long, pray, do you think the cities will be able to absorb these hungry thousands and afford them food, clothing, shelter and a job, with the fundamental basic dollars a year, as has just been done power of the ultimate consumer is industry of all industries down and

in providing a similar gratuity for agriculture? Why not agriculture a For four long years the farmer has been selling his merchandise be- public utility? Politicians are not going to solve low the cost of production. How long the problems of business in 1924. would any lumber merchant remain in business if he bought his ware at Laws by Congress may serve as an \$1.67 per unit and sold them at 90 aid in providing stabilizing credits, but the farmer wants no unsound gov-This is exactly what the wheat farmer has been doing for four ernment price fixing. The farmer years, and now that his capital and himself, if properly guided, will solve surplus reserves have been absorbed his own problems, with the aid of industry. Give him a page out of your

primer of business and show him that the first essential to business success is profit. Teach him to control his commodities both in production and distribution and he will learn to reg-ulate his price as is done in the great industries of steel, cement, and lum-

Marketing Control Necessary. Your farmer purchasing power has diminished to almost the vanishing onsideration.

A poorly informed writer in a jourGovernment deserted him in his hour

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Which the old tile has ceased to work, nal of "commerce and finance" says:

O\_ greatest need after he had proven his patriotism without any question his patriotism without any question

you are interested in their economic equal to but superior to the Europ-In the live years past there has been cumulative surplus of over six hundred million bushels, and yet today there are less than one hundred million bushels, and yet today there are less than one hundred million bushels, and yet today of the southern states are less than one hundred million bushels, and yet today of the southern states are less than one hundred million bushels, and yet today of the southern states are less than one hundred million bushels, and yet today of the southern states are less than one hundred million bushels, and yet today of the southern states are less than one hundred million bushels, and yet today of the southern states are less than one hundred million bushels, and yet today of the southern states are less than one hundred million bushels, and yet today of the southern states are less than one hundred million bushels, and yet today of the southern states are less than one hundred million bushels. there are less than one numered mil-lions, while last June it was claimed only 7 per cent of agriculture pro-shut off a needed supply of skilled panies. lions, while last June it was claimed at the fake wheat conference held in this city that the 200,000,000 bushels this city that the 200,000,000 bushels by the description of the conference held in this city that the 200,000,000 bushels by the description of the conference held in the cash crop of 60 per the cent of your Illinois farmers, and its lines. The recent wholesale migration is the cash crop of 60 per the cent of your Illinois farmers, and its lines have been conference held in the cash crop of 60 per the cent of your Illinois farmers, and its lines have been conference held in the cash crop of 60 per the cent of your Illinois farmers, and its lines have been conference held in the cash crop of 60 per the cent of your Illinois farmers, and its lines have been conference held in the cash crop of 60 per the cent of your Illinois farmers, and its lines have been conference held in the cash crop of 60 per the cent of your Illinois farmers, and its lines have been conference held in the cash crop of 60 per the cent of your Illinois farmers, and its lines have been conference held in the cash crop of 60 per the cent of your Illinois farmers, and its lines have been conference held in the cash crop of 60 per the cent of your Illinois farmers, and its lines have been conference held in the cash crop of 60 per the cent of your Illinois farmers have been conference held in the cash crop of 60 per the cent of your Illinois farmers have been conference held in the cash crop of 60 per the cent of your Illinois farmers have been conference held in the cash crop of 60 per the cent of your Illinois farmers have been conference held in the cash crop of 60 per the cent of your Illinois farmers have been conference held in the cash crop of 60 per the cent of your Illinois farmers have been conference held in the cash crop of 60 per the cent of your Illinois farmers have been conference held in the cash crop of 60 per the cent of your Illinois farmers have been conference held in the cash crop of 60 per the cent of your I price has to do with the difference tion of negro farmers to the cities surplus was the cause of the depressbetween good business and poor busi- seems to lend emphasis to this fear, ed price. There is a clear, distinct answer to all this propaganda put ness. The solution, its price problem, However, I do not anticipate any ser The wheat farmer is compelled to commodity by the growers them- ately, the United States now has a selves. A 200,000,000-bushel surplus remedy for such possible emergencies need have no effect upon domestic price if the surplus is controlled, any more than a 75 per cent surplus production of steel affects the price of steel. The world needs our wheat; it has always consumed all of our If Canada and Argentina want to sell their wheat for no profit, we must meet their competition in the in our agricultural labor situation tion of steel or cloth or china dolls. world's markets, but the American of a tariff wall must grant to the china dolls the protecting arm of the farmer equal rights and privileges and must pay for his bread a price tariff and you compel them to face the competition of low-paid labor. Immediately you reduce the standards which will return a profit to the wheat grower the same as he does for of living of those engaged in such his steel. We will not do business for

Farmers Made the Country Great transit and the flour shipped to the

transit? He could ship his wool to England, have it woven into cloth and double living costs cannot be assets brought back to this country free of against a class which has had the duty and sold to the American convalue of its products and the wage sumer at prices which would put for its labor destroyed. If the farm-laboratory is brought data of the laboratory is brought data of the laboratory is brought discounty and state Unions.

American woolen mills out of profiter is to pay, he must be given the opath of the laboratory is brought discounty and state Unions. If the entire membership would accept its responsibility and take active rect. to the farmer and made a part in voicing the wishes of the living cost.

All these farm problems are the determining factors of business in 1924. They concern you most intimately-concern you far more importantly than they do the League of on the free list until it destroyed the job or the creation of a new issue in the country should lend his efforts sheep industry; and unorganized agri- to divide the people. It is alarming Furthermore, not only are the scienwhat little knowledge the prospergentlemen of finance, without first pay no import duty. Our country tural west. No New England congrows better fruits than bananas, gressman believes the farmers to be and Oregon apples have cost the in distress. Captains of industry see grower a dollar a box mere this year little connection between the price of dustry—in fact, the large vision necthan he has received for his products. wheat and the price of steel. The essary to security, will come to the Put agriculture on its feet and the American farmer will buy more fuses to acknowledge publicly that lumber, steel, cement, automobiles there is any used car problem in his and luxuries than the total of our business, yet he has absorbed the capital of 25 per cent of the retail dealers of automobiles and invested of American agriculture. it in used cars to his own advantage. The farmer wants no destructive

Magnitude of the Enterprise. Some financial journals insist that farm buying have multiplied in numfact that transportation rates are out most of the farmer buying have multiplied in numfact that transportation rates are out most of the farmer have multiplied in numfact that transportation rates are out most of the farmer have multiplied in numfact that transportation rates are out most of the farmer have multiplied in numfact that transportation rates are out most of the farmer have multiplied in numfact that transportation rates are out most of the farmer have not provided by the farmer come from wild speculations in lands; publication which shall debase itself ues and labor in industry and in as a matter of fact not more than 2 per cent of them indulged in that

war-time pastime. The solution of the an equal share in the fruits of govlines of production and marketing, which will employ the genius of men A tariff which protects steel must of such marked ability like Schwab's be made to protect wheat even though and Gary's so as to insure the suc-

it may be necessary to place the tar- cess of the gigantic undertaking. Let there be no misconception about guarantee to rail employees and mine the magnitude of the enterprise; but labor must be given in justice to the America has never lacked for leadership nor shirked a responsibility, and this is the time which calls for Public utilities which enjoy the the unselfish contribution of Amerprotection of the state are not com- ican business energy for the salvation parable as public necessities to the of our present and future welfare. farms which produce our very life the Court House and pay their taxes reduced-because all taxes except the income and inheritance taxes are added to the price of what they buy.

Millions today know something about the economic results that followed the Napoleonic wars and Great Rebellion of 1861. Historian after historian has related the story of the insane resolve of the ruling classes to force the great mass of poor, ignorant, defenseless, ultimate consumers

#### Agricultural Bill Not To Be Hurt

SALINA, KANSAS, THURSDAY, JUNE 26, 1924

American Farmers Need Not Be Alarmed Over New Immigration Law (By Calvin F. McIntosh)

American farmers should feel no alarm over the possible danger of a shortage of skilled farm labor as a result of the enactment of the new Immigration Act, says Calvin F. Mc-Intosh, agricultural member of the Federal Board for Vocational Education. The day when American agri-culture needed to look to European Business? There is more business culture needed to look to European in sight than all of you can take care immigration for a skilled farm labor subject of national conversation that most readers of metropolitan newspapers have the idea that a successful and prosperous farmer would be ful and prosperous farmer would be surplus" perhaps have never realized ful and prosperous farmer would be surplus for Rernum's that there has never been an over-Let your farmer friends know that you are interested in their economic welfare. Urge them to join the wheat cooperative, by means of which they

ious' effects from this cause. Fortunin our vocational agricultural school 'system. We no longer need to import skilled farmers: we can create them through our vocational schools.
"It is not yet generally realized that the introduction of vocational

education into the rural schools under the Smith-Hughes Act has brought about a fundamental change during the last seven years.. It has consumer living under the protection placed skill within the reach of every farm boy.

"Formerly, the farm boy was obliged to 'pick up' his knowledge of farm methods by wasteful personal experience, and by the instruction of his parents. The result was deadening. long under present-day conditions; we are fast approaching the end of our unequal prosperity. We are facing little improvement. No local educations situation fraught with grave tional machinery was provided which could popularize the scientific information and new discoveries which are constantly being worked out by such terprises. The members are respon-The American farmer made this agencies as the United States Departcountry and he made it great be ment of Agriculture and the State their respective territories. The cause he produced out of the soil the Experiment Stations. With valuable members are responsible for the subgreat wealth by which it was built. scientific agricultural information

and ideas of the adults of the com-

munity, as well. "Thus, diversified farming and intion. Marketing, supply and demand, practical economics affecting the inautomobile manufacturer steadily re- future farmers through training under this vocational program. It is there is any used car problem in his not too much to assume that the vocational education program will eventually accomplish an economic rebirth

"With such a program in full opution of the immigrant farmer to part of the agreement, is as follows:

a temporary experiment. It is a per- through the association in accordance by the long-range viewpoint, fore-casting the needs of the future by the training programs of today. Vocational education has come into the agricultural industry as a permanent and vitalizing factor. It is my belief that its inauguration marks the onen. its policies it will always be governed mortgage at or that its inauguration marks the openne of a new economic epoch for the American farmer.'

GLEASON RETAINED

ENID, Okla.-For the third consecutive year directors of the Oklahoma and Texas Wheat Growers' Associations have retained J. Paul Gleason associations. It maintains an office Grower, largest cooperative wheat publication was first edited by Gleason shortly after the wheat pools were organized.

