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Report of Special Examiner to Insurance Department of the Farmers Union Insurance Companies

Salina, Kansas. February 8, 1926. Hon. William R. Baker, Superintendent of Insurance,

cember 31, 1925. The ledger accounts were checked to the annual statements submitted to the department for each of the years from 1923 to 1925 inclusive. An audit was made of the books covering both income and disburse-ments, the various assets verified and the liabilities computed.

History and Organization Both of these companies were organized under the mutual laws of Kansas; the Hail Company in 1915 and the Fire Company in 1914. Originally located in Stockton, Kansas, the headquarters were moved to Salina, Kansas, April 12, 1918, where they are still domiciled. They are pro-teges of the Farmers Educational and Co-operative Union of Kansas and, in order to have a policy in either inhave the same officers and directors. use the same offices and employees,

The Fire Company writes combined fire, lightning, windstorm and tornado insurance on country property and detached city property. All one and three year business is on a cash basis and five year term is cash or one-third cash on note, one-fourth of bal-ance within a year, one-fourth in two

written nothing but cash business, their experience in accepting notes having proved an expensive undertaking. While this has materially reduced the volume of business, the move has proven to be an advisable one, as certain conditione and affile tions with which the company is surrounded, make it more difficult to collect on these notes than is experienced by other local companies. Agents receive fifteen per cent

The loss ratio of the Hail Company has been severe and in 1923 it was compelled to mortgage its share in the company building for \$50,000.00, the money being advanced by the Fire Company. On December 31, 1925, this mortgage had been reduced to \$32,000. all losses had been paid in full and the company showed a free surplus

REBATES The rebates to policy holders during the period intervening since the last examination are as follows: Fire Co. \$ 9,906.13 18,558.07 Hail Co. 1924 29,781.92

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS At the annual meetings of the policyholders held in the company offices in January, 1926, the following officers and directors were elected for the

ensuing year: OFFICERS (Both Companies) Annual Salary

President, C. E. Brasted___\$1,200.00 Vice-president, C. C. Kilian Treasurer, Grant Bliss____ Secretary, F. D. Becker___ 3,000.00 Field Rep., Chas. Simpson_ 3,000.00

The Secretary is bonded for \$1,000. in the Globe Indemnity Company of

The company has the regular \$50,-000.00 bond required of hail companies on deposit with the State Treasurer. for which the publishing company agreed to pay the cost. DIRECTORS

(Both Companies) C. E. Brasted Grant Bliss O. E. Gartrell E. E. Woodman E. E. Whitney Norma Flora C. C. Cole W. J. Spencer Chas. Diederich

C. C. Kilian H. E. Witham

with the exception of the Director-Treasurer, Mr. Bliss, who receives made to install a system that can readily be checked and any informa-tion desired will be available at a mo-

ACCOUNTING

Superintendent of Insurance,
Topeka, Kansas.

Sir:—

In compliance with your authorization, the undersigned has made an eximination of the business and affairs of the Farmers Union Mutual Insurance Company and the Farmers Union Mutual Hail Insurance Company and the Farmers Union Mutual Hail Insurance Company work by local and state the following report thereon:

Scope of Examination

The two companies were last examined as of December 31, 1922, and this examination covers the intervening period up to and including December 31, 1922. The ledger accounts were checked to the annual statements

ACCOUNTING

A great deal of unnecessary detail work, both in making up annual statement, and additing up annual statement, board of directors and auditing work by local and state representatives could easily be eliminated, if the company would install a modern distribution system in their cash books and ledgers. This, the officers and employees in charge of such matters, are willing to do at once. The fault has been more a matter of misunderstanding as to proper and efficient methods. Various suggestions and examples have been submitted to with:

**Total = Total **

Total = Mount arisk 1925 **

Total = Amount cancelled and termination of a small balance which is left in the fund for current bills, etc.

A separate financial statement for each company has it's own books and records and the receipts and disbursements of the jointly owned office building are kept in a building are kept

of the Farmers Union Mutual Insurance Company (Fire) as of December 31, 1925
MEMBERS Number of members Dec. 31, 1924_____Number added during 1925

Number who withdrew during 1925 Number belonging to company Dec. 31, 1925 ____ 12,431 AMOUNT AT RISK

Amount at risk Dec. 31, 1924 ____ \$41,663,044.88 Amount added during 1925 ____ 18,396,083.44 Amount cancelled and terminated in 1925 __ 10, 827,521.14

Amount at risk Dec./31, 1925 _____\$49,231,607.18 surance company, it is necessary that the insured be a member of the parent organization. Both companies

Cash premiums received \$117,952.43

2,396.69 Less reinsurance paid ____ 2,306.69 field men and agents, and jointly own a modern, fireproof, three story building, space in which not needed by the companies, is rented to substantial Losses applied on notes_______

Losses applied on notes______Rent income from huilding ______Kansas Publishing Company Checks charged off \$12.88 Bond val. inc. \$11.00 Total Income during year____

three sis and five year term
third cash on note, one-fourth or back ance within a year, one-fourth in two years and the remaining one-sixth applied on note as a dividend if unassigned funds are available. Agents are allowed a commission of twelve and one half per cent.

The Hail Company writes a general hail coverage contract, policies expiring on August 15th, and September 15th, based upon the kind of grain in 15th, based upon the kind of grain Advertising 870.67
Printing, stationery and supplies 566.68
Postage, telegraph, telephones and express 264.19
Travel expense of officers and field man 1,096.29
Attorney Fees 153.80 Rent ______Furniture and fixtures _____ Automobile Account
National & State Association dues
Investment Expense
Miscellaneous Expense

Total Expenditures Bonds 61,100.00
County warrants 1,545.00
Deposited in banks on interest 35,066.27
Real Estate 77,853.78 Total Ledger Assets | Other Assets | \$2,602.28 |
Furniture and fixtures	\$2,602.28	
Accounts receivable	3,491.54	
Accrued interest	600.00	
Accrued interest	925.48	
Amount of premium notes on	6. Which assessments are fully paid	82,420.11
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Amount of premium nots on which assessments are not collected 433.81 Total Assets _____Assets Not Admitted (Lines 1-2-3-5-6-7-8 Under 'Other Assets'_____

Depreciation on building (2% on \$74,093.78) ___ • 1,481.87 Commissions due agents _____ 58.89 Total Liabilities \$149,411.78

Newark, N. J. The Treasurer was bonded for \$5,000.00 but the policy was allowed to lapse during 1925. It is recommended that the officials who handle the assets, especially of the fire company, be bonded for an amount which will cover the value of the securities involved as bonds of the above denomination are clearly inadequate.

The company has the regular \$5.0

COMMENT ON THE FINANCIAL the company building which is owned by the hail company of the same organization.

Bonds \$61,000.00

This item is made up of \$41,000.00 in fourth issue of U. S. Liberty Bonds and \$20,000.00 of Labette County road bonds. All arec arried at par.

County Warrants \$1,545.00 _______

building for special alterations made

township and county authorities in Kansas territory. The company's ex-perience in handling this kind of securities has been exceptionally good as all warrants and interest Losses Paid \$87,176.61 While the company paid out as all warrants and interest the same \$2,306.69 for reinsurance, it only had have been paid promptly at maturity.

(and received) \$10.00 due from reinsurance losses, making a gross figure is ure of \$87,186.61. The net figure is ue of the company building which is owned jointly by the Hail and Fire Salaries of Officers and

These warrants were issued

amination, they were allowed to stand Reserve for Risk \$147,694.82 as admitted assets. This amount is based on the statute

Gross Claims for Losses \$73.65

requirement of \$3,000.00 to each million in force. Deposits in Banks This item consists of five minor claims for fire and wind losses and includes both those on file December 31, 1925, and claims of that year which have since been reported.

Deposits in Banks on Interest, \$3,195.57

This amount consists of three open accounts in Kansas Banks upon which the company receives 3 per cent interest on daily balances.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT
of the Farmers Union Mutual Hail Insurance Company as of Dec. 31, 1925
MEMBERS Number of members December 31, 1924____ Number added during 1925____ Number who withdrew during 1925
Number of members on December 31, 1925
AMOUNT AT RISK

_1,273,166.00 Amount cancelled and terminated during 1925 586,409.32

Cash premiums rec'd on 1925 business__ Amount collected on 1920 notes______ Amount collected on 1921 notoes_____ Amount collected on 1922 notes Amount collected on 1923 notes____ Rec'd from reinsurance companies on losses____ Interest received
Rent from company building
Amount received from all other sources;
check charged off \$19.20 notes charged
off \$104.57, sale of maps \$3.25. Refund
on bond \$50.00, Accounts collectable

\$28.07, Protested checks paid \$132.12____ DISBURSEMENTS Prorated back to policyholders 43.60
Commissions paid agents 5,831.49
Salaries of officers and directors 2,209.60
Salaries of office employeet Salaries of office employees_____ Interest paid _____

Rent _____Insurance department fees _____ Auditing expense \$174,529.47 Attorney fees _____ \$364,958.08 Surety Bond Automobile account

> Total Disbursements ASSETS Deposits in banks on interest_________3,195.57 Total Ledger Assets
> Other Assets
> 273.75
>
>
> Accounts receivable
> 200.00
>
>
> Furniture and Fixtures
> 2,602.27
>
>
> Premium notes past due
> 21,321.99
>
>
> Automobile
> 200.00
>
>
> Furniture and fixtures
> 2,602.27
>
>
> Premium notes past due
> 21,321.99

Total Liabilities

CONCLUSION

\$207,566.05 COMMENTS ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT HAIL COMPANY

\$157,393.03

\$207,565.05

\$208,490.53

Income Rent from Company Building, \$1,500.00. Funds derived from tenants of the charge of the companies, both as to company building are placed in a renumeration to officers and directbuilding fund from which all dis-bursements are made. At the end of each year any balance in the fund is each year any balance in the fund is divided equally between the Hail and Fire companies. The above amount was the Hail Company's receipts for Rebates of unassigned, funds are

\$208,490.53 Salaries of Officers and Directors and the members of the board of directors \$450.60.
Salaries, of Office Employees, 0

nosed man who, from his general appearance and from the big cane he carried, clearly had some connection with the livestock business, Presently the traveling man three his newspaper aside with the livestock business.

ly the traveling man threw his newspaper aside with the remark, "Looks like the farm common are get ting pretty badly stirred up. I would not wonder but what the vill make things pretty hot in congress before the winter is over." The man with the big cane studies a moment and then drawled, "Yes, they are pretty badly 'het up' now, but it remains to be seen whether it will amount to anything. Farmers can get 'het up' quicker and cool off quicker than any other class of people on earth. I was raised on a farm, have bought and shipped stock for nearly 30 years, and I know farmers like a book—they are the most human creatures in the world, and this is why it is hard for them to stick together." By this time I was very much alert, and in a moment the old stock buyer continued:

"About four years ago they organized a Livestock Shipping Asgosiation."

