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Kansas Approves Wheat Quotas by 76% Majority

Riley County, Headquarters Office of Kansas AAA, Rolls Up 69 Percent Vote in Opposition—Probably Highest Percent of Opposition of Any County in Wheat Growing States.

Manhattan, Kans., May 2-Kan-X sas wheat farmers rolled up a heavy majority today in favor of establishing marketing quotas.

On the basis of figures compiled by the state AAA office, the Kansans approved the quotas by an 76 percent majority.

The vote from 104 of the 105 counties was 51,101 yes and 15,-983 no. All but Phillips county had reported.

Lopsided in West

Wheat farmers of the western counties cast lopsided majorities for the quotas, offsetting the closer balloting in the central counties where a fight had been made against the program. Several central and eastern counties rolled up

"no" majorities.
Riley, Clay, Geary and Dickinson counties, where the vote against the quotas centered, voted

against the quotas. In Washington County the vote was close. Riley County Leads _Opposition Vote with 69 Percent Vote

Against Quotas Riley County, where the state headquarters office of AAA is located, again led by a big margin, the opposition to wheat quotas, casting a vote of 69 percent against the program. This is probably the highest percent of opposition of any county, in any of the wheat growing states. There were 138 yes, and 305 no.

In the west, majorities of 1,100 and 1,200 to 100 or less turned the tide for the AAA program. Last year Kansas approved the quotas 81,398 to 20,568. The vote by counties:

County Yes Woodson 22 (Please turn to Page Three)

RELATIONS DIRECTOR

Paul Syfton of Washington D. C., Is New Director of Labor Relations

Denver, Colo., May 1—An-nouncement was made today by James G. Patton, president of the National Farmers' Union, of the employment of Paul Syfton, 2150 Highland pl., N. W. Washington, D. C., as Director of Labor Relations for the Farmers Union.

Mr. Syfton will assume his new duties in the capital city on May 1. Employment of a labor relations consultant is another progressive step taken by the Farmers Union in its program to give all-out aid to the war effort , to the familytype farm owner and to the wage earner.

"At the last national convention of the Farmers Union, the Union incorporated into its 1942 plat-form the employment of such a la-bor relations director," Mr., Patton said. "We have looked the field over carefully and Mr. Syfton comes to us with high recommendations. We believe that his work will be of real benefit to our people."

UNION EMPLOYS LABOR Local Co-Ops. Should Make Plans to Handle Livestock Shipments

Present Rubber Shortage to Have Serious Effect on Truck Transportation of Livestock to Markets

By E. K. Dean, President Kansas Farmers Union

In the past few years many if x-not all of the Farmers Union Livestock shipping associations in the many hundreds of communities throughout Kansas, have gone out of existence.

They went out of existence because of the change in the method of transporting livestock to the markets. The trucks made it possible for small farmers who didn't have many head of livestock to sell, to take a truck load or to join with his neighbor and make up a truck load to take to market. The trucker has in some instances replaced the services of the old shipping associations. Trucks have done a good job in providing a way for the small farmers to get their livestock to market and would continue to do so if they could get the tires that are necessary to run the trucks.

Rubber Shortage Will Have Serious Effect

The present rubber shortage will no doubt, before very long begin to have a serious effect on the | ments. truck transportation of livestock to markets. There will again be

a need for the old shipping associations, so that small farmers will have some way of getting their livestock to the markets. The pooling of small numbers of live-stock by small producers with their neighbors to make up car loads, it seems certain will be a

necessity before very long. Co-ops Can Help Farmers to Handle Emergency Needs

In communities where cooperative organizations already exist it would seem unnecessary to organize a shipping association to render this service. The association, no matter what type, elevator, oil station, store or any of the many others could act as a shipping association and thus render a real service to the farmers in their community.

It would seem advisable for the directors of the local cooperative to select a committee from their board of directors to look after the handling of livestock ship-

This I believe is another way (Please Turn to Page Seven)

Build Farm Storage Now **Urges Wickard**

QUOTAS ARE A WAR MEASURE

Secretary Predicts Production Goals of Only 40,000,000 Acres for Milling-Sees \$1.25 a Bushel to Complying Farmers

Enid, Okla., April 28-The nation's wheat farmers were urged today by Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard to start building more farm storage at once and told that future production goals limited to 40,000,000 acres for flour milling might be necessary to maintain parity. Excess wheat would go to industrial and feed uses.

"It is no news to you," the cabinet member told an interstate farm audience in an address prepared for delivery today, just five days before the national wheat quota referendum for the current crop, that "wheat farmers face some of the toughest problems in American Agriculture."

"Storage space is already crowded. We have a year's requirements of wheat on hand and "with the kind of yields in prospect, there will be a tremendous shortage in storage capacity for the country. With terminals overcrowded, no steel or other necessary materials available for new elevators, and no chance to squeeze through by utilizing box cars for storage as was done last year, there is only one way out-farm storage." A seven cents per bushel storage allowance will be available if the quota system is continued, Wick-

Where Quotas Come in While it is the war duty of American farmers to produce more than ever before, hit-or-miss ex-(Please Turn to Page Six)

VISIT NEW FARMERS UNION BUILDING

Art Riley and Martin Hasstedt View New Farmers Union Headquarters

Denver, Colo., April 27. Martin Hasstedt, Manager of the Farmers Grain and Bean Association, of this city, and Art Riley, Manager of the Salina office of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association, visited today the new Farmers Union Headquarters Building.

Although it was "moving day" for the Colorado Farmers Union, its affiliated activities, and the National Farmers Union office, National President Jim Patton took the two visitors on a personally conducted tour of the splendid new building.

It was agreed by both visitors that the new Farmers Union Headquarters building is a fine and most complete unit and will be an outstanding addition to the facilities of the National Farmers Union, and the Farmers Union of Colorado.

Kansas Farmers Union 1942 Achievement Fund

"A Year From Now, WHAT WILL WE WISH WE HAD

The Kansas Farmers Union have had a number of events this spring, which have been part of a fast moving organization and educational campaign, as planned by President E. K. Dean. A series of Farmers' Union Directors and Managers Associa-

tion meetings was followed by the successful three-day training school for Officers of Farmers Union Locals, at Salina. A series of one-day county schools, which had splendid attendance records, succeeded the training school. Schools are planned in other counties and more organization work is in prospect for the counties in which it is most needed.

Funds Are Required For Organization Work

The Kansas Farmers Union Box Socials, on March 10, were a successful unit in our fund-raising campaign. It is necessary now to ask that our cooperative business organizations, who have the same deep interest in Farmers Union organization, educational and legislative plans as does our membership, make contributions to our 1942 Achievement Fund. The Directors of our state business organizations are asked to see that their organizations consider this matter carefully—and make as large a contribution to this fund as possible. We are asking that the Officers of our Locals plan a fund-raising event-individual contributions, no matter how small, will be welcome. These contributions should be looked on in the light of insurance—an insurance premium paid so that YOUR organization can continue its fight to remedy the plight of the small farmer.

What Are the Farmers Union Aims? Some of the outstanding things which the Farmers Union is fighting for in Congress are, briefly, the security of the farm family on the land, with an abundance in the home of food, clothing, medical care and shelter. So, the Farmers Union stands for happy farm homes—is this an aim that is worthy of your contributions?

In our legislative efforts, we are fighting for a farm debt bill—the purpose of which is to give farmers short and long term loans to enable them to refinance their farm mortgage, or buy a new home at a low interest rate. Short term credit to enable them to buy live-stock and make a crop. The Debt Bill would force the land banks to return to the farmers money now invested in stock of National Farm Loan Associations and would prevent foreclosures of homes.

We are fighting for full parity income, or full parity prices -to secure this, we offer the Income Certificate Plan, to guarantee the American market for THE AMERICAN FARMER. We are fighting for government crop insurance—to guarantee we will have something to sell at full parity prices. We

now have this on wheat and cotton We are fighting for a better and more efficient Tenant Pur-

chase Bill to enable more tenants to become HOME OWNERS. We are fighting for more democratic administration of our Farm Program, to keep our farm boys on the farm, if we are to increase our goals for food production to win the war. The Farmers Union went direct to the President and to the Secretary of Agriculture and showed them how useless it was to ask for increased goals in food production, and then take the able

help from the farm, leaving only the old people to produce. In order to secure these points, the Farmers Union favors retention of all agencies set up to help the low-income group, as the FSA, the Commodity Credit Corporation, the Surplus Marketing Association, the Dairy products to be placed under AAA, increased Marketing Information Service, continued research for uses for farm products, removal of inter-state trade barriers, security for the aged on a "pay-as-you-go" plan. We believe that federal taxation should be based UPON THE ABILITY TO PAY. That poll tax receipts, as a requirement for voting, be abolished.

Is the accomplishment of these points, worth a contribution on your part, or is it worthy of assistance from your business organization, or from your Local as a unit? We believe that you will agree that IT IS.

The Time for Action is Now

A slogan of Donald Nelson's is—"A year from now WHAT WILL WE WISH WE HAD DONE TODAY?"

If every reader of this paper would place a copy of this

quotations in a place so that it can be read at least once dailyit will become a reminder of our need for ACTION NOW. Make your contribution to the Farmers Union Achievement Fund TODAY—discuss the matter in your Local—see that your

business organization acts upon the matter-NOW. Send funds to the Kansas Farmers Union Achievement Fund, Box 296, Salina, Kansas.

Scrap Drive In Kansas

President E. K. Dean is Named by Governor Ratner on Committee to Collect Iron and Steel

Topeka, April 29. The Kansas salvage committee was organized here today and will begin at once the campaign to collect all the both organizations. scrap iron and steel that may be found in Kansas and useful in the war effort. Governor Ratner named the committee.

It was believed there are many thousands of tons of scrap iron and steel which many do not realize have a great value for war purposes. It is the job of this committee to organize groups in every county which will conduct the search and then see to it that the metal gets into the yards where it may be processed and shipped to steel mills.

Byron Gourley of Topeka, is chairman, and Harry Woods of Ottawa is secretary of the committee. Other members of the committee are:

Ernest K. Dean, Salina; Dr. O. O. Wolf, Manhattan; Carl Cogswell, Topeka; Milton Tabor, Topeka; C. O. Wright, Topeka; Maj. Lawrence Peterson, Topeka; Robert T. Mainholtz, Topeka; Scott Berridge, Holton; Maj. Henry Giles, Abilene; Mrs. Alfred Kushner, Topeka; Frank Sullivan, Topeka; Charles L. Mitchell, Topeka; Carl Weiner Chanute; Lee Scott, Wichita; Ed Morganstern, Salina; Clarence Nevens, Topeka; Herman J. Galamba, Kansas City, Kansas; J. M. Glickman, Wichita; Dwight Hardman, Alton; Howard Carey, Hutchinson; A. M. Hannah, Kansas City; M. H. Coe, extension division K. S. A. ., Manhattan; D. J. Fair, Topeka; Miss LaFaye Stinchcombe, Topeka; Leslie Balderston, Dodge City; Elwood M. Brooks, Atchison; H. N. Hensley, Topeka; Mrs. E. W. Emery, Atchison; Jake Cripe, Pittsburg; L. W. Newcomer, El Doraco; Joe Beeler, Jewell; A. Blackburn, Cottonwood Falls; Emil Gall, Offerle; F. M. Cudney, Belpre; Robert Benson, McPherson; Lawrence Norton, Manhattan; Ed Rafferty, Kansas (Continued on Next Page)

K. M. RAMSEY DIES

AFTER LONG ILLNESS Beloit, Kans., May 4-K. M. Ramsey, of Beloit, died at his home Saturday night, May 2, at 8:15 o'clock, after a long illness. Mr. Ramsey, with Forrest Johnson of Beloit, managed and operated the Farmers Union Oil Station in this city.