It noids the glamor of Iuliance sible and still meet competition. Thus the milk wagon drivers and dairy while the most practical materialist while the most practical materialist could not reasonably be dissatisfied when he notes what has already been when he notes what has already been demands of their several local associations after the wheat pools demands of their several local associations after the wheat pools demands of their several local associations after the wheat pools demands of their several local associations after the wheat pools demands of their several local associations after the wheat pools demands of their several local associations after the wheat pools demands of their several local associations after the wheat pools demands of their several local associations after the wheat pools demands of their several local associations after the wheat pools are the properties. were organized.

Farmers Union Insurance Company, Salina, Kansas. Dear Sirs: I am a little late in acknowledging receipt of your check for \$300 which was the amount of the insurance on the Jack I lost in a recent

pays their losses with a certainty. Some folks asked me if I was insured and if so in what company. I told them I was and the name of the company. When I told them, they said I ought to be insured in a company to be insured in a company. pany where there was not any doubt about a settlement in case of loss. Most of these fellows were represent-

will be able to regulate supply to meet demand and obtain a price for wheat which shall be based upon cost wheat which shall be based upon cost with the state of the Southern TUAL COST which is quite an item

Again thanking you for the prompt settlement, I am,

Most respectfully yours ARCHIE MYERS. WHERE THE RESPONSIBILITY

LIES Who is responsible for the success System, the wool pool, the creamery association or any other of the Farmers Union enterprises?

Is it the officers who may be holding the offices at this or any other time? NO. The officers are merely the servants and employees of the organization. They are, of course, held responsible to obey the wishes and commands of their duties as elected officers, they are held responsible for their honesty and the funds that may be given them to carry on the work of the Union Congress,—"The trade union of the expansion of the movement. This substantial success is by no means confined to Europe. A chain of of of six cooperative grocery stores in the city of Cleveland, last year did a quarter of a million dollars work of the Union. work of the Union.

can do nothing alone. Everything their conditions." that is done is carried out according members are responsible for the patronage. The members are responsible for the organization of the ensible for the signing of contracts in scription of capital stock. The mem-

"The program of the Smith-Hughes bers are responsible for the hiring of Act is to utilize the public schools, managers of ability. The members already existing in every rural com- are rsponsible for the attendance of

fair for one is fair for another. Amer- to pay or he will refuse to pay — of his working knowledge. The meth- part in voicing the wishes of the farming in the sick districts, which fair for one is fair for another. After to pay of the will about as effective a remedy ican wool of equal quality sells today and then what? Seventy-cent corn, od employed is the training of the membership as well as the data agricultural methods, the backing the Union even greater work up-to-date agricultural methods, the backing the Union even greater work vocational schools leaven the habits could be accomplished. Progress would be more rapid.

The Farmers Union is a "Self-help' organization. It is not assisted by tensive or economic soil cultivation - any money interest or persons other the two greatest present needs of than farmers. Everything depends up Politicians whose greatest concern American agriculture—are now being on the farmers who are members, appears to be the retention of the taught to the rising generation of That is where the responsibility lies. taught to the rising generation of That is where the responsibility lies. farmers in hundreds of communities. The Farmers Union belongs to and is Furthermore, not only are the scien-tific facts of farming being taught, ficers are the servants and employ Fifty million bunches of bananas ous east has concerning the agricul- but the whole field of agriculture is ees of the membership. — Illinois Weekly Farmer.

> OKLAHOMA BANKS AGREE TO PERMIT DELIVERY OF MORT-GAGED WHEAT

Many banks in Oklahoma have agreed to permit through the Oklahoma Wheat Growers' association the delivery of mortgaged wheat. They have signed what is known as the Bank Cooperating Agreement. One of the paragraphs, showing

"In consideration of the above and the past. The example of European ers to obtain a better price for their methods is no longer required to product, in order that the business stimulate the efficiency of the Amerof the bank, itself, shall be less hazcomes from our own vocational schools. As the Smith-Hughes proagainst these injustices. He believes what others have fairly obtained for themselves they are entitled to, but they must not continue to expect the problem will be simple indeed if inschools. As the Smith-Hughes products the same time that it aids writing the solution for many of the sales of its products and then of the sales of its products and then the creation of the agencies for the conduct of the business along sound are qual share in the fruits of goved that vocational education is not said mortgage may be marketed manent and continuing program. with the marketing agreement, here which will keep pace during the coming years with the ever-changing ordinary cases where the bank may needs of the agricultural industry. In find it necesstry to foreclose its its policies it will always be governed mortgage at or before the maturing

A BIG BUSINESS WITH SMALL CAPITAL Pacific Egg Producers' Cooperative
AS WHEAT EDITOR Inc., is doing business at the rate of \$2,300,000 annually. This organization is the eastern selling agency for

## Labor's Stake In Co-Operation Osborne, Kansas June 11, 1924.

Organized Workingmen Must Learn That Co-operation Will Transform Our Industrial System on Basis of Service Instead of Profits

(By Albert F. Coyle)

more bread and butter for your fami- been tried? ly better clothing, and a higher stan-dard of living,—in short, the most is no longer an experiment. Consum-

you, next to your union itself?

The labor movement is like a man with two arms, both of which are necessary if he is to make a decent living and enjoy the blessings of life. Its right arm is cooperation. Its left arm is political action. Look around you, and you will find that where labor is making the greatest progress, it is using both of these arms; and wherever it is standing still or slipping backward, it is neglecting to use these two powerful aids.

A nationally known labor leader said to me not long ago: "If the American labor movement had spent half the time in expanding the spending power of the workers by cooperation increase the amount of money they that it has in battling for an increased wage, it would be twice as far along as it is today. For too often increased wages have brought only higher living costs, so that the averters, were increased by the control of t of the Local Union, the County Union, the State Union, the Chain Store to the profiteers, leaving the state union, the Chain Store to the profiteers, leaving to the profiteers, leaving the state union, the Chain Store to the profiteers, leaving the state union, the Chain Store to the profiteers, leaving the state union, the Chain Store to the profiteers, leaving the state union, the Chain Store to the profiteers, leaving the state union, the Chain Store to the profiteers, leaving the state union, the Chain Store to the profiteers, leaving the state union, the Chain Store to the profiteers, leaving the state union, the Chain Store to the profiteers, leaving the state union, the Chain Store to the profiteers, leaving the state union, the Chain Store to the profiteers, leaving the state union, the Chain Store to the profiteers, leaving the state union, the Chain Store to the profiteers the state union, the Chain Store to the profiteers the state union, the Chain Store to the profiteers the state union, the Chain Store to the profiteers the state union, the Chain Store to the profiteers the state union, the Chain Store to the profiteers the state union to the pockets of the profiteers, leaving their standard of living lower creased to four and a half million, than it was before."

since learned the tremendous value of ley, Secretary of the British Trade equal sum placed in a surplus reserve ing the same mistakes will continue However, the true responsibility to demand increases in wages as the lies with the members. The officers only and final method of improving

to the directions of the members. The how can it help me secure a better erican cities. living? The word "cooperation" simply means working together, which is just another way of defining teamers or consumers to manufacture or ransit and the final suppose to the world to the exclusion of a like amount of American wheat the same and auses. They are medy by a remedy by a remediation by which it was plant; and the final substitute of the same responsible for the election of capital stock. The members are responsible for the election of competent advisors committed to follow the rut-worn pathways of the shall not be destroyed further, ready for his use, the farmer continued bers are responsible for the election of competent advisors committed to follow the rut-worn pathways of the shall he be further bereft of his to follow the rut-worn pathways of the shall he be further, ready for his use, the farmer continued bers are responsible for the election of competent advisors committed to follow the rut-worn pathways of the shall he be destroyed further, ready for his use, the farmer continued bers are responsible for the election of to distribute foot to distribute foot to distribute foot to distribute for the part of distribute for the distribute for the part of the shall he be destroyed further, ready for his use, the far movement in Britain, declared as their broad purpose "to arrange production and distribution, education and government." Robert Owen, the father of producers' cooperation among Engish speaking people, prophesied for the future "unrestricted cooperation among all men for all purposes of Today both of these predictions have come true, for thirty million cooperators in fifty-eight civilized lands are now supplying practically every conceivable human need, from beef-steak and buttons to houses, schools and hydro-electric power, by various forms of cooperative enterprise.

At the outset I wish to tell you several things that cooperation is not. It is not a mere penny-saving device, enabling you to squeeze a cent or more out of every dollar. It will do this for you, but it will also achieve to nearly \$1.12 a ton in 1923, their something infinitely greater by building up a group of brotherly-minded men with the common purpose of per ton in the same period. As Dr. men with the common purpose of per ton in the same period. As Dr. helping each other, instead of exploit- Paul H. Douglas' able study of waging the weaker fellow. This is the es for the American Economic Assessence of the cooperative ideal for sociation concludes: "The purchasing essence of the cooperative ideal for every business, every industry, every activity of life. Think of the marvelous civilization we could create if the cooperative spirit pervaded our daily life.

cooperative enterprise depends upon ground so far as getting better wagsuperior efficiency for its success, es is concerned. Until labor organizes and can go ahead only if competent cooperatively to control the prices It men are in position of management must pay for bread and meat and and control. Nor is cooperation a shoes and coal, it will continue to substitute for unionism. Quite the enrich the profiteers by centering its contrary, it depends upon unionism to energies on merely getting more dol-

system so that it will work a little sures the worker pure foods and honbetter. In the trenchant words of President M. Llewelyn Davies at the Cooperation always places quality Fifty-fourth Congress of the British above price, for in the long run the Cooperative Union:

the change it is effecting in the sco-nomic structure of society. It is ob-vious that co-operation is far more than a reformist movement. We are than a reformist movement. working for no patchwork modifica- your fellow-workers supply your BIG BUSINESS WITH

SMALL CAPITAL

With a capital stock of \$5,000, the acific Egg Producers' Cooperative acific Egg Producers' Cooperative forms, We are laying the foundation of capital stock of \$5,000, the acific Egg Producers' Cooperative forms, We are laying the foundation of living for all workers whom it tions of a new industrial civilization. employs. Instead of trying to be Cooperation is surely subversive down wages to the lowest possible tion is the eastern seiling agency for the four Pacific Coast egg-selling enough for the violent revolutionary, point, the cooperative enterprise associations. It maintains an office and store room in New York city former. It holds the glamor of fusible and still meet competition. Thus

What does cooperation mean to Let us now turn to the positive ance on the Jack I lost in a recent fire. I feel very grateful for this and I know now THE FARMERS UNION INSURANCE COMPANY dream of a few visionaries, or a vito you as a worker? What has it tal, practical concern which means already accomplished where it has

> Let me say first that cooperation important movement in the world to ers' cooperation alone embraces thirty million families in all parts of the world. There are whole communities in Europe where cooperation has put private profit business out of existence. Even in the British Isles, where private profit-making is most strongly entrenched, the cooperatives feed and clothe more than one-half the total population.