"About four years ago they organized lows judgment and ability that we let a Livestock Shipping Association in my town, and for a year or so it nearly put me out of business. At first I tried to fight, but I soon realized that this was only 'adding fuel to the flame' and then I changed my tactics—then I concluded to smile me!

NOTE—The cattle referred to in manager was making too much money, which wasn't really true, for 'le
was handling about 80 per cent of the
stuff and doing it walls the row had
hardly started when a half dozen difhandling the big end of the livestock." \$\frac{49,094.34}{\text{you did before?"}} asked the traveling man. With a laugh the old stock buyer replied, "No, I am not-I used

have things pretty much my own way. 21,398.01 while since they started the shipping association I have done well to break even. And my only chance to get back to where I can make something cream stations. is to bust it up." At this time the traveling man exclaimed with ill concealed feeling, "Well, if I were in your place I'd try to make a living in riculture that I am in error in makers to town the secretary of the Board of Agriculture that I am in error in makers of the secretary of the Board of Agriculture that I am in error in makers of the secretary of the

And now comes a distinct surprise. 47,555.57 Instead of getting fore, the old stock buyer quietly answered, "I am sorry you said that, for I was just about to tell you that I have concluded to quit-and mainly for the reason you have mentioned. My children a In last week's Marshall County grown, and my wife and I can live on what we have for the rest of our that Swift & Company buys more Every effort is bein gmade to keep down overhead expense by those in days; but when I quit I am going to auto tags than any one else in Mardo so on condition that they put in shall County. shipping manager who understands his business, and to put the fear of the devil in their hearts I'll promise to stay out as long as they keep that kind of a man on the job." "Fine!"

But, a question I would like to ask, who pays for them? The Farmer, but it failed to mention him at all.

J. D. STOSZ. Was the Hail Company's receipts for 1925.

Disbursements
Salaries of Officers and Directors
The president received an annual salary of \$500.00, secretary \$1,250.00 and the members of the board of directors \$450.60.

Rebates of unassigned funds are prorated back to the policyholders whenever it is deemed warrantable to good business practices.

Loss adjustments were made promptly and all claims were settled on a 100 per cent basis.

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both Hail and Fire companies and all salaries of same are paid in full by the Fire Company. This custom applies to 1925 only as a fair proportion of this examination.

Respectfully submitted, J. H. SHAW, Special Examiner, Kansas Insurance Department. The time to prune fruit trees is partnership building is valued at \$77,853.77 against which there is a balance due on a mortgage on same of \$32,000.00, thus leaving any unincomposed on the mortgage on same of \$32,000.00, thus leaving any unincomposed on the same of \$32,000.00, thus leaving any unincomposed of the state throughout the winter so company, so it amount to anything—and bearing in the past, I am in truth very dubious. But I feel that it is now or never—this is why I want to get out of the way." "Well, why is it so hard for farmers to organize successfully?" asked the traveling man in genuine perplexity. And not the answer of the old they want to get out of the way." "Well, why is it so hard for farmers to organize successfully?" asked the traveling man in genuine perplexity. And not the mortgage given by this cohpany to the Fire Company.

Assets

Real Estate, \$45,853.77

The company's so the feet company. This custom against which there is a bear. The time to prune fruit trees is here. This work can best be done during open weather.

Little Kansas wheat should winter king man in genuine perplexity. And not the mortgage given by this cohpany to the Fire Company.

The company is not expect

Production of the second secon the country upeide down politically of in any other way; the average farmer's lack of understanding of his mar- a resolution by unanimous vote, proketing problems—this, and not his so- testing against a proposed increase in called enemies—is the rock that is chained to the neck of agriculture. In the next place, too few farmers are willing to place able men in barge of their co-parative enterprises. of their co-operative enterprises— son, was appointed to appear before they have yet to learn that brains the assessors at their meeting Feb-

WHY IT IS HARD FOR FARMERS one day spent in making the organlization stronger is usually worth more than a week spent in the fields; and "Lack of Understanding of Marketina"

Problems Is a Rock Chained to the Neck of Agriculture"

than a week spent in the fields; and next comes green-eyed envy and prejudice—if Smith can't have in the local environment of t

judice—if Smith can't have kin way in running the local organization (Missouri Farmer)

A week or so ago I came out of St. Louis one evening on a so-called "Accommodation" train— and my understanding of such a train is that it must stop at every cowpath and that the crew doesn't care whether they are running 30 minutes late or three hours. But even so, I have no fault to find with such trains, for they are the chief reliance of the small town, and in years gone by they have had much to do with building up our great country. On this particular evening I found myself sitting behind a traveling man and a big, keen-eyes, hawknosed man who, from his general appearance and from the big came be great and from the big came had an unch to do so, the day of the confirmed peasantly is not far away.—By the Author or of After-Thoughts.

NOTE-The cattle referred to in tactics—then I concluded to smile and wait. And I didn't have to wait long this leter from Livingston Brothers, for presently some of the members consisted of 343 head of white face this leter from Livingston Brothers, began to complain that the shipping yearling steers, weighing about 575

our Kansas Farmers Union men is ferent members, none of whom knew much about livestock, offered to take the job for half the money—and the up-shot of it was that the old manager quit in disgust and a new nan purchase and then send us this kind \$42,578.37 was instilled in his place. As a result of the row a lot of men had gotten some and then send us this kind of a compliment, is it not about time that some of our own people who dues to some a thousand times more effectively than I could have done it myself, and so today I am once more tion the real success that it has a

Farmers Union Live Stock Com, E. E. Woodman, Manager.

° CORRECTION

My attention has been called to an article printed in the Kansas Union Farmer of February 4th, relative to

some other way—I don't think I could ing those statements and I am cer-sleep soundly with the knowledge that tainly glad to correct them.

I was making money out of the blunders of a lot of poor devils who are compelled to work from daylight till dark to keep out of the clutches of the sheriff."

And now comes a distinct surprise.

And now comes a distinct surprise. Kansas Farmers Union.

WHO PAYS FOR THE TAGS? Beattie, Kansas.

But, a question I would like to ask,

Loss adjustments were made represented a big agricultural implepromptly and all claims were settled on a 100 per cent basis.

All necessary records were placed at the disposal of your examiner and both officers and employees extended a big agricultural implement concern. Refilling his pipe, the old stock buyer continued: "I said awhile ago that I am not sure that the present farmer uprising will takes more automobiles and trucks to do the business, they ought to be willing to pay Swift & Company for willing to pay Swift & Company for willing to pay Swift & Company for beautiful to provide the surface of the su

rard, at its meeting last week passed

W. C. Whitney
The directors met as required by meetings are fully described in the companies minute books.

The directors are compensated at the rate of \$3.00 per day and expensions while attending board meetings are of \$3.00 per day and expensions while attending board meetings are of \$3.00 per day and expensions while attending board meetings are of \$3.00 per day and expensions while attending board meetings are of \$3.00 per day and expensions while attending board meetings are of \$3.00 per day and expensions while attending board meetings are of \$3.00 per day and expensions while attending board meetings are of \$3.00 per day and expensions while attending board meetings \$50,000.00 mortgage on one-half of charges the rate of \$3.00 per day and expensions while attending board meetings \$50,000.00 mortgage on one-half of charges the rate of \$3.00 per day and expensions while attending board meetings \$50,000.00 mortgage on one-half of charges the assessors at their meeting Februage 26, to express disapproval of any increase over present assessing and increase over present assessing and farmers must learn it they are usually cots money but that they are they are usually cots money but that they are usually cots money but the way of the part and price. By Business, and any increase over present assessments of their mite to help out are not to be deprived of the satisfaction of their mite to help out are not to be deprived of the satisfaction of their mite to help out are not to be deprived of the satisfaction of their meetings are follows:

This item is made up of \$14,066.27

In open accounts in Kansas banks and and farmers must learn it they are usually the described in the assessors at their meeting Februage coist money but that their meeting Februage and an annual salary of \$700.00, the satisfaction of always being able to say it was a free gift on our part. We begin where the current very services.

Th We are not using any of your dues to assist the farmers of

119 South Seventh Street

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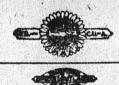
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THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 1926

CORN AND THE CITY "FELLER"

A lot of fairly smart and tolerably well meana good mar of them are all riled up because the about the cost of production. The Hon. Jay E He was born in the courry and for a season he lived and labored in Erie, Neosho county, of this state and if that is not a rural neighborhood it would be hard to find one between the well known oceans that lave if they do not purify the coats of the republic. House was mayor of Topeka and for a long time was a "columnist," if that is the way to spell that word, in the employ of Senator Capper. He is now at work for the C -tis publications and contributes a daily column to the Philadelphia Public Ledger and the New Ye-'- Evening Post. He is quite prosperous, so hat every two months and if he does not wear a belt can well bear the of a pair of susponders for each of the two dozen or more pairs "galluses" that he was forced to change from his less out of what we spend. In order that our teaching is much better paid the ple of Illinois who still believe that overalls and his other "pants," whenever he but what of it? Every piece of farm machinery Kansas farmers may have the figures I am printup. He has done well. He writes well. and every necessary he He wishes the world well but he may ' just a when he undertakes to discuss the more or less astonishing economics of the corn belt farmer.