He had been active in Farmers Union and cooperative work for many years.

BUY F. U. INSURANCE

F. U. Jobbing Association, Livestock and Local Co-ops. Cover Cars with F. U. Auto Insurance.

Kansas City-The Farmers Union Jobbing Association and the Farmers Union Livestock Commission Company have purchased insurance through the Kansas Farmers Union Automobile Insurance program which covers all of the cars and trucks owned by

Seventeen cars and trucks are covered by the "fleet" policy which was written for the Farmers Union Jobbing Association. This policy includes cars of some of the employes in the Kansas City office.

Among local cooperative associations, the following Farmers Union elevators have insured their cars and trucks through the Kansas Farmers Union Insurance program: Farmers Union Elevator at Lindsborg, Farmers Union Elevator at Parsons, Farmers Union Elevator at Randolph.

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New Farmers Union Building Dedicated On May 9

Headline Speakers are National President James Patton and Glen Talbott, President North Dakota Farmers Union: Colorado F. U. Membership Has Doubled Within Past Year

Denver, Colo., May 5—Dedication of the new home of the Colorado Farmers Union will be held May 9. The new building, at East 46th Ave. and Madison St., Denver, will be of modern design and will house all of the cooperatives of the Colorado Farmers Union. In addition, the home office of the President of the National Farmers Union, James G. Patton, will also be moved into this building.

The dedication ceremonies will be held in the afternoon of the 9th, with President James G. Patton of the National Farmers Union scheduled as the main speaker. Glenn Talbott, President of the North Dakota Farmers' Union, will be the main out-of-the state

speaker.

Construction of the building was begun last fall. It is entirely fireproof, well lighted and beautifully designed, two stories in height and so located that a grand view of the Rockies can be had from the building's spacious front lawns. It was financed by the co-operative efforts of the Colorado Farmers' Union and its co-operative insurance and marketing agencies. The past month, April 9 to May 9, has been stressed by the Colorado Farmers' Union as Dedication Month and added emphasis for new members has been made throughout the state. As a result, the total membership of the Colorado organization is now at a much higher number than any other time in the history of the state.

The Colorado Farmers Union is one of the oldest state branches of the National Farmers Union, or as it is technically known, the Farmers Educational and Co-operative Union of America. During the last few years the membership of the Colorado organization has doubled by a process of sound growth that vities. The state organization and Secretary-Treasurer.

its affiliated insurance and marketing companies co-operate completely in one single office operation. These organizations have but one program in the field, headed by the same general office organization in Denver.

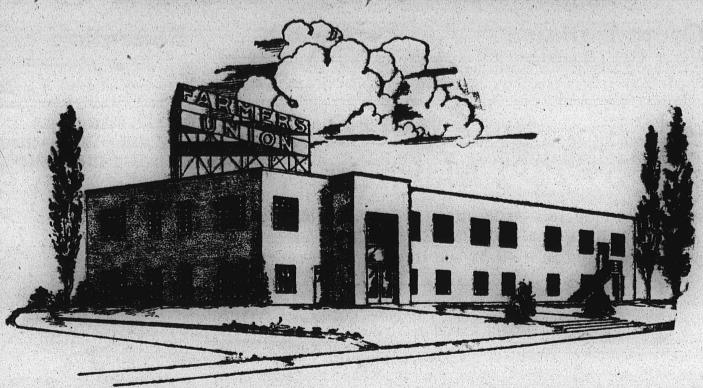
The Fire Insurance Company was organized in 1914 and has been successfully insuring thousands of farm properties since that time. The company was built upon the flat-rate type of policy and has a substantial reserve and surplus. It is now entering other states to do business and will ask for admittance in other regions when invited.

The Life Insurance Company is now four years old. It has an extraordinary record of growth, now writing a million dollars worth of policies per month. Its high ratio of assets to its liabilities has caused many favorable comments to be given the com-pany by insurance executives. Although a fraternal company, it operates under law fully qualified in all respects as a legal reserve company. Although now issuing only life insurance, the company is incorporated to provide its membership with other insurance services such as burial, hospital, and health insurances.

The Auto Insurance division of the Colorado Farmers' Union is now operating in five states. It competes with the lowest-best companies. One dollar of each annual premium is now being set aside as a capital account for our own Farmers Union cooperative company. The agency, in the meantimbe, operates as do other growing supply cooperatives, buying the insurance coverage from a

sound source at wholesale. Farmers Union are Harvey R. Solhas provided an economic tie of its berg, President; Warren Flint, Vice many affliated co-operative acti- President; and L. G. McCubbin,

FARMERS UNION HEADQUARTERS



The beautiful new Farmers Union building is a two story structure 40x125 feet. It will house the offices of the National and State Farmers Unions and the offices of the affiliated cooperative fire, life, auto and accident insurance units. Space is provided for Farmers Union Service, Inc., the cooperative finance agency and for Farmers Union Marketing Association, under whose direction the cooperative commodity program will be further developed. Some warehouse space for marketing and purchasing activities is available until other buildings are provided. It will be the "Administration Building" for all units of a total program.

USO A VITAL NEED

State Pesident E. K. Dean A Member of State USO Advisory Committee-Urges Farmers Union Locals to Support USO

What is the USO? That is a question that one hears frequently these days. The letters USO stand for United Service Organizations and their function is to provide a home-away-from-home for men in service.

State President E. K. Dean, Salina, is a memer of the Advisory Committee of USO.

Organized less than a year ago there are now 649 USO clubs near army camps and naval stations The officers of the Colorado where men can go for a good time while on leave. Twenty-nine of these operations are outside the continental United States. Camp Shows Inc. is one of the men. The Victory Book Campaign na; Henry Allai, Pittsburg. provides books for men at USO low men on maneuvers or reach the sentries at lonely outposts.

Local and County citizens' committees of the USO are now being marketing them to the best advanorganized in every county in Kansas. It is the chief duty of these committees to let the boys in service know that the folks back home are behind them. They will give sendoff parties and keep in touch with the boys while they are gone. The home town newspaper would be a welcome gift to each lad. Imagination and ingenuity of home town folks will find many ways to serve the local boys at this time, the governor thought,

while they are in service. Present Set-Up Sponsored by Public

The heads of two of the alphabetical set-ups at Washington had originally planned to take over all of this service as a government project. From information which seems reliable, it is learned, that under their set-up more than 25,-000 government employees would have been required. Under the present set-up, which was sponsored and promoted by public spirited and fair-minded citizens, only 1,400 federal employees are required. This, however, is not the chief justification for its existence, nor reason for it being worthy of the support of all our citizens. Under the other set-up a Kansas farm yard is a dead loss. it would have been "non-sectar- A discarded sewing machine in an ian." The meaning of the word was atic, or a pile of old car license so loosely defined that it actually tags in a garage, or a collection of meant "non-religious." This dis- metal trash in an alley, represent covery aroused the thinking of trash while they are there-nopublic spirited and broad minded thing more. But when these mareligious leaders, and for the first terials are collected and made time in history, the three great available to the war effort, they faiths united their efforts in a sin- assume great military importance. gle cause. The Jewish, Catholic From them can be made military and Protestant leaders are work- radio sets, machine guns, and othing hand in hand, cooperatively er materials and weapons for comand without friction, in the accom- bat. plishment of what is probably the Every Local in Kansas can get

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greatest task ever undertaken by religious organizations.

An Opportunity for F. U. Locals The USO offers every Farmers Union Local an opportunity for real service. See that your Local is the first in your community to support it—as a Local, keep in touch with the boys from your community. Plan a party for them when they're home on furloughshow them that you appreciate the fact that our boys are fighting

Find out who the local USO committee is and tell them tha you want to help.

SCRAP DRIVE IN KANSAS

(Continued From Page One) most popular features with the City, Kansas; Glen Blangers, Sali-

Every Local in Kansas might clubs and traveling USO units fol- profitably set up at once a salvage all scrap, waste and useless metals of the community and for

> The Government wants to buy this metal. Any attempt for ununscrupulous citizens, dealers or others to profit excessively should be refused.

Governor Ratner today proposed this slogan for Kansas: "The boys are in this scrap for us. Let's get in our scrap for them."

A most important project, just was gathering in the scrap iron

"We literally have only scratched the surface," Governor Ratner said. "It is hoped that all-inclusive, systematic salvage work will reach into every home, every farm, every place of business in every community. You and I must learn to think of scrap metals in terms of war materials. We must learn to look at a pile of discarded farm machinery, for example, and visualize tanks, airplanes, and guns. We must learn to appreciate that junk today can be made into precious war mater-

ials tomorrow. Junk Is a Dead Loss

"A junked mowing machine in

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Annual Employees-Directors Chicken Dinner Given at Ellsworth

Ellsworth, April 21-The chicken dinner which is planned each year for the directors and families, and employees and families, of the Ellsworth County Farmers Union Cooperative Association, was attended here today by a group of about one hundred.

The chickens which were served had been on test, on Farmers Union feeds. At nine weeks, these chickens showed a remarkable growth, averaging about 21/2 pounds each.

The names of the Directors, Employees of the organization and guests, who were present are: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Adamek

M. and Mrs. Jack Kohls and son Mr. and Mrs. Paul Pflughoeft Ben Hasse, Ralph Hurley, Harry Neuman, Frank Bezemek.

Mr. and Mrs. Mart Gwinner Mr. and Mrs. Karl Pflughoeft Jr. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Palmquest and family

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hysell and family Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hysell and

family Mr. and Mrs. George Kemple and family. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Scheup Jr.

John Nash Ms. Austin Huggins Elmer Schneider

Directors Bert Harmon and family Mr. and Mrs. Henry Scheuhe and family

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kohls and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Prochaska Mr. and Mrs. Emil Stroede and

family Employees Mr. and Mrs. Pat Nash and fam-

Mr. and Mrs. Cale Cochran and family Mr. and Mrs. Grant Gwinner and family

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schultz and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Urbanek and

family Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Suelter Mr. and Mrs. Chester Chapman

Mr. and Mrs. Art Riley, Salina Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Broman, Sa-

Mrs. E. K. Dean, Salina Mrs. Westcott.

Eilbert Adamek, Sharlene Coch- BONDS.

rane; a solo by Sharlene Cochran; Cornet solo by Alvin Kohls; Sax solo by Gilbert Adamek; Mixed Trio, Sharlene Cochrane, Gilbert Adamek, Alvin Kohls; reading by Shirley Gwinner; song, by Joan, Romain and Marilyn Palmquist; Reading, Patsy Nash; song, by Sharlene Cochran and Shirley Gwinner and a reading by Joan Palmquist; reading, by Lloyd Schultz; and a reading, "What Farmers Do" by Delores Schultz, were included on the program.

Contests and group singing concluded the evening. An Employes' quartet, Cale Cochran, Gilbert Suelter, Frank Adamek and Karl Pfughoeft, sang "Home on the Range," in opposition to the Directors' Quartette: Mr. Kohls, M. Scheuch, Mr. Harmon, Mr. Prochaska and Mr. Stroede ! with Mr. Palmquist, won th econtest with the song, "On His Coat He Wears a Union Button."

A jig contest by Chester Chapman and Henry Scheuh was won by Chester Chapman. The two "Barn Yard" contest leaders were Mart Gwinner and G. Gwinnerthe contest was won by Mart Gwinner's side.