Let us take a look at what cooperation does for the pay envelope. The pioneer of modern cooperation was the cooperative society founded at Rochdale, England, in 1843 by a little group of twenty-eight discouraged weavers who had just lost a strike for better wages. If they could not while \$130 stock of that little store han it was before."

Our European comrades have long has expanded to an annual trade of more than a billion dollars, returning cooperation as the ally of trade unioning in one year \$65,000,000 to the people ism. In the words of Fred Bramin cooperative dividends besides an

tal, with an earning of \$8,000, or over 30 per cent on the investment. heir conditions."

Hundreds of similar cooperative successes could be named in other Am-

American workers have long been fooled by securing a few more dollars in their pay envelope when the work and brotherhood in action. As cost of the necessities of life have applied to production and distribution of the necessities of life, it means where the control of the necessities of life, it means the control of the necessities of life, it means the control of the necessities of life, it means the control of the necessities of life, it means the control of the necessities of life, it means the control of the necessities of life is necessities of life i the organization of a group of produc-only worth what they will buy, and that the worker who gets a dollar a day more at the cost of paying \$1.25 for increased rent, food and fuel, is merely going from bad to worse. A study of wages recently made by Basil M. Manly, former Joint Chairman of the United States War Labor Board, reveals the astonishing fact that, with the exception of the worst paid and most unskilled workers, large groups of skilled workers are actually getting less real money, measured in buying power, than they

were in 1900. Take the engineers and conductors, the two best paid groups in the railway field: they received an average of \$1,161 and \$1,004 respectively in 1900, which had actualy dropped in purchasing power, despite the "increases" in the number of dollars received, to \$999 and \$909 respectively under the the existing wage schedules. In other words, because their cost of living increased faster than their pay, the engineers are worse off by \$162 and the conductors by \$95 than they were in 900. Similarly with the miners: although their actual money wage had increased from 52c per ton in 1900 power of full time weekly earnings in 1918 was 29.6 per cent less than in the period from 1890-99." This matter is of a vital concern

to you. It proves, whether we like Neither is cooperation a job-get-ting agency for your friends. The ism alone is not even holding its

best is the cheapest. Thus a cooper-"These two ideas, democratic control of industry and the abolition of profit-making, mark cooperation as milk shortage in order to secure pure,

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#### STIRRING UP NEW YORK.

New York City seldom gets excited about anything that happens west of Albany. In fact the greater portion of the inhabitants of the biggest town in the world do not know that there is any United States west of the Hudson river. Perhaps it would be about as near the truth to say that a majority of the people of New York do not know that there is any United States. This week things are going on down there that are new and strange to the simple minded folks who live on Manhattan Island and get their thrills from the capers of those who believe that Broadway runs through the heart of a universe that is only twenty four miles north and south and that is surrounded on all sides by water that is mighty useful for the navigation of small and speedy boats with cargoes obtained just outside the twelve mile limit. The democratic party is in town for the purpose of nominating a candidate for the presidency of the United States.

Outside of the newspaper offices on Park row there are very few people in New York whose young lives are troubled with any knowledge of the dignity, the authority and the importance of the presidency of the republic. They regard Mayor Hylan as the greatest man in the world and the only executive official in whom they are at all interested. Of course they know about Al Smith who was born and reared in their midst but has been away most of the time for the last few years acting as a governor of the state. That job is regarded by most New Yorkers as highly undesirable because it carries with it the necessity of living most of the time in an upstate village inhabited almost entirely by hicks and rubes. To the average New Yorker all persons who are denied the privilege of living on the Island are either hicks or rubes, the one group homing in the outlying villages of Harlem, Brooklyn and Staten Island, the other dwelling in unknown regions outside of the corporate boundaries of the Great City.

Now the democrats, assembled from distances and states that are unknown and inconceivable to the New Yorkers are in town to select a canddate for president. Of course the natives are all for Al Smith even though they cannot understand why such a regular guy should want a job that will require him to live away from Broadway for most of the time for four entire years. No sure enough New Yorker ever leaves the Island voluntarily. True quite a number make occasional trips up the river to Sing Sing or spend a little vacation at Blackwells once in a while but such absences are never from choice and although most of the inhabitants deserve such periods of relaxation from their regular occupations only a few are ever persuaded to make the necessary journeys.

Most of the more intelligent New Yorkers will be able to find the national democratic convention because it is being held in Madison Square Garden where Tex Rickard has staged so many historic prize fights The convention will be a rather strenuous affair. It is no small job to pick a president of this country even when the labor is divided among nearly twelve hundred men and women each one of whom is ready and willing to accept the entire responsibility if suitable arrangements for reserved seats at the national pie counter can be made in advance.

No less than twenty-seven more or less par triotic and competent citizens have declared their desire to be nominated for the presidency. This great field of aspirants is subdivided into several well defined groups. There are a few, extremely few, men who are real statesmen with training, experience and ideals that have prepared them for the obligations and responsibilities of high office. There are favorite sons of many states whose people have trusted them with great duties. There are the so-called dark horses who are willing and anxious to accept the nomination even though it comes from men who vote for them as second, third or fourth choice for the place. Then there is a not inconsiderable group who know their own value and abilities so well that they do not see how the convention can possibly pass them by.

It would be an invidious and unpleasing act to name the candidates of each of these groups. Perhaps this writer only fairly well informed in politics, can name only a part of the yearning twenty-seven but the readers of this paper are entitled to the news and should know what men are aspiring to the presidency. Here they are as far as we can identify them:

William Gibbs McAdoo, born in Georgia, trained in the law, enriched as a contractor, son-inlaw of Woodrow Wilson, Secretary of the Treasury and Director General of the railways during the last democratic administration, and at present a resident of the Golden State of California where he is said to be the private lawyer of Douglas Fairbanks and May Pickford.

Oscar W. Underwood of Birmingham, Alabams, lawyer, senator, capitalist, iron master and democrat only because that is the only gateway to office in the state where he lives.

Alfred Smith, governor of New York, big man in Tammany Hall, capable and willing but with the New York narrowness of vision and provincial view of politics and public life.

John W. Davis, a West Virginian who has held high office in his own state and in the federal government which he once represented as ambassador to England but now looked on as somewhat handicapped by the fact that he is a lawyer employed by the House of Morgan.

Royal S. Copeland, born in Michigan and educated at a state university, a doctor of medicine, a progressive in politics and now United States Senator from New York by virtue of a popular majority of nearly half a million in the election of 1922.

Homer S. Cummings of Connecticut who has long been regarded as presidential material but for what reason no man seems to know.

Samuel Ralston once governor of Indiana and now senator from that state, a mature and supposedly sensible, safe and conservative citizen who has reached the age of sixty-nine without being accused of genius for statesmanship.

Carter Glass of Virginia who is a newspaper man and a farmer in addition to being a statesman of the old school, whatever that may be. Glass has never been a candidate for office and has never been defeated at the polls. He has been mayor of Lynchburg, representative and senator in the Virginia state legislature, congressman, senator and secretary of the treasury. Joseph W. Robinson of Arkansas, lawyer, governor and now senator from his own state.

Senator Robert W. Owen of Oklahoma, a transplanted Virginian who has high ability Indian blood and a fortune of many millions of

Johnathan M. Davis of Kansas who is now governor of the state in which he was born and educated. A farmer who has served his own people in both houses of the legislature where he proved himself to be a better constitutional lawyer than any of his legal associates.

Charles W. Bryan now governor of Nebraska where he has brought the coal and gasoline robbers to their knees. Once mayor of Lincoln, for a long time publisher of the Commoner and brother to William Jennings Bryan ever since he was born, He is a man to be reckoned with.

William E. Sweet on investment banker, Sunday school superintendent, Bible class teacher and rather advanced progressive who is now governor of Colorado.

Walter M. Pierce who is giving Oregon a few thrills at the way he takes the job of governor. A serious and earnest man, a farmer, a leader of the Farmers Union and chock full of convictions which he is able at all times to express with eloquence and sustained effect.

Also, as always, there is William Jennings Bryan, once of Nebraska but now of Florida who has carried the party banner through three disastrous campaigns but is willing to try again this year if his fellow democrats agree that he should do so. He does not believe in the old maxim of three times and out.

Readers must supply the names of the other thirteen candidates for themselves. It is hardly fair to expect the editor to know everything and everybody. Besides Barney Sheridan long ago warned this paper against long editorials.

#### GET BACK ON THE WAGON.

Quite a few signers of the wheat pooling contract cancelled their applications for membership in the Association when they were informed that the advertised for 44,000,000 bushels had not been obtained by the 24th of May. The grain trade and the shortsighted country bankers helped a good many farmers to make up their minds to gget out. Others were governed by their timidity and their fear of new ways of doing business.

About 5,000 new signers stood fast. They knew why they entered the Association in the first place and they saw no reason for changing their minds. To this number add about 5.500 members of the Kansas Wheat Growers Association and about 1000 members of the Farmers Union Wheat Marketing Association and a total of more than 10,000 wheat poolers producing about 20,000,000 bushels of wheat is obtained Enough for economical operation, enough for orderly selling, enough to serve as a foundation for the greatest business concern ever organized in Kansas.

The new Board of Directors, all good men and true, wheat growers and solid citizens of the state has voted to give the faint hearted members who withdrew just thirty days to get back into the Association without paying a new organization fee. That time will expire on July 15th By that date all who were persuaded by their en emies or their fears to cancel their contracts should be back in the Association in good stand-

#### THE NEW WHEAT POOL.

The members of the Kansas Cooperative Wheat Marketing Association have elected twenty-one directors from among their own number. Contrary to the predictions and the propaganda of the grain trade of Henry Ford and of other enemies of cooperation no outsider had anything their faith by their works.

to do with selecting the men.