In a recent number of his "column" "Touse disposed of the corn belt farmers problems and petition in the following summary fashion:

"It was high time we cont "ted a thought to the mer of the farmer. We shall make it in the form of an injury. James Wearst, write in McNavel-the of form discontent, says it costs Iowa farmers 65 cents a bushel to produce the corn vist on the current market, is selling at less than 60 cents.

"What we shall want to know is whether Mr. Hearst, in computing his costs, figured the land of the \$500 an acre for missis it sold during the Iowa land boom or at the \$200 or less per acre which it is actually worth for general forming purposes."

Milo Reno or some other Iowa farmer should undertake to enlighten House on this matter. He intimates that the farmer, like the railroad, is endeavoring to earn dividends on watered stock. It may be true but it is certain that unlike the railroad the farmer is not getting by with it. Truth is that the corn field economists who are at work on the problems of Iowa agriculture have acre but no one who defends the rights of other classes to draw dividends on accumulated surplus on his capital investment and that such return cannot properly be estimated until a fair wage is paid to the labor that produced it.

READ AND USE THE PAPER

Yes. I am off again on the same old song. The Union farmers of Kansas own "'a paper. They pay for its publication and a few of them. not very many I hope grudge the fifty cents a year that it costs them. It need cost no farmer have the privilege of enjoying the woods and wain Kansas a single cent. On the contrary, if ters that should be in Kansas the state is not goproperly used and read, it can be made a source ing to run out of folks and that is especially true of profitable income to every farm home that it

visits.

If the Union cannot establish contact directly of the seller with the buyer and thereby in some or The best work that any legislature has done measure save the tolls taken ordinarily by the so-called middle man it fails in one of its most ir ortant fundamental purposes. This little of course the lakes will have fish and there will weekly paper owned by the farmers of Kaneas is be game among the trees. Its a good work from a medium through which we can get better acquainted with each other and make known to our brott on and other neighbors that we have things to sell and need many articles that we must buy some where. Why not sell to our fellow farmers and buy from other co-operators; easy enoug' if we let them know our wants and advertise the things that we have for sale.

"THEY" OR "WE"

co-operative enterprises end in disastrous and discouraging failure. A group of producers with truth there is in it and just how many conceal- tion because the farmers will not organize and plenty of business of their own to assure success ' ments there are in the apparently candid state- stay that way.

contribute their money to the organization of a The Kansas Union Farmer business agency planned to do their buying and selling. The full use of the institution is certain Published Every Thursday at Salina, Kansas, by THE KANSAS BRANCH OF THE FARMERS EDUCATIONAL & CO-OPERATIVE UNION and in purchasing necessities. Every one is happy over the prospect and most of the members or shareholders immediately erase the whole matto from their minds and permit two of their runber or what is more generally true, a hired man or two to run the whole thing. The forgetful members soon begin to slip a load of wheat or a case of eggs, a can of cream or a coop of poultry to the other fellow and before any one is wise to the situation more than half the business that should be nourishing the co-operative goes to grease the already fat sow of the middlemen.

> After awhile the few real co-operators in the oncern wake up to the prospect of failure and undertake to Freathe a little life and infura a little blood into the weak and anemic body of the enterprise that was set up with such bright -- bects of contributing at 'cast a small moscure of additional income to the scanty returns of resulting rom the farmin- operations of the members. In a ittle while it is disclosed that almost every slacking co-operator has an alibi that is satisfactory to himself even if it has little or no meaning to hi fellow farmer Almost all those excuses are grounded on the allegation that "they," referring to the co-- tive have failed in this, that or the other opportunity to render real service at substantial savings.

> If a reward should be hung up for the arrest and detention of an alleged co-operator who s willing to come right out and declare that failare or partial success results from the lack of levalty and support that "we" have given to the enterprise there would be no successful claimant for the money in most of the neighborhoods where anguishing co-contrative enterprises prove to the

other fellows that farmers cannot transact busienterprises on their own account even when it is for their own interest to keep such concerns ing folks who live in the towns are puzzled and alive and make them prosperous. There are too many members of the Farmers Union and far too farmers of the corn belt are raising so much sand many shareholders in Union enterprise who speak of the undertakings and men of the inizations House of Philadelphia is not really a city slicker. in the third person. We shall never be successful until all our members learn to use the first person in talking about the things "at "we" have ndertaken to do in our own interest.

This paper is "dur" paper. The Union Insuras Companies the Live Stock Comission House at Kansas City, the Jobbing Association, the Auditing Association, the Farmers Union State Bank, the Produce Association, and all the local co-operatives which we have established in Kan-

and which me must maintain for our own protection are "our" enterprises and cannot succeed without the whole hearted support of all of "us" well to do in fact that he is able - afford a new all the time. Suppose there are no large finanrial returns right away. Is that a reason for desertion? A co-operative is a part of t' machinof trousers that he now owns in complete forget- of a Kansas farm. It may cost some money to money than any other great power on so called majority also get expense money for fulness of the days when he had only one pair of get it to going and ' may not become self sup- defensive armaments and probably are getting that.

wheat grower refuses to buy a reaper because little influenced by his environment, especially the machine in and of itself vields no dividends, A barn costs co-Merable cash but no farmer is able to get along without shelter for his animals and storage for his feed and forage?

It is time for "us" to get over this bad habit of charging all fallures to "them," "they," and "him" and 1 -- 1.1 - 1 own to provid -- +- the world that "we" can make a success of "our" own en-

One good brother wrote in not very long ago complaining that the final result of the tree and pond policy adopted by the last legis'ature might be to take a lot of good land out of cultivation ard use it for water and weed

about that. One of the things that is the matter! with a good many sections of the country is that we have cleared off all the trees and as a result the lakes have gone dry, rivers have shrunk in size and there are drown and crop failures where there was once abundant moisture and bounteous

The state of Kansas would be much better off if one quarter of its area could be converted into wood, and another quarter covered with water. Not very much high powered land need to be used. The woods " water " in the corse vation policy would not only yield revenues in themselves but they would so modify the climate included land in their estimates at only \$150 an and increase the rainfal that the remaining acres would be much more productive.

Of course it will take a good while but manretained in the business should object even if the kind is going to be on this earth for quite a long farmer insists that he is entitled to a fair return time. Recently some scientist announced that the world would be uninhabited within about a million years. That scared a lot of folks who began to see the end almost in sight. Now comes along another scientist who also knows all about it and says that the early extinction of life in a million years or so is all a guess and that his information leads him to believe that men will still be here after a billion years.

The point is that while many of us may not if this generation does the right thing about making preparations for the comfort and security of the next. Men may pass away but man will go in Kansas for ten years was to start the folks to building lakes and planting trees. Incidentally every roint of view.

STOCK AND MEAT PRICES

It is a good thing to know what other folks are doing with the products of the farm, and whether they are making as much money out of tional Association in Washington. It is violating Or Rather too Much handling our stuff as they are charged with tak- no confidence to say that at least fifty per cent ing. Swift and Company take the public part of them were their own expense accounts that the way into their confidence each year by publish- taxpayers will meet. No this is not a kick. The ing a hand book which they are anxious to give teachers have achieved their strong position be-It is beyond doubt that far too many farmers away to any one who cares to read it. All Kan eause they are well organized. Farmers bankrupt tunity to say something a little more of that amount was stolen by disconnective enterprises and in so doing improved as opport door this writer and in so doing improved as opport door this w sas farmers should get this book and learn what and agriculture is in its present desperate situa-

ments of one of the biggest packing houses of the country. Here are a few figures taken from the Swift Year Book by the Washington Post. They

are mighty interestin' readin'. Here it is: "Each year Swift' & Co., one of the big packers of Chicago, publishes a yearbook through which its 46,000 stockholders are advised of the operations of the preceding year. This publication is distributed without cost to any who may be interested from an economic standpoint, or even from plain idle curiosity. While the primary purpose of the publication of the brech is to keep the shareholders of the corporation advised of the operations of their company, it usually contains much information of general interest to every man, and woman who is compelled to practice the gustatory and The current issue of this publication contains much "food for thought" as well as information concerning "food for sustenance." For example, the roart shows

the average ruice of enter the hoof in Chicago was \$6.83 per hundred pounds in 1923, as compared with \$6.55 in 1924 and \$7.09 in 1925. The was a greater difference in the price of hogs, which brought an average of \$7.49 in 1923, \$7.82 in 1924 and \$11.62 last year."

"The average beef animal will "dress" about 65 per cent of his live weight, which means that a steer that we' '- 100 r, ds when he is conduct to the big Lithuanian who greet him with a pole-ax, will reduce his avoirdu pois to 650 pounds of beef by the time he i hung up in the cooling room."

The yearbook shows further the average rice of ich beef we gold last year in four teading cities. One of the four was Washington, where the "branch house" sold the beef sent on from Chicago at an average

ce, for the - the - Start A thousand-pound steer costing in C'. 370.90 roduced bee which brought in Washington \$86.95 at \$14.90 per hundred pounds. which does not appear to be an exorbitant profit for the packer even though he realized a consideratio some from the sale of the hide and other "by-products."