In answer to requests ,the winning quartette sang one more "I've Been Working on the Railroad." Following this ballad, a collection was taken up by the audience, the amount of which proved to be seventy-one cents, several out-of-state tokens and one cough drop. The funds realized were donated to the Local.

FARM SIZE

The average Kansas farm in 1940 included 308 acres according to the federal census of that year. This compares with an average of 283 acres in 1930. The increase in size was due, for the most part, to combining farms previously operated by two or more operators. Much of this occurred in the western part of the state where drought forced many farmers to leave their farms. However, consolidation of farms was not confined to this western area but occurred throughout the state.

A profitable investment WITH A program followed the dinner. A "MONEY-BACK" GUARANTEE A flute trio with Alvin Kohls, from your government. BUY WAR



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springtime skill in dressing up the world by painting up your particular part of it! Our color charts will help you in selecting color schemes.

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An Open Letter to Farmers Repudiating John L. Lewis, From CIO Cannery and Agricultural Union Presidency

Chicago, April 30—Declaring that to win victory in our desperate war against fascism, "we must have national unity, especially unity between the workers and farmers of the United States, "Donald Henderson, President of the United Cannery, Agricultural, Packing and Allied Workers of America, CIO today wrote to seven heads of national farm organizations repudiating "the present disruptive activities of John L. Lewis in his attempts to organize the dairy farmers of the nation into District 50 of the United Mine Workers."

Urging all farm leaders throughout the nation "to do everything possible to make clear to . . . farmers" that the Lewis attempt to organize farmers into a labor union is contrary to UCAPAWA policy and to that of the CIO, and is "calculated to create disunity, confusion and disruption of the all important war program," Henderson, in the name of UCAPAWA, pledged continued support to farm groups "organized and led by farmers" in their efforts to "secure organization and improve their conditions," and most especially, Henderson extended pledge of full cooperation . . . in eliminating any activities which tend to disrupt national unity and in achieving victory in the present war against fascism at home and

abroad." In a detailed letter Henderson made it fully clear:

1. That it is not, and has never been, the policy of UCAPAWA "to organize farmers into our Union or into any other labor union;" that recognizing that the condi-tions of many farmers "are no more satisfactory than those of many workers," UCAPAWA has,

on the other hand, always cooper-

ated with farm organizations. 2. While we cannot personally speak for the CIO nationally, the policy of the CIO since it was formed has been consistently one of cooperating with farmers' organizations "to further the mutual interests of working farmer and laborer." 'The CIO has never proposed organizing farmers into

labor unions. 3. That Lewis' current "fishing expedition in the dairy farmer field" is calculated to set "farmer against farmer, labor union against labor union." Furthermore. many farmers "have been confused into joining into attacks on the labor movement as a whole."

4. That "the main consequence and, in my opinion, the main motive for creating all this disunity and confusion is for the purpose of disrupting the war program, creating friction with the administration and thereby furthering the interests of certain appeasement and isolationist groups who still exist in this country."

5. And that any policy calculated to disrupt unity "between farmers and workers and the administration and thereby to disrupt the war program is playing into the hands of appeasers and agents of fascism, intentionally or unintentionally.

The Henderson letter was addressed to James Patton , National President, Farmers Cooperative and Educational League of America; Edward A. O'Neal, American Farm Bureau Federation; Albert S. Goss, National Grange; H. E. Babcock, President, National Council of Farmer Cooperatives; James McConnell, General Manager, G. L. F.; Murray B. Lincoln, President, Cooperative League of the U. S. A.; A. W. Ricker, Editor, Farmers Union Herald.

Full text of the letter follows: April 30, 1942 Chicago, Illinois.

An Open Letter to Farmers: This letter is occasioned by the present disruptive activities of John I. Lewis in his attempts to organize the dairy farmers of the nation into District 50 of the United Mine Workers.

We are engaged in a desperate war against fascism. To win victory we must have national unity, especially unity between the workers and the farmers of the United States.

With this in mind it becomes extremely important that the position of UCAPAWA toward these activities of Mr. Lewis be made quite clear to all farm leaders and farmers throughout the Nation. Even more important, I want to call your attention to the adopted policy of the CIO nationally toward farmers and their organizations.

1. Let me say without qualification that it is not the policy

of UCAPAWA to organize farmers into our Union or into any other labor union. Our policy as adopted at our first Convention in 1937 is one of cooperation with all organizations of working farmers and organized farmers to serve the mutual interests of both farmer and worker. National farm leaders were present at that Convention and heartily approved of the policy. Since that time cooperative agreements have been signed locally and on a national scale with various farmer groups for the purpose of carying out that policy. That policy is still the policy of UCAPAWA.

Unquestionably, thousands of unorganized farmers need to be organized. Their conditions are no more satisfactory than those of many workers. Our Union stands ready to help in every way possible when called upon by farm groups or organizations to assist in any way we can in aiding them to secure organizations and improve their conditions However, such organizations should be farm groups organized and led by

This Union does not approve of the present attempt of Mr. Lewis to organize dairy farmers into a labor union.

2. While I, personally, cannot speak for the CIO nationally with its five million members, the adopted policy of the CIO can speak for it. The policy of the CiO adopted in its National Conventions and in various resolutions adopted in its National Executive Board meeting since the fall of 1937 is definitely not the policy being followed by John L. Lewis and his lieutenants. At least until the present day the national policy of the CIO is one of cooperating with existing farmers' organizations to further the mutual interests of working farmer and labor. There has never been any resolution or policy adopted by the CIO or any of its unions whereby they would attempt to organize farmers into labor unions.

It should be noted that the present policy of the CIO was actually adopted and re-adopted Pottawatomie 211 at times when John L. Lewis Osage 126 himself was the official head and guiding spirit of the CIO. Even though Mr. Lewis has changed, the CIO policy toward farmers has not changed.

3. Why then has John Lewis thrown overboard the present national policy of the CIO and gone off by himself to engage in a fishing expedition in the dairy farmer field?

The present activities of John L. Lewis in attempting to organize these dairy farmers into district setup of the United Mine Workers is calculated to Johnson 114 create disunity, confusion and Ellis 990 war program. It is calculated to create disunity by setting farmer against farmer, labor union against labor union, by crystallizing a fight between farm organizations and the labor move-between farmers, laborers and the administration.

leaders, farm publications and Osborne 561 their organizations, who desire Lane 512 cooperation between farmers on the labor movement as a

4. The main consequence and, Smith 563 in my opinion, the main motive Jackson 233 disrupting the war program, creating friction with the administration and thereby furthering the interests of certain appeasement and isolationist groups who still exist in this country. It is hoped through this disunity and confusion to further the political ambitions of John L. Lewis and those leaders with whom he has been working during the past year and a half in the coming Congressional elections and in the

1944 Presidential campaign. 5. Today when national unity is so essential to victory, farmers and workers must cooperate closely with each other and with the present administration to at home. Any policy calculated

administration and thereby to disrupt the war program is playing into the hands of appeasers and agents of fascism, inten-

tionally or unintentionally.

I want to urge you and all other farm leaders throughout the nation to do everything possible to make clear to your members and all other farmers what the present policy of UCAPAWA is and what the policy of the CIO nationally is as stated in the resolutions and programs of policy adopted by the CIO Convention and National Executive Board meetings to the present time.

In the name of my own Union, I want to extend a pledge of full cooperation to you and other farm leaders throughout the nation in eliminating any activities which tend to disrupt fascism at home and abroad.

Sincerely yours,

United Cannery, Agricultural, Packing and Allied Workers of America-CIO.

> Donald Henderson. General President.

KANSAS APPROVES WHEAT QUOTAS BY 81% MAJORITY

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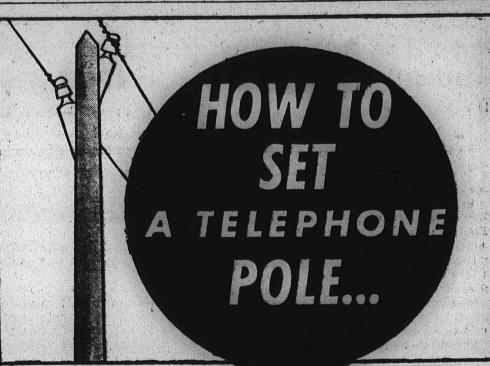
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This provision is all that is keeping the price of farm products from falling to the world market level. Farmers ought to be willing to do their share to win the war, and they ought to be willing to restrict production when it is necessary and then demand cost of production for their products.

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By HELEN DENNEY

FINE BUSINESS DURING FIRST QUARTER

H. E. Witham reported to the directors of the Farmers Union Jobbing Association at their regular meeting on April 27, that the volume and the net savings for the first quarter of 1942 was considerably over that of the same period in 1941. Merchandise volume especially feed, has shown an excellent increase, and savings are \$10,000 greater than during the first quarter last year. By com-bining their purchases and their marketing of products, farmers can add greatly to their power and their economic gain. You have the set-up, members of the Kansas Farmers Union, all you have to do is USE YOUR COOPERATIVES.

LIKE ANNUAL REPORTS

A number of people have written to H. E. Witham, general manager, saying that our 1941 Annual Report was well liked. This is your cooperative so the letters were written to you, too. Here are some

"It is a fine looking report and full of information. We'll be using it as a hand book for a long time."-Esther Ekblad, Director of Education, Kansas Farmers Union. Salina, Kansas.

"You are to be commended for getting out such an attractive and understandable report, as well as for the fine showing made last year."-Harry E. Ratcliffe, Agricultural Economist, Cooperative Research and Service Division, Farm Credit Administration, Washington, D. C.

"Let me congratulate you on the very fine report you have made to your members. The message is just a little more personal than the usual financial report."-A. B. Eisenhower, vice president, Commerce Trust company, Kansas City,

"I want to commend you for one of the most intelligent statements Congratulations on your splendid Congratulations on your splendid pany, represented by Manager W. year and the marvelous statement.

More power to you?"—M W That-More power to you!"—M. W. Thatcher, General Manager, Farmers Union Grain Terminal Association, St. Paul, Minnesota.

"I took the copy of your annual report home with me to read, as that is the only time I have available. I wish to commend you and your association on the excellent showing you are making. Your organization is one that reflects credit upon the entire cooperative system. It is only successful management that makes this possible, and I want to give you and your associates full credit for the good work you are doing."-Clyde M. Reed, United States Senator from Kansas, Washington, D. C.

"Congratulations not only on the very attractive form and makeup of your annual report, but especially on your achievements the past year. We all join in extending best wishes to you and all the officers and managers of your members for another good year."-E. L. Shoemaker, Secretary, Nebraska Farmers Union, Omaha.

"It was good of you to send me a copy of your 1941 Annual Report containing pertinent information pertaining to your association. For some time I have known of your operations and have had many favorable reports on the solid growth which you have made in recent years. Please ac- market was lower at the begining."—Ezra T. Benson, Executive week-end which was largely a Secretary, National Council of result of the new loan values on

one, and very attractively set up. \$1.14 3/4, which was 3c higher I was pleased to see the pictures of than the close Monday, April 27. the Juniors and read of the part Cash basis in this preiod adthe educational department played vanced from ½c to 1c per bushel. in your annual meeting."—Gladys

story of our activities during the was subject to a 2/3 majority apyear, but sometimes we may not include everything you want to know. Write us if there are any questions—we will give you all by 81 percent of the voters. the information we can.