It is a good board. Here are the names of the men who will sell 20,000,000 bushels of wheat through the new cooperative agencies that the farmers of Kansas have established for their Is the First Banker own use and profit: Cox of Clark county; Tromble of Saline, Wiley of Sumner, Green of Chatauqua, Cox and Sedgwick, Chapman of Ellsworth, Scott of Ford, Goetz of Thomas, Reynolds of Barber, Huber of Sheridan, Gates of Stafford, McCov of Trego, McKibben of Hodgeman, Fitzgerald of Seward, Souter of Ness, Brandenburg of Gove, Towne of Osborne, Peterson of Washington, Davis of Bourbon, Vesecky of Rush.

Could there be a more representative body!

German ability to pay reparations.

All are farmers. Two are members of Kansas Just before that he was the first state senate. Several have served in the house of reprensentatives. A few are county commis-sioners. There is the president of the Kansas hundreds of millions of dollars while Farmers Union and the president of the Kansas Wheat Growers Association. There is also the and achievements of General Dawes governor of Kansas. In all fairness can any indicate that he is a real live wire. one charge that this is a hand picked board? If he should get the job of presiding over the deliberations of the United States he will get so tired of his work within a month that even made in business and public life and deserve and he will not be able to find a lanwill have the support of the wheat growers of guage to express his feelings. And at that he has an extensive vocabulary.

#### THE KANSAS STATE BANKS.

The Kansas state banking system is better Should Rise in Price than some and worse than others. The guaranty feature safeguarding the deposits in all state the next six months. All the crop banks that are in the organization set up for will be on a wheat importing basis its administration is usually regarded as a very before threshing begins in 1925. The fine part of a well conducted machine. Of course carry over from last year is small. it does not provide a state guaranty for deposiit does not provide a state guaranty for depositive years crop places the possible surtors as many people suppose. Nor is it obligatory plus at less than 40,000,000 bushels for every state bank to be in the system.

It is popularly supposed that the guaranty law to market from the machine this has saved large sums of money for thousands year are quite likely to lose around of patrons of Kansas banks that have failed. It fifty cents a bushel. At that there has reimbursed individuals for their losses but are many thousands of them that has reimbursed individuals for their losses but have no choice. Their notes at the it has made all its payments out of funds that bank and their harvest and threshbelong to other individuals, that is to the share- ing bills must be paid. They lacked holders of solvent banks that are in the system. the courage to enter the pool that As a matter of fact the guaranty law has never would have enabled them to take adrecovered a dollar that has been lost or stolen vantage of the rising market that is through the rotten banking methods of the manager of institutions that have failed.

This does not mean that the plan is wrong. Banks are looked on by the average citizen as Lapper Is in Kansas Again quasi public institutions. The confidence that the customer of a bank has in the management of his supporters have been lost in the dust that is being kicked up by is so complete that it is pathetic. It is very the Kansas City Star and the reac-necessary to have some sort of guaranty to back tionaries who do not like it because up that confidence.

Some two years ago this paper suggested that of the poor man's taxes than he was Some two years ago this paper suggested that willing to concede to rich men. He the Kansas bank guaranty system should be will find himself opposed in his own made compulsory and more fully cooperative in party by Sheff Ingalls and Thomas operation. No company not willing to comply Davenport Smith who is commonly with the conditions necessary to safeguard its depositors against loss should be allowed to conduct a bank in this state.

The fundamental defect of the existing guaranty system is that its administration is left wholly or almost wholly in the hands of politicals. It is plainly impossible for the state different leadership and issues than relived to the favorite of the existing guaranty system is that its administration is left who want to beat him may succeed and defines more than 425,000 Engagement of the job for a good many years. It is plainly impossible for the state different leadership and issues than relived training is one of the favorite fore no good reason why all the portant leadership and issues than relived training against the fore no good reason why all the portant leadership and issues than relived training to the favorite fore no good reason why all the portant leadership and issues than relived training to the favorite fore no good reason why all the portant leadership and issues than relived to the favorite fore no good reason why all the portant leadership and issues than relived to the favorite fore no good reason why all the portant leadership and issues than relived to the favorite fore no good reason why all the portant leadership and issues than relived to the favorite fore no good reason why all the portant leadership and issues than relived to the favorite fore no good reason why all the portant leadership and issues than relived to the favorite fore no good reason who are the favorite favorite for the favorite favorite fore no good reason who are the favorite fav bank commissioner or his deputies to supervise different leadership and issues than railway trains is one of the favorite fore no good reason why all the polocal banks in all parts of Kansas with any useful degree of efficiency, That is a work that The only real effect on the senatorial can be done well and cheaply by the banks them- situation to date is that a good many

The Kansas law should be amended by taking all examination and supervisory powers away sonel of the opposition. from the state and lodging them in a cooperative corporation of which all state banks should Communism be required to be members. That cooperative Held a Convention association should be able to reimburse both the ering was advertised as a convention depositors and the share holders of broken banks, of the Farmer-Labor party but it

The work of supervision and examination abound be wholly in the hands of the agents of and file as well as the leadership of the leadershi should be wholly in the hands of the agents of the Guaranty Association. In examinations the the gathering were made up of those association should have the authority to call for high class American citizens who can ducted pooling associations. The farassistance from local bankers and other fam- see no hope of better things as long iliar with credit conditions.

If the banks themselves are made responsible for the losses resulting from dishonest and incompetent methods they will soon put an end to rotten banking. Bankers can do at once what political supervision will never be able to do. It is gratifying to this paper to learn that state bankers are coming around to our position and that in the near future the banks will supervise themselves subject of course to the oversight of the attorney general whose business it is to prosecute all vioators of the state laws when local prosecutors are unwilling or unable to do

#### POLICIES MORE IMPORTANT THAN PERSONS. .

One of the most common troubles with farm organizations is disagreement among members organizations is disagreement among members successfully. Bulletin 1237 describes who differ as to the value of the services and the growth of the system of cooperathe sincerity of the professions of persons who tive marketing that since 1893 has are in positions of responsibility. No organization of the California citrus industion of any sort can function without supervistion of any sort can function without supervis-ion and management. No man in a position of which local associations and district authority who is worth his salt can go along exchanges became federated in the very far without developing some opposition. The man who is never criticised is usually worthless because he never does anything.

Our farm organizations have certain definite purposes and policies and it is necessary to carry them out by employing men. The important thing is whether the men charged with such responsibilities are delivering the goods. Policies are much more important than persons. Individuals who are wrong can do little good but very often men who are right are kept from doing as discussion of the organization and opmuch good as they might by thoughtless criticism of themselves as persons rather than as

If you believe in the Farmers Union and have not yet secured a new member this year you are one of that large body of folks unable to prove

### COMMENT ON WORLD'S NEWS FOR WEEK

To win a place on a national presidential ticket. Of course the republican nominee for vice president has followed other occupations. In his youth he was a civil engineer. Afterwards he practiced law. He has been a soldier. He is a musician of parts and is said to be one of the property of

parts and is said to be one of the f Gove, Towne of Osborne, Peterson of Washngton, Davis of Bourbon, Vesecky of Rush.

Could there be a more representative body? budget commissioner and is said to

Wheat

Steadily and considerably during indications are that the United States The most optimistic estimate of this which of course is no surplus at all.

in sight and at the same time get enough money to meet their most pressing obligations.

he voted for a little more reduction

known as "Cussin Tom." This column guesses that Capper will get twice as many votes in the republican primary as will be cast for evidence at Topeka last Saturday in the stand patter convention republicans who had rather cooled on Senator Capper are back in line. They like neither the reasons nor the per-

In St. Paul last week. The gath as the present system of government is maintained.

Senator Magnus Johnson did not attend the convention. He expressed

TIVE MARKETING Widespread interest in the "Califor- ed in detail.

nia plan" of cooperative marketing makes especially timely Department of supplies and two by-products are located in northern Wisconsin, Bulletin 1237, Organization and Decompanies have been established by Minnesota, and Michigan, with a few velopment of a Cooperative Citrus-Fruit Marketing Agency, just issued by the United States Department of Agriculture. In 1891, when shipments were a little more than 4,000 cars, there was an apparent over-programming animal an duction of California citrus fruit. Thirty years later a crop totalling more than 56,000 cars was marketed California Fruit Growers Exchange. A brief historical account is pre-sented of the California citrus indus-trict exchanges and the district extry since the introduction of orange trees by the Franciscan monks in 1769. The conditions causing the practical bankruptcy of the industry Department of Agriculture, Wash in the early nineties, and the unfor ington, D. C., as long as the supply tunate alliance of the exchange with lasts. commercial shippers in 1903-04 are topics discussed in the historical secn of the bulletin.

up the exchange.

almost three years. They were cre-

the district exchanges and the var-

ment of the gathering seems to have Bandits favored La Follette for the presidency notwithstanding the fact that the Wisconsin senator scorched the whole

Are reported to be destroying the wheat and alfalfa growing in the

droughty years but was finally exterminated by the great floods that swept down that valley when the long dry spell was finally broken. It is assumed that the fish that are now ravaging the fields of western Kansas are similar to the dry land species that formerly flourished in the eastern part of the state.

Flying

Around the World Appears to be a mighty slow way to travel. The American army avia-tors who left California so long ago that most every one has forgotten Of the United States the date are less than half way around and are now waiting somewhere in Japan or China for a new engine for one of the planes. If the trip is completed by fall about six months

in China and has given up the job He can walk home and beat the fly ers to Paris if he moves along at no greater speed than is made by the average bo looking for a job in the Kansas wheat fields.

Vehemently and Noisily Denounce the farm "bloc" in congress but say nothing whatever about their own bloc that functions on the theory that party government must and shall be preserved no mat-ter what happens to the country. Af-ter all the farm bloc appears to be made up of senators and representatives who are not big enough block heads to work and vote contrary to the wishes and interests of the voters who elected them.

By the way, has any one ever no ticed any discussion among the mem-bers of the bloc that serves the interests of the big business men of the country? Blocism appears to be rephensible only when it asks for legislation for the farmers.

sports of the lack wits who own and drive automobiles. Fortunately this pastime is much

more deadly to the imbeciles who engage in it than it is to the general public. Unfortunately nearly every fool who wrecks his automobile is And Gasoline usually accompanied by one or more sane persons who have always acted sensibly except in the choice of the persons with whom they ride.

Will Bring a High Price gently organized and efficiently conmer who attempts to market his crop as an individual is wholly at the mer-cy of the grain gamblers who have been fighting cooperation with all the resources at their command.