"Swift & Co. report total ales for the year exceeding \$875,000,000, upon which was realized a gross profit of 1% per cent T+ would he interesting to adapted if that were possible, what was the avon price at with that \$14.90 beef was sold to Washington consum-

THE HIGH PRICE OF SECURITY

The United States is in no very great danger from foreign enemies. Except a few outlying and more or less costly and useless insular possessions happen to be sorvided that it would we are fairly well safe guarded by the oceans. There is no country in the world that cares to off. In addition to this trip every liberties that he believed essential to at this time but announces that he ery that is necessary to the successful operation make war on us and yet we are spending more teachers' association and the great an editorial that recently appeared in the Phil- have a much heavier drag with adadelphia Public Ledger. I am not finding fault ministrative boards when it comes to with the view of this editor nor am I commending it. My only purpose is to let the folks know what ering. And it all connect up with it costs us to be safe from our foreign enemies the big thing that I am trying to

Thus the Ledger: "The military appropriation bills passed or being passed by Congress indicate the army and navy will for about as well next year as they have in the immediate past. The Navy Budget Bill passed by both houses totals about \$321,500,000. The Senate added about \$18,000,000 to the House totals. This is to be expended for the naval air service. The House Committee on Naval Affairs has reported a navy air bill carrying \$100,000,000. to be expended at the rate of \$20,000,000 annually for five years. This brings the House manufactions '- 1 with the of the Sen

ate on the total for the navy." "The army bill passed by the House appropriates \$339.500,000, including \$15,250,000 for aviation. The strength in enlisted men and officers for the army was not changed The Senate is not likely to twist the figur-

very much." "In too? appropriations for the army tolled \$250 100 000. *- the navy, \$322.500 000 In 1924 the army got \$348,600,000; the navy \$132.250 con For 1925 the totals mane. Army \$361,887,000; navy, \$346,140,000. During recent years the air forces been cost ing from \$15,000,000 to \$18,000 can a year and those of the army from \$12,000,000 to *15 000 000."

"Thus far the agitation of 1925 concern ng our ""it'any defenses and pe" has not been reflected in the army and navy approons. Congress had an o mity to scome hystorical follow the Mitchell afthe Changedon' " noter and the investi rations and inquiries that followed So far it seems to he resisting the townshion with marked fortitude. There is little hystoria in ese recutar appropriation hilla"

Every banker in your county belongs to banker's association and every one of them 'regards the unorganized farmer as a poer sort of fish that is unable to do the smallest thing to protect and advance his own interests. The bankers like the farmers that way. It is so easy to deal profitiably with them, one at a time.

The school teachers of the United States have just been giving a first class demonstration of the results of effective organization. Something like 10,000 superintendents and other professors attended the recent meeting of the National Educa-

COMMENT UN WORLD'S NEWS FOR WEEK

said to in a long, insane and pompous Into: cating prink Inside the Human So Enchains The human e is no limit to the ollies an.

known rich lodes of gold bearing foolist. Educ ever made a rock are almost enhausted but there worse a mout of any one who ac are still countless billions of unre-covered gold in almost every country and women of millions who lacked the in the world. There is gold in the waters of sea, in sands of all the rivers, in the dirt that prosaically produces crops, in the abandoned tail-ings of all the old places, and in The educated criminals plunder and billions of tons of low grade orders. kill, steal and otherwise misbeliay For ages men have dreamed of methods and machines for the recovery of gold from sands and formations that carry it in quantities too small to be worked profitably by the old methods Now comes an inventor who claims that he has built and operated a machine that can take 100 per cent of the finest flour gold from any sort of dirt in which it may be hidden. The owners of this machine have bought a couple of hundred acres of land in north Georgia in that old gold mining district that was first worked for the precious metal befor. Washington was president.

not but the promoters are being covered up with the money of gold hungry Americans who tracks gry Americans who want hares of stock in the latest gamble for more of the metal that has maddened and ruined men without number ir every generation since it was first discov-

The new tax bill will be a law beforc this paper reaches its reprier but the tax cuts will not help the has already been repealed by the forces that keen farm men be low the cost of production.

Superintendents

Of Public Schools And others connected with the wor of educating young and old are in Washington this week to the rather the money.

That so many It is illogical, foolish and useless to educators can get away from t':.. the funds necessary to a trip to the celebrated capitial city of the repub- privilege of paying higher prices for lic is evidence of at let two in portant things that 'ave happened to the teaching profession since this writer made a meagre living that

Salaries, of course, are higher That however, is not so important since the profession is now so we'l organized of their quite antagonistic positions acknowledges no resp. sibility to huthat most of the superint wents are on the prohibition issue. Washing- manity because all his acts are based one of them attends his own state

What I started out to say is that Is Still Having a matter of expense money for attending an alleged professional gathpreach all the time. Organizat' pays.

Countess Vera is at liberty in New York City on personal bail in the amount of \$500. It will be awful if she should take advantage of her opportunities and contribute to the moral delinquency of that stainless burg.

Reducing Taxes Is What

are in earnest about it they make a dicated. sponsibility of appropriating and to compel him to return spending the public funds. We neard a lot about the retrenchment n about by General Lord and ic servants in Washington but the make good. cold truth remains that we are still pending \$4,000,000,000 a year which extravagant congress ever dreamed of a million to him presumably as a pre-It is true that one-

amount goes for interest and sink. may be "vindicated" again. ng fund on the public debt and that half a billion more is for the support But after taking away that billion

n was necessary blame. The president, the budget director, congress and all the depart any book is worth that much nents do their best to save and in so it is the Guttenberg Bible. loing trim the estimates to the hone but always there is som way to spe: more than is appropriated as is evident from the fact that each esion of concress is called on 'n pass numerous deficiency bills. Tomorrow the president will sign the first one of this session

Tares will never be very much reduced until folks quit wanting so many things that must be supplied wernment.

High legal authority decided

would be gainst the law to read George Washington's recipe for home brew at a dinner given by the advocates of a more liberal adminif the prohibitory amendment. It is a good thing for Washington that he is not living today. If half that the man investigators tell about him is he would be in jail most of the time.

Education is being cha nonsibility for the prev ince of foolish than is often heard from the of that amount was stolen by dis-bench. He thought the hove night honest inspectors and chairs who The only difference stones is in the and his punishment as a law breaker had bundreds of phantom wagons and bloom and stones is in the resulted from too much education and shostly driver-

speech.

There are lots of folks who be ever that education was the cause of the limit to the olies and countries of Leopold and Frank. All over made a environent to receive necessary train-

themselves in spite of not because of their school advantages.

The colleges of our country are so overrun with young folks of superior social advantages that the faculties are reducing the campus populations as rapidly as possible by increasing tuition fees and expenses and by setting examinations that really test the knowledge of the stu dents.

Meat, In Moderation

The live stock producers have not been offered prices altogether too low stead is advising as to the arrand-for critters they have marketed. An ments to his law that existing condiorganization of live stock men that tions and new problems of enforcerecently held a meeting in Wichita ad- ment require. It may be that the con-

everywhere to eat more meat. Like the now very dead cam to be lade the people to eat more wheat this movement i to failure. The people of this country are going to eat what they please, when they please and in such quantities as seems good to them. They are not going to be made any ' rier or any more carniver by daily reminders that various forms of meat

erate and that live stock growers need attempt to persuade the conjobs for eight or ten days and raise this country to eat more meat, wheat, or butter than they need just for the

what they should have.

are available, that the prices are mod-

brated by wets and drys alike all of freedom. While it over the country and both sides cited the reign of the Fascist tyrant is numan happiness.

Small

private wealth from public sources. and should be able to work out their While he was treasurer to the state own salvation without asking permissome years ago Small had the cus- sion from any one. tody of bank balances alleged to have averaged around \$20,000,000. All that to the end of his career when he permoney was deposited in financial in- sists in spreading himself over too stitutions that appreciated govern- much territiory. mental plums and all drew interat at

varying rates. It seems that none of the interest, or any part of it, was ever paid into the treasury. Small is alleged to have collected it for his own use. After he became governor he was indicted for was acquitted. The people of Illinois thereupon re-elected him and word People think they want but if they was sent out that he had been vin-

mighty poor guess most of the time But some folks are never satisfied ... in electing members of congress and Unable to convict the governor of a of other bodies charged with the re- criminal act his enemies brought suit over a million dollars to the treasury.
The supreme court of Illinois has just expenditures that has been brough; decided that Small owes the state a er pub- million and he has been called on to

It seems that the poor, persecuted governor no longer has a million. So s four times as much as the most his political friends propose to dona's the war. | liminary to electing him to the old job for a third time in order that he

of the various agencies and expenses! Bibles are found in almost every " for the home in all so-called Christian lands care of wounded veterans of the war. but few folk have one that cost more than a dollar or two. Still most any | United States District Good Book if it were printed only in turing some Toreka folks about this and a half it is still true that we are one would pay a good price for the pay me about a billion and a half Good Book if it were printed only in for purely governmental agencies limited editions. A Philadelphia man has just paid \$106,000 for the very No one seems to be particularly to first Bible that was ever printed from movalle types. Some price, but if

Earned a Great Fortune

Delivering his famous lecture "Acres of Diamonds. "It is "ted that in his day the fo'ks of this comtry paid about \$10,000,000 to hear him enforce the prohibition amendment, ecture and for the privilege of reading his books. He died the other day Always he regarded himself as a mere trustee of the money that he earned on the lecture platform and give his away so fast that not even the tax collectors ever got a whack at it.

Conwell practiced what he preachcept as it enabled to relieve the necessities, snothe the sorrows. and the lovs of his fellow men. In all the and confirmed by the senate our history of the world there is no other man who earned so much, or Con- inclined to don't the modern system about the hardest labor known to ing new laws. He is right, What the literally earned b man, and left so little except the country needs is fewer statutes and love and veneration of good men b

hind him. crie. A Brooklyn judge has just Snow removal has already cost the sentenced a high school boy to jail city of New York more than \$6,000 invites law breaking as acts indicative and in so doing improved his oppore 000 this winter and so far as at pressing independence.

Body may be transported from lace to place without violating the Volstead Act. An Oregon court has just acquitted a man who was a-

of illegally transporting liquor in his stomach. The evidence necessary to convict could be use of a stomach pump but that process has to be applied before absorbtion takes place. This fellow was so dry that his inner man apped up the drink as fast as it reached the stomach and none could be provered for

evidentiary purposes.
Also congress had fail. to include an provision for the purchase of stomach pumps in the appropriation for the enforcement of the prohibitory law and General Lord, the "d boiled Director of the Federal Budregread to eguction on e ise not authorized by law. This may be a rather far reaching decision. If it affirmed law breakers may enjoyab' escape the penalty of their hein-ous arts by drinking up the arrange before they are over hauled

Andrew Jackson Volstead over-ked few positivities who he was ked few possibilities who he was framing his widely famous law but here he must have nodded a little while his opportunity was lost. Still it is never too late to do mond. Volgress will act on this issue yet this session and make adequate appropriations for stome ' pumps and emetics for use when it becomes necessary to recover the evidence from stomachs of the sty suspects.