K. C. COUNCIL OF COOPERATIVES HOLDS

On April 17, economics and social science teachers from Kansas and Missouri Colleges, and some to wheat growers is the fact that of their students in classes on Co- bulk flour is specifically except-

Don't Overlook Overbrook



Tom Hall, field man for FUJA, reports that there is a roadsign saysing "Don't Overlook Overbrook" just outside the town. It is a good idea not to "Overlook Overbrook" when you are considering towns where there are successful cooperatives, too, for the Overbrook Farmers Union Cooperative Association has had a fine record ever since it began operations in 1919.

Every year this Association has paid at least 6% interest on stock and in most years it has also been able to pay patronage dividends. From its operations in 1941, the Association made a saving of \$6,795, from which a 7% interest on stock, and a 4% patronage dividend on sales totaling \$3,966 were paid.

Tom Hupp, general manager, has been with the Association since it was organized. The board of directors are E. O. Hoover, president; William Hollis, vice president; Joe P. Collins, secretary; John Cooper, treasurer; and B. N. Cooper, Floyd Butel, James G. Bryson, C. W. Coffman, Frank Hartman.

operatives, attended an all-day ed from the price ceiling announceconference sponsored by the ten cooperatives in Kansas City which make up the Council and the St. Louis and Wichita Banks for Co-

The morning program was held in the Exchange Hall overlooking Kansas City's big stock yards. Farmers Union Jobbing Association represented by General Manager H. E. Witham, Farmers Unof a co-op that I have ever read. ion Live Stock Commission Comoperatives, and a number of other cooperatives, told of their services and a color picture of Cooperative Live Stock Marketing was exhibited.

Following a luncheon at the Hoof and Horn club, the guests went by bus to view the operations of the Midwest Wool Market-ing Company, the Milk Producers Marketing Company which is a cooperative creamery that has a new machine for making powdered milk, a new cooperative grocery store, and Consumers Cooperative Association, a cooperative wholesale.

The evening banquet for the guests and representatives of the ten cooperatives was followed by addresses by Dr. O. B. Jesness, Chief, Division of Agricultural Economics, University of Minnesota, and T. G. Stitts, Chief, Cooperative Research and Service tion, Washington, D. C., and a short question and answer period led by George Montgomery, Professor in Economics, Kansas State

MARKET LETTER Art Riley

Salina, Kans., May 4—The wheat cept my sincere congratulations on ning of the week, April 27 to May the splendid record you are mak- 2, but had a nice recovery at the Farmer Cooperatives, Washington, this year's crop announced by the D. C.

Department of Agriculture, May "Your annual report is a fine 1, 1942. Kansas City May closed at

The loan values as announced Talbott Edwards, Director of Education, National Farmers Union,
Jamestown, North Dakota.

Jamestown, North Dakota. How did YCU like it, did it contain the information you wanted? than the average for the 1941 crop. We try to tell a fairly complete This loan value announcement average is 17c a bushel higher proval of the wheat marketing quotas, which were voted on May 2. The quota has been approved

Soil conservation and parity payments were increased 5.4c per bushel. The April 15 parity figure is \$1.35½ per bushel which is an increase of 2.9c from the previous

One item of particular interest

The volume of flour business was slightly better after the middle of the week. The southwest booked 25 to 30 percent of capacity and spring wheat mills about 25 percent of capacity.

Of interest to feeders is the fact that millfeeds ae included in the price ceiling order which is effective May 11. This means that the highest prices in March, which ture, insects and rodents. will be the ceiling, will be aporoximately \$36.50 to \$37.00 on Bran and \$37.50 on Shorts basis Kansas City.

EXISTING SEASONS UNCHANG-ED ON CRAPPIE AND BASS

Pratt, April 17-Guy D. Josserand, director of the Forestry Fish and Game Department, warns anglers that the taking of crappie and bass from April 20 to May 26, and channel cats from June 1 to July

Although the regulations were recently amended by the Forestry, Fish and Game Commission, permitting anglers to take crappie and blue gill of any size, that action did not, in any way, change the existing seasons, points out the director.

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FARM WHEAT STORAGE IMPERATIVE

Wichita, Kan., May 5 (Special)— With terminal and other warehouse facilities for wheat already crowded to the bursting point in most areas, and with a record carryover of 630 million bushels and a prospective new crop of around 800 million bushels, there is going to be a tremendous shortage in the storage capacity of the country, according to a letter just received by D. L. Mullendore, President of the Production Credit Corporation of Wichita, from A. G. Black, Governor of the Farm Credit Administration.

Governor Black urges wheat growers to "start right away to build storage bins on their farms for a large part of this year's crop will back up on farms and not move in the usual channels to terminal elevators in the usual way." He points out that "there are enough nails and lumber to build all the farm storage that is needed, provided farmers begin the work immediately. If they do not start now, but wait until the last minute before building their storage bins, there will not be enough nails and lumber in the right places at the right time to complete the job."

Mr. Mullendore states that eliof burlap bags for flat sack stor-age, it is the patriotic duty of ev-Crockett, in Galveston, Tex. ery wheat grower to do what he can to store wheat on his own farm and to start now while there is yet time and facilities with which to build storage bins. Many of these bins, he points out, will not be separate structures but will be areas partitioned off in barns where the wheat can be stored with a minimum of loss from mois-

"I cannot stress too strongly th seriousness of the present storage the harvest is finished next summer we will have two years' supdoes not mean that we can be able.

Taking Officers Training



Harry L. Neath, former bookkeeper in the Kansas City office of FUJA, and son of Harry Neath, maanger of the Kansas City ware-house, is in Fort Sill, Okla., taking field artillery officers training. Harry has been in California at gible farmers who have adequate Fort Ord, most of the time since security for loans also may obtain assistance in the financing of | now since he is only 600 miles the building of farm storage from from home, we hope he gets back production credit associations. In to visit us as soon as his Officers view of the inadequacy of terminal | Training class is completed. Wilstorage facilities and the shortage liam Neath, second son of our

> prodigal with it and waste it because of insufficient or improper storage."

. Cooperation promotes peace. It is needed in war, it is indispensible in the coming reconstruction period following this war.

At Oslo, Norway, coffee is now situation," said Mr. Mullendore. quoted at 90 kroner per kilo (\$10 "The way things look now when a pound) and butter at 30 kroner per kilo (\$3.40 a pound,) but ply of wheat on hand, but this that's not saying either is avail-

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ESTHER EKBLAD, DIRECTOR, Salina, Kansas **Junior Reserves 13-15**

Juveniles 8-12

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

THE READING MOTHER

I had a mother who read to me Sagas of Pirates who scoured the sea Cutlasses held in their yellowed teeth "Blackbirds" stowed in the hold beneath.

I had a mother who read me tales Of Galert, the Hound of the Hills of Wales True to his trust till his gallant death Faithfulness blent with his final breath.

I had a mother who read me lays Of ancient and glorious and golden days Stories of Marmion and Ivanhoe Which every boy has a right to know.

I had a mother who read me things That wholesome life to the boy heart brings; Stories that stir with an upward touch Oh! that each mother of men were such!

You may have tangible wealth untold; Caskets of jewels and coffers of gold. Richer than I you can never be I had a mother who read to me. -Strickland Gillilan.

CAMP AT ABILENE

Farmers Union camping days for 1942 will be spent at the Girl Scout Camp Mary Dell in the Brown Memorial Park near Abilene, beginning August 10th. This attractive camp

will provide much camping pleasure for the Juniors, Reserves, and Leaders who attend this year. The camp is centrally located and can satisfactorily serve as a statewide camp even though there are tire shortages.

The camp is smaller than any used heretofore and in order to use it we are scheduling two weeks. It is expected that Junior Reserves and Leaders will be invited to attend the first week and Juniors the second week. A more definite announce-



ment will be made on that at a later date.

Qualifications for camp attendance are listed on this page. The fee will be \$5.00, the same as in previous years, and five days will be the length of each

camping period.

It will probably take more work and sacrifice to gather camp funds and make the trip this year, but the need for camp fellowship hasn't lessened. The war is giving us many new duties and responsibiiities. To meet these intelligently we need to increase, rather than decrease conferences and meetings for group discussions and leadership training. Juniors, Reserves, Leaders, put the 1942 camps on your "must" list.

NECKERCHIEFS FOR JUNIORS

There are few schools and clubs that do not adopt some dress or ornament for identification purposes. We are proud that Farmers Union young people can often be known by their achievement pins, by what they know about the Farmers Union, and by their activities in the Union. Now we have something additional that is brand new for Juniors.

A regulation pattern has been prepared for gay neckerchiefs in Junior colors. The neckerchiefs may be made as a class project and may be worn on special occasions such as picnics, fairs, conventions, and camps. Or they may be given every day use by wearing them to school.

The neckerchief is to be made in a twenty-two

inch square of gold colored cloth with a navy blue one and a half inch border. The letters F. U. J. are appliqued in one corner. It is suggested that Juniors embroider autographs on their neckerchiefs. When Irma Kietzman, a Kansas Junior, went to the All-State Camp, she collected autographs which she embroidered on a dress. Many will remember that she wore it at state camp last summer.

Patterns were sent out in the May Leader's' Let ter. Do not attempt making a neckerchief until you have the regulation pattern which may be ordered from the State Junior Department. The patterns are free.

on the blouse of her linen dress the evening. It began with the National Anthem and continued with a vocal solo by Bonnie Petautographed in this way for some time and are popular. We have seen the head kerchiefs decorated in the same manner.

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days in Washington and worked entertainment continued with out the plans of what must be square dances, waltzes, schottisdone for children in a country at ches, and singing games. Old and war. Because of the emergency we young joined in the fun. Refreshface, because it is easy to over- ments of coffee, sandwiches and look many of the things which donuts were served by mothers of would be a matter of course in the Juniors. Two-hundred members were present.

Farmers Union Achievement Family



Farmers Union Achievement family of North Dakota is the Peter Fog family of Lisbon. Pictured here are the seven children, back row, reading from left to right, they are: Asger, Peter, Gunnar; and front row, Jorgen, Marie, Holger and Anna.

Each of the children has taken his or her place in Farmers Union

classes—Junior, Reserve and Juvenile, as they grow old enough to do so. With the exception of Holger, each has attended a state Farmers Union camp, and Holger, eleven, will be there as soon as he has reached his thirteenth birthday. Marie attended the 1941 All-State

Marle, a Junior at the North Dakota Agricultural College, an active member of College Local, attended the Danebod Folk School at Tyler, Minnesota, during the summer of 1940. Peter, extremely active in Farmers Union Junior work, is state president of the North Dakota 4-H club members. He plans to attend college when his high school course is completed.

On March 26 the Juniors of St. The Pledge Tarys, Pottawatomic county, held heir regular business meeting.