THIRTY YEARS OF COOPERA flous departments of the California | 15 Finnish cooperative stores as a Fruit Growers Exchange are discuss-

An organization for the purchase the federated associations. These organizations are not subsidiary to the California Fruit Growers Exchange the services they perform for the and doing a business the first year at members of the exchange, make up the rate of \$102,000, the Exchange one section of the bulletin.

cussion of the economic services of the exchange, and the fundamental prine ciples upon which the organization is based. The appendix contains the to \$312,346. The goal set for 1924's original organization and marketing business is three-quarters of a milplan adopted in 1893, the by-laws of lion dollars. These Finnish cooperthe exchange and contracts in force ators are not afraid to hitch their between the growers and their asso- wagon to a star,—and then work hard trict exchanges and the district exchanges and the exchange.
Copies of Bulletin 1237 may be had

WHOLESALE COOPERATIVE

Considerable space is given to a scussion of the organization and opation of the local units that make of the exchange.

"Local cooperative associations are a foundation of the average are a foundation of the organization and operative contains a foundation of the organization and operative and the average are a foundation of the organization and operative and the average are a foundation of the organization and operative and the average are a foundation of the organization and operative and the average are a foundation and operative association and operative and the average are a foundation and the average are a f "Local cooperative associations are officers.

The cooperative program is the thing. Let us all get together to work it out because of its merits.

"Local cooperative associations are the foundation of the exchange system," is is stated. "The earliest organizations of this kind preceded the incorporation of the exchange by almost three years. They were creative stores and societies. Sales for in 1022 and 6,000,000 bushels were the foundation of the exchange to the All American Cooperative Central Exchange to the All American Cooperative Commission. The Exchange has its headquarters in Superior, Wisconsin, whence it is served to the cooperative of the delivery of wheat by Hasenmyer opens the third pool for the associations are the foundation of the exchange system. The Exchange has its headquarters in Superior, Wisconsin, whence it is in the cooperative commission. The Exchange has its headquarters in Superior, Wisconsin, whence it is in the cooperative commission. The Exchange has its headquarters in Superior, Wisconsin, whence it is in the cooperative commission. The Exchange has its headquarters in Superior, Wisconsin, whence it is in the cooperative commission. The Exchange has its headquarters in Superior, Wisconsin, whence it is in the cooperative commission. The Exchange has its headquarters in Superior, Wisconsin, whence it is in the cooperative commission. The Exchange has its headquarters in Superior, Wisconsin, whence it is in the cooperative commission. The Exchange has its headquarters in Superior, Wisconsin, whence it is in the cooperative commission. The Exchange has its headquarters in Superior, Wisconsin, whence it is in the cooperative commission. The Exchange has its headquarters in Superior in Supe The organization and functions of pared with \$180,613 in 1923.

Bandits
Robbed a Mail Train
Almost in the heart of Chicago the other day and made off with more than \$3,000,000. Unfortunately for the thieves a good part of the currency obtained was in \$1000 bills, the most difficult financial operation in this world is getting change for a thousand dollar bill without arousing synteion and inquiry.

ing supicion and inquiry.

Visitors to Chicago during the next few weeks should be careful about offering big bills in settlement of good many people are a little puzzled over the new scourge that is afflicting the people of that part of Kansas.

A few years ago the fish farmers of Neosho county developed a strain of dry land catfish that flourished down there during three or four droughty years but was finelly extern

Is Such a Good Thing
That it looks foolish to charge that
it is stimulating crime in the cities.
All the banks that have been robbed lately were insured against that sort of loss and apparently made no effort to catch the thieves after their money was paid to them by the in-

surance companies.

Thieves are in little danger of capture if the men they have robbed taken no part in the chase.

Increased nearly 2,000,000 during 1923 according to the estimates of the National bureau of economic research. This looks like an undesirable thing but farmers need not worwill have passed since the start.

The French birdman who started any food for themselves.

For the Whole World

Will be assured whenever the na-tions unite for that purpose. Just now one of our great political parties appears to be trying to figure out some way of working with the League of Nations without accepting any of the responsibilities and obligations of

membership in that organization.

The World Court is merely one of the instrumentalities of the League. It is a little difficult to participate in the one without recognizing the value of the other.

Shakespeare

Used a Vocabulary Of about 15,000 words. No other writer of English has needed more than about half that number. No one man is able to use more than a small fraction of the words of any language with which he is familiar. The average, well educated person uses only four or five thousand words.

The new Oxford dictionary which litical speakers this year should not be able to express themselves fully on the issues of the campaign.

Have become so essential to the comfort and well being of the world and are used in such enormous quantities that many folks suppose that the supply is likely soon to be ex-hausted. Recent discoveries in northwestern Kansas serve to reassure those who have been fearing a shortage of fuel for motor engines.

After all only a very small part

of the world's area has been tested out for oil but whatever such prospecting has been done it has been found at some depth. Instead of be-ing almost at the end of oil production it is more reasonable to assume that we are just at the begin-

wholesale society, the Exchange has made a steady growth since that time. Most of the 80 stores which it serves

in several other states. The achievements of the Coopera-tive Central Exchange is just another ne section of the bulletin.

Several pages are devoted to a dis1918 with 27 member societies its

FIRST 1924 WHEAT

FIRST 1924 WHEAT
DELIVERED TO POOL
ENID, Okla., June (Special)—S. C.
Hasenmyer, of Grandfield, Tilman
county, delivered through the new
Farmers Cooperative Elevator Company, the first wheat to the 1924
pool of the Oklahoma Wheat Grow-

in 1923, and with the 4,500 new mem-bers obtained the past season the as-sociation should handle opproximate by 10,000,000 bushels of the 1924 organized in 1917 by a group of 12,000 members, it was said.

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### Boys' and Girls' Club News

Local should organize a Farmers Union Juvenile club are as follows:

First, we have juvenile clubs because we have seen the need of training during youth for important duties that will come to our future members; second, that the juvenile club makes it possible for the whole family to attend the local meetings; third, there is a place for the children where they are under the supervision of a trusted and responsible person, surrounded by conditions where they will come to no harm, but tend toward helpful and useful knowledge; fourth, the juvvenile club is your club, simplified to meet the needs of the children and is to them as worthy of useful and worth-while results as any other Farmers Union organization; and fifth, it trains the agricultural boy and girl in the paths of leadership. It teaches them to play and work together. It teaches them to lead when the time and occasion demands. It teaches them to follow and obey. It teaches them the principle of cooperation and they learn to conduct their meeting according to parliamentary usuage and conduct their business in a business-like

Combine the five reasons above and you have the biggest and best life insurance policy ever offere l. Its benefits always turn out better and better and never fail to be a source of

comfort and security.

The boy or girl who spends several years in a Farmers Union Juvenile club learning the fundamental principles, who knows the contact of other minds, taking their part as officers and members on the floor, will prove of wonderful value in la- girls enrolled to be 457,904.

ter years. The member who has charge of the Juvenile club has a golden opportunity to build and shape these minds, to create a longing for the right principles, the value of truth, honesty and right, a better manhood and womanhood.-Kentucky Union Farmer

WHAT THE JUVENILE CLUBS

through the organization and operaover, study them a bit and decide to start one in your Local Union im-

conomics (the kind not taught in schools or agricultural colleges.) Make the matter of banking and cradits an open book, teaching the kids through a period of years how to build their own financial institutions and mobilize their own credits. Bring the best features of city life to the farm.

Bring new vision to the kids. Develope new juvenile opportun-

Destroy individualism and annihilate isolation and all that it brings. Show cooperative mistakes of the past, as well as emphasize cooperative successes of the past.

Make the kids educate themselves,

instead of trying to feed it to them. Prove the value of cooperation over competition. This through the medium of interesting plays, programs, songs, and studies, always made at-

Show the value of arbitration over

Build new high moral standards.
Prove that spiritual and material
cooperation are one and inseparable
(Many organizations have been
wrecked in trying to deny this.)
Build a new vision of the possibilities of farm life. In such a way as to hold the boys and girls on the

BEGINNING TO SEE THE LIGHT conflict.

Develope such a program ultimate-ly as will make the children satisfied with farm life. To achieve this hoped-for end the adults must recognize certain facts and accept them

Build that most desirable of all things, a splendid local leadership in the next ten years. Make the farmer self-contained in

the next generation . Make cooperation a part of the very texture of life.

er valuable essentials.

If a juvenile club will do such things, don't you want your children to have their share in making it all compress, it speaks well for the sagacity of the bloc that he proposes to go aheard about the matter in a

CLUB WORK AND HOME.

God. Mother and Home, we are told are the three really consequential things in any one's life. The home in our order of things is the vital unit in our social, religious and governmental structure. Therefore, much depends on what people think | MROLD SOMERS, 150 De Kalb Ave., 1

WHY THE JUVENILE CLUBS?

For many the Farmers Union, the Juvenile Club and its objects are new and to procure a change of clothing? phases of the Farmers Union work. It it a place to seek to avoid? Or is

> ful influence in making our country provided he, the consumer, could get the milk for 12 cents a quart. If the projects are "home-making" projects; consumers of milk were as thoroughly the boys' "crops and live stock" projects. The country home is producing the nation's leaders and boys' and girls' club work is a potent inluence in maintaining and advancing home standards. More club work means better homes, happier homes, and homes with more culture and prosperity.—National Boys and Girls

CLUB WORK BOOMING. An increase of 120,150 projects in one year, or a growth of almost 20 per cent in 1923 over 1922, is the record made by boys' and girls' club work last year, according to information just received from the United States Department of Agriculture.

The number of projects started by boys and girls in 1923 was 721,107 as compared with 600,957 for 1922. This is a most gratifying record which is probably due to the increasing interest of extension people, including both the state and county officials, as well as the interest which is being manifested on every side by the business interests and farmers' organizations.

Since the number of county club leaders has not increased, the large enrollment in 1923 is thought to be advantage. due to the activities of the county agricultural agents and home demonstration agents. Previous to 1923, the enrollment of boys nad girls has been calculated by the number of projects. This year the states and departments have used a revised report formwhich cannot fail to gain knowledge that shows the actual number of boys and

> PIG CLUB BOY FOUND WAY TO SUCCESS.

About eight years ago a farm boy in a remote section of Rowan The following are a few of the gilt. During the next year the county things that can be accomplished lost its extension agent. Recently a corresponding degrees in accomplished when a new agent came to the county tion of nearly 19,000,000 bushels. tion of a juvenile club. Read these and visited this section, he found, ac- The wheat acreage of the two prostart one in your Local Union im-mediately. It is real service that will that the club member, J. E. Morgan, age in Alberta is reported to be about do some real permanent good both now grown and on his own farm the same as last year. The seed bed for the present generation and those has kept up his club practices, has was reported to be in good condition pay taxes." hat will follow it:

Teach the kids true cooperation.