The man who flew around the world now proposes to relocate the north pole which has been misplaced since it was discovered by Admiral Peary, Dr. Cook, one or both or neither. Does the United States really need that

Mussolini

Makes More News Than any other man in the world and most of it is bad. The success of the Italian dictatorship is only a temporary matter. In the long run the people of Italy will assert and Washington's birthday was cale- secure their right to some measure

will consider the matter again when-ever there is any serious threat of the amalgamation of Austria Germany. The Austrians and, the Germans are of the same race. They speak the same language. They have ple of Illinois who still believe that the same history and traditions. They it is not the best form to pile up should be merged into a single nation

Like all tyrants Mussolini will come

Marion Talley

And fortunate in a single evening's appearance at the Metropolitan Opera house of New York. Only 19 years old, a product of the west, sprung the conversion of public funds to from a parentage that knew nothing private use and in due course of time of the arts she is now enrolled among the greatest singers of all times. Of course there was training, five or six years of hard study, an opportunity presented her by Kansas City, but back of it all ther was a natural gift that no one is able to explain. Just so have all the great of all the ages been gifted and all our knowledge fails to explain their greatness

The west takes pride in the success of her children and many of us are beginning to wonder whet' not something in the air, the life or the customs of this part of the country that contributes to the birth and levelorment of genius

Our new prime donna is the first great American singer to come from west of the Missier -- i river. Unless her press notices are all press agent stuff she is very likely to turn out to be a second Patti.

Alf. Williams,

and that and among other things he sais there are too many proposit ns to amend state and national constitutions too many parents dancing the nights away to azz music while their children go unhindered to the devil. too much regulation of the private afhabite of the people and too found anoning around that seem to have no business of their

ov worth their time and attention. For a man whose husiness it is to the Volsterd enforcement Kansas bone dry law the statute against white slavery, the federal and state laws against gambling and lotteries and a few thousand other regulatory provisions to eliminate evil to have small use for detectives. Also he believes that the best way to secure better children is for all of us

Now that he has 'een of reforming human nature hy nassmore parents with a keen percention of their duties. All reform worth while is from the working of inner forces. Pressure from without simp-

way you use them.

The Country woman

By Aunt Maggie of K. S. A. C.

Sunshine Makes Healthy Children Fortunate indeed are the children of "Sunny Kansas." For they have access to an abundant supply of na- are more careful than men in driving ture's great protector and healer- automobiles over railroad crossings

Authorities on child health are "Crossing Accidents as the Cab," which attracted nation-wice ial effects of sunlight. They tell us attention, as coming from a man who that sunshine will prevent rickets, saw crossing accidents from the view-which is one of the most common dis-which is one of the most common dis-corder of childhood. This disease ateases of childhood. This disease attacks the bones and makes them soft Engineer Bragdon says, in the March and unable to support the weight of issue of the Rock Island Magazine: the body. This may cause bow-legs, knock-knees and other deformities.

The teeth also may be seriously injured by this disease. "Rickety" children are especially "able to cold. pneumonia, and tuberculosis.

Preventive measures can not be begun too early. Sunshine will do the waits until the train goes by.

Says Women More Careful properties are in the short, invisible, ultra-violet rays. These rays can not penetrate even ordinary window glass. Clothing, also may interfere with the

To secure full benefits of the rays the sun should shine directly on the skin. Each child should have a "sr"

be subjected to the rays., Care must be taken to avoid sun burn and to prevent the sun's rays from entering the eyes. During the mr months, the head, also, should be protected.—Amy Jane 'eazenby Englund, Head of the Department of Household Economics, K. S

THE IRIS AN IDEAL PLANT FOR THE HOME FLOWER GARDEN

For the flower garden of the busy man or woman a better plant than the iris can hardly be chosen, says E. Y. Morrison, horticulturist of the United States Department of Agriculture, the author of a new publication issued by the department entit'ed "Garden Irises."

The isis is to be had in a variety of colors and forms equaled by few hardy plants, is tolerant of many adverse conditions, is subject to at-tacks from few diseases and insects, and relatively permanent. It readil; adapts itself to widely different environments, certain varieties growing in hogs, others along the edges of the desert, some doing well with marked dry seasons, and a great many flourishing under average conditions of

Although ideal for the home flower garden, irises do not meet the requirements of the florist nor are they entirely satisfactory for landscare sort of planting is frequently found of the car before crossing a railroad the shores of ponds or streams in broad open meadows either alone of the accidents. or in conjunction with tree and shrub

The publication contains detailed descriptions of the numerous species ous occupation. In days gone by it White City, House Hotel, Mar. 1, and varieties of irises together with was, extremely so, but today I believe (2:30 to 6 P. M.) Mar. 2, (8 to 12

the flower garden. culture, Washington, D. C.

MAKE BUSINESSES BUILD UN-

"When we were organizing our g and oil company, we made it airtight for Farmers Union members only. We met one man who refused our solicihe would not join.

"After we got nicely started and our trucks were delivering regularly to our members, he came in one day and wanted to join. When asked the reason for his change of heart, he said that he was the only man left in his vicinity who did not belong to the Union and all the other oil companies were after his business. "He was being pestered to dea" by several trucks daily and he just had to join the Union to get rid of them."

This is only a further emphasis of the fact that the Farmer 'Inion Clyde W. Coffman, state fire marmust be built more air-tight, and we must build more benefits into it in port today. "The high total of \$631, was reached during the month order to get and to hold the membership. And there will be no benefits in the Union that the members themselves do not built into it. You can build the success of any

local or state business by the volume you give it and by being n" boosters of it. If the benefits accrus to members only, they will realize their value and those outside will see

cal business institutions are scattered isters \$37,970 which added to the to the general public, the fellow, ou'- Sedgwick loss runs the total in large side is too slow to give the Union figures quickly. Stores take the lea credit; and even if he does, he for- in the loss column with a grand to gets too quickly any benefits he may tal of \$248,935, while dwellings come have received from Farmers Union next with a grand total of \$149,129.

shippers who were non-members, but very few of them showed their apprevented by proper precaution.

preciation by voluntarily tendering a "In the list of known causes" sparks part of the \$7.00 or \$8.00 they received from a membership in the

and even raised the dead, but none 20 fires. From which we may infer of them were there to comfort him'

WOMEN ARE MORE CAREFUL THAN MEN, SAYS ENGINEER

Locomotive L. heer Ben B. gdon of the Rock Island Lines, says women Engineer Bragdon is the author of

"The careless driver is the primary element that makes the highway crossing hazardous. To the careful driver it is not a hazard and there is a warm place in the heart of the en gineer for him who, on hearing the warning whistle, slows down, stops

"The woman driver is the " ... " much criticism, but I want to say a word for her. I have never a a woman driver attempt to cross ahead action of the rays or keep them out of a train after she has heard the warning whistle. Her natural timidity seems to hold ham back, (and right here can be found the cause of

reckless driving at railroa bath" frequently. At first, it is to There seems to be some natural imor! that sours some men on, ev n expose only the hands, arms, and cheeks. Finally the entire body should to form the healt of storping and to form the habit of stopping before crossings would, it :

me. 'e a successful antidote.
"How many times after an accident do we hear of the driver saying (it he is alive) "tat the whist'e was not so ded? He is honest, too, in what he says, for he did not have if he had slowed down and stones before he attempted to cross, h before he attempted to cross, he would have heard the whistle. I do not mean to imply that it is imposible for the engineer to neglect to blow the whistle, but I do say pos-itively that in the matter of attention to duty, he gives way to no man II able, conscientious and subject to strict discipline. Then, too, if it should so happen that he did neglect sound the which a driver who has stormed his car is in a both

tion to judge whether it is safe to cross ahead of the train or not. Railroads Observe "Safety" Rules "Do you know that in railroad service we are required to stop on coming to another railroad crossing, unless it is protected by interlocking crossing devices, and it does not make any difference whether a train is coming the the other road or not. ? e may be morally certain that there will not be a train on that track for hours, nevertheless we must stop at the required distance, and it is a gross laws if we do not stop. These same laws require that all brakes on the ly satisfactory for landscar train be in perfect working condition. If used for the latter purpose I believe that a positive knowledge it is recommended that kinds similar that automobile brakes are in perfect to the wild species be selected. This working condition and the stopping

> crossing would e Safety Matter of Education

"You know that railroading is considered by many as a rail becard instructions concerning their propa I can truly say that an engineer get- 'A. M.) gation and management, and offers ting up into his cab and roing out on helpful suggestions relative to the se- his run is in a no more hazardous Mar. 8. lection of irises and other plants for position taken mile for mile than any one of you gentlemen who may step Copies of Farmers' Bulletin 1406, in his car and drive away. The Garden Irises, may be obtained free, change from a hazardous to a comwhile the supply lasts, from the paratively safe occupation has, of United States Department of Agri-culture, Washington, D. C. brought about by constant effort from various sources, not the least of which is a very efficient Safety Campaign which, in turn, owes it sucess to a Fred Hagge of Grand Island tells standing and hearty co-operation bethe following interesting story of how tween management and men. Much they got one member into the Sand of interest could be said on this sub-

ject but time will not permit; suffice it to say that Safety is a matter of education and self-protection. "I know of no better method of advancing reforms than the sponsoring tation to join the Union, and declared of them by the Rotary Clubs and other similar civic organizations, for t is here that the moral obligation that Mar. 8. man owes to man is stressed. "Am I my brother's keeper? Pos

> FROM STATE FIRE MARSHALL REPORT

itively, yes, if you are driving with

passengers toward a railroad cross

for January fire losses," according to 357 was reached during the month which sets a new record for losses in the state. Sedgwick county come in with a loss report of over \$300,000 ing and maintaining a museum to which swells the total. Part of this preserve the memories of the days of loss was in previous months but was

and thus adds to the huge total. "Cherokee county also reports a \$41.256 loss while Wyandotte comes in what they are missing.