To The Flag Marys. Pottawatomie county, held their regular business meeting. Vice-President Rita Ronsee called the meeting to order. The secretary, M. P. Immenschuh read the "Education—A Debt Due COMMISSION ON CHILDREN IN State Office, Esther Ekblad, Edu-cation Director, Mrs. Jim Petty and Commission of Cletus Schier a there is no "one, official, and precations" Commission of Cletus Schier a scribed way of giving the pledge cation Director, Mrs. Jim Petty and Commissions of Cletus Schier a scribed way of giving the pledge cation Director, Mrs. Jim Petty and Commissions of Cletus Schier a scribed way of giving the pledge cation Director, Mrs. Jim Petty and Commissions of Cletus Schier a scribed way of giving the pledge cation Director, Mrs. Jim Petty and Commissions of Cletus Schier a scribed way of giving the pledge cation Director, Mrs. Jim Petty and Commissions of Cletus Schier a scribed way of giving the pledge cation Director, Mrs. Jim Petty and Commissions of Cletus Schier a scribed way of giving the pledge cation Director, Mrs. Jim Petty and Commissions of Cletus Schier a scribed way of giving the pledge cation Director, Mrs. Jim Petty and Commissions of Cletus Schier a scribed way of giving the pledge cation Director, Mrs. Jim Petty and Commissions of Cletus Schier a scribed way of giving the pledge cation Director, Mrs. Jim Petty and Commissions of Cletus Schier a scribed way of giving the pledge cation Director, Mrs. Jim Petty and Commissions of Cletus Schier a scribed way of giving the pledge cation Director, Mrs. Jim Petty and Commissions of Cletus Schier a scribed way of giving the pledge cation Director, Mrs. Jim Petty and Commissions of Cletus Schier a scribed way of giving the pledge cation Director and Commissions of Cletus Schier a scribed way of giving the pledge cation Director and Commissions of Cletus Schier a scribed way of giving the pledge cation Director and Commissions of Cletus Schier a scribed way of giving the pledge cation Director and Commissions of Cletus Schier a scribed way of giving the pledge cation Director and Commissions of Cletus Schier a scribed way of giving the pledge cation Director and Commissions of Cletus Schier a scribed way of giving The Commission on Children In Margaret, and E. C. Broman of the to serve the rest of the year. The to the flag. War Time, composed of fifty-six Auditing Association Association. new officers are, President, Kent Stunts, accompanied with much Pearl, Vice President, Jim Pearl, ed States and from almost every laughter, followed the program. Secretary, M. T. Erbacher, Treasthen passed. The remainder of the evening was devoted to games

and songs. (An account of the discussion meetings and Minute Men Projects promised in next issue of the Torch.)-From "The Torch."

Inquiries which come to the United States Office of Education resolution was passed to pay \$9.00 schools. These variations are nameyer and Margaret Moore of the on our debt to the Credit Union. tural and to be expected since

The National Flag Conference of 1923, and the Second National Flag Conference the following group in the country, met for three Keith Peterson was in charge. The days in Washington and worked been in use for many years previous to that time. The pledge thus modified is now universally used, but the method of rendering it varies.

The flag code as modified by the Second National Flag Conference contains the following suggestions regarding the salute when giving the pledge to the flag:

Standing with the right hand over the heart, all the pupils repeat together the following pledge:

"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

"At the words 'to the Flag,' the right hand is extended, palm upward, toward the flag, and this position is held to the end. After the words, 'justice for all," the hand drops to the side."

One needs always to bear in mind that patriotism and loyalty to our country are not to be measured by form. Perhaps that is the reason that over the years no one official way of giving the pledge to the flag has been prescribed.

An alternative method of pledging allegiance to the flag is that followed in New York. The pleage is identical with the one described above except that the right hand military salute is submitted for the extended arm gesture.-By Carl A. Jesson, Senior Specialist in Secondary Education, U. S. Office of Education, in cooperation with the United States Flag Association and appearing in the January 1941 issue of SCHOOL LIFE, Volume 26, November 4, Page 121-FFA Bulletin.

There is no finer way of strengthening our nation than by working together. Our farmers, through their cooperatives, can definitely help in the erection of sound economic institutions, dedicated to the elimination of costly and wasteful practices and to the building of stronger and more useful citizens.—E. B. Johnston, manager of the Central Farmers Cooperative, Inc., Selma, Ala.

AT YOUR SERVICE Farmers Union Education Service Gladys Talbott Edwards, Director Edited by Alice Joyce

from Present to Future Generations."

FRIENDSHIP BRACELET NO MORE

The "Friendship Bracelet 'Round the World" used as Unit III for Reserves is now out of print as a Reserve text. Parts of it will be used as reference material, but a new Unit will deal with the family-type farm, and with the relationships of farmers throughout the world.

For Junior Reserve classes just beginning, even though they have done Reserve work for the two previous years, the new Unit, "The Liveoak Tree" is recommended for its historical value.

Unit II the revised "Twin Pine Trail" will be ready for use this fall, and Unit III which will replace the "Friendship Bracelet" will also be ready at that time.

GOLD KERCHIEFS

As an identification uniform, Juniors and Reserves will wear gold colored neckerchiefs, banded with blue. Making the kerchiefs will be projects of the classes and the camps. A pattern for the regulation kerchief is available from your State Education Department. Instructions for making are also available there.

gold colored sateen or percale, locals. It is important that every with a blue border. In the corner member of the Farmers Union are the letters F. U. J. appliqued. carry his card. That means all They are to be worn about the Voting Members-not just duesneck as a cow boy wears his ker- paying members. And voting memchief. We think that names of class members embroidered on the in Farmers Union families. kerchief would make an excellent means of keeping the autographs correct unless it shows the honof class mates or camp mates.

both boys and girls make a neat cards are made for them and they and attractive dress with which should be carrying the cards. to wear the gold neckerchiefs, and There are cards for Junior Reit is an outfit which would make serves and Juveniles, too. Be sure Juniors easily recognized at that they are issued to these younger members of the Union.

NAME PILLOWS

Mrs. Bredehoft of he National Education Commi that Junior girls may like to at the Community Hall, McPhermake gold and blue sofa pillows son, Thursday evening, April 30. for their rooms, with the names With the three Junior members of of Junior Camp and class mates the County Junior Advisory Comembroidered thereon.

DRESSES AND BLOUSES One of the girls who attended vity. All-State Camp had names written A program was enjoyed early in

and embroidered. It started a fashion in camp autographs.

in the same manner.

people from all parts of the Unitpeace time, this commission was set up by the Children's Bureau for the purpose of safeguarding children's rights and welfare.

The commission, after days and nights of hard work adopted a Children's Charter, whose four major parts are ...

1. "Guard children from injury in danger zones.

2. Protect children from neglect exploitation and undue strain in

defense areas. 3. Strengthen the home life of children whose parents are mo-

bilized. 4. Conserve, equip and free children of every race and creed to

take their part in our democracy."

THAT UNION CARD

New highs are being reported on membership. State offices are overwhelmed with work in getting our cards, charters and ma-The neckerchiefs will be square, terial to new members and new

That membership count is not orary and Junior members in the Blue slacks and blue blouses for Union. They have voting rights,

bers mean all women and Juniors

JUNIOR "FUN NIGHT"

Fun is the right word to describe suggests the McPherson county party held mittee, Ruby Larson, Keith Peterson, and Helen Johnson in charge no moment was lacking in acti-

1942 Camp Qualifications

JUNIORS

1. Must be Farmers Union Junior members in good standing, carrying Junior membership cards for 1942.

2. Know the Farmers Union Creed.

3. Must have attended, previous to camp, not les than three Farmers Union Local or Junior class meetings in 1942. 4. Must have completed at least three lessons in the Junior

study topic for 1942. 5. Must have given one 4-minute speech or completed a written assignment approved by the Local Junior

JUNIOR RESERVES

1. Must be Junior Reserve members, carrying Junior Reserve membership cards. (Age of Reserves are 13, 14,

Know the Farmers Union Creed.

3. Must have attended, previous to camp, not less than three Farmers Union Local or Junior Reserve class meetings in 1942. 4. Must have completed at least three lessons in the study

topic selected for 1942. 3. Must have given a 4-minute speech, a special report, or

completed a written assignment approved by the Local Leader.

EXCEPTIONS

1. Juniors who are members of locals having active Junior classes but who are away from home attending school or working may attend camp by completing special work assigned to them by the Local Junior Leader.

2. Juniors and Junior Reserve members of locals that do not have active Junior or Reserve classes may attend camp upon the recommendation of the Local Farmers Union president and secretary.

3. Juniors and Junior Reserves who have attended previous camps but who are not taking active part in Junior work cannot attend camp without meeting the qualifications specified for Juniors and Junior Reserves.

LEADERS

All Local and County Junior, Reserve and Juvenile Leaders, members in good standing may attend the camps. Older young people interested in leadership may attend the camp upon recommendation of the local Farmers Union president and secretary.

Grain Terminal Association

Thy Speech Bewrayeth. They're Not the Same. Dingell Nailed Him The Tenant Was Sold. This Gallery God

It would have been an eye-opener to the farmers of this country, and particularly to those who are members of the Farmers Union and the Farm Bureau Federation, if they could have listened in on BUILD FARM the long debate on the Agricultur- | STORAGE NOW al appropriations bill which held the attention of the House from March 3 to March 13. Of course all speeches on the bill are printed in the "Congressional Record" but that publication is not generally available and-unless conversant with its peculiar style-is hard reading. Some day we shall have Congress on the radio and can hear our representatives give voice to sentiments that are now tovered up in the grey print of the Record. If some of them, prolessing friends of the farmer, could be heard, the retort of the hired girl to the Apostle Peter when he denied his Leader would fit in well: "Thy speech bewrayeth thee!" That's a good old word: "bewray." It means to accuse. We moderns would say: "It gives you away."

Repeatedly Rep. Dirksen, a lawyer from Illinois, rose to say when a slash in appropriations was proposed for the Farm Security Administration, or the Soil Conservation, or Agricultural Economics funds: "This amendment has the endorsement of the dirt farmers. It has the support of the Farm Bureau Federation." He was caught up and called on that by Rep. Frank Hook of Michigan, who handed him this: "I am glad that he (Dirksen) has recognized it seems to me that the best course that the American Farm Bureau to begin thinking about would be and the dirt farmer are not one and the same thing. The American Farm Bureau Federation does NOT the wheat grown on whatever acrepresent the dirt farmer of America. The American Farm Bureau full domestic needs for flour—per-Federation represents the corpor-haps 40,000,000 acres—and then ate and industrial farmers of have the areas that are especial-America." Which held Dirksen for ly equipped to grow wheat go ures of the Farmers Union, pointa while—but not for long. And shead and raise considerably more ing out that we are now able to when Dirksen was not howling than their domestic flour share, build with greater stability and for "economy" for the farmer, Rep. Tabor, another lawyer, from New lower price for feed and for in-York was vocalizing in the same dustrial uses and exports." There

One of the effective speeches against the Farm Bureau Federation was made by Rep. Dingell of at the same price maintained for Michigan. He nailed Edward A. O'Neal, president of the F. B. F. for claiming he had the organization behind him in his assault upon the appropriation for the relief of the down-and-out farmer, who had been forced into serfdom by adverse economic condi- ing nationally \$1.14 a bushel at dom by adverse economic conditions. Mr. Dingell calmly comthe farm, which is 16 cents higher to be commended for their efforts pared the attitude of the O'Neal than the national average of 98 organization on this subject with cents for the 1941 crop. that of the Farthers Union and having drawn it, said: "Is it not lar to those of the 1941. The rates The writer fully realizes what an proper to suggest that Mr. O'Neal are based upon a return equivadoes not want any government lent to 85 percent of parity. agency to help restore tenants, sharecroppers and farm laborers nounced for rye, barley, and grain to ownership and operation of sorghums. As in previous years, their own farms and thus check the loans were announced for rye, followed by a delicious supper, the growth of the type of opera-tions he represents?" Rep. Dirk-in previous years, the loans will sen, at the demand of O'Neal, had be made by the Commodity Credit dancing until 1:30 a. m., when all F. S. A. appropriation from \$70,gell "gave him the works" on mittees.

This is what Mr. Dingell said: "The policy of Mr. O'Neal appears to be a kind of modern feudalism or get out of the picture." in concept, believing in the concentration of land ownership in a comparatively small proportion of the agricultural population. This concept makes tenants, sharecroppers and farm laborers subject to industrialized agricultural management with ownership, more often than not, in absentee hands." You may remember the wording ot deeds to land in the feudal era. One landlord sold to another, describing the parcel of land and included the tenant in the deed with the words: "The man, the woman and their brood." That is the O'Neal idea of ideal American farming. There is not a Farm Bureau history-higher taxes, higher costs dirt farmer in the U.S. A. who would stand for that!