Help them to master the fundamentally of excellent type, and is regarding the force of excellent type, and is regarding to the kind not taught.

The real truth is that they do pay taxes, every day of their lives, in the germination slow in Eastern Canning they are the kind not taught.

REPORTED.

the State agricultural colleges who cooperate in conducting the clubs, farm boys and girls may aid in the establishment of better practices in farming and home making, be themselves kept in touch with the best in rural life, and develop leadership,

BEGINNING TO SEE THE LIGHT
From the Boston Transcript.
Senator Capper's bill for a federal
marketing board, to help farmers to
cooperate in selling their products to advantage, is a paternalistic measure, perhaps, but there seems to be no reason why it might not be brought within the Constitution, as a proceeding quite plainly connected with interstate commerce. In brief, it seems to be a scheme to provide scientific and intelligents against the seems to the seems to be a scheme to provide scientific and intelligents against the seems to the and intelligent assistance to the attempts of the farmers of the country Will revive the adults, and renew Will revive the adults, and renew faith and effort, based on intelligence. That the government of the control of the middleman, and to reduce the "spread" between their producing costs and the cost of food Will expose frauds, fake cooperative movements and weak or immative movements and weak or immative movements. That the government can step in and abolish the midture cooperative programs, saving the dleman may appear quite doubtful, next generation money, time and othformation of cooperative associations Will keep the mass with the lead- in the interstate handling of the farwith this is most important.

With this plan in general practice the confusion of the present would fade with today and tomorrow would be full of promise. In ten years we would have a district educational plan that would include avenues of expression for men, women and children on the farm.

If a juvenile club will do such original sense than any other man in the interstate handling of the farmers' products; it may make surveys of local and general conditions, and may constitute various correlating agencies. One interesting point about Senator Capper's plan is that it provides for surveys and scientific study of the subject; and as Senator Capper is accepted as the leader of the agricultural bloc in a more thoro and original sense than any other man in



scientific and organizing manner. Inherently the consumers of the East and the agricultural producers of the West—as well as the agricul-tural producers of New England — have a great interest in common, and Wheat harvesting is nearing com-pletion in Egypt and condition on

that is to bring production and conof the ten-year average. This is somewhat less favorable than previsumption nearer together, To take an Members naturally ask: What is a juvenile club and why are we starting it? The answers to these questions will logically vary with the local conditions but in general the main reasons that every Farmers Union work. It it a place to seek to avoid? Or is general the main institution that commands respect and love?

It it a place to seek to avoid? Or is general the consumer of milk in Boston pays 16 cents per quart for milk, while the dairyman in Vermont or New Hampshire gets only 5 cents a quart for it, nothing would please to seek to avoid? Or is deather than to see the dairyman receive 8 cents a quart, provided he, the consumer, could get per cent and normal yields are for education for the consumer better than to see the dairyman receive 8 cents a quart, provided he, the consumer, could get per cent and normal yields are for education for it is even possible to educate the politicians and the paraexample: If the consumer of milk in ous reports because of damage from

> convinced as the farmer is that it ought not to take 11 cents to transport a quart of milk from New Hampshire to Boston and handle it here and should participate in organizations whose object was to reduce this "spread," he would be doing a good job for the farmer as well as for himself. Much the same thing can be said for the costly journey that lies between the bushel of wheat as it falls from the threshing ma-chine in Dakota and the loaves of

in the grocer's basket. Certainly we cannot blame, but can only commend the farmers for cooperating for the purpose of more advantageous' marketing or their products. We cannot condemn the effort to provide encouragement from the Government for their attempts at such cooperation, for their operations in nearly all cases transcend state lines, and forms of correlation beyond the scope of a single state's anyone if the surveys and data furnished by a possible federal marketng board should teach the Eastern consumer and the Western producer to associate themselves for a common

bread as they enter the Boston home

CROP CONDITIONS IN CANADA

AND EUROPE. The condition of Canadian wheat in percentage of the ten-year average is 96 compared with 98 on the same to pay these war bills by indirect taxation. issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics June 10. The condition of winter wheat was 97 and spring wheat

No official estimates of acreage are as yet available but a private report indicates, a decrease in acreage county, N. C., joined a pig club which of 25 per cent in Manitoba and 5 per the county agricultural extension cent in Saskatchevan which would to-agent was organizing, and, as pig club members do, under the guidance United States Department of Agriof the county agent, he fed and cared culture. Under normal conditions for a pig, in this case a Poland China with yields equal to the five-year avcording to reports to the United vinces in 1923 was nearly 70 per cent

da and Manitoba. In Saskatchewan INCREASE IN DEMONSTRATIONS on May 20. Crops in Alberta at the end of May were making good pro-Farm boys and girls completed over 428,000 demonstrations of new or im-

Weather conditions in England have been favorable for cereals but had no mandate from the people.

In the meantime every farmer, his

June 1 was reported as 97 per cent of the ten-year average. This is

BASE INGRATITUDE. An Illinois farmer, Sam H. Thompson, president of its agricultural association went to Washington to present to Congress in person a petition signed by 54,500 Illinois farmers asking for the passage of the McNary-Haugen Bill. Which recalls that the city council of Chicago recently passed a resolution denouncing this very bill. Yet, Western farmers have made Chicago the third greatest city in the world. They have made it their greatest market have made it their greatest market The war ended five years ago. Let

made it their greatest distributing put up prices should lower them. It center. Chicago has become opulent by levying tribute on the farmer. But for him it would have been a village. gency measure to put American agri- peat: culture on its feet because the board-of-traders, the speculators, and possi-It is even possible to educate the parculture on its feet because the boardfarmer, fear it will teach the farmer must first educate ourselves. We are beyond the scope of a single state's to do some of the work of distribu-powers are essential to the success of such attempts. Nor could we blame never has seen a baser exhibition of ognize and adjust ourselves to those ingratitude.—Capper's Weekly.

(Continued from Page 1)

the ultimate consumers has some very this week, with a slow market at the subtle reactions. It works beautiful- decline. The market is steady on ly, when and while the trend of good quality and dry Alfalfa, but prices is always up, as they have slow and dull on hot and damaged been in this country for the last twentry years. Organized labor during all came those years were gleefully marking up prices. This was the great cumulative cause of the high cost of living. There are some millions of irresponsible voters who vote for any and all measures increasing taxation. "It's good for business, and I don't

Effect of Buyers' Strikes

This principle works even more

In the end, the rich lost more than the poor, because they had more to lose. It was the failure of Jay Cooke (who had cleared more than a million dollars, selling U.S. 7:30 bonds that started the panic of 1873. Industry and Business Pass Taves On

The idea of passing the taxes on to cents to one dollar and a half lower

beautifully on a declining market. Every little while, a buyers' strike is forced upon the ultimate consumers demonstrations of new or improved methods of carrying on farm and home practices in 1923, according to reports to the United States Department of Agriculture. This is an increase of about 70,000 in the number of demonstrations completed over those of 1922. In order for his demonstration to be classed as a completed over those of 1922. In order for his demonstration to be classed as a complete of the conditions officially reported for all of Canada were oats and barley 94, rye 92, peas 90, mixed grains 91, hay and clover 96, alfalfa 95, pastures 91. Sugar-beet acreage in Czechoslovakia for 1924 is 733,000 acres compared with 574,000 acres last year, reports a cablegram from the Interpretation to be classed as a compared with 574,000 acres last year, reports a cablegram from the Interpretation to be classed as a compared with 574,000 acres last year, reports a cablegram from the Interpretation to be classed as a compared with 574,000 acres last year, reports a cablegram from the Interpretation to be classed as a compared with 574,000 acres last year, reports a cablegram from the Interpretation to be classed as a compared with 574,000 acres last year, reports a cablegram from the Interpretation to be classed as a compared with 574,000 acres last year, reports a cablegram from the Interpretation to be classed as a compared with 574,000 acres last year, reports a cablegram from the Interpretation to be classed as a compared with 574,000 acres last year, reports a cablegram from the Interpretation to be classed as a compared with 574,000 acres last year. over those of 1922. In order for his demonstration to be classed as a completed one, it is necessary for the club member to carry out the work undertaken, such as corn growing, pig or poultry raising, or bread making, to keep a record of the progress and expense connected with it, show the work in a community fair or other exhibition, and report to the club leader at the end of the weer the hor. songs, and studies, always made attractive.

Build loyalty and faith. (I wish I had time to tell you how this can be done.)

Songs, and studies, always made attractive to the club corps are maturing under normal conditions. Flax harvest is in progress in the south and average yields are in the south and average yield yield yield yield yield yield yield crops are maturing under normal fact is beginning to appear—that the

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wife and children and grandchildren are working eight hours in the fore-noon and eight hours in the afternoon. They are planning, adapting, organizing, diversifying world with-out end, along economic lines. No strikes, no massacres, no destruction

sites. That is the great national task today. It should never be forgotten, by the people of this nation, that the policy forcing them to pay an enormous subsidy to railroad labor and capital was forced upon the Government by the threat of a nationwide strike, just as we were entering the war. It's immediate result was to make the nation the greatest prof-

for livestock and grain. They have us have peace. The same power that must do that act of justice. When the great body of ultimate

consumers fully realize that they are Everything it has it owes to the far-mer. And despite all that, its city council, ignorant, false to their city's vast decrease in the issuing of bonds best interests, "denounces" this emer- -tax-exempted or otherwise. I re-

bly the packers, who also live off the asite and the politician. But we great natural laws, and reap our rewards, or violate them and endure Our Present Day Problem our punishment, just as Russia and Germany are doing.—Farmers National Magazine.

> KANSAS CITY HAY MARKET Recepts of hay on the Kansas City narket this week were as follows: Prairie Alfalfa 174 cars Timothy 29 cars Clover Mixed 2 cars Straw 8 cars Total 332 cars

Receipts last week were 252 cars and a year ago 198 cars. Prairie hay was quoted from fifty came effective this week and are listed below. Nominal Quotations, Friday, June 20 Prairie:

No. 1-\$12.00-13.00 No. 2—\$10.50-11.50. No. 3—\$6.50-10.00. Packing-\$4.50-6.00 Alfalfa:

Choice—\$19.00-20.00. No. 1—\$17.50-18.50. Standard-\$15.50-17.00. No. 2-\$11.50-15.00. No. 3—\$7.00-11.00 Timothy: No. 1-\$19.00 20.00.