If the cnefits of an of your lowith a total of \$42,930 and Ellis reg-The loss to stores and homes should the live stock commissions from the cause every citizen in the state to stop and think a minute about fire shippers who were not stop and think a minute about fire prevention. It is safe to say that not stop and the stop and t per cent of this loss could have been

on roof' again takes lead with 61 losses reported, while chimneys and flues come second with 41 and stoves Christ healed the sick, and lame boilers and furnaces are charged with that a good chimney sweep, would

in the garden or when he mach the save saved the state a substantial loss sacrifice supreme on the cross. Man's in dwe'ling properties.

The story of the ages.

Make the Farmers' Union at the stantial lead. If there is one thing stantial lead. If there is one thing and build its benefits so good that that should be protected, it is the every farmer in the state of Nebras- American home and yet we go year American home and yet we go vear ka will clamor to get in.

A. O. IONES E: 'd Sec'y.

Nebraska Union Farmer.

After year without giving proper attention to the fire prevention of that home, During the new year our de-

partment expects to make an especial drive upon the prevention of fire in the home," concluded Mr. Coffman.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TERNAL REVENUE SERVICE Wichita, Kan., Feb. 12, 1926.

ear Editor: Attached please find list of towns n your vicinity to which deputy col-ectors have been assigned to assist ederal income taxpayers with filing their 1925 return. The list also shows date and place the deputy will be available

The government has no available funds to pay for advertising this in-formation, but as this is a service that will be appreciated by your readers, it is very probable that you will gan. Kan.

PURE BUFF ORPHINGTON EGGS \$4.50 per 100. Mrs. L. W. Bothin, Logan. Kan. run this list, or such a part of it as will be of information to your readers, as a news item.

The fact that a new Revenue Bill has just ben passed necessarily curtails the time for giving assistance, and the new features in this Bill with AND respect to 1925 income can be explained by the deputy collectors.

The requirements for filing have been changed in that a single person with a net income of less than \$1500, and a married person with a net income of less than \$3500, is not required to file; however, any person having a gross income of \$5,000 or more is required to file, regardless of

his net income. Persons not familiar with the reuirements, and uncertain as to their liability, should get in touch with a deputy collector or address a letter

of inquiry to this office. Any publicity you may give the subject will serve the government as well as your readers and will be appreciated.

Respectfully, H. H. MOTTER, Collector of Internal Revenue. Barton Co., Great Bend, Court

House, Mar. 10-11. Hoisington, Club Rooms, Mar. 9.
Clay Co., Clay Center, Post Office, Mar. 5-6.
Cloud Co., Concordia, Post Office, Cloud Co., Concordia, Post Office, Bancroft, Kans. Cloud Co., Concordia, Post Office, Mar. 11, 12, 13, 15. Clyde, Post Of-

fice Mar. 10. Dickinson Co., Abilene, Federal bldg. Mar. 2-3. Herington, Court House, Mar. 4. Ellsworth, Court Ellsworth Co., House, Mar. 10.

Geary Co., Junction City, Court House, March 11-12. Jackson Co., Holton, Court House, Mar. 4-5. Jewell Co., Mankato, Court House, Mar. 5-6. Lincoln Co., Lincoln, (See postmas

ter) Mar. 5. Lyon Co., Emporia, Court House, Mar. 1, (morning only), Mar. 8, (morning only.) Mar. 10, (afternoon). Mar. 11-12-13-15.

McPherson Co., McPherson, Post violation of the Interstate Commerce Office, Mar. 2. Lindsborg, Swedish-Amer. Ins. Bldg. Mar. 1. Marion Co., Florence, Post Office,

> Mitchell Co... ter), Mar. 12-13-15. Morris Co., Council Grove, House, Mar. 2, (2:30 to 6 P. M.) Mar. 3. Mar. 4, (to 1 P. M.) White City, House Hotel, Mar.

> Nemeha Co., Seneca, City Hall, Osage Co., Burlingame, Post Office, Mar. 3, Lyndon, Court House,

Osborne Co., Osborne, (see postmaster) Mar. 8 Ottawa Co., Minneapolis, (see postnaster) Mar. 10-11. Pottawatomie Co., Wamego Com Club Rooms, Mar. 1-2. Westmoreland, Court House, Mar. 3.

Republic Co., Belleville, Court Iouse, Mar. 8. Rice Co., Lyons, Court House, Mar 3-4. Sterling, Jennings Hotel, Mar-

Riley Co., Leonardville, Post fice, Mar. 8. (9 A. M. to 5 P. M.) Manhattan, Post Office, Mar. 9-7-11. Randolph, Post Office, Mar. 9 (2:55 P. M. to 2:55 P. M.) Mar. 4. Russel Co., Russell Court House

Saline County, Salina, Federal Bldg. Mar. 1, 5, 8, 9, 10, 13, 15. Shawnee Co., Topeka, Revenue Officers, Mar. 1 to 15, Inc. Smith Co., Smith Center, Court

House, Mar. 3-4. Wabaunsee Co., Alma, Court House Mar. 1, (8 A. M. to 3 P. M.) Eskridge, Post Office, Mar. 2 (8 A. M. 4 P. M.) TOPEKA, KAN. Feb. 25—"The Washington Co. Washington Court new year starts out with a big mark House, Mar. 1-2 (up to 10:20 A. M.)

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Whereas: God in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to remove from among us Brother John Homer Connor, a fellow member of our Board of Directors; and Whereas: We greatly deplore his untimely death and the loss of his counsel and advice among us; therefore.

Be It Resolved, That we, the Board of Directors of The Crawford County Farmers' Union Elevator Association, extend to the bereaved mother, sister and brother our heartfelt sympathy.

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First Tuesday of each month. Clarence Brown, Sec'y Geary County.

ORTH UNION NO. 716 Meets the second and fourth Monday of each month. Carl E. Clark, Sec'y McPherson County.

NEW BASIL LOCAL NO. 1787. Second Monday of each month. Hen-ry Hoffman. Sec's Dickenson County.

NORTH SIDE LOCAL NO. 1061.

Meets the first Wednesday of each month. Fred Sundberg, Sec'y McPherson County. NEW HOME LOCAL NO. 1840. Meets the last Monday of each month Harold Mooney, Sec'y Linn County.

NEW HOPE LOCAL NO. 2020. First and third Thursday, Fred Hahn, Sec'y Stafford County. DESSA LOCAL NO. 1571.

Every other Tuesday night.

sell, Sec'y Cowley County.

OSAGE VALLEY LOCAL NO. 1683. Meets second and fourth Friday. Jacob Smith, Sec'y Miami County. OWSLEY LOCAL NO. 2004.

Meets the first and third Thursday. Joe Farner, Sec'y Crawford County.

Meets every two weeks on Wedneslay Fred M. Beran, Sec'y Barton County PAXICO LOCAL NO. 1922. First and third Monday. R. J. Muck-enthaler, Sec'y Dickenson County. PLEASANT RUN LOCAL NO. 2017

Meets every first and third Tuesday
at District No. 93 school house three
miles west of Lyndon. John Reis,
Sec'y. Franklin County.

PRAIRIE DOG LOCAL NO. 1865.

Meets every second and fourth Tuesday at North Valley School House,
Bruce Moore, See'y Decatur County.

PHELON LOCAL NO. 2139.

Meets second and fourth Fridays. Mrs.
A. R. Phelon, Sec'y Osage County. PRAIRIE BELL LOCAL NO. 1305.

Meets second Thursday of every mouth
E. B. Werner, Sec'y Thomas County.

PLEASANT RIDGE LOCAL NO. 960. Meets the first and third Mondays of each month. Frank Sedlacek, See'y enthaler, Sec'y Wabaunsee County. PRAIRIE VIEW LOCAL NO. 2105.
First Tuesday of each month. J. H.
Scott. See'y Martin County.

PROSPECT LOCAL NO. 1884.

Meets every second and fourth Thursday. Martin Rohe, Sec'y Douglas Co. PRETTY CREEK LOCAL NO. 1652. First and third Wednesday, H. (Mathias, Sec'y Wabaunsee CCounty.

LEASANT HOME NO. 2055.

Meets first and third Monday. Minnle Carrico, See'y Anderson County. LEASANT RIDGF, LOCAL NO. 1902. Meets first and third Friday. Frank Friend, Sec'y Morris County.

LUM CREEK LOCAL NO. 1484 Meets the first Thursday of each month. Mary W. Vann, sec'y. Osage County.

ARK LOCAL NO. 909****
Meets last Saturday of each month
Jos. Hein. Sec'y Gove County. PLEASANT RUN LOCAL NO 2016
District No. 93 School house three
miles west of Lyndon, meets every first
and third Tuesday of each month,
John Reis, See'y Osage County.

LEASANT VALLEY LOCAL NO. 1309 First and third Wednesday. W. T. Flinn, Sec'y Jewell County.

LUM CREEK LOCAL NO. 1674. Second and fourth Wednesday. Orth O. Miller, Sec'y Miami County. UNKIN KOLIG LOCAL NO. 2084.

Meets the first and third Friday of each month. Mrs. Elizabeth Dutton, Woodston County.

YDALL LOCAL NO. 763. Meets every second Wednesday of each month. Geo. Duncan, Sec'y Republic

Second Wednesday of each month. Mrs. Frank McClelland, Sec'y Wabaunsee

RICHLAND LOCAL NO. 968.

Meets first and third Fridays of each month. Mrs. J. C. Chase, Sec'y Marshall County, RICHVIEW LOCAL NO. 2037.

Meets the second Friday of each month
Chas. Basil, Sec'y Osage County.

REDMAN LOCAL NO. 1624.