But, how did they "put over" the bill cutting down aid to the farmer? This is how Rep. Frank Hook of Michigan described the scene: "In the first part of my head of the Farm Bureau, was in BONDS.

the gallery yesterday directing activities. I notice he was there again today, but that right after the big slash in this bill (that was the FSA) he left the gallery. O, but he is back there again! His lieutenants-you know who they are-left then, but they are back now and at his beck and call to hamper the small farmer. It is their type who fought price control, rationing, adequate corporate income taxes." It is not hard to vision Czar O'Neal lolling in the House gallery and ordering legislation passed to suit him and the slave-driving landlords he represents. So, farmers, the bill was passed-without a roll call vote.

URGES WICKARD

(Continued From Page One) pansion won't do, Wickard said, farmers would delay victory by growing things that are not needed. This is where marketing quotas come in."

He reiterated statements of a year ago that no loans on wheat could be made unless the quotas are approved May 2.

Pointing out that in other wheat surplus nations prices to producers were much under those of cooperating American farmers, he estimated that with loans and payments the latter would get about \$1.25 per bushel this year.

Low Post War World Price Those who look back to the \$2 and \$3 wheat of the first World war and think that with a bigger war, more demand for wheat will develop, reason faultily, Wickard said. Then the United States was the great extorting nation. Now Canada, Australia and Argentina have huge surpluses. Nor is shipping available now as it was then. Even after the war, the secretary added, America's share of the world wheat trade likely will be small and will be disposed of at a price under parity.

"From the way things look now, something like this: maintain parity for every producer's share of reage may be needed to supply our then sell that excess wheat at a is need for wheat for industrial the trail for us. and feed outlets but no way at present, he said, to move large also spoke words of encourageamounts of grain into those fields ment to those who by their preswheat to be milled into flour.

USDA ANNOUNCES 1942 WHEAT LOAN

The Department of Agriculture announced today a loan program for the 1942 wheat crop averag-

Its general provisions are simi-

Loan programs also were anbarley, and grain sorghums. As put in an amendment to cut the Corporation and will be administered in the field by the County 000,000 to \$50,000,000. Rep. Din- Agricultural Conservation Com-

> Cooperation is the only yardstick that can say to monopoly "move over and give justice to all, R. Miller.

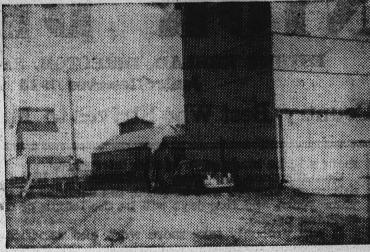
"ORGANIZED FARMING"

The marketing cooperatives represent "organized farming" at its best. These organizations aren't in business to shorten working hours and "slow down" production. Instead, they exist to show farmers how they may produce more. They help stabilize markets. And when it comes to "wages," they ask only that the farmer receive a price which will pay his costs and leave a little profit for his

Today the farmer must face some of the toughest problems in of all kinds, a fast-dwindling labor supply, scarcities of machinery and other commodities. The marketing in June. co-ops are helping him make the difficult and necessary adjustments.

A profitable investment WITH speech this morning, I referred A "MONEY-BACK" GUARANTEE to the fact that Mr. Ed O'Neal, from your government. BUY WAR

Two Of Kansas' Outstanding Elevators



MENLO F. U. ELEVATOR Charles Ozier, Manager



FARMERS COOP. ELEVATOR AT MORLAND

through the western part of the its manager, have been one of the pacity of 44,000 bushels. state last week Art Riley, Mana- Jobbing Association's one hundred ger of the Salina office of the Far- percent loyal shippers, for more mers Union Jobbing Association, than twenty years. made these camera views of two of the state's outstanding Farmers

bushels and is managed by Char- ley in our territory, also." les Ozier, who has been in charge of this station since 1920. Mr. erative Elevator is managed by

Salina, Kansas. While on a trip | teen years old. This elevator and | six years. The elevator has a ca-

"Conditions for a fine yield were never better than this year," Union elevators, and their mana- Mr. Ozier stated. "We expect exgers.

The Farmers Union Elevator at Menlo has a capacity of 22,000 deal of volunteer wheat and bar-

At Morland, the Farmers Coop-Ozier is married and has one John Richmeier, who has been in of too much growth—particularly daughter, Dorothy, who is eigh- charge of this station for twenty- in fields that were not pastured."

John Richmeier, Manager

Manager Richmeier is married and has five children. When asked about conditions in his territory, Richmeier said that although continued heavy rains were causing wheat to make a very rapid growth

"If any criticism can be made of the outlook," Manager Richmeier said, "It would be because

Neighborhood Notes

HACKBERRY LOCAL REVIVED

The Hackberry Local of Gove County held a special meeting at the Simmons schoolhouse Friday evening, April 30 for the purpose of determining if it were possible to revive it permanently. A record crowd of 65 attended.

Henry Sprenger, our president, gave a most able and interesting review of the history of the Farmers Union, why it was organized and by whom how a representative of the Union sat at the Peace table with President Wilson; another sat in on the Disarmament Conference during President Harding's Administration. He explained in detail the sucesses and faildurability by profiting by the mistakes and taking as an example the successes of those who blazed

Mr. Tuttle, the local's secretary, ence at this meeting clearly demonstrated that they are dissatisfied with present conditions. He cordially invited each and all to come into the Union and help build the framework for a better future. Several new members were taken in and some old members paid up dues.

Mr. Sprenger and Mr. Tuttle are in keeping the spark of life in this local during these trying years.

After the business meeting, there was reading of the creed, singing of Farmers Union songs, games, and finally an old time hoe-down for "auld lang syne." This was after which the most of the crowd felt so good that they insisted on went home feeling better fratern- time. ally than they had for some time.

A date was set for a meeting two weeks hence, May 15 at the Albin schoolhouse. Every effort JEWELL COUNTY LOCAL HAS will be made to enlarge the local and keep it going strong.-Mrs. L.

POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY MEETING

Elbow Local, Manhattan, was host to the Pottawatomie County Farmers Union quarterly meeting on april 11. The county president, Geo. Stowell, was in the chair and Mr. Samuelson of Olsburg acted as secretary.

Discussion centered around the Kansas mmebership drive, and the need of establishing a county legislative committee, as well as a cooperative committee. On the paid their dues. question of county dues it was voted that each member pay twenty cents to the county, the money being collected by the locals.

Sandy Hook Local will be host to the next county meet, sometime very interesting.

Chief speakers at Elbow were State President E. K. Dean, Professor Esping of Olsburg High School, and Mr. Hainey of the FSSA.

labor unions? To get better work- ber Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Rollo

ing conditions, collective bargaining and other rights which spell Suggest Program SECURITY FOR THEM. Teachers join unions to obtain the same ends. Why should farmers join the Union? To get equality and security. They may be satisfied with but they do want a better ratio be-tween the costs of what they buy and the money they get for their products. For farmers that means SECURITY. Why don't they get this security? Simply because they are not well organized in a good, solid organization. F. U. is among the best-under good, active, in-

telligent leadership. —From "The Torch"

Pottawatomie County The April meeting of the Sandy Hook Local No. 1867 was conducted by the delegates who recently town, North Dakota to arrive not attended the Leaders School at later than May 25th. Any dues-

SANDY HOOK LOCAL

Salina. called the meeting to order on

Wednseday evening, April 1st. Roll call was answered by each member stating his best purchase from a cooperative. Then came the initiation of six new members. This ceremony was very impres-

Mr. Julius Immenschuh reported from the organization committee. Sandy Hook, Local was organized in 1919. A number of the charter members are still active

members today. Mr. A. A. Ronsse reported for the Legislative Committee. He told how necessary it was for the farmer to keep posted on events at

Washington. Mr. John Meyer reported from the Cooperatives and stressed the quality of co-op paint and varn-

Mr. Yocum, the manager of the Cooperative elevator was also present and had some interesting remarks to make.

Later in the Month a special meeting will be held at the Sandy Hook Local. Kaw Valley Local will present their play at that

-Mary C. Lenherr, in "The Torch".

MEETING

Mankato, Kansas. April 25, 1942.

President E. K. Dean,

Salina, Kansas. Dear Sir: Sorry you didn't get to our

meeting at Paul Heiman's. The names left out at Geo. Wharton's meeting were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Peroutek, Mr. and

Mrs. Will Layergren and daugh-The meeting was opened by the President. Paul Heiman gave the secretary's report. Several

Mr. Petty gave an interesting talk on the Farmers Union and Mr. Will Lagergren also gave a good talk on The Farmers Union.

Mrs. Heiman served cake, sandwiches and coffee. The ones there

Mr. Petty, Mr. and Mrs. Tom ter. Howell, Mr. Byran McNabb and family, George Wharton and fam- the menu committee. ily, Mr. Proctor, Mr. and Mrs. Mr. Esping's talk was on "Security." Why do men belong to Lyman Hansen, Mr. and Mrs. Hu-

-Win a Prize

National President Patton has authorized two prizes to be given old machinery, a poorer set of for the two best suggested pro-equipment than their neighbor, grams for raising funds for the Farmers Union Achievement Budget during and at the Farmers Union summer picnics.

The first prize, consisting of \$25.00, will be given for what the judge of the suggestions considers the most practical means of raising funds and the second prize of \$15.00 will be given to the author of the second best suggested method.

State President Glenn Talbott of Jamestown, North Dakota, will be judge. Contestants competing for the prizes must send their suggestions to Mr. Talbott at Jamespaying member of the Farmers Leo Ronsse, president pro tem, Union in any state or any member of the family thereof, may compete for the prizes.

We want a plan for fund raising which may be used at every Farmers Union summer picnic held in the United States. The proceeds will go to complete the Achievement Budget Fund of the National Farmers Union.

Henningsen, Mr. and Mrs. Estel Brindle, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Olson, Mr. and Mrs. Will Lagergren and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hei-

All departed about midnight reporting a good time and are looking forward to the next meeting Monday, May the 4th. We will have doughnuts and coffee for this meeting and some more speakers. It will be Tom Howell's meeting and he will have it at the Lamb school house 8:30 p. m.

Hoping to see you and Mr. Petty also.

Yours Truly, Mrs. Geo. Wharton.

IN MEMORIAM

Kaw Valley Union Local No. 1935, extend their sympathy to the bereaved ones.

There's an open gate, At the end of the road. Through which each must go alone. And there in a light, we cannot

Our Father claims his own;

Beyond the gate, your loved one Finds happiness and rest. And there is comfort In the thought,

That a loving God knows best. In remembrance of our beloved deceased member, Wm. Uhlrig. Mrs. Frank Seele Reporter.

CLAY COUNTY LOCAL 592

The Farmers Union monthly meeting was held Friday, April 10. Meeting called to order by He is an old member so it was Vice President Ed. Lindsay, one new applicant for membership. Then all present were privileged to hear a very interesting talk by Mr. Frank Meek of Clay Cen-

The meeting was turned over to

Thelma Coupal Miltonvale, Kansas. Reporter.