Standard-\$17.50-18.50. No. 2—\$15.00-17.00. No. 3—\$10.00-14.50. Clover Mixed:

Light—\$18.50-19.50. No. 1—\$16.00-18.00. No. 2—\$11.00-15.50. Clover: No. 1—\$18.00-20.00. No .2—\$12.00-17.50.

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#### RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY

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### Department of Practical Co-Operation

Allow me to call your attention again that the Board of Directors have authorized me beginning July list the names of all those members whose 1924 dues have not reach-

ed the Secretary's office.
C. E. Brasted, State Secretary

Use Union Want Ads.

UNION MEETING NOTICES Notices of Farmers' Union' meet mgs will be printed under this head without charge. Secretaries should send in their copy at least two weeks before the date of the meeting.

The regular meeting of the Craw-ford County Farmers' Union will be held on the last Tuesday or each month throughout the year except when this date falls on a Legal Holt-

A. C. BROWN, Co. Pres.

SILVERDALE LOCAL NO. 2051. Silverdale Local No. 2051 meets every second and fourth Wednesday in themonth House.

J. F. Lewis, Sec.

NEWBERRY LOCAL NO. 1922. Newberry Local No. 1922 meets regularly, the first and third Mon-day nights of each month. The members make the union what is is. You help make it a success in every way doing more than your part and attending these meetings. R. J. Muckenthaler,

Sec'y-Treas. UNION LOCAL NO. 2019. Regular meetings on the second

and fourth Fridays of each month, Geo. Speed, Pres. Alice Kendall, Sec.

CARLETON LOCAL NO. 1911. Regular meetings on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month. J. Humbarger, Pres. R. J. Logan, Sec.

at 7:30 p. m.

CLEVELAND LOCAL NO. 364. Cleveland Local No. 364, Neosho County, will hold their regular meetings on the third Tuesday of every month. Come out and boost. Don't stay home and kick.

George J. Schoenhofer Sec. PLEASANT VALLEY LOCAL

Pleasant Valley Locay Union No. 1309 meets every first and third Wednesday evening of each month.

E. J. Kissinger, Pres.
W. T. Flinn, Sec.-Treas.

The regular quarterly meetings of the Neosna County Farmers Union will be held in the I. O. O. F. hall in Erie, Kansas on the second Saturday of the following months: March, June, September and December,

E. G. Clark, Pres.

Pland for 1924.—100 per cent.

Summit—1574—Mrs., Alice Ames, Alice Ames, Madison, Sec. — 30 paid for 1924—

Madison, Sec. — 1804 — Frank R. Erbert, Ellis, Sec. — 18 paid for 1924—

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E. G. Clark, Pres. J. O. Foust, Sec.

LIVINGSTON LOCAL NO. 1984. Livingston Local No. 1984 meets regularly on the first and third Fri- for 1924 - 100 per cent. day nights of each month at Livingston School House. A short program is prepared for each night. Clyde B. Wells, Sec.

GIRARD LOCAL NO. 494. Girard Local No. 494 meets in Unon Hall over the Crawford County Sec. -76 members paid for 1924-State Bank in Girard, Kansas on the 100 per cent. second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p. m. W. D. McClaskey, Pres. Roy W. Holland, Sec.

BROGAN LOCAL NO. 226. Brogan Local No. 226 meets on the

second and fourth Thursdays of each month. Visitors are always welcome. George Baumgartner Sec. PRETTY CREEK LOCAL 1652.

Pretty Creek Local No. 1652 meets every first and third Wednesday of each month at the Hinerville School Come out. Don't stay home

H. C. Mathies, Sec.-Treas. FONTANA LOCAL 1789. Fontana Local No. 1789 will meet

the first and third Friday nights reg-

All members should be present.

W. A. Booze, Sec.-Treas. W. H. Slyter, Pres.

UNION VALLEY LOCAL 1679. We meet every two weeks on Tues-day. All Farmer Unions member

Owen Hunsperger, Pres. I. M. Wagner, Sec.

CHASE COUNTY WILL CELE-BRATE THE FOURTH

have planned a big celebration to be at Elmdale on the Fourth of such as foot racing, baseball game between two good teams, horse shoe between two good teams, horse shoe -100 per cent. pitching, etc. In the evening a fire-works display will be fired. At noon a good old fashioned basket dinner will be served and there will be plen-

will be served and there will be plenty of good things to eat.

National Secretary A. C. Davis, of Springfield, Missouri will speak. He has chosen for his subject "Our Country, its Achievenments and its Problems." Mr. Davis is an accomplisher or the and will bring a mesplisher orator and will bring a mes-sage of great importance to his audi-

T. R. Wells, of Elmdale who is chairman of the entertainment committee and M. W. Greene, of Bazaar, who is secretary, cordially invite all members and their friends to be preser want every one to come and have a good time. There will be no other relebration in Chase County on this day so come out and make it one to be long remembered.

USE UNION WANT ADS

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE F. E. INTERESTING REPORT FROM Alpha—1267 — M. T. Anderson, & C. U. OF A. OF KANSAS GEARY COUNTY Windom, Secretary, 100% with 22

Editor Kansas Union Farmer Perhaps a little report of Geary Co. Union activities would be of in-1st, 1924, to remove from the mail- terest to some of your readers. We have held a meeting each omnth since October, though it was necessary to postpone one for a week on account of storm and some others were rather poorly attended for the same rea-

> Our meetings are held the first Friday evening of each month from October to June inclusive. Among those outside our own members who have given us addresses this season are Mr. Felts and Mr. Brasted. Each had a splendid and helpful message for us which merited a larger hearing than was given. Those who needed the inspiration to further and increase devotion to the cause were

> those most frequently absent.
> We bought some of the F. U. song books and under the leadership of Miss Roediger learned to sing a little. We hope to improve the neglected part of our programs next winter. A

At our June meeting a big program was planned to be topped off with ice cream. A threatening storm for publication. kept most of our crowd at home and other difficulties beset us but the abbreviated program was good and the abundance of ice cream was thor-

Our president, Mr. A. F. Hotter announced his decision to accede to port.

We believe that an unincumbered we believe that an unincumbered good churches, counties that he be a candidate for home, good schools, good churches, State Senator from the 21st District. and good roads, tend to increase the Those who know Mr. Hotten best know his absolute loyalty to the co-operative plan and the best interests f the farmer are confident he is the man we need to represent us in the legislature and we earnestly bespeak the help of all who believe in "a square deal for all" in sending such man to work for our interests in

law making. We hope every member will do his or her full duty on August 5. Our annual picnic will be late in August and all are invited.

Mrs. E. N. Hall, Sec'y.

HONOR ROLL. The following secretaries of Farmers Union Locals have reported to the state office every member on their rolls paid up in full for the vear 1924.

Bellview - 2042-John T. Anderson, Sec. 52 paid for 1924 - 100 per Burmeister - 943 - Roy Hunter, Ellsworth sec. 24 members paid for

1924 — 100 per cent. Athelstone Central—1171— Ralph Heikes, Wakefield, Sec.—12 members

Brewster, Sec., 13 members paid for 1924 — 100 per cent. Rydal — 763 — G. S. Duncan, (2) Personant

Beeleville, Sec. 31 members paid for Prairie College — 1227 — I. P. Law. Bruening, Robinson, Sec. 29 members (10)

ard, Minneapolis, Sec. — 11 members paid for 1924 — 100 per cent.
Point Lookout, 1072, Jno. Hoffhines,

Isbon-all members paid for 1924-100 per cent. Neutral, 303, John Costello, McClure Independence, 1419—Hugh Winslow Sec., Wellington, Kans.—19 paid for

1924—100 per cent.

Liberty, 925 — Ed. Mog, Sec. — 42
members paid for 1924. 100 per cent.

Twelve Mile, 2002 — R. L. Pearce, Sec., Downs-12 paid for 1924-100 per cent.

Walnut Grove - 1308-Robert J. Meyer, Girard, Secretary—100%.
Victor—1516 —W. G. Harris, Burrton, Secretary, 5 members—100%.
New Hope—1834—S. Tibble, Cedar Point, Secretary, 8 members— 100%. Gem—1689—G. E. Weir, Pittsburg, Secretary, 10 members—100%.

Survey —34 —Grant Bliss, Woodston, Secretary, 9 members—100%. Star—831—Willis J. Billings, Linn,

Secretary, 6 members, 100%.
Olve Hill—1120—A. F. Braun,—
Clay Center, Sec.—36 members, 100%
Coin—1657—S. M. Beason, Orion, Secretary-7 members, 100%

Bushong - 579 - H. C. Harder, Dunlar, Secretary, 10 members, 100% Hunt — 1107 — J. L. Kongs, Corning, Secretary — 19 members

Santa Fe—1717—Marion Johnson, secretary, Lyons. Thirteen members -100 per cent. No. 5-761-Clarence W. Smith,

berman, secretary, Hepler, Five members, 100 per cent.

1935—Kaw Valley — Jerome Van Hole, secretary, Belvué, 10 members, 100 per cent.

MR. COWLES

MR. COWLES berman, secretary, Hepler, Five mem-

100 per cent. 1669—Highland—Roy L. Lee, sec etary, Paola, 80 male members, 56 female members, 100 per cent. 1684—Prospect, Martin Rohe, Jr., Secretary, 29 members, 100 per cent, Prairie Star—944—E. W. Podlena secretary, Wilson, 15 members, 100 Herynk 1427—Henry Eden, Sec., 13

Koeber 914-F. A. Korber, Seneca, secretary, 21 members, 100%. Hobo 1497—W. C. Coffman, Madison, secretary, 22 members, 100%.

Eagle Star—928—C. G. Conrad, Du not 100 per cent it was far from Bois, Nebraska, secretary. 21 mem-

bers— 100%. Eureka—911—Harvey Strahm, Sabetha, Kansas, secretary, 37 members

embers. Pleasant Run -2016-Ida M. Bell, ecretar, 100% with 24 members.
Marine—648 — Albert Sparman,

Green, secretary, 100% with 21 members. Walsburg—1198—V. E. Oman, Secretary, Leonardville, 13 members paid

for 1924. 100 per cent.
Sand Creek. 804. Alex R. Wilson,
LaCrosse, 22 members paid for 1924 Osage Valley—1688—T. A. Reiter, Secretary, Paola, for 1924

25 members paid for 1924. Prairie Rose—721—E. C. Donze, Secretary, Colby. 190 per cent with 9 members paid for 1924.