Meets every Thursday night at the elevator at Cicero. E. N. Burrows Sec'y Sumner County. OUND HOUSE LOCAL, NO. 646. Meets the first, third and fifth Taes-day night of each month. R. H. Yod-

ROCK CREEK LOCAL NO. 1810. First and third Friday, S. J. Lohr, Sec'y Miami County. RURAL REST LOCAL NO. 2133.

First and third Saturday. Pauline First and third Saturday. Cowger, Sec'y Saline County.

Meets the first Monday. A. F. Lidaky, Cec'y Franklin County. SOLOMON VALLEY LOCAL, NO. 1953 Meets the first and third Tuesday. M. Schrock, Sec'y Sheridan County. SUMMITT LOCAL NO. 1574.

Meets each first and third Wednesday.

Alice Ames, Sec'y. Greenwood County.

ALEM HALL LOCAL NO. 1824.

SUMMITT LOCAL NO. 2111.

Meets the second and fourth Friday of each month. Wm. J. Wittmer, Sec'y Nemaha County. SUNFLOWER LOCAL NO. 1051.

Meets first and third Tuesday of each month. C. W. Fincham, Secretary Marshall County.

Meets every second and fourth Wednes-day of each month. A. H. Cellar, Sec. Coffey County.

SPRING VALLEY LOCAL NO. 1725**** Meets the first Friday in every month.

A. C. Barricklow, Sec'y Miami County. SPENCE LOCAL NO. 991.

Meets the last Wednesday of each
month at Limestone. John A. Martin,
Sec'y Washington County.

SILVERDALE LOCAL NO. 2051. Second. and fourth Wednesday. F Lewis, Sec'y Cowley County. SAND CREEK LOCAL NO. 804****

D Meets the first and third Friday of each month. A. R. Wilson, Sec'y Rush County. SNIPE CREEK LOCAL NO. 924.

Meets the first and third Thursday of each month. George W. Thierer, Sec'y Pottawatomic County.

STONE LOCAL NO. 792.

Meets the last Friday of each month.
Other meetings called. D. O. Marcotte,
Sec'y Rooks County. LEEPY HOLLOW LOCAL NO. 462

Meets the second and last Friday night each month. Harry Watts, Sec'y Ot-tawa County. SUMNERVILLE LOCAL NO. 1402. Meets the first and third Thursday of each month. Edith S. Hubbard, Sec'y

Ottawa County. SPRING CREEK LOCAL NO. 1174.

Meets the first and third Thursday of each month. C. W. Wertzberger, Sec. Wabaunsee County.

SUNNY SIDE LOCAL NO. 1100.

Meets every first Monday in the month.
Fred Hindebrandt, Sec'y Washington
County SUNRISE LOCAL NO. 1238

Meets the first and third Thursday of each month. Hei Saathoff, Sec'y Marshall County.

SUMMIT LOCAL NO. 1574
Meets the first and third Thursday of
each month. Mrs. F. M. Hemphill,
Sec'y Greenwood County.

SUMMIT LOCAL NO. 859. Second and fourth Wednesday. Mrs. E. H. Warner, Sec'y Marshall County. SUNNY SLOPE LOCAL NO. 1861. First and third Wednesday. Stacker, Sec'y Douglas County. Roy

SPENCE LOCAL No. 991.

Meets every two weeks on Friday night. John A. Martin, Sec. Marshall County. STATE CENTER LOCAL NO. 273. Second and fourth Thursday. Grossardt, Sec'y Barton County.

STILLWELL LOCAL NO. 2060.

Meets the first and third Friday.
Eggers, Sec'y Crawford County. SCANDIA LOCAL, NO. 1152

Meets the first and third Thursday of each month. Melford Nelson, Sec., Mc-Pherson Co.

QUARE DEAL NO. 923. Each first and third Thursday of each month. Maggie Stanley, Sec'y Norton, County

EMPLIN LOCAL NO. 1891.
Meets the first and third Friday of each month. H. E. Kietzmann, Sec'y Wabatunsee County. TRIANGLE LOCAL NO. 2124.
Meets every second and fourth Thursday. E. L. Osterholt, Sec'y., Anderson County.

JNION VALLEY LOCAL 1679. Second and fourth Tuesday. Wagner, Sec'y Miami County. UNION LOCAL NO. 2019. Second and fourth Friday. Sec'y Jefferson County.

JNION LOCAL NO. 970.

Meets the first and third Friday of each month, Will Atkinson, Sec., Norther County. ton County. JNION LOCAL NO. 2019

Meets the second and fourth Friday,
G. I. Brenn, Sec. Stafford Co.

Meets the first and third Saturday of each month. G. A. Johnson, Secretary Grant County. ASSAR LOCAL NO. 1779. First and third Thursday. Herman Wigger, sec'y Osage County,

TICKERS LOCAL NO. 1667. Meets twice a month. G. W. Kaiser Sec'y Miami County. ODA LOCAL NO. 742.

Meets every fourth Friday. J. C Stradal, Sec'y Trego County. ALLEY BROOK LOCAL NO. 1370 Meets the first Friday night of each month. Iva Fishburn, Sec'y Osage Co

WORDEN LOCAL NO .842. Meets second and fourth Thursday each month. Mrs. Lucas Fleer, Sec y Douglas County. VALNUT GROVE LOCAL NO. 973. Meets the first and third Monday of each month. E. A. Huseman, Sec'y each month. E. A. Ellsworth County.

VALNUT GROVE LOCAL NO. 1808. Meets first and third Tuesday. Rot ert J. Meyer. Sec'y Crawford County. WOODBINE LOCAL NO. 1980.
First Tuesday of each month. B. H.
Oestenlich, Sec'y Dickenson County.

CRAWFORD COUNTY. The regular meeting of the Craw-ford County Farmers Union will be held on the last Tuesday of each month throughout the year in Union Hall over Crawford County State Bank, Girard, Kans.
H. S. Woods, President,
G. W. Thompson, Secy.

NOTICE NEOSHO COUNTY.
Neosho County F. E. C. U. of A.
will meet on the following dates to
transact all business. The second Saturday in March, June, September and December and at any special meeting called by the President or Executive Com.
Pres. Sanford Miller, Sec.-Treas. J. O. Foust.

WABAUNSEE COUNTY The first quarterly meeting of the Vabaunsee County Farr e.s' Union Wabaunsee No. 61 will be held at the court house

County Secretary.

come at this meeting. John R. Chittenden, County President.

MIAMI COUNTY The Miami County Farmers Union No. 59 will hold its first quarterly meeting in the City Hall at Paola, Kansas, on Saturday, March, 20th. Meeting called for 10:30. Be sure and send your full quota of delegates.

W. Slyter, Pres. W. J. Prescott, Sec.

CHASE COUNTY The first quarterly meeting of the Chase County Farmers' Union for 1926, will be held at Strong City, Saturday, March, 1926. The morning session will begin at ten o'clock, with a roll-call of the locals, reports from the four business associations of the

dinner, we expect to have a home-talent program and an address by a

good farmers' union speaker. What

has the union done for you lately and what have you done for the union? Bring all the ideas you have and swap them with union-men from other parts of the county.

C. L. Simons, Pres.

Willard Greene, Sec'y.

Wabaunsee County.

SHILOH LOCAL NO. 1573.
Meets the first and third Friday nights of each month. J. C. Hankins, Sec'y Cowley County.

DUUGLAS COUNTY
The annual meeting of the Farmers Union, Local No. 1882, was held wednesday, Feb. 10, at Lone Star, Kansas, with a good attendance of members and their families are read an interesting article, or gave

preciated by all.
W. C. Simons of Lawrence, editor and owner of the Journal World, who She is very spry for an old lady of

briefly as to the good of the Union In fact, take them as a whole they were W. C. Simons, C. A. Ward, Rev. are a bunch of real enthusiastic co-L. H. Griffith, County Commissioners, G. E. Kretsinger and D. L. Bur-C. C. Gertsenberger, county presi-

den and Mr. Augustine, plant superintendent of our creamery, at Kan-There's not a task to mankind givesas City, Mo.. Mr. Gertsenberger's talk was principally about the banks the Farmers' Union is trying to establish at Lawrence, Kansas, and Lyndon, Kansas, He said many of the business men of Without a woman in it. Lawrence had taken a very firm stand against the Union in regard to establishing banks. And how the State Charter Board had turned down the pplication without giving it a hear ng. He also talked of the other ac

tivities within the Union and ma special mention of the good showin he F. U. Live Stock Commission Company has made.

pound of good butter we can produce at top prices. The meeting was opened by two readings by Miss Eleanor Tidrow. Our local started to hold annual get-to-gather meetings five years ago, and every year it gets better, and at the close of this last meet-

ing every one went home declaring the day well spent. FRANKLIN COUNTY Franklin County Farmers Union No. 72 met in regular session Saturday afternoon, Feb. 6. During a short business meeting Dr. J. M. Mc-Wharff gave a splendid address on

people in other countries as well as Immediately after this meeting the Produce Association was called to order. After several reports were given Mr. E. L. Bullard of Vassar, Osage County gave a very interesting talk on the produce association. Every one felt fully repaid for attending meeting and hearing these men talk. We were very sorry Mr. Augustine could not be with us, but are hoping Net Gain ___

ne will come to our next meeting, March 6. Mrs. L. C. Rice, Sec'y-Treas.

WHEELER LOCAL NO. 1082****
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Meets the first and third Friday of Meets the first and third Friday of JEWELL CO. FARMERS' UNION NO. 26 The regular quarterly meeting of the Jewell County Union No. 26 will be held in Mankato on Thursday March 11, 1926, to be held in Court House, meeting -called for 1 P. M. This is a meeting of importance, election of officers and much other important business should be taken up

at this time. Every member should be and have their proper credentials so we may be able to proceed without loss of time. Very respectfully, G. M. SHOOK,

County Sec'y-Treasurer.

ECHOES FROM NEMEHA CO. In accordance to the announcement in the Union paper for the series of meetings to be held in Nemeha Country our prophet M. O. Glessner arrived of the Kansas Farmers Union. The fine showing is very gratifying to all voted for the men. At any rate his ty our prophet M. O. Glessner arrived of the Kansas Farmers Union. The on January 19th. For twenty-one days your correspondent followed him the stockholders and conditions are days your correspondent followed mining from local to local preaching to gos-from local to local preaching to gos-the Union Every where we L. B. Smith resigned as a director

stay in Nemeha County.

JOEL STRAHM, County Correspondent.

NEMAHA COUNTY The first quarterly meeting of the shape.

Nemaha County Farmers Union will be held at Centralia, Kansas, March 11th, 1926, at 10 A. M. Local secre-taries will please select delegates to attend this meeting. An effort is being made to put on a good program and speaking. Let us all try and make this meeting a Bonanza.

JOEL STRAHM,

Sec'y-Treas. ANDERSON COUNTY LADIES ARE

Dear Mr. Tromble: In each issue of the Kansas Un-ion Farmer, we see the work the the four business associations of the lon Farmer, we see the work and county, and such other business as farmer men are doing, but not much may come up. Following a basket-dinner, we expect to have a home-talent program and an address by a sans know what the Anderson county ladies co-operators are doing. While visiting my son in Colony, re

cently I was invited to attend the Belleview Local Ladies Club, of which there were 20 ladies present that came with sumptiously filled baskets, bringing with them, their husbands to

be well fed at the noon hour.
At 1:30 their meeting was called to order with the singing of popular

friends. A bountiful dinner was ation and its cause. But what im-served at noon which was heartily apby the aged mother of the late Cliff Henderson, whom we all knew so well and owner of the Journal World, who is a member of our local present of the meeting with three gallons of Esquimo pies which were very much enjoyed. After dinner the house was called to order by the president, J. W. Anderson. Some very interesting talks were given. Those who spoke the men folks in their cause as well. In fact, take them as a whole they

> operators. business enterprises. The creamery They talk about a woman's sphere as has been particularly successful, has though it had a limit; There's not a place on earth or hear.

There's not a blessing or a woe, There's not a whispered yes or no,

Garden City, Kansas. MCLOUTH EXCHANGE McLouth, Kans., Feb. 24, 1926.

Mrs. Howard Whitaker,

John Tromble, Salina, Kansas. Dear Mr. Tromble:--Am enclosing Financial Statement of our Farmer's Co-operative Exchange on Jan-Mr. Augustine, plant superintendent of our Creamery in Kansas City made an interesting talk as to how the patrons of the Produce Association can help themselves get better prices for their cream by taking care of it, and delivering it regularly to the station. He says it is impossible the station. He says it is impossible to make high grade butter unless you have high grade cream. He stated further that he has a market in New York and Philadelphia for every pound of good butter we can produce the stockholders, and some of the members who were in a lobo-warm condition were warmed up and cou'

see the necessity of standing together n our cause. I remain yours sincerely, ELMER JONES, FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Financial statement of the Farmers Co-operative Exchange at Mc-Louth, Kansas. January 1, 1926. RESOURCES \$ 286.16 Cash on hand___ Cash in Bank 25.23 5.000.00 Store Building 7354.45 Merchandise per invoice... tion and the good it has done for the Bills Receivable (accts) ____ 3077.37 Furn. and Fixtures \$16,603.21

> Bills Payable (note)__ 2681.14 Wholesale Bills ___ Ledger credits Ledger credits (Interest)____ 424.00 Present worth Jan. 1, 1925_ 6594.58 1686.71 Net Gain ----

\$16,603.2 Present worth Jan. 1, 1925__\$6594.56 1686.71 True Present Worth, _\$8281.29 January 1, 1926_... Wrn. Hunter, President. Eli er Jones, Vice-President.

John Stigleman, Secretary.

G. V. Dunlap, Treasurer. -

J. S. Martz. W. A. Jones. Board of Directors. ARMERS UNION STORE MAKES

GOOD SHOWING

Wednesday afternoon the annua meeting of the Paola Farmers Union Co-operative association was held in was a splendid attendance from the zaar Union in putting on a program, he Knights of Columbus hall. There 400 stockholders. Reports nearly 400 stockholders. Reports showed that the association is in mighty good shape. During the past year \$1,750 was paid on indebtedness, additional makes up the net earnings. in the Union paper for the series of These figures are not guess work but fine showing is very gratifying to all

No. 61 will be held at the court house at Alma on Saturday, March 13, at 1:30 o'clock p. m., at which time such business will be taken up as may properly come before the meeting. Locals should elect their delegates for the year. Credentials should be in before the meeting. A good attendate the county secretary's hands five days ance is desired.

JOE RICHMOND, County Secretary.

Tom local to local preaching to gos—the meeting to gos—the Union. Every where we had a corrected the Union. Every where we had a corrected to the Union. Every where we had a coard-were met with cheer and due acord-with Bro. Glessner is fully justified. It is simply marvelous how his Union Spirit because he has ceased active farming work. James Maulin was elected on the board in his place. Otto Meinig was re-elected for a term of three years and Carl Williams was effected for a three year term to take the place of T. P. Oldham, who has the stance did your correspondent notice his vexed feeling, which was at a his vexed feeling, which was at a lams, P. H. Heidecker and T. A. Reidate where no one made an appearance. So much were his feelings hurt ance. So much were his feelings hurt ter are hold-over directors. The di-The Ellis County Farmers Union will hold its regular quarterly meeting in the Court House, at Hays, Kansas, on March 13th, we ask every local to send delegates so, we can have local to send delegates so, we can have a good meeting and prepare for the year's work ahead of us, all members of the Farmers Union will be weigone at this meeting.

that he went to a mountain and cried officers. Ralph Chapman, the manalike Christ, when he faced Jerusalike Christ, whe

|Store is rounding to in such splendid

Resolved: That Article XI, Sec-

seventy-eight. Also, making term of office of directors one year instead of one, two. and three years.
Which also lost by vote of (69)

sixty-nine to (76) seventy-six. Resolved: That our business Association Co-operative with other County and State Farmers Union organ-

ization in buying and selling feed and farm products. After considerable discussion which showed that this was already being done as far as possible, the resolu-tion was defeated by rising vote.

HAVE ANNUAL MEETING Lone Star Farmer's Union Had Basket Dinner and Business

Meeting
The members of the Farmers Union at Lone Star, together with their families, had a fine meeting yesterday beginning with a dinner at noon, fol-

lowed by a program which lasted imtil about 4:30. The Lone Star ladies, who are famous for their good cooking, never served a better dinner than they did yesterday. Tables were piled full of substantial food and delicacies which

were served cafeteria style.

The program consisted of talks made by C. C. Gerstenberger, county president; C. A. Ward; Rev. Louis Griffith, pastor of the local Church of the Brethren; County commissioners G. E. Kretsinger and D. L. Burton; W. C. Simons; Mr. Augustine, of Kansas City, Kansas, who has charge of the Farmers Union creamery; Jim Anderson, who presided, and others. The talks discussed a promising outlook for the union and its various

ing manufactured over 600,000 pounds of butter since it began operation late in September, and shows a profit. Mr. Augustine, visited the New York markets, and said there was a market for every pound of butter the union could produce and that higher prices and larger profits would fol-low better care of cream by the producers. He also told how New York wanted white eggs and Boston brown

eggs and how Pacific coast states, with standard quality, gained by co-operative efforts, secured best prices on the markets.

Mr. Gerstenhauger stated that the Farmers Union now set the market price for light hogs, packing sows and

veal calves. There are now fourteen That the members were in hearts accord with the speakers was shown by freuent and enthusiastic applause. The program was opened with two

readings by little Miss Tidrow, of Lawrence.—"I sin't going to cry nore," and "The Swimming Lesson."

DISTRICT EIGHTY-EIGHT, LOCAL NO. 2098 District 88, Local No. 2098 is a ively organization composed of st dues paying members, a large num ber of whom are members of the Farmers Union Co-operative Produce Association, which is certainly doing

an enormous business, here in Le-Many farmers who do not belong to the Union bring their produce to us. Our local meets the first and third Friday nights of each month. In connection with which we have a good program. I say a good program because I think a "crowded house" each time certainly gives us the idea that our efforts please the people. Last month we had a contest between 750.00 the ladies and gentlemen to see which could put on the best program. The losing side to furnish eats for all who cared to come. The ladies won, and the "Feed" the men prepared and served will be long remembered as the kind that makes us happy. These two programs and supper surely advertised us well, and we believe was

> the means of some wanting to join our "happy band." As several new members have come in since then and several more have expressed their desire to join us. We order so many things in car load lots now and it surely saves us money to order through the Union and also to do our shinning the

the Union.

distant.

erative Marketing and pushing hard When every farmer gets the "vision" then farming will take its rightful place in the "Big Business" of the Here's hoping that time is not far

The farmers of this vicinity are

getting behind the Union; and Co-or-

Mrs. Jesse Moore, Sec'y. BAZAAR CELEBRATES As a result of a contest between the men and the women of the Bathe women gave the men a feed Friday night, Feb. 19. Only one of the judges braved the wrath of the women and attended the banquet, and he seems to have been something of a account for depreciation, and \$1,400 politician, as he explained to the ladies that after looking over that bunch of men who gave judgment on cooks seems to have been thoroughly sound, and a good

time was had by all. Preceding the dinner, there was a short but excellent program given largely by Mr. S. E. Franklin, music teacher of the Chase County Community High School and his wife. The following numbers were given: Piano Solo-"I Love You"- Greig

Mrs. Franklin Cornet Solo-Berceuse, from Joce-

----Goddard Mr. Franklin Ruth and James Burns Dialogue ___ Ruth and James Bu Vocal Solo—"Asleep in the Deep -Petrie ---- Mr. Frankim

The wets and drys both claim George Washington as one of their examples of good citizenship. Perhaps both are right. We may be forced to believe that the father of his country the was a probibitionist for other foice operating. It is gratifying to the was a probibitionist for other folks community that the Paola Farmers but personally unafraid of the stuff