LIVESTOCK MARKET

by the FARMERS UNION LIVESTOCK COMMISSION COMPANY, KANSAS CITY

and our market is anywhere from 50c to \$1.00 lower for the last few days on all classes of fed steers. Most of our good long fed steers selling from \$13 to \$14, with the inbetween kinds and short feds inbetween kinds and short feds ers and feeders about 25c lower for the last two weeks. Good White-the last two weeks. Good White-face feeders selling from \$12.50. Stock-grand feeders selling from \$25 to 9.00 with a few days this scare is going to pass and we will see is going to pass and we wi face feeders selling from \$12.50 face feeders selling from \$12.50 down depending on the quality. Bulls are selling with a practical Plainer kinds selling from \$10 to top of 9.50. Stock cows and heif-\$11. Good red feeders selling from \$10.50 to \$11.50. Light red last week. stock steers selling from \$10 to \$11. Jerseys and Holstein from \$8 to \$9.

Johnnie Hannon, part of last week while fed heifers lower, with best steer calves here

Steer

L. O. Martin,
Salesman. We have
Market had a very heavy
run of fed steers on
the market for the last two weeks
and our market is anywhere from
50c to \$1.00 lower for the last few
days on all classes of fed steers.
Most of our good long fed steers.

Most of our good long fed steers.

selling mostly from 7.25 to 8.00

Russ Kemp, Salesman. Veal calf mar-Market ket steady to 50c lower with best Butcher Salesman. The butcher cattle market butcher cattle market was exception- \$14.50. However, bulk of veals ally active up until last Wednesday when the break started Today's prices on cows look to be 50 to 75c per cwt., under the first Stock calf market weak to 25c

lard under the Lend-Lease Act

April farmers were urged to ex-

pand hog production by feeding

ulated by improving demand and

Government purchases of pork and

reached since 1926. Goals an-

pected.-U. S. Department of

Developments During the Past

Year.—Cattle numbers have been

increasing since 1938, and in 1941

which marketings for slaughter

could be increased materially at

the same time that herds were be-

ing built up further. The total

number of cattle and calves on

farms and ranches at the begin-

ning of 1942 was slightly larger

to stabilize numbers at about

their present level. This would

years. Average prices received by

as Large as a Year Earlier.

being fed for market.

as a year earlier. This informa-

tion, together with marketing in-

tentions reported by cattle feed-

ers, indicates that the monthly

supply of fed cattle during the

BEEF CATTLE

fixing price ceilings which includ-ed pork and beef, the hog market showed a rather sharp decline but ing within a very narrow price range as desirable 190 to 300 pounds sold at \$13.90 to \$14. Comparable grades of underweight lights, 140 to 180 pounds, \$13.50 to \$13.90. Bulk of the best packing sows \$13.40 to \$13.65, a few smooth light weight kinds \$13.75. Stock pigs continue rather scarce, odd lots of better kinds bringing up to

We feel as though that price ceilings and the fact that hog receipts should show a decided increase the next 30 to 60 days will continue to have a rather bearish effect on hog prices. We fel that it is improbable that hog prices will show any advance and there is a good possibility that the market will show a decline. It would probably be advisable to market hogs that are of marketable weight, that is, weighing over 200 pounds, and showing good finish. Weights under 200 pounds, however, especwas begun in March 1941, and in lially those lacking finish are being discounted to some extent and it may pay to hold them and make

Fred Grantham. Sheep Salesman. Market Market steady, Odd lots native spring lambs \$13.90. Best Arizonas held above \$14. Few loads good and choice nounced originally in September wooled lambs \$13.25 to \$13.50. Clipped lambs, No. 1 and 2 skins, are farmers and feeders. They are about 15 percent in the 1942 spring \$12.25. Odd lots shorn ewes downward from \$6.50

MAKE PLANS TO HANDLE LIVESTOCK SHIPMENTS

(Continued From Page One) that the cooperatives can demonstrate the manner in which our days. The bulk of butcher hogs numbers had reached the point at cooperatives can operate in helping farmers to meet their emergency needs. Every board of directors of local cooperatives should take this up at their next board meeting and see if they don't think it would be advisable for them to begin to plan now to meet than the previous peak number the emergency that it seems cerreached in 1934. The Department tain will confront the small farm-R. Rowe of Scranton, Kansas con- of Agriculture has recommended ers in the marketing of their liveincreased materially in 1942 so as F. U. Livestock Commission Com-

panies Are Experienced
The Farmers Union Livestock Commission Companies at Kansas City, Wichita, Parsons and St. cattle prices has advanced con- Joe have all had a vast amount of After all expenses including siderably during the past two experience in the operations of shipping associations and in the farmers for beef cattle are now handling of the livestock at the the highest they have been since terminal markets shipped in by these shipping associations, which requires special handling. If your Cattle on Feed April 1 Nearly local cooperative wants to make The estimated number of cattle plans to handle the shipping of on feed in the Corn Belt, April 1 livestock and there is any inforwas only 2 percent smaller than mation that you would care to member from Walker, Mo., was that of a year earlier, despite the have, write to any of the Farmon the market Friday, April 24th, large marketings of fed cattle dur-with a truck load of live stock ing the preceding 3 months. Ship-houses and they will be glad to ments of feeder cattle into the give you information you would need in making arrangements to Corn Belt last fall and early win-

ter were substantially smaller handle livestock shipments. In some communities the loca than a year earlier, but the inmovement during January-March cooperatives are already serving probably was as large as in those in the capacity of shipping associations in helping to make up months last year. The estimates of marketings and shipments inditruck loads of livestock. Many cooperatives could render this sercate that the number of cattle on feed January 1 probably was largvice in their community at the er than was estimated earlier, and present time. Many times a truck that a fairly large number of goes to market with room for cattle raised in the Corn Belt are another few head of livestock. I all of this space could be filled would help a great deal in the The proportion of cattle on feed longer than 3 months probaconservation of tires now availa

bly was about as large on April 1 ble.

for Information For information write any of the Farmers Union Livestock Commission Company offices at Kan-sas City, Wichita, Parsons, or St. also the names of the managers.

RECENT REPRESENTATIVE

Live Stock Sales

Ļ		Operation and the
Ļ	G W. Jale Views county Kans 86 steers 583	
Sec.	awrence Oberle, Osage County, Kans., 17 str & ms	13.2 7 13. 27 13. 25 13. 25
R D	indrew Forbes, Osage county, Kans., 24 steers	13.10 13.00 13.00
LHDT	orace Wilkes, Republic county, Kans., 10 heifers	12.85 12.75 12.50 12.50
PHIC	aul Uhlman, Johnson county, Kans., 50 steers	12.50 11.50 12.25 12.25
VETT	red Oberle, Osage county, Kans., 10 steers	11.75 11.60 11.50 11.25
OE	B. Thompson, Ray county, Missouri, 15 strs & hfs	11.25 11.00 11.00 10.75
I	2. N. Reed, Osage county, Kans., 13	14.15 14.15 14.10 14.10
JF	C. A. Alpert, Miami, county, Kans., 26	14.10 14.05 14.05 14.05
F	I. E. Doverspike, Chase county, Kans., 14	14.05 14.05 14.05 14.00
1	Mertgen Bros., Morgan, Mo., 20	14.00 14.00 14.00
0017	Omer Kedigh, Henr county, Mo., 22 207 Sam Zentner, Anderson county, Ks., 13 230 W. H. Wamser, Lyon county, Kans., 19 202 Otto Zimmerscheid, Cooper county, Mo., 14 218	14.00 14.00 14.00
	Chas. Shaver, Clinto county, Mo., 63 Raymond Thompson, Saline county, Mo., 40	14.00 14.00 14.00 13.90 13.90
	Milton Knipmeyer, Lafayette county, Mo., 15	13.90 13.90 13.90
	WICHITA	
	E.R. Hayden, Beaver county, Okla., 15 mixed cattle 886 Willie Wessels, Alfalfa county, Okla., 44 steers	10.50 11.50 11.35
-	Ralph Kerschen, Sumner county, Kans., 7 mixed	12.50 11.50 11.50 11.00 10.50
	H. A. Hale, Meade, county, Kans., 45 mixed	9.75 10.50 12.00 10. 2 5
	W. F. Garst, McPherson county, Kans., 10 mixed	10.50 9.50 13.78
	H. A. & Glen Klinkerman, McPherson county, Kans., 8 242 Ben Hermes, Sedgwick county, Kans., 19 250 W. S. Fritzmeyer, Stafford county, Kans., 11 hogs 206 Julian Swenson, Rice county, Kans., 16 hogs 239	13.90 13.90 13.90 13.90
£	R. M. Boone, Woodson county, Kans., 11 hogs	13.25 13.90 13.90 13.90 13.25
e	Chris Stackley, Butler county, Kans., 15 hogs	13.8 0 13.7 5
e f	Earl Robinson, Marion county, Kans., 2 sheep	8:00 4:50
n.	CATURE	13.00
o d o	Paul Bird, Montgomery county, 13 strs	12.40 12.00 12.00
g p p	W. S. Smith, Crawford county, 4 his	12.00 11.75 11.75
ekrif	Paul Bird, Montgomery county, 3 strs	11.50 11.50
it ie i-	C. C. Fraser, Wilson county, 16	13.85 13.85 13.85

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Kenneth Millard, Crawford, 11 204

Of Interest To Livestock Producers

OBERLE BROS. ON THE MARKET WITH CATTLE

On Tuesday, April 28th, Fred and Lawrence Oberle of Carbon- hogs to heavier weights and by in- them more desirable. dale, Kansas were in the Farmers creasing their 1941 fall crop. Stim-Union alley with consignments of cattle. Lawrence had a good nie Hannon sold at \$13.25, while steadily since last spring, and Fred had some steers which Cuz they are now at the highest level Martin sold at 11.60.

There are two more of the Oberle boys around Carbondale who 1941 called for an increase of Henry and Albert. These men are all good farmers and feeders and sponded well to the Nation's war their work on their farms and program, and a substantially LOCAL COOP. SHOULD with their live stock is truly rep- greater increase than this is exresentative of one of the very good reasons why this country will Agriculture. win this war.

SOW BRINGS OVER \$100

There is no doubt that hogs represent a lot of dollars these selling on the open market for the past two weeks have been netting \$30.00 per head and more while good sows have been returning as much as a truck load brought back in the dark days when hogs were at their lowest

On Wednesday, April 22nd, C. signed two head of hogs to the that cattle and calf slaughter be stock before so very long. Farmers Union at Kansas City, one of which was a big sow weighing 780 lbs. Lou Robson, assisstant hog salesman, sold this increase supplies of beef and veal animal at \$13.25 per cwt., making during 1942. The general level of the gross proceeds, on it \$103.35. trucking and feed, were deducted the sow netted its owner \$101.16.

R. A. TRUE, WALKER, MO. HITS FRIDAY MARKET WITH CATTLE, HOGS.

Mr. R. A. True, a good M. F. A. consisting of 4 yearlings, 18 hogs and 7 lambs. This stock was trucked by H. S. Clark of Har-

Mr. True is a good customer of the Farmers Union and is on the market every year with consignments of his home raised stock.

MISSOURI FEEDERS TOP HOG MARKET

Raymond Thompson of Shackelford, Mo. and Chas. Shaver, of Plattsburg, were on the market Monday, April 27th with consignments of hogs numbering 40 head and 63 head. Both these men topped the market. O'Neal, Farmers Union hog salesman, sold Mr. Thompson's 40 head which aver-Shaver's 63 head which averaged pounds at the same figure, sending them both home feeling mighty good about their transactions, which pointed to a fairly also the names of the managers.

Shaver's 63 head which averaged next 4 or 5 months may be about sas City, Wichita, Parsons, or St. Joe. You will find the addresses in the masthead of this paper and the masthead of this paper and the masthead of the managers.

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Year-Purchasing of pork, and ture.