MITCHELL COUNTY ADOPTS RES-OLUTION AT QUARTERLY M E E T I N G

Beloit, Kansas. June 14, 1924. Editor Kansas Union Farmer:

Find enclosed a copy of Resolutions part of our programs next winter. A passed at the quarterly meeting of number of our young people contribMitchell County F. E. and C. U. of and fourth Wednesday in at the Silverdale School uted to our pleasure with readings, at the Silverdale School music, etc. mission on Legislation to forward a copy to the Kansas Union Farmer

Fraternally yours, F. W. Harlows. RESOLUTIONS We, the Legislative Committee of oughly enjoyed.
Our president, Mr. A. P. Hotten A. wish to submit the following re-

and good roads, tend to increase the happiness and contentment of any community, and whereas 60% of the homes are occupied by tennants, and a large per cent are mortgaged, and whereas the average farm will scarcely pay taxes and interest, and whereas the tendency of the present time is to make unnecessary and cost time is to make unnecessary and cost ly improvement create useless commissions, and employ unnecessary clerk hire, regardless of financial condition of the tax-payer and without giving him proper hearing in the matter, we therefore submit to you he following resolutions, to-wit: (1) Resolved that we are opposed

to the present State Highway Com-(2) Resolved that we are opposed to the creation of any new Boards or a local Farmers Union Cooperative

Commissions. (3) Resolved that we are opposed to the present Federal Aid System. (4) Resolved that we are in favor of a reduction of freight rates on all

farm products. (5) Resolved that the present prices of farm implements are too high and out of line with the present pric-

Fairdale - 927 - Carl W. Mayer, to the present high Telephone Rates. (8) Resolved that we are not in favor of the present proposed School

(9) Resolved that we are not in fa-

(10) Resolved that all officials, National, State, or County, or mem- decide what wages they are to re- their earnings with their depositors,

Hays — 1130 Mrs. Everett Alquirst duty.

Hays — manhars paid for 1924— (11) Resolved that our Congress and Legislature, give agriculture its few hurried hours of the Session. (12) Resolved that we are heartily

in favor of a Cooperative Banking (13) Resolved that the price of arm products, and manufactured articles, should be raised and lowered respectively, to a more equal basis. F. W. HARLOW, Chairman.

J. F. MAGETTE GRANT BROWN, F. W. PAULSEN, HENRY TOBIN.

WOODSON COUNTY MEETING

presented by Mr. Cowles was adopted. ters, after voting, desire to know pal government

The next meeting will be held at of profits. Can't you realize what Neosho Falls July 4th. Come and this will mean to the workers them-

Speaking in the afternoon. , Arthur McCormick, Co. Sec.-Treas. EAGLE VALLEY LOCAL 916

On Thursday evening, June 12, 1924 we had another very interesting "dead" meeting.

Our local man had prepared a speech for this meeting, but as the hands on the clock moved too swiftly, the lecture was postponed.

WHAT TAXPAYER GAINS

richest and most powerful in deter-

prise. Cooperation is the essence of the Plumb Plan for the railroads and

the American Plan for the mines, by

which the rail workers and the coal

miners are striving for industrial de-

mocracy in these two autocratic in-

dustries. Labor will never come in

to its own until it conquers industrial autocracy. And here again cooperation is the only safe and sure

road to certain victory.

Finally, cooperation will place into the hands of the workers, if they

will but use their latent power, con-

trol of the nation's credit and bank-

ing resources. A little over three years ago the first labor cooperative

bank in America opened its doors in

Cleveland, with a paid-in capital of \$650,000. Today there are twenty-three labor banks stretching across

Do not underestimate the tremen-

dous importance of cooperative banking to the labor movement. It is not a new fad. There are today 65,000 workers' and peasants' banks throughout the world, many of them

in successful operation for more

than seventy years. Because thes

banks are organized for service in-

stead of for profit, they do not risk

speculative investments, but use their

control of vast sums of money and

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7,000	250.00	188.00	87.50
9.000	430.00	317.50	167.50
10,000	520.00	860.00	207.50
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ness, our lady members surprised us with a big "feed," and we assure you everyone did ample justice to the eats. We wish to thank our lady members for the cooperative spirit mission on waste and industry total.

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A. R. Weiser, Cor.-Sec.

COLLINS VISITS HEADQUARTERS | . Cooperation will also give to labor On June 11, Mr. H. D. Collins, of a democratic voice in the conduct of Kansas, made a short visit to industry. It provides that every the State Office of the Farmers Un- worker, no matter how poor or how ion, 501 Security Trust Bldg., on his humble, has an equal voice with the return from Alabama.

Mr. Collins will be remembered by many of the old members as the Kan-And this is morally right, for it plac-We, the Legislative Committee of sas organizer who worked in several sas organizer who worked in several sas organizer who worked in several es manhood above money; it asserts that he who invests his labor and A. wish to submit the following reago. Mr. Collins stated while visitago. Mr. Collins stated while visitago. ing in Lexington, that he had just right to him who merely invests his finished a two months lecture tour money in the direction of any entermoney in the di in Alabama reviving and reorganizing several counties for the Alabama Division of the Farmers Union. H.

Mr. Collins is one of the original members of the Kansas Division of the Farmers Union which now has some 30,000 or more members. Durtive Committee, a member of the board of directors of two Farmers Union insurance companies, member of the board of directors of the Farmers Union Livestock Commission Company of Kansas and manager of

the continent from New York to Spoelevator. kane, from Cleveland on the Great While in Lexington, Mr. Collins inquired of many of his old friends and asked that his best wishes be given them. From Kentucky Mr. Collins Lakes to Birmingham in the tropic South, with combined resources exceeding \$43,000,000. Even as I speak departed for Indiana, where he intends to make a short visit before reto you a half dozen other labor cooperative banks are in process of orturning to his home in Erie, Kansas. -Kentucky Union Farmer.

## In Co-Operation

(Continued from page 1)

the largest milk distributor, enjoy the best wages and working condi- funds for productive purposes. Hence vor of the proposed Page Parcel Post tions of any similar dairy employes they are far safer than profit-makin the country. In the case of produc-ers' cooperatives, the men themselves merely in the fact that they share Bruening, Robinson, Sec. 25 held of the paid for 1924 — 100 per cent.

National, State, or County, or members and for 1924 — 100 per cent.

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National, State, or County, or members decide what wages they coive, elect their own manager, and ceive, elect their own conditions of labor democratically. Think for a morphor cent.

National, State, or County, or members of Appointive Offices, Commissions, or Boards, should give their own conditions of labor democratically. Think for a morphor cent. American labor movement if wages to labor. More significant still, coand working conditions were adjusted operative banking gives into the Sylvan Grove 1555 J. A. Reich- proper attention, and not the last on the cooperative basis for all in- hands of the producing classes the dustries!

In the fourth place, the aim of the credit power which in turn will encooperative movement is to provide able them to control industry. homes at cost for workers and peo-ple of small means. The cooperative societies of Europe have long cher-ished the ideal of a year's rent for a week's wages. It sounds too good of the Currency's Report for 1923, to be true, doesn't it? Yet there are was \$54,000,000,000. Of this sum whole cities in Europe where not a single house is being put up by real estate speculators or private profit contractors, because the cooperative building guilds have put these profiters out of business. And what already the profit have these cooperators are The Woodson County Farmers' Unionheld their last meeting at Burt build town towns but the work build town towns but the work build towns the cooperators are customers of the bank furnishing the balance. Now, why should not the June 10th, as it was a called meeting there was only a fair attendance present. Owing to the absence of the president, and vice president, the meeting was called to order by Lecturer Harding.

Duilding! Not mere shacks or cheap and tawdry tenements, but the very best construction possible, designed to last a hundred years or more. We have already started a similar movement in this country. In a half dozon cooperative banks, and thus control the greater part of the banking rebuilding guilds organized to put up After a general discussion of various subjects the following resolution, the case of Milwaukee, with the ac-Whereas patriotic progressive vo- tive financial support of the munici-

whether their votes have been well one of labor's greatest benefits cast or not; and whereas the rules from the cooperative movement is the and customs as now practicel by your training for leadership which coop-State and National law makers and eration gives to the rank and file. Exespecially while in the committee of ceptional ability and talent lie buried the whole, are such that it is impossible for the average voters to know er have a chance to assert themselves. whether they are represented or mis- The cooperative movement, by reason represented and whereas the time for of its democratic control provides the roll-calling as used now is burden-some and very expensive; opportunity for competent men to rise to their rightful level, trains them in some and very expensive; to their rightful level, trains them in Therefore be it resolved we ask business principles, sets them to work our State and National lawmaking serving their fellowmen, and hence bodies to establish and use in their develops an army of leaders to guide

The cooperative movement order on the basis of service instead bring your dinners. A good time is selves? It will put a new spirit into promised.

industry, make the day's labor a joy Business meeting before noon instead of a drudgery, and restore to the workman the satisfaction of creative work that made possible the master craftsmanship of the medie-val guilds. Herber Hoover's Com-

> Farmers Union Binder Twine A Good Twine at a Saving to You

sources of the nation? When once they do this, they will also control are taking a keen and eager interest good will."

After the regular routine of busi- mission on Waste and Industry found or forward? Is it content merely I believe that the hour has struck

whole-hearted response of the work-

reliable advice and guidance. The meeting, officially dedicated as "a industry, for credit is the lifeblood movement to encourage and co-ordinate cooperative effort of the producco-operative banks are the most important development of the decade for American labor unions.

ate cooperative effort of the produce ers and consumers of America; to unify action in eliminating waste, speculation and profiteering in the necessities of life; to develop intelligence. In every city of America workers gence, mutual understanding, and

To day this Commission, from its in the cooperative movement. The past few years have seen the remark-lable rise of cooperative grocery covering the whole nation with a stores, bakeries, meat markets, coal weekly Cooperative News Service, yards, restaurants and other consumers' enterprises, as well as successful founding of producers' co-operation as well as cooperative cessful founding of producers' co-operation as well as cooperative banking, and contributing invaluable eratives for the manufacture of aid and information to groups of clothes, cigars, clothing and many farmers and workers striving to win other products. Is the labor move-their economic salvation through the

members for the cooperative spirit shown in preparing for us such a surphise.

As harvest is coming on, our July meeting will not be held until Aug. 10, 1924, and we urge everyone to attend.

A R Weiser Cor-Sec.

Cause milions of workers are sick and wears are sick and wears of the sordid system of grab and greed which animates profitmore abundant life to the entire community? What are you, as an individual, doing to spread a realization of the value of cooperation among your welfare, for that of your fellowmen, is the only incentive able to enlist the only incentive able to enlist the whole heaveted responses of the work.

A R Weiser Cor-Sec.

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