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Ed O'Neal - Forcd to Backwater in His Against FSA—Farmers Union Calls Him Foe of Small Farmers.

Byrd Committee Cited as Front for Manufacturers Association in Joint Drive.

In the face of a sharp protest from its own membership and the farmers generally, the national of-fice of the Farm Bureau has continued its attack against the Farm Security Administration, at the very time when the FSA was carrying on a nationwide campaign aiding small farmers to increase their output of farm products essential for war use.

The Byrd Commottee drive, aided by the national office of the Farm Bureau, resulted in the House cut of \$46,250,264 in FSA funds below the President's budget recommendation. Of this amount, 25 millions were slashed from rural rehabilitation funds and 20 millions were taken off the farm tenant program, both of which have been aiding the Food for Victory campaign. Rep. Hook of Michigan charged that Ed O'Neal "sat in the gallery . . . signalling and directing . . . those on the floor of the House to sabotage" the FSA.

O'Neal's Conduct Called "Most Revolting" He described O'Neal's conduct as "one of the most revolting things that has come to my attention since I have been a member of Congress." Hook accused the Byrd Committee of operating "under the guise of the Citizens Emergency Committee" and thus serving with the Farm Bureau officials as a "new front of the National Association of Manufacturers ... to do their dirty work."

The House also voted to bar the use of any funds for maintaining FSA labor camps for migratory workers. This action was prompted by representatives of the southern cotton planters who fear that their present surpluses of cheap labor may be drawn off to areas where labor is short and wages

are higher. The Vermont and Ohio Farm Bureaus have repudiated the action taken by President O'Neal and other national officers of the American Farm Bu-reau Federation. The National Farmers Union, the Farmers Union of New York Milk Shed, and the CIO went on record supporting the FSA and urging an expansion of aid to the family-sized farms so that

they may increase the production of vital war foods Under the pressure of the protest, the national office of the Farm Bureau was forced to take the defensive and deny that it had come out for "abolishment of the Farm Security Administration." In order to prove this point and to justify its assault on the FSA, Bureau officials printed a special double-sized issue of their Official News Letter for March

Can O'Neal Deny That He Tried to Kill FSA? Here is the Record

1. Ed O'Neal, president of the Bureau, told the house committee on Appropriations that he "approved in general the recommendations of the first preliminary report of this committee"—i. e., the Byrd Committee which called explicitly for "Aboli-

tion of the farm-tenant purchase program and the Farm Security Administration." He inserted the Byrd Committee's attack on the FSA in the record

with his own testimony.

2. Ed O'Neal then fired volleys at the FSA loan program, its tenant purchase activities, and its help to co-ops. He added:

'For this reason we believe that the merited parts of these programs should be handled by other agencies in the Department of Agriculture which have for many years been engaged in

O'Neal's words speak for themselves. The record is clear. There would be nothing left for the Farm Security Administration to administer. Whatever he does not propose to kill outright he would take away from the FSA.

After his first smear accusing the FSA of playing politics with poll taxes had backfired, O'Neal and his boys then fell back on the usual cry of "communism". In its special issue of the News Letter, the Bureau reprints in full a long editorial from the Memphis Commercial Appeal (March 10) which favors not only "abolishment" of the FSA but the jailing of its officials on the absurd ground that they would "overthrow the American system and Communize American agriculture.'

The crux of the attack by the national office of the Farm Bureau on the FSA lies in its hostility to the small farmers. Earl Smith of Illinois and Ed O'Neal of Alabama, who run the Bureau, have consistently supported reduction policies aimed at the family-sized farm and opposed all proposals for aiding the low-income producers.

Considers Small Farmers "Not Worth Saving"

This attitude was made clear in the testimony before the House Appropriations Subcommittee when one of the Bureau officials, J. S. Jones, secretary of the Minnesota Farm Bureau said in attacking the

. . if a man cannot make money farming this year, he is just in bad shape, and in many cases not worth saving."

These big-farmer representatives do not care about the hardships which have beset the great majority of the nation's farmers during the past decade. They do not seem to realize that nearly half of the farmers in this country have a gross income, including the value of products consumed at home, of less than \$600 a year.

In a radio broadcast over the National Farm and Home Hour, M. W. Thatcher of the Farmers Union recently said, without naming the Farm Bureau, in so many words:

"This smug organization has made its coalition with anti-labor leaders in the Congress and the deal is made to take away some of the gains from organized labor under the cloak of war production, and this same deal is to destroy the Farm Security Administration so the commercial farmers can control the future of American agriculture."

TROUBLE MAKERS ARE FOILED

The same farm leaders who struck at the FSA sought to aid the anti-labor drive being put on by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, by calling an emergency conference for themselves in Chicago where they said they would discuss such subjects as "the 40-hour week." "too many strikes," and "other labor troubles.'

The plan of the meeting was to use the John L. Lewis drive among the farmers as an excuse for a series of blistering anti-labor press releases, blaming the CIO and even labor in general for Lewis'

dairy campaign and then attacking labor legislation. Charlie Holman of the National Council and Albert Goss of the Grange had already given their individual opinions to the press, in which they said nary a word even suggesting that the CIO is itself fighting John L. Lewis or that the mine leader is bent on an appeasment line.

Ed O'Neal made the fiery keynote oration; Grange and National Council representatives applauded warmly. Farmers Union and other farm leaders pointed out that labor is loyally supporting the war program, that the CIO is fighting John L Lewis, that there is no "40-hour week" and that labor is adhering to a "no-strike" policy to speed war produc-

No press releases came out of the conference.-Facts for Farmers.

A BANQUET FROM Y. W. C. A.

The Woman's Press, April, 1942, runs the fine talk made by Esther Ekblad at Lincoln, Nebraska, when she attended a conference there held by the YWCA. In a box at the top of the page on which Esther's talk is printed is the following tribute to the Farmers Union Youth Program by Elizabeth Herring of the National YWCA staff.

'If the measure of education be that it really educates, the Farmers Educational and Cooperative Union should be given A for its youth program. Because of its notable success in developing socially intelligent and responsible rural young people, Miss Ekblad was invited to tell the recent national Conference of District YWCA's how it was done. The Farmers Union, which started in 1902, is organized in twentyfive states and is strongest west of Chicago."

COOPERATIVES AN ANSWER TO POVERTY IN THE MIDST OF PLENTY, VOORHIS TELLS CONFERENCE OF NEW JERSEY COOPERATIVE **FEDERATION**

NEWARK, N. J.—"I believe in Cooperatives because they are the one means that I know whereby I am sure our problem of poverty in the midst of plenty can be solved—and what is more, solved without resort to governmental dictatorship or to the development of a dependence of millions of people upon governmental support," Congressman Jerry Voorhis told two hundred representatives of New Jersey cooperatives at the Sixth Annual Meet-

ing of the Cooperative Federation of New Jersey.

"I belive in Cooperatives because they offer to the common people something they can do for themselves now with their small resources, a great and sound idea, a willingness to study and to work an a deep and abiding loyalty. These resources every group of people in all the world possess. And therefore the message of the cooperatives to a distressed world is more fundamentally a message of hope than any other message I know," Congressman Voorhis declared.

Mr. and Mrs. Corncob Organize

(Submitted in Writers' Project)

Editor's Note: The following clever report on the Farmers Union Training School in Salina we think will be of interest to all of our readers.

By Mrs. D. R. MILLER, Quinter, Kansas Once, upon a chilly evening, Caleb Corncob's chores were done, And he sat beside the fire, with his wife; Permelia, she had been away to the Farmers Union School, And vowed she'd had the best time of her life! Now Caleb, he had sort of soured on Farmers Union stuff, For it seemed to him, things "got no better fast," What with taxes piling up each day, and bankers getting tough,— He wondered how much longer he could last!

But Permelia, she was all enthused, since coming from the meeting, And talked so much it almost took his breath; 'W'y, you'd oughta been there, Caleb," said she, "twas quite

Why half the nation's 'bout to starve to death!" We listened to Herb Rolph explain why we must pay attention To what goes on up there on Capitol Hill; If we don't, our wants an' wishes will never get a mention, An' we'll have to keep on payin' all the bills!"

"Now wait a minute, wife," says he, "I'd like to know how in

'tarnation We're gonna get their ear in Washington; With all them big shots grabbin' swag, for them an' their relation,— W'y we're whipped before we're even half begun!" "Of course we are, unless we rise as one, an' from our Union, Voice a demand for common folks' salvation;" Says she, "The good things in this life don't come without a struggle,-Take for instance, how we come to be a nation!"

"Permelia, that's old stuff," says he, "I used to feel the same, And 'tended meetin's in all kinds of weather; But one by one, they dropped away, till just a handful came,— W'y, the farmers just don't want to stick together!" Permelia sighed, and almost cried,—"Dear me," said she, I'd better Read up a bit on all the whys and wherefores;" So she studied the Triangle, the program, and the rest Of the literature she had bought, while Caleb snored-

So, when he 'woke up from his nap, she started in like this: "Here Caleb Corncob, read this latest program; You've never heard as square a deal, for peace an' happiness, An' plenty here for all, put in the open! You know quite will that every inch we've gained, is due to those Who're workin' hard, for our farm legislation; An' when we swell the ranks with millions, hopin' for a break, We'll have the Congress at our feet, awaitin'!"

"But how're we gonna get them in? them backsliders are the Said Caleb, "They've lost faith, and spile the others;" "W'y," says she, "we've got to make 'em see Democracy's at stake,— To save it, men must learn to live as brothers! In Farm Co-operative Unions is the place to start,-Of all the groups, it surely is the best; An' because of its Youth Movement, it perpetuates iteslf,"

"Now speakin' of backslidin', an' locals gone defunct,— That's nothing, for by our mistakes, we learn; "Truth crushed to earth will rise again,' is just the same today— Let's help it on, not 'Fiddle While Rome Burns'!" en, wen, my wire, that Union bug has bit you good, for sure, An' I don't doubt a bit, but what it's ketchin'; I'll see Bill Smiths' an' he can speak to Jukes's, 'round the bend An' maybe in that way, we'll step an' fetchem!"

And its record stands the hottest kind of test . . ."

And so there started, in those parts, a genuine revival For old and new ones, at the Union altar: Some came willingly, some were shy, but come they did, at last. Tho' on a few, it almost took a halter! They studied hard, when organizers made it very plain There was no future for new generations, But only war and chaos, if they failed to stand together, And thus, let Democracy die, in our great nation!

FARMERS AND TIRES

Under the rationing plan now in sale are eligible for new tires;

Farmers who use their automomobiles to deliver produce at effect farmers who use their wholesale may have their tires retrucks to make deliveries at whole- capped, but those who sell at retail are not eligible. In all cases farmers who make their deliveries the final decision rests with the on the retail plan are not eligible. tire rationing board of the county.

Automobile Insurance Protection Is Imperative Now

Automobile insurance protection is more important under present conditions than it has ever been, in the opinion of many car owners who are taking advantage of the insurance service of the Kansas Farmers Union.

Despite requests for slower driving and tire and gasoline saving, automobile accidents went up during January, according to National Safety Council figures and it was not until February that the trend was reversed after many months of increased accidents and fatalities. As long as cars are used accidents will happen and insurance will be needed.

Higher taxes and living costs furnish another reason for the importance of automobile coverage. With greater demand for cash for these purposes, it is important that no unexpected strain be placed on the resources of auto owners to pay for accident damage.

Shortage of both cars and tires are making the "property coverages" of automobile insurance more important than ever, also. As cars get older there is more probability of loss and more need for protection against fire, theft, comprehensive damage and collision.